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## FOREWORD

The Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute, a non-profit corporation, was founded in 1954 for the purpose of advancing the design, manufacture, and use of structural precast and prestressed concrete and architectural precast concrete in the United States and Canada.

To meet this purpose, PCI continually disseminates information on the latest concepts, techniques and design data to the architectural and engineering professions through regional and national programs and technical publications.

The First Edition of the *PCI Design Handbook* was published in 1971 with its primary focus on structural products and buildings. To fill a void in the design of architectural precast concrete, the *PCI Manual for Structural Design of Architectural Precast Concrete* was published in 1977. In 1978, the Second Edition of the *PCI Design Handbook* was published. In keeping with the tradition of continually updating information, an Industry Handbook Committee was formed in 1979 to develop the Third Edition, which was published in 1985. That edition provided, in a single source, information on the design of both architectural precast concrete and structural precast and prestressed concrete. The Fourth Edition, published in 1992, continued to present both architectural and structural products and systems. This emphasis is maintained in the Fifth Edition.

Since 1992, the committee has continued to monitor technical progress within the industry, with particular assistance from the many committees of PCI responsible for a variety of specific topics. This Fifth Edition is the culmination of those efforts, and represents current industry practice.

The members of the committee listed on the title page have made significant contributions of their time and expertise. In addition, PCI committees have provided reviews of specific areas. Many individuals within the industry have also provided advice and comment. The Institute offers all involved in this process a special note of recognition and appreciation.

The final review phase consisted of a Blue Ribbon Review Committee, made up of Plant Engineers and Consulting Engineers from each of the PCI Zones and from Canada. These individuals were Mike DeSutter, P.E., Bill Fossing, P.E., Peter Kluchert, P.E., James Linskens, P.E., Robert H. Murray, P.E., Joseph W. Retzner, P.E., John Salmons, P.E., Timothy Salmons, P.E., Donald J. Smith, P.E., Victor O. Stango, P.E., Ted Wolfstahl, P.E., and James Zusy, P.E. To them, PCI extends its appreciation for their very important input.

Changes have been made throughout the document. Some of particular importance include:

- Updated to the ACI Building Code 318-95, other current PCI publications, and publications of other technical associations.
- New load tables for 12 ft. wide double tees have been added.
- Prestressed column curves have been expanded to include 9,000 and 10,000 psi concrete strengths.
- The Chapter 3 sections on structural integrity and seismic design have been completely revised.
- Chapter 4 includes a new pocketed spandrel beam design example.
- Chapter 6 has been reorganized and material not specifically related to connections has been moved to Chapter 4.
- The headed stud section (6.5.2) has been revised to incorporate the latest research and coordination with ACI.
- A new section 10.5 was added to explain some design practices that require interpretation of ACI 318-95.
- The metric conversion section of Chapter 11 has been expanded and includes a new example problem.

Substantial effort has been made to ensure that all data and information in this Handbook are accurate. However, PCI cannot accept responsibility for any errors or oversights in the use of material or in the preparation of engineering plans. The designer must recognize that no handbook or code can substitute for experienced engineering judgment. This publication is intended for use by professional personnel competent to evaluate the significance and limitations of its contents and able to accept responsibility for the application of the material it contains.

The Institute considers each new Edition of the *PCI Design Handbook* to be a living document. The user is encouraged to offer comments to PCI on the content and suggestions for improvement to be incorporated in the next edition. Questions concerning the source and derivation of any material in the Handbook should be directed to the Institute.

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# PRECAST AND PRESTRESSED CONCRETE: APPLICATIONS AND MATERIALS

## 1.1 General

### 1.1.1 Background

The growth of precast and prestressed concrete is a story of the vision and daring of a few notable men. These men took a new idea and maximized its potential by modifying and improving existing methods, conceiving new methods, and inventing new devices, all with a focus on mass production techniques. An excellent portrayal of the beginnings and the growth of precast and prestressed concrete in North America and the early pioneers is given in a series of papers developed to commemorate the 25-Year Silver Jubilee of the founding of the Prestressed Concrete Institute which is now known as the Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute (PCI).

The single most important event leading to the launching of the precast/prestressed concrete industry in North America was the construction in 1950 of the famed Walnut Lane Memorial Bridge (Figure 1.1.1) in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. From a technical perspective it is surprising, and from a historical perspective it is fascinating, that the Walnut Lane Memorial Bridge was constructed in prestressed concrete. There was very little published information on the subject and there was a total lack of experience with linear prestressing in this country. Furthermore, the length of bridge spans involved would have been a daring venture in the late 1940s anywhere in the world. The bridge became a reality through a fortunate sequence of events, and the vision, courage and persistence of a few extraordinary individuals [1].

Following completion of the Walnut Lane Memorial Bridge, American engineers and the construction industry enthusiastically embraced prestressed concrete. Many of the early post-Walnut Lane Memorial Bridge applications remained in bridge construction, such as the lower Tampa Bay crossing now known as the Sunshine Skyway. Simultaneously, American engineers and constructors were conceiving new devices, improving techniques and developing new materials.

The 1950s were the years that brought into focus the 7-wire strand, precasting, long-line beds (Figure 1.1.2), admixtures, high strength concrete, vacuum concrete, steam curing and many other innovations. With these developments, coupled with the technical and logistic support provided by the Prestressed Concrete Institute, which was chartered in 1954, the industry grew and the applications of precast and prestressed concrete began to appear in an impressive variety of structures.

Development of standard products was one of the major activities through the 1950s and the 1960s.

In the late 1970s low relaxation strand was introduced which reduced the loss of prestress force due to creep in the strand, thus allowing more efficient use of prestressing, resulting in longer spans or smaller sections. Larger strand sizes have been made available as well, such as 0.6 in. diameter strand.

In the field of bridges there was the development of spliced girders, segmental bridges, cable stayed bridges and cantilevered girder bridges.

During the 1980s it was recognized that durability is an important aspect of a structure. The precast and prestressed concrete industry responded by taking advantage of one of its natural strengths. Plant-cast concrete is more durable than site-cast concrete because it can be cast with lower water/cementitious materials ratios under controlled conditions. This natural durability was enhanced with the development of admixtures that make the concrete matrix more impermeable and that inhibit steel corrosion. Pretopped tees were developed for parking structures to maximize the benefits of the durability of precast, prestressed concrete at the wearing surface.

The past decade has seen the development of more complex architectural shapes and surface treatments. The high demands of owners and architects for quality finishes has led to the development of new surface textures and surface treatments. Thin-set brick and stone-faced panels and textures and colors of infinite variety have been developed.

### 1.1.2 Features and General Principles

Precasting concrete in PCI certified plants ensures manufacture of high quality architectural and structural products. Precasting also facilitates production of a wide variety of shapes and sizes, and the use of prestressing substantially extends the span capability of the products. These techniques enable architects and engineers to achieve highly innovative and economically competitive buildings and other structures.

This handbook serves as the primary reference for the use and design of precast and prestressed concrete structures. This section enumerates some of the important and unique features of precast and prestressed concrete. These include the following:

1. Construction speed.
2. Plant-fabrication quality control.
3. Fire resistance and durability.

4. With prestressing: greater span-depth ratios, more controllable performance, less material usage.
5. With architectural precast concrete: wide variety of highly attractive surfaces and shapes.
6. Thermal and acoustical control.
7. All weather construction.

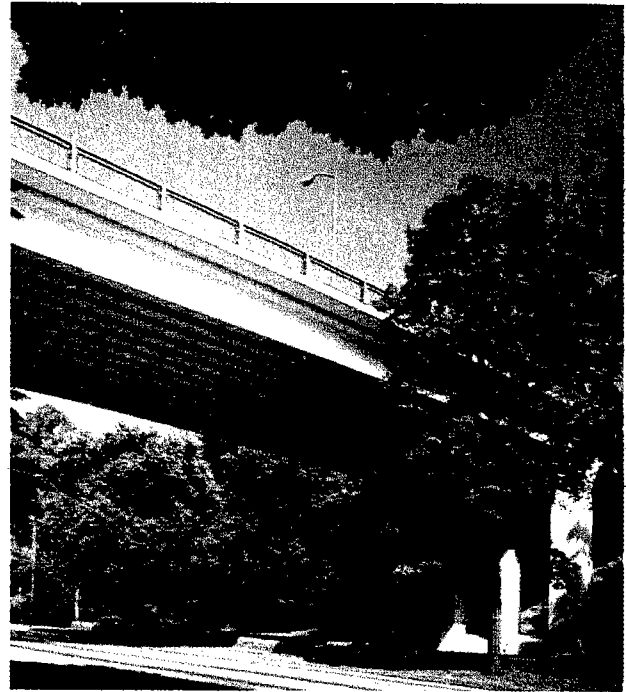
To fully realize these benefits and thereby gain the most economical and effective use of the material, the following general principles are offered:

1. Precast concrete is basically a "simple-span" material. However continuity can be, and often is, effectively achieved with properly conceived connection details.
2. Sizes and shapes of members are often limited by production, hauling and erection considerations.
3. Concrete is a massive material. This is an advantage for such matters as stability under wind loads, thermal changes, acoustical vibration and as well as fire resistance. Also, the high dead-to-live load ratio will provide a greater safety factor against gravity overloads.
4. Maximum economy is achieved with maximum repetition. Standard or repetitive sections should be used whenever possible.
5. Successful use is largely dependent on an effective structural layout and carefully conceived connection details.
6. The effects of restraint of volume changes caused by creep, shrinkage and temperature change must be considered in every structure.
7. While architectural panels are often used only as cladding, the inherent load-carrying capacity of these products should not be overlooked.
8. Prestressing improves the economy and performance of precast members, but is usually only feasible with standard shapes which are capable of being cast in "long-line" beds.

### 1.1.3 Common Products

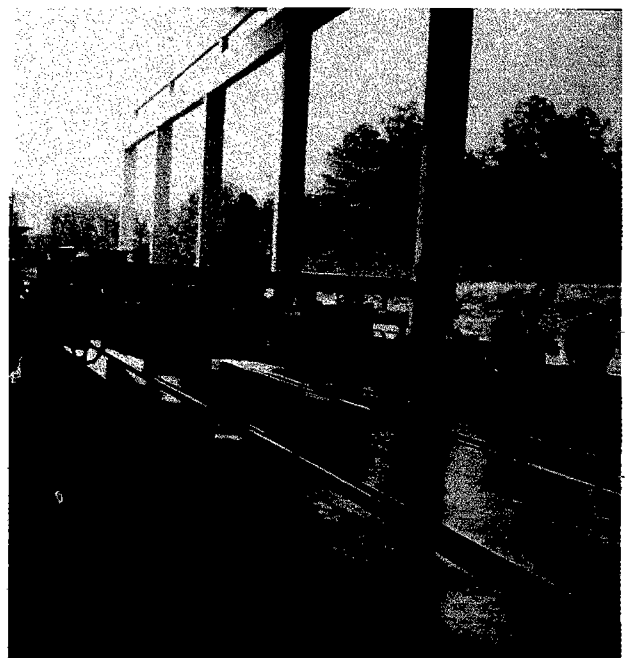
Double tee and hollow-core slabs (Figure 1.1.3) are the most widely used building products. Double tees are efficient for spans in the range of 40 to 90 ft although longer spans are possible with deeper sections. Hollow-core slabs are available in a variety of widths ranging from 16 in. to 10 ft and are used for spans up to about 40 ft. Figure 1.1.4 shows cross

sections of these and other commonly used products. The I-beam, box beam and bulb-tee are used in bridge construction. The inverted tee, ledger beam and rectangular beam are used for structural framing to support deck members. Square or rectangular columns, with or without corbels, are an integral part of the column-beam-deck framing that makes rapid, all-weather erection possible. Piles are manufactured in a variety of shapes, including round, square, hexagonal and octagonal, as well as rectangular sheet piles. Channel slabs are used to support heavy floor or roof loads in short and medium span ranges.



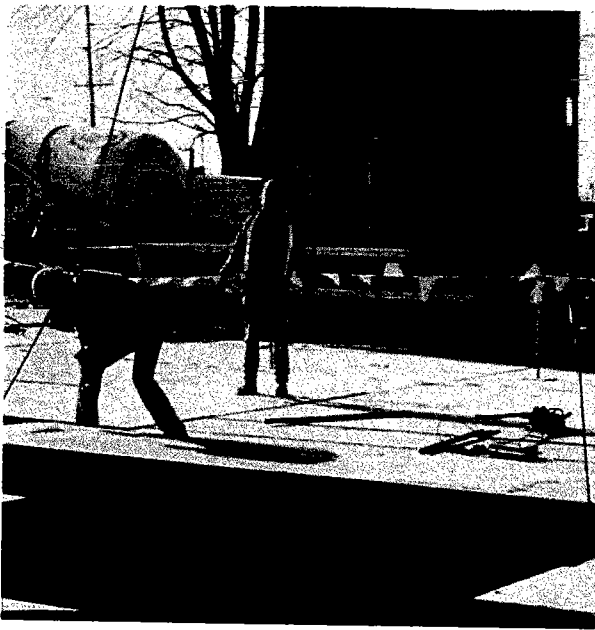
**Figure 1.1.1**

Walnut Lane Memorial Bridge: Recipient of the 1978 ASCE's Outstanding Civil Engineering Achievement Award.

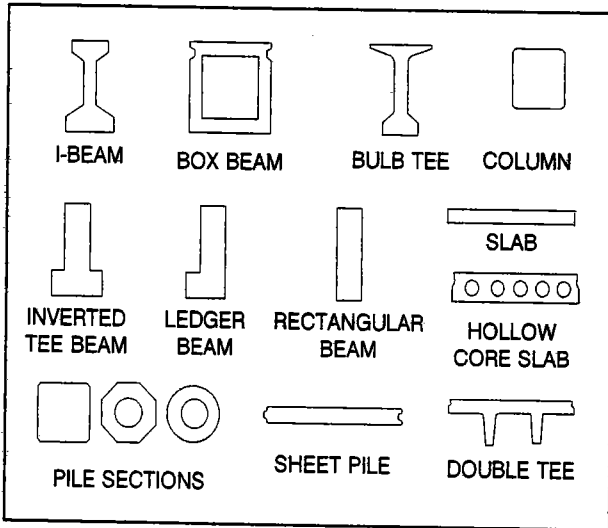


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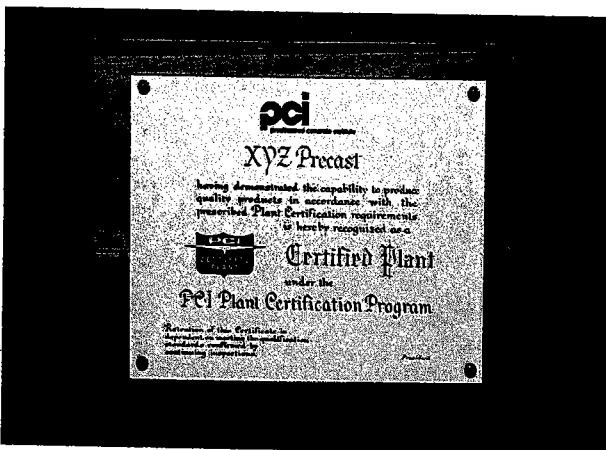
Long-line prestressed double tee casting bed.



**Figure 1.1.3**  
Erection of hollow-core deck members.



**Figure 1.1.4**  
Common precast and prestressed concrete products.



**Figure 1.1.5**  
Assurance of quality through PCI Plant Certification.

Precast and prestressed concrete products are designed in accordance with the latest engineering standards and produced in plants where PCI's Plant Certification is an integral part of plant production. PCI Plant Certification (Figure 1.1.5) assures specifiers of a manufacturing plant's audited capability to produce quality products. A minimum of two unannounced inspections each year by specially trained engineers evaluates compliance. Performance standards are found in the PCI quality control manuals, MNL-116 [2] and MNL-117 [3]. These manuals are considered industry standards for quality assurance and control. A plant that does not achieve a minimum required score loses certification. Plant certification is a prerequisite for PCI membership. Plants in Canada subscribe to a similar Canadian plant certification program based on Canadian Standards Association (CSA) A-251 Standard. For more information on the Plant Certification Program, see Sect. 9.5.

The high quality standard products noted above form the basis for configuring a wide variety of framing systems for buildings, bridges and other structures. The following pages provide an overview of some of the applications. For other applications and also for products and practices suitable in different geographical zones, contact with the local producers is highly recommended. A list of PCI Producer Members is available from the Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute.

With this edition of the handbook, PCI has initiated the process of giving recognition to common industry practices in the design of precast and prestressed concrete structures. While generally the design procedures are based on the ACI Building Code (ACI 318) requirements, there are cases where substantial experience and/or research results suggest alternative design approaches for improved structural performance and economy. A new section (Section 10.5) has been included in this edition to catalog these alternative practices. The long-term objective is to augment the ACI Building Code with common industry practices to develop the best designs taking advantage of the many special features of precast and prestressed concrete.

## 1.2 Applications

The developments in products, materials and techniques noted in the previous section have made precast/prestressed concrete competitive in a variety of residential, commercial, industrial, transportation and many other types of structures. A few examples of applications to different types of structures are given in this section.

## 1.2.1 Building Structures

Owners and developers quickly recognize the many inherent qualities of precast and prestressed concrete which make it suitable for many types of building structures. Precast and prestressed concrete structures, assembled from high-quality plant produced products, provide superior flexibility for achieving the required degrees of fire resistance, sound control, energy efficiency and durability. The availability of a variety of materials and finishes makes it possible to render virtually any desired aesthetic character. Furthermore, the construction speed possible with precast and prestressed concrete minimizes on-site labor costs, reduces the cost of interim financing, and thus provides important overall economy to the owner or developer.

Both bearing wall construction (Figures 1.2.1 and 1.2.2) and beam-column framing (Figures 1.2.3 and 1.2.4) have been successfully used for various height buildings. Resistance to lateral loads can be provided by interior shear walls (Figure 1.2.5), exterior shear

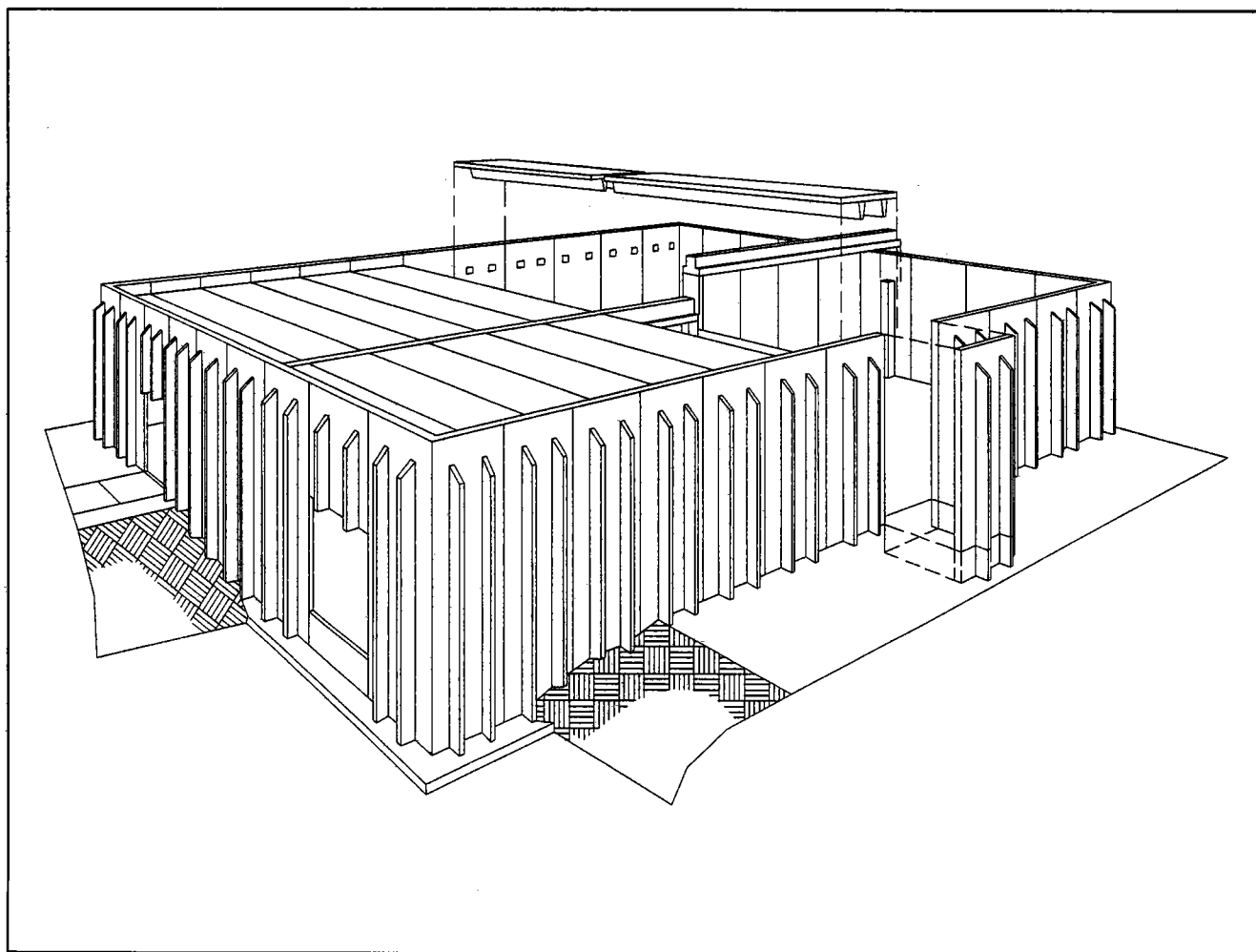
walls (Figure 1.2.6), or rigid frame action (Figure 1.2.7), or some combination of these.

### 1.2.1.1 Residential Buildings

Precast and prestressed concrete enjoys broad acceptance in low-rise and mid-rise apartment buildings, hotels, motels, and nursing homes. The superior fire resistance and sound control features are specifically recognized by owners and developers.

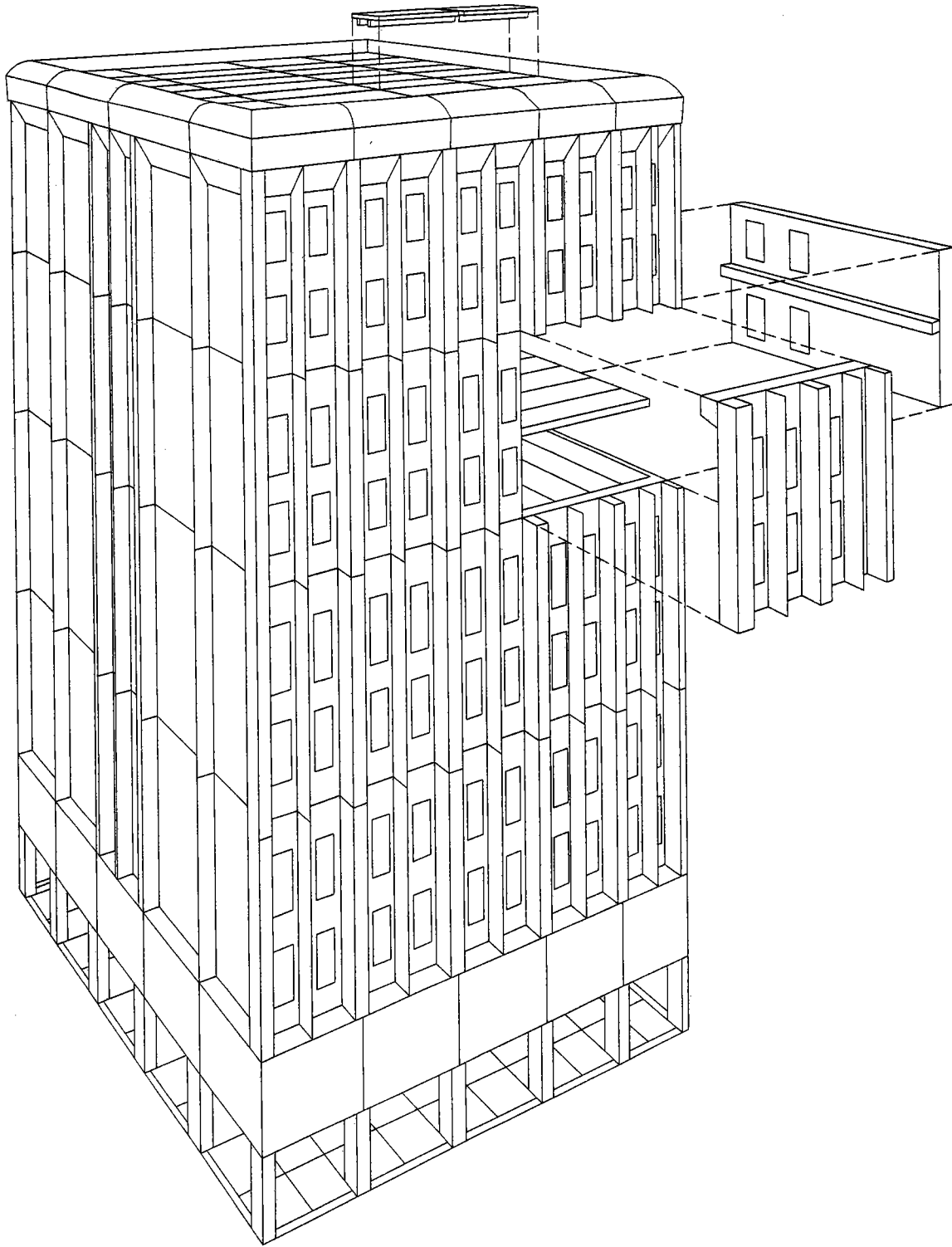
Two-hour fire containment within each living unit provides safety for adjacent units. With this type of high quality precast concrete housing, fire insurance rates are reduced and often higher incomes can be generated because of the safe, soundproof high quality environment and lifestyle offered.

The hollow-core slab is a standard product in this type of construction. Figure 1.2.9 shows a typical apartment building with hollow-core floors, load bearing precast concrete walls and a durable maintenance free exterior spandrel panel. Details of this type of construction are shown in Figure 1.2.10.



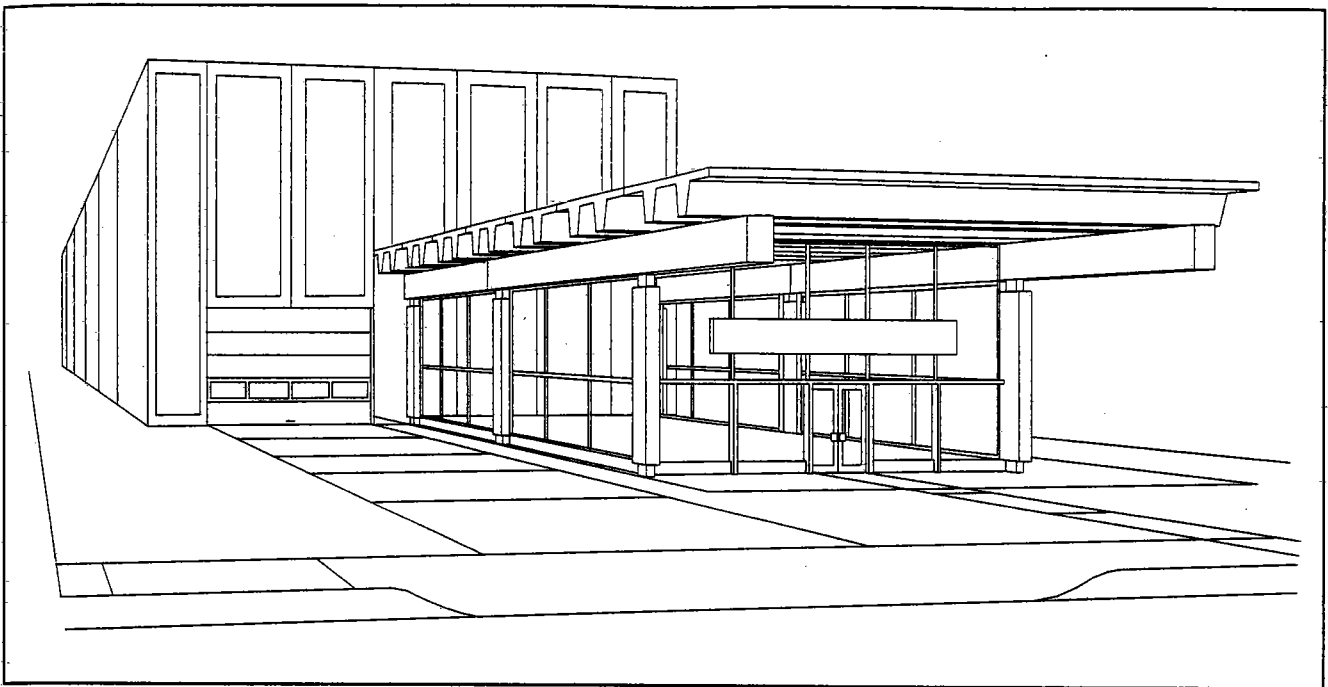
**Figure 1.2.1 Single-story bearing wall construction**

Provides economy by eliminating the need for a structural frame at the perimeter. The wall panels themselves can be selected from a variety of standard sections or flat panels, and specially formed architectural precast shapes. Any of the standard precast deck units can be used for roofs.



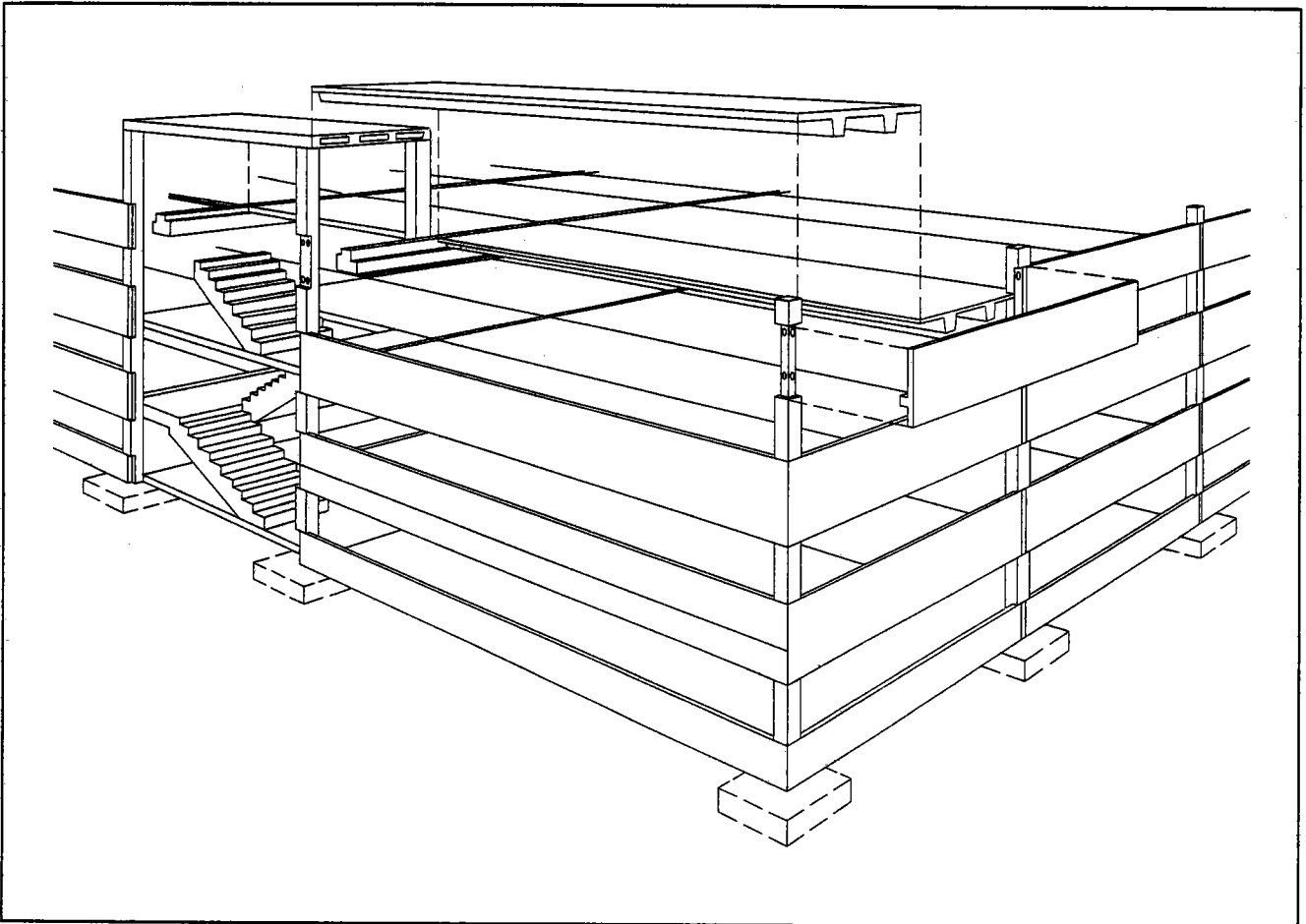
**Figure 1.2.2 Multi-story bearing wall construction**

Precast bearing wall units can be cast in one-story or multi-story high units. The units may be started at the second floor level with the first floor framing consisting of beams and columns to obtain a more open space on the first level.



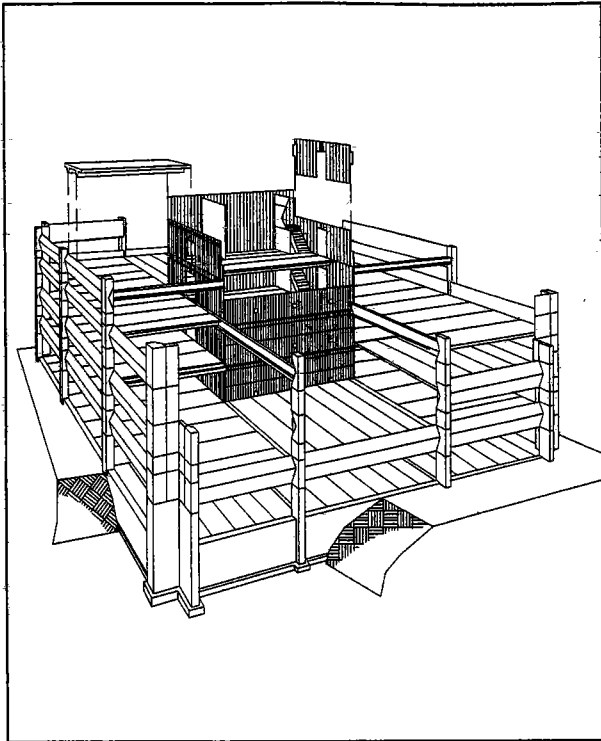
**Figure 1.2.3 Single-story beam-column construction**

Any of the standard precast beam and column sections shown in Chapter 2 can be used for single-story structures. Selection of the type of beam to be used depends on considerations such as span length, level of superimposed loads, and also on depth of ceiling construction and desired architectural expression.



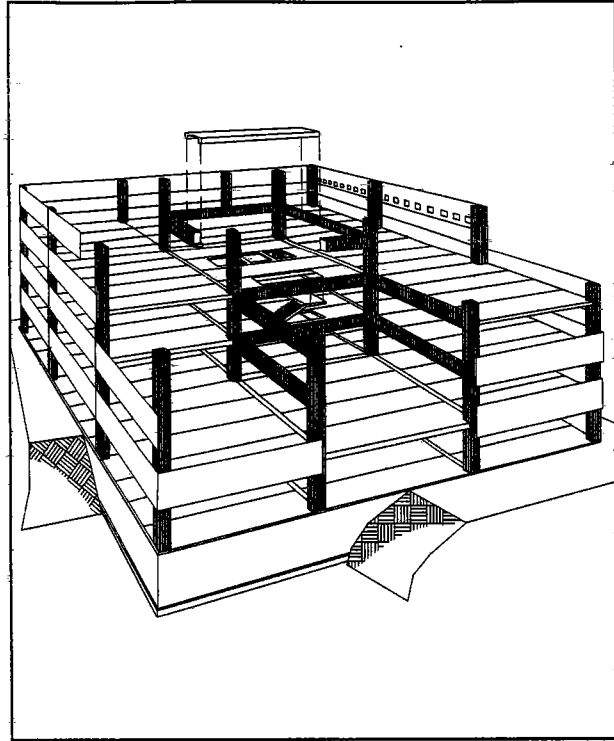
**Figure 1.2.4 Multi-story beam-column construction**

Beam-column framing is suitable for both low-rise and high-rise buildings. Architectural and engineering considerations dictate whether the beams are continuous with single-story columns, or whether multi-story columns are used with single span beams.



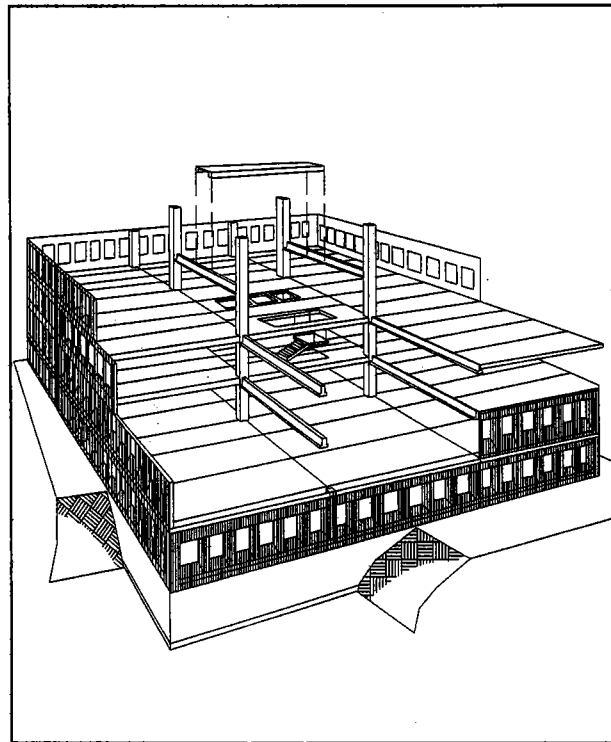
**Figure 1.2.5 Interior shear wall system**

Lateral loads are transmitted by floor diaphragms to a structural core of precast shear walls. The shear wall can be tied together vertically and at corners to form a structural tube that cantilevers from the foundation.



**Figure 1.2.7 Rigid frame system**

All lateral loads are transferred to a moment-resisting frame that ties beams and columns together with rigid connections. The need for shear walls is eliminated.



**Figure 1.2.6 Exterior shear wall system**

In general, the exterior shear wall system permits greater design flexibility than the other interior shear wall system because it eliminates the need for a structural core. By combining gravity load bearing function with lateral load resistance, the exterior shear wall system is, in general, more economical.



**Figure 1.2.8**

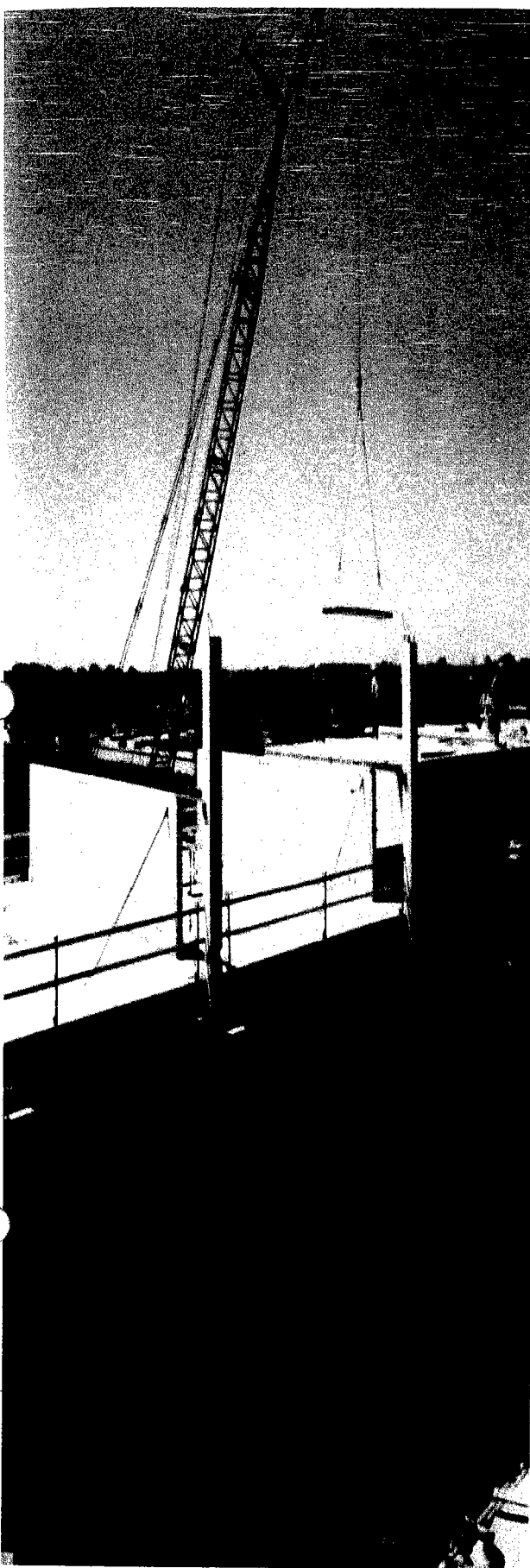
Precast concrete walls and floors ensure fire containment and lower insurance rates.



### 1.2.1.2 Office Buildings

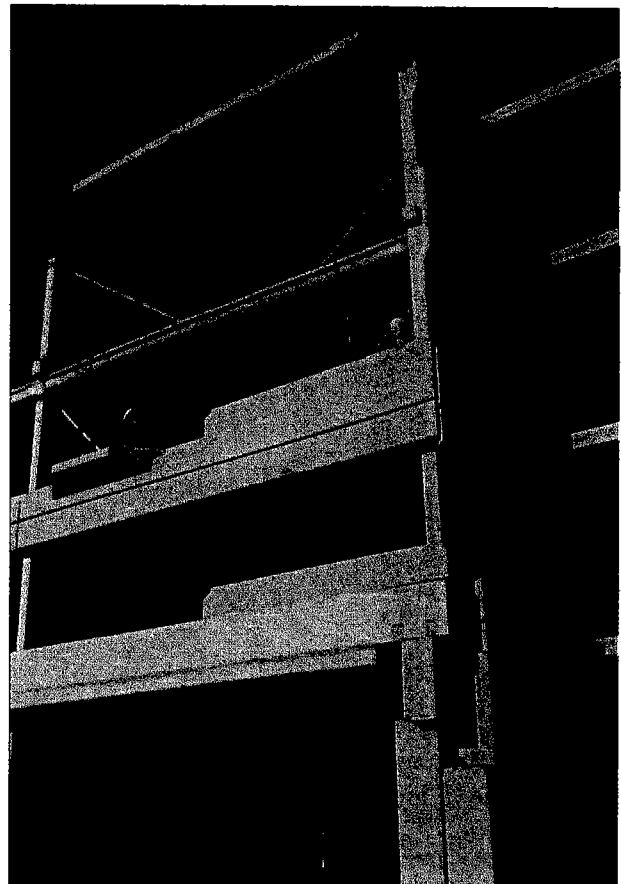
Significant time savings usually result from the choice of a totally precast concrete structure. The superstructure is prefabricated while the on-site foundations are being built. Potential delays are reduced with the complete building system being supplied under one contract. Erection of large precast concrete components can proceed even during adverse weather conditions to quickly enclose the structure. The prestressed floors provide an immediate working platform to allow the interior tradesmen an early start on the mechanical, electrical and interior finishing work. The quality finishes and fast schedules result in early occupancy, tenant satisfaction and reduced financing costs. These factors make a precast and prestressed concrete building very suitable for office buildings.

The uses of precast and prestressed concrete in office building construction are many, from total building systems to single products like precast concrete stairs. Precast and prestressed concrete beams, columns and floors are used in frame systems; shear walls can be used alone or in conjunction with beams and columns to resist lateral loads. Precast concrete stairs, along with being economical, provide immediate safe use of stairwells.



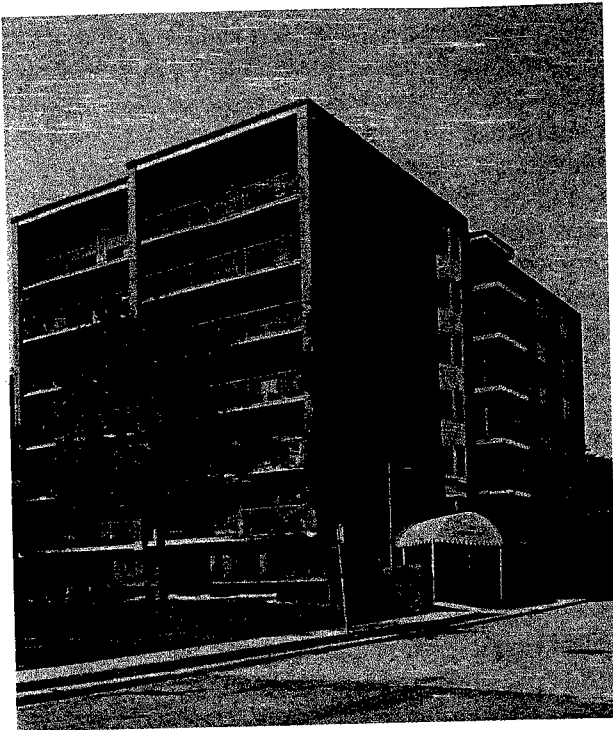
**Figure 1.2.9**

High quality concrete in precast concrete walls and prestressed hollow-core floors provide sound resistance, fire safety and reduced maintenance cost in multi-family housing.



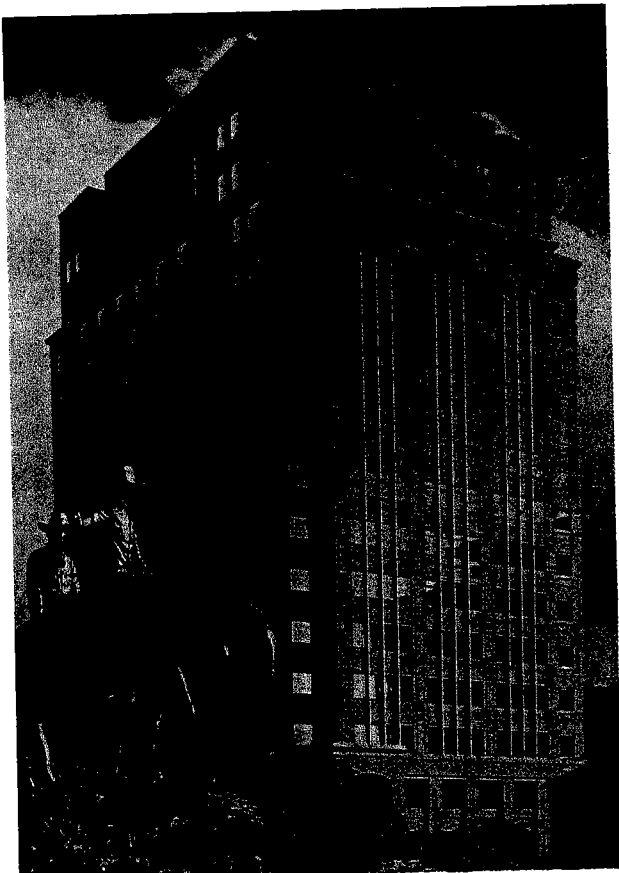
**Figure 1.2.10**

Details of a load bearing wall-hollow-core floor building. Spandrels can be load bearing if required.



**Figure 1.2.11**

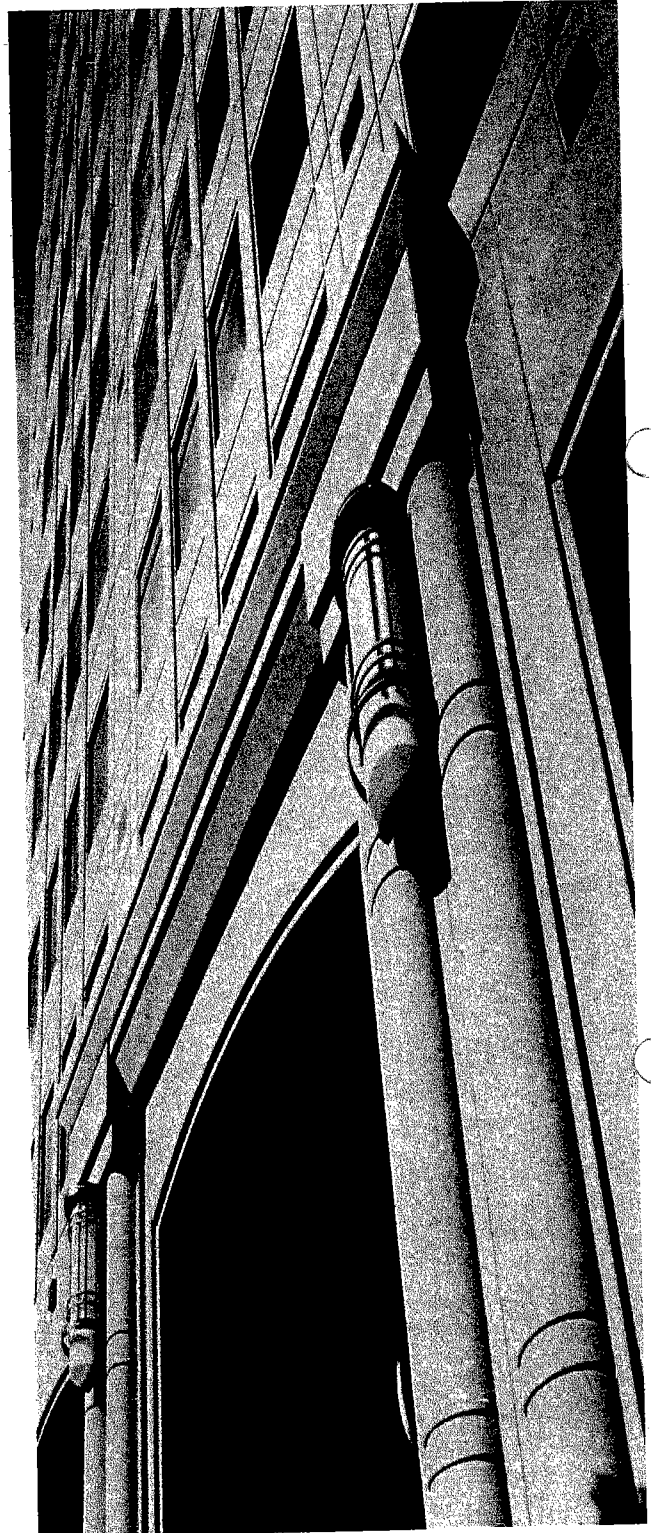
Precast concrete provides a quiet, safe, comfortable and high quality place to live.



**Figure 1.2.12**

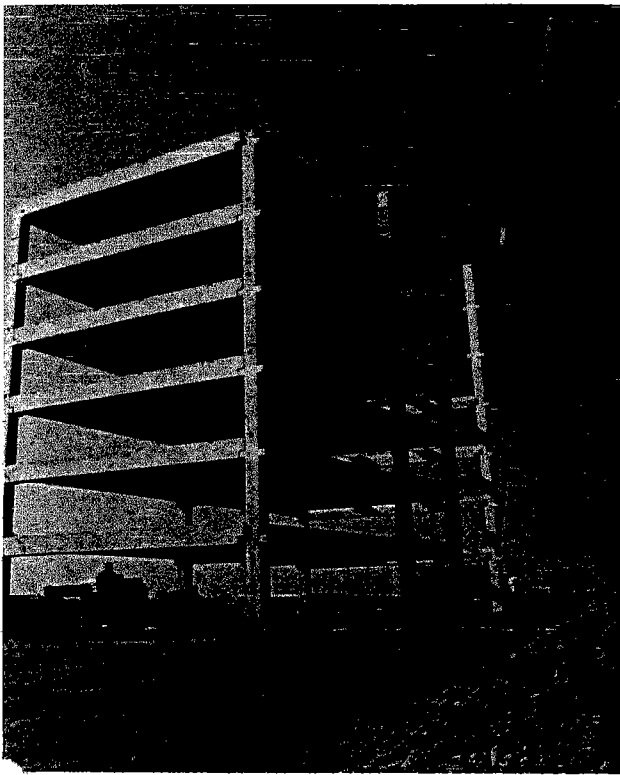
This total precast concrete office building is an example of the beauty and economy that can be achieved using precast concrete. Real savings can be achieved by allowing the architectural facade to also perform structurally.

Architectural precast concrete is used with all types of framing systems. It provides an economical, fire resistant, soundproof, durable, maintenance-free cladding that allows the architect much freedom of expression and results in beautiful facades. Architectural precast concrete is discussed more fully in Sect. 1.2.4 and in Chapter 7.



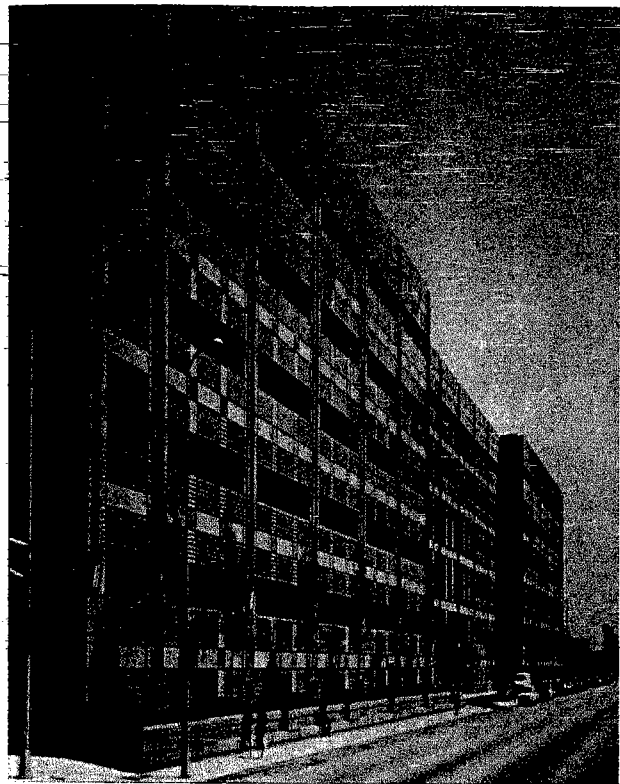
**Figure 1.2.13**

Architectural precast concrete panels can perform structurally.



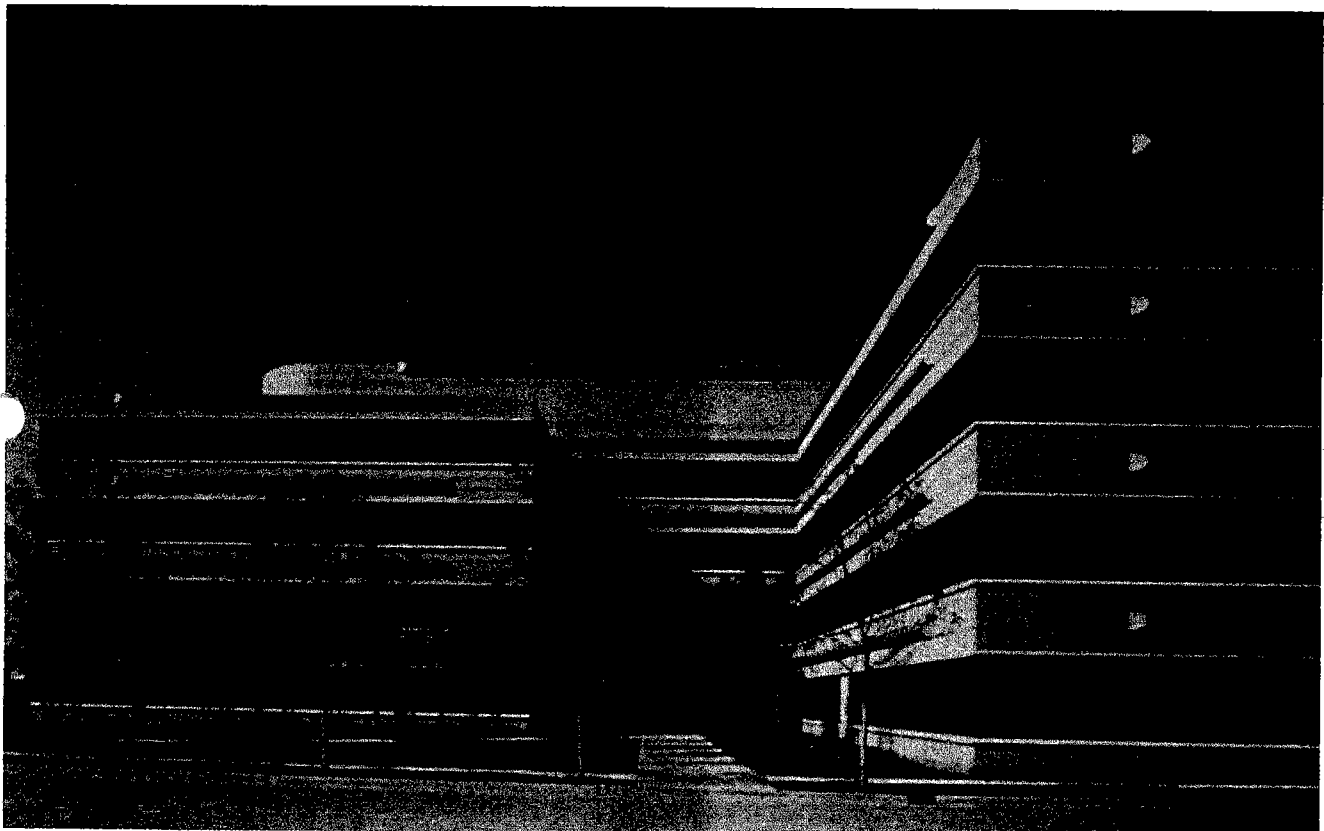
**Figure 1.2.14**

Using precast concrete beams and columns with hollow-core floor slabs provides a quick, economical structure. The addition of an architectural precast concrete facade provides the owner with the security of a single source of responsibility for the structure.



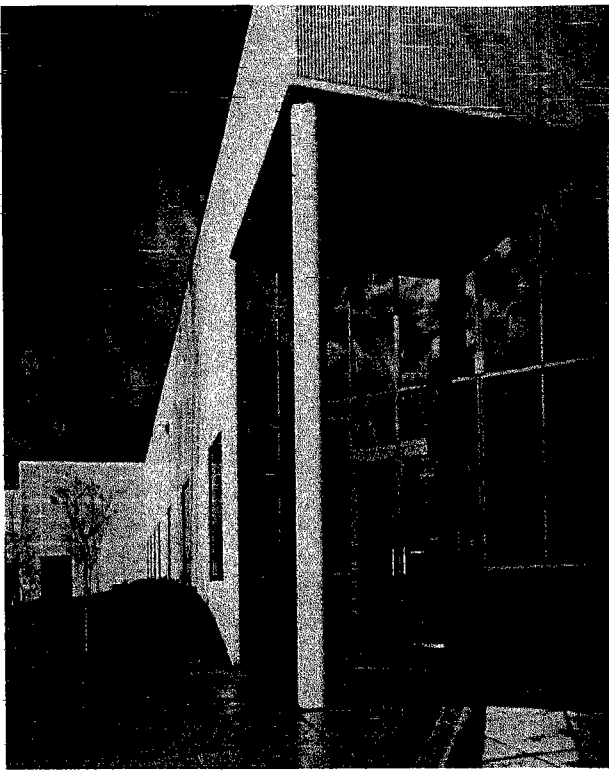
**Figure 1.2.15**

By varying minor details like rustication, architectural precast concrete exteriors can be made expressive and economical.



**Figure 1.2.16**

Office buildings quite often utilize precast concrete spandrels.



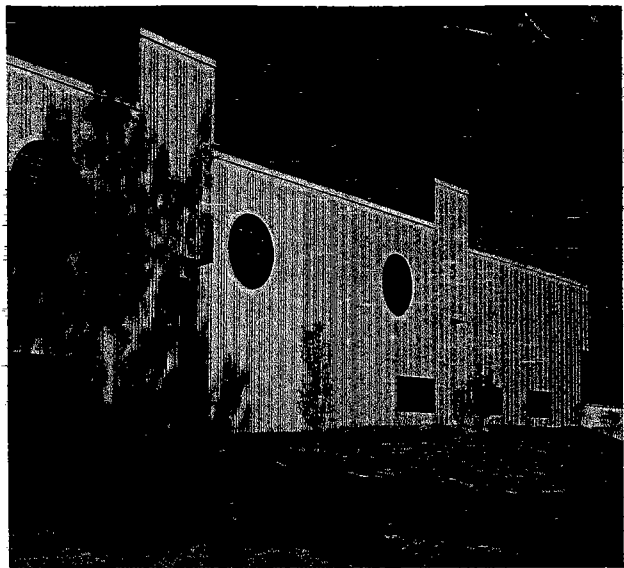
**Figure 1.2.17**

The light industrial office structure is erected and put into service quickly using insulated precast concrete sandwich panels.

### 1.2.1.3 Warehouses and Industrial Buildings

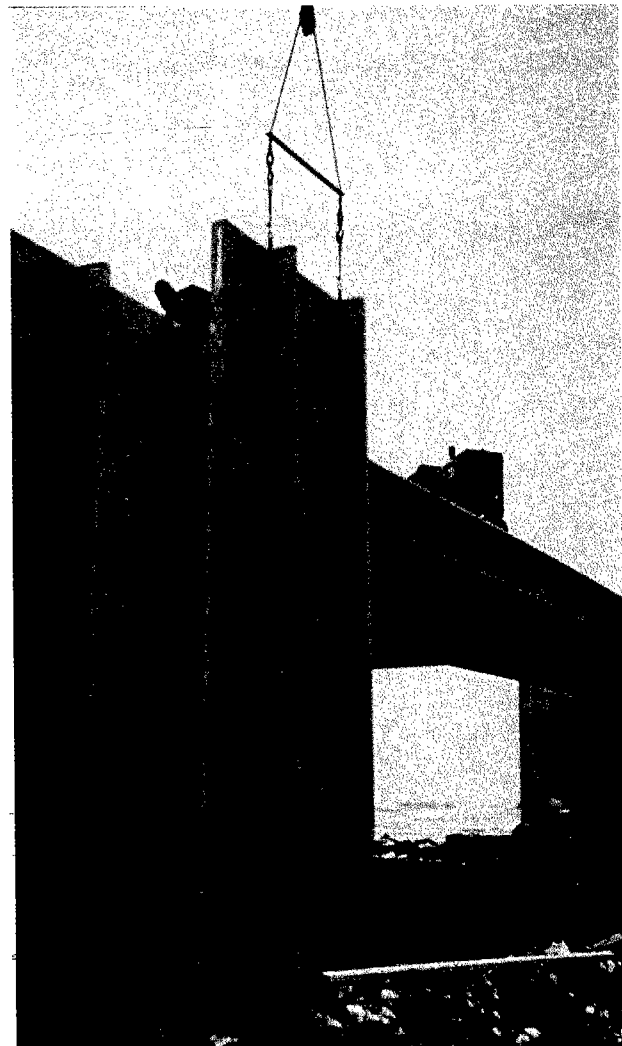
The ability of prestressed concrete to span long distances with shallow depths and carry heavy loads is particularly suitable for warehouses and industrial buildings. Standard prestressed concrete walls, insulated or non-insulated, are very economical for warehouse and light manufacturing applications. Total precast systems with prestressed roof diaphragms and precast shear walls can provide owners with a complete "structural package". A wide variety of wall finishes is available.

In heavy industrial projects, prestressed floor units capable of carrying the typical heavy floor loads can be combined with other precast components to construct versatile, corrosion-resistant structural systems. The precast and prestressed concrete framing can be designed to accommodate a variety of mechanical systems and to support bridge cranes for industrial uses. High quality precast concrete provides protection against fire, dampness and a variety of chemical substances. The smooth surfaces achievable in precast concrete make it ideal for food processing, wet operations, computer components manufacturing, as well as many other types of manufacturing and storage operations where cleanliness is of concern. Clear spans of 40 ft and 90 ft are possible using hollow-core slabs and double tees, respectively. Even longer spans to about 150 ft can be obtained with bridge-type girders or special double tees.



**Figure 1.2.18**

Precast and prestressed concrete flat panels are used for warehouse walls. Hollow-core slabs are often used in this application.

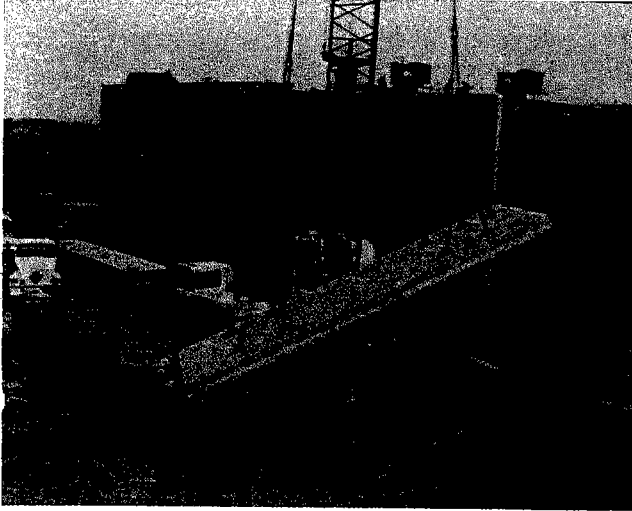


**Figure 1.2.19**

Erection of precast concrete wall panels is fast and can be performed year round even in cold climates. Roof diaphragms and supporting beams and columns are often also precast concrete.

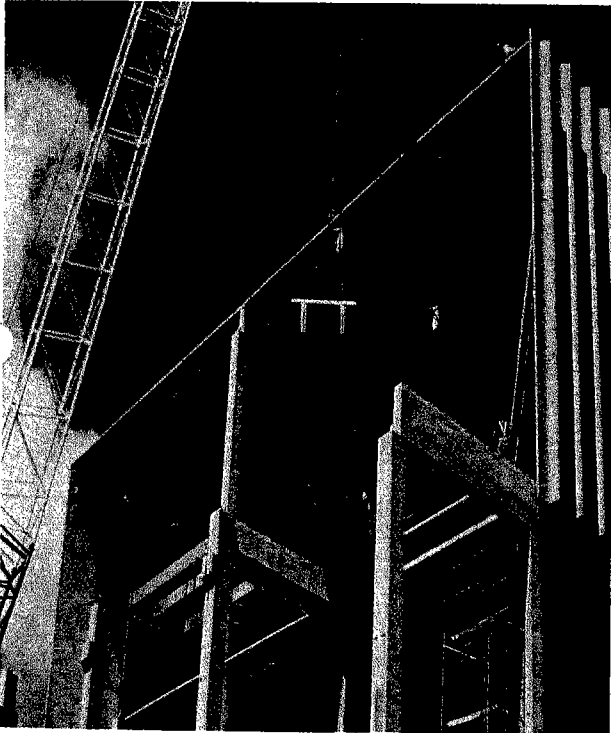
#### 1.2.1.4 Other Building Structures

The many benefits of precast and prestressed concrete, make it suitable for many other types of buildings in addition to residential, office, and industrial buildings. Applications abound in educational institutions, commercial buildings such as shopping malls, and public buildings including hospitals, libraries, and airport terminals. Precast and prestressed concrete have also been effectively used in numerous retrofit projects.



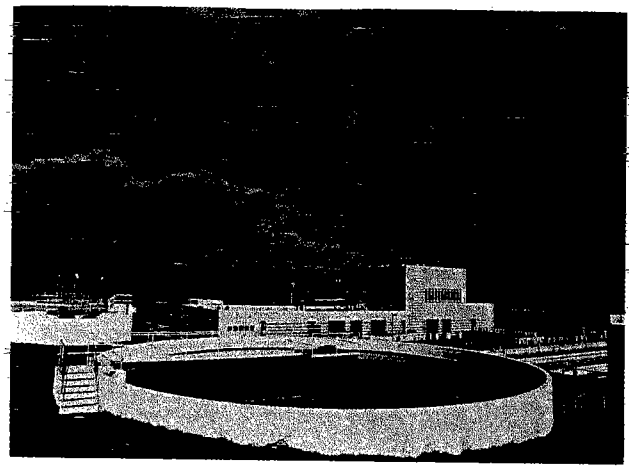
**Figure 1.2.20**

Precast concrete insulated sandwich panels provide excellent insulation for cold storage facilities. Smooth interior finishes make these panels an excellent choice for food processing plants.



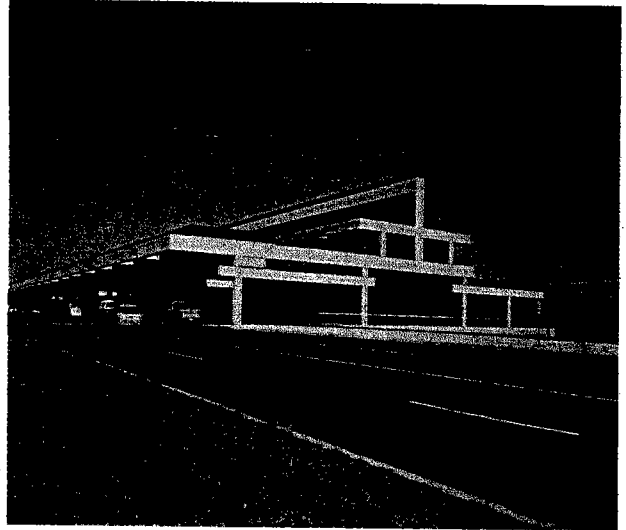
**Figure 1.2.21**

Total precast concrete structures provide many answers for heavy industrial applications. High quality plant produced concrete provides excellent corrosion resistance and durability. Heavy loads are no problem for prestressed concrete beams and slabs.



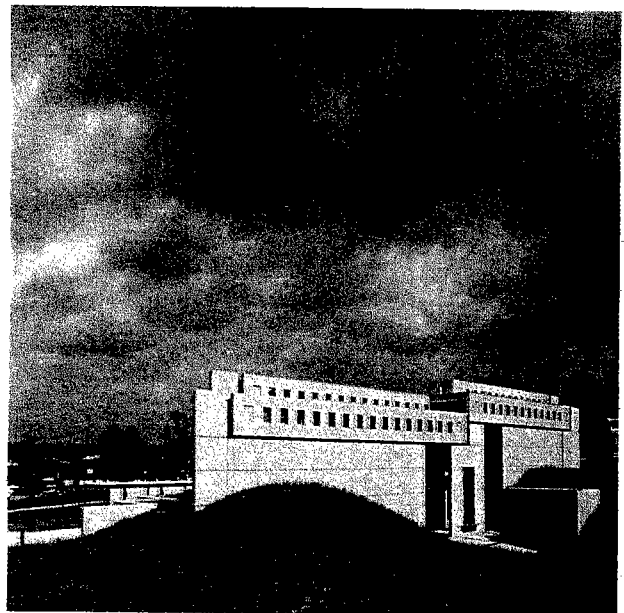
**Figure 1.2.22**

Waste water treatment buildings benefit from the durability, economy and aesthetic capability of precast concrete.



**Figure 1.2.23**

This airport terminal illustrates the long-span capability of precast and prestressed concrete.



**Figure 1.2.24**

Long-span perforated precast, prestressed concrete girders provide flexible, column-free interior space in this government administration and public services building.



**Figure 1.2.25**

This boathouse incorporates a training center and restaurant.

## 1.2.2 Parking Structures

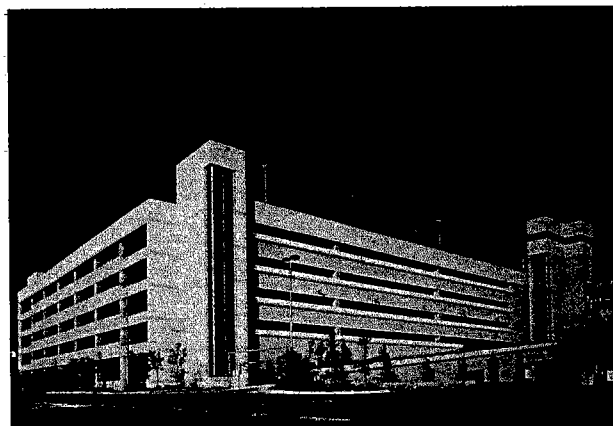
Architects, engineers, developers and owners have made precast and prestressed concrete the material of choice for their commercial, municipal and institutional parking needs. Though classified and constructed as buildings, parking structures are unique; in some ways, they may be compared to bridges with multiple decks. They are subjected to moving loads from automobile traffic and the roof level of a parking structure is exposed to weather in much the same way as a bridge deck. Furthermore, they are usually not enclosed and thus the entire structure is subjected to ambient weather conditions. Also, exposure to deicing salts in northern climates or to salt-laden atmospheres in coastal locations requires consideration to ensure long-time performance.

The controlled conditions of a precast concrete plant assures the parking structure owner of the quality concrete and workmanship that provides long-term durability. The low water-cementitious materials ratio concrete that precast concrete manufacturers use has been proven to increase resistance to corrosion due to chlorides. Studies [4] have also shown that accelerated curing makes precast concrete more resistant to chlorides than field cured concrete.

These inherent durability characteristics along with low cost, rapid erection in all weather conditions, unlimited architectural expression and long clear spans make precast concrete the natural choice for parking structures.

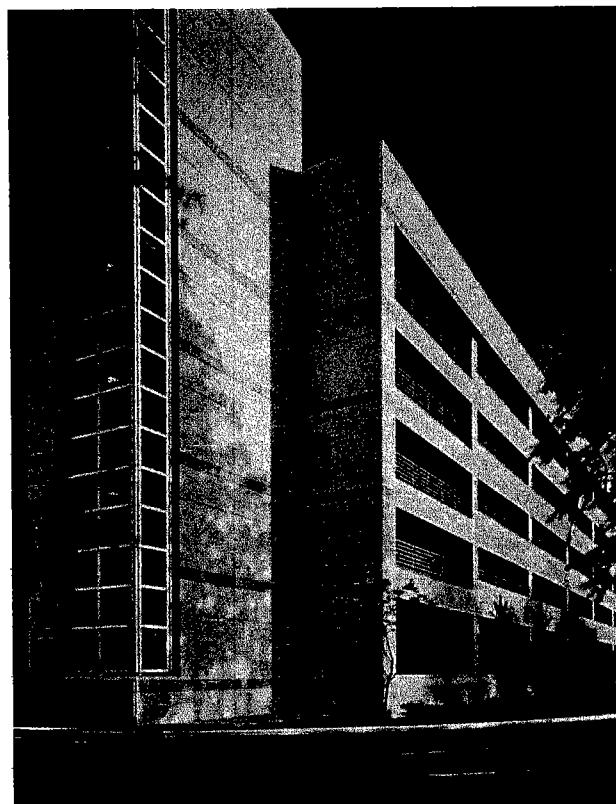
Through surveys of existing structures and other experiences, and through research and development, significant improvements have been achieved in the engineering state-of-the-art of parking structures [5]. This accumulated experience and knowledge has been assembled in a comprehensive publication [6] by PCI that includes recommendations on planning, design, construction and maintenance.

Figures 1.2.26 and 1.2.27 show a typical precast concrete parking structure with architectural load bearing spandrels and stair tower walls. Long span double tees are shown in Figure 1.2.28 bearing on an innovative "light" wall that adds openness and a feeling of security. Figure 1.2.29 shows a precast, prestressed double tee being erected into a load bearing spandrel which is pocketed to reduce load-induced torsion. The double tee is being set down on an interior inverted tee beam spanning from column to column.



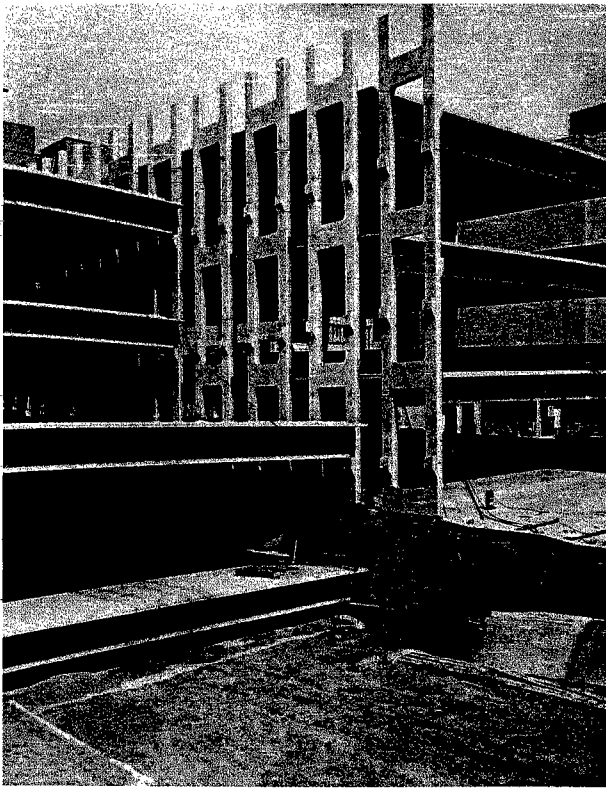
**Figure 1.2.26**

Long clear spans with architectural load bearing spandrels make precast concrete an economical and aesthetically preferable parking structure solution.



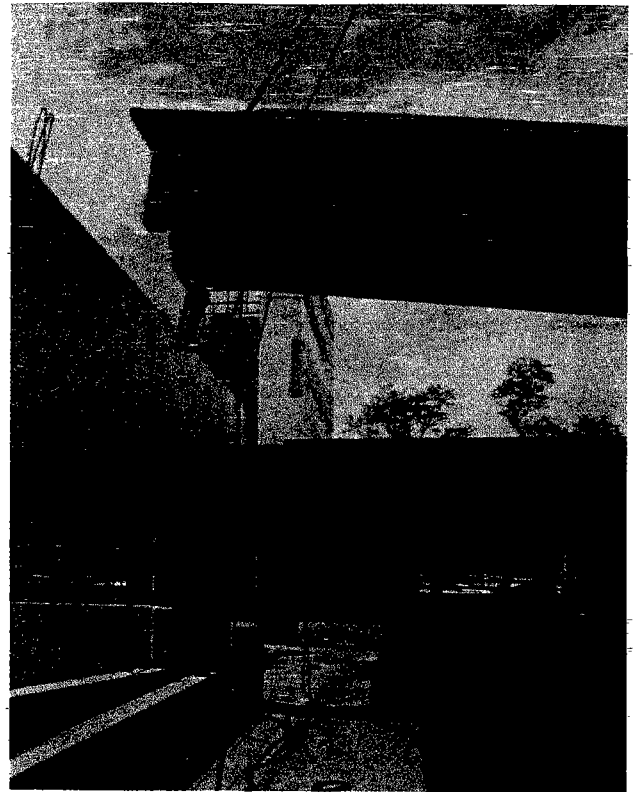
**Figure 1.2.27**

Stair towers acting as shearwalls resist lateral loads and provide architectural features.



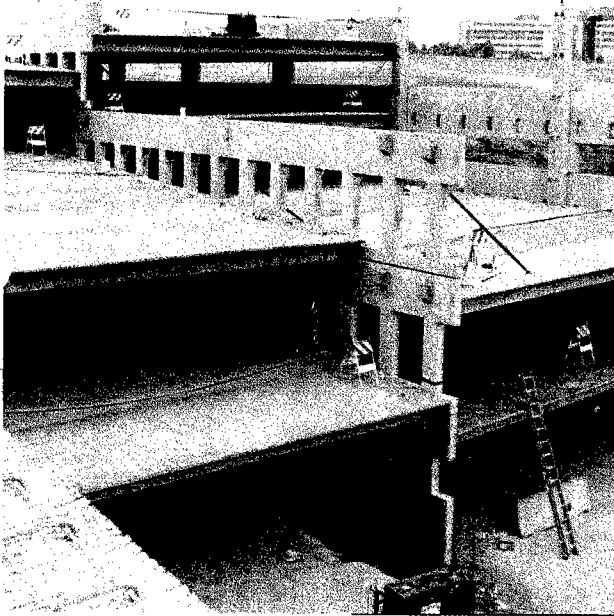
**Figure 1.2.28**

Opened load bearing walls provide the security of visibility and openness as well as carrying vertical loads.



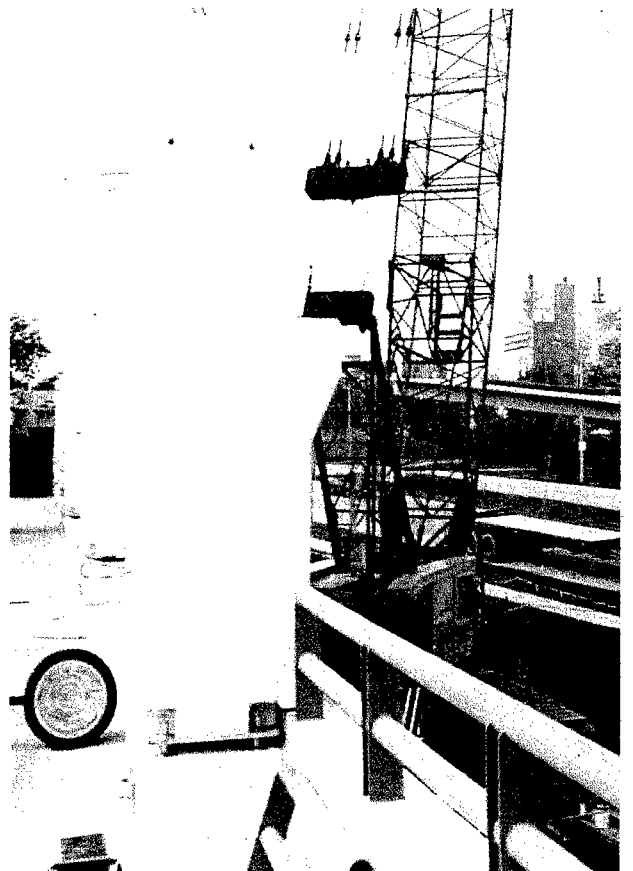
**Figure 1.2.30**

Interior inverted tee beam is deep enough to also act as the car stop. These beams bear on column corbels.



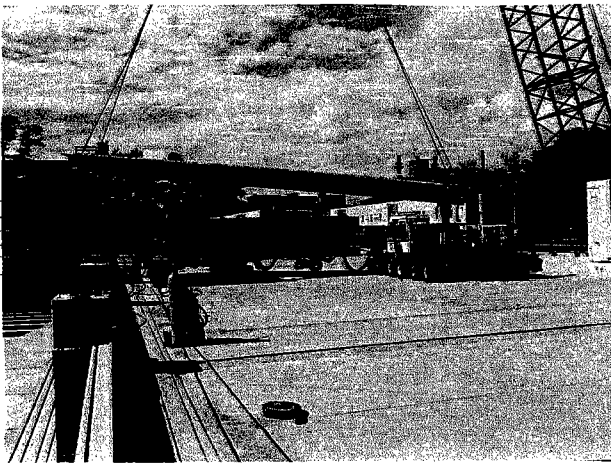
**Figure 1.2.29**

Erection of precast concrete components is fast and independent of climate. Pocketed load bearing spandrels accept the double tee, which then bears on the interior inverted tee beam. Erection is readily accomplished even at jobsites with limited space.



**Figure 1.2.31**

A lateral system without walls, is provided by braced moment frames.



**Figure 1.2.32**

Special erection equipment is available for adding floors to existing parking structures.

Vertical expansion of precast concrete parking structures can be economically accomplished with special cranes that carry new members over erected decks as shown in Figure 1.2.32. This erection method also allows precast concrete to be considered for expansion of non-precast concrete structures.

### 1.2.3 Justice Facilities

Justice facilities encompass many types of building occupancies. These include jails, prisons, police stations, courthouses, juvenile halls, and special mental health or drug abuse centers.

Precast concrete has proven to be the favored material for justice facilities because it has many inherent benefits which are important to these building types. In addition to the benefits noted previously, namely fire resistance, durability, speed of erection and flexibility for aesthetics, precast and prestressed concrete is ideal for building-in the desired level of physical security coupled with accommodation of security hardware and communication systems. The thickness and reinforcement of precast wall and slab systems, designed for gravity and lateral loads and volume changes, are sufficient even for maximum security requirements. Typical precast products such as load bearing insulated wall panels, cell walls and floor planks are employed frequently in justice facilities. Also, the modular nature of precast and prestressed concrete products facilitates pre-installation of necessary security and communication hardware in the plant, greatly simplifying field installation work as well as saving valuable time along the project's critical path.

The use of precast concrete box modules in a one-, two-, or four-cell format has greatly reduced field labor, erection time, over all construction time,

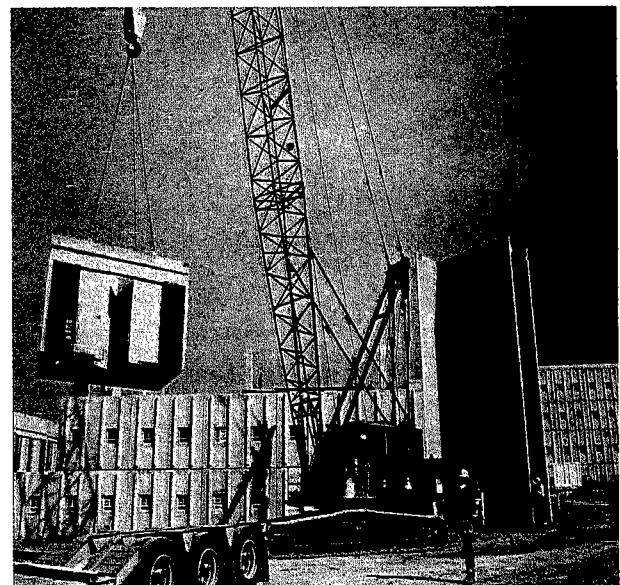
punch list problems, multi-trade confusion and, ultimately, risk. These units can be quickly stacked and can be substantially complete requiring little finishing work (see Figure 1.2.35).

Given the serious shortage of justice facilities, savings in total project time is often a critical consideration in selection of a structural material and system for these projects. Case histories show that total precast concrete projects have resulted in saving one to two years of construction time over the estimated schedule for competing systems. These experiences and the other considerations noted above have led to rapid growth in the use of precast and prestressed concrete in justice facilities projects.



**Figure 1.2.33**

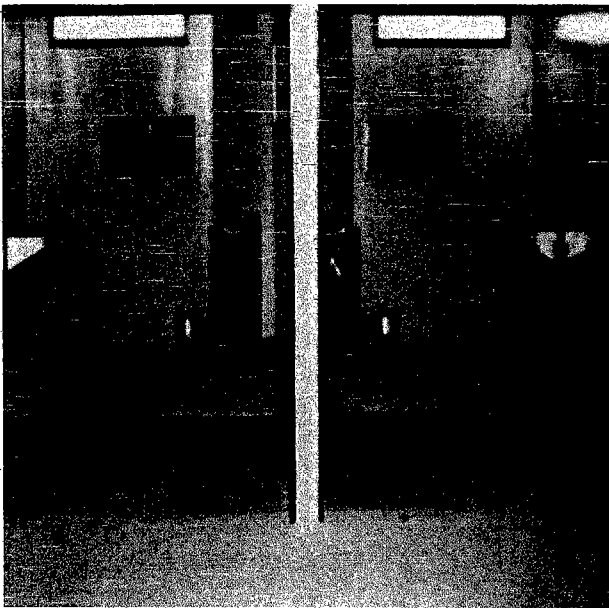
The repetitive nature of cell layout and the typical quick occupancy requirements make precast concrete an ideal solution to prison overcrowding.



**Figure 1.2.34**

Precast double-cell module being lifted into place.



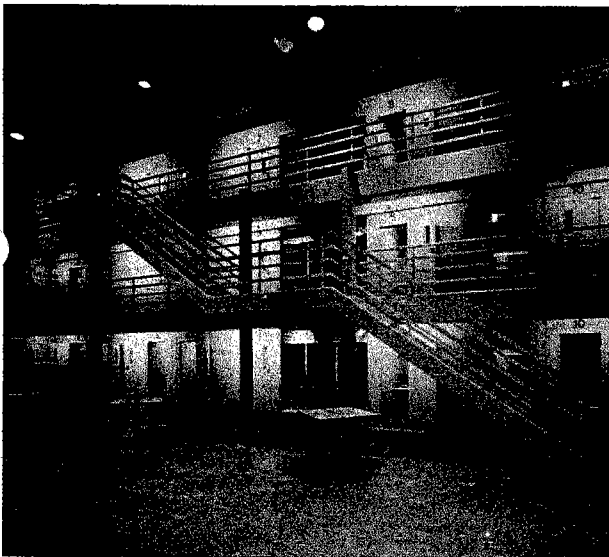


**Figure 1.2.35**

Box module cells are often supplied with electric conduit and boxes, furniture, window and door embedments, and mechanical and plumbing chases cast in.

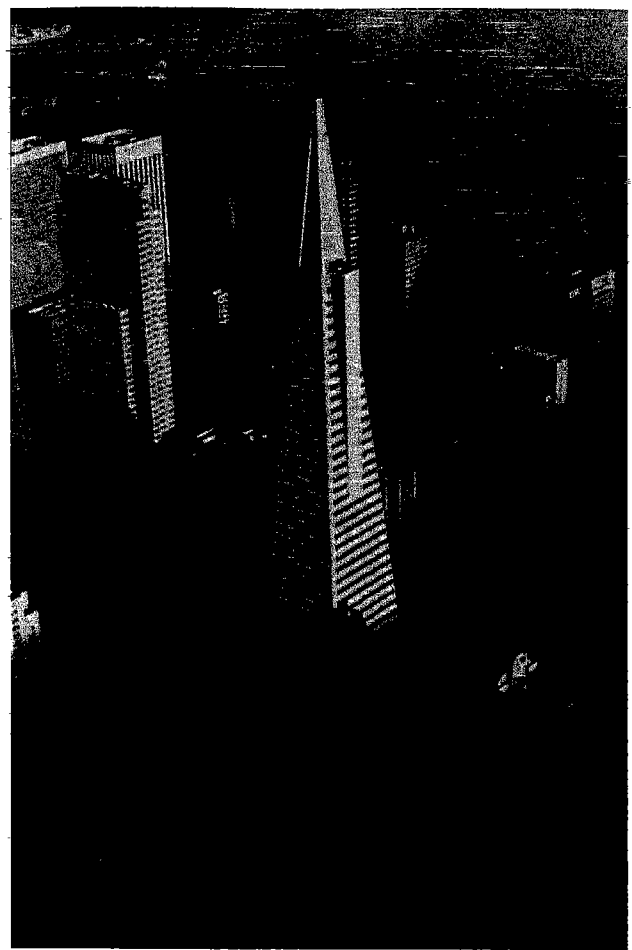
#### 1.2.4 Precast Concrete Cladding

Architectural precast concrete cladding provides many degrees of freedom for architectural expression with the economy of mass production of precast elements. The cladding may serve only as an enclosure for the structure, or may be designed to support gravity loads as well. Attention is currently also being given to the use of cladding to contribute to resistance to lateral loads of the structural frame [7].



**Figure 1.2.36**

Interior finishes are durable and maintenance free. Sound-proof and fire resistant, precast concrete adds to security and limits vandalism.



**Figure 1.2.37**

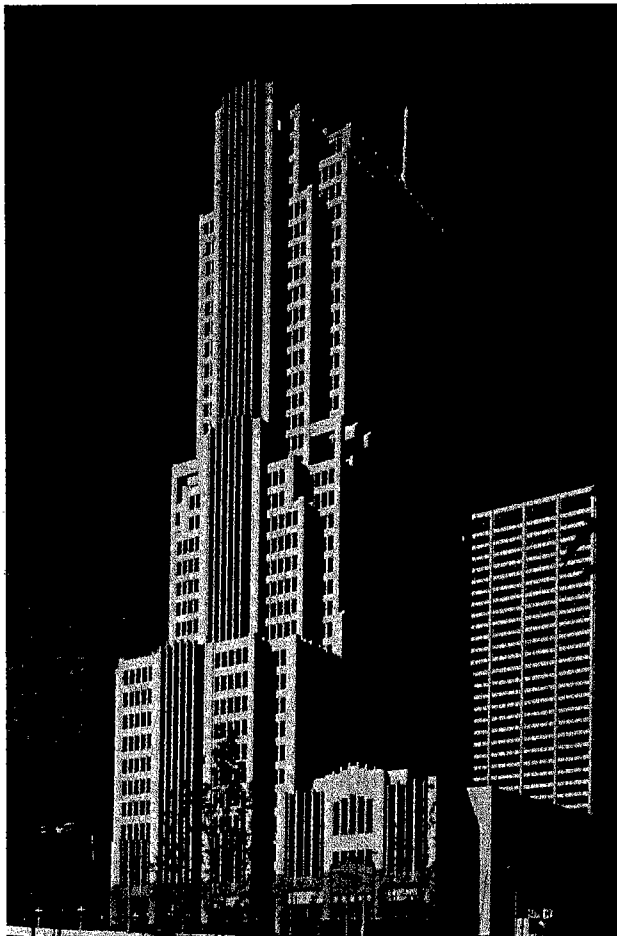
The Transamerica Corporation building in San Francisco is 48 stories tall. Floor-height, double-window units, weighing 3.5 tons each make up half of the total precast concrete pieces used.

Architectural precast concrete can be cast in almost any color, form or texture to meet aesthetic and practical requirements [8]. Special sculptured effects can provide such visual expression as strength and massiveness, or grace and openness. Design flexibility is possible in both color and texture by varying aggregate and matrix color, size of aggregates, finishing processes and depth of exposure. PCI has developed a guide to assist designers in selecting colors and textures for architectural precast concrete [25]. Additional flexibility of aesthetic expression is achieved by casting various other materials as veneers on the face of precast concrete panels. Natural stone, such as polished and thermal-finished granite, limestone and marble, and clay products such as brick, tile and terra cotta have been frequently used as veneer materials [8].

In addition to the freedom of aesthetic expression achievable with load bearing or non-load bearing architectural precast concrete, there are a number of other important functional and construction advan-

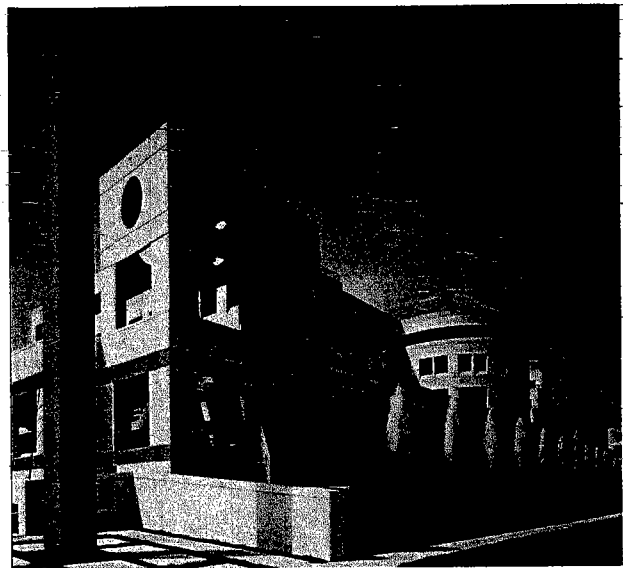
tages. Insulated wall panels, consist of two concrete wythes with a continuous layer of rigid insulation sandwiched between. These types of panels contribute substantially to the overall thermal efficiency of a building. In cast-in-place concrete construction, precast concrete cladding panels are sometimes used as permanent concrete formwork, thus becoming an integral part of the structure. Off-site pre-assembly of all components comprising a total wall system, including window sash and glazing, can also be very cost effective. For more comprehensive information on product and design, see Ref. 8.

Glass fiber reinforced concrete (GFRC) is a recent innovation in materials technology which has been adopted for use in producing strong, thin, lightweight architectural cladding panels [9]. GFRC is a portland cement-based composite reinforced with randomly dispersed, alkali-resistant glass fibers. The fibers serve as reinforcement to enhance flexural, tensile, and impact strength of concrete. A major benefit of GFRC is its lightweight which provides for substantial economy resulting from reduced costs of product handling, transportation, and erection, and which also results in lower seismic loads.



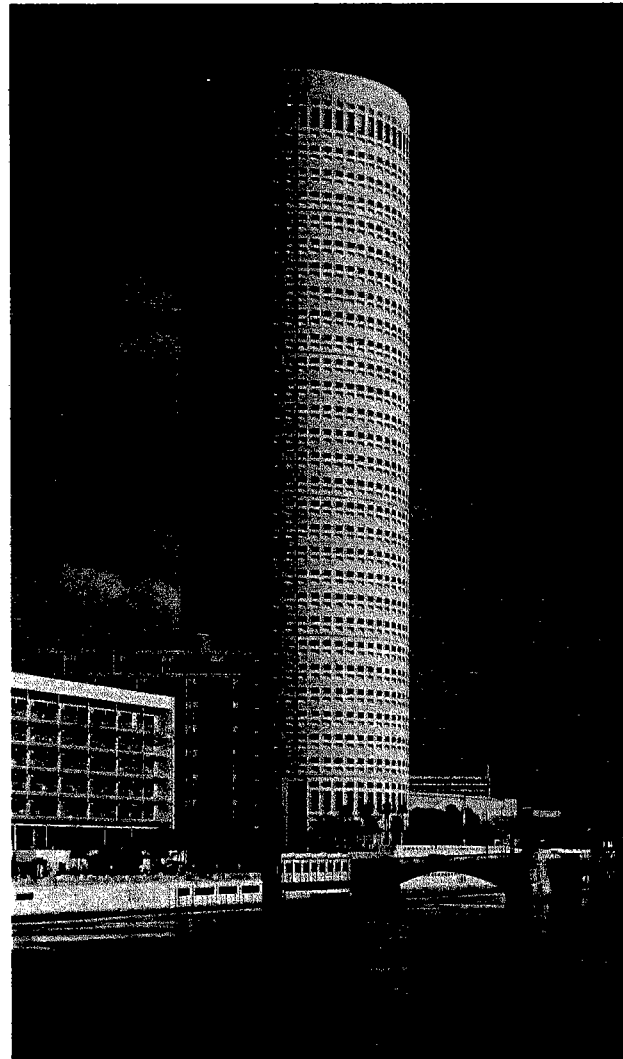
**Figure 1.2.38**

The NBC tower in Chicago has 2500 pieces of precast concrete with limestone veneer as its exterior.



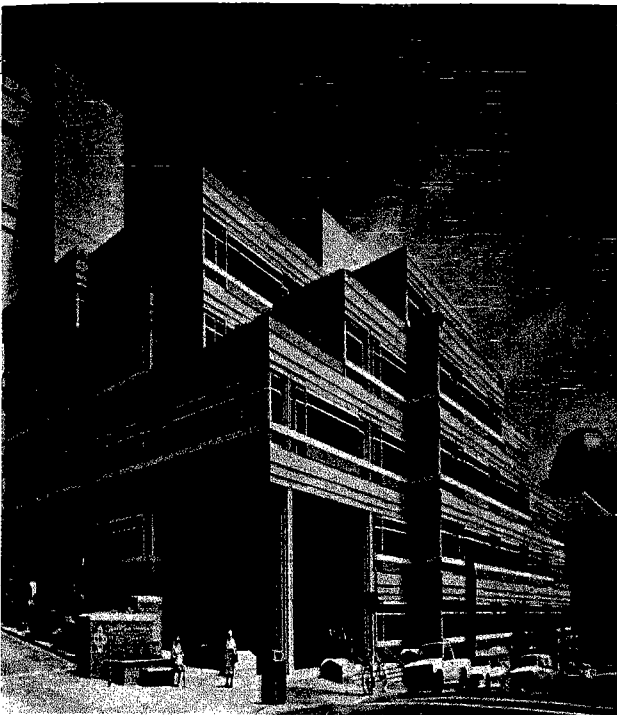
**Figure 1.2.39**

The moldability of architectural precast concrete allows for an infinite number of sizes and shapes.



**Figure 1.2.40**

Repetition of size and shape, which allows multiple form use, is a key to economy.



**Figure 1.2.41**

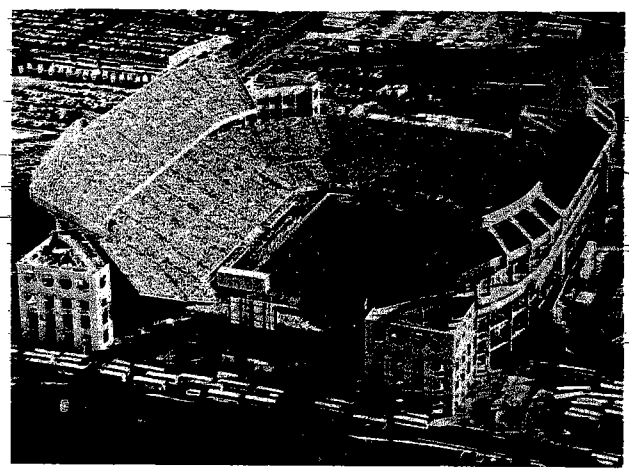
Spandrel panels spanning from column to column can be load bearing or solely architectural.

### 1.2.5 Stadiums/Arenas

Large stadiums and arenas (Figures 1.2.42 to 1.2.46) are impressive structures. Often these projects are built on tight schedules to accommodate some important sporting event. Precast and prestressed concrete has been the overwhelming choice for many of these projects. The technique of post-tensioning precast segments together has allowed this versatile material to form complex cantilever arm and ring beam construction which supports the roofs of these structures. Post-tensioning is also commonly employed to minimize the depth of precast concrete cantilevered raker beams which carry the seating and provide unhindered viewing of the playing surface.

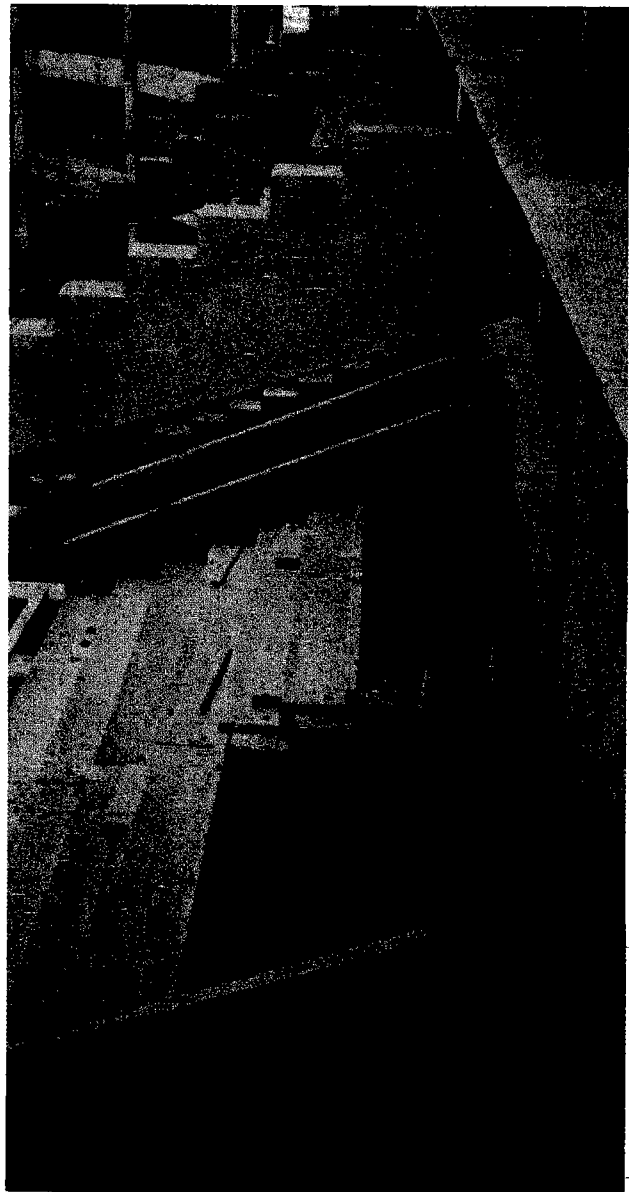
Mass produced seating units have been manufactured in a variety of configurations and spans to provide for quick installation and long lasting service. Consult local producers for in stock riser sections.

Long spans and the ability to eliminate costly field formwork makes precast and prestressed concrete the best choice for many components of stadium construction, especially seating which can be standardized to take advantage of repeated form utilization. Components that would require tall scaffolding towers to field-form, such as raker beams and ring beams, can be simplified by precasting in a plant and delivering and lifting them into place. Pedestrian ramps, mezzanine floors, concession; toilet, and dressing room areas can all be framed and constructed using precast and prestressed concrete elements.



**Figure 1.2.42**

This major sports stadium was built using total precast concrete after evaluating other systems.



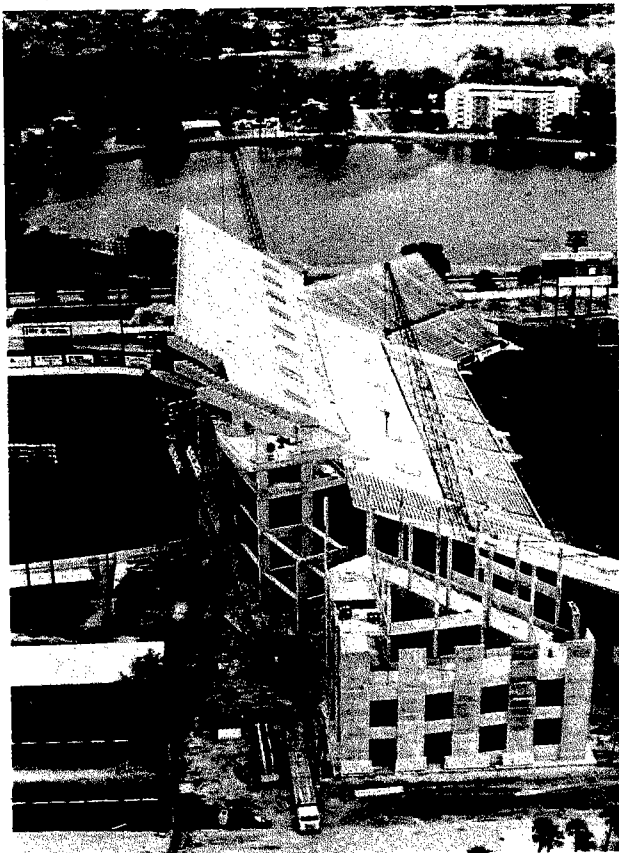
**Figure 1.2.43**

Precast concrete risers, raker beams, columns and mezzanine floors are also precast concrete components.



**Figure 1.2.44**

Fast track construction allows compressed schedules. Site preparation and component manufacture can take place simultaneously. Multiple erection crews speed erection.



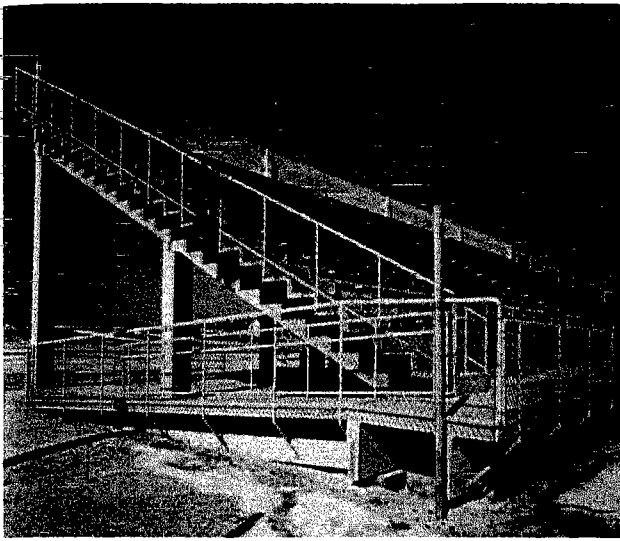
**Figure 1.2.45**

Special framing is handled easily with precast concrete, eliminating expensive field formwork.



**Figure 1.2.46**

Repetition, simplicity and multiple form use allows this seating to be framed economically with total precast concrete.



**Figure 1.2.47**

Smaller grandstands and huge stadiums all benefit from the use of precast and prestressed concrete.

### 1.2.6 Bridges

Bridge construction gave the prestressing industry its start in North America. Precast and prestressed concrete is now the dominant structural material for short- to medium-span bridges. With its inherent durability, low maintenance and assured quality, precast and prestressed concrete is a natural product for bridge construction. The ability to quickly erect precast concrete components in all types of weather with little disruption of traffic adds to the economy of the job. For short spans (spans to 100 ft), use of box sections and double tee sections has proved economical. However, the most common product for short- to medium-spans is the I-girder. Spans to 150 or 160 ft are not uncommon with I-girders and bulb tees. Spliced girders allow spans as much as 300 ft [10]. Even longer spans (300 to 400 ft) can be achieved using precast box girder segments which are then post-tensioned in the field. Using cable stays, the spanning capability of precast and prestressed concrete has been increased to over 1000 ft.

A recent innovation in bridge construction has been the use of precast concrete in horizontally curved bridges. A study commissioned by PCI [11] documents the technical feasibility and the economic viability of this application.

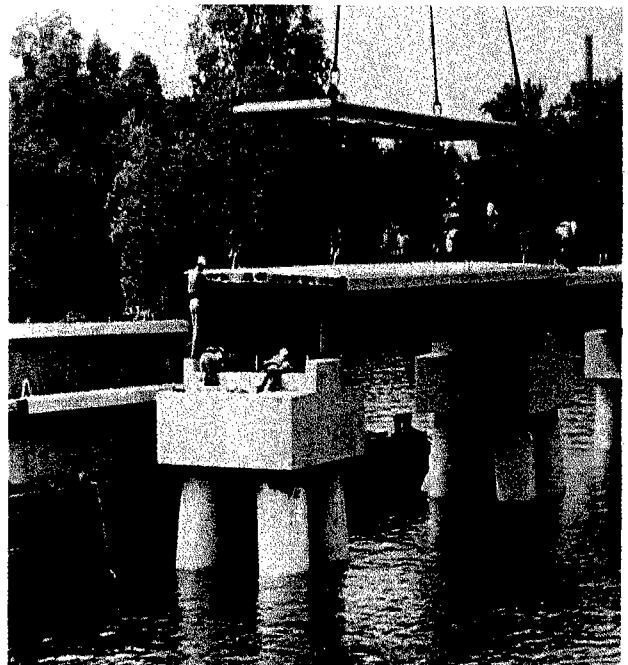
Another growing application of precast and prestressed concrete in bridge construction includes the use of precast deck panels [12]. Used as stay-in-place forms, the panels reduce field placement of reinforcing steel and concrete resulting in considerable savings. The panels become composite with the field-placed concrete for live loads.

Figures 1.2.48 to 1.2.52 show some of the applications mentioned above.



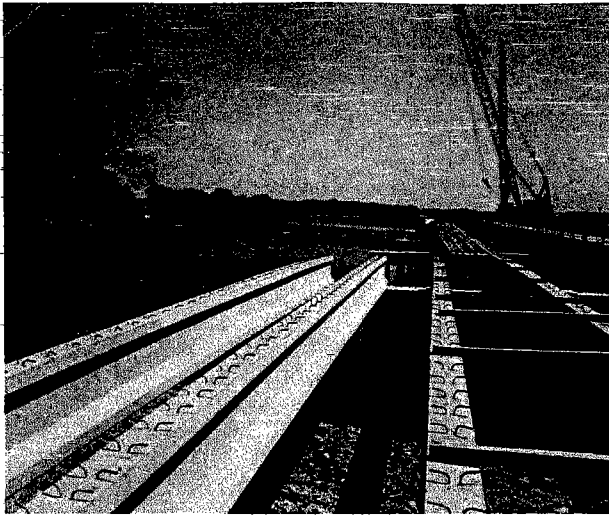
**Figure 1.2.48**

Quality, plant-produced precast and prestressed concrete results in durability. Low maintenance, economy and the ability to span long distances make precast and prestressed concrete the preferred system for bridges of all spans. Here, prestressed concrete piling easily resists the marine environment.



**Figure 1.2.49**

The length of this bridge with extensive repetition, form usage and large quantity of product made it worthwhile to create a special section to span from pile cap to pile cap. Precast concrete pile caps eliminate expensive overwater formwork. Precast and prestressed concrete piling added speed to the project as well as durability in a harsh marine environment.



**Figure 1.2.50**

Standard AASHTO shapes offer immediate availability, economy, durability and low maintenance.



**Figure 1.2.51**

Standardization has optimized bridge designs.

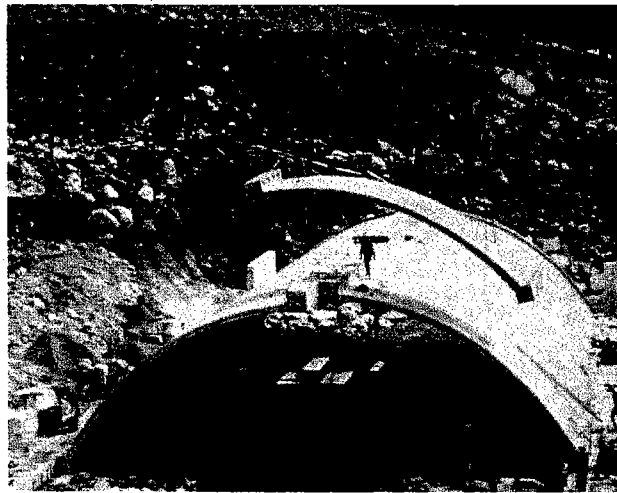


**Figure 1.2.52**

These shallow depth 35 x 48 in. box beams offer a clean simple design and provide excellent performance.

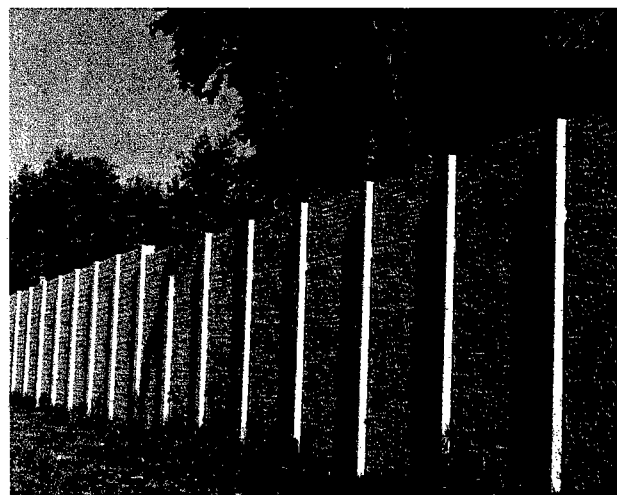
## 1.2.7 Other Structures

The inherent qualities of precast and prestressed concrete noted in previous sections and the high degree of design flexibility also make it ideal for a wide variety of special applications. Properties, such as corrosion resistance, fire resistance, durability and fast installation, have been used to good advantage in the construction of poles, piles, railroad ties, storage tanks, retaining walls and sound barriers. Where repetition and standardization exist, precasting components can economically provide the quality of plant manufactured products while eliminating expensive and risky field procedures. These applications are too numerous to categorize here separately; only a few examples are given in Figures 1.2.53 to 1.2.59.



**Figure 1.2.53**

Precasting the arched culvert allows quick erection with little site disruption and no field formwork.



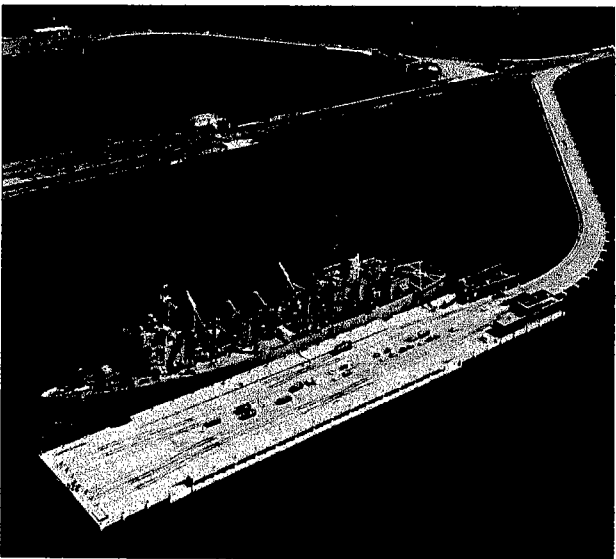
**Figure 1.2.54**

Precast concrete sound wall provides aesthetics and protects residential neighborhood from highway noise.



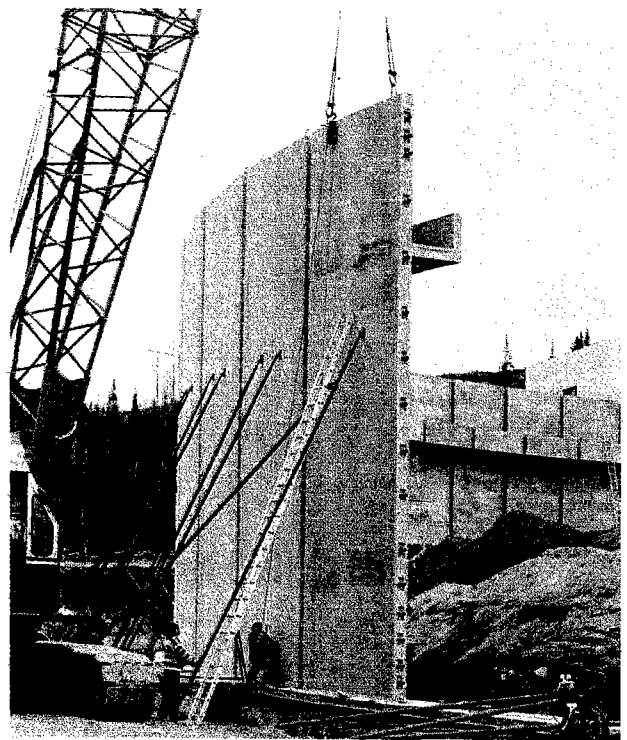
**Figure 1.2.55**

Precast and prestressed utility poles provide low maintenance, durable, economical poles capable of carrying heavy line loads.



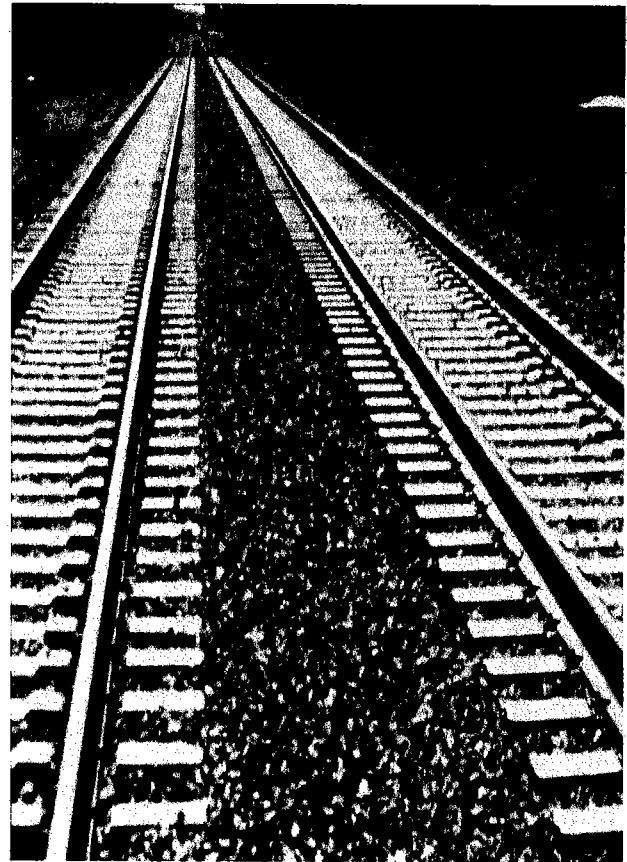
**Figure 1.2.56**

This pier and ammunition loading dock for the U.S. Navy is a total precast concrete structure. Economic analysis shows precast and prestressed concrete to be the best solution.



**Figure 1.2.57**

Large circular storage tank is under construction. Vertically prestressed precast concrete wall segments are braced temporarily. Cast-in-place concrete joints and circumferential post-tensioning complete the structure.



**Figure 1.2.58**

Precast and prestressed concrete has proven to be a viable alternative to timber for railroad ties.



**Figure 1.2.59**

Famous amusement park building in background has precast and prestressed roof and walls. Monorail guideway is also precast and prestressed concrete.

### 1.3 Materials

This section provides a brief review of properties of the major materials used in precast and prestressed concrete. Also, included is a discussion of the durability of concrete. Refs. 13–24 provide more complete information on these subjects.

#### 1.3.1 Concrete

Concrete properties, such as stress-strain relationship, tensile strength, shear strength and bond strength, are frequently expressed in terms of the compressive strength of concrete. Generally, these expressions have been empirically established based on experimental data of concretes with compressive strengths less than 6000 psi. These expressions are given in this section and are applicable to most precast and prestressed concrete since it is usually specified in the 5000 psi to 6000 psi compressive strength range.

Use of the equations given in this section are valid for compressive strengths up to 10,000 psi. For strengths in excess of 10,000 psi recommendations given in Refs. 13 and 14 should be followed.

Concrete with compressive strengths higher than 8000 psi has been used in columns of high-rise buildings, and in prestressed concrete piling and bridge girders. Often, higher strength is a result of using high performance concrete to achieve added durability. Interest in a more widespread use is growing. The strict use of ACI standard mix design concepts will not always result in the achievement of high-strength concrete. Special procedures such as those given in ACI 211.4 may be necessary.

#### 1.3.1.1 Compressive Strength

The compressive strength of concrete, made with aggregate of adequate strength, is governed by either the strength of the cement paste or the bond between the paste and the aggregate particles. At early ages the bond strength is lower than the paste strength; at later ages the reverse may be the case. For given cementitious materials and acceptable aggregates the strength that may be developed by a workable, properly placed mixture of cementitious materials, aggregates, and water (under the same mixing, curing, and testing conditions) is influenced by (a) the ratio of water to cementitious materials, (b) the ratio of cementitious materials to aggregate, (c) grading, surface texture, shape and strength of aggregate particles, and (d) maximum size of the aggregate. Mix factors, partially or totally independent of water-cementitious ratio, which also affect the strength are (a) type and brand of cement, (b) amount and type of admixture or pozzolan, and (c) mineral composition, gradation and shape of the aggregate.

Compressive strength is measured by testing 6 x 12 in. cylinders in accordance with ASTM C 42. The precast concrete industry also uses 4 x 8 in. cylinders and 4 in. cube specimens. Adjustment factors need to be applied to these non-standard specimens to correlate with the standard 6 x 12 in. cylinders.

Because of the need for early strength gain, Type III cement is often used by precasters so that molds may be reused daily. Structural precast concrete and often architectural precast concrete is made with gray cement that meets ASTM C 150. Type III and Type I white and buff portland cements are frequently used in architectural products. These are usually assumed to have the same characteristics (other than color) as gray cement. Pigments are also available to achieve colored concrete, and have little effect on strength at the recommended dosages. Cement types, use of other cementitious materials, and experience with color should be coordinated with the local producers.

Higher-strength concrete mixes (over 6000 psi) are available in some areas. Local suppliers should be contacted to furnish mix and design information.

Initial curing of precast concrete takes place in the form, usually by covering to prevent loss of moisture and sometimes, especially in structural prestressed products, by the application of radiant heat or live steam. Curing, in addition to the initial curing cycle at approximately 12 hours has been shown to rarely be necessary to attain the specified strength. Control techniques for the most effective and economical accelerated curing are reported in PCI publication TR No. 1 [15].



When concrete is subjected to freezing and thawing and other aggressive environments, air entrainment is often specified (see Sect. 1.3.4.1). In some concrete mixes, reduction of strength may occur with air entrainment.

### 1.3.1.2 Tensile Strength

A critical measure of performance of architectural precast concrete is its resistance to cracking, which is dependant on the tensile strength of concrete. Nonprestressed reinforcement does not prevent cracking, but controls crack widths after cracking occurs. Tensile stresses in prestressed concrete, which could result in cracking, are permitted by ACI 318-95 [16].

Flexural tensile strength is measured by the modulus of rupture. It can be determined by test, but the modulus of rupture for structural design is generally assumed to be a function of compressive strength as given by:

$$f_r = K\lambda\sqrt{f'_c} \quad (\text{Eq. 1.3.1})$$

where:

- $f_r$  = modulus of rupture, psi
- $f'_c$  = compressive strength, psi
- $K$  = constant, usually between 8 and 10 but prescribed to be equal to 7.5 by ACI 318-95
- $\lambda$  = 1.0 for normal weight concrete  
0.85 for sand-lightweight concrete  
0.75 for all-lightweight concrete

### 1.3.1.3 Shear Strength

Similar to tensile strength, the shear (or diagonal tension) strength of concrete can also be related to its compressive strength. The equations for shear strength specified in ACI 318-95 are given in Chapter 4. The shear strength of lightweight concrete is determined by test. However, as an alternative to test, ACI 318-95 permits the use of the coefficient,  $\lambda$ , as described above.

### 1.3.1.4 Modulus of Elasticity

Modulus of elasticity,  $E_c$ , is the ratio of normal stress to corresponding strain in tension or compression. It is the material property which determines the deformability of a concrete member under load. Thus, it is used to calculate deflections, axial shortening and elongation, buckling and relative distribution of applied forces in composite and non-homogeneous structural members.

The modulus of elasticity of concrete and other masonry materials is not as well defined as, for example, steel. It is therefore defined by some approximation, such as the "secant modulus". Thus calculations which involve its use have inherent imprecision, but this is seldom critical enough to affect practical performance. While it may be desirable in some rare instances to determine modulus of elasticity by test, especially with some lightweight concretes, the equation given in ACI 318-95 is usually adequate for design:

$$E_c = w^{1.5} 33 \sqrt{f'_c} \quad (\text{Eq. 1.3.2})$$

where:

- $E_c$  = modulus of elasticity of concrete, psi
- $w$  = unit weight of concrete, pcf
- $f'_c$  = compressive strength, psi

For concrete compressive strengths greater than 6000 psi, Eq. 1.3.2 may predict a higher modulus of elasticity than is actually achieved. See Design Aid 11.2.2. Alternative equations are given in Refs. 13 and 14.

### 1.3.1.5 Poisson's Ratio

Poisson's ratio is the ratio of transverse strain to axial strain resulting from uniformly distributed axial load. It generally ranges between 0.11 and 0.27, and, for design, is usually assumed to be 0.20 for both normal weight and lightweight concrete.

### 1.3.1.6 Volume Changes

Volume changes of precast and prestressed concrete are caused by variations in temperature, shrinkage due to air-drying, and by creep caused by sustained stress. If precast concrete is free to deform, volume changes are of little consequence. If these members are restrained by foundations, connections, steel reinforcement, or connecting members, significant stresses may develop over time.

The volume changes due to temperature variations can be positive (expansion) or negative (contraction), while volume changes from shrinkage and creep are only negative.

Precast concrete members are generally kept in yard storage for a period of time. Thus, much of the shrinkage will have taken place by the time of erection. However, connection details and joints must be designed to accommodate the changes which will occur after the precast member is erected and connected to the structure. In most cases, the shortening that takes place prior to making the final connections will reduce the shrinkage and creep strains to manageable proportions.

Typical creep, shrinkage, and temperature strains and design examples are given in Chapter 3.

**Temperature Effects.** The coefficient of thermal expansion of concrete varies with the aggregate used as shown in Table 1.3.1. Range for normal weight concrete is  $5 \text{ to } 7 \times 10^{-6} \text{ in./in./}^\circ\text{F}$  when made with siliceous aggregates and  $3.5 \text{ to } 5 \times 10^{-6}$  when made with calcareous aggregates. The range for structural lightweight concretes is  $3.6 \text{ to } 6 \times 10^{-6} \text{ in./in./}^\circ\text{F}$  depending on the type of aggregate and amount of natural sand. For design, coefficients of  $6 \times 10^{-6} \text{ in./in./}^\circ\text{F}$  for normal weight concrete and  $5 \times 10^{-6}$  for sand-lightweight concrete are frequently used. If greater accuracy is needed, tests should be made on the specific concrete.

Since the thermal coefficient for steel is also about  $6 \times 10^{-6} \text{ in./in./}^\circ\text{F}$ , the thermal effects on precast and prestressed concrete may be evaluated by treating it as plain concrete.

**Shrinkage and Creep.** Precast concrete members are subject to air-drying as soon as removed from molds or forms. During exposure to the atmosphere, the concrete slowly loses some of its original water causing a shrinkage volume change to occur.

When concrete is subjected to a sustained load, the deformation may be divided into two parts: (1) an elastic deformation which occurs immediately, and (2) a time-dependent deformation which begins immediately and continues over time. This time-dependent deformation is called creep.

Creep and shrinkage strains vary with relative humidity, volume-surface ratio (or ratio of area to perimeter), level of sustained load including prestress, concrete strength at time of load application, amount and location of steel reinforcement, and other characteristics of the material and design. Typical creep and shrinkage strains are given in Table 3.12.3 along with multipliers in Tables 3.12.4, 3.12.5 and 3.12.6 to account for the effects of the more significant variables mentioned above. When high-strength concretes are used, different values of shrinkage and creep may be needed. The joints between precast members typically are detailed to relieve such strains.

### 1.3.2 Grout, Mortar and Drypack

When water, sand and a cementitious material are mixed together without coarse aggregate, the result is called grout, mortar or drypack, depending on consistency. These materials have numerous applications: sometimes only for fire or corrosion protection, or for cosmetic treatment; other times to transfer loads through horizontal and vertical joints. Different cementitious materials are used:

1. Portland cement.
2. Shrinkage-compensating portland cement.

**Table 1.3.1 Coefficients of linear thermal expansion of rock (aggregate) and concrete [17].**

Type of rock (aggregate)	Average coefficient of thermal expansion $\times 10^{-6} \text{ in./in./}^\circ\text{F}$	
	Aggregate	Concrete <sup>a</sup>
Quartzite, Cherts	6.1 - 7.0	6.6 - 7.1
Sandstones	5.6 - 6.7	5.6 - 6.5
Quartz Sands & Gravels	5.5 - 7.1	6.0 - 8.7
Granites & Gneisses	3.2 - 5.3	3.8 - 5.3
Syenites, Diorites, Andesite, Gabbros, Diabas, Basalt	3.0 - 4.5	4.4 - 5.3
Limestones	2.0 - 3.6	3.4 - 5.1
Marbles	2.2 - 3.9	2.3
Dolomites	3.9 - 5.5	—
Expanded Shale, Clay & Slate	—	3.6 - 4.3
Expanded Slag	—	3.9 - 6.2
Blast-Furnace Slag	—	5.1 - 5.9
Pumice	—	5.2 - 6.0
Perlite	—	4.2 - 6.5
Vermiculite	—	4.6 - 7.9
Barite	—	10.0
Limonite, Magnetite	—	4.6 - 6.0
None (Neat Cement)	—	10.3
Cellular Concrete	—	5.0 - 7.0
1:1 (Cement:Sand) <sup>b</sup>	—	7.5
1:3 (Cement:Sand) <sup>b</sup>	—	6.2
1:6 (Cement:Sand) <sup>b</sup>	—	5.6

a. Coefficients for concretes made with aggregates from different sources vary from these values, especially those for gravels, granites, and limestones. Fine aggregates generally are the same material as coarse aggregates.

b. Tests made on 2-yr. old samples.

3. Expansive portland cement made with special additives.
4. Gypsum or gypsum/portland cements.
5. Epoxy-cement resins.

In masonry mortar about one-half of the portland cement is replaced with lime. This improves its bonding characteristics but reduces its strength. Such mortar should not be used indiscriminately as a substitute for grout.

Quality control of grout is as important as that of concrete. Site-mixed grout should be made and tested at regular intervals according to ASTM C 1019 which parallels ASTM C 39 for concrete. For more general information on grout, see Ref. 18.

#### 1.3.2.1 Sand-Cement Mixtures

Most grout is a simple mixture of portland cement, sand and water. Proportions are usually one part portland cement to 2 to 3 parts sand. The amount of water depends on the method of placement of the grout.

Flowable grouts are used to fill voids that are either formed in the field or cast into the precast member. They are used at joints that are heavily congested but not confined, thus requiring some formwork. These grouts usually have a high water-cementitious materials ratio (typically about 0.5), resulting in low strength and high shrinkage. There is also a tendency for the solids to settle, leaving a layer of water on the top. Special ingredients or treatments can improve these characteristics.

For very small spaces in confined areas, grout may be pumped or pressure injected. The confinement must be of sufficient strength to resist the pressure. Less water may be used than for flowable grouts, hence less shrinkage and higher strength.

A stiffer grout, or mortar, is used when the joint is not totally confined, for example in vertical joints between wall panels. This material will usually develop strengths of 3000 to 6000 psi, and have much less shrinkage than flowable grouts.

Drypack is the common name used for very stiff sand-cement mixes. They are used if a relatively high-strength is desired, for example, under column base plates. Compaction is attained by hand tamping.

When freeze-thaw durability is a factor, the grout should be air-entrained. Air content of plastic grout or mortar of 9 to 10% is required for adequate protection.

Typical portland cement mortars have very slow early strength gain when placed in cold weather. Heating the material is usually not effective, because the heat is rapidly dissipated to surrounding concrete. Thus, unless a heated enclosure can be provided, special proprietary mixes, usually containing gypsum, may be indicated. Mixes containing a high percentage of gypsum are known to deteriorate under prolonged exposure to water.

### 1.3.2.2 Non-Shrink Grouts

Shrinkage can be reduced, or more appropriately, compensated for by the use of commercially available non-shrink, pre-mixed grouts. These mixes expand during the initial hardening to offset the subsequent shrinkage of the grout. Since the non-shrink grouts are primarily proprietary, their chemical composition is usually not available to study their potential effects on the interfacing materials, such as reinforcement and inserts in the connection. Thus, it is advisable that manufacturers' recommendations should be carefully followed. For a general reference on the characteristics and methods of testing of non-shrink grouts, see Ref. 19.

### 1.3.2.3 Epoxy Grouts

Epoxy grouts are mixtures of epoxy resins and a filler material, usually oven dried sand. These are

used when high strength is desired, or when improved bonding to concrete is necessary. Ref. 20 is a comprehensive report on the subject by Committee 503 of the American Concrete Institute.

The physical properties of epoxy compounds vary widely. Also, the epoxy grouts behave very differently than the sand-cement grouts. For example, the thermal expansion of an epoxy grout can be as much as 7 times the thermal expansion of sand-cement grout. It is therefore important that use of these grouts be based on experience and/or appropriate tests. Recommended tests and methods are given in Ref. 20.

## 1.3.3 Reinforcement

Reinforcement used in structural and architectural precast concrete includes prestressing tendons, deformed steel bars, and welded wire fabric.

Fibers, which are sometimes used to control shrinkage cracks, do not transfer loads and therefore cannot be used to replace structural reinforcing such as welded wire reinforcement. This is particularly important for structural toppings over precast concrete decks. The reinforcing in these toppings cannot be replaced with fibers.

### 1.3.3.1 Prestressing Tendons

Tendons for prestressing concrete may be wires, strands or bars. In precast and prestressed structural concrete, nearly all tendons are 7-wire strands conforming to ASTM A 416. There is limited use of 2- and 3-wire strands conforming to ASTM A 910. The strands are pretensioned, that is, they are tensioned prior to placement of the concrete. After the concrete has reached a predetermined strength, the strands are cut and the prestress force is transferred to the concrete through bond.

Two types of strand are covered in ASTM A 416 and A 910: "low-relaxation" strand and "stress-relieved" strand. Over the past several years, use of low-relaxation strand has progressively increased to a point that currently the stress-relieved strand is seldom used. Thus, low-relaxation strand is used in the load tables in Chapter 2 and in the various examples throughout this Handbook.

Architectural precast concrete is also sometimes prestressed. Depending on the facilities available at the plant, the prestressing tendons may be either pretensioned or post-tensioned. In post-tensioning, the tendons are either placed in a conduit or are coated so they will not bond to the concrete. The tendons are then tensioned after the concrete has reached the predetermined strength. The compressive forces are transferred to the concrete from the strand by end fittings on the strand, which bear directly against the end surfaces of the concrete member. When the

tendons are placed in a conduit, they are usually grouted after tensioning (bonded post-tensioning). When they are greased and wrapped, or coated, they usually are not grouted (unbonded post-tensioning). For more information on post-tensioning in general, see Ref. 21.

Precast products are typically prestressed with 7-wire strand, not prestressing bars. Prestressing bars meeting ASTM A 722 have been used in connections between members. The properties of prestressing strand, wire and bars are given in Chapter 11.

The ability of strands to properly bond shall be certified by the strand supplier.

### 1.3.3.2 Deformed Reinforcing Bars

Reinforcing bars are hot-rolled from steel with varying carbon content. They are usually required to meet ASTM A 615, A 616 or A 617. These specifications are of the performance type, and do not closely control the chemistry or manufacture of the bars. Bars are usually specified to have a minimum yield of 40,000 psi (Grade 40) or 60,000 psi (Grade 60). Grade 40 bars will usually have lower carbon content than Grade 60, but not necessarily. It is possible to weld these grades of reinforcing bars after appropriate preheating depending on carbon equivalency [27].

ASTM A 706 specifies a bar with controlled chemistry that is weldable. For bars that are not to be welded, see Sect. 6.5.1.

In order for the reinforcing bar to develop its full strength in the concrete, a minimum length of embedment is required, or the bars may be hooked. Information on bar sizes, bend and hook dimensions and development length are given in Chapter 11 and Ref. 22.

### 1.3.3.3 Structural Welded Wire Reinforcement

Structural welded wire reinforcement is a prefabricated reinforcement consisting of parallel, cold-drawn wires welded together in square or rectangular grids. Each wire intersection is electrically resistance-welded by a continuous automatic welder. Pressure and heat fuse the intersecting wires into a homogeneous section and fix all wires in their proper position.

Plain wires (ASTM A 185), deformed wires (ASTM A 497) or a combination of both may be used in welded wire fabric. Plain wire sizes are specified by the letter W followed by a number indicating the cross-sectional area of the wire in hundredths of a square inch. For example, W16 denotes a plain wire with a cross-sectional area of 0.16 in<sup>2</sup>. Similarly, deformed wire sizes are specified by the letter D followed by a number which indicates area in hundredths of a square inch.

Plain welded wire reinforcement bonds to concrete by the mechanical anchorage at each welded wire intersection. Deformed welded wire reinforcement utilizes wire deformations plus welded intersections for bond and anchorage. Welded wire fabric for architectural precast concrete is normally supplied in flat sheets. Use of welded wire reinforcement from rolls, particularly in the thin precast sections, is not recommended because the rolled-welded wire reinforcement can not be flattened to the required placement tolerance. In addition to using welded wire reinforcement in flat sheets, many plants have equipment for bending sheets into various shapes, such as U-shaped stirrups, four-sided cages, etc.

Available wire sizes, common stock sizes and other information on welded wire reinforcement are given in Chapter 11 and Ref. 23.

### 1.3.4 Durability

Concrete durability is of concern when the structure is exposed to an aggressive environment. The designer, contractor, and owner must recognize the deleterious effects of (a) freeze-thaw in a wet environment, (b) chemical attack, including carbonation, (c) corrosion of embedded metals, and (d) aggregate reactivity. The ideal approach is to make the concrete impermeable, which means making the concrete as uniformly dense as possible and designing to control cracking. In this respect, precast and prestressed concrete has inherent advantages since it is produced in a controlled environment that lends itself to high quality concrete, and prestressing leads to effective crack control.

Measures that should be considered for improved durability are low water-cementitious materials ratio, entrained air content, clear cover over reinforcement, appropriate coating of prestressed and nonprestressed reinforcement, chloride exclusion, corrosion inhibitors, silica fume, proper mix design, low-alkali cement, non-reactive and abrasion resistant aggregates, proper finishing, proper curing, surface sealers, surface membranes, and, in parking structures, design for proper drainage.

Penetrating surface sealers can improve the durability of concrete by reducing moisture and chloride penetration. Sealers have however, little ability to bridge cracks and should not be expected to provide protection from moisture absorption or chloride penetration at cracks. Some sealers have proven to be more effective than others. Their evaluation should be based on criteria established in Ref. 26. Silane based sealers are hydrophobic and have been demonstrated to reduce chloride penetration into concrete as much as 95%.

### 1.3.4.1 Freeze-Thaw and Chemical Resistance

The typical dense mixes used for precast products have high resistance to freezing and thawing. Entrained air is essential to further improve freeze-thaw resistance in particularly severe environments. Freeze-thaw damage, which manifests itself by scaling of the surface, is magnified when chloride based deicing chemicals are used. Deicers can be applied indirectly in various ways, such as by drippings from the underside of vehicles.

Table 1.3.2 (Table 4.2.1, ACI 318-95) provides the required air content for both severe and moderate exposure conditions, for various maximum aggregate sizes. Severe exposure is defined as a climate where the concrete may be in almost continuous contact with moisture prior to freezing, or where deicing salts come in contact with the concrete. Salt-laden air, as found in coastal areas, is also considered a severe exposure. A moderate exposure is one where deicing salts are not used, or where the concrete will only occasionally be exposed to moisture prior to freezing. Admixtures are added to the concrete during the mixing cycle to entrain air. Tolerance on air content is  $\pm 1.5\%$ . ACI 318-95 permits an air content one percentage point lower than the tabular values for concrete strengths higher than 5000 psi.

For some of the concrete mixtures, such as low-slump mixtures in extruded products or gap-graded mixtures in architectural precast concrete, it is difficult to measure air content. Thus, it is recommended that

a "normal dosage" of the air-entraining agent be used instead of specifying a particular range of air content percentage. For precast concrete elements constructed above grade and oriented in a vertical position, air contents as low as 2 to 3% will usually provide the required durability. The precast and prestressed concrete industry does not use air-entraining portland cements.

In addition to entrained air, other positive measures, such as adequate concrete cover over steel and rapid drainage of surface water may be essential in structures exposed to weather.

Table 1.3.3 (Table 4.2.2, ACI 318-95) provides the maximum permitted water-cementitious materials ratio (or, for lightweight concrete, minimum  $f'_c$ ) for concrete which is exposed to an aggressive environment. The water-cementitious materials ratios specified in Table 1.3.3 shall be calculated using the weight of cement meeting ASTM C 150, C 595, or C 845 plus the weight of fly ash and other pozzolans meeting ASTM C 618, slag meeting ASTM C 989, and silica fume meeting ASTM C 1240, if any, except when the concrete is exposed to deicing chemicals. For concrete exposed to deicing chemicals, the maximum weight of fly ash, other pozzolans, silica fume, or slag that is included in the concrete shall not exceed the percentages of the total weight of cementitious materials given in Table 1.3.4 (Table 4.2.3, ACI 318-95). In many plants, a water-cementitious materials ratio of 0.35 is frequently used for added durability of precast, prestressed concrete products.

**Table 1.3.2 Total air content for frost-resistant concrete.**

Normal maximum aggregate size, <sup>a</sup> in.	Air content, percent	
	Severe exposure	Moderate exposure
3/8	7 1/2	6
1/2	7	5 1/2
3/4	6	5
1	6	4 1/2
1 1/2	5 1/2	4 1/2
2 <sup>b</sup>	5	4
3 <sup>b</sup>	4 1/2	3 1/2

- See ASTM C 33 for tolerances on oversize for various nominal maximum size designations.
- These air contents apply to total mix, as for the preceding aggregate sizes. When testing these concretes, however, aggregate larger than 1 1/2 in. is removed by handpicking or sieving and air content is determined on the minus 1 1/2 in. fraction of mix. (Tolerance on air content as delivered applies to this value.) Air content of total mix is computed from value determined on the minus 1 1/2 in. fraction.

**Table 1.3.3 Requirements for special exposure conditions.**

Exposure condition	Maximum water-cementitious materials ratio, by weight, normal weight aggregate concrete	Minimum $f'_c$ , psi, normal weight and lightweight aggregate concrete
Concrete intended to have low permeability when exposed to water	0.50	4000
Concrete exposed to freezing and thawing in a moist condition or deicing chemicals	0.45	4500
For corrosion protection of reinforcement in concrete exposed to chlorides from deicing chemicals, salt, salt water, brackish water, seawater, or spray from these sources.	0.40	5000

**Table 1.3.4 Requirements for concrete exposed to deicing chemicals.**

Cementitious materials	Maximum percent of total cementitious materials by weight <sup>a</sup>
Fly ash or other pozzolans conforming to ASTM C 618	25
Slag conforming to ASTM C 989	50
Silica fume conforming to ASTM C 1240	10
Total of fly ash or other pozzolans, slag, and silica fume	50 <sup>b</sup>
Total of fly ash or other pozzolans and silica fume	35 <sup>b</sup>

- a. The total cementitious material also includes ASTM C 150, C 595 and C 845 cement. The maximum percentages also include fly ash or other pozzolans present in Type IP or I(PM) blended cement, ASTM C 595; slag used in the manufacture of an IS or I(SM) blended cement, ASTM C 595; and silica fume, ASTM C 1240, present in a blended cement.
- b. Fly ash or other pozzolans and silica fume shall constitute no more than 25 and 10 percent respectively, of the total weight of the cementitious materials.

### 1.3.4.2 Protection of Reinforcement

Reinforcing steel is protected from corrosion by embedment in concrete. A protective iron oxide film forms on the surface of the bar, wire or strand as a result of the high alkalinity of the cement paste. As long as the high alkalinity is maintained, the film is effective in preventing corrosion.

The protective high alkalinity of the cement paste may be lost in the presence of oxygen, moisture, and chlorides. Chlorides may be found in concrete aggregates, water, cementitious materials or admixtures, and hence may be present in the concrete when cast. Concrete of low permeability and of sufficient cover over the steel will usually provide the necessary protection against chloride penetration due to the presence of deicer salts.

Moisture and oxygen alone can cause corrosion. Cracking may allow oxygen and moisture to reach the embedded steel, resulting in conditions where rusting of the steel and staining of the surface may rapidly occur. Prestressing can control cracking; in non-prestressed members, the choice of a sufficiently low stress level in the steel under permanent loads can limit the width of cracks and the intrusion of water, thus maintaining the integrity of the reinforcement.

Calcium chloride as an admixture should not be used in prestressed or reinforced concrete. Consideration should be given to the chloride ion content in hardened concrete, contributed by the ingredients of

the mix. Table 1.3.5 (Table 4.4.1, ACI 318-95) indicates the maximum chloride ion content. These limits are intended for use with uncoated reinforcement. Chloride ion content values can be determined in accordance with ASTM C 1218.

In order to provide corrosion protection to reinforcement, concrete cover should conform to ACI 318-95, Sects. 7.7.2 and 7.7.3 as listed in Table 1.3.6. Concrete cover is minimum clear distance from the reinforcement to the face of the concrete. For exposed aggregate surfaces, the concrete cover is not measured from the original surface; instead, the depth of the mortar removed between the pieces of coarse aggregate (depth of reveal) should be subtracted. Attention must also be given to scoring, false joints, and drips, as these reduce the cover.

As noted above, high quality concrete provides adequate corrosion protection for reinforcement for most conditions. Even in moderate to severe aggressive environments, concrete will provide adequate protection with proper attention to mix design, steel stress level and the extent of cracking under service loads, and the depth of concrete cover. Only when these protection measures are not feasible, it may be necessary to consider other ways of protecting reinforcement, such as galvanizing, corrosion inhibitors or epoxy coating. These are described as follows:

**Galvanized Reinforcement.** Except for exposed connections, there is rarely any technical need for galvanized reinforcement. With proper detailing and specifications, galvanizing may be superfluous. However, in architectural precast concrete, some manufacturers prefer galvanized welded wire fabric, because corrosion will not generally occur during prolonged storage of the mesh.

**Table 1.3.5 Maximum chloride ion content for corrosion protection of reinforcement.**

Type of member	Maximum water-soluble chloride ion (Cl <sup>-</sup> ) in concrete, percent by weight of cement
Prestressed concrete	0.06
Reinforced concrete exposed to chloride in service	0.15
Reinforced concrete that will be dry or protected from moisture in service	1.00
Other reinforced concrete construction	0.30

**Table 1.3.6 Minimum cover requirements for reinforcement in precast and prestressed concrete.<sup>a,c</sup>**

Condition	Minimum cover
Exposed to earth or weather <sup>b</sup> • Wall panels • Other members	#11 and smaller— $\frac{3}{4}$ in. #6 through #11— $1\frac{1}{2}$ in. #5, W31 or D31 wire, and smaller— $1\frac{1}{4}$ in.
Not exposed to earth or weather • Wall panels, slabs and joists • Beams and columns: Main steel  Ties, stirrups or spirals	#11 and smaller— $\frac{5}{8}$ in.  Diameter of bar, but not less than $\frac{5}{8}$ in. and need not exceed $1\frac{1}{2}$ in.  All sizes— $\frac{3}{8}$ in.

- a. Manufactured under plant control conditions.  
b. Increase cover by 50% if tensile stress of prestressed members exceeds  $6\sqrt{f_c}$ .  
c. Cover requirements for #5 bars and smaller apply to prestressing steel. See Sect. 10.5

Galvanizing is not recommended for members subjected to chlorides, because a deleterious chemical reaction can take place when the concrete is damp and chlorides are present. Therefore, the benefit obtained by galvanizing is questionable for members subjected to deicing salts and similar exposures.

Galvanized welded wire reinforcement is usually available as a stock item in selected sizes. Individual wires are galvanized before they are welded together to form the fabric; zinc at each wire intersection is burned off during welding, but the resulting black spots have not caused noticeable problems. After welding, the fabric is shipped without further treatment. There is no current ASTM specification for galvanized welded wire fabric.

When galvanized reinforcement is used in concrete, it should not be coupled directly to ungalvanized steel reinforcement, copper, or other dissimilar materials. Polyethylene and similar tapes can be used to provide local insulation between dissimilar materials. Galvanized reinforcement should be fastened with ties of soft stainless steel, or zinc coated or nonmetallic coated tie wire.

The use of galvanized reinforcement close to steel forms or non galvanized reinforcement in fresh concrete may cause "shadowing" or reflection of the reinforcement onto the final concrete surface. When galvanized and non galvanized reinforcement or steel

forms are in close proximity in fresh concrete, galvanic cell problems may occur during the initial processes of hydration. The reactions of zinc in concentrated alkaline material such as concrete (pH of 12.5–13.5) liberates hydrogen gas. This release of gas bubbles results in the shadowing or reflection of reinforcement. Ways to avoid this occurrence, by passivating either the galvanized steel or the concrete mix, are discussed in the PCI manual Architectural Precast Concrete [7].

**Epoxy Coated Reinforcement.** Epoxy coated reinforcing bars and welded wire fabric are also available for use in members which require special corrosion protection. Epoxy coated reinforcing bars should conform to ASTM A 775, and epoxy coated welded wire fabric should conform to ASTM A 884. The epoxy provides excellent protection from corrosion if the bar is uniformly coated. Bars generally are coated when straight; subsequent bending should have no adverse effect on the integrity of the coating. If the coating is removed or damaged, the reinforcement should be touched up with commercially available epoxy compounds. Epoxy coating reduces bond strength; reference should be made to Sect. 12.2.4 of ACI 318 for the required increase in development length. Similarly, the requirements for crack control may need to be modified.

Supplemental items must also be protected to retain the full advantage of protecting the main reinforcement. For example, bar supports should be solid plastic and bar ties should be nylon-, epoxy-, or plastic-coated wire, rather than black wire. Epoxy coated reinforcing bars should be handled with nylon slings.

**Epoxy Coated Strand.** Epoxy coated strand is a relatively new product proposed for use in unusually aggressive environments. It is covered by ASTM A 882.

In order for it to be used as bonded strand, the epoxy coating is impregnated with a grit to assure development of bond; without grit, the epoxy coated strand had virtually no bond strength. With adequate density and a proper distribution of the grit, the bond strength of the epoxy coated strand is comparable to that of uncoated strand. Note that tests [24] have shown the transfer and the development lengths of the epoxy coated (with grit) strand to be somewhat shorter than the corresponding lengths for the uncoated strand. Also, there are differences in some other properties of the two types of strand. For example, the relaxation loss of epoxy coated strand is higher (about twice) than that of uncoated, low-relaxation strand.

The behavior of epoxy coated strand at elevated temperatures is of concern due to softening of the epoxy. Pull-out tests [24] show that there is a progressive reduction in bond strength initiating at about 125 °F with a virtually complete loss of bond occurring at about 200 °F. These temperatures are frequently reached during production. This behavior necessitates a careful monitoring of concrete temperature at transfer of prestress.

Because of the uncertainties in properties noted above, particularly the behavior under elevated temperatures, it is recommended that epoxy coated strand not be used for pretensioned, prestressed concrete products.

**Corrosion Inhibitors.** Corrosion inhibitors are used to extend the service life of concrete structures by offering protection to embedded reinforcement against chloride induced corrosion. Corrosion inhibitors are chemical admixtures that delay the initiation of corrosion and decrease the corrosion rate of steel in concrete, without changing the concentration of the corrosive agent.

Chemical compounds classified as corrosion inhibitors by ACI 212 and ACI 222 are borates, chromates, molybdates, nitrites, and phosphates. Of these, calcium nitrite has been used successfully with precast and prestressed concrete since 1980.

#### 1.3.4.3 Protection of Connections

**Painted Steel.** In most building environments painting of exposed steel in connections is sufficient to prevent corrosion damage. There is a broad spectrum of choices of paint systems from one coat of primer to multicoat systems using zinc rich paint or epoxy systems. Long oil alkyds have the advantage of low cost surface preparation and the ease of application and touch up. Their disadvantage is their relatively short life span in corrosive conditions. Epoxy polyamidoamines have an extended life span and are good in corrosive environments. Epoxy polyamidoamines have a higher material cost and surface preparation cost. Epoxy polyamidoamines are more difficult to field touch up since they are a two part mixture requiring controlled temperatures to apply. For both long oil alkyd and epoxy polyamidoamine systems the protection is lost once the surface is broken (scratch, incomplete coverage) since corrosion can start undercutting adjacent areas. Zinc rich urethanes minimize this problem by providing galvanic protection. Zinc rich urethane has the best corrosion resistance and life expectancy and is relatively easy to apply. The disadvantage of the zinc rich urethane is that it comes in one color, brown. If other colors are required epoxy or urethane paints may be used as a top coat. Consult the local precast producers in the area for paint systems commonly used.

**Galvanized Steel.** In corrosive environments, hot dip galvanizing of connection hardware is sometimes used. Connections should be designed to minimize or eliminate field welding if galvanized connections are used. The fumes from welded galvanized material are very toxic and present a serious threat to the welder even with the use of protective equipment. The process of welding destroys the protective coating, requiring touch up with a zinc rich paint, so the building owner has paid for hot dip galvanizing only to end up with a painted surface.

In order to ensure that the strength of the various elements of a connection are not reduced by embrittlement during the hot dip galvanizing process, several precautions are recommended.

When items of a connection assembly require welding, such as anchor bars to plates, the following recommendations have been found to produce satisfactory results and are recommended by the American Hot Dip Galvanizers Association:

1. An uncoated electrode should be used whenever possible to prevent flux deposits.
2. If a coated electrode is used, all welding flux residues must be removed by wire brushing, flame cleaning, chipping, grinding, needle gun or abrasive blast cleaning. This is necessary because welding flux residues are chemically inert in the normal pickling solutions used by galvanizers; their existence will produce rough and incomplete zinc coverage.
3. A welding process such as metal-inert gas (MIG), tungsten-inert gas (TIG), or CO<sub>2</sub> shelled arc is recommended when possible since they produce essentially no slag.
4. If special process welding is not available, select a coated rod specifically designed for self-slugging, as recommended by welding equipment suppliers and refer to Item 2.

It should also be recognized that many parts of connection components are fabricated using cold rolled steel or cold working techniques, such as bending of anchor bars. In some instances, cold working may cause the steel to become strain-age embrittled. The embrittlement may not be evident until after the work has been galvanized. This occurs because aging is relatively slow at ambient temperatures but is more rapid at the elevated temperature of the galvanizing bath.

It is recognized that any form of cold working reduces the ductility of steel. Operations such as punching holes, notching, producing fillets of small radii, shearing and sharp bending may lead to strain-age embrittlement of susceptible steels.



The following precautions are recommended by the American Hot Dip Galvanizers Association:

1. Select steel with a carbon content below 0.25%.
2. Choose steel with low transition temperatures since cold working raises the ductile-brittle transition temperature and galvanizing (heating) may raise it even further.
3. For steels having a carbon content between 0.10% and 0.25% a bending radius of at least three times the section thickness ( $3t$ ) should be maintained. In some cases  $6t$  yields even better results. If less than  $3t$  bending is unavoidable, the material should be stress-relieved at  $1100\text{ }^{\circ}\text{F}$  for one hour per inch of section thickness.
4. Drill, rather than punch, holes in material thicker than  $\frac{3}{4}$  in. If holes are punched they should be punched undersize, then reamed an additional  $\frac{1}{8}$  in. overall or drilled to size.
5. Edges of steel sections greater than  $\frac{5}{8}$  in. thick subject to tensile loads should be machined or machine cut.
6. In critical applications, the steel should be hot worked above  $1,200\text{ }^{\circ}\text{F}$  in accordance with steel makers recommendation. Where cold working cannot be avoided, stress-relieve as recommended in Item 3 above.

ASTM A 143 "Recommended Practice for Safeguarding against Embrittlement of Hot Dip Galvanized Structural Steel Products and Procedure for Detecting Embrittlement" and CSA Specification G164 "Galvanizing of Irregularly Shaped Articles," provide guidance on cold working and stress relieving procedures. However, severe cold working of susceptible steels is better avoided, if at all possible.

Another area of concern is hydrogen embrittlement. Hydrogen embrittlement is a ductile-to-brittle change which occurs in certain high strength steels. Hydrogen released during the pickling operation, prior to hot dipping, can cause this embrittlement. This hydrogen can be absorbed into the steel during the acid pickling, but at galvanizing temperatures it is generally expelled from the steel.

Hydrogen embrittlement is not common, but precautions should be taken if the steel involved has an ultimate tensile strength exceeding approximately 150,000 psi, or if the pickling process is poorly controlled, resulting in long exposure to HCl. In those cases, grit blasting is recommended instead of acid pickling.

These precautions are also outlined in Ref. 6. An alternative to hot dip galvanizing is cold galvanizing using zinc rich paint.

**Stainless Steel.** In highly corrosive environments stainless steel may be used for connections and embedments. The AISI (American Iron and Steel Institute) 200 and 300 series stainless steels contain nickel and chromium and are essentially nonmagnetic, and are referred to as austenitic stainless steels. The AISI 200 series contains manganese in addition to the nickel and chromium. The AISI 400 series contain straight chromium and is referred to as ferritic stainless steel. They are magnetic and are less ductile than the austenitic grades. AISI types 304 and 316 are the most commonly used in structural applications. These types are a low carbon modification of type 302 for limiting of carbide precipitation during welding. Type 316 has a higher corrosion resistance than type 304 and is usually used for chemical handling equipment. There are types 304L and 316L which are extra low carbon modifications of types 304 and 316, respectively, and can be used where carbide precipitation is a problem. There are a limited number of structural shapes and sizes available in stainless steel. Consult with the local steel suppliers for availability of different shapes and sizes.

Stainless steel can be welded by all common methods, and the equipment used is basically the same as that used for carbon steel.

The choice of electrodes should be made for compatibility with the base metal. E308 electrode is used with 304, E308L with 304L, E316 with 316, and E316L with 316L. When stainless steel and carbon materials are to be joined, an E309 electrode should be used.

All stainless steel SMAW electrode coverings are of the low-hydrogen type and must be protected from moisture. Electrodes should be purchased in hermetically sealed containers, which can be stored for several months without deterioration. After opening, the electrodes should be reconditioned after 4 hours of exposure.

Fillet welds should be designed using the same guidelines as for carbon steel. Joints must be clean and dry. Moisture should be removed by heating or by blowing with dry air. Slag needs to be thoroughly removed and the weld completely cleaned before starting a new pass. Only stainless steel wire brushes should be used for cleaning.

Inspection of welds should include verification of the proper electrode, proper storage of the electrode, and operator certification, in addition to the non-destructive testing required. The method and frequency of testing should be as directed by the design engineer. Typically, the testing will be visual only.

The welding of stainless steel produces more heat than conventional welding. That, and the fact that stainless steel has a coefficient of thermal expansion greater than structural steel can create adverse expansion of embedments during welding, thus cracking in the adjacent concrete. Stainless steel embedment edges should be kept free from adjacent concrete to allow expansion during welding without spalling the concrete.

#### 1.3.4.4 Sulfate Attack

Chemical attack of concrete materials may occur from sulfates found in ground water, soils, processing liquids, or sewage. The proper choice of cement is particularly effective in resisting sulfate attack. ACI 318-95, Sect. 4.3.1, and the references contained therein, provide detailed guidance.

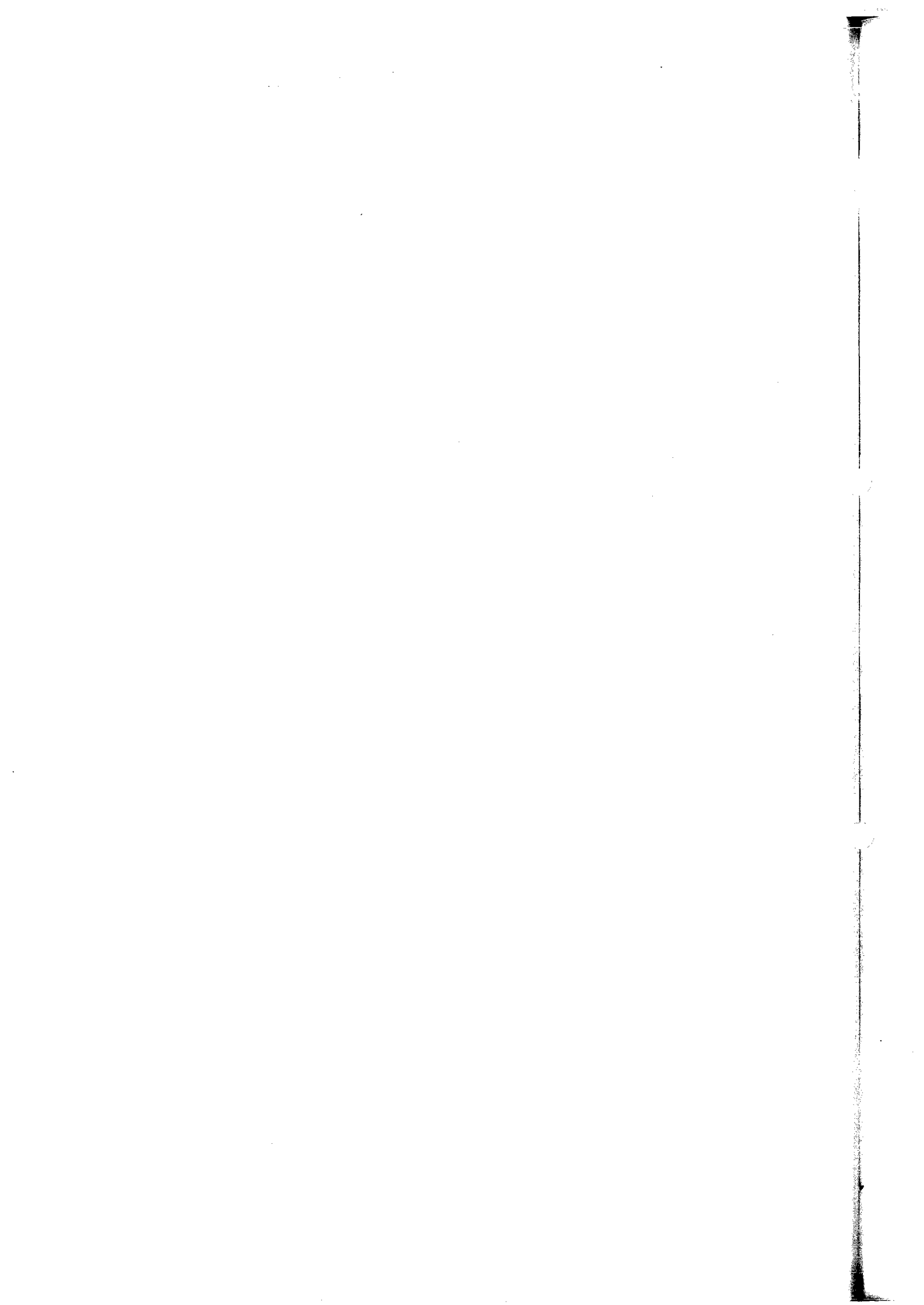
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### 2.1 General

#### 2.1.1 Notation

<p><math>A</math> = cross-sectional area</p> <p><math>A_g</math> = gross cross-sectional area</p> <p><math>b</math> = width of compression or tension face of member</p> <p><math>b_w</math> = web width</p> <p><math>D</math> = unfactored dead loads</p> <p><math>e_c</math> = eccentricity of prestress force from the centroid of the section at the center of the span</p> <p><math>e_e</math> = eccentricity of prestress force from the centroid of the section at the end of the span</p> <p><math>f'_c</math> = specified compressive strength of concrete</p> <p><math>f'_{ci}</math> = compressive strength of concrete at time of initial prestress</p> <p><math>f_{ps}</math> = stress in prestressed reinforcement at nominal strength of member</p> <p><math>f_{pu}</math> = ultimate strength of prestressing steel</p> <p><math>f_{se}</math> = effective stress in prestressing steel after losses</p> <p><math>f_y</math> = specified yield strength of non-prestressed reinforcement</p> <p><math>h</math> = overall depth of member</p> <p><math>I</math> = moment of inertia</p> <p><math>L</math> = unfactored live loads</p> <p><math>\ell</math> = span</p> <p><math>M_n</math> = nominal moment strength of a member</p> <p><math>M_{nb}</math> = nominal moment strength under balanced conditions</p> <p><math>M_o</math> = nominal moment strength of a compression member with zero axial load</p> <p><math>M_u</math> = applied factored moment at section</p> <p><math>N</math> = unfactored axial load</p>	<p><math>P_n</math> = nominal axial load strength of a compression member at given eccentricity</p> <p><math>P_{nb}</math> = nominal axial load strength under balanced conditions</p> <p><math>P_o</math> = nominal axial load strength of a compression member with zero eccentricity</p> <p><math>P_u</math> = factored axial load</p> <p><math>S</math> = section modulus</p> <p><math>S_b</math> = section modulus with respect to the bottom fiber of a cross section</p> <p><math>S_t</math> = section modulus with respect to the top fiber of a cross section</p> <p><math>t</math> = thickness</p> <p><math>V_{ci}</math> = nominal shear strength provided by concrete when diagonal cracking results from combined shear and moment</p> <p><math>V_{cw}</math> = nominal shear strength provided by concrete when diagonal cracking results from excessive principal tensile stress in the web</p> <p><math>V_u</math> = factored shear force</p> <p><math>V/S</math> = volume-surface ratio</p> <p><math>y_b</math> = distance from bottom fiber to center of gravity of section</p> <p><math>y_t</math> = distance from top fiber to center of gravity of section</p> <p><math>\delta</math> = moment magnification factor</p> <p><math>\rho</math> = <math>A_s/bd</math> = ratio of non-prestressed tension reinforcement</p> <p><math>\phi</math> = strength reduction factor</p>
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#### 2.1.2 Introduction

This chapter presents data on the shapes that are standard in the precast, prestressed concrete industry. Other shapes and modified standard shapes with depth and width variations are also available in many areas of the country. Designers should contact the local manufacturers in the geographic area of the proposed structure or project to determine the properties and dimensions of products available. This section, plus the design methods and aids provided



in other chapters of this Handbook, should enable the designer to carry out safe and economical designs.

These load tables are meant to be used for preliminary design. The limiting criteria for these tables are according to the ACI 318-95 Building Code. For final design, the exceptions to stress limitations presented in Sect. 10.5 of the Handbook can be used.

## 2.2 Explanation of Load Tables

The load tables on the following pages show dimensions, section properties and load carrying capabilities of the shapes most commonly used throughout the industry. These shapes include double tees, hollow-core and solid flat slabs, beams, girders, columns, piles and wall panels. The dimensions of the shapes shown in the tables may vary among manufacturers. The variations are usually small and the tables given here can still be used, particularly for preliminary design. Manufacturers will in most cases have their own catalogs with load tables and geometric properties for the members they produce. Hollow-core slabs of different thicknesses, core sizes and shapes are available in the market under various trade names. Cross sections and section properties of proprietary hollow-core slabs are shown on pages 2-31 through 2-34. Load tables on pages 2-25 through 2-30 are developed for non-proprietary hollow-core sections of thicknesses most commonly used in the industry.

Load tables for stemmed deck members, flat deck members and beams show the allowable uniform superimposed service load, estimated camber at the time of erection, and the estimated long-term camber after the member time dependent deformations have stabilized, but before the application of superimposed live load. For deck members, except pretopped double tees, the table at the top of the page gives the information for the member with no topping, and the table at the bottom of the page is for the same member with 2 in. of normal weight concrete topping acting compositely with the precast section. Values in the tables assume a uniform 2 in. topping over the full span length, and assume the member to be unshored at the time the topping is placed. Safe loads and cambers shown in the tables are based on the dimensions and section properties shown on the page, and will vary for members with different dimensions.

For beams, a single load table is used for several sizes of members. The values shown are based on sections containing the indicated number of prestressing strands. In some cases, more strands could be used.

### 2.2.1 Safe Superimposed Load

The values for safe superimposed uniform service load are based on the capacity of the member as governed by the ACI Building Code limitations on flexural strength, service load flexural stresses, or, in the case of flat deck members without shear reinforcement, shear strength. A portion of the safe load shown is assumed to be dead load for the purpose of applying load factors and determining cambers and deflections. For untopped deck members, 10 psf of the capacity shown is assumed as superimposed dead load, typical for roof members. For deck members with topping, 15 psf of the capacity shown is assumed as superimposed dead load, typical of floor members. The capacity shown is in addition to the weight of the topping. For beams, 50% of the capacity shown in the load table is assumed as superimposed dead load. Pretopped double tees are typically used for parking structures where superimposed dead loads are negligible. Thus all of the load shown in the tables for 10DT26, 10DT34, 12DT30 and 12DT34 (as well as corresponding LDT sections) is live load.

*Example:* For an 8DT24/88-D1 untopped, (p. 2-9) with a 52 ft span, the capacity shown is 70 psf. The member can safely carry service loads of 10 psf dead and 60 psf live.

### 2.2.2 Limiting Criteria

The criteria used to determine the safe superimposed load and strand placement are based on *Building Code Requirements for Structural Concrete* ACI 318-95. (This is referred to as "the Code," "the ACI Building Code" or "ACI 318" in this Handbook.) For design procedures, see Chapter 4 of this Handbook. A summary of the Code provisions used in the development of these load tables is as follows:

1. Capacity governed by design flexural strength:

Load factors:  $1.4D + 1.7L$

Strength reduction factor,  $\phi = 0.90$

Calculation of moments assumes simple spans with roller supports. If the strands are fully developed (see Sect. 4.2.3), the critical moment is assumed to be at midspan in members with straight strands, and at  $0.4\ell$  ( $\ell = \text{span}$ ) in products with strands depressed at midspan. (Note: The actual critical point can be determined by analysis, but will seldom vary significantly from  $0.4\ell$ .) Flexural strength is calculated using strain compatibility as discussed in Chapter 4.

2. Capacity governed by service load stresses: Flexural stresses immediately after transfer of prestress:

- a) Compression:  $0.6f_{ci}$
- b) End tension:  $6\sqrt{f_{ci}}$
- c) Midspan tension:  $3\sqrt{f_{ci}}$

Stresses at service loads, after all losses:

- a) Compression:

Extreme fiber stress in compression due to prestress plus sustained loads:  $0.45f_c$

Extreme fiber stress in compression due to prestress plus total load:  $0.60f_c$

- b) Tension:

Stemmed deck members and beams:

$$12\sqrt{f_c}$$

(Deflections must be determined based on bilinear moment-deflection relationships. See Sect. 4.8.3.)

Flat deck members:  $6\sqrt{f_c}$

Critical point for service load moment is assumed at midspan for members with straight strands and at  $0.4\ell$  for members with strands depressed at midspan, as described above.

### 3. Capacity governed by design shear strength:

Load factors:  $1.4D + 1.7L$

Strength reduction factor,  $\phi = 0.85$

In flat deck members, since use of shear reinforcement is generally not feasible, the capacity may be limited by the design concrete shear strength. In this case, the safe superimposed load is obtained by equating the corresponding factored shear force,  $V_u$ , to the lesser of  $\phi V_{ci}$  and  $\phi V_{cw}$  (see Sect. 11.4.2 of ACI 318-95 and Sect. 4.3 of this Handbook).

For stemmed deck members and beams, the design concrete shear strength is not used as a limiting criterion since shear reinforcement can be readily provided in such members. The design of shear reinforcement is illustrated in Sect. 4.3. In stemmed deck members, usually minimum or no shear reinforcement (see Sect. 11.5.5 of ACI 318-95) is required.

**Note 1:** End stresses are calculated 50 strand diameters from the end of the member, the theoretical point of full transfer.

**Note 2:** Release tension is not used as a limiting criterion for beams. Supplemental top

reinforcement must be provided, designed as described in Sect. 4.2.2.2.

**Note 3:** For *Stemmed Deck Members*, the transverse (flange) flexural and shear strengths and the service load stresses are not considered as limiting criteria. For heavy uniform loads and/or concentrated loads, these considerations may limit the capacity or require transverse reinforcement.

**Note 4:** *Flat Deck Members* show no values beyond a span/depth ratio of 50 for untopped members and 40 for topped members. These are suggested maximums for roof and floor members respectively, unless a detailed analysis is made.

### 2.2.3 Estimated Cambers

The estimated cambers shown are calculated using the multipliers given in Sect. 4.8.5 of this Handbook. *These values are estimates, and should not be used as absolute values.* Attachment of non-structural elements, such as partitions, folding doors and architectural decoration to members subject to camber variations should be designed with adequate allowance for these variations. Calculation of topping quantities should also recognize that the values can vary with camber.

### 2.2.4 Design Parameters

The design of prestressed concrete is dependent on many variables. These include concrete strength at release and at 28 days; unit weight of concrete; strength grade, profile and placement of strand; jacking tension and other. The load tables given here are based on commonly used values; somewhat higher allowable loads or longer spans may be achieved by selecting other appropriate set of conditions. However, in these cases, consultation with local producers is recommended.

### 2.2.5 Concrete Strength and Unit Weights

Twenty eight day cylinder strength for precast concrete is assumed to be 5000 psi unless otherwise indicated. Tables for units with composite topping are based on the topping concrete being normal weight concrete with a cylinder strength of 3000 psi.

Concrete strength at time of strand tension release is 3500 psi unless the value falls below the heavy line shown (Note: this area is also shown as shaded) in the load table, indicating that a cylinder strength greater than 3500 psi is required. No values

are shown when the required release strength exceeds 4500 psi.

The concrete strengths used in the load tables are not intended to be limitations or recommendations for actual use. Some precast concrete manufacturers may choose to use higher or lower concrete strengths, resulting in slightly different load table values. For low levels of prestress, the concrete release strength is usually governed by handling stresses.

Unit weight of concrete is assumed to be 150 pcf for normal weight and 115 pcf for lightweight.

## 2.2.6 Prestressing Strands

Prestressing strands are available in diameters from 1/4 in. to 0.6 in., grades 250 ksi and 270 ksi. The predominant current use strand is the low-relaxation type; thus, the load tables are calculated for this type of strand only. Since the relaxation loss of low-relaxation strand remains linear up to an initial stress of  $0.75f_{pu}$  [1], the tables have been developed assuming this value of initial stress. Stress at transfer of prestress has been assumed at 90% of the initial stress.

In developing the load tables, the stress-strain behavior of the strand was modeled with the curves given in Design Aid 11.2.5. These curves are of the same form as those used in previous editions of this Handbook. However, changes in coefficients and the limiting values were made for compliance with ASTM specification minimum values and for a better correlation with experimental data.

Other stress-strain models are also available and could be used in place of the curves used here. One such model has been validated by comparison with a large number of tests [4]. This model and other valid stress-strain models are expected to produce allowable loads which differ only slightly from the values calculated using the model depicted in Design Aid 11.2.5 and shown in the load tables in this chapter.

## 2.2.7 Losses

Losses were calculated in accordance with the recommendations given in Ref. 2. This procedure includes consideration of initial stress level ( $0.7f_{pu}$  or higher), type of strand, exposure conditions and type of construction. A lower limit of 30,000 psi for low-relaxation strands was used. This lower limit is arbitrary; other designers may choose not to impose this limit. Additional information on losses is given in Sect. 4.7.

## 2.2.8 Strand Placement

Quantity, size and profile of strands are shown in the load tables under the column headed "Strand Pattern", for example, 88-S. The first digit indicates the total number of strands in the unit, the second digit is the diameter of the strand in 16ths of an inch ( $\frac{1}{16}$  equals 1/2 in. diameter), and the "S" indicates that the strands are straight. A "D1" indicates that the strands are depressed at midspan. Some precast producers choose to depress the strand at 2 points, which provides a somewhat higher capacity.

For *stemmed deck members* and beams, the eccentricities of strands at the ends and midspan are shown in the load tables. Strands have been placed so that the stress at 50 strand diameters from the end (theoretical transfer point) will not exceed those specified above.

For *flat deck members*, the load table values are based on prestressing strand centered 1 1/2 in. from the bottom of the slab. Strand placement can vary from as low as 7/8 in. to as high as 2 1/8 in. from the bottom, which will change the capacity and camber values shown. The higher strand placements give improved fire resistance ratings (see Sect. 9.3 of this Handbook for more information on fire resistance). The lower strand placement may require higher release strengths, or top tension reinforcement at the ends. The designer should contact the local supplier of flat prestressed concrete deck members for available and recommended strand placement locations.

## 2.2.9 Columns and Load Bearing Wall Panels

Interaction curves for selected precast, prestressed columns, precast reinforced columns and various types of commonly used wall panels are provided on pp. 2-47 to 2-54.

These interaction curves are based on strength design. Appropriate load factors must be applied to the service loads and moments before entering the charts. The effect of slenderness is considered through magnification of moment as described in Sect. 3.5.

For prestressed columns and wall panels, curves are shown for both partially developed strands, usually appropriate for end moment capacity, and fully developed strands, usually appropriate for mid-span moment capacity. This is discussed more completely in Sect. 4.9. The columns and wall panels which use reinforcing bars assume full development of the bars.

The column curves are terminated at a value of  $P_u = 0.80\phi P_o$ , the maximum allowable load for tied columns under ACI 318-95. Most of the wall panel curves show the lower portion of the curve only (flexure controlling). Actual design loads will rarely exceed the values shown.

The curves for double-tee wall panels are for bending in the direction that causes tension in the stem. The curves for hollow-core wall panels are based on a generic section as shown. They can be used with small difference for all sections commonly marketed for wall panel use.

#### 2.2.10 Piles

Allowable concentric service loads on prestressed concrete piles, based on the structural capacity of the pile alone, are shown in Table 2.7.1. The ability of the soil to carry these loads must be evaluated separately. Values for concrete strengths up to 10,000 psi are shown. The availability of these concrete strengths should be checked with local manufacturers. The design of prestressed concrete piles is discussed in Sect. 4.9.6 of this Handbook [3].

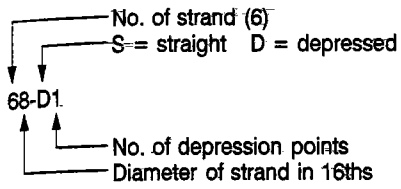
Section properties and allowable service load bending moments for prestressed concrete sheet pile units are shown in Table 2.7.2. These units are

available in some areas for use in earth retaining structures.

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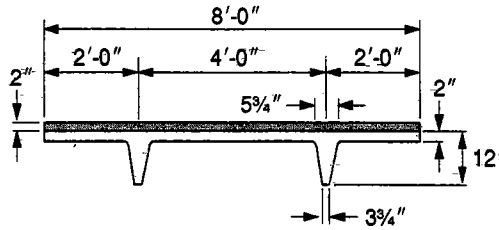


Safe loads shown include dead load of 10 psf for untopped members and 15 psf for topped members. Remainder is live load. Long-time cambers include superimposed dead load but do not include live load.

**Key**  
1.78 — Safe superimposed service load, psf  
0.2 — Estimated camber at erection, in.  
0.2 — Estimated long-time camber, in.

**DOUBLE TEE**

8'-0" x 12"  
Normal Weight Concrete



$f'_c = 5,000$  psi  
 $f_{pu} = 270,000$  psi

**Section Properties**

	Untopped	Topped
A	= 287 in <sup>2</sup>	—
I	= 2,872 in <sup>4</sup>	4,389 in <sup>4</sup>
y <sub>b</sub>	= 9.13 in.	10.45 in.
y <sub>t</sub>	= 2.87 in.	3.55 in.
S <sub>b</sub>	= 315 in <sup>3</sup>	420 in <sup>3</sup>
S <sub>t</sub>	= 1,001 in <sup>3</sup>	1,236 in <sup>3</sup>
wt	= 299 plf	499 plf
	37 psf	62 psf
V/S	= 1.22 in.	

**8DT12**

**Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers (in.)**

**No Topping**

Strand Pattern	e <sub>s</sub> , in. e <sub>c</sub> , in.	Span, ft																
		12	14	16	18	20	22	24	26	28	30	32	34	36	38	40	42	44
28-S	7.13	178	137	108	82	61	45	34										
	7.13	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3										
48-S	5.13		188	146	113	88	69	55	43	34								
	5.13		0.4	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7								
68-S	3.13			162	126	99	78	62	50	40	31							
	3.13			0.4	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.4						
68-D1	3.13								94	78	65	54	45	38	31			
	6.63								1.4	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.6			
88-D1	1.13															38	32	
	6.38															1.8	1.7	

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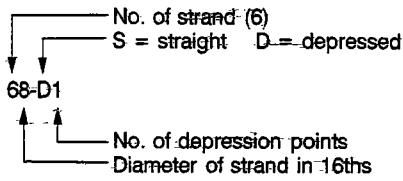
**Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers (in.)**

**2" Normal Weight Topping**

Strand Pattern	e <sub>s</sub> , in. e <sub>c</sub> , in.	Span, ft											
		12	14	16	18	20	22	24	26	28	30	32	34
28-S	7.13	200	150	116	84	59	40						
	7.13	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3						
48-S	5.13			168	127	96	73	55	41				
	5.13			0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7				
68-S	3.13				154	119	92	72	50				
	3.13				0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6				
68-D1	3.13								100	81	65	50	
	6.63								1.4	1.5	1.6	1.6	

Strength based on strain compatibility; bottom tension limited to  $12\sqrt{f'_c}$ ; see pages 2-2-2-6 for explanation. Shaded values require release strengths higher than 3500 psi.

**Strand Pattern Designation**

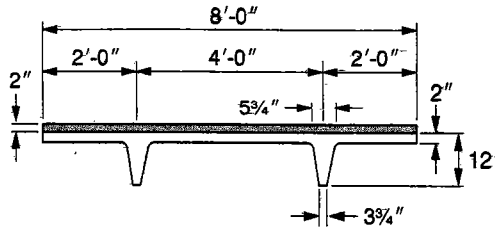


Safe loads shown include dead load of 10 psf for untopped members and 15 psf for topped members. Remainder is live load. Long-time cambers include superimposed dead load but do not include live load.

- Key**
- 186 — Safe superimposed service load, psf
  - 0.2 — Estimated camber at erection, in.
  - 0.3 — Estimated long-time camber, in.

**DOUBLE TEE**

8'-0" x 12"  
 Lightweight Concrete



$f'_c = 5,000$  psi  
 $f_{pu} = 270,000$  psi

**Section Properties**

	Untopped	Topped
A	287 in <sup>2</sup>	—
I	2,872 in <sup>4</sup>	4,819 in <sup>4</sup>
y <sub>b</sub>	9.13 in.	10.82 in.
y <sub>t</sub>	2.87 in.	3.18 in.
S <sub>b</sub>	315 in <sup>3</sup>	445 in <sup>3</sup>
S <sub>t</sub>	1,001 in <sup>3</sup>	1,515 in <sup>3</sup>
wt	229 plf	429 plf
	29 psf	54 psf
V/S	1.22 in.	

**8LDT12**

**Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers (in.)**

**No Topping**

Strand Pattern	e <sub>s</sub> , in. e <sub>c</sub> , in.	Span, ft															
		12	14	16	18	20	22	24	26	28	30	32	34	36	38	40	42
28-S	7.13	186	144	116	89	68	53	41	31								
	7.13	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6								
		0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.6								
48-S	5.13			195	153	120	95	77	62	50	41	33					
	5.13			0.6	0.7	0.8	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.3					
				0.8	0.9	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.3	1.2					
68-S	3.13				169	133	106	86	70	57	47	39	32				
	3.13				0.6	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.0				
					0.8	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.0	0.8	0.5				
68-D1	3.13										72	61	52	45	38	33	
	6.63										2.6	2.8	3.0	3.1	3.2	3.2	
												2.9	2.9	2.9	2.7	2.4	2.1

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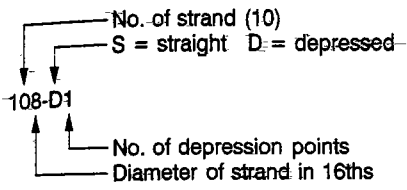
**Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers (in.)**

**2" Normal Weight Topping**

Strand Pattern	e <sub>s</sub> , in. e <sub>c</sub> , in.	Span, ft															
		12	14	16	18	20	22	24	26	28	30	32	34	36	38		
28-S	7.13	207	157	123	91	66	47	33									
	7.13	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6									
		0.2	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.2									
48-S	5.13				175	134	103	80	62	48	36						
	5.13				0.7	0.8	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.3						
					0.7	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.2						
68-S	3.13					162	126	99	79	62	47						
	3.13					0.8	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1						
						0.7	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.1						
68-D1	3.13										72	59	46	33			
	6.63										2.6	2.8	3.0	3.1			
												1.3	1.0	0.6	0.0		

Strength based on strain compatibility; bottom tension limited to  $12\sqrt{f'_c}$ ; see pages 2-2-2-6 for explanation. Shaded values require release strengths higher than 3500 psi.

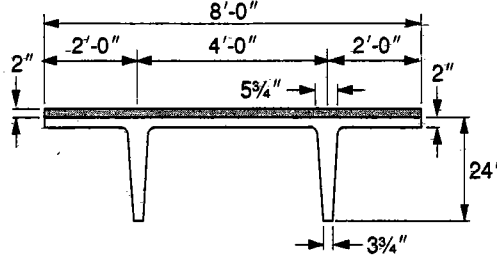
**Strand Pattern Designation**



Safe loads shown include dead load of 10 psf for untopped members and 15 psf for topped members. Remainder is live load. Long-time cambers include superimposed dead load but do not include live load.

**DOUBLE TEE**

8'-0" x 24"  
 Normal Weight Concrete



$f'_c = 5,000$  psi  
 $f_{pu} = 270,000$  psi

**Section Properties**

	Untopped	Topped
A	401 in <sup>2</sup>	—
I	20,985 in <sup>4</sup>	27,720 in <sup>4</sup>
$y_b$	17.15 in.	19.27 in.
$y_t$	6.85 in.	6.73 in.
$S_b$	1,224 in <sup>3</sup>	1,438 in <sup>3</sup>
$S_t$	3,063 in <sup>3</sup>	4,119 in <sup>3</sup>
wt	418 plf	618 plf
	52 psf	77 psf
V/S	1.41 in.	

**Key**

- 173 — Safe superimposed service load, psf
- 0.5 — Estimated camber at erection, in.
- 0.7 — Estimated long-time camber, in.

**8DT24**

Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers (in.)

No Topping

Strand Pattern	$e_s$ , in. $e_c$ , in.	Span, ft																							
		30	32	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50	52	54	56	58	60	62	64	66	68	70	72	74	
68-S	11.15	173	147	126	108	92	79	68	58	50	43	36	30												
	11.15	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.5												
88-S	9.15	180	155	134	116	100	87	76	66	57	49	43	36	31											
	9.15	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.5											
88-D1	9.15				190	166	146	129	114	100	89	79	70	62	54	48	42	37	32						
	14.40				1.1	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.2							
108-D1	7.15								145	129	116	103	92	83	74	66	59	53	47	42	37	32			
	14.15								2.2	2.2	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.2	2.1	2.0	1.8	1.6	1.3	1.0	0.5			
128-D1	5.48															83	75	68	61	55	49	44	40	35	
	13.90															2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.3	2.1	1.9	
148-D1	4.29																					61	55	50	45
	13.65																					2.9	2.9	2.8	2.6

**8DT24+2**

Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers (in.)

2" Normal Weight Topping

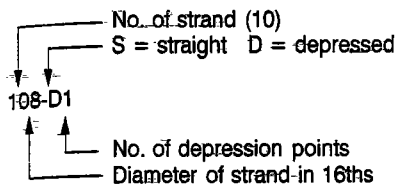
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		26	28	30	32	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50	52	54	56	58	60	62	64			
48-S	14.15	183	149	122	100	82	66	53	42	33														
	14.15	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5														
68-S	11.15				175	147	123	103	86	72	60	49	39											
	11.15				0.5	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7											
68-D1	11.15								184	156	133	113	96	81	69	58	48	39						
	14.65								0.7	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0						
88-D1	9.15																							
	14.40																							
108-D1	7.15																							
	14.15																							
128-D1	5.48																							
	13.90																							

Strength based on strain compatibility; bottom tension limited to  $12\sqrt{f'_c}$ ; see pages 2-2-2-6 for explanation. Shaded values require release strengths higher than 3500 psi.



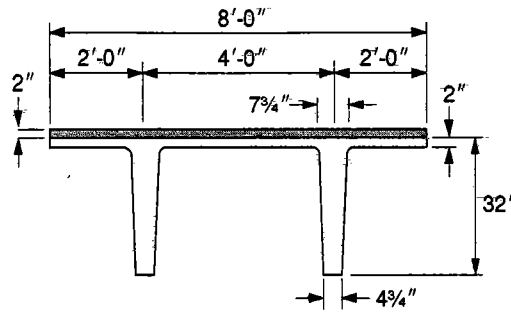


**Strand Pattern Designation**



**DOUBLE TEE**

**8'-0" x 32"**  
**Normal Weight Concrete**



**Section Properties**

	Untopped	Topped
A	= 567 in <sup>2</sup>	—
I	= 55,464 in <sup>4</sup>	71,886 in <sup>4</sup>
y <sub>b</sub>	= 21.21 in.	23.66 in.
y <sub>t</sub>	= 10.79 in.	10.34 in.
S <sub>b</sub>	= 2,615 in <sup>3</sup>	3,038 in <sup>3</sup>
S <sub>t</sub>	= 5,140 in <sup>3</sup>	6,952 in <sup>3</sup>
w <sub>t</sub>	= 591 plf	791 plf
	74 psf	99 psf
V/S	= 1.79 in.	

Safe loads shown include dead load of 10 psf for untopped members and 15 psf for topped members. Remainder is live load. Long-time cambers include superimposed dead load but do not include live load.

**Key**

- 186 — Safe superimposed service load, psf
- 1.4 — Estimated camber at erection, in.
- 1.8 — Estimated long-time camber, in.

$f'_c = 5,000$  psi  
 $f_{pu} = 270,000$  psi

**8DT32**

**Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers (in.)**

**No Topping**

Strand Pattern	e <sub>s</sub> , in. e <sub>c</sub> , in.	Span, ft																							
		50	52	54	56	58	60	62	64	66	68	70	72	74	76	78	80	82	84	86	88	90	92	94	
128-D1	12.04	186	167	151	136	123	111	100	90	82	73	66	59	53	47.0	42									
	17.96	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.1	1.0	0.8									
148-D1	9.71		197	179	162	147	134	121	110	100	91	83	75	68	61	55	49	44							
	17.71		1.6	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.5	1.3	1.1	0.9							
168-D1	8.21				188	171	156	142	130	119	108	99	90	82	75	68	62	56	51	46					
	17.46				1.9	2.0	2.0	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.2	2.1	2.1	2.0	1.9	1.8	1.7	1.5	1.3	1.1					
188-D1	6.82						177	162	149	136	125	115	105	96	88	81	74	67	62	56	51				
	17.21						2.2	2.3	2.3	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.3	2.3	2.2	2.0	1.8	1.6	1.4				
208-D1	5.71										130	119	110	101	93	85	78	72	66	60	55	50			
	16.96										2.6	2.7	2.7	2.6	2.6	2.5	2.4	2.3	2.1	1.9	1.7	1.4			
228-D1	4.80															105	97	89	81	74	67	62	57	52	
	16.71															2.9	2.8	2.6	2.7	2.5	2.4	2.2	2.0	1.7	

**8DT32+2**

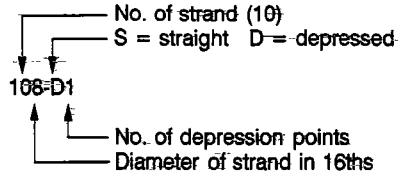
**Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers (in.)**

**2" Normal Weight Topping**

Strand Pattern	e <sub>s</sub> , in. e <sub>c</sub> , in.	Span, ft																						
		44	46	48	50	52	54	56	58	60	62	64	66	68	70	72	74	76	78	80				
108-D1	15.31	204	180	159	140	124	109	96	84	73	64	55	47											
	18.21	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.1											
128-D1	12.04			202	180	151	143	128	114	101	90	79	70	61										
	17.96			1.3	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.4											
148-D1	9.71					192	173	155	139	125	112	100	89	80	71	63								
	17.71					1.6	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.7								
168-D1	8.21							182	164	148	134	121	109	98	88	79	70							
	17.46							1.9	2.0	2.0	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.2	2.1	2.1	2.0							
188-D1	6.82									170	154	140	127	115	104	94	85	76	68					
	17.21									2.2	2.3	2.3	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.3	2.3					
208-D1	5.71															120	109	99	90	81	72			
	16.96															2.6	2.7	2.7	2.6	2.6	2.5			

Strength based on strain compatibility; bottom tension limited to 12√f<sub>c</sub>; see pages 2-2-2-6 for explanation. Shaded values require release strengths higher than 3500 psi.

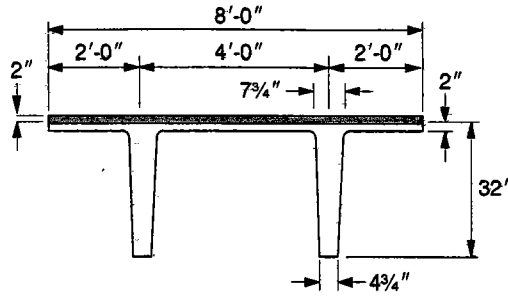
**Strand Pattern Designation**



Safe loads shown include dead load of 10 psf for untopped members and 15 psf for topped members. Remainder is live load. Long-time cambers include superimposed dead load but do not include live load.

- Key**  
 150 — Safe superimposed service load, psf  
 2.6 — Estimated camber at erection, in.  
 3.2 — Estimated long-time camber, in.

**DOUBLE TEE**  
**8'-0" x 32"**  
**Lightweight Concrete**



$f'_c = 5,000$  psi  
 $f_{pu} = 270,000$  psi

**Section Properties**

	Untopped	Topped
A	567 in <sup>2</sup>	—
I	55,464 in <sup>4</sup>	77,675 in <sup>4</sup>
y <sub>b</sub>	21.21 in.	24.52 in.
y <sub>t</sub>	10.79 in.	9.48 in.
S <sub>b</sub>	2,615 in <sup>3</sup>	3,167 in <sup>3</sup>
S <sub>t</sub>	5,140 in <sup>3</sup>	8,197 in <sup>3</sup>
wt	453 plf	653 plf
	57 psf	82 psf
V/S	1.79 in.	

**8LDT32**

**Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers (in.)**

**No Topping**

Strand Pattern	e <sub>s</sub> , in. e <sub>c</sub> , in.	Span, ft																							
		56	58	60	62	64	66	68	70	72	74	76	78	80	82	84	86	88	90	92	94	96	98	100	
128-D1	12.04	150	137	125	114	105	96	88	80	73	67	61	56	51	46	42	38	34							
	17.96	2.6	2.7	2.8	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.8	2.7	2.6	2.4	2.2	2.0	1.7							
148-D1	9.71	176	161	148	136	125	114	105	97	89	82	75	69	64	58	53	49	45	41	37					
	17.71	2.9	3.0	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.4	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.4	3.3	3.2	3.1	2.9	2.7	2.4	2.1						
168-D1	8.21	185	170	157	144	133	123	113	104	97	89	82	76	70	65	60	55	51	47	43	39				
	17.46	3.3	3.4	3.6	3.7	3.8	3.9	4.0	4.0	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.0	3.9	3.7	3.6	3.4	3.1	2.8	2.5				
188-D1	6.82								129	119	110	102	95	88	82	76	70	64	59	54	50	47	44		
	17.21								4.3	4.4	4.5	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.5	4.5	4.4	4.2	4.0	3.7	3.4	3.1		
208-D1	5.71														100	92	85	79	73	67	62	57	52	48	44
	16.96														5.1	5.1	5.1	5.0	5.0	4.9	4.7	4.5	4.3	4.0	3.7
228-D1	4.80																								
	16.71																								

**8LDT32+2**

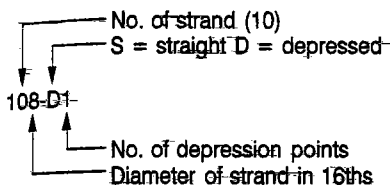
**Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers (in.)**

**2" Normal Weight Topping**

Strand Pattern	e <sub>s</sub> , in. e <sub>c</sub> , in.	Span, ft																						
		46	48	50	52	54	56	58	60	62	64	66	68	70	72	74	76	78	80	82	84	86		
108-D1	15.31	194	173	155	138	123	110	98	88	78	69	61	54	47	41									
	18.21	1.8	1.8	2.0	2.1	2.2	2.2	2.3	2.3	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.3									
128-D1	12.04			195	175	158	142	128	115	104	94	84	76	68	60	54								
	17.96			2.3	2.4	2.4	2.6	2.7	2.8	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9								
148-D1	9.71					187	169	153	139	126	114	104	94	85	77	69	62	56						
	17.71					2.8	2.9	3.0	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.4	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.4							
168-D1	8.21							178	162	148	135	123	112	102	93	85	77	70	63					
	17.46							3.0	3.0	2.9	2.8	2.7	2.6	2.4	2.1	1.8	1.5	1.1	0.6					
188-D1	6.82													118	108	99	91	83	75	69				
	17.21													4.3	4.4	4.5	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.6				
208-D1	5.71																							
	16.96																							

Strength based on strain compatibility; bottom tension limited to  $12\sqrt{f'_c}$ ; see pages 2-2-2-6 for explanation. Shaded values require release strengths higher than 3500 psi.

**Strand Pattern Designation**

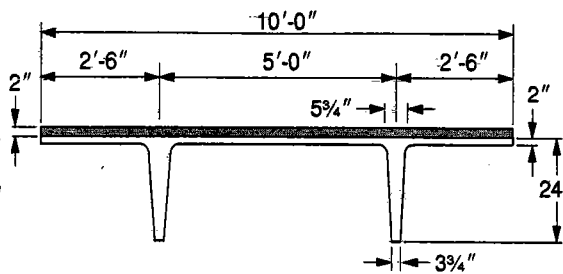


Safe loads shown include dead load of 10 psf for untopped members and 15 psf for topped members. Remainder is live load. Long-time cambers include superimposed dead load but do not include live load.

- Key**  
 136 — Safe superimposed service load, psf  
 0.5 — Estimated camber at erection, in.  
 0.7 — Estimated long-time camber, in.

**DOUBLE TEE**

**10'-0" x 24"**  
**Normal Weight Concrete**



$f'_c = 5,000$  psi  
 $f_{pu} = 270,000$  psi

**Section Properties**

	Untopped	Topped
A	= 449 in <sup>2</sup>	—
I	= 22,469 in <sup>4</sup>	29,396 in <sup>4</sup>
$y_b$	= 17.77 in.	19.89 in.
$y_t$	= 6.23 in.	6.11 in.
$S_b$	= 1,264 in <sup>3</sup>	1,478 in <sup>3</sup>
$S_t$	= 3,607 in <sup>3</sup>	4,812 in <sup>3</sup>
wt	= 468 plf	718 plf
	47 psf	72 psf
V/S	= 1.35 in.	

**10DT24**

**Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers (in.)**

**No Topping**

Strand Pattern	$e_s$ , in. $e_c$ , in.	Span, ft																							
		30	32	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50	52	54	56	58	60	62	64	66	68	70	72	74	
68-S	11.77	136	115	97	83	71	60	51	43	37	31														
	11.77	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6														
88-S	9.77	166	141	121	104	90	77	67	57	49	42	36	31												
	9.77	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.6												
88-D1	9.77	199	172	149	130	114	100	88	77	68	60	52	46	40	35	30									
	15.02	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.2									
108-D1	7.77						128	118	101	89	80	71	63	56	50	44	39	34	30						
	14.77						1.6	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.9	1.9	2.0	2.0	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.7	1.6						
128-D1	6.10												79	71	64	57	51	46	41	36	32				
	14.52												2.3	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.3	2.3	2.1	2.0				
148-D1	4.91																			51	46	41	37	33	
	14.27																			2.8	2.7	2.6	2.5	2.4	

**10DT24+2**

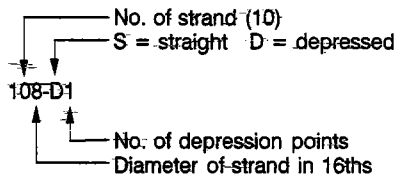
**Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers (in.)**

**2" Normal Weight Topping**

Strand Pattern	$e_s$ , in. $e_c$ , in.	Span, ft																							
		24	26	28	30	32	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50	52	54	56	58	60					
48-S	14.77	173	139	112	91	73	58	46	35																
	14.77	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5																
68-S	11.77	196	162	134	111	91	75	62	50	40	32														
	11.77	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.6														
68-D1	11.77				168	140	118	99	83	70	58	48	39	31											
	15.27				0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9	1.0	0.9	0.9											
88-D1	9.77					200	171	146	125	108	92	79	68	57	48	41									
	15.02					0.9	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.5									
108-D1	7.77													141	123	107	93	81	70	61	52	44			
	14.77													1.5	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.9	1.9	2.0	2.0			
128-D1	6.10																			70	61	53	46		
	14.52																			2.3	2.4	2.4	2.4		

Strength based on strain compatibility; bottom tension limited to  $12\sqrt{f'_c}$ ; see pages 2-2-2-6 for explanation. Shaded values require release strengths higher than 3500 psi.

**Strand Pattern Designation**

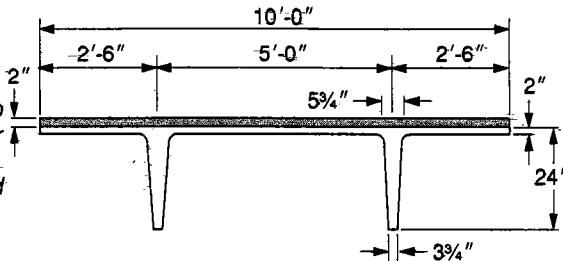


Safe loads shown include dead load of 10 psf for untopped members and 15 psf for topped members. Remainder is live load. Long-time cambers include superimposed dead load but do not include live load.

**Key**  
 124 — Safe superimposed service load, psf  
 0.9 — Estimated camber at erection, in.  
 1.1 — Estimated long-time camber, in.

**DOUBLE TEE**

**10'-0" x 24"**  
**Lightweight Concrete**



$f'_c = 5,000$  psi  
 $f_{pu} = 270,000$  psi

**Section Properties**

	Untopped	Topped
A	= 449 in <sup>2</sup>	—
I	= 22,469 in <sup>4</sup>	31,515 in <sup>4</sup>
$y_b$	= 17.77 in.	20.53 in.
$y_t$	= 6.23 in.	5.47 in.
$S_b$	= 1,264 in <sup>3</sup>	1,535 in <sup>3</sup>
$S_t$	= 3,607 in <sup>3</sup>	5,761 in <sup>3</sup>
wt	= 359 plf	609 plf
	36 psf	61 psf
V/S	= 1.35 in.	

**10LDT24**

**Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers (in.)**

**No Topping**

Strand Pattern	$e_s$ , in. $e_c$ , in.	Span, ft																							
		32	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50	52	54	56	58	60	62	64	66	68	70	72	74	76	
68-S	11.77	124	106	92	80	69	60	52	46	40	34	30													
	11.77	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.2													
88-S	9.77	150	130	113	99	86	76	66	58	51	45	40	35	30											
	9.77	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.5	1.4											
88-D1	9.77																								
	15.02	181	158	139	123	109	97	86	77	69	61	55	49	44	39	35	31	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.7			
108-D1	7.77																								
	14.77																								
128-D1	6.10																								
	14.52																								
148-D1	4.91																								
	14.27																								

**10LDT24+2**

**Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers (in.)**

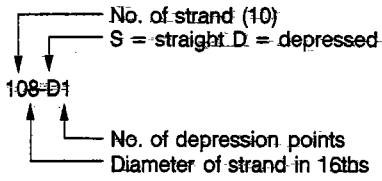
**2" Normal Weight Topping**

Strand Pattern	$e_s$ , in. $e_c$ , in.	Span, ft																						
		24	26	28	30	32	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50	52	54	56	58	60	62	64		
48-S	14.77	182	148	121	100	82	67	55	44	35														
	14.77	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9														
68-S	11.77																							
	11.77																							
68-D1	11.77																							
	15.27																							
88-D1	9.77																							
	15.02																							
108-D1	7.77																							
	14.77																							
128-D1	6.10																							
	14.52																							

Strength based on strain compatibility; bottom tension limited to  $12\sqrt{f'_c}$ ; see pages 2-2-2-6 for explanation. Shaded values require release strengths higher than 3500 psi.

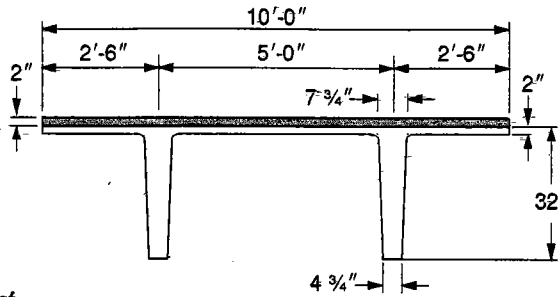


**Strand Pattern Designation**



**DOUBLE TEE**

10'-0" x 32"  
Lightweight Concrete



**Section Properties**

	Untopped	Topped
A	615 in <sup>2</sup>	—
I	59,720 in <sup>4</sup>	83,019 in <sup>4</sup>
y <sub>b</sub>	21.98 in.	25.40 in.
y <sub>t</sub>	10.02 in.	8.60 in.
S <sub>b</sub>	2,717 in <sup>3</sup>	3,268 in <sup>3</sup>
S <sub>t</sub>	5,960 in <sup>3</sup>	9,652 in <sup>3</sup>
wt	491 plf	741 plf
	49 psf	74 psf
V/S	1.69 in.	

Safe loads shown include dead load of 10 psf for untopped members and 15 psf for topped members. Remainder is live load. Long-time cambers include superimposed dead load but do not include live load.

- Key**  
 130 — Safe superimposed service load, psf  
 2.4 — Estimated camber at erection, in.  
 2.9 — Estimated long-time camber, in.

f<sub>c</sub> = 5,000 psi  
 f<sub>pu</sub> = 270,000 psi

**10LDT32**

**Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers (in.)**

**No Topping**

Strand Pattern	e <sub>s</sub> , in. e <sub>c</sub> , in.	Span, ft																							
		54	56	58	60	62	64	66	68	70	72	74	76	78	80	82	84	86	88	90	92	94	96	98	
128-D1	12.81	130	118	108	98	89	82	74	68	62	56	51	47	42	38	35	31								
	18.73	2.4	2.5	2.6	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.7	2.7	2.6	2.5	2.4	2.2	2.0								
148-D1	10.48	153	139	127	116	107	98	89	82	75	69	63	58	53	49	44	40	37	33						
	18.48	2.7	2.8	2.9	3.0	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.3	3.4	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.2	3.1	3.0	2.8	2.6	2.4						
168-D1	8.98	175	160	147	135	124	114	105	96	89	82	75	69	64	59	54	50	46	42	38	35				
	18.23	2.9	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.5	3.6	3.7	3.8	3.9	3.9	4.0	3.9	3.9	3.8	3.6	3.5	3.3	3.1	2.8					
188-D1	7.59							119	110	101	94	87	80	74	69	63	59	54	50	46	42	39	36		
	17.98							4.0	4.1	4.2	4.3	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.3	4.1	3.9	3.7	3.4	3.1		
208-D1	6.48														84	78	72	67	62	58	53	48	44	41	38
	17.73														4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.8	4.7	4.5	4.3	4.0	3.7	
228-D1	5.57																	70	64	59	55	50	46	42	
	17.48														5.0	4.8	4.6	4.3	4.0	3.6	3.1	2.6	2.0	1.3	0.6

**10LDT32+2**

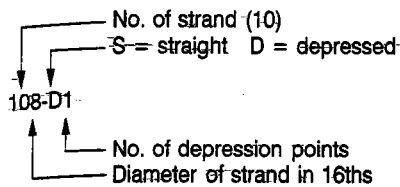
**Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers (in.)**

**2" Normal Weight Topping**

Strand Pattern	e <sub>s</sub> , in. e <sub>c</sub> , in.	Span, ft																						
		42	44	46	48	50	52	54	56	58	60	62	64	66	68	70	72	74	76	78	80	82		
108-D1	16.08	192	169	150	133	118	105	93	82	73	64	56	49	43										
	18.98	1.5	1.6	1.7	1.8	1.9	2.0	2.1	2.1	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.3	2.3										
128-D1	12.81			188	168	150	135	121	108	97	87	77	69	61	55	48								
	18.73			2.0	2.1	2.1	2.3	2.4	2.5	2.6	2.7	2.7	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8								
148-D1	10.48			199	178	161	145	130	118	106	96	86	77	70	62	56	50							
	18.48			2.2	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.2	2.1	1.9	1.7	1.4	1.1	0.7	0.3						
168-D1	8.98							168	152	138	125	113	103	93	84	76	69	62	56					
	18.23							2.9	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.5	3.6	3.7	3.8	3.8	3.9	3.9	4.0					
188-D1	7.59														108	99	90	82	74	67	61	55		
	17.98														4.0	4.1	4.2	4.3	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4		
208-D1	6.48																			78	71	65	58	
	17.43														2.7	2.5	2.3	2.0	1.7	1.3	0.8	0.3		

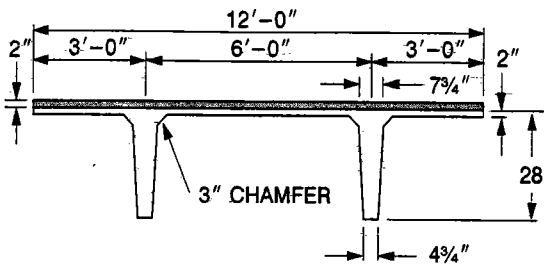
Strength based on strain compatibility; bottom tension limited to 12√f<sub>c</sub>; see pages 2-2-2-6 for explanation. Shaded values require release strengths higher than 3500 psi.

**Strand Pattern-Designation**



**DOUBLE TEE**

**12'-0" x 28"**  
**Normal Weight Concrete**



**Section Properties**

	Untopped	Topped
A	= 640 in <sup>2</sup>	—
I	= 44,563 in <sup>4</sup>	57,323 in <sup>4</sup>
y <sub>b</sub>	= 20.21 in.	22.47 in.
y <sub>t</sub>	= 7.79 in.	7.53 in.
S <sub>b</sub>	= 2,205 in <sup>3</sup>	2,551 in <sup>3</sup>
S <sub>t</sub>	= 5,722 in <sup>3</sup>	7,611 in <sup>3</sup>
wt	= 667 plf	967 plf
	56 psf	81 psf
V/S	= 1.62 in.	

Safe loads shown include dead load of 10 psf for untopped members and 15 psf for topped members. Remainder is live load. Long-time cambers include superimposed dead load but do not include live load.

**Key**

- 137 — Safe superimposed service load, psf
- 0.8 — Estimated camber at erection, in.
- 1.1 — Estimated long-time camber, in.

$f'_c = 5,000$  psi  
 $f_{pu} = 270,000$  psi

**12DT28**

**Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers (in.)**

**No Topping**

Strand Pattern	e <sub>s</sub> , in. e <sub>c</sub> , in.	Span, ft																							
		40	42	44	46	48	50	52	54	56	58	60	62	64	66	68	70	72	74	76	78	80	82	84	
108-D1	10.02	137	120	105	92	81	71	62	54	47	41	35	30	25											
	17.02	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.5											
128-D1	8.35	168	148	131	116	103	91	81	71	63	56	49	43	37	32	28									
	16.77	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.6										
148-D1	7.16	198	175	156	139	123	110	98	88	78	70	62	55	49	43	38	33	29	25						
	16.52	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.1	1.0	0.8	0.6							
168-D1	7.02							117	105	94	85	76	68	61	55	49	44	39	34	30	26				
	16.27							1.7	1.8	1.8	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.8	1.7	1.6	1.4	1.3	1.1	0.8				
188-D1	5.63											88	79	72	65	58	52	47	42	37	33	29	25		
	16.02											2.1	2.1	2.1	2.0	1.9	1.8	1.7	1.5	1.3	1.0	0.7			
208-D1	4.52																67	61	55	49	44	40	36	32	28
	15.77																2.3	2.2	2.1	2.0	1.9	1.7	1.5	1.2	0.9

**12DT28+2**

**Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers (in.)**

**2" Normal Weight Topping**

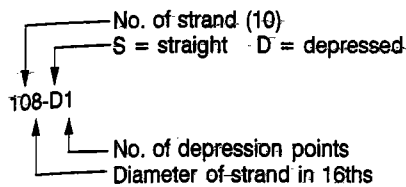
Strand Pattern	e <sub>s</sub> , in. e <sub>c</sub> , in.	Span, ft																							
		40	42	44	46	48	50	52	54	56	58	60	62	64	66	68	70	72	74	76					
108-D1	10.02	130	112	96	82	70	59	50	41	34	27														
	17.02	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.8														
128-D1	8.35	164	142	124	107	93	81	69	60	51	43	35	29												
	16.77	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.0													
148-D1	7.16	196	171	150	132	116	101	89	77	67	58	50	42	36	30										
	16.52	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.3											
168-D1	7.02							108	95	84	74	65	56	49	42	35	30								
	16.27							1.7	1.8	1.8	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.8	1.7	1.6								
188-D1	5.63													77	68	60	52	45	39	33	27				
	16.02													2.1	2.1	2.1	2.0	1.9	1.8	1.7					
208-D1	4.52																	55	48	41	34	28			
	15.77																	2.3	2.2	2.1	2.0	1.9			

Strength based on strain compatibility; bottom tension limited to  $12\sqrt{f'_c}$ ; see pages 2-2-2-6 for explanation. Shaded values require release strengths higher than 3500 psi.





**Strand Pattern Designation**



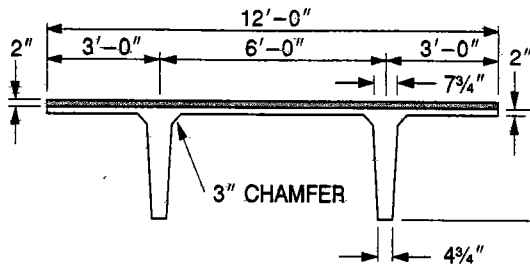
Safe loads shown include dead load of 10 psf for untopped members and 15 psf for topped members. Remainder is live load. Long-time cambers include superimposed dead load but do not include live load.

**Key**

- 180 — Safe superimposed service load, psf
- 1.0 — Estimated camber at erection, in.
- 1.3 — Estimated long-time camber, in.

**DOUBLE TEE**

12'-0" x 32"  
Normal Weight Concrete



**Section Properties**

	Untopped	Topped
A	= 690 in <sup>2</sup>	—
I	= 64,620 in <sup>4</sup>	82,413 in <sup>4</sup>
y <sub>b</sub>	= 22.75 in.	25.25 in.
y <sub>t</sub>	= 9.25 in.	8.75 in.
S <sub>b</sub>	= 2,840 in <sup>3</sup>	3,264 in <sup>3</sup>
S <sub>t</sub>	= 6,986 in <sup>3</sup>	9,421 in <sup>3</sup>
wt	= 719 plf	1,019 plf
	60 psf	85 psf
V/S	= 1.70 in.	

f<sub>c</sub> = 5,000 psi  
f<sub>pu</sub> = 270,000 psi

**12DT32**

**Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers (in.)**

**No Topping**

Strand Pattern	e <sub>s</sub> , in. e <sub>c</sub> , in.	Span, ft																							
		40	42	44	46	48	50	52	54	56	58	60	62	64	66	68	70	72	74	76	78	80	82	84	
128-D1	11.08		180	159	142	126	112	100	89	80	71	63	56	49	43	38	33	29							
	19.50		1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.6							
			1.3	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.2	1.0	0.8							
148-D1	9.89			189	169	151	136	122	109	98	88	79	71	64	57	51	45	40	35	31	27				
	19.25			1.2	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.0	0.8	0.7					
				1.6	1.7	1.8	1.9	1.9	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.7	1.5	1.3	1.1	0.8				
168-D1	9.75					160	144	130	117	106	96	87	78	71	64	57	51	46	41	37	32	28			
	19.00					1.6	1.6	1.7	1.8	1.8	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.8	1.7	1.6	1.5	1.3	1.2	0.9			
						2.2	2.3	2.3	2.4	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.4	2.3	2.2	2.1	1.9	1.7	1.5	1.1			
188-D1	8.36										110	100	91	83	75	68	62	56	50	45	41	36	32		
	18.75										2.0	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.0	1.9	1.8	1.6	1.4	1.2		
											2.8	2.8	2.9	2.9	2.8	2.8	2.7	2.6	2.4	2.3	2.1	1.8	1.5		
208-D1	7.25															86	78	71	65	59	54	49	44	39	
	18.50															2.4	2.4	2.4	2.3	2.3	2.2	2.1	1.9	1.7	
																3.2	3.2	3.1	3.0	2.9	2.8	2.6	2.4	2.1	
228-D1	6.34																			68	62	56	51	46	
	18.25																			2.6	2.5	2.5	2.3	2.2	
																				3.4	3.3	3.1	2.9	2.7	

**12DT32+2**

**Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers (in.)**

**2" Normal Weight Topping**

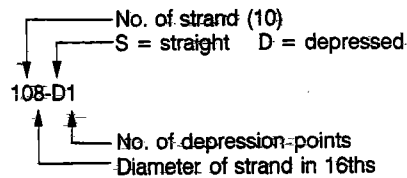
Strand Pattern	e <sub>s</sub> , in. e <sub>c</sub> , in.	Span, ft																						
		40	42	44	46	48	50	52	54	56	58	60	62	64	66	68	70	72	74	76	78	80	82	84
128-D1	11.08	199	174	152	133	117	102	89	78	67	58	50	42	35	29									
	19.50	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.0									
			1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.5	0.3	0.1									
148-D1	9.89			184	162	143	127	112	99	87	76	67	58	50	43	36	30							
	19.25			1.2	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.3							
				1.3	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.1	0.9	0.8	0.6	0.4	0.1							
168-D1	9.75					152	135	120	107	95	84	74	65	57	50	43	37	31	26					
	19.00					1.6	1.6	1.7	1.8	1.8	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.8	1.7	1.6	1.5					
						1.6	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.3	1.1	0.9	0.7	0.4	0.1	-0.2					
188-D1	8.36										100	89	79	70	62	55	48	42	36	30	25			
	18.75										2.0	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.0	1.9	1.8	1.6			
											1.8	1.7	1.6	1.5	1.3	1.1	0.9	0.6	0.2	-0.1	-0.6			
208-D1	7.25															74	66	58	51	45	39	33	28	
	18.50															2.4	2.4	2.4	2.3	2.3	2.2	2.1	1.9	
																1.7	1.5	1.3	1.0	0.7	0.4	-0.1	-0.5	
228-D1	6.34																			54	48	41	35	28
	18.25																			2.6	2.5	2.5	2.3	2.2
																				1.1	0.8	0.4	0.0	-0.5

Strength based on strain compatibility; bottom tension limited to 12√f<sub>c</sub>; see pages 2-2-2-6 for explanation. Shaded values require release strengths higher than 3500 psi.

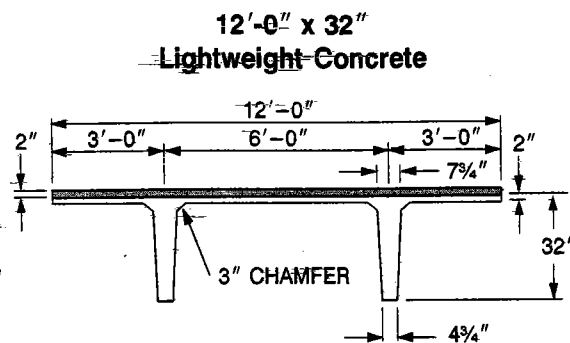
Strand Pattern Designation

# DOUBLE TEE

Section Properties



Safe loads shown include dead load of 10 psf for untopped members and 15 psf for topped members. Remainder is live load. Long-time cambers include superimposed dead load but do not include live load.



	Untopped	Topped
A =	690 in <sup>2</sup>	—
I =	64,620 in <sup>4</sup>	88,305 in <sup>4</sup>
y <sub>b</sub> =	22.75 in.	26.08 in.
y <sub>t</sub> =	9.25 in.	7.92 in.
S <sub>b</sub> =	2,840 in <sup>3</sup>	3,386 in <sup>3</sup>
S <sub>t</sub> =	6,986 in <sup>3</sup>	11,150 in <sup>3</sup>
wt =	551 plf	851 plf
	46 psf	71 psf
V/S =	1.70 in.	

**Key**

- 177 — Safe superimposed service load, psf
- 1.2 — Estimated camber at erection, in.
- 1.6 — Estimated long-time camber, in.

f'<sub>c</sub> = 5,000 psi  
 f<sub>pu</sub> = 270,000 psi

## 12LDT32

Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers (in.)

No Topping

Strand Pattern	e <sub>a</sub> , in. e <sub>c</sub> , in.	Span, ft																							
		40	42	44	46	48	50	52	54	56	58	60	62	64	66	68	70	72	74	76	78	80	82	84	
108-D1	12.75	177	157	140	125	112	100	90	80	72	65	58	52	46	41	37	32	29	25						
	19.75	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.6	1.5	1.4	1.2						
		1.6	1.8	1.9	2.0	2.0	2.1	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.3	2.3	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.1	1.9	1.8	1.6						
128-D1	11.08		191	171	153	138	124	112	101	91	82	74	67	61	55	50	45	40	36	32	29	25			
	19.50		1.5	1.7	1.7	1.9	2.0	2.0	2.1	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.3	2.3	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.0	1.8	1.7	1.5			
			2.1	2.2	2.3	2.5	2.6	2.7	2.8	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.8	2.7	2.5	2.4	2.2	1.9			
148-D1	9.89				181	163	147	133	121	110	100	91	82	75	68	62	57	51	47	42	38	34	31	28	
	19.25				2.0	2.1	2.2	2.3	2.5	2.6	2.7	2.7	2.8	2.9	2.9	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.7	2.6	2.5	2.4	2.2	2.0	
					2.7	2.9	3.0	3.2	3.3	3.4	3.5	3.6	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.6	3.5	3.4	3.3	3.1	3.0	2.7	2.5	
168-D1	9.75								117	107	98	90	82	75	69	63	58	53	48	44	40	36			
	19.00								3.1	3.2	3.3	3.4	3.5	3.5	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.5	3.4	3.2	3.1			
									4.1	4.3	4.4	4.5	4.6	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.6	4.5	4.3	4.1	3.9	3.7			
188-D1	8.36															87	80	73	67	62	57	52	48		
	18.75															3.9	4.0	4.0	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.0	3.9		
																5.2	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.2	5.1	5.0		
208-D1	7.25																						65		
	18.50																						4.6		
																							6.0		

## 12LDT32+2

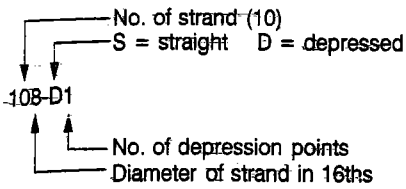
Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers (in.)

2" Normal Weight Topping

Strand Pattern	e <sub>a</sub> , in. e <sub>c</sub> , in.	Span, ft																							
		40	42	44	46	48	50	52	54	56	58	60	62	64	66	68	70	72	74	76	78	80	82	84	
108-D1	12.75				189	166	146	128	112	99	87	76	67	58	51	43	37	31	26						
	19.75				1.4	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.6	1.5	1.4							
					1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.2	1.1	1.0	0.8	0.6	0.3	0.0	-0.4	-0.8						
128-D1	11.08				196	173	153	135	119	105	92	81	71	62	54	47	41	35	29						
	19.50				1.7	1.9	2.0	2.0	2.1	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.3	2.3	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.0						
					1.7	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.7	1.6	1.4	1.2	1.0	0.7	0.4	0.1	-0.3					
148-D1	9.89				199	177	158	140	125	111	98	87	76	67	58	50	43	37	32	27					
	19.25				2.1	2.2	2.3	2.5	2.6	2.7	2.7	2.8	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.8	2.8	2.7	2.6	2.5					
					2.2	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.2	2.1	2.0	1.8	1.5	1.2	0.9	0.5	0.1	-0.4					
168-D1	9.75								130	116	103	92	81	72	63	55	48	41	35	29					
	19.00								3.1	3.2	3.3	3.4	3.5	3.5	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.5	3.4					
									2.9	2.8	2.8	2.7	2.6	2.4	2.2	2.0	1.6	1.2	0.7	0.2					
188-D1	8.36															84	74	66	58	51	44	38	32		
	18.75															3.9	4.0	4.0	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.0	3.9		
																2.9	2.8	2.5	2.3	1.9	1.6	1.1	0.6		
208-D1	7.25																						53		
	18.50																						4.6		
																							2.2		

Strength based on strain compatibility; bottom tension limited to 12 √f'<sub>c</sub>; see pages 2-2-2-6 for explanation. Shaded values require release strengths higher than 3500 psi.

**Strand Pattern Designation**

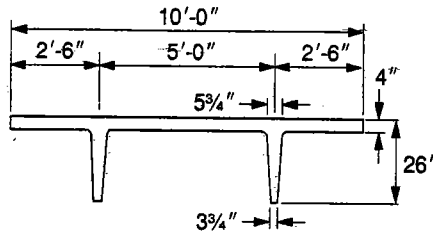


Because these units are pretopped and are typically used in parking structures, safe loads shown do not include any superimposed dead loads. Loads shown are live load. Long-time cambers do not include live load.

**Key**  
 196 — Safe superimposed service load, psf  
 0.4 — Estimated camber at erection, in.  
 0.5 — Estimated long-time camber, in.

**PRETOPPED  
DOUBLE TEE**

10'-0" x 26"



$f'_c = 5,000$  psi  
 $f_{pu} = 270,000$  psi

**Section Properties**

	Normal Weight	Lightweight
A =	.689 in <sup>2</sup>	.689 in <sup>2</sup>
I =	30,716 in <sup>4</sup>	30,716 in <sup>4</sup>
y <sub>b</sub> =	20.29 in.	20.29 in.
y <sub>t</sub> =	5.71 in.	5.71 in.
S <sub>b</sub> =	1,514 in <sup>3</sup>	1,514 in <sup>3</sup>
S <sub>t</sub> =	5,379 in <sup>3</sup>	5,379 in <sup>3</sup>
wt =	718 plf	550 plf
	72 psf	55 psf
V/S =	2.05 in.	2.05 in.

**10DT26**

**Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers (in.)**

**No Topping**

Strand Pattern	e <sub>s</sub> , in. e <sub>c</sub> , in.	Span, ft																					
		26	28	30	32	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50	52	54	56	58	60	62	64	66	68
68-S	14.29	196	161	133	109	90	74	60	49	39	30												
	14.29	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4												
		0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5											
88-S	12.29			169	142	119	100	83	69	57	47	38	30										
	12.29			0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.4										
				0.7	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.6									
88-D1	12.29				200	170	146	125	107	91	78	66	56	47	39	32							
	17.54				0.7	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.8							
					1.0	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.0							
108-D1	10.29					189	163	142	123	107	93	80	69	60	51	43	36						
	17.29					1.1	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.1						
						1.5	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.7	1.6	1.5						
128-D1	8.62									134	118	103	90	79	69	60	52	45	38	32			
	17.04									1.6	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.5	1.4	1.3				
										2.1	2.2	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.2	2.1	2.0	1.9	1.7			
148-D1	7.43														98	87	76	67	59	51	45	38	33
	16.79														2.0	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.0	1.9	1.7	1.5
															2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.7	2.5	2.4	2.2	1.9

**10LDT26**

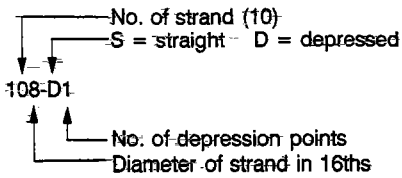
**Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers (in.)**

**No Topping**

Strand Pattern	e <sub>s</sub> , in. e <sub>c</sub> , in.	Span, ft																					
		28	30	32	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50	52	54	56	58	60	62	64	66	68	70
68-S	14.29	175	146	123	104	88	74	63	53	44	36	30											
	14.29	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.8											
		0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.1											
88-S	12.29			183	156	133	113	97	83	71	61	52	44	37	31								
	12.29			0.8	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.0									
				1.1	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.5	1.4								
88-D1	12.29				184	159	138	120	105	92	80	70	61	53	46	39	34						
	17.54				1.3	1.4	1.5	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.7							
					1.8	1.9	2.1	2.2	2.3	2.4	2.4	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.3						
108-D1	10.29						177	155	137	121	106	94	83	73	65	57	50	44	38	33			
	17.29						1.8	2.0	2.1	2.2	2.3	2.5	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.5	2.4	2.3				
							2.5	2.7	2.9	3.0	3.2	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.3	3.2	3.1	3.0			
128-D1	8.62											104	93	83	74	66	59	52	46	41	36	31	
	17.04											3.0	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.3	3.4	3.3	3.2	3.1	3.0	2.8	
												4.0	4.1	4.2	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.2	4.0	3.8	3.6	3.4	
148-D1	7.43																73	65	58	52	47	41	37
	16.79																4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	3.8	3.6
																	5.3	5.3	5.2	5.1	5.0	4.7	4.3

Strength based on strain compatibility; bottom tension limited to  $12\sqrt{f'_c}$ ; see pages 2-2-2-6 for explanation. Shaded values require release strengths higher than 3500 psi.

Strand Pattern Designation



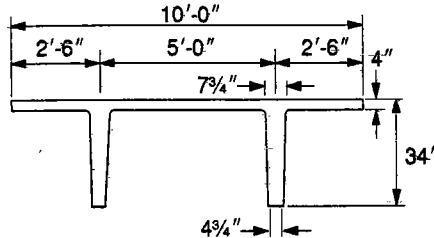
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Key

- 172 — Safe superimposed service load, psf
- 0.9 — Estimated camber at erection, in.
- 1.3 — Estimated long-time camber, in.

# PRETOPPED DOUBLE TEE

10'-0" x 34"



$f'_c = 5,000 \text{ psi}$   
 $f_{pu} = 270,000 \text{ psi}$

Section Properties

	Normal Weight	Lightweight
A =	855 in <sup>2</sup>	855 in <sup>2</sup>
I =	80,780 in <sup>4</sup>	80,780 in <sup>4</sup>
y <sub>b</sub> =	25.07 in.	25.07 in.
y <sub>t</sub> =	-8.93 in.	-8.93 in.
S <sub>b</sub> =	3,222 in <sup>3</sup>	3,222 in <sup>3</sup>
S <sub>t</sub> =	9,046 in <sup>3</sup>	9,046 in <sup>3</sup>
wt =	891 plf	683 plf
	89 psf	68 psf
V/S =	2.32 in.	2.32 in.

## 10DT34

Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers (in.)

No Topping

Strand Pattern	e <sub>s</sub> , in. e <sub>c</sub> , in.	Span, ft																							
		46	48	50	52	54	56	58	60	62	64	66	68	70	72	74	76	78	80	82	84	86	88	90	
128-D1	13.40 21.82	172	152	135	119	105	92	81	71	62	54	46	39	33											
		0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.5											
		1.3	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.1	0.9	0.8	0.6											
148-D1	12.21 21.57		185	165	147	131	116	104	92	81	72	63	55	48	41	35									
			1.2	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.6										
			1.6	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.5	1.4	1.2	1.0	0.8								
168-D1	12.07 21.32			196	175	157	141	127	113	102	91	81	72	64	56	49	43	37	32						
				1.4	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.2	1.1	0.9	0.7							
				1.9	2.0	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.0	1.9	1.8	1.6	1.4	1.1	0.8						
188-D1	10.68 21.07					181	163	147	132	119	108	97	87	78	70	62	55	48	42	37	32				
						1.7	1.7	1.8	1.8	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.8	1.7	1.6	1.5	1.4	1.2	1.0	0.7				
						2.3	2.4	2.4	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.4	2.3	2.2	2.1	2.0	1.8	1.5	1.2	0.8			
208-D1	9.57 20.82						184	167	151	137	124	112	101	91	82	74	66	59	53	47	41	36	31		
								1.9	2.0	2.0	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.0	1.9	1.8	1.6	1.5	1.2	1.0	0.7		
								2.6	2.7	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.7	2.6	2.5	2.4	2.3	2.1	1.9	1.6	1.2	0.7	
228-D1	8.66 20.57										140	127	115	105	95	86	78	70	63	52	50	45	39	34	
												2.3	2.3	2.3	2.4	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.2	2.0	1.9	1.7	1.5	1.3	1.0
												3.1	3.2	3.2	3.1	3.1	3.0	2.9	2.7	2.6	2.4	2.1	1.9	1.5	1.1

## 10LDT34

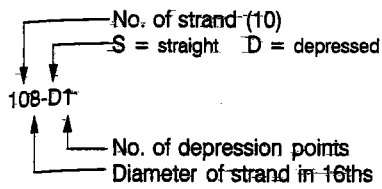
Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers (in.)

No Topping

Strand Pattern	e <sub>s</sub> , in. e <sub>c</sub> , in.	Span, ft																							
		46	48	50	52	54	56	58	60	62	64	66	68	70	72	74	76	78	80	82	84	86	88	90	
128-D1	13.40 21.82	189	169	152	136	122	109	98	88	79	71	63	56	50	44	39	34								
			1.6	1.6	1.7	1.8	1.8	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.7	1.6	1.5	1.3							
			2.1	2.2	2.3	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.4	2.3	2.1	2.0	1.7							
148-D1	12.21 21.57			182	164	148	134	121	109	99	89	80	72	65	59	52	47	42	37	32					
				2.0	2.1	2.2	2.3	2.3	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.3	2.2	2.1	1.9	1.8	1.6					
				2.7	2.8	2.9	3	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.0	2.9	2.8	2.7	2.5	2.3	2.0				
168-D1	12.07 21.32				192	174	158	144	131	119	108	98	89	81	73	67	60	54	49	44	39	35	31		
					2.4	2.5	2.7	2.8	2.9	2.9	3.0	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.0	3.0	2.9	2.8	2.7	2.5	2.4	2.1	1.9		
					3.3	3.4	3.6	3.7	3.8	3.9	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	3.9	3.8	3.7	3.5	3.4	3.2	3.0	2.7	2.3		
188-D1	10.68 21.07					198	180	164	150	136	125	114	104	95	87	79	72	66	60	54	49	44	39	35	
						2.7	2.9	3.0	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.4	3.5	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.5	3.5	3.4	3.2	3.1	2.9	2.7	2.4	
						3.8	3.9	4.1	4.2	4.4	4.5	4.5	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.5	4.3	4.1	4.0	3.8	3.5	3.3	2.9	
208-D1	9.57 20.82										141	129	118	109	100	91	84	76	70	64	58	53	48	43	
												3.6	3.7	3.8	3.9	4.0	4.0	4.1	4.0	3.9	3.8	3.6	3.4	3.2	
												4.9	5.0	5.1	5.2	5.2	5.3	5.2	5.2	5.1	4.9	4.6	4.3	4.1	3.8
228-D1	8.66 20.57														112	103	95	87	80	74	67	62	56	51	
																4.4	4.4	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.2	4.0
																5.8	5.9	5.9	5.8	5.7	5.6	5.4	5.1	4.7	

Strength based on strain compatibility; bottom tension limited to 12√f'<sub>c</sub>; see pages 2-2-2-6 for explanation. Shaded values require release strengths higher than 3500 psi.

**Strand Pattern Designation**

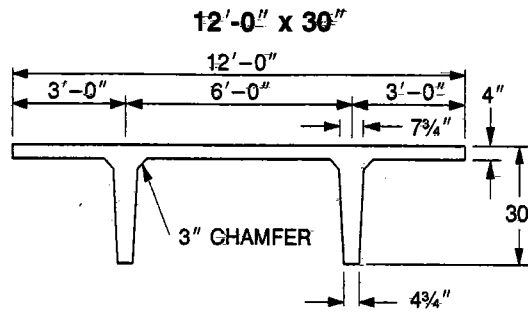


Because these units are pretopped and are typically used in parking structures, safe loads shown do not include any superimposed dead loads. Loads shown are live load. Long-time cambers do not include live load.

**Key**

- 167 — Safe superimposed service load, psf
- 0.8 — Estimated camber at erection, in.
- 1.1 — Estimated long-time camber, in.

**PRETOPPED  
DOUBLE TEE**



**Section Properties**

	Normal-Weight	Lightweight
A =	928 in <sup>2</sup>	928 in <sup>2</sup>
I =	59,997 in <sup>4</sup>	59,997 in <sup>4</sup>
y <sub>b</sub> =	22.94 in.	22.94 in.
y <sub>t</sub> =	7.06 in.	7.06 in.
S <sub>b</sub> =	2,615 in <sup>3</sup>	2,615 in <sup>3</sup>
S <sub>t</sub> =	8,497 in <sup>3</sup>	8,497 in <sup>3</sup>
wt =	967 plf	741 plf
	81 psf	62 psf
V/S =	2.30 in.	2.30 in.

f'<sub>c</sub> = 5,000 psi  
f<sub>pu</sub> = 270,000 psi

**12DT30**

**Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers (in.)**

**No Topping**

Strand Pattern	e <sub>s</sub> , in. e <sub>c</sub> , in.	Span, ft																					
		40	42	44	46	48	50	52	54	56	58	60	62	64	66	68	70	72	74	76	78	80	82
128-D1	11.10	167	145	126	110	95	82	71	61	52	44	37	30										
	19.25	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.5										
148-D1	9.91	200	175	153	135	118	104	91	79	69	60	52	44	37	31	25							
	19.27	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.7	0.6	0.4							
168-D1	9.77				182	161	142	126	111	98	87	76	67	58	51	44	37	31	26				
	19.02				1.2	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.2	1.1	0.9	0.7	0.5					
188-D1	8.38							145	129	114	102	90	80	71	62	54	47	41	35	30			
	18.77							1.5	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.6	1.6	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.2	1.0	0.7			
208-D1	7.27									116	104	93	83	73	65	57	50	44	38	33	28		
	18.52									1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.6	1.5	1.4	1.2	0.9	0.6		
228-D1	6.36												94	84	75	67	60	53	46	40	35	30	25
	18.27												2.0	2.0	2.0	1.9	1.9	1.7	1.6	1.3	1.1	0.8	0.4

**12LDT30**

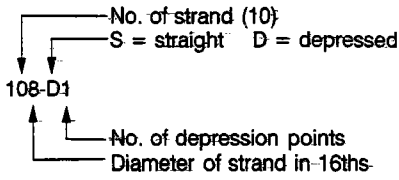
**Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers (in.)**

**No Topping**

Strand Pattern	e <sub>s</sub> , in. e <sub>c</sub> , in.	Span, ft																							
		40	42	44	46	48	50	52	54	56	58	60	62	64	66	68	70	72	74	76	78	80	82	84	
128-D1	11.10	182	160	142	125	111	98	87	77	68	60	52	46	40	34	29									
	19.52	1.3	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.5	1.4	1.2									
148-D1	9.91		191	169	150	134	119	106	95	85	76	67	60	53	47	41	36	31	27						
	19.27		1.7	1.7	1.9	2.0	2.1	2.1	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.1	2.0	1.9	1.7	1.6	1.3						
168-D1	9.77				176	158	141	127	114	102	92	82	74	66	59	53	47	42	37	32	28				
	19.02				2.1	2.2	2.4	2.5	2.6	2.7	2.7	2.8	2.8	2.7	2.7	2.6	2.5	2.4	2.2	2.0	1.8				
188-D1	8.38									117	106	96	86	78	70	63	57	51	45	40	36	31	27		
	18.77									2.9	3.0	3.1	3.1	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.1	2.9	2.8	2.6	2.4	2.2	1.9		
208-D1	7.27													89	81	73	66	60	54	48	43	39	34	30	
	18.52													3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.4	3.3	3.1	2.8	2.6	2.3	
228-D1	6.36																		68	62	56	51	46	41	37
	18.27																		3.9	3.9	3.8	3.7	3.5	3.3	3.0

Strength based on strain compatibility; bottom tension limited to 12√f'<sub>c</sub>; see pages 2-2-2-6 for explanation. Shaded values require release strengths higher than 3500 psi.

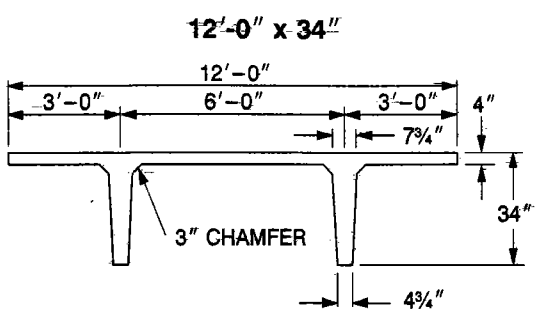
**Strand Pattern Designation**



Because these units are pretopped and are typically used in parking structures, safe loads shown do not include any superimposed dead loads. Loads shown are live load. Long-time cambers do not include live load.

- Key**  
 176 — Safe superimposed service load, psf  
 0.8 — Estimated camber at erection, in.  
 1.1 — Estimated long-time camber, in.

**PRETOPPED  
DOUBLE TEE**



$f'_c = 5,000$  psi  
 $f_{pu} = 270,000$  psi

**Section Properties**

	Normal Weight	Lightweight
A	= 978 in <sup>2</sup>	978 in <sup>2</sup>
I	= 86,072 in <sup>4</sup>	86,072 in <sup>4</sup>
$y_b$	= 25.77 in.	25.77 in.
$y_t$	= 8.23 in.	8.23 in.
$S_b$	= 3,340 in <sup>3</sup>	3,340 in <sup>3</sup>
$S_t$	= 10,458 in <sup>3</sup>	10,458 in <sup>3</sup>
wt	= 1,019 plf	781 plf
	85 psf	65 psf
V/S	= 2.39 in.	2.39 in.

**12DT34**

**Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers (in.)**

**No Topping**

Strand Pattern	$e_c$ , in.	Span, ft																							
		42	44	46	48	50	52	54	56	58	60	62	64	66	68	70	72	74	76	78	80	82	84	86	
128-D1	14.10 22.52	176	155	135	119	104	91	79	69	59	51	43	36	30											
		0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.5											
		1.1	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.0	0.9	0.7	0.6											
148-D1	12.91 22.27		187	165	146	129	114	101	89	78	68	60	52	44	38	32	26								
			1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.0	0.9	0.7	0.6	0.4								
			1.4	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.1	1.0	0.8	0.5							
168-D1	12.77 22.02			196	174	155	138	123	110	97	86	76	67	59	52	45	39	33	28						
				1.2	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.2	1.1	1.0	0.8	0.6							
				1.7	1.7	1.8	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.7	1.6	1.5	1.3	1.0	0.7						
188-D1	11.38 21.77					178	160	143	128	115	102	91	82	73	64	57	50	43	38	32	27				
						1.5	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.2	1.1	0.9	0.6				
						2.0	2.1	2.1	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.0	1.9	1.8	1.6	1.4	1.1	0.7			
208-D1	10.27 21.52										131	118	106	95	85	76	68	61	54	47	41	36	31	26	
											1.8	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.7	1.6	1.5	1.4	1.2	1.1	0.9	0.6	
											2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.3	2.2	2.1	1.9	1.7	1.4	1.1	0.7	0.7	
228-D1	9.36 21.27													109	98	88	79	71	64	57	50	44	39	34	29
														2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.0	1.9	1.7	1.6	1.4	1.1	0.8
														2.8	2.8	2.8	2.7	2.6	2.5	2.4	2.2	2.0	1.7	1.4	1.0

**12LDT34**

**Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers (in.)**

**No Topping**

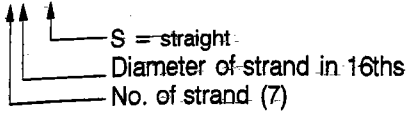
Strand Pattern	$e_c$ , in.	Span, ft																							
		42	44	46	48	50	52	54	56	58	60	62	64	66	68	70	72	74	76	78	80	82	84	86	
128-D1	14.10 22.52	193	171	152	135	120	107	95	85	76	67	59	52	46	40	35	30	26							
		1.3	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.6	1.5	1.4	1.2	1.0							
		1.8	1.9	2.0	2.0	2.1	2.1	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.1	2.0	1.8	1.6	1.3						
148-D1	12.91 22.27		182	162	146	130	117	105	94	85	76	68	61	54	48	42	37	33	28						
			1.7	1.8	1.9	2.0	2.0	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.0	1.9	1.8	1.6	1.4					
			2.3	2.4	2.5	2.6	2.7	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.7	2.7	2.6	2.4	2.3	2.1	1.8					
168-D1	12.77 22.02			191	172	155	139	126	114	103	93	84	76	68	61	55	49	44	39	34	30	26			
				2.1	2.2	2.3	2.4	2.5	2.6	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.6	2.5	2.4	2.3	2.1	1.9	1.6			
				2.8	3.0	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.4	3.5	3.6	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.4	3.3	3.2	3.1	2.9	2.7	2.4	2.1		
188-D1	11.38 21.77									144	131	119	108	98	89	81	73	66	60	54	48	43	39	34	30
										2.7	2.8	2.9	3.0	3.1	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.1	3.0	2.9	2.8	2.6	2.4	2.1	2.1
										3.7	3.8	3.9	4.0	4.1	4.1	4.2	4.1	4.0	3.9	3.7	3.6	3.4	3.2	3.0	2.7
208-D1	10.27 21.52																								
															102	93	85	77	70	64	58	52	47	42	38
															3.5	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.5	3.4	3.3	3.1	2.9
228-D1	9.36 21.27																								

Strength based on strain compatibility; bottom tension limited to  $12\sqrt{f'_c}$ ; see pages 2-2-2-6 for explanation. Shaded values require release strengths higher than 3500 psi.

# HOLLOW-CORE

Section Properties

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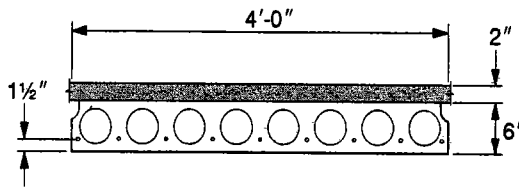


4'-0" x 6"

Normal Weight Concrete

Untopped Topped

Safe loads shown include dead load of 10 psf for untopped members and 15 psf for topped members. Remainder is live load. Long-time cambers include superimposed dead load but do not include live load.



A	=	187 in <sup>2</sup>	—
I	=	763 in <sup>4</sup>	1,640 in <sup>4</sup>
y <sub>b</sub>	=	3.00 in.	4.14 in.
y <sub>t</sub>	=	3.00 in.	3.86 in.
S <sub>b</sub>	=	254 in <sup>3</sup>	396 in <sup>3</sup>
S <sub>t</sub>	=	254 in <sup>3</sup>	425 in <sup>3</sup>
b <sub>w</sub>	=	16.00 in.	16.00 in.
wt	=	195 plf	295 plf
		49 psf	74 psf
V/S	=	1.73 in.	

Capacity of sections of other configurations are similar. For precise values, see local hollow-core manufacturer.

$f'_c = 5,000$  psi  
 $f'_{ci} = 3,500$  psi

**Key**

- 306 — Safe superimposed service load, psf
- 0.2 — Estimated camber at erection, in.
- 0.2 — Estimated long-time camber, in.

**4HC6**

**Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers (in.)**

**No Topping**

Strand Designation Code	Span, ft																			
	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	
66-S	306	257	217	184	157	135	116	100	87	75	65	56	48	42	36	30				
	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	-0.4				
	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	-0.2	-0.3	-0.5	-0.7	-1.0				
76-S	358	301	254	217	186	160	139	121	105	92	80	70	61	53	47	40	35			
	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.3				
	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.3	-0.5	-0.7	-1.0			
96-S	384	326	279	240	208	182	159	140	123	109	97	86	76	67	60	53	46	41		
	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.0	-0.1		
	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.1	-0.1	-0.4	-0.6	-0.9		
87-S	383	331	286	249	218	192	169	150	133	119	106	95	84	76	68	60	54			
	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.3			
	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.0	-0.3			
97-S	364	317	277	243	214	189	168	150	134	120	107	96	87	78	70	62				
	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.7				
	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.6	0.4	0.2			

**4HC6+2**

**Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers (in.)**

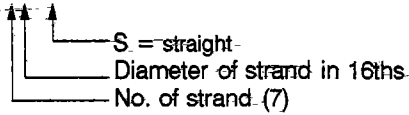
**2" Normal Weight Topping**

Strand Designation Code	Span, ft																			
	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30			
66-S	305	258	220	188	162	139	119	97	78	62	47	35								
	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	-0.1									
	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	-0.3	-0.5	-0.7	-0.9								
76-S	358	304	260	224	194	168	146	122	101	82	66	52	39							
	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0								
	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	-0.2	-0.3	-0.5	-0.7	-0.9							
96-S	390	336	291	253	221	194	170	146	123	104	87	72	58	46	35					
	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.0					
	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	-0.1	-0.3	-0.5	-0.7	-1.0	-1.4					
87-S	398	346	302	265	234	206	182	158	136	117	100	85	71	59	47					
	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.3					
	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.1	-0.1	-0.3	-0.5	-0.8	-1.2					
97-S	382	335	294	260	231	205	181	157	137	119	102	88	75	63						
	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.7						
	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.0	-0.2	-0.5	-0.8						

Strength based on strain compatibility; bottom tension limited to  $6\sqrt{f'_c}$ ; see pages 2-2-2-6 for explanation.

**Strand Pattern Designation**

76-S



Safe loads shown include dead load of 10 psf for untopped members and 15 psf for topped members. Remainder is live load. Long-time cambers include superimposed dead load but do not include live load.

Capacity of sections of other configurations are similar. For precise values, see local hollow-core manufacturer.

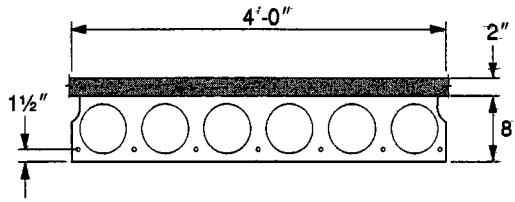
**Key**

- 335—Safe superimposed service load, psf
- 0.2—Estimated camber at erection, in.
- 0.3—Estimated long-time camber, in.

**HOLLOW-CORE**

4'-0" x 8"

Normal Weight Concrete



$f'_c = 5,000$  psi

$f'_{ci} = 3,500$  psi

**Section Properties**

	Untopped	Topped
A	215 in <sup>2</sup>	—
I	1,666 in <sup>4</sup>	3,071 in <sup>4</sup>
$y_b$	4.00 in.	5.29 in.
$y_t$	4.00 in.	4.71 in.
$S_b$	416 in <sup>3</sup>	580 in <sup>3</sup>
$S_t$	416 in <sup>3</sup>	652 in <sup>3</sup>
$b_w$	12.00 in.	12.00 in.
wt	224 plf	324 plf
	56 psf	81 psf
V/S	1.92 in.	

**4HC8**

**Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers (in.)**

**No Topping**

Strand Designation Code	Span, ft																																			
	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36													
66-S	335	286	246	213	185	162	141	124	109	96	85	75	66	58	50	44	38	33																		
	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.2																		
	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	-0.3	-0.5	-0.7																		
76-S	375	337	291	252	220	193	170	150	133	118	105	93	83	73	65	58	51	45	39	34																
	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	-0.4	-0.6	-0.8													
	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	-0.4	-0.6	-0.8																
58-S	372	342	317	296	275	255	225	200	179	160	143	128	115	104	93	84	76	68	61	55	49	44	39													
	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.0	-0.1													
	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.0	-0.2	-0.4	-0.6	-0.9													
68-S	351	326	302	284	266	250	236	218	196	176	159	143	130	117	107	97	88	80	72	65	59	54														
	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.4														
	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.4	0.2	0.0	-0.2													
78-S	360	335	311	290	272	256	242	229	215	205	188	170	154	141	128	117	106	97	89	81	74	67														
	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.0	0.9	0.9														
	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.0	0.9	0.7	0.5														

**4HC8+2**

**Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers (in.)**

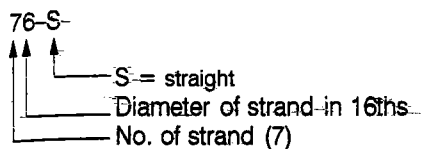
**2" Normal Weight Topping**

Strand Designation Code	Span, ft																																					
	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38															
66-S	309	267	231	201	175	153	133	117	102	89	77	67	55	44	33																							
	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.1																							
	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	-0.3	-0.4	-0.6	-0.7	-0.9																								
76-S	316	275	241	211	185	163	144	127	112	99	87	74	62	50	40	31																						
	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.0	-0.1																						
	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	-0.4	-0.5	-0.7	-0.9	-1.2																						
58-S	352	317	279	248	220	196	174	156	139	124	111	98	84	71	60	50	40	32																				
	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.0																				
	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	-0.1	-0.2	-0.4	-0.6	-0.9	-1.2	-1.5																				
68-S	337	316	297	268	239	215	193	173	156	141	127	114	100	87	75	64	54	45	36																			
	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.2																				
	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.0	-0.2	-0.4	-0.6	-0.9	-1.2	-1.6																			
78-S	346	325	306	286	271	252	227	205	186	168	152	138	124	111	98	86	76	66	56	47																		
	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.7																		
	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.1	-0.1	-0.3	-0.6	-0.9	-1.3																	

Strength based on strain compatibility; bottom tension limited to  $6\sqrt{f'_c}$ ; see pages 2-2-2-6 for explanation.

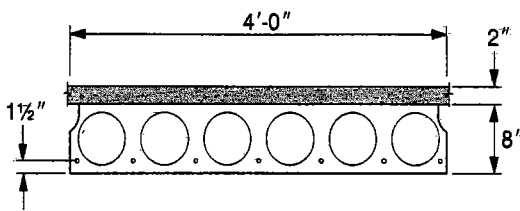


**Strand Pattern Designation**



**HOLLOW-CORE**

**4'-0" x 8"  
Lightweight Concrete**



**Section Properties**

	Untopped	Topped
A =	215 in <sup>2</sup>	—
I =	1,666 in <sup>4</sup>	3,529 in <sup>4</sup>
y <sub>b</sub> =	4.00 in.	5.70 in.
y <sub>t</sub> =	4.00 in.	4.30 in.
S <sub>b</sub> =	416 in <sup>3</sup>	619 in <sup>3</sup>
S <sub>t</sub> =	416 in <sup>3</sup>	821 in <sup>3</sup>
b <sub>w</sub> =	12.00 in.	12.00 in.
wt =	184 plf	272 plf
V/S =	46 psf	68 psf
	1.92 in.	

Safe loads shown include dead load of 10 psf for untopped members and 15 psf for topped members. Remainder is live load. Long-time cambers include superimposed dead load but do not include live load. Check availability of lightweight sections.

Capacity of sections of other configurations are similar. For precise values, see local hollow-core manufacturer.

$f'_c = 5,000$  psi

$f'_{ci} = 3,500$  psi

**Key**

- 346— Safe superimposed service load, psf
- 0.3— Estimated camber at erection, in.
- 0.4— Estimated long-time camber, in.

**4LHC8**

**Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers (in.)**

**No Topping**

Strand Designation Code	Span, ft																																																														
	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36																																								
<b>66-S</b>	346	297	257	224	196	172	152	135	120	107	95	85	76	68	61	55	49	44	39	35	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.0	-0.1	-0.3	-0.5	-0.8				
<b>76-S</b>	348	302	263	231	204	181	161	144	129	115	104	93	84	76	68	62	56	50	45	41	36	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.0	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.1	-0.1	-0.3	-0.6	-0.9
<b>58-S</b>	350	325	304	286	265	236	211	189	170	154	139	126	114	104	95	86	79	72	66	60	55	50	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.1	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.5	0.2	0.0
<b>68-S</b>	334	313	292	274	258	243	229	206	187	169	154	140	128	117	107	98	90	83	76	70	64	0.7	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.1	0.9	
<b>78-S</b>	343	319	301	283	267	249	237	225	212	197	181	165	151	139	127	117	108	100	92	85	78	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.9	2.0	2.0	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.1	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.6	1.8	1.9	2.0	2.0	2.1	2.2	2.2	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.0	1.8

**4LHC8+2**

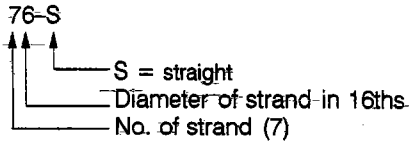
**Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers (in.)**

**2" Normal Weight Topping**

Strand Designation Code	Span, ft																																																							
	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38																																	
<b>66-S</b>	320	277	242	211	186	163	144	127	113	100	88	78	69	60	53	45	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.0	-0.1	-0.3	-0.5	-0.7	-1.0									
<b>76-S</b>	327	286	251	222	196	174	155	138	123	109	98	87	77	69	61	52	43	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1	-0.1	-0.3	-0.6	-0.9	-1.2						
<b>58-S</b>	327	290	258	231	206	185	167	150	135	122	110	99	90	81	72	62	53	45	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.4	0.2	0.0	-0.2	-0.5	-0.9	-1.3			
<b>68-S</b>	323	304	278	250	225	204	184	167	151	138	125	114	103	93	83	73	64	56	48	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.1	0.9	0.8	0.6	0.3	0.0	-0.3	-0.7	-1.2
<b>78-S</b>	332	313	297	279	263	238	216	197	179	163	149	136	125	113	102	91	81	72	64	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.9	2.0	2.0	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.1	2.0	1.5	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.7	1.6	1.5	1.3	1.1	0.9	0.6	0.2	-0.1

Strength based on strain compatibility; bottom tension limited to  $6\sqrt{f'_c}$ ; see pages 2-2-2-6 for explanation.

**Strand Pattern Designation**

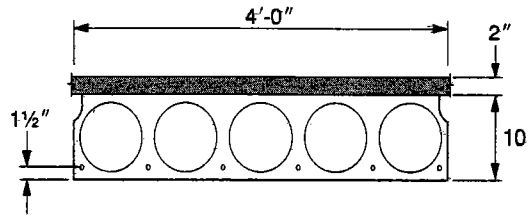


Safe loads shown include dead load of 10 psf for untopped members and 15 psf for topped members. Remainder is live load. Long-time cambers include superimposed dead load but do not include live load.

Capacity of sections of other configurations are similar. For precise values, see local hollow-core manufacturer.

- Key**  
 239 — Safe superimposed service load, psf  
 0.3 — Estimated camber at erection, in.  
 0.4 — Estimated long-time camber, in.

**HOLLOW-CORE**  
**4'-0" x 10"**  
**Normal Weight Concrete**



$f'_c = 5,000$  psi  
 $f'_{ci} = 3,500$  psi

**Section Properties**

	Untopped	Topped
A	= 259 in <sup>2</sup>	—
I	= 3,223 in <sup>4</sup>	5,328 in <sup>4</sup>
y <sub>b</sub>	= 5.00 in.	6.34 in.
y <sub>t</sub>	= 5.00 in.	5.66 in.
S <sub>b</sub>	= 645 in <sup>3</sup>	840 in <sup>3</sup>
S <sub>t</sub>	= 645 in <sup>3</sup>	941 in <sup>3</sup>
b <sub>w</sub>	= 10.50 in.	10.50 in.
wt	= 270 plf	370 plf
	68 psf	93 psf
V/S	= 2.23 in.	

**4HC10**

**Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers (in.)**

**No Topping**

Strand Designation Code	Span, ft																							
	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	
48-S	239	212	188	168	150	134	120	107	96	86	76	68	61	54	48	42								
	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	-0.1							
	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	-0.3	-0.5								
58-S	280	263	245	219	197	177	160	144	130	118	107	96	87	79	71	64	58	52	46	41				
	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.0	-0.1					
	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.3	-0.5	-0.7				
68-S	289	272	255	242	231	217	199	180	164	149	136	124	113	103	94	86	78	71	64	58	53	48	43	
	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1	-0.1	
	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.1	-0.1	-0.3	-0.6	-0.8	
78-S	298	278	264	248	237	223	214	203	193	179	164	150	138	126	116	106	98	90	82	75	69	63	57	
	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.4	
	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.1	-0.1	
88-S	287	270	257	243	229	220	209	199	189	183	174	162	149	137	126	117	107	99	91	84	78	71		
	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.0	0.9	
	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.1	0.9	0.8	0.6	

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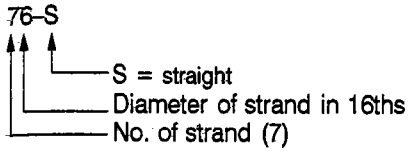
**Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers (in.)**

**2" Normal Weight Topping**

Strand Designation Code	Span, ft																						
	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42
48-S	293	258	229	203	181	161	143	127	113	101	89	79	69	60	50								
	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0							
	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	-0.3	-0.4	-0.6	-0.8								
58-S		297	268	241	216	194	175	157	142	128	115	103	92	79	68	58	48						
		0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1						
		0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	-0.4	-0.5	-0.7	-0.9						
68-S		286	272	259	244	221	200	182	165	150	136	123	109	96	84	73	63	54					
		0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.3					
		0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.0	-0.1	-0.3	-0.5	-0.7	-0.9					
78-S		295	278	265	250	239	226	218	201	184	168	154	138	124	111	98	87	77	67	58	49		
		0.7	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.4	
		0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.0	-0.2	-0.4	-0.6	-0.9	-1.2		
88-S		287	271	259	245	232	224	213	202	193	179	163	148	134	121	110	99	88	78	69			
		0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.0	0.9	
		1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.1	-0.1	-0.3	-0.6			

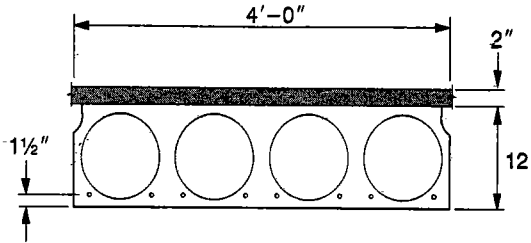
Strength based on strain compatibility; bottom tension limited to  $6\sqrt{f'_c}$ ; see pages 2-2-2-6 for explanation.

**Strand Pattern Designation**



**HOLLOW-CORE**

4'-0" x 12"  
 Normal Weight Concrete



**Section Properties**

	Untopped	Topped
A =	262 in <sup>2</sup>	—
I =	4,949 in <sup>4</sup>	7,811 in <sup>4</sup>
y <sub>b</sub> =	6.00 in.	7.55 in.
y <sub>t</sub> =	6.00 in.	6.45 in.
S <sub>b</sub> =	825 in <sup>3</sup>	1,035 in <sup>3</sup>
S <sub>t</sub> =	825 in <sup>3</sup>	1,211 in <sup>3</sup>
b <sub>w</sub> =	8.00 in.	8.00 in.
wt =	273 plf	373 plf
	68 psf	93 psf
V/S =	2.18 in.	

Safe loads shown include dead load of 10 psf for untopped members and 15 psf for topped members. Remainder is live load. Long-time cambers include superimposed dead load but do not include live load.

Capacity of sections of other configurations are similar. For precise values, see local hollow-core manufacturer.

**Key**

- 127 — Safe superimposed service load, psf
- 0.3 — Estimated camber at erection, in.
- 0.4 — Estimated long-time camber, in.

$f'_c = 5,000$  psi  
 $f'_{ci} = 3,500$  psi

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**Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers (in.)**

**No Topping**

Strand Designation Code	Span, ft																							
	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	
76-S	127	115	104	94	85	76	69	62	56	50	44	39	35											
	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.2											
	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	-0.3	-0.5	-0.6											
58-S	173	161	147	134	122	112	102	93	85	78	71	65	59	53	48	43	39	35						
	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.3						
	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1	-0.1	-0.2	-0.4	-0.6	-0.8	-1.0						
68-S	182	173	165	157	150	143	131	121	111	102	94	87	80	73	67	62	56	52	47					
	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1					
	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.1	-0.1	-0.3	-0.5					
78-S	188	179	171	163	156	149	145	139	134	126	117	108	100	93	86	79	73	68	62	58	53	49		
	0.9	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.2		
	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.5	0.3	0.2	-0.1	-0.3	-0.5		
88-S	194	185	177	169	162	155	148	142	137	131	126	121	120	112	104	97	90	83	78	72	67	62	57	
	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.6	
	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.2	1.1	1.0	0.9	0.7	0.5	0.3	0.0	

**4HC12+2**

**Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers (in.)**

**2" Normal Weight Topping**

Strand Designation Code	Span, ft																							
	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	
76-S	241	215	193	172	155	139	124	111	99	89	79	70	62	55	48	41								
	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0								
	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	-0.3	-0.4	-0.5	-0.7	-0.8								
58-S	256	240	228	215	202	194	176	160	145	131	119	108	98	88	80	72	64	57	51	44				
	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1					
	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	-0.3	-0.5	-0.7	-0.9	-1.1				
68-S	262	249	234	224	211	200	189	183	173	165	154	141	129	117	107	98	89	81	74	67	60	52	44	
	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.2	
	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1	-0.1	-0.2	-0.4	-0.6	-0.8	-1.0	-1.3	
78-S	271	255	243	230	217	206	195	189	179	171	163	155	148	144	134	123	113	104	95	87	80	73	65	
	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.7	
	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.1	-0.1	-0.2	-0.5	-0.7
88-S	280	264	249	236	223	212	201	195	185	177	169	161	154	147	141	135	129	126	116	107	99	91	84	
	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.1	
	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.1	-0.1

Strength based on strain compatibility; bottom tension limited to  $6\sqrt{f'_c}$ ; see pages 2-2-2-6 for explanation.

**Strand Pattern Designation**

76-S  
 S = straight  
 Diameter of strand in 16ths.  
 No. of strand (7)

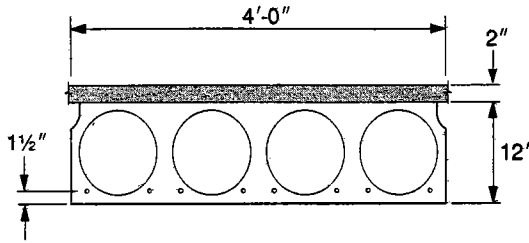
*Safe loads shown include dead load of 10 psf for untopped members and 15 psf for topped members. Remainder is live load. Long-time cambers include superimposed dead load but do not include live load.*

Capacity of sections of other configurations are similar. For precise values, see local hollow-core manufacturer.

**Key**  
 140—Safe superimposed service load, psf  
 0.6—Estimated camber at erection, in.  
 0.7—Estimated long-time camber, in.

**HOLLOW-CORE**

**4'-0" x 12"**  
**Lightweight Concrete**



$f'_c = 5,000$  psi  
 $f'_{ci} = 3,500$  psi

**Section Properties**

	Untopped	Topped
A	262 in <sup>2</sup>	—
I	4,949 in <sup>4</sup>	8,800 in <sup>4</sup>
$y_b$	6.00 in.	8.08 in.
$y_t$	6.00 in.	5.92 in.
$S_b$	825 in <sup>3</sup>	1,089 in <sup>3</sup>
$S_t$	825 in <sup>3</sup>	1,486 in <sup>3</sup>
$b_w$	8.00 in.	8.00 in.
wt	209 pfl	309 pfl
	52 psf	77 psf
V/S	2.18 in.	

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**Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers (in.)**

**No Topping**

Strand Designation Code	Span, ft																								
	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50		
<b>76-S</b>	140 0.6 0.7	128 0.6 0.7	117 0.6 0.7	107 0.6 0.7	98 0.6 0.6	90 0.6 0.6	82 0.5 0.5	75 0.5 0.4	69 0.4 0.3	63 0.3 0.2	57 0.2 0.0	52 0.0 -0.1	48 -0.1 -0.3												
<b>58-S</b>	186 0.9 1.1	174 0.9 1.1	160 0.9 1.2	147 1.0 1.2	135 1.0 1.2	125 1.0 1.2	115 1.0 1.1	106 1.0 1.1	98 1.0 1.1	91 1.0 1.0	84 0.9 0.8	78 0.8 0.7	72 0.8 0.6	66 0.8 0.4	61 0.8 0.3	57 0.8 0.1	52 0.7 -0.1	48 0.6 -0.4	44 0.5 0.4						
<b>68-S</b>	192 1.1 1.4	183 1.2 1.5	175 1.2 1.5	170 1.3 1.6	163 1.3 1.6	156 1.4 1.6	144 1.4 1.6	134 1.4 1.6	124 1.4 1.6	115 1.4 1.6	107 1.4 1.5	100 1.4 1.4	93 1.4 1.4	86 1.9 1.3	80 1.3 1.1	75 1.3 1.0	69 1.2 0.8	65 1.1 0.6	60 1.0 0.4	56 0.9 0.2	51 0.8 0.2	48 0.8 -0.1			
<b>78-S</b>	198 1.4 1.8	189 1.5 1.8	181 1.5 1.9	173 1.6 2.0	166 1.7 2.0	155 1.7 2.1	149 1.8 2.1	144 1.8 2.1	138 1.9 2.2	130 1.9 2.2	121 1.9 2.1	113 1.9 2.1	106 1.9 2.0	99 2.0 1.9	92 1.9 1.8	86 1.9 1.7	81 1.9 1.6	76 1.9 1.6	71 1.8 1.4	65 1.7 1.2	61 1.6 1.0	57 1.5 0.7			
<b>88-S</b>	204 1.7 2.1	195 1.8 2.2	187 1.8 2.3	179 1.9 2.4	172 2.0 2.5	165 2.1 2.6	158 2.1 2.6	152 2.2 2.7	147 2.3 2.7	144 2.3 2.7	139 2.4 2.8	134 2.4 2.8	127 2.5 2.8	119 2.5 2.7	115 2.5 2.6	108 2.5 2.5	103 2.5 2.5	97 2.5 2.4	91 2.5 2.3	85 2.4 2.1	81 2.4 2.0	75 2.3 2.0	70 2.3 1.8		

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**Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers (in.)**

**2" Normal Weight Topping**

Strand Designation Code	Span, ft																								
	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45		
<b>76-S</b>	254 0.5 0.5	228 0.5 0.5	206 0.6 0.5	186 0.6 0.5	168 0.6 0.5	152 0.6 0.4	137 0.6 0.4	124 0.6 0.4	112 0.6 0.4	102 0.6 0.2	92 0.6 0.1	83 0.5 0.0	75 0.5 -0.1	68 0.5 -0.2	61 0.5 -0.4	54 0.4 -0.5	49 0.4 -0.7								
<b>58-S</b>	266 0.7 0.7	253 0.7 0.7	238 0.8 0.8	228 0.8 0.8	216 0.9 0.8	204 0.9 0.8	189 0.9 0.8	173 0.8 0.7	158 0.7 0.6	144 0.7 0.6	132 0.6 0.5	121 0.6 0.4	111 0.5 0.3	101 0.4 0.3	93 0.3 0.1	85 0.1 0.0	77 0.0 -0.2	71 -0.2 -0.4	64 -0.4 -0.6	58 -0.6 -0.9	53 -0.9 -0.9				
<b>68-S</b>	275 0.9 0.9	259 0.9 1.0	244 1.0 1.0	234 1.0 1.1	222 1.1 1.1	210 1.1 1.1	203 1.2 1.1	193 1.2 1.1	183 1.3 1.1	175 1.3 1.1	167 1.4 1.0	154 1.4 0.9	142 1.4 0.8	131 1.4 0.7	120 1.1 0.6	111 1.0 0.4	102 0.9 0.3	94 0.6 0.3	87 0.4 0.1	80 0.3 -0.1	73 0.1 -0.3	67 -0.3 -0.6	62 -0.6 -0.6		
<b>78-S</b>	281 1.0 1.1	265 1.1 1.2	253 1.2 1.2	240 1.3 1.3	228 1.3 1.4	216 1.4 1.4	209 1.5 1.4	199 1.5 1.4	189 1.6 1.5	181 1.7 1.5	173 1.7 1.4	165 1.8 1.4	161 1.8 1.4	154 1.9 1.4	147 1.9 1.3	136 1.9 1.2	126 1.9 1.2	117 2.0 1.1	108 2.0 0.9	100 1.9 0.8	93 1.9 0.6	86 1.9 0.4	80 1.9 0.2		
<b>88-S</b>	274 1.3 1.4	259 1.4 1.5	246 1.5 1.6	237 1.6 1.6	225 1.7 1.7	215 1.8 1.8	205 1.8 1.8	195 1.9 1.8	187 1.9 1.8	179 2.0 1.9	171 2.1 1.9	164 2.2 1.9	157 2.2 1.9	151 2.3 1.8	145 2.3 1.7	142 2.4 1.6	137 2.4 1.5	129 2.5 1.4	120 2.5 1.4	112 2.5 1.3	104 2.5 1.1	97 2.5 0.9			

Strength based on strain compatibility; bottom tension limited to  $6\sqrt{f'_c}$ ; see pages 2-2–2-6 for explanation.

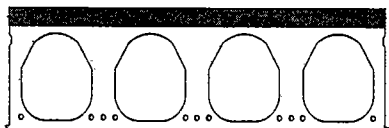
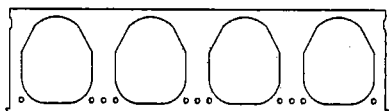
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Fig. 2.4.1 Section Properties—normal weight concrete

Dy-Core

Trade Name: Dy-Core®

Equipment Manufacturer: Mixer Systems, Inc., Pewaukee, Wisconsin



Section width x depth	Untopped				With 2" topping		
	A in <sup>2</sup>	y <sub>b</sub> in.	I in <sup>4</sup>	wt psf	y <sub>b</sub> in.	I in <sup>4</sup>	wt psf
4'-0" x 6"	142	3.05	661	37	4.45	1,475	62
4'-0" x 8"	193	3.97	1,581	50	5.43	3,017	75
4'-0" x 10"	215	5.40	2,783	56	6.89	4,614	81
4'-0" x 12"	264	6.37	4,773	69	7.89	7,313	94
4'-0" x 15"	289	7.37	8,604	76	9.21	13,225	101

Note: All sections not available from all producers. Check availability with local manufacturers.

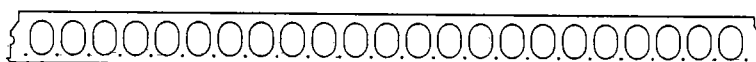
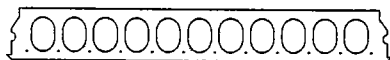
Fig. 2.4.2 Section Properties—normal weight concrete

Dynaspan

Trade Name: Dynaspan®

Equipment Manufacturer: Dynamold Corporation, Salina, Kansas

Section width x depth	Untopped				With 2" topping		
	A in <sup>2</sup>	y <sub>b</sub> in.	I in <sup>4</sup>	wt psf	y <sub>b</sub> in.	I in <sup>4</sup>	wt psf
4'-0" x 4"	133	2.00	235	35	3.08	689	60
4'-0" x 6"	165	3.02	706	43	4.25	1,543	68
4'-0" x 8"	233	3.93	1,731	61	5.16	3,205	86
4'-0" x 10"	260	4.91	3,145	68	6.26	5,314	93
8'-0" x 6"	338	3.05	1,445	44	4.26	3,106	69
8'-0" x 8"	470	3.96	3,525	61	5.17	6,444	86
8'-0" x 10"	532	4.96	6,422	69	6.28	10,712	94
8'-0" x 12"	615	5.95	10,505	80	7.32	16,507	105



Note: All sections not available from all producers. Check availability with local manufacturers.

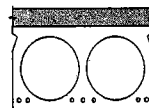
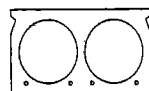
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Fig. 2.4.3 Section Properties—normal weight concrete

Flexicore

Trade Name: Flexicore®

Licensing Organization: The Flexicore Co. Inc., Dayton, Ohio



Section width x depth	Untopped				With 2" topping			
	A in <sup>2</sup>	y <sub>b</sub> in.	I in <sup>4</sup>	wt psf	y <sub>b</sub> in.	I in <sup>4</sup>	wt psf	
1'-4" x 6"	55	3.00	243	43	4.23	523	68	
2'-0" x 6"	86	3.00	366	45	4.20	793	70	
1'-4" x 8"	73	4.00	560	57	5.26	1,028	82	
2'-0" x 8"	110	4.00	843	57	5.26	1,547	82	
1'-8" x 10"	98	5.00	1,254	61	6.43	2,109	86	
2'-0" x 10"	138	5.00	1,587	72	6.27	2,651	97	
2'-0" x 12"	141	6.00	2,595	73	7.46	4,049	98	

Note: All sections not available from all producers. Check availability with local manufacturers.

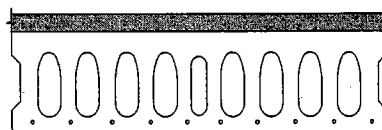
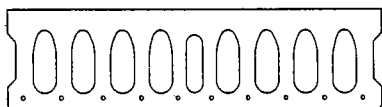
Fig. 2.4.4 Section Properties—normal weight concrete

Spancrete

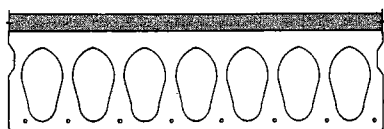
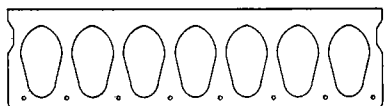
Trade Name: Spancrete®

Licensing Organization: Spancrete Machinery Corp., Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Trade Name: Standard Spancrete®



Trade Name: Ultralight Spancrete®



Section width x depth	Untopped				With 2" topping			
	A in <sup>2</sup>	y <sub>b</sub> in.	I in <sup>4</sup>	wt psf	y <sub>b</sub> in.	I in <sup>4</sup>	wt psf	
4'-0" x 4"	138	2.00	238	34	3.14	739	59	
4'-0" x 6"	189	2.93	762	46	4.19	1,760	71	
4'-0" x 8"	258	3.98	1,806	63	5.22	3,443	88	
4'-0" x 10"	312	5.16	3,484	76	6.41	5,787	101	
4'-0" x 12"	355	6.28	5,784	86	7.58	8,904	111	
4'-0" x 15"	370	7.87	9,765	90	9.39	14,351	115	

4'-0" x 8"	246	4.17	1,730	60	5.41	3,230	85
4'-0" x 10"	277	5.22	3,178	67	6.58	5,376	92
4'-0" x 12"	316	6.22	5,311	77	7.66	8,410	102

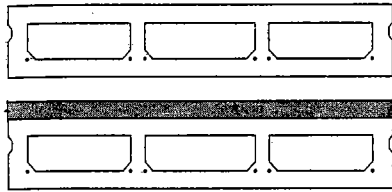
Note: Spancrete is also available in 40" and 96" widths. All sections are not available from all producers. Check availability with local manufacturers.

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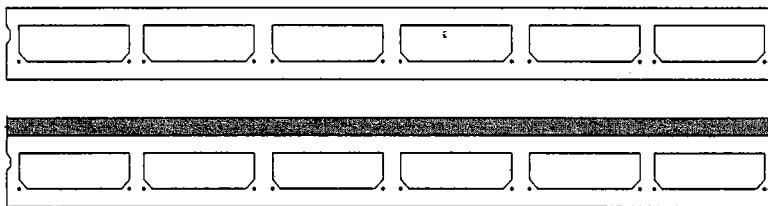
Figure 2.4.5 Section Properties—normal weight concrete

Span Deck

Trade Name: Span Deck®  
 Licensing Organization: Fabcon, Incorporated, Savage, Minnesota



Section width x depth	Untopped				With 2" topping			
	A in <sup>2</sup>	y <sub>b</sub> in.	I in <sup>4</sup>	wt psf	y <sub>b</sub> in.	I in <sup>4</sup>	wt psf	
4'-0" x 8"	246	3.75	1,615	62	5.55	2,791	87	
4'-0" x 12"	298	5.87	5,452	75	8.01	7,856	100	
8'-0" x 8"	477	3.73	3,236	60	5.53	5,643	85	
8'-0" x 12"	578	5.86	10,909	72	7.98	15,709	97	

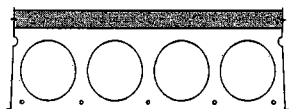
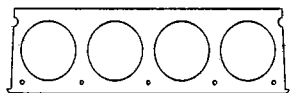
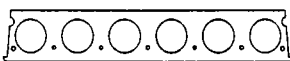


Note: All sections not available from all producers. Check availability with local manufacturers.

Figure 2.4.6 Section Properties—normal weight concrete

Ultra Span

Trade Name: Ultra Span  
 Licensing Organization: Ultra Span Technologies Inc., Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada



Section width x depth	Untopped				With 2" topping			
	A in <sup>2</sup>	y <sub>b</sub> in.	I in <sup>4</sup>	wt psf	y <sub>b</sub> in.	I in <sup>4</sup>	wt psf	
4'-0" x 4"	154	2.00	247	40	2.98	723	65	
4'-0" x 6"	188	3.00	764	49	4.13	1,641	74	
4'-0" x 8"	214	4.00	1,666	56	5.29	3,070	81	
4'-0" x 10"	259	5.00	3,223	67	6.34	5,328	92	
4'-0" x 12"	289	6.00	5,272	75	7.43	8,195	100	

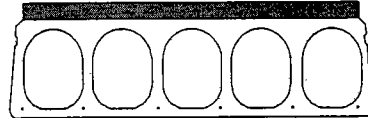
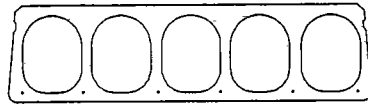
Note: All sections are not available from all producers. Check availability with local manufacturers.

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Figure 2.4.7 Section Properties—normal weight concrete

Elematic

Trade Name: Elematic®  
 Equipment Manufacturer: Mixer Systems, Inc., Pewaukee, Wisconsin

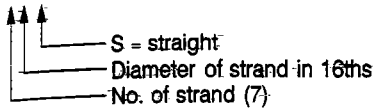


Section width x depth	Untopped				With 2" topping			
	A in <sup>2</sup>	y <sub>b</sub> in.	I in <sup>4</sup>	wt psf	y <sub>b</sub> in.	I in <sup>4</sup>	wt psf	
4'-0" x 6"	157	3.00	694	41	4.33	1557	66	
4'-0" x 8"	196	3.97	1580	51	5.41	3024	76	
4'-0" x 10"	238	5.00	3042	62	6.49	5190	87	
4'-0" x 10"	249	5.00	3108	65	6.44	5280	90	
4'-0" x 12"	274	6.00	5121	71	7.56	8134	96	

Note: Elematic is also available in 96 in. width. All sections not available from all producers. Check availability with local manufacturers.



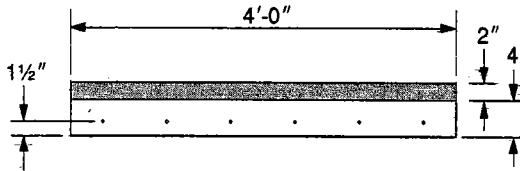
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4" Thick  
 Normal Weight Concrete

	Untopped	Topped
A =	192 in <sup>2</sup>	—
I =	256 in <sup>4</sup>	763 in <sup>4</sup>
y <sub>b</sub> =	2.00 in.	2.84 in.
y <sub>t</sub> =	2.00 in.	3.16 in.
S <sub>b</sub> =	128 in <sup>3</sup>	269 in <sup>3</sup>
S <sub>t</sub> =	128 in <sup>3</sup>	242 in <sup>3</sup>
b <sub>w</sub> =	48.00 in.	48.00 in.
wt =	200 plf	300 plf
	50 psf	75 psf
V/S =	1.85 in.	

Safe loads shown include dead load of 10 psf for untopped members and 15 psf for topped members. Remainder is live load. Long-time cambers include superimposed dead load but do not include live load.



$f'_c = 5,000$  psi  
 $f'_{ci} = 3,500$  psi

**Key**

- 196 — Safe superimposed service load, psf
- 0.1 — Estimated camber at erection, in.
- 0.1 — Estimated long-time camber, in.

**FS4**

**Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers**

**No Topping**

Strand Designation Code	Span, ft												
	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
66-S	196	165	132	105	83	66	52	41	31				
	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	-0.3	-0.4				
	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.3	-0.4	-0.6	-0.9				
76-S	230	190	151	122	98	79	63	50	40	30			
	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	-0.3	-0.5			
	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	-0.3	-0.5	-0.9	-1.0			
58-S	253	212	180	154	127	104	86	70	57	46	37		
	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.3	-0.4		
	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.3	-0.5	-0.8	-1.1		
68-S	300	252	214	180	152	127	105	88	73	60	50	40	32
	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.3	-0.4	-0.7
	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	-0.1	-0.3	-0.5	-0.8	-1.2	-1.6

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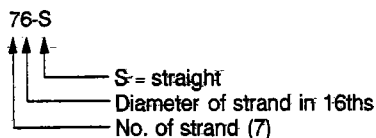
**Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers**

**2" Normal Weight Topping**

Strand Designation Code	Span, ft											
	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
66-S	369	296	224	167	123	87	57	33				
	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	-0.3				
	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	-0.3	-0.5	-0.7				
76-S	346	265	203	153	113	80	53	31				
	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	-0.3				
	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.1	-0.3	-0.4	-0.6	-0.9				
58-S	400	342	274	214	166	127	95	67	44			
	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.3			
	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.3	-0.4	-0.7	-0.9			
68-S				335	268	213	169	132	101	74	52	32
				0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.3	-0.4
				0.1	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.3	-0.5	-0.7	-1.0	-1.4

Strength based on strain compatibility; bottom tension limited to  $6\sqrt{f'_c}$ ; see pages 2-2-2-6 for explanation.

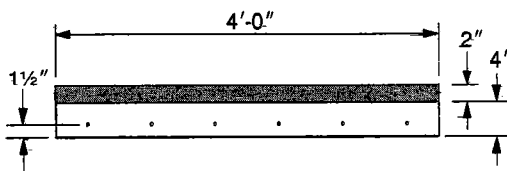
**Strand Pattern Designation**



Safe loads shown include dead load of 10 psf for untopped members and 15 psf for topped members. Remainder is live load. Long-time cambers include superimposed dead load but do not include live load.

**SOLID FLAT SLAB**

**4" Thick  
 Lightweight Concrete**



$f'_c = 5,000$  psi  
 $f'_{ci} = 3,500$  psi

**Section Properties**

	Untopped	Topped
A	= 192 in <sup>2</sup>	—
I	= 256 in <sup>4</sup>	925 in <sup>4</sup>
y <sub>b</sub>	= 2.00 in.	3.10 in.
y <sub>t</sub>	= 2.00 in.	2.90 in.
S <sub>b</sub>	= 128 in <sup>3</sup>	298 in <sup>3</sup>
S <sub>t</sub>	= 128 in <sup>3</sup>	319 in <sup>3</sup>
b <sub>w</sub>	= 48.00 in.	48.00 in.
wt	= 153 plf	253 plf
	38 psf	63 psf
V/S	= 1.85 in.	

**Key**  
 206 — Safe superimposed service load, psf  
 0.1 — Estimated camber at erection, in.  
 0.2 — Estimated long-time camber, in.

**LFS4**

**Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers**

**No Topping**

Strand Designation Code	Span, ft														
	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
66-S	206	175	143	116	95	78	64	52	42	34					
	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.3	-0.5					
	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	-0.2	-0.3	-0.5	-0.8	-1.2					
76-S	239	201	163	133	110	91	75	62	51	42	34				
	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.3	-0.5				
	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.0	-0.2	-0.4	-0.6	-1.0	-1.3				
58-S	263	222	190	163	136	113	95	80	68	57	48	40	33		
	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.0	-0.2	-0.4	-0.6		
	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	-0.1	-0.3	-0.5	-0.9	-1.3	-1.8		
68-S	309	261	223	189	158	133	112	95	81	69	59	50	42	36	30
	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1	-0.1	-0.3	-0.5	-0.9
	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.0	-0.2	-0.5	-0.9	-1.4	-1.9	-2.6

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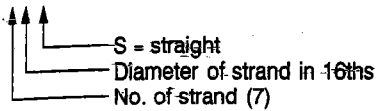
**Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers**

**2" Normal Weight Topping**

Strand Designation Code	Span, ft										
	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
66-S	322	276	213	163	123	91	63	41			
	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.3			
	0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.3	-0.5	-0.7	-1.0			
76-S	375	319	252	197	153	117	86	61	40		
	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.3		
	0.1	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	-0.3	-0.6	-0.8	-1.2		
58-S	351	304	258	206	164	129	100	75	54	35	
	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.0	-0.2	-0.4	
	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.3	-0.5	-0.5	-1.2	-1.7	
68-S	360	310	251	204	164	131	103	79	59		
	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1	-0.1		
	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	-0.1	-0.3	-0.6	-0.9	-1.3		

Strength based on strain compatibility; bottom tension limited to  $6\sqrt{f'_c}$ ; see pages 2-2-2-6 for explanation.

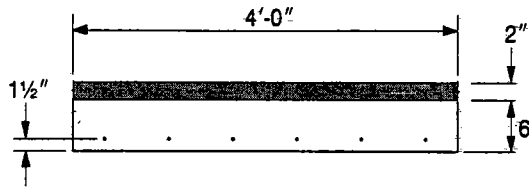
76-S



6" Thick  
Normal Weight Concrete

	Untopped	Topped
A	= 288 in <sup>2</sup>	—
I	= 864 in <sup>4</sup>	1,834 in <sup>4</sup>
y <sub>b</sub>	= 3.00 in.	3.82 in.
y <sub>t</sub>	= 3.00 in.	4.18 in.
S <sub>b</sub>	= 288 in <sup>3</sup>	480 in <sup>3</sup>
S <sub>t</sub>	= 288 in <sup>3</sup>	439 in <sup>3</sup>
b <sub>w</sub>	= 48.00 in.	48.00 in.
wt	= 300 plf	400 plf
	75 psf	100 psf
V/S	= 2.67 in.	

Safe loads shown include dead load of 10 psf for untopped members and 15 psf for topped members. Remainder is live load. Long-time cambers include superimposed dead load but do not include live load.



$f'_c = 5,000 \text{ psi}$

$f'_{ci} = 3,500 \text{ psi}$

Key

- 330 — Safe superimposed service load, psf
- 0.1 — Estimated camber at erection, in.
- 0.2 — Estimated long-time camber, in.

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Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers

No Topping

Strand Designation Code	Span, ft																																						
	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30																			
66-S	330	284	236	195	162	135	113	94	78	65	53	43	33																										
	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.1	-0.2	-0.3																									
76-S	390	336	280	233	195	164	139	117	99	83	68	55	44	35																									
	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	-0.3																								
58-S		369	320	280	247	219	186	158	134	113	96	81	57	56	46	36																							
		0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	-0.3																							
68-S			387	339	300	262	224	191	164	141	121	103	88	75	63	53	43	35																					
			0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.0	-0.2	-0.4	-0.6	-0.9																			
78-S				396	351	303	261	225	195	168	146	126	109	94	81	69	59	49	41	33																			
				0.4	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.1	0.0	-0.2	-0.5																			

**FS6+2**

Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers

2" Normal Weight Topping

Strand Designation Code	Span, ft																																			
	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28																				
66-S	342	284	237	198	162	127	97	71	49																											
	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.1																											
76-S	336	283	239	197	158	125	96	72	51	32																										
	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	-0.1	-0.2	-0.4	-0.5	-0.7																										
58-S		356	314	268	221	181	147	118	93	71	51	34																								
		0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.2																								
68-S			375	323	278	232	193	160	131	105	83	64	46	31																						
			0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.0	-0.2	-0.3	-0.6	-0.9	-1.2																		
78-S				371	323	281	239	201	169	140	115	93	73	56	40																					
				0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.1	0.0																					

Strength based on strain compatibility; bottom tension limited to  $6\sqrt{f'_c}$ ; see pages 2-2-2-6 for explanation.

Strand Pattern Designation

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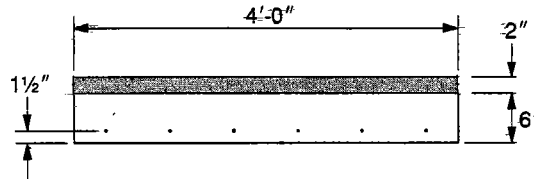
Section Properties

76-S  
 S = straight  
 Diameter of strand in 16ths  
 No. of strand (7)

6" Thick  
 Lightweight Concrete

	Untopped	Topped
A	= 288 in <sup>2</sup>	—
I	= 864 in <sup>4</sup>	2,181 in <sup>4</sup>
y <sub>b</sub>	= 3.00 in.	4.11 in.
y <sub>t</sub>	= 3.00 in.	3.89 in.
S <sub>b</sub>	= 288 in <sup>3</sup>	531 in <sup>3</sup>
S <sub>t</sub>	= 288 in <sup>3</sup>	561 in <sup>3</sup>
b <sub>w</sub>	= 48.00 in.	48.00 in.
wt	= 230 plf	330 plf
	58 psf	83 psf
V/S	= 2.67 in.	

Safe loads shown include dead load of 10 psf for untopped members and 15 psf for topped members. Remainder is live load. Long-time cambers include superimposed dead load but do not include live load.



f<sub>c</sub> = 5,000 psi  
 f<sub>d</sub> = 3,500 psi

Key  
 345 — Safe superimposed service load, psf  
 0.2 — Estimated camber at erection, in.  
 0.3 — Estimated long-time camber, in.

**LFS6**

Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers

No Topping

Strand Designation Code	Span, ft																																																								
	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31																																				
66-S	345	298	250	209	177	150	127	109	93	79	68	58	49	41	34	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.3	-0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.3	-0.5	-0.8	-1.1													
76-S		351	294	247	209	179	153	132	113	98	85	73	62	52	44	36	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.0	-0.2	-0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1	-0.1	-0.2	-0.5	-0.7	-1.1												
58-S			383	334	295	262	233	201	175	151	131	113	98	85	73	63	54	46	39	32	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.1	0.0	-0.2	-0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.1	-0.1	-0.4	-0.7	-1.1	-1.5		
68-S				354	315	272	235	204	178	156	137	120	105	92	81	70	61	53	45	38	32	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.1	-0.2	-0.4	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.5	0.3	0.0	-0.4	-0.8	-1.2	-1.8		
78-S					356	307	266	232	203	179	157	139	123	109	96	85	76	67	58	51	44	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.6	0.4	0.2	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.0	0.9	0.6	0.4	0.0	-0.4	-0.9

**LFS6+2**

Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers

2" Normal Weight Topping

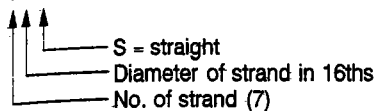
Strand Designation Code	Span, ft																																														
	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30																														
66-S	298	251	213	181	155	132	111	96	86	75	67	60	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	-0.4	-0.6	-0.8	-1.1													
76-S		351	297	253	217	186	161	139	112	88	68	50	34	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.0	-0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.0	-0.2	-0.4	-0.6	-0.8	-1.1										
58-S			371	328	283	246	214	187	163	135	110	89	70	53	38	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.1	0.0	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1	-0.1	-0.3	-0.6	-0.9	-1.3						
68-S				390	338	294	257	226	199	175	148	124	103	83	66	51	37	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.1	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.1	-0.1	-0.4	-0.7	-1.1	-1.5		
78-S					386	337	296	261	230	204	180	155	132	111	93	77	61	47	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.6	0.4	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.5	0.3	0.1	-0.2	-0.5	-0.9	-1.4

Strength based on strain compatibility; bottom tension limited to 6√f<sub>c</sub>; see pages 2-2-2-6 for explanation.

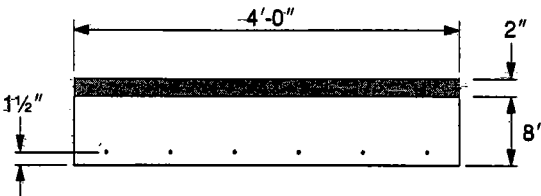
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Section Properties

76-S



8" Thick  
Normal Weight Concrete



	Untopped	Topped
A	= 384 in <sup>2</sup>	—
I	= 2,048 in <sup>4</sup>	3,630 in <sup>4</sup>
y <sub>b</sub>	= 4.00 in.	4.81 in.
y <sub>t</sub>	= 4.00 in.	5.19 in.
S <sub>b</sub>	= 512 in <sup>3</sup>	755 in <sup>3</sup>
S <sub>t</sub>	= 512 in <sup>3</sup>	699 in <sup>3</sup>
b <sub>w</sub>	= 48.00 in.	48.00 in.
wt	= 400 plf	500 plf
	100 psf	125 psf
V/S	= 3.43 in.	

Safe loads shown include dead load of 10. psf for untopped members and 15 psf for topped members. Remainder is live load. Long-time cambers include superimposed dead load but do not include live load.

$f'_c = 5,000$  psi  
 $f'_{ci} = 3,500$  psi

Key

- 299 — Safe superimposed service load, psf
- 0.1 — Estimated camber at erection, in.
- 0.2 — Estimated long-time camber, in.

**FS8**

Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers

No Topping

Strand Designation Code	Span, ft																								
	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34				
66-S	299	250	210	177	149	125	105	88	73	60	48	38													
	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	-0.2													
	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	-0.3	-0.5												
76-S	357	301	255	216	184	157	134	114	97	82	68	57	46	37											
	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.1	-0.2	-0.3											
	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	-0.3	-0.5	-0.7											
58-S		378	338	293	252	218	189	164	142	123	107	92	78	65	54	43	34								
		0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	-0.3	-0.4								
		0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.3	-0.5	-0.7	-0.7								
68-S			358	311	271	237	207	182	159	138	120	103	88	75	63	53	43	34							
			0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.3	-0.5							
			0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.0	-0.1	-0.3	-0.5	-0.8	-1.0							
78-S				367	321	282	248	219	192	168	147	128	112	97	83	71	60	51	42	33					
				0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.3	-0.5					
				0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.1	-0.1	-0.3	-0.6	-0.9	-1.2					

**FS8+2**

Table of safe superimposed service load (psf) and cambers

2" Normal Weight Topping

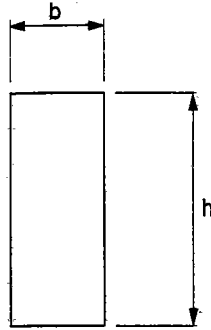
Strand Designation Code	Span, ft													
	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
66-S	230	195	164	139	116	97	73	52	34					
	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	-0.2					
	0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.1	-0.2	-0.3	-0.5	-0.6					
76-S	280	239	204	175	149	126	99	76	56	38				
	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.1	-0.2				
	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	-0.2	-0.3	-0.5	-0.7				
58-S	375	324	280	243	211	183	152	124	100	79	59	42		
	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.2		
	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	-0.4	-0.5	-0.7		
68-S	395	344	301	264	231	199	167	140	115	94	74	57	41	
	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.0	-0.1	
	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.3	-0.4	-0.6	-0.9	

Strength based on strain compatibility; bottom tension limited to  $6\sqrt{f'_c}$ ; see pages 2-2-2-6 for explanation.



# RECTANGULAR BEAMS

Normal Weight Concrete



$f'_c = 5,000$  psi  
 $f_{pu} = 270,000$  psi  
 ½ in. diameter  
 low-relaxation strand

Section Properties							
Designation	b in.	h in.	A in <sup>2</sup>	I in <sup>4</sup>	$y_b$ in.	S in <sup>3</sup>	wt plf
12RB16	12	16	192	4,096	8.00	512	200
12RB20	12	20	240	8,000	10.00	800	250
12RB24	12	24	288	13,824	12.00	1,152	300
12RB28	12	28	336	21,952	14.00	1,568	350
12RB32	12	32	384	32,768	16.00	2,048	400
12RB36	12	36	432	46,656	18.00	2,592	450
16RB24	16	24	384	18,432	12.00	1,536	400
16RB28	16	28	448	29,269	14.00	2,091	467
16RB32	16	32	512	43,691	16.00	2,731	533
16RB36	16	36	576	62,208	18.00	3,456	600
16RB40	16	40	640	85,333	20.00	4,267	667

1. Check local area for availability of other sizes.
2. Safe loads shown include 50% superimposed dead load and 50% live load. 800 psi top tension has been allowed, therefore additional top reinforcement is required.
3. Safe loads can be significantly increased by use of structural composite topping.

**Key**

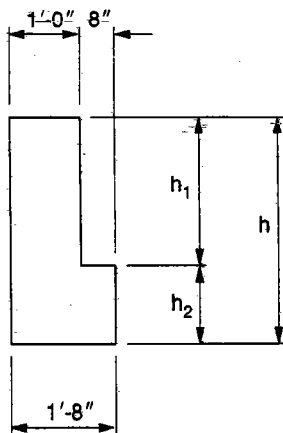
- 3,344 — Safe superimposed service load, plf
- 0.4 — Estimated camber at erection, in.
- 0.1 — Estimated long-time camber, in.

Table of safe superimposed service load (plf) and cambers

Designation	No. Strand	e	Span, ft																		
			16	18	20	22	24	26	28	30	32	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50	
12RB16	5	5.67	3344	2605	2075	1684	1386	1154	970												
			0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9	1.0												
			0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2												
12RB20	8	6.60	6101	4773	3823	3121	2585	2166	1833	1565	1345	1163	1010								
			0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.4								
			0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3							
12RB24	10	7.76	8884	6957	5578	4558	3782	3178	2699	2312	1996	1734	1514	1328	1170	1033					
			0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.6					
			0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4				
12RB28	12	8.89	9502	7630	6245	5192	4372	3721	3197	2767	2411	2113	1861	1645	1460	1299	1159	1035			
			0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.7			
			0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	
12RB32	13	10.48	8238	6859	5785	4933	4246	3683	3217	2826	2495	2213	1970	1760	1576	1415	1272				
			0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.7	1.8			
			0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	
12RB36	15	11.64	8734	7376	6298	5428	4716	4126	3632	3214	2856	2549	2283	2050	1846	1666					
			0.5	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.7	1.8		
			0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4
16RB24	13	7.86	9278	7439	6079	5044	4239	3600	3084	2662	2313	2020	1772	1560	1378	1220	1082	961			
			0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.8			
			0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2		
16RB28	13	8.89	9022	7383	6137	5167	4397	3776	3267	2846	2493	2194	1939	1720	1530	1364	1218	1089			
			0.4	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.3	1.3		
			0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	
16RB32	18	10.29	9145	7713	6577	5661	4911	4289	3768	3327	2951	2627	2346	2101	1886	1697					
			0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.6	1.7					
			0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4
16RB36	20	11.64	9834	8397	7237	6288	5502	4843	4285	3809	3399	3043	2733	2461	2221						
			0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.7	1.8			
			0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4
16RB40	22	13.00	9010	7839	6867	6054	5365	4777	4271	3832	3449	3113	2817								
			0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.4							
			0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4

# L-BEAMS

Normal Weight Concrete



$f'_c = 5,000$  psi  
 $f_{pu} = 270,000$  psi

½ in. diameter  
 low-relaxation strand

**Key**  
 6,471 — Safe superimposed service load, plf  
 0.3 — Estimated camber at erection, in.  
 0.1 — Estimated long-time camber, in.

Section Properties								
Designation	h in.	h <sub>1</sub> /h <sub>2</sub> in.	A in <sup>2</sup>	I in <sup>4</sup>	y <sub>b</sub> in.	S <sub>b</sub> in <sup>3</sup>	S <sub>t</sub> in <sup>3</sup>	wt plf
20LB20	20	12/8	304	10,160	8.74	1,163	902	317
20LB24	24	12/12	384	17,568	10.50	1,673	1,301	400
20LB28	28	16/12	432	27,883	12.22	2,282	1,767	450
20LB32	32	20/12	480	41,600	14.00	2,971	2,311	500
20LB36	36	24/12	528	59,119	15.82	3,737	2,930	550
20LB40	40	24/16	608	81,282	17.47	4,653	3,608	633
20LB44	44	28/16	656	108,107	19.27	5,610	4,372	683
20LB48	48	32/16	704	140,133	21.09	6,645	5,208	733
20LB52	52	36/16	752	177,752	22.94	7,749	6,117	783
20LB56	56	40/16	800	221,355	24.80	8,926	7,095	833
20LB60	60	44/16	848	271,332	26.68	10,170	8,143	883

1. Check local area for availability of other sizes.
2. Safe loads shown include 50% superimposed dead load and 50% live load. 800 psi top tension has been allowed, therefore additional top reinforcement is required.
3. Safe loads can be significantly increased by use of structural composite topping.

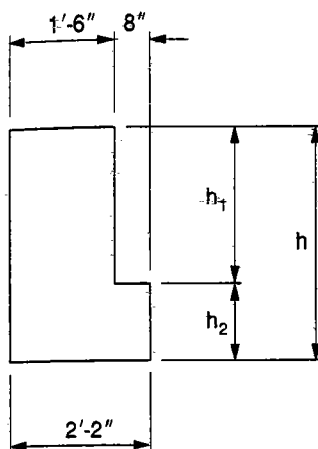
Table of safe superimposed service load (plf) and cambers

Designation	No. Strand	e	Span, ft																		
			16	18	20	22	24	26	28	30	32	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50	
20LB20	9	6.00	6471	5053	4038	3288	2717	2273	1920	1636	1403	1210	1049								
			0.3	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1								
			0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1							
20LB24	10	7.37	9518	7444	5961	4864	4029	3380	2865	2449	2108	1826	1590	1390	1219	1072					
			0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1					
			0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0				
20LB28	12	8.56			8193	6701	5566	4682	3981	3416	2953	2569	2248	1976	1744	1544	1370	1219	1087	970	
					0.3	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.2
					0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0
20LB32	14	9.80				8820	7339	6187	5272	4534	3931	3430	3011	2656	2353	2092	1866	1669	1496	1343	
						0.4	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.2
						0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1
20LB36	16	11.05					9335	7881	6727	5796	5034	4402	3873	3425	3043	2714	2428	2180	1961	1768	
							0.4	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.2
							0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
20LB40	18	11.99						9663	8253	7116	6185	5413	4767	4220	3752	3350	3002	2698	2431	2196	
							0.4	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1
							0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
20LB44	19	13.61							8866	7718	6766	5969	5294	4717	4221	3791	3416	3087	2797		
							0.5	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	
							0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
20LB48	21	14.86								9231	8101	7155	6353	5669	5081	4570	4125	3735	3390		
							0.5	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	
							0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
20LB52	23	16.12									9545	8438	7500	6700	6011	5415	4894	4437	4033		
							0.5	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	
							0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
20LB56	25	17.37										9817	8733	7808	7012	6323	5721	5192	4726		
							0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	
							0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3
20LB60	27	18.63												8996	8086	7296	6608	6004	5470		
							0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	
							0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	



# L-BEAMS

Normal Weight Concrete



$f'_c = 5,000$  psi  
 $f_{pu} = 270,000$  psi

½ in. diameter  
 low-relaxation strand

**Key**

- 9,737 — Safe superimposed service load, plf
- 0.4 — Estimated camber at erection, in.
- 0.2 — Estimated long-time camber, in.

## Section Properties

Designation	h in.	$h_1/h_2$ in.	A in <sup>2</sup>	I in. <sup>4</sup>	$y_b$ in.	$S_b$ in <sup>3</sup>	$S_t$ in <sup>3</sup>	wt plf
26LB20	20	12/8	424	14,298	9.09	1,573	1,311	442
26LB24	24	12/12	528	24,716	10.91	2,265	1,888	550
26LB28	28	16/12	600	39,241	12.72	3,085	2,568	625
26LB32	32	20/12	672	58,533	14.57	4,017	3,358	700
26LB36	36	24/12	744	83,176	16.45	5,056	4,255	775
26LB40	40	24/16	848	114,381	18.19	6,288	5,244	883
26LB44	44	28/16	920	152,104	20.05	7,586	6,351	958
26LB48	48	32/16	992	197,159	21.94	8,986	7,566	1,033
26LB52	52	36/16	1,064	250,126	23.83	10,496	8,879	1,108
26LB56	56	40/16	1,136	311,586	25.75	12,100	10,300	1,183
26LB60	60	44/16	1,208	382,118	27.67	13,810	11,819	1,258

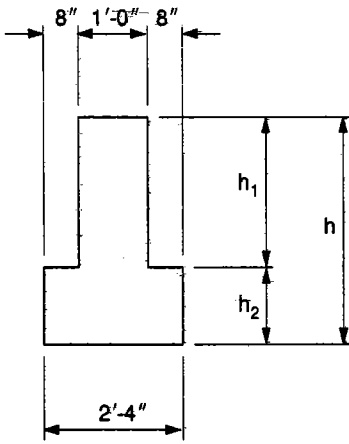
1. Check local area for availability of other sizes.
2. Safe loads shown include 50% superimposed dead load and 50% live load. 800 psi top tension has been allowed, therefore additional top reinforcement is required.
3. Safe loads can be significantly increased by use of structural composite topping.

**Table of safe superimposed service load (plf) and cambers**

Designation	No. Strand	e	Span, ft																					
			16	18	20	22	24	26	28	30	32	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50				
26LB20	15	6.35	9737	7609	6088	4962	4106	3439	2911	2484	2135	1846	1603	1398	1223	1072								
			0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.6	1.7	1.7								
			0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6								
26LB24	15	7.78			8987	7341	6089	5115	4342	3718	3208	2785	2430	2130	1874	1654	1463	1296	1150	1020				
					0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.4				
					0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.1		
26LB28	18	9.06					8394	7069	6017	5169	4474	3899	3417	3009	2660	2361	2101	1874	1675	1499				
							0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.5				
							0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1			
26LB32	21	10.37						9325	7953	6847	5941	5191	4562	4029	3575	3184	2845	2549	2289	2060				
									0.6	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.4			
									0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2		
26LB36	24	11.68								8739	7596	6648	5855	5183	4609	4116	3688	3314	2987	2698				
											0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.4			
											0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3		
26LB40	27	12.71									9338	8180	7210	6390	5689	5086	4563	4107	3707	3354				
											0.7	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.3			
											0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3		
26LB44	28	14.39										9013	8001	7136	6392	5747	5185	4684	4244					
													0.7	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.2			
													0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3		
26LB48	32	15.71											9590	8564	7681	6916	6248	5662	5145					
														0.8	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.2			
														0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3		
26LB52	35	17.01													9077	8182	7401	6715	6110					
																0.9	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1			
																0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4		
26LB56	37	18.32															9544	8641	7849	7150				
																		0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0		
																		0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	
26LB60	38	19.62																	9972	9066	8266			
																				0.8	0.9	1.0	1.0	
																				0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	

# INVERTED TEE BEAMS

Normal Weight Concrete



$f'_c = 5,000 \text{ psi}$   
 $f_{pu} = 270,000 \text{ psi}$

$\frac{1}{2}$  in. diameter  
 low-relaxation strand

**Key**  
 6,929 — Safe superimposed service load, plf  
 0.3 — Estimated camber at erection, in.  
 0.1 — Estimated long-time camber, in.

Section Properties								
Designation	h in.	$h_1/h_2$ in.	A in <sup>2</sup>	I in <sup>4</sup>	$y_b$ in.	$S_b$ in <sup>3</sup>	$S_t$ in <sup>3</sup>	wt plf
28IT20	20	12/8	368	11,688	7.91	1,478	967	383
28IT24	24	12/12	480	20,275	9.60	2,112	1,408	500
28IT28	28	16/12	528	32,076	11.09	2,892	1,897	550
28IT32	32	20/12	576	47,872	12.67	3,778	2,477	600
28IT36	36	24/12	624	68,101	14.31	4,759	3,140	650
28IT40	40	24/16	736	93,503	15.83	5,907	3,869	767
28IT44	44	28/16	784	124,437	17.43	7,139	4,683	817
28IT48	48	32/16	832	161,424	19.08	8,460	5,582	867
28IT52	52	36/16	880	204,884	20.76	9,869	6,558	917
28IT56	56	40/16	928	255,229	22.48	11,354	7,614	967
28IT60	60	44/16	976	312,866	24.23	12,912	8,747	1,017

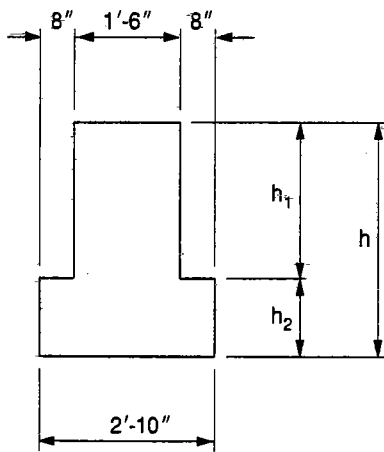
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**Table of safe superimposed service load (plf) and cambers**

Designation	No. Strand	e	Span, ft																	
			16	18	20	22	24	26	28	30	32	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50
28IT20	9	5.82	6929	5402	4310	3502	2887	2409	2029	1723	1473	1265	1091							
			0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8							
			0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.1						
28IT24	11	6.77	9714	7580	6054	4925	4066	3398	2868	2440	2090	1799	1556	1351	1175	1024				
			0.2	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.8					
			0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.2			
28IT28	13	8.44			8505	6951	5768	4848	4118	3529	3047	2648	2313	2030	1788	1579	1399	1242	1103	981
					0.3	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1
					0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	-0.1
28IT32	15	9.17				9202	7646	6435	5474	4698	4064	3538	3097	2724	2406	2132	1894	1687	1505	1345
						0.3	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9
						0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.1
28IT36	16	10.81						8485	7236	6227	5402	4718	4145	3660	3246	2890	2581	2311	2075	1866
								0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9
								0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.1
28IT40	19	11.28							8615	7415	6433	5620	4938	4361	3868	3444	3077	2756	2475	2226
									0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.9
									0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0
28IT44	20	12.89								9308	8092	7083	6239	5524	4913	4388	3932	3535	3186	2879
										0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.8
										0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0
28IT48	22	14.16									9741	8539	7532	6680	5952	5326	4783	4310	3894	3528
											0.4	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.8
											0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
28IT52	24	15.44										8935	7934	7080	6345	5707	5151	4664	4233	
												0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	
												0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
28IT56	26	16.74											9284	8294	7442	6703	6059	5493	4994	
													0.5	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	
													0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
28IT60	28	18.04												9590	8613	7766	7027	6379	5807	
														0.6	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	
														0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2

# INVERTED TEE BEAMS

Normal Weight Concrete



$f'_c = 5,000$  psi  
 $f_{pu} = 270,000$  psi

½ in. diameter  
 low-relaxation strand

**Key**

- 8,164 — Safe superimposed service load, plf
- 0.4 — Estimated camber at erection, in.
- 0.1 — Estimated long-time camber, in.

Section-Properties								
Designation	h in.	h <sub>1</sub> /h <sub>2</sub> in.	A in <sup>2</sup>	I in <sup>4</sup>	y <sub>b</sub> in.	S <sub>b</sub> in <sup>3</sup>	S <sub>t</sub> in <sup>3</sup>	wt plf
34IT20	20	12/8	488	16,082	8.43	1,908	1,390	508
34IT24	24	12/12	624	27,825	10.15	2,741	2,009	650
34IT28	28	16/12	696	44,130	11.79	3,743	2,722	725
34IT32	32	20/12	768	65,856	13.50	4,878	3,560	800
34IT36	36	24/12	840	93,616	15.26	6,136	4,513	875
34IT40	40	24/16	976	128,656	16.85	7,635	5,558	1,017
34IT44	44	28/16	1,048	171,157	18.58	9,212	6,733	1,092
34IT48	48	32/16	1,120	221,906	20.34	10,910	8,023	1,167
34IT52	52	36/16	1,192	281,504	22.13	12,721	9,424	1,242
34IT56	56	40/16	1,264	350,546	23.95	14,637	10,938	1,317
34IT60	60	44/16	1,336	429,623	25.78	16,662	12,556	1,392

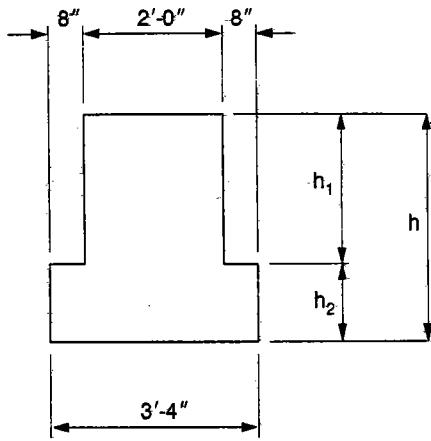
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**Table of safe superimposed service load (plf) and cambers**

Designation	No. Strand	e	Span, ft																
			18	20	22	24	26	28	30	32	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50
34IT20	14	9.48	8164	6525	5313	4391	3674	3104	2645	2269	1958	1697	1476	1287	1125	984			
			0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.3			
			0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.0			
34IT24	17	7.32	9171	7478	6190	5187	4392	3750	3225	2790	2425	2116	1853	1626	1429	1258	1107	974	
			0.4	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2
			0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0	0	-0.1
34IT28	20	8.63	8675	7295	6200	5316	4593	3994	3492	3067	2704	2392	2121	1885	1678	1495			
			0.5	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.3			
			0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	
34IT32	23	10.00	9743	8301	7138	6186	5397	4736	4177	3699	3288	2932	2621	2348	2107				
			0.5	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.3				
			0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2		
34IT36	24	12.32	9477	8239	7207	6340	5605	4978	4439	3971	3563	3205	2892						
			0.7	0.7	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.4						
			0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3			
34IT40	30	12.30	9771	8550	7527	6662	5923	5287	4735	4254	3832	3460							
			0.6	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.2						
			0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4						
34IT44	30	14.04	9478	8406	7490	6702	6019	5423	4900	4439									
			0.7	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1									
			0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2							
34IT48	33	15.42	9049	8110	7295	6585	5962	5412											
			0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.1											
			0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3											
34IT52	36	16.81	9637	8681	7848	7116	6470												
			0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0												
			0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3												
34IT56	39	18.21	9208	8360	7611														
			0.9	0.9	1.0														
			0.3	0.3	0.3														
34IT60	42	19.59	9689	8831															
			0.8	0.9															
			0.2	0.2															

# INVERTED TEE BEAMS

Normal Weight Concrete



$f'_c = 5,000$  psi  
 $f_{pu} = 270,000$  psi

½ in. diameter  
 low-relaxation strand

**Key**

- 8,741 — Safe superimposed service load, plf
- 0.5 — Estimated camber at erection, in.
- 0.2 — Estimated long-time camber, in.

Section Properties								
Designation	h in.	h <sub>1</sub> /h <sub>2</sub> in.	A in <sup>2</sup>	I in <sup>4</sup>	y <sub>b</sub> in.	S <sub>b</sub> in <sup>3</sup>	S <sub>t</sub> in <sup>3</sup>	wf plf
40IT20	20	12/8	608	20,321	8.74	2,325	1,805	633
40IT24	24	12/12	768	35,136	10.50	3,346	2,603	800
40IT28	28	16/12	864	55,765	12.22	4,563	3,534	900
40IT32	32	20/12	960	83,200	14.00	5,943	4,622	1,000
40IT36	36	24/12	1,056	118,237	15.82	7,474	5,859	1,100
40IT40	40	24/16	1,216	162,564	17.47	9,305	7,215	1,267
40IT44	44	28/16	1,312	216,215	19.27	11,220	8,743	1,367
40IT48	48	32/16	1,408	280,266	21.09	13,289	10,415	1,467
40IT52	52	36/16	1,504	355,503	22.94	15,497	12,233	1,567

1. Check local area for availability of other sizes.
2. Safe loads shown include 50% superimposed dead load and 50% live load. 800 psi top tension has been allowed, therefore additional top reinforcement is required.
3. Safe loads can be significantly increased by use of structural composite topping.

**Table of safe superimposed service load (plf) and cambers**

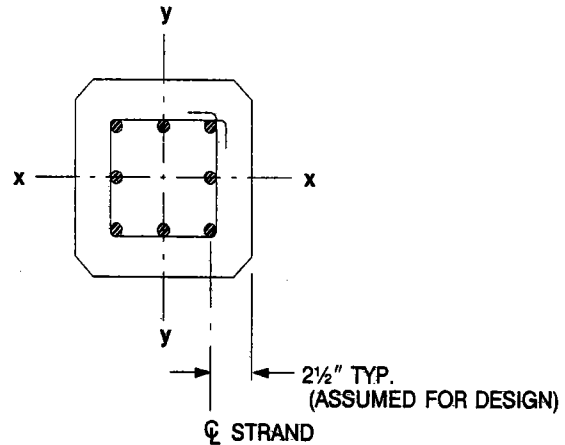
Designation	No. Strand	e	Span, ft															
			20	22	24	26	28	30	32	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50
40IT20	18	6.65	8741	7124	5895	4938	4179	3567	3066	2650	2302	2008	1756	1538	1349	1184	1039	
			0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	
			0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.1
40IT24	22	7.67			8313	6976	5916	5060	4360	3780	3293	2882	2530	2228	1966	1737	1536	1359
					0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4
					0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1
40IT28	26	9.06				9787	8327	7149	6185	5386	4716	4149	3666	3249	2888	2573	2297	2053
						0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.5
						0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
40IT32	30	10.50					9577	8308	7256	6375	5629	4992	4444	3969	3555	3191	2870	
							0.7	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.5	
							0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3
40IT36	32	12.32						9610	8453	7474	6638	5918	5295	4751	4276	3860		
							0.8	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.4			
							0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3		
40IT40	38	12.92								8963	7977	7129	6394	5753	5190	4694		
									0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.3			
									0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4		
40IT44	40	14.73										9016	8106	7311	6614	5999		
												1.0	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.2		
												0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3		
40IT48	44	16.17												9808	8861	8030	7296	
														1.0	1.0	1.1	1.2	
														0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	
40IT52	48	17.62														9537	8666	
																1.0	1.1	
																0.3	0.3	

# PRECAST, PRESTRESSED COLUMNS

Figure 2.6.1 Design strength interaction curves for precast, prestressed concrete columns

### CRITERIA

1. MINIMUM-PRESTRESS = 225 psi
2. ALL STRAND ASSUMED 1/2 in. DIAMETER,  $f_{pu} = 270$  ksi
3. CURVES SHOWN FOR PARTIAL DEVELOPMENT OF STRAND NEAR MEMBER END WHERE  $f_{ps} \approx f_{se}$
4. HORIZONTAL PORTION OF CURVE IS THE MAXIMUM FOR TIED COLUMNS =  $0.80 \phi P_o$ .
5.  $\phi$  VARIES LINEARLY FROM 0.9 FOR TENSION-CONTROLLED SECTIONS TO 0.7 FOR COMPRESSION-CONTROLLED SECTIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH ACI 318-95 SECT. B.9.3.2.

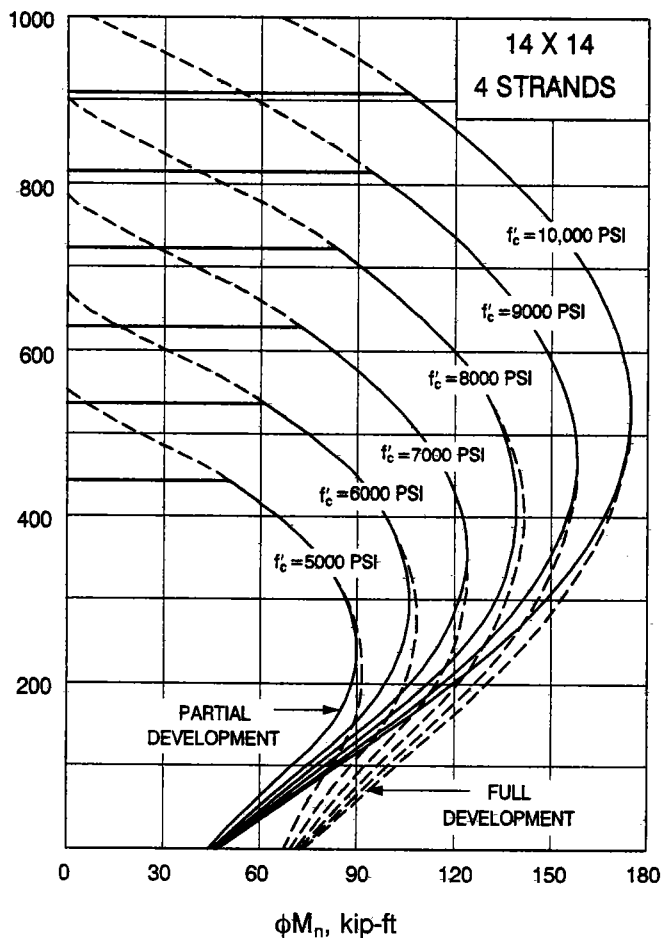
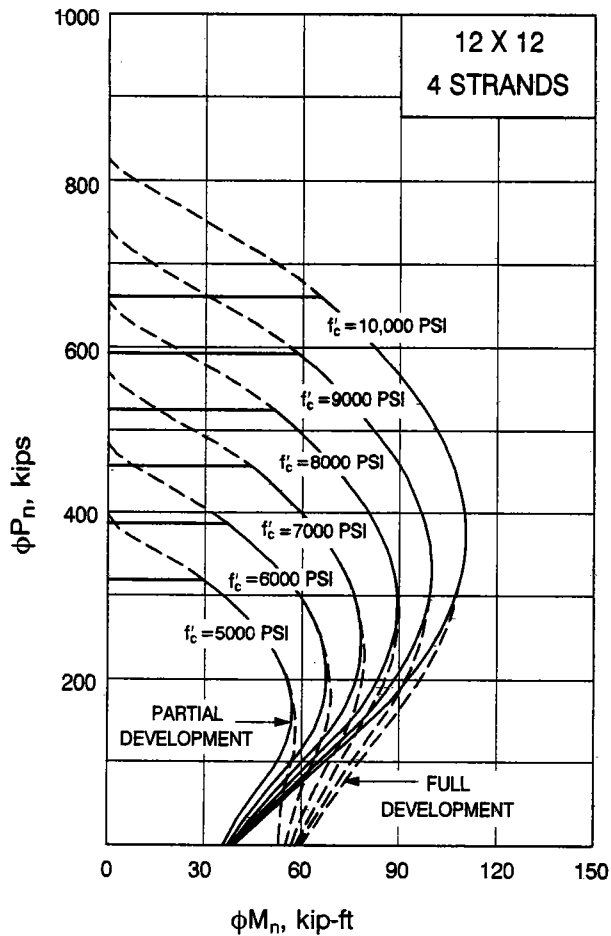


### USE OF CURVES

1. ENTER AT LEFT WITH APPLIED FACTORED AXIAL LOAD,  $P_u$
2. ENTER AT BOTTOM WITH APPLIED MAGNIFIED FACTORED MOMENT,  $\delta M_u$
3. INTERSECTION POINT MUST BE TO THE LEFT OF CURVE INDICATING REQUIRED CONCRETE STRENGTH.

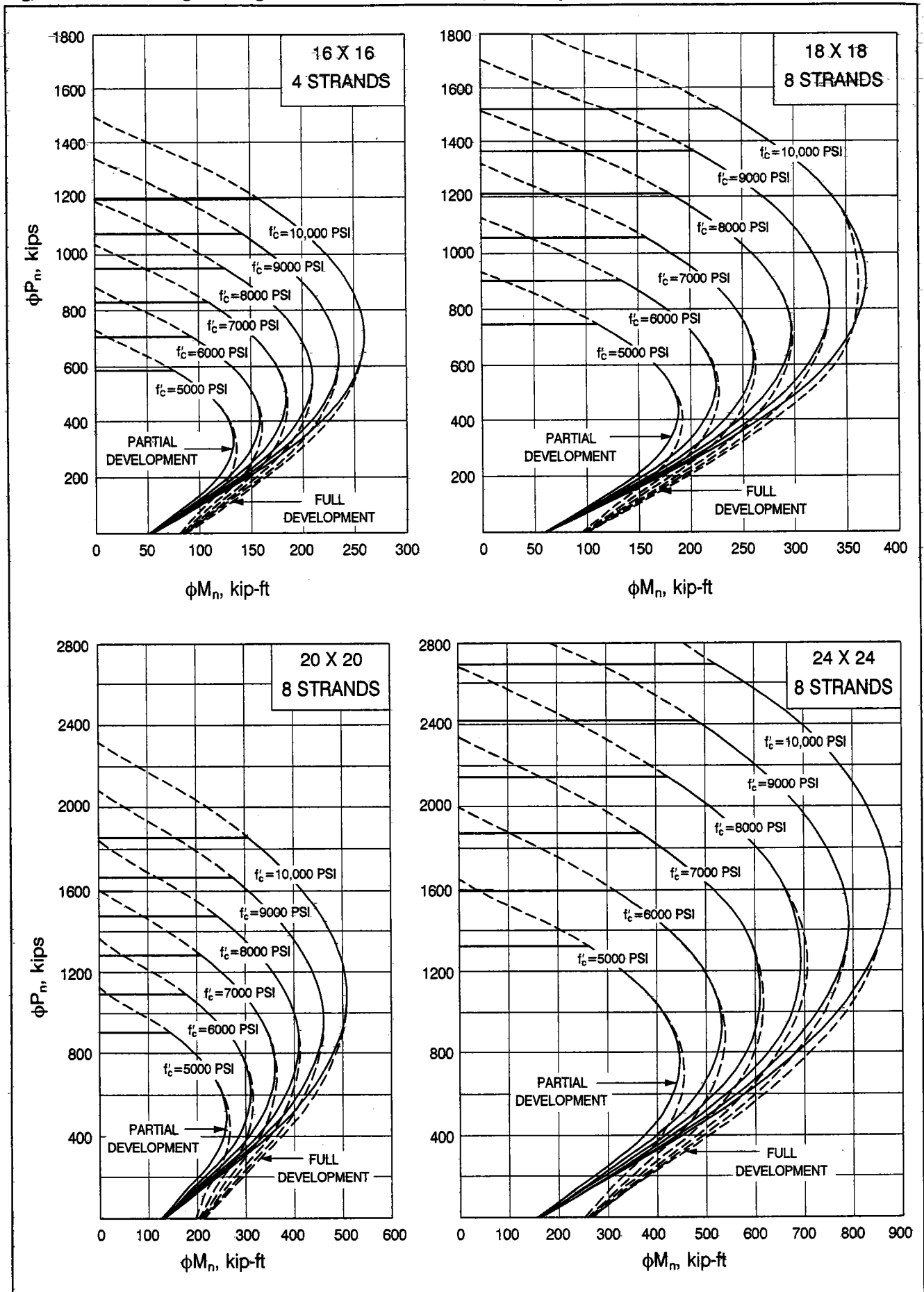
### NOTATION

- $\phi P_n$  = DESIGN AXIAL STRENGTH  
 $\phi M_n$  = DESIGN FLEXURAL STRENGTH  
 $\phi P_o$  = DESIGN AXIAL STRENGTH AT ZERO ECCENTRICITY  
 $A_g$  = GROSS AREA OF THE COLUMN  
 $\delta$  = MOMENT MAGNIFIER (SECT. 10.11-10.13 ACI 318-95)



# PRECAST, PRESTRESSED COLUMNS

Figure 2.6.1 Design strength interaction curves for precast, prestressed concrete columns (cont.)

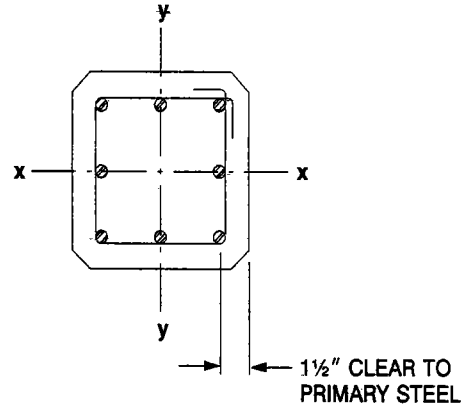


# PRECAST, REINFORCED COLUMNS

Figure 2.6.2 Design-strength interaction curves for precast, reinforced concrete columns

### CRITERIA

1. CONCRETE  $f'_c = 5000$  psi
2. REINFORCEMENT  $f_y = 60,000$  psi
3. CURVES SHOWN FOR FULL DEVELOPMENT OF REINFORCEMENT
4. HORIZONTAL PORTION OF CURVE IS THE MAXIMUM FOR TIED COLUMNS =  $0.80 \phi P_o$ .
5.  $\phi$  VARIES LINEARLY FROM 0.9 FOR TENSION-CONTROLLED SECTIONS TO 0.7 FOR COMPRESSION-CONTROLLED SECTIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH ACI 318-95 SECT. B.9.3.2.



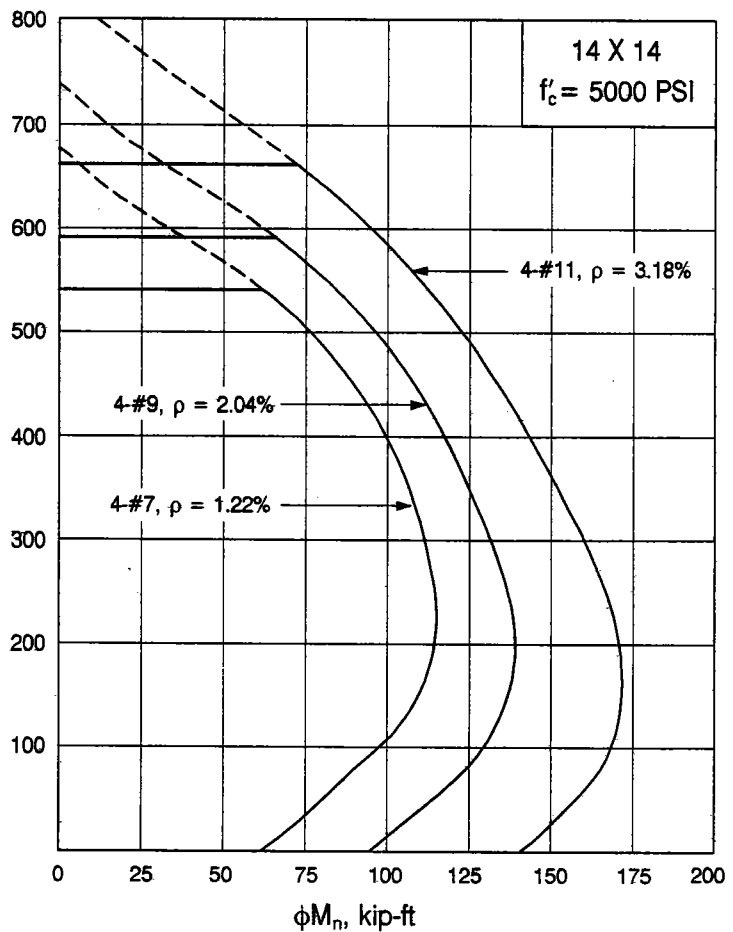
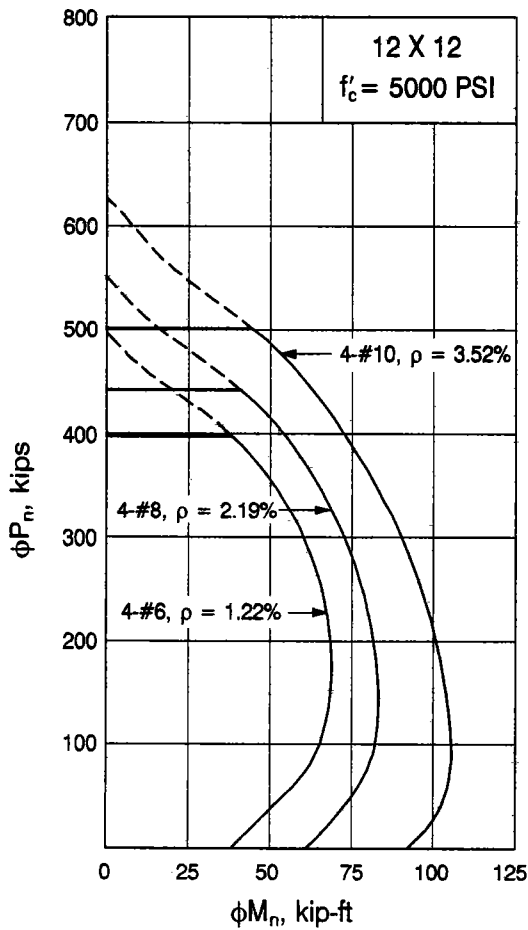
### USE OF CURVES

1. ENTER AT LEFT WITH APPLIED FACTORED AXIAL LOAD,  $P_u$
2. ENTER AT BOTTOM WITH APPLIED MAGNIFIED FACTORED MOMENT,  $\delta M_u$
3. INTERSECTION POINT MUST BE TO THE LEFT OF CURVE INDICATING REQUIRED REINFORCEMENT.

### NOTATION

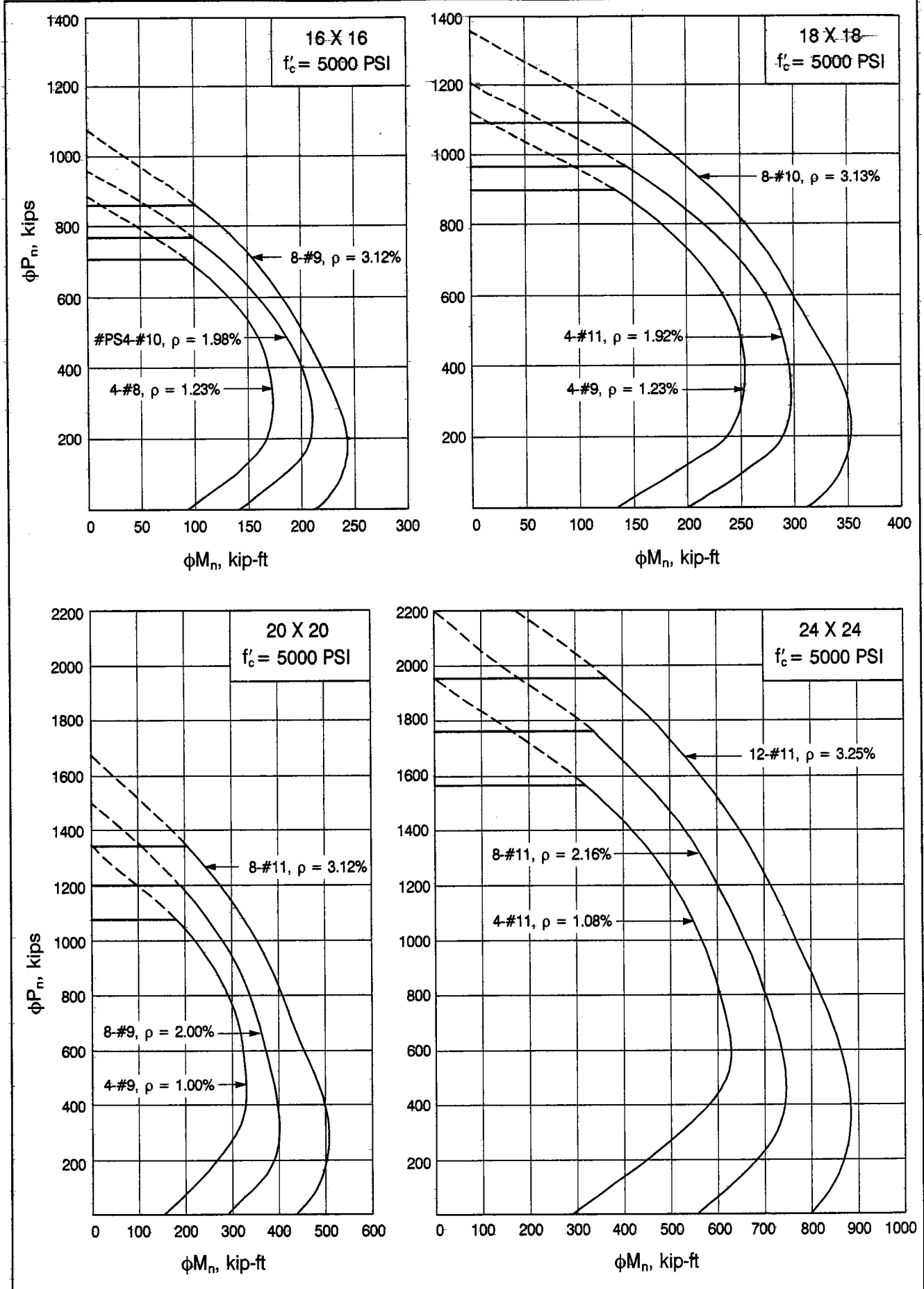
- $\phi P_n$  = DESIGN AXIAL STRENGTH  
 $\phi M_n$  = DESIGN FLEXURAL STRENGTH  
 $\phi P_o$  = DESIGN AXIAL STRENGTH AT ZERO ECCENTRICITY  
 $A_g$  = GROSS AREA OF THE COLUMN  
 $\delta$  = MOMENT MAGNIFIER (SECT. 10.11-10.13, ACI 318-95)

THE INTERACTION CURVES HAVE BEEN SMOOTHED FOR PLOTTING PURPOSES. EXACT CALCULATED VALUES MAY BE SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT.



# PRECAST, REINFORCED COLUMNS

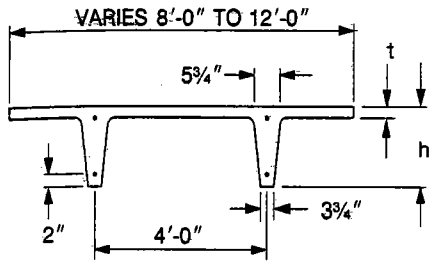
Figure 2.6.2 Design strength interaction curves for precast, reinforced concrete columns (continued)





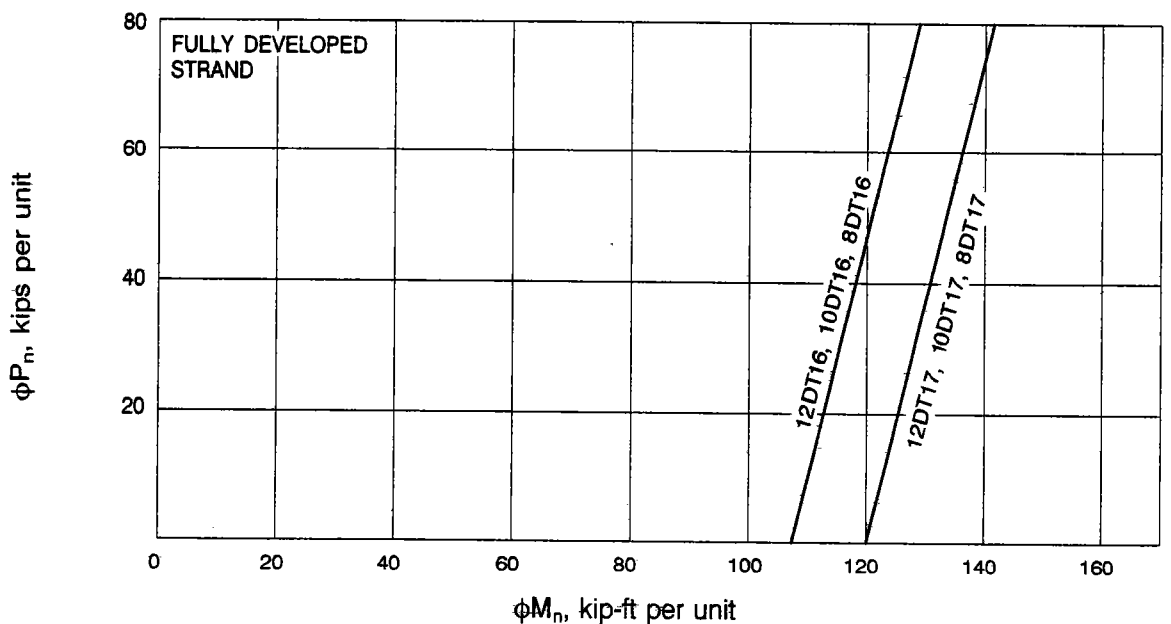
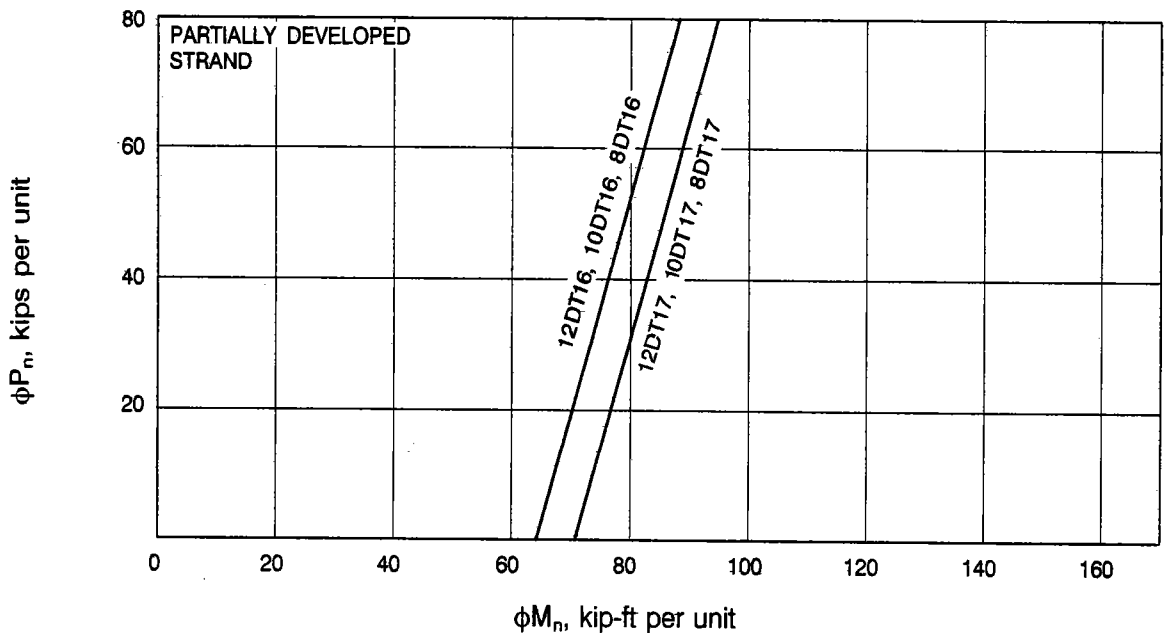
# DOUBLE TEE WALL PANELS

Figure 2.6.3 Partial interaction curves for prestressed double tee wall panels



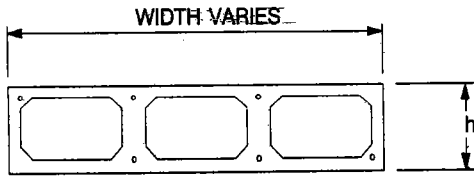
MARK	h in.	t in.	NO. STRD	$\phi P_o$	FULL INTERACTION CURVE DATA					
					PARTIALLY DEVELOPED STRAND FORCE			FULLY DEVELOPED STRAND FORCE		
					$\phi P_{nb}$	$\phi M_{nb}$	$\phi M_o$	$\phi P_{nb}$	$\phi M_{nb}$	$\phi M_o$
8DT16	16	2	4	936	579	179	64	542	197	107
10DT16	16	2	4	1,079	706	192	64	668	211	108
12DT16	16	2	4	1,222	834	203	64	798	223	108
8DT17	17	3	4	1,222	825	215	71	783	235	119
10DT17	17	3	4	1,436	1,028	228	71	978	250	120
12DT17	17	3	4	1,650	1,233	238	71	1,191	261	121

$f'_c = 5000$  psi, NORMAL WEIGHT  
STRAND = 1/2" DIAMETER,  $f_{pu} = 270$  ksi



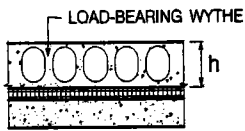
# HOLLOW-CORE AND SANDWICH WALL PANELS

Figure 2.6.4 Partial interaction curves for prestressed hollow-core and sandwich wall panels

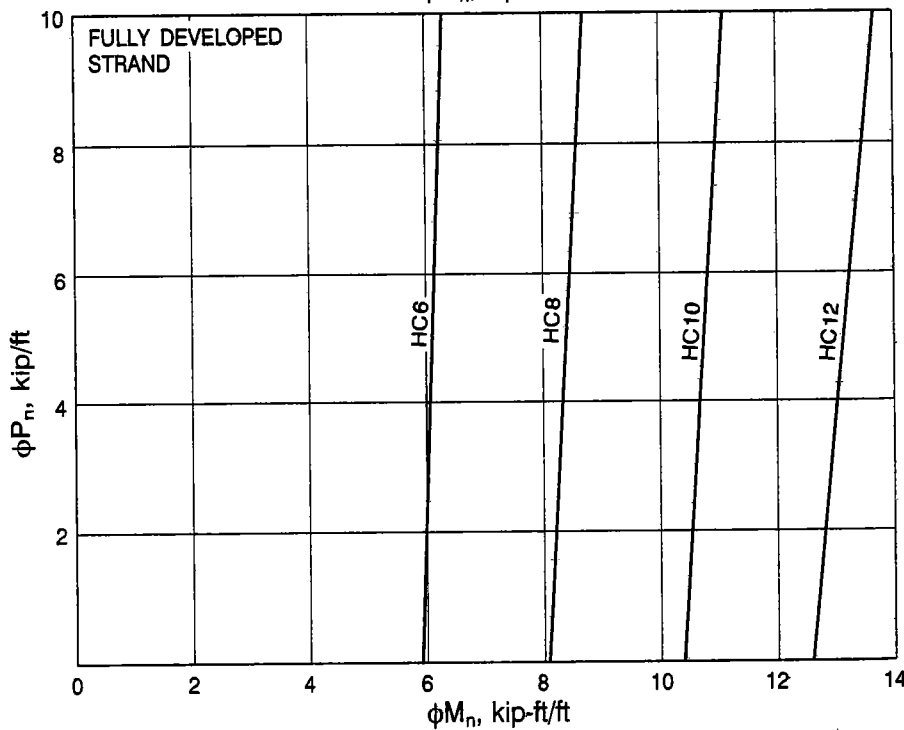
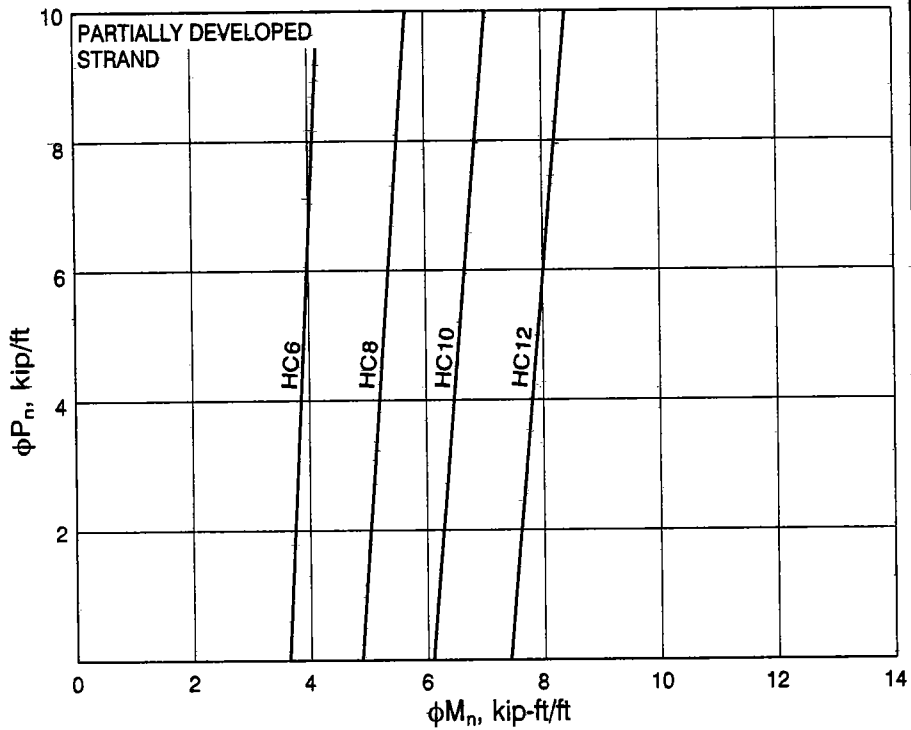


CURVES BASED ON MINIMUM PRACTICAL PRESTRESS,  
NOT LESS THAN 225 psi  
 $f'_c = 5000$  psi;  $f_{pu} = 250$  ksi  
WIDTH AND CONFIGURATION MAY VARY

MARK	h in.	FULL INTERACTION CURVE DATA						
		$\phi P_o$	PARTIALLY DEVELOPED STRAND FORCE (per ft)			FULLY DEVELOPED STRAND FORCE (per ft)		
			$\phi P_{nb}$	$\phi M_{nb}$	$\phi M_o$	$\phi P_{nb}$	$\phi M_{nb}$	$\phi M_o$
HC6	6	112	50	10	3.5	45	10	6.0
HC8	8	127	58	16	4.8	52	16	8.3
HC10	10	143	66	22	6.0	59	22	10.3
HC12	12	159	74	29	7.4	67	29	12.5

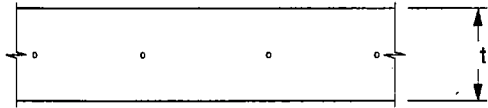


PARTIALLY COMPOSITE  
OR NON-COMPOSITE



# PRECAST, PRESTRESSED SOLID AND SANDWICH WALL PANELS

Figure 2.6.5 Partial interaction curves for prestressed solid and sandwich wall panels.



CURVES BASED ON MINIMUM PRESTRESS OF 225 psi

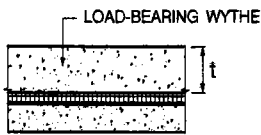
$$f'_c = 5000 \text{ psi}$$

$$f_{pu} = 270 \text{ ksi}$$

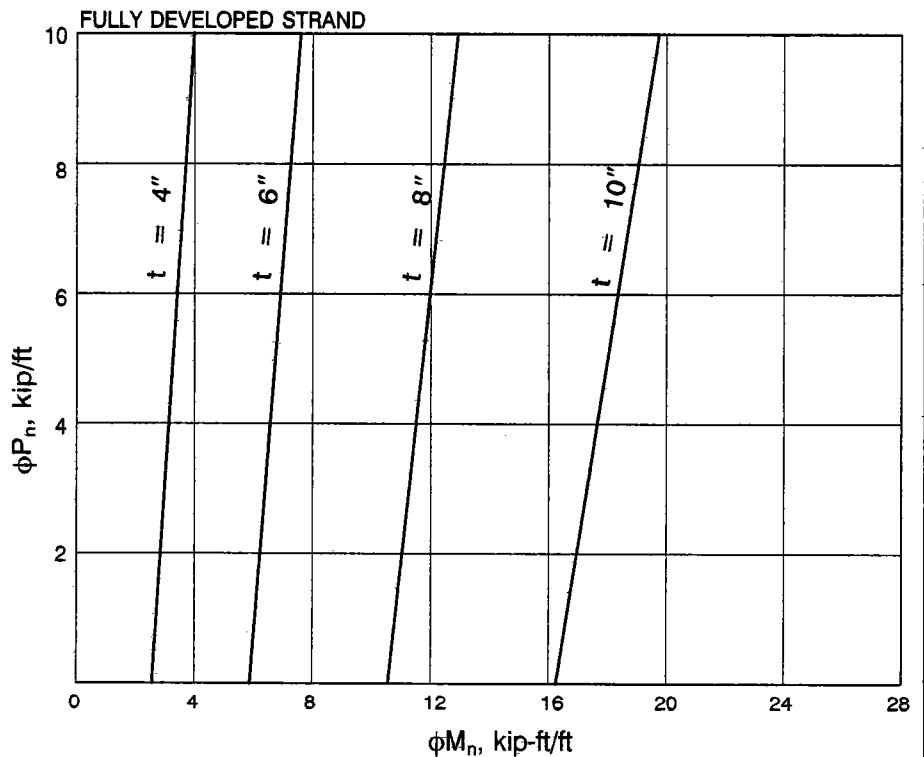
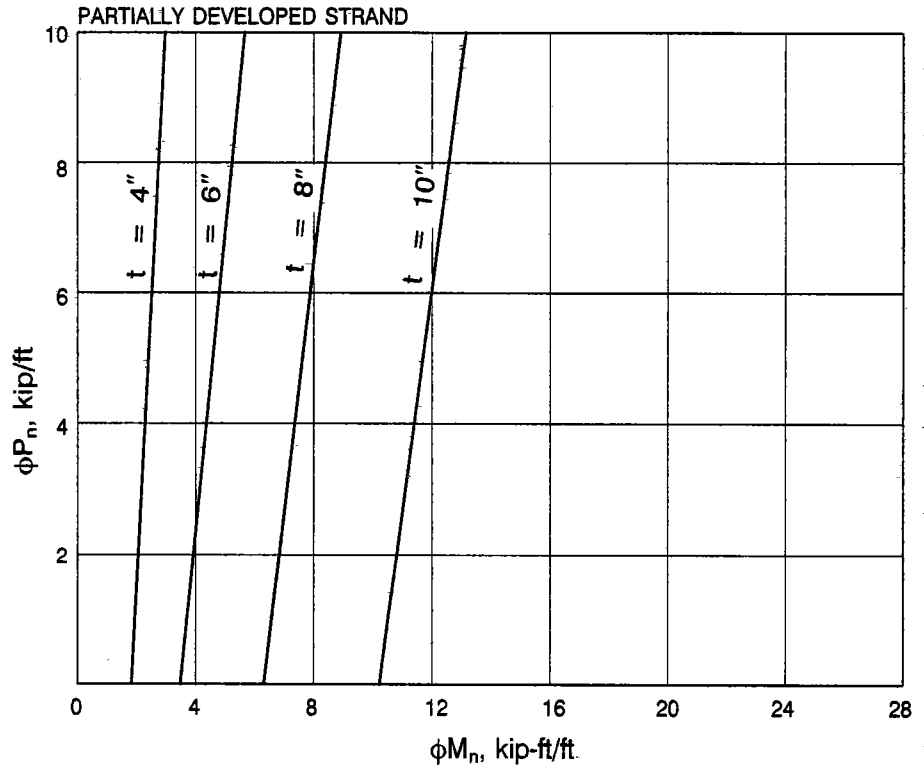
FULL INTERACTION CURVE DATA							
t in.	$\phi P_o$	PARTIALLY DEVELOPED STRAND FORCE (per ft)			FULLY DEVELOPED STRAND FORCE (per ft)		
		$\phi P_{nb}$	$\phi M_{nb}$	$\phi M_o$	$\phi P_{nb}$	$\phi M_{nb}$	$\phi M_o$
4	140	65	6.0	1.6	65	6.0	2.6
6	209	97	13.4	3.6	97	13.4	5.9
8	279	129	23.8	6.4	129	23.8	10.5
10	349	162	37.2	9.9	162	37.2	16.3



FULLY COMPOSITE SANDWICH PANEL

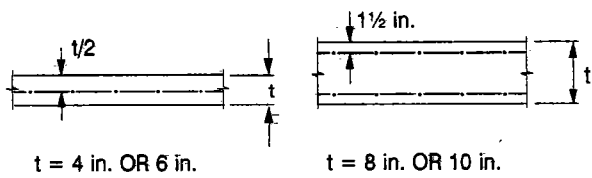


PARTIALLY COMPOSITE OR NON-COMPOSITE



# PRECAST, REINFORCED SOLID AND SANDWICH WALL PANELS

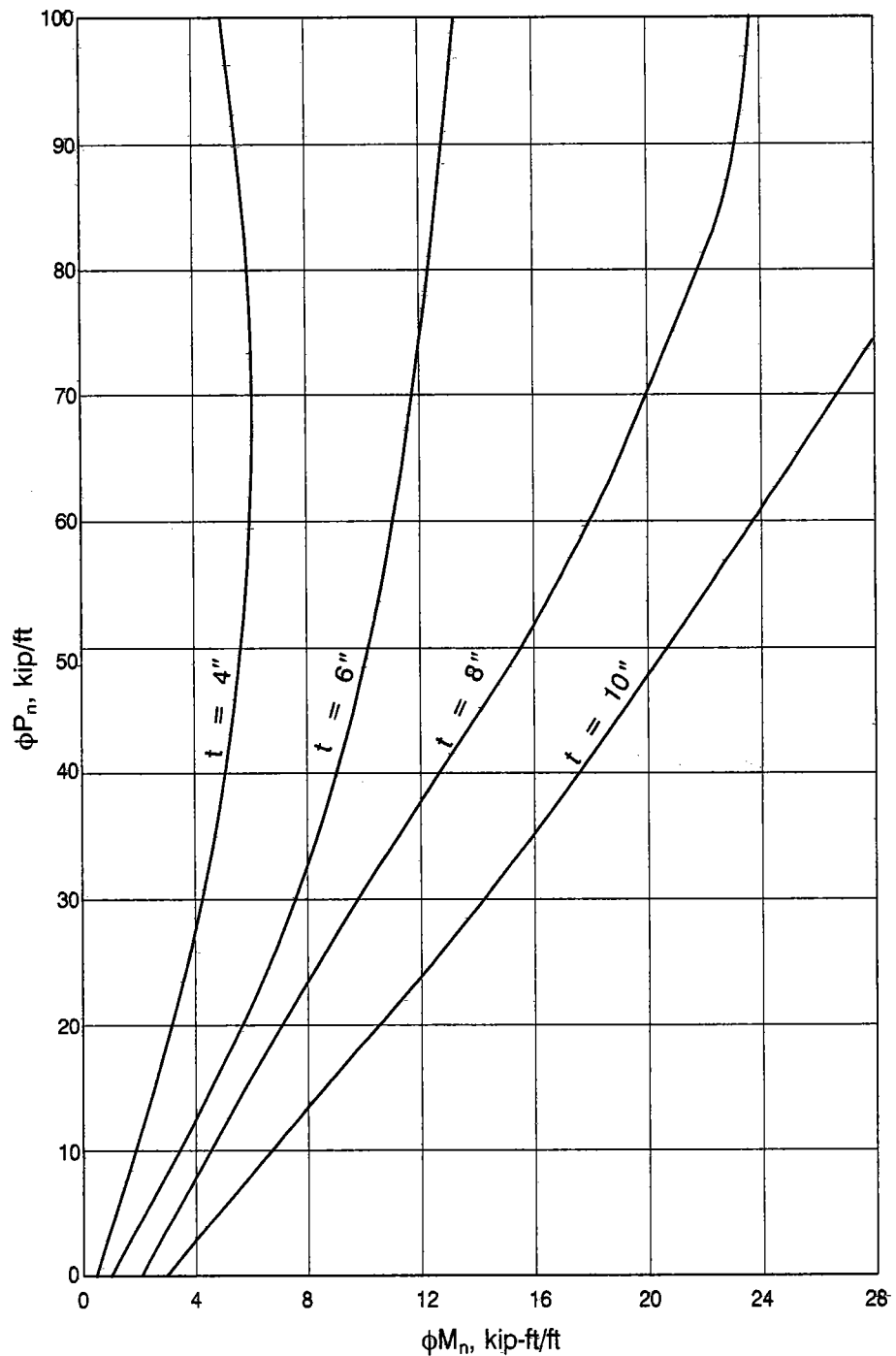
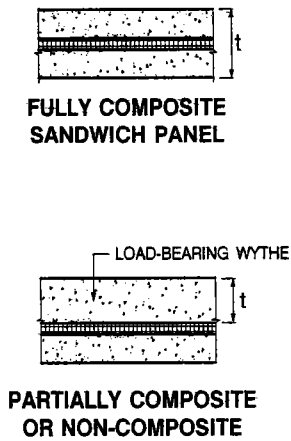
Figure 2.6.6 Partial interaction curves for precast, reinforced concrete wall panels



CURVES BASED ON MINIMUM VERTICAL REINFORCEMENT  $\rho = 0.10\%$   
 $f'_c = 5000$  psi;  $f_y = 60,000$  psi

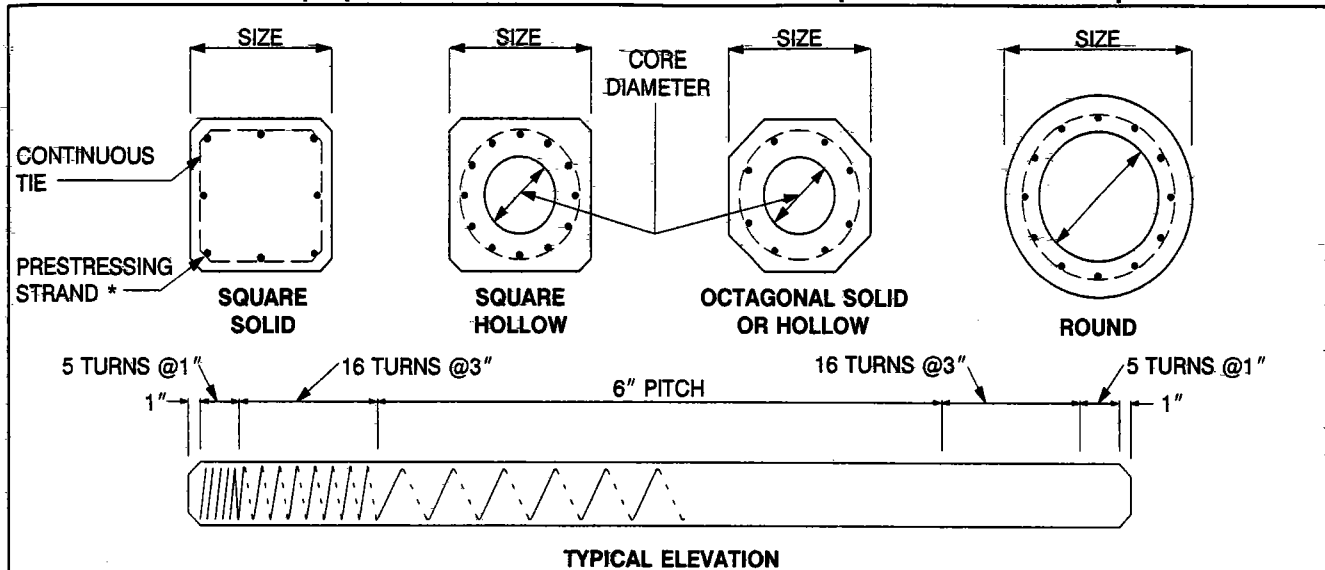
FULL INTERACTION CURVE DATA				
t in.	$\phi P_o$	$\phi P_{nb}$	$\phi M_{nb}$	$\phi M_o$
4	145	72	6.0	0.5
6	217	108	13.4	1.0
8	289	142	24.4	1.8
10	362	176	38.3	2.8

per foot width of panel



# PILES

**Table 2.7.1 Section properties and allowable service loads of prestressed concrete piles**



\* Strand pattern may be circular or square.

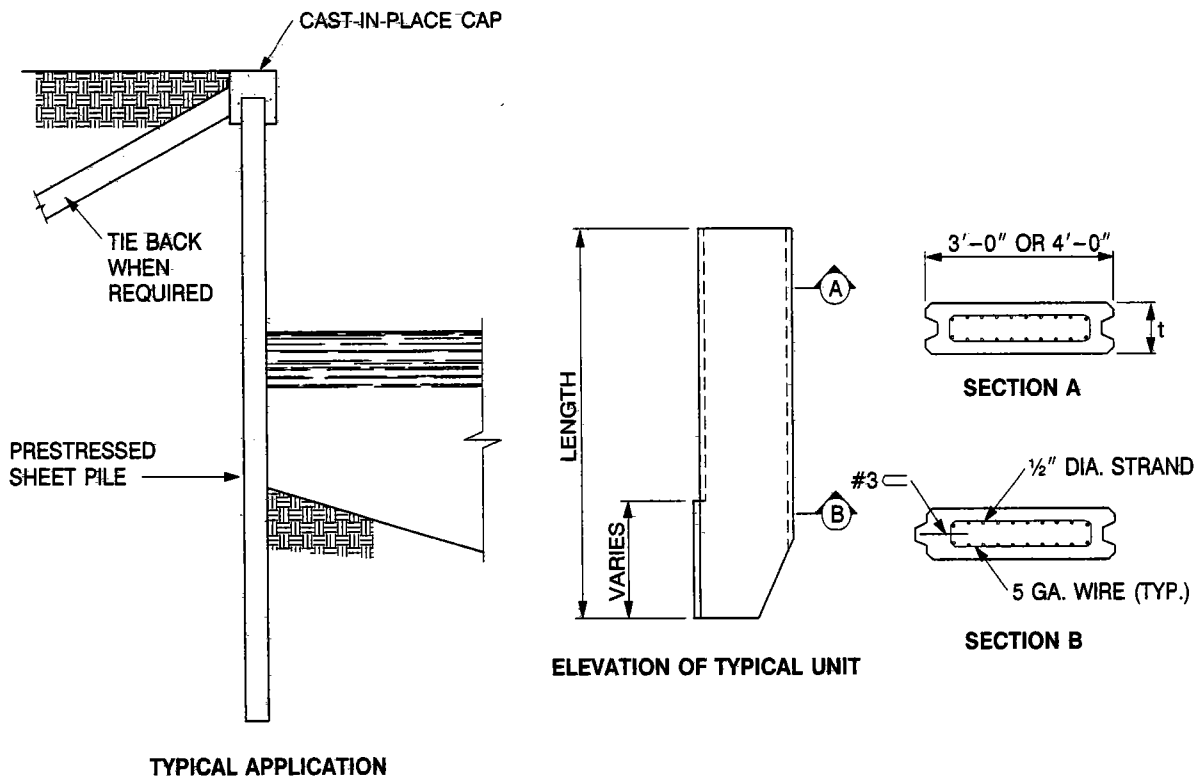
SIZE (in.)	CORE DIA. (in.)	SECTION PROPERTIES <sup>a</sup>						ALLOWABLE CONCENTRIC SERVICE LOADS, tons <sup>b</sup>			
		AREA (in <sup>2</sup> )	WEIGHT (plf)	MOMENT OF INERTIA (in <sup>4</sup> )	SECTION MODULUS (in <sup>3</sup> )	RADIUS OF GYRATION (in.)	PERI-METER (in.)	$f_c$			
								5000	6000	8000	10,000
<b>SQUARE PILES</b>											
10	SOLID	100	104	833	167	2.89	3.33	73	89	122	156
12	SOLID	144	150	1,728	288	3.46	4.00	105	129	176	224
14	SOLID	196	204	3,201	457	4.04	4.67	143	175	240	305
16	SOLID	256	267	5,461	683	4.62	5.33	187	229	314	398
18	SOLID	324	338	8,748	972	5.20	6.00	236	290	397	504
20	SOLID	400	417	13,333	1,333	5.77	6.67	292	358	490	622
20	11	305	318	12,615	1,262	6.43	6.67	222	273	373	474
24	SOLID	576	600	27,648	2,304	6.93	8.00	420	515	705	896
24	12	463	482	26,630	2,219	7.58	8.00	338	414	567	720
24	14	422	439	25,762	2,147	7.81	8.00	308	377	517	656
24	15	399	415	25,163	2,097	7.94	8.00	291	357	488	621
30	18	646	672	62,347	4,157	9.82	10.00	471	578	791	1005
36	18	1,042	1,085	134,815	7,490	11.38	12.00	761	933	1,276	1,621
<b>OCTAGONAL PILES</b>											
10	SOLID	83	85	555	111	2.59	2.76	60	74	101	129
12	SOLID	119	125	1,134	189	3.09	3.31	86	106	145	185
14	SOLID	162	169	2,105	301	3.60	3.87	118	145	198	252
16	SOLID	212	220	3,592	449	4.12	4.42	154	189	259	330
18	SOLID	268	280	5,705	639	4.61	4.97	195	240	328	417
20	SOLID	331	345	8,770	877	5.15	5.52	241	296	405	515
20	11	236	245	8,050	805	5.84	5.52	172	211	289	367
22	SOLID	401	420	12,837	1,167	5.66	6.08	292	359	491	624
22	13	268	280	11,440	1,040	6.53	6.08	195	240	328	417
24	SOLID	477	495	18,180	1,515	6.17	6.63	348	427	584	742
24	15	300	315	15,696	1,308	7.23	6.63	219	268	368	467
<b>ROUND PILES</b>											
36	26	487	507	60,007	3,334	11.10	9.43	355	436	596	758
42	32	581	605	101,273	4,823	13.20	11.00	424	520	712	904
48	38	675	703	158,222	6,592	15.31	12.57	493	604	827	1,050
54	44	770	802	233,373	8,643	17.41	14.14	562	689	943	1,198
66	54	1,131	1,178	514,027	15,577	21.32	17.28	826	1,013	1,386	1,759

a. Form dimensions may vary with producers with corresponding variations in section properties.

b. Allowable loads based on  $N = A_g(0.33f_c - 0.27f_{pc})$ ;  $f_{pc} = 700$  psi. Check local producer for available concrete strengths.

# SHEET PILES

**Table 2.7.2 Section properties and allowable moments of prestressed sheet piles**



THICKNESS t, in.	SECTION PROPERTIES PER FOOT OF WIDTH				MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE SERVICE LOAD MOMENT <sup>b</sup> kip-ft PER FOOT	
	AREA, in <sup>2</sup>	WEIGHT <sup>a</sup> psf	MOMENT OF INERTIA in <sup>4</sup>	SECTION MODULUS in <sup>3</sup>	f' <sub>c</sub> = 5000 psi	f' <sub>c</sub> = 6000 psi
6 <sup>c</sup>	72	75	216	72	6.0	7.2
8 <sup>c</sup>	96	100	512	128	10.6	12.8
10	120	125	1,000	200	16.6	20.0
12	144	150	1,728	288	24.0	28.8
16	192	200	4,096	512	42.7	51.2
18	216	225	5,832	648	54.0	64.8
20	240	250	8,000	800	66.7	80.0
24	288	300	13,824	1,152	96.0	115.2

- a. Normal weight concrete
- b. Based on zero tension and maximum 0.4f'<sub>c</sub> compression
- c. Strand can be placed in a single layer in thin sections.  
Where site conditions require it, strand may be placed eccentrically.

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## 3.1 General

### 3.1.1 Notation

$A$	=	area (with subscripts)	$h$	=	column width in direction of bending
$A_b$	=	total area of anchor bolts which are in tension	$h$	=	wall panel thickness or overall depth of beams or slabs
$A_{ps}$	=	area of prestressing steel	$h$	=	height of shear wall
$A_{vf}$	=	area of shear-friction reinforcement	$h_s$	=	story height
$A_w$	=	area of shear wall	$I$	=	moment of inertia
$b$	=	width of a section or structure	$I_b$	=	moment of inertia of a beam
$C$	=	coefficient of thermal expansion	$I_{bp}$	=	moment of inertia of a base plate (vertical cross-section dimensions)
$C$	=	compressive force	$I_c$	=	moment of inertia of a column
$C_m$	=	a factor relating actual moment to equivalent uniform moment	$I_{eq}$	=	approximate moment of inertia that results in a flexural deflection equal to the combined shear and flexural deflections of a wall
$C_u$	=	factored compressive force	$I_f$	=	moment of inertia of the footing (plan dimensions)
$D$	=	dead load	$I_g$	=	uncracked moment of inertia
$e$	=	eccentricity of axial load	$I_p$	=	polar moment of inertia
$E$	=	modulus of elasticity (with subscripts)	$k$	=	effective length factor
$E_t$	=	modulus of elasticity modified for time-dependent effects	$k_b, k_f, k_m$	=	coefficients used to determine forces and moments in beams and columns
$f'_c$	=	concrete compressive stress	$k_s$	=	coefficient of subgrade reaction
$f'_{ci}$	=	compressive strength of concrete at time of initial prestress	$K$	=	stiffnesses (with subscripts)
$f_{pu}$	=	specified tensile strength of prestressing steel	$K'$	=	constant used for the calculation of equivalent creep and shrinkage shortening
$f_r$	=	modulus of rupture of concrete	$K_r$	=	relative stiffness
$f_{ut}$	=	factored tensile stress	$K_t$	=	constant used for the calculation of equivalent temperature shortening
$f_y$	=	yield strength of non-prestressed reinforcement	$\ell$	=	distance between wall panel supports
$F$	=	horizontal forces in shear wall buildings and in moment-resisting frames	$\ell$	=	length of span or structure
$F_b$	=	degree of base fixity (decimal)	$\ell_n$	=	clear span
$F_i$	=	lateral force at bay $i$ or in shear wall $i$	$\ell_s$	=	distance from column to center of stiffness of structure
$F_i$	=	restraining force in multi-story columns at level $i$	$\ell_u$	=	unbraced length
$F_u$	=	factored force	$\ell_w$	=	length of weld
$F_x, F_y$	=	forces in $x$ and $y$ directions, respectively	$M$	=	unfactored moment
$g$	=	assumed length over which elongation of the anchor bolt takes place	$M_c$	=	factored moment to be used for design of compression member
			$M_j$	=	moment in multi-story columns at point $j$

$M_R$	=	resisting moment	$r$	=	rigidity
$M_s$	=	moment due to loads causing appreciable sway	$R_{du}$	=	factored dead load reaction
$M_T$	=	torsional moment	$t$	=	thickness
$M_u$	=	factored moment	$T$	=	tensile force
$M_1$	=	smaller factored end moment on a compression member, positive if member is bent in single curvature, negative if bent in double curvature	$T'$	=	force due to wind suction
$M_{1ns}$	=	factored end moment on a compression member at the end at which $M_1$ acts, due to loads that cause no appreciable sidesway, calculated using a first-order elastic frame analysis	$T_n$	=	nominal tensile strength
$M_{1s}$	=	factored end moment on compression member at the end at which $M_1$ acts, due to loads that cause appreciable sidesway, calculated using a first-order elastic frame analysis	$T_u$	=	factored tensile force
$M_2$	=	larger factored end moment on compression member, always positive	$T_1, T_2$	=	outside, inside temperature
$M_{2ns}$	=	factored end moment on compression member at the end at which $M_2$ acts, due to loads that cause no appreciable sidesway, calculated using a first-order elastic frame analysis	$v_h$	=	unit horizontal shear
$M_{2s}$	=	factored end moment on compression member at the end at which $M_2$ acts, due to loads that cause appreciable sidesway, calculated using a first-order elastic frame analysis	$v_r$	=	unit shear on panel edge
$n$	=	number of panels in a shear wall; number of bays in a moment-resisting frame	$v_u$	=	factored unit shear
$N$	=	normal force	$V_n$	=	nominal shear strength
$P$	=	lateral force in wall panels to restrain bowing	$V_R, V_L$	=	shear at right, left support
$P$	=	applied axial load	$V_u$	=	factored shear force
$P$	=	vertical load acting at eccentricity $e$	$V_w$	=	total wind shear
$P$	=	lateral force applied to shear wall	$w$	=	uniform load
$P_c$	=	critical buckling load	$W$	=	total lateral or gravity load
$P_o$	=	axial load nominal strength of a compression member with zero eccentricity	$x_1$	=	distance from face of column to center of anchor bolts
$P_o$	=	final prestress force in tendons	$x_2$	=	distance from face of column to base plate anchorage
$P_u$	=	factored axial load	$x, y$	=	orthogonal distances of individual shear walls from center of rigidity
$Q$	=	statical moment	$x_s$	=	orthogonal distances locating center of rigidity of building
$r$	=	radius of gyration	$y_b, y_t$	=	dimensions from center of gravity to opposite ends of irregular shear wall elements
			$Z$	=	plastic section modulus
			$\alpha$	=	strain gradient across thickness of wall panel
			$\alpha$	=	angle to direction of shear
			$\beta_d$	=	dead load/total load ratio
			$\gamma$	=	flexibility coefficient (with subscripts)
			$\delta$	=	moment magnifier (with subscripts)
			$\delta$	=	volume change shortening (with subscripts)
			$\delta_e$	=	equivalent volume change shortening (with subscripts)
			$\Delta$	=	maximum volume change deflection (see Figure 3.12.10)
			$\Delta$	=	total equivalent shortening or column deflection

$\Delta$	=	thermal bow in wall panels
$\Delta$	=	sum of flexure and shear deflections in shear walls
$\Delta$	=	lateral deflection of a compression member
$\Delta_u$	=	deflection due to factored loads
$\eta$	=	see Figure 3.12.14
$\theta$	=	see Figure 3.12.14
$\theta$	=	rotation of cantilever
$\lambda$	=	see Figure 3.12.14
$\mu$	=	static coefficient of friction
$\mu_e$	=	effective shear-friction coefficient
$\phi$	=	strength reduction factor
$\phi$	=	rotation (with subscripts)
$\phi_k$	=	stiffness reduction factor
$\psi$	=	ratio of column to beam stiffnesses

### 3.1.2 Introduction

Chapters One and Two have illustrated the versatility and desirability of precast concrete for use as a construction material. From the text, figures and photographs, it is seen that the benefits and advantages of using precast concrete building products are limited only by the designer's imagination and knowledge of how to "engineer" the material. This chapter provides guidelines and design examples to increase the designer's knowledge of the design and analysis of precast concrete structures.

Design procedures presented in this chapter follow ACI 318-95 and other relevant national model building code requirements except where modified to reflect current industry practice (see also Sect. 10.5).

Engineering precast concrete requires unique design considerations not required for most other building materials. When designing precast concrete, the designer needs to consider manufacturing, handling and erection aspects of the product in addition to analysis and design for in-place loads. It is not uncommon for these items to be the controlling factors in the design.

Optimal building designs can be achieved by following these general principles:

1. Maximize repetitive or modular dimensions for plan layout and members.
2. Use simple spans whenever possible.
3. Standardize the size and locations of openings in products.
4. Use standard, locally available member sizes.
5. Minimize the number of different member types and sizes.
6. Minimize the number of different reinforcing patterns in a particular member type.
7. Minimize the number of different types of connections.
8. Specify connection types that are preferred by local producers.
9. Consider the size and weight of products to avoid premium costs associated with producing, shipping and erecting oversize and overweight pieces.
10. Utilize prestressing in precast members when spans are long, when the member depth must be minimized, or when the greatest degree of crack control is desired.
11. Avoid member designs and connection designs that require skill levels of workmanship and close tolerances that are not attainable under a producer's normal plant operation.
12. Avoid specifying requirements in excess of what is needed for concrete mix designs, allowable stresses, allowable deflections, and coatings on reinforcing steel, embedded hardware and connection hardware.
13. Make use of exterior wall panels as load bearing members whenever possible.
14. Contact a local producer as early as possible during the design development stages of a project for assistance in answering the above questions.

When analyzing and designing precast concrete structures, it is important to pay particular attention to the following two principles:

1. **Load Path:** Create a structural model that idealizes the structure for analysis and that emphasizes a clear, rational, determinate load path. It is essential that the model trace the design loads from their point of origin, through the appropriate members and connections, to the end of the load path at the final support or foundation.
2. **Ductility:** Although not always required by code, it is desirable to design the members and their connections to achieve a ductile, rather than a brittle failure mode.

### 3.2 Preliminary Analysis

Maximum economy occurs when the building is laid out to take advantage of the principles discussed above. The primary considerations in preliminary analysis of the total structure are:

1. Framing dimensions.
2. Span-to-depth ratios.
3. Lateral load resisting systems.
4. Control of volume change deformations and restraint forces.
5. Connection concepts.

#### 3.2.1 Framing Dimensions

When possible, establish building dimensions by combining the modular dimensions of standard component sizes and by establishing bay sizes based on optimal component span lengths. Standard sections are shown in Chapter 2, but others may be available in a given locale.

Generally, optimal framing dimensions will result when the total number of component pieces is minimized. For example, it is often more economical to cast wall panels and columns in multi-story units because of the reduced number of pieces required to produce, ship and erect. When establishing maximum component sizes, also consider the maximum shipping size, weight and the producer's and erector's crane capacity.

#### 3.2.2 Span-to-Depth Ratios

Typical span-to-depth ratios can be used to determine the approximate required depth of a flexural precast concrete member. During preliminary analysis, it is helpful to determine beam or slab depths, and the additional space required for other construction elements, including mechanical ductwork or plenum, in order to establish the floor-to-floor (or roof) dimensions of a building.

Typical span-to-depth ratios of flexural precast, prestressed concrete members are:

Hollow-core floor slabs	30 to 40
Hollow-core roof slabs	40 to 50
Stemmed floor slabs	25 to 35
Stemmed roof slabs	35 to 40
Beams	10 to 20

These values are intended as guidelines, not limits. The required depth of a beam or slab is influenced by the magnitude and ratio of live load to total load.

Where this ratio is high, deeper sections may be needed.

For non-prestressed flexural members, span-depth ratios are given in ACI 318-95, Sect. 9.5.2.1.

#### 3.2.3 Lateral Load Resisting Systems

Methods used to resist lateral loads, in the approximate order of economy, include:

1. *Shear Walls*: These can be precast concrete, cast-in-place concrete, or masonry. Shear walls are discussed in more detail in Sect. 3.7. When architectural or structural precast members are used for the exterior cladding, they can often be used as shear walls. Precast concrete box elements have been used effectively in mid-rise to high-rise structures. The boxes are created as one complete unit, such as in a precast cell module, or can be created of individual precast walls connected together to create a box unit. Such box units have a much larger moment of inertia than individual walls and therefore can be important members in a lateral load resisting system.
2. *Cantilevered Columns or Wall Panels*: This is usually only feasible in low-rise buildings. Base fixity can be attained through a moment couple between the footing and ground floor slab, or by fixing the wall or the column to the footing. In the latter case, a detailed analysis on the footing rotation can be made as described in Sect. 3.8.2.
3. *Steel or Concrete X-bracing*: This system has been used effectively in low and medium rise buildings. A related resistance system usually occurs naturally in parking structures with sloped ramps in the direction of traffic flow. The load path should be verified before the ramp of a parking structure is assumed as the stiffening element.
4. *Moment-Resisting Frames*: Building function may dictate the use of moment resisting frames. It is sometimes feasible to provide a moment connection at only one end of a member, or a connection that will resist moments with lateral forces in one direction but not in the other, in order to reduce the buildup of restraint forces. To reduce the number of moment frames required, a combined shear wall-frame system may be used. Moment-resisting frames are discussed in more detail in Sect. 3.8.

All of the above systems depend on distribution of lateral loads through diaphragm action of the roof and floor systems (see Sect. 3.6).

### 3.2.4 Control of Volume Change Deformations and Restraint Forces

Volume changes of concrete result from creep, shrinkage, and temperature change. Creep and shrinkage cause a shortening of the member, so the critical combination is creep, shrinkage, and temperature drop.

It is important to arrange and detail connections so that the effect of volume change restraint is minimized. Sect. 3.3 provides data and guidelines for estimating the amount of shortening which may take place. Neglecting the effect of connection deformation will produce unrealistically high computed restraint forces. Sect. 3.8.5 discusses the method of estimating the force which may develop from restraint.

Problems caused by volume change restraint have appeared when relatively long members were welded to their bearings at both ends. When such members are connected only at the top using a ductile connection, experience has shown that volume changes are adequately accommodated. An unyielding top connection may attract unacceptably high negative moments if compression resistance is encountered at the bearing. This may be difficult to accommodate.

Connections using cast-in-place concrete have exhibited few volume change problems because microcracking and creep in the cast-in-place portion effectively relieve the restraint.

Long buildings may require full height expansion joints. This is discussed in Sect. 3.3.3.

### 3.2.5 Connection Concepts

The types of connections to be used should be determined during the preliminary analysis, as this may have an effect on the component dimensions, the overall structural behavior, as discussed above, and on the erection procedure. Chapter 6 and some PCI publications [13,15] are devoted entirely to connections.

### 3.3 Volume Changes

Creep, shrinkage and temperature change, and the forces caused by restraining these strains, affect connections, service load behavior and ultimate capacity of precast, prestressed structures. Consequently, these strains and forces must be considered in the design.

Vertical members, such as load bearing wall panels, are also subject to volume change strains. The approximate magnitude can be calculated using Figures 3.12.3 through 3.12.7, adding the dead load strain to the prestress. The effects will only be significant in high rise buildings, and then only differential movements between elements will significantly affect

performance of the structure. This can occur, for example, at the corner of a building where load bearing and non-load bearing panels meet.

#### 3.3.1 Axial Volume Change Strains

Figures 3.12.1 through 3.12.7 provide the data needed to determine volume change strains [1,2]. These values can be reduced in rigid frames (see Sect. 3.8.5).

#### Example 3.3.1 Calculation of Volume Change Shortening

*Given:*

Heated structure in Denver, Colorado  
Normal weight concrete beam—12RB28  
8 - 1/2 in. diameter, 270 ksi, low relaxation strand  
Initial tension =  $0.75f_{pu}$   
Assume initial prestress loss = 9%  
Release strength = 4500 psi (accelerated cure)  
Length = 24 ft

*Problem:*

Determine the actual shortening that can be anticipated from:

- Casting to erection at 60 days.
- Erection to the end of service life.

*Solution:*

From Figures 3.12.1 and 3.12.2:

Design temperature change =  $70^{\circ}\text{F}$

Average ambient relative humidity = 55%

Prestress force:

$$A_{ps} = 8(0.153) = 1.224 \text{ in}^2$$

$$P_o = 1.224(270)(0.75)(1-0.09) \\ = 225.6 \text{ kips}$$

$$P_o/A = 225.6(1000)/[(12)(28)] \\ = 671 \text{ psi}$$

Volume/surface ratio:

$$= 12(28)/[2(12) + 2(28)] \\ = 4.2 \text{ in.}$$

a. *At 60 days:*

From Figure 3.12.3:

$$\text{Creep strain} = 169 \times 10^{-6} \text{ in./in.}$$

$$\text{Shrinkage strain} = 266 \times 10^{-6} \text{ in./in.}$$

From Figure 3.12.4:

Creep correction factor

$$= 0.88 + (71/200)(1.18-0.88) \\ = 0.99$$

From Figure 3.12.5:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Relative humidity correction (creep)} \\ &= 1.17 - 0.5(1.17 - 1.08) = 1.13 \\ \text{Relative humidity correction (shrinkage)} \\ &= 1.29 - 0.5(1.29 - 1.14) = 1.22 \end{aligned}$$

From Figure 3.12.6:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Volume/surface ratio correction (creep)} \\ &= 0.48 - 0.2(0.48 - 0.36) = 0.46 \\ \text{Volume/surface ratio correction (shrinkage)} \\ &= 0.46 - 0.2(0.46 - 0.31) = 0.43 \end{aligned}$$

(Note: Temperature shortening is not significant for this calculation.)

Total strain:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Creep} &= 169 \times 10^{-6}(0.99)(1.13)(0.46) \\ &= 87 \times 10^{-6} \text{ in./in.} \\ \text{Shrinkage} &= 266 \times 10^{-6}(1.22)(0.43) \\ &= 140 \times 10^{-6} \text{ in./in.} \\ \text{Total strain} &= 227 \times 10^{-6} \text{ in./in.} \\ \text{Total shortening} &= 227 \times 10^{-6}(24)(12) \\ &= 0.065 \text{ in.} \end{aligned}$$

b. At Final:

From Figure 3.12.3:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Creep strain} &= 315 \times 10^{-6} \text{ in./in.} \\ \text{Shrinkage strain} &= 510 \times 10^{-6} \text{ in./in.} \end{aligned}$$

Factors from Figures 3.12.4 and 3.12.5 same as for 60 days.

From Figure 3.12.6:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Volume/surface ratio correction (creep)} \\ &= 0.77 - 0.2(0.77 - 0.74) = 0.76 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Volume/surface ratio correction (shrinkage)} \\ &= 0.75 - 0.2(0.75 - 0.64) = 0.73 \end{aligned}$$

From Figure 3.12.7:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Temperature strain} &= 210 \times 10^{-6} \text{ in./in.} \\ \text{Total creep and shrinkage strain:} \\ \text{Creep} &= 315 \times 10^{-6}(0.99)(1.13)(0.76) \\ &= 268 \times 10^{-6} \text{ in./in.} \\ \text{Shrinkage} &= 510 \times 10^{-6}(1.22)(0.73) \\ &= 454 \times 10^{-6} \text{ in./in.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Total} = 722 \times 10^{-6} \text{ in./in.}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Difference from 60 days to final} \\ &= 722 - 227 \\ &= 495 \times 10^{-6} \text{ in./in.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Total strain} &= 495 + 210 \\ &= 705 \times 10^{-6} \text{ in./in.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Total shortening} \\ &= 705 \times 10^{-6}(24)(12) \\ &= 0.203 \text{ in.} \end{aligned}$$

For the effects of shortening in frame structures, see Sect. 3.8.5.

The behavior of actual structures indicates that reasonable estimates of volume change characteristics are satisfactory for the design of most structures even though test data relating volume changes to the variables shown in Figures 3.12.3 through 3.12.7 exhibit considerable scatter. Therefore, it is possible to reduce the variables and use approximate values as shown in Figures 3.12.8 and 3.12.9.

### Example 3.3.2 Determine Volume Change Shortening by Figures 3.12.8 and 3.12.9

Given:

Same as Example 3.3.1.

Solution:

For prestressed, normal weight concrete, in a heated building, use Figure 3.12.8.

For 55% relative humidity and temperature change of 70°F, interpolating from Table 3.12.8:

$$\text{Actual strain} = 687 \times 10^{-6} \text{ in./in.}$$

This result compares with the value of  $705 \times 10^{-6}$  calculated from Figures 3.12.1 through 3.12.7.

### 3.3.2 Bowing

A strain gradient between the inside and outside of a wall panel, or between the top and underside of an uninsulated roof member, can cause the member to bow. The theoretical magnitude of bowing (see Figure 3.3.1) can be determined by:

$$\Delta = \alpha \frac{\ell^2}{8h} \quad (\text{Eq. 3.3.1})$$

where:

$\alpha$  = strain gradient across panel thickness

$\ell$  = distance between supports

$h$  = member thickness

For a temperature difference between inside and outside of a panel:

$$\alpha = C(T_1 - T_2) \quad (\text{Eq. 3.3.2})$$

where:

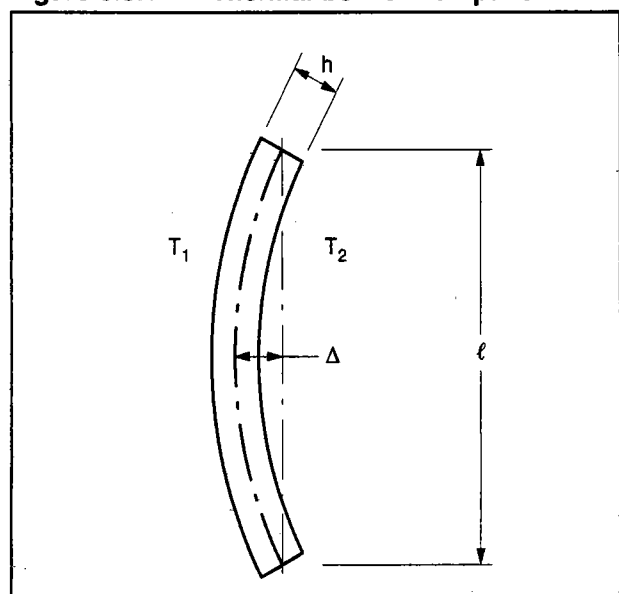
$C$  = coefficient of thermal expansion

$T_2, T_1$  = inside and outside temperatures respectively

Limited records of temperature measurements indicate that in open structures, such as the roofs of parking decks, the temperature differential seldom exceeds 30 to 40°F. In an insulated sandwich wall panel, the theoretical difference can be higher, but this is tempered by "thermal lag" due to the mass of the concrete (see Sect. 9.1).

Moisture differences between the inside and outside of an enclosed building can also cause bowing, however, the calculation is much less precise and involves more variables. The exterior layer of the concrete panel absorbs moisture from the atmosphere and periodic precipitation, while the interior layer is relatively dry, especially when the building is heated. This causes the inside layer to shrink more than the outside, causing an outward bow. The outward shrinkage bowing would tend to balance the theoretical inward thermal bowing in cold weather, which is believed to explain the observation that "wall panels always bow out".

Figure 3.3.1 Thermal bow of wall panel



### Example 3.3.3 Thermal Bow in a Wall Panel

Given:

A 20 ft high, 6-in. thick wall panel as shown below. Assume a coefficient of thermal expansion,  $C = 6 \times 10^{-6}$  in/in/°F; a temperature differential  $T_1 - T_2 = 35$  °F;  $E_c = 4300$  ksi.

Problem:

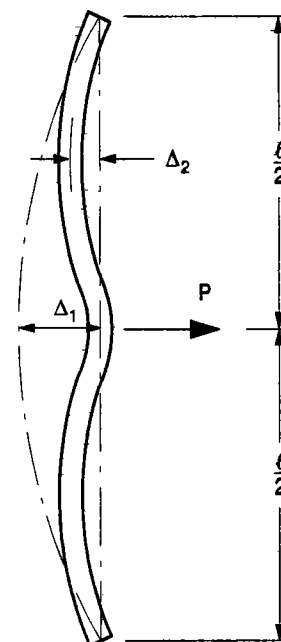
Determine the potential thermal bow,  $\Delta_1$ , the force,  $P$ , required at mid-height to restrain the bowing, the stress in the panel caused by the restraint, and the residual bow,  $\Delta_2$ .

Solution:

From Eqs. 3.3.1 and 3.3.2:

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_1 &= \frac{(6 \times 10^{-6})(35)[20(12)]^2}{8(6)} \\ &= 0.252 \text{ in.} \end{aligned}$$

From Figure 3.12.10:



$$E_t = 0.75(4300) = 3225 \text{ ksi}$$

$$\begin{aligned} I &= (bh^3)/12 = [12(6)^3]/12 \\ &= 216 \text{ in}^4/\text{ft} \end{aligned}$$

From Figure 3.12.10, Case 1:

$$\begin{aligned} P &= 48E_t I \Delta / \ell^3 \\ &= [48(3225)(216)(0.25)]/[20(12)]^3 \\ &= 0.605 \text{ kip/ft width} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} M &= P\ell/4 = [0.605(20)]/4 \\ &= 3.02 \text{ kip/ft width} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Panel stress} &= My/I \\ &= [3.02(12,000)(3)]/216 \\ &= 503 \text{ psi} \end{aligned}$$

The residual bow can be calculated by adjusting the equation in Figure 3.12.10, Case 5, to read:

$$\Delta = \frac{M\ell^2}{16E_t I}; \text{ and substituting } \ell/2 \text{ for } \ell$$

$$\Delta_2 = \frac{3.02(12)[10(12)]^2}{16(3225)(216)} = 0.047 \text{ in.}$$

While the magnitude of bowing is usually not very significant, in the case of wall panels it may cause unacceptable separation at the corners (see Figure 3.3.2), and possible damage to joint sealants. It may therefore be desirable to restrain bowing with one or more connectors between panels. As illustrated in the previous example, Figure 3.12.10 gives equations for calculating the required restraint and the moments this restraint would cause in the panel.

The mid-height panel restraining force illustrated in Example 3.3.3, can occur in a multi-story load-bearing wall panel. For example, if the wall panel is two stories tall and if the intermediate floor is laterally braced against sidesway, a restraining force resisting thermal bowing can develop in a connection between the wall panel and the intermediate floor. The wall panel should be connected to the intermediate floor, to avoid loss of floor support when the wall panel bows outward. If the intermediate floor is not braced against sidesway, the P- $\Delta$  wall analysis should consider the secondary moment due to the intermediate floor gravity reaction loading the wall panel near, or at the point of its maximum bow.

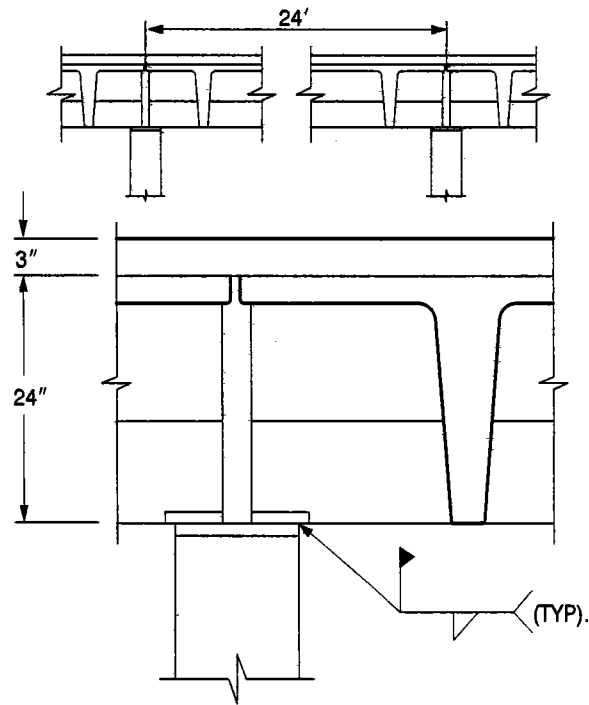
If non-structural elements, such as drywall ceilings, or interior drywall or masonry partitions, are attached to wall panels unrestrained against bowing, those items should be attached with "soft" or flexible joints.

Differential temperature can cause upward bowing in roof members, especially in open structures such as parking decks. If these members are restrained from rotations at the ends, positive moments (bottom tension) can develop at the support, as shown in Cases 4 and 5, Figure 3.12.10. The bottom tension can cause severe cracking. Examination of the equations shows that the thermal induced positive moments are independent of the span length. (For example, substitute Eq. 3.3.1 for  $\Delta$  in Figure 3.12.10, Case 4). Note from Figure 3.12.10 that if only one end is restrained, as is sometimes done to relieve axial volume change force, the restraint moment is doubled. Also note that, since thermal bow occurs with daily temperature changes, the cyclical effects could magnify the potential damage.

### Example 3.3.4 Thermal Bow in a Roof Member

Given:

A 30IT24 inverted tee beam supporting the double tees of the upper level of a parking deck, as shown below, is welded at each end at the bearing to the column, and subject to a thermal gradient of 35°F.



Problem:

Coefficient of thermal expansion,  $C = 6 \times 10^{-6}$  in/in/°F;  $T_1 - T_2 = 35$  °F;  $E_c = 4300$  ksi, for the composite section  $I = 51,725$  in<sup>4</sup>.

Find the tensile force developed at the support.

Solution:

From Eqs. 3.3.1 and 3.3.2:

$$\Delta = \frac{(6 \times 10^{-6})(35)[24(12)]^2}{8(27)} = 0.081 \text{ in.}$$

From Table 3.12.10, Case 4:

$$E_t = 0.75(4300) = 3225 \text{ ksi}$$

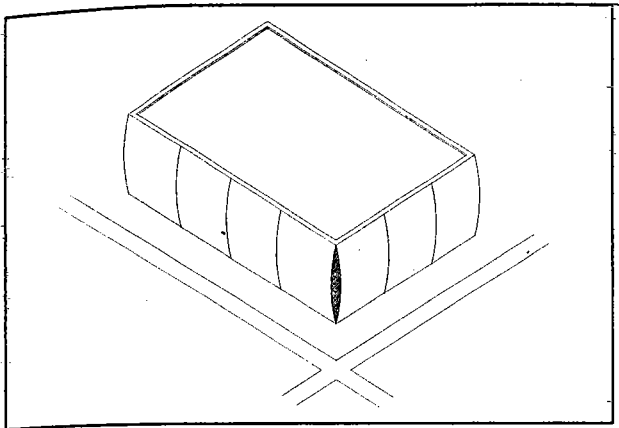
$$M = \frac{8(3225)(51,725)(0.081)}{[24(12)]^2}$$

$$= 1303 \text{ kip-in}$$

$$T = \frac{1303}{(24 + 1.5)} = 51.1 \text{ kips}$$



**Figure 3.3.2** Corner separation due to thermal bow



This example illustrates the large forces that can occur when roof members are welded at the bearings, and why cracking occurs. The force calculated is an upper bound value, and does not consider the relieving effects of connection extension, microcracking and column flexibility. Nevertheless, an alternative method which does not employ welding at the bearings is strongly recommended.

### 3.3.3 Expansion Joints

Joints are placed in structures to limit the magnitude of forces which result from volume change deformations (temperature changes, shrinkage and creep), and to permit movements (volume change, seismic) of structural elements.

Joints that permit contraction of the structure are needed to relieve the strains caused by temperature drop, creep and shrinkage which are additive. Such joints are properly called contraction or control joints but are commonly referred to as expansion joints. If the forces generated by a temperature rise are significantly greater than shrinkage and creep forces, a true "expansion joint" is needed.

It is desirable to have as few expansion joints as possible. The purpose of this section is to present guidelines for determining the spacing and width of expansion joints.

#### 3.3.3.1 Spacing of Expansion Joints

There is a divergence of opinion concerning the spacing of expansion joints. Typical practice in concrete structures, prestressed or non-prestressed, is to locate expansion joints at distances between 150 and 300 ft. However, concrete buildings exceeding these limits have performed well without expansion joints. Recommended joint spacings for precast concrete buildings are generally based on experience. Evalua-

tion of joint spacing should consider the types of connections used, the column stiffnesses in simple span structures, the relative stiffness between beams and columns in framed structures, location of lateral-load resisting elements and the weather exposure conditions. Non-heated structures, such as parking garages, are subjected to greater temperature changes than occupied structures, so shorter distances between expansion joints may be warranted.

Sects. 3.3 and 3.8 present methods for analyzing the potential movement of framed structures, and the effect of restraint of movement on the connections and structural frame. This information along with the connection design methods in Chapter 6 can aid in determining spacing of expansion joints.

Figure 3.12.11 shows joint spacing as recommended by the Federal Construction Council, and is adapted from *Expansion Joints in Buildings*, Technical Report No. 65, prepared by the Standing Committee on Structural Engineering of the Federal Construction Council, Building Research Advisory Board, Division of Engineering, National Research Council, National Academy of Sciences, 1974. Note that the spacings obtained from the graph in Figure 3.12.11 should be modified for various conditions as shown in the notes below the graph. Values for the design temperature change can be obtained from Figure 3.12.1.

When expansion joints are required in non-rectangular structures, they should be located at places where the plan or elevation dimensions change radically.

#### 3.3.3.2 Width of Expansion Joints

The width of the joint can be calculated theoretically using a coefficient of expansion of  $6 \times 10^{-6}$  in/in/°F for normal weight and  $5 \times 10^{-6}$  in/in/°F for sand-light-weight concrete. The Federal Construction Council report, referenced above, recommends a minimum width of 1 in.. However, since the primary problem in concrete buildings is contraction rather than expansion, joints that are too wide may result in problems with reduced bearing or loss of filler material. The joint width should consider the ambient temperature at time of erection. Seismic codes also stipulate joint widths to accommodate earthquake movement.

## 3.4 Component Analysis

The design of components is the topic of Chapter 4. Sect. 3.4 is intended to assist in establishing design parameters for some components, and to discuss the effects of non-frame components on the frame.

### 3.4.1 Non-Bearing Wall Panels

Non-bearing panels are designed to resist wind, seismic forces generated from self weight, and forces required to transfer the weight of the panel to the support. It is rare that these externally applied loads will produce the maximum stresses; the forces imposed during manufacturing and erection will usually govern the design, except for the connections.

#### 3.4.1.1 Deformations

The relationship of the deformations of the panel and the supporting structure must be evaluated, and care taken to prevent unintended restraints from imposing additional loads. Such deformation may be caused by the weight of the panel, volume changes of concrete frames, and rotation of spandrel beams. To prevent imposing loads on the panel, the connections must be designed and installed to permit these deformations to freely occur.

For example, the tendency for the panels to follow the beam shown in Figure 3.4.1 may cause restraining forces to develop at panel joints. The connections should be designed to allow the supporting beam to deflect, but the beam should be stiff enough that panel joint widths are maintained within the specified tolerances. These effects can sometimes be controlled by adjusting the erection sequence.

The most prevalent cause of panel deformation is bowing due to thermal gradients. If supported in a manner that will permit bowing, the panel will not be subjected to stress. However, if the panel is restrained laterally between supports, stresses in the panel and forces in the structure will occur. This is discussed in Sect. 3.3.2.

Non-bearing panels should be designed and installed so that they do not restrain frames from lateral translation. If such restraint occurs, the panels tend to act as shear walls and become overstressed (Figure 3.4.2). Panels which are installed on a frame should be connected in a manner to allow frame distortion. In some cases, especially in high seismic regions, special connections which can accommodate inter-story drift may be required.

The shortening of concrete columns from elastic and plastic deformation should be considered in very tall structures. At intermediate levels, the differential shortening between two adjacent floors will be negligible, and the panel will follow the frame movement. At the lowest level, if the panel is rigidly supported at the base (such as foundation or transfer girder), the accumulated shortening of the structure above may induce unintended loading on the panel. In such

cases, the panel connection should be designed to permit the calculated deformation.

A similar situation will result when two adjacent columns have significantly different loads. For example, the corner column of a structure will usually be subjected to a smaller load than the adjacent columns. If both columns are the same size (as is often the situation for architectural reasons) and reinforced approximately the same, they will undergo different shortening.

#### 3.4.1.2 Wind Load

Building codes specify the wind pressure for which a building is to be designed, including magnified loads for localized portions due to gusting or funnel effects produced by adjacent structures.

The lateral deflection of thin panels when subjected to wind should be determined, particularly if they are attached to, or include, windows. Panels with deep protruding ribs may require analysis for shearing winds, as indicated in Figure 3.4.3, and the connections designed for the twist produced. Although the design of the panel itself will generally not be critical for wind, the connections may be. This is particularly true for the tension connection which resists wind suction along with eccentric gravity loads, as indicated in Figure 3.4.4.

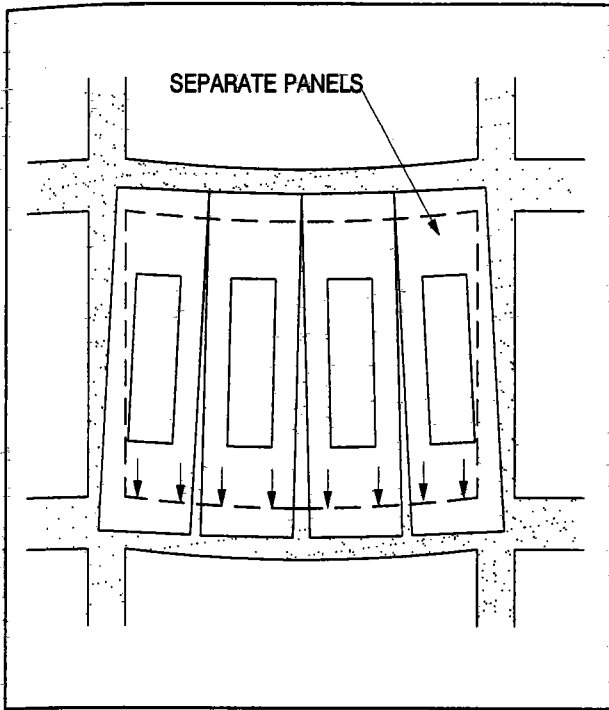
#### 3.4.1.3 Panels with Openings

Non-bearing panels which contain openings may develop stress concentrations at these openings, resulting from unintended loading or restrained bowing. Hairline cracks radiating from the corners can result (Figure 3.4.5). While these stress concentrations may be partially resisted by reinforcement, the designer should consider methods of eliminating imposed restraints. Areas of abrupt change in cross-section should be reinforced, and should be rounded or chamfered.

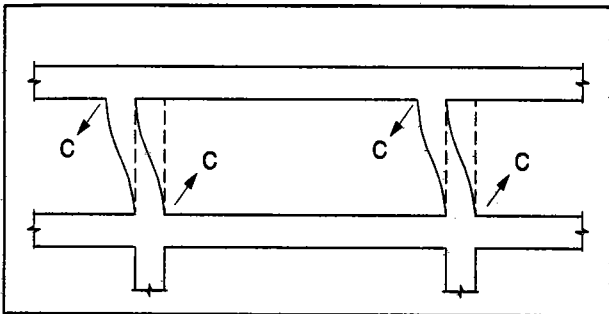
Loads from adjacent floors can be imposed on non-load bearing panels by methods of joinery, and these loads can cause excessive stresses at the "beam" portion of an opening (Figure 3.4.6). This can be prevented by locating connections away from critical sections.

Unless a method of preventing load transfer can be developed and permanently maintained, the "beam" should be designed for some loads from the floor. The magnitude of such loads requires engineering judgment.

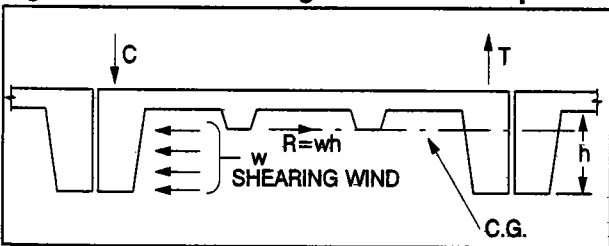
**Figure 3.4.1** Deformation of panels on flexible beam



**Figure 3.4.2** Panel forces induced by frame distortion



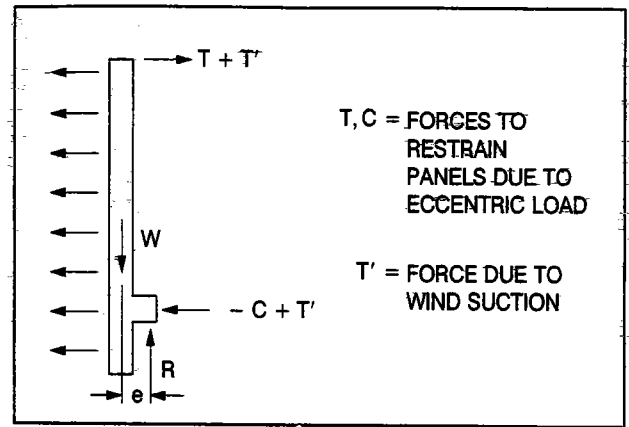
**Figure 3.4.3** Shearing wind on ribbed panels



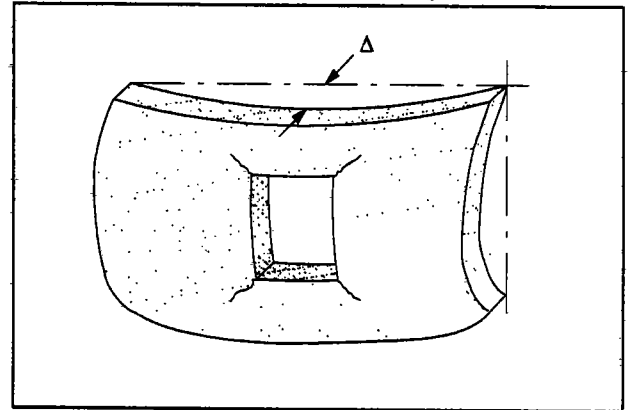
### 3.4.2 Load Bearing Wall Panels

Most of the items in the previous section must also be considered in the analysis of load bearing wall panels. Panels may be designed to span horizontally between columns, or vertically. When spanning horizontally, they are designed as beams, or if they have

**Figure 3.4.4** Forces on a panel subjected to wind suction



**Figure 3.4.5** Corner cracking due to restrained bowing



frequent, regularly spaced window openings, as shown in Figure 3.4.7(A), as Vierendeel trusses. When so designed there must be a space or joint horizontally between panels, to insure that they will not transfer loads to panels below.

When the panels are placed vertically, they are usually designed as columns, and slenderness, as described in Sect. 3.5, should be considered. If a large portion of the panel is window opening, as in Figure 3.4.7(C), it may be necessary to analyze it as a rigid frame.

Figure 3.4.7 shows architectural wall panels, generally used with relatively short vertical spans, although they will sometimes span continuously over two or more floors. They are usually custom-made for each project, and reinforced with mild steel. Standard flat, hollow-core and stemmed members are also used as wall panels, and are frequently prestressed.

Dimensions of architectural panels are usually selected based on a desired appearance. When these panels are also used to carry loads, or act as shear walls, it is obviously important to have some engineering input early in the preliminary stages of the project.

### 3.4.3 Non-Bearing Spandrels

These are precast elements which are less than story height, made up either as a series of individual units or as one unit extending between columns. Support for spandrel weight may be the floor or the column, and stability against eccentric loading is achieved by connections to the underside of the floor or to the column (see Figure 3.4.8).

Spandrels are usually part of a window wall, so consideration should be given to the effect of deflections and rotations of the spandrel on the window. Deformation calculations should be based on gross concrete section since the stresses will generally be less than those which cause cracking. For elements which extend in one piece between columns, it is preferable that the connections which provide vertical support be located close to the ends. This arrangement will minimize interaction and load transfer between floor and spandrel.

Consideration should also be given to spandrels which are supported at the ends of long cantilevers. The designer must determine the effect of deflection and rotation of the support, including the effects of creep, and arrange the details of all attachments to accommodate this condition (Figure 3.4.9). A particularly critical condition can occur at corners of buildings, especially when there is a cantilever on both faces.

### 3.4.4 Load Bearing Spandrels

Load bearing spandrels are panels which support floor or roof loads. Except for the magnitude and location of these additional loads, the design is the same as for non-bearing spandrels.

Load bearing spandrels support structural loads which are usually applied eccentrically with respect to the support. A typical arrangement of spandrel and supported floor is shown in Figure 3.4.10

Torsion due to eccentricity must be resisted by the spandrel or by a horizontal couple developed in the floor construction. See Figure 3.4.10(B) and (C). In order to take torsion in the floor construction, the details must provide for a compressive force transfer at the top of the floor, and a tensile force transfer at the bearing of the precast floor element. The load path of these floor forces must be followed through the structure, and considered in the design of other members in the building. Even when torsion is resisted in this manner in the completed structure, twisting on the spandrel prior to completion must be considered.

If torsion cannot be accommodated by floor connections, the spandrel panel should be designed for induced stresses. See Chapter 4 for torsion.

Figure 3.4.6 Unanticipated loading on a non-load bearing panel

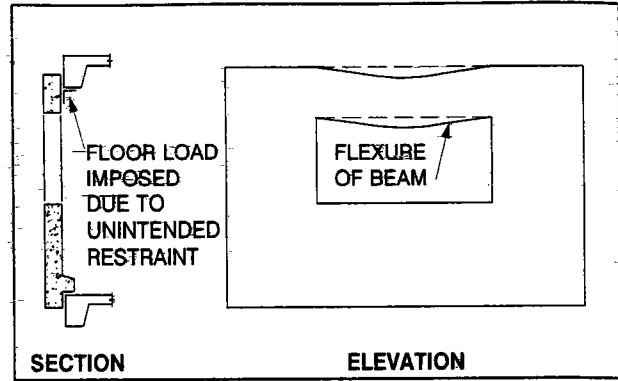
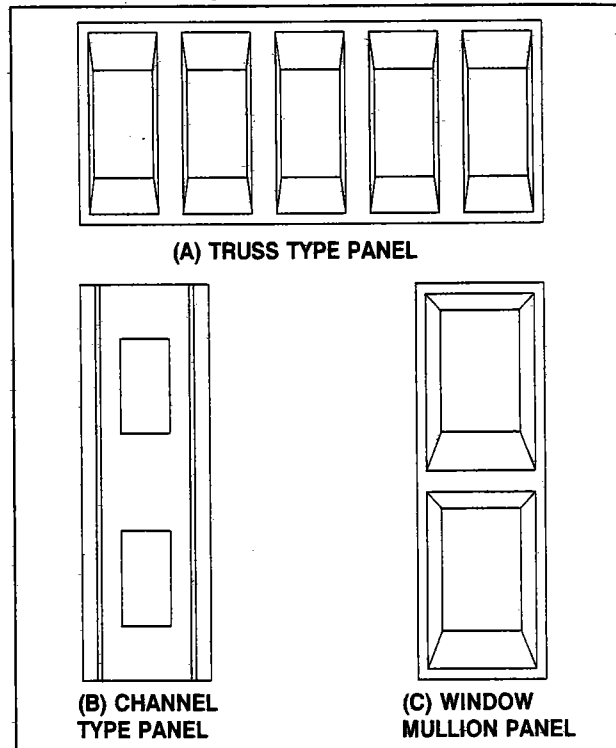


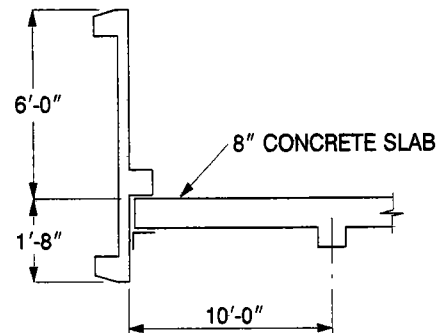
Figure 3.4.7 Horizontal and vertical rib panels



Example 3.4.1 Spandrel Panel Rotation

Given:

The spandrel panel shown.



Panel weight = 417 plf  
 Normal weight concrete slab  
 $E = 4000$  ksi  
 Assume creep reduces effective  $E$  to 2000 ksi  
 Superimposed dead load = 10 psf

**Problem:**

Determine rotation and displacement at top of spandrel.

Note: In this example, spandrel torsion must be resisted by an 8 in. moment arm in the floor slab. It is desirable, whenever possible, to use a larger moment resisting arm in order to reduce the magnitude of the connection forces. See Figure 3.4.8.

**Solution:**

Rotation of cantilever due to slab weight plus superimposed loads (neglecting support rotation):

$$w = 8(150)/12 + 10 = 110 \text{ psf}$$

$$I = bh^3/12 = 12(8)^3/12 = 512 \text{ in}^4$$

$$\theta = \frac{w\ell^3}{6EI} = \frac{(0.110/12)[10(12)]^3}{6(2000)(512)}$$

$$= 0.00258 \text{ radians}$$

Rotation of cantilever due to weight of spandrel:

$$\theta = \frac{W\ell^2}{2EI} = \frac{(0.417)[10(12)]^2}{2(2000)(512)}$$

$$= 0.00293 \text{ radians}$$

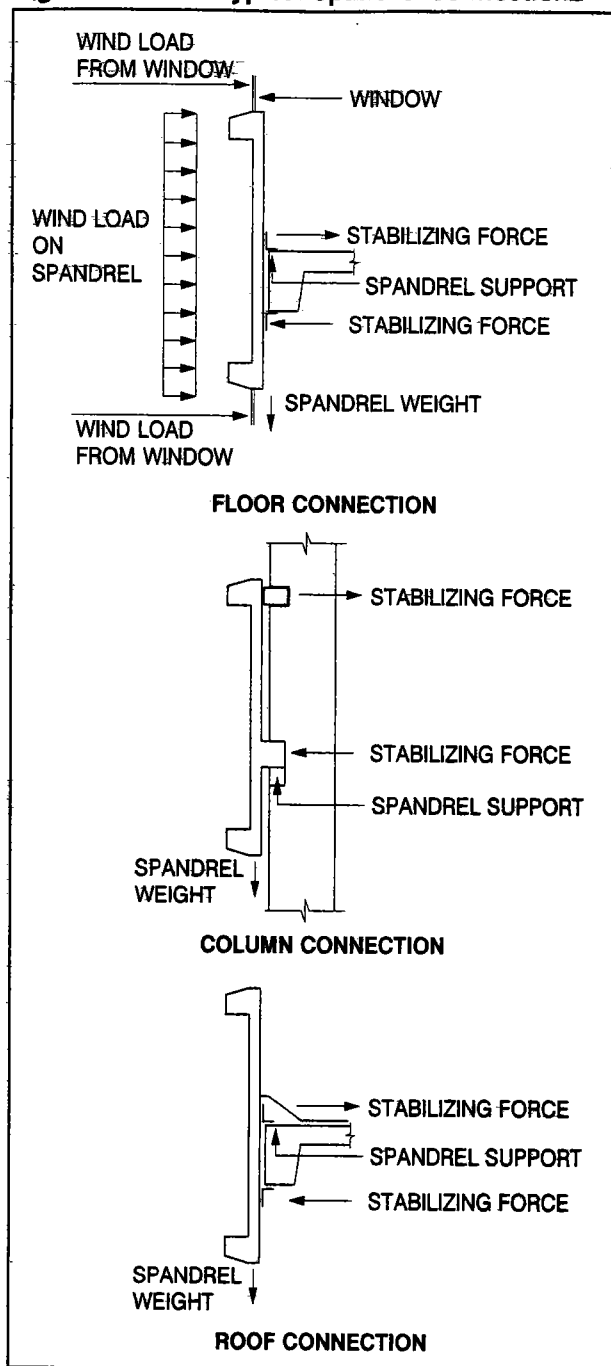
Total rotation of cantilever:

$$= 0.00258 + 0.00293 = 0.00551 \text{ radians}$$

Displacement of top of spandrel:

$$= (0.00551)(72 + 8/2) = 0.419 \text{ in.}$$

**Figure 3.4.8 Typical spandrel connections**



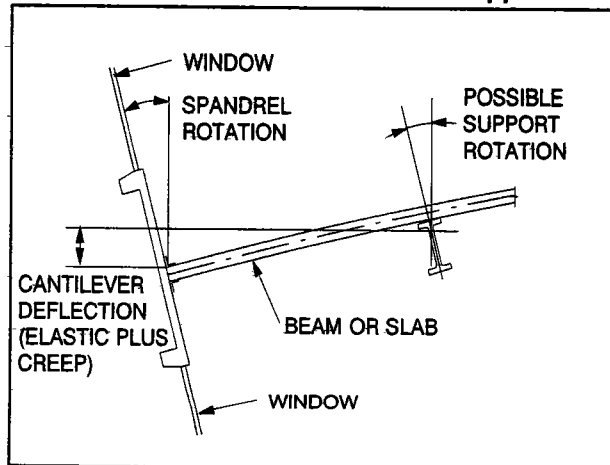
**3.4.5 Eccentrically Loaded Columns**

Many precast concrete structures utilize multi-story columns with simple span beams resting on haunches. Figures 3.12.12 and 3.12.13 are provided as aids for determining the various combinations of load and moment that can occur with such columns.

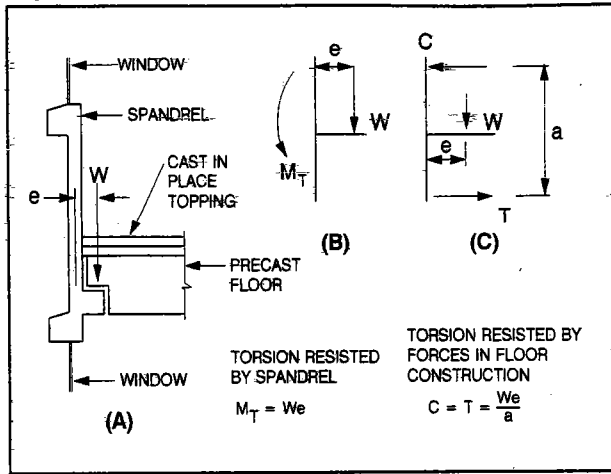
The following conditions and limitations apply to Figures 3.12.12 and 3.12.13:

1. The coefficients are only valid for columns braced against sidesway.
2. For partially fixed column bases (see Sect. 3.8.3), a straight line interpolation between the coefficients for pinned and fixed bases can be used with small error.

**Figure 3.4.9 Effect of cantilever supports**



**Figure 3.4.10 Load bearing spandrel**



3. For taller columns, the coefficients for the 4-story columns can be used with small error.
4. The coefficients in the "Σ Max" line will yield the maximum required restraining force,  $F_r$ , and column moments caused by loads (equal at each level) which can occur on either side of the column, for example, live loads on interior columns. The maximum force will not necessarily occur with the same loading pattern that causes the maximum moment.
5. The coefficients in the "Σ One Side" line will yield the maximum moments which can occur if the column is loaded on only one side, such as the end column in a bay.

**Example 3.4.2 Use of Figures 3.12.12 and 3.12.13**

*Problem:*

Using Figure 3.12.13, determine the maximum restraining force and moment in the lowest story of a 3-story frame for:

- a. An interior column in a multi-bay frame
- b. An exterior column

*Given:*

Beam reactions to column haunch at each level:

D.L. = 50 kips

L.L. = 20 kips

Eccentricity  $e = 14$  in.

Story height  $h_s = 16$  ft

Column base is determined to be 65% fixed.

*Solution:*

Factored loads:      D.L. =  $1.4(50) = 70.0$  kips  
                                  L.L. =  $1.7(20) = 34.0$  kips  
                                  

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                                  104.0 kips

1. For the interior column, the dead load reaction would be the same on either side, thus, no moment results. The live load could occur on any one side at any floor, hence, use of the coefficients in the "Σ Max" line:

$$P_u e = 34.0(14) = 476 \text{ kip-in} = 39.7 \text{ kip-ft}$$

To determine the maximum moment at point B:

Pinned base:  $k_m = 0.67$

Fixed base:  $k_m = 0.77$

65% fixed:  $k_m = 0.67 + 0.65(0.77 - 0.67) = 0.74$

$$M_u = k_m P_u e = 0.74(39.7) = 29.4 \text{ kip-ft}$$

Maximum restraining force at level 2:

$$F_u = k_r P_u e / h_s$$

$$k_r = 1.40 + 0.65(1.62 - 1.40) = 1.54$$

$$F_u = 1.54(39.7)/16 = 3.82 \text{ kips (tension or compression)}$$

2. For the exterior column, the total load is eccentric on the same side of the column, hence use the coefficients in the "Σ One Side" line:

$$P_u e = 104.0(14) = 1456 \text{ kip-in} = 121.3 \text{ kip-ft}$$

To determine the maximum moment at point B:

For a pinned base:  $k_m = 0.40$

For a fixed base:  $k_m = 0.46$

For 65% fixed:  $k_m = 0.40 + 0.65(0.46 - 0.40) = 0.44$

$$M_u = k_m P_u e = 0.44(121.3) = 53.4 \text{ kip-ft}$$

Maximum restraining force at level 2:

$$F_u = k_r P_u e / h_s$$

$$k_r = -0.60 - 0.65(-0.60 + 0.22) = -0.35$$

$$F_u = -0.35(121.3)/16 = -2.65 \text{ kips (tension)}$$

**3.5 Slenderness Effects in Columns and Wall Panels**

The term "slenderness effects," can be described as the moments in a member produced when the line of action of the axial force is not coincident with the displaced centroid of the member. These moments, which are not accounted for in the primary analysis, are thus termed "secondary moments." These secondary moments arise from changes in the geometry of the structure, and may be caused by one or more of the following:

1. Relative displacement of the ends of the member due to:
  - a. Lateral or unbalanced vertical loads in an unbraced frame, usually labeled "translation" or "sidesway."
  - b. Manufacturing and erection tolerances.
2. Deflections away from the end of the member due to:
  - a. End moment due to eccentricity of the axial load.
  - b. End moments due to frame action—continuity, fixity or partial fixity of the ends.
  - c. Applied lateral loads, such as wind.
  - d. Thermal bowing from differential temperature (see Sect. 3.3.2).
  - e. Manufacturing tolerances.
  - f. Camber due to prestressing.

These secondary effects can be considered in the design of the member by either using the Moment Magnification Method, described in Sect. 3.5.2, or by a direct iterative analysis usually termed "second-order" or "P- $\Delta$ " analysis.

### 3.5.1 Second-Order (P- $\Delta$ ) Analysis

The usual procedure for this analysis is to perform an elastic type analysis using factored loads. Out-of-plumbness (items 1b and 2e above) are initially assumed based on experience and/or specified tolerances. The thermal bowing effect is usually neglected in columns, but may be significant in exterior wall panels (see Sect. 3.3.2).

At each iteration, the lateral deflection is calculated, and the moments caused by the axial load acting at that deflection are accumulated. After three or four iterations, the increase in deflection should be negligible (convergence). If it is not, the member may be approaching stability failure, and the section dimensions should be re-evaluated.

If the calculated moments indicate that cracking will occur, this needs to be taken into account in the deflection calculations. The stiffness used in the second order analysis should represent the stiffness of the members immediately before failure. This may involve iterations within iterations, greatly complicating the procedure, although approximations of cracked section properties are usually satisfactory. Sect. 10.11.1 of the ACI 318-95 has cracked member properties for different member types for use in second-order analysis of frames. These values are the lower bound of what can be expected for equivalent moments of inertia of cracked members and include a stiffness reduction factor  $\phi_k$  to account for variability of second-order deflections.

Effects of creep should also be included. The most common method is to divide the stiffness ( $EI$ ) by the factor  $1 + \beta_d$  as specified in the ACI moment magnification method.

In unbraced continuous frames, the joint translations effect and the frame response are interdependent. Thus, a practical analysis, especially when potential cracking is a parameter, usually will require the use of computers.

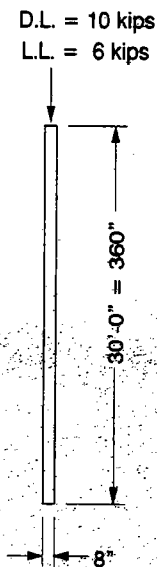
A good review of second-order analysis, along with an extensive bibliography and an outline of a complete program, is contained in Ref. 3.

An example of P- $\Delta$  calculations for a simple yet frequently encountered problem is shown in Example 3.5.1. In the following example only two of the ACI load combinations are checked, presuming by engineering judgment that these were the controlling cases.

#### Example 3.5.1 Second-Order Analysis of an Uncracked Member

Given:

An 8 in. thick, 8 ft wide prestressed wall panel as shown.



Loading assumptions are as follows:

1. Axial load eccentricity = 1 in. (at one end)
2. Assume midspan bowing = 1.0 in. outward. (Note: Production tolerances allow  $\ell/360$ , see Chapter 8).
3. Wind load = 30 psf.
4. Non-sway frame - no joint translation.
5. Joints assumed pinned top and bottom.

Concrete:  $f'_c = 5000$  psi  
 $E_c = 4300$  ksi

**Problem:**

Determine if standard panel (Figure 2.6.5) is adequate.

**Solution:**

**Case 1: No wind**

$$P_u = 1.4D + 1.7L = 1.4(10) + 1.7(6) = 24.2 \text{ kips}$$

$$I_g = bh^3/12 = 96(8)^3/12 = 4096 \text{ in}^4$$

Note: The bending stiffness  $EI$  is multiplied by 0.70 factor per Sect. 10.11.1 ACI 318-95 for uncracked wall sections. This includes a stiffness reduction factor  $\phi_k$  to cover the variability of computed deflections. Once the moments are established, the  $\phi$  factor from Sect. 9.3.2.2 ACI 318-95 is used to determine the strength of the cross section.

$$\beta_d = 14/24.2 = 0.58$$

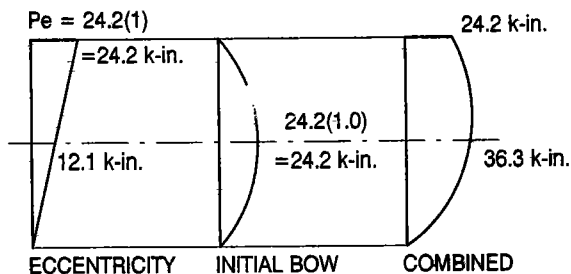
The  $\beta_d$  factor is used to account for sustained load effects by modifying the stiffness. It is reasonable to use:

$$EI_{\text{eff}} = \frac{0.70E_c I_g}{1 + \beta_d} = \frac{0.70(4300)(4096)}{1.58} = 7.80 \times 10^6 \text{ kip-in}^2$$

Check P-critical using Euler's formula:

$$P_c = \frac{\pi^2 EI_{\text{eff}}}{\ell^2} = \frac{\pi^2 (7.80 \times 10^6)}{(360)^2} = 594 \text{ kips} > 24.2 \text{ kips} \quad \text{OK}$$

Moments on panel:



Deflection at midspan due to  $P_u e$ :

$$\Delta = \frac{P_u e \ell^2}{16EI} = \frac{24.2(1)(360)^2}{16(7.61 \times 10^6)} = 0.0258 \text{ in.}$$

Total midspan deflection including initial bow:  
 $= 1.0 + 0.0258 = 1.026 \text{ in.}$

Deflection due to P- $\Delta$  moment at midspan:

$$\Delta = \frac{P_u e \ell^2}{8EI} = \frac{24.2e(360)^2}{8(7.80 \times 10^6)} = 0.050e$$

First iteration:

$$\Delta = 0.050(1.026) = 0.052 \text{ in.}$$

Second iteration:

$$e = 1.026 + 0.052 = 1.078 \text{ in.}$$

$$\Delta = 0.050(1.078) = 0.054 \text{ in.}$$

Third iteration:

$$e = 1.026 + 0.054 = 1.080 \text{ in.}$$

$$\Delta = 0.050(1.080) = 0.054 \text{ in. (convergence)}$$

or using a geometric series to calculate the midspan deflection in one step:

$$e = \frac{e_0}{1 - \frac{\Delta_1}{e}} = \frac{1.026}{1 - 0.050} = 1.08$$

$$M_u \text{ at midheight} = 12.1 + 24.2(1.08) = 38.2 \text{ kip-in.}$$

Check for cracking at midheight:

$M_u/l$	$= 38.2(4)(1000)/4096$	$= -37$ psi
$\frac{1}{2}$ Panel wt.:	$[100(15)/(8(12))](1.4)$	$= 22$ psi
Prestress		$= 250$ psi
Dead load	$= 10(1000)(1.4)/[8(96)]$	$= 18$ psi
Net stress (compression)		$= 253$ psi

Therefore, the analysis is valid.

Using interaction curve Figure 2.6.5:

$$P_u = 24.2/8 + 1.4(15)0.1 = 5.13 \text{ kips/ft}$$

$$M_u = 38.2/[12(8)] = 0.40 \text{ kip-ft/ft}$$

Point is below curve, OK.

**Case 2: Include wind**

Axial load without wind is:

$$P_u = 0.75(1.4D + 1.7L + 1.7W) = 0.75[1.4(10) + 1.7(6)] = 18.2 \text{ kips}$$

Deflection due to  $P_u e$  (see Case 1)

$$= [18.2/24.2](0.0258) = 0.019 \text{ in.}$$



Additive wind load would be suction = 30-psf

$$w_u = 30(8)(0.75)(1.7) = 306 \text{ lb/ft}$$

When considering wind,  $\beta_d = 0$

$$E I_{\text{eff}} = \frac{\phi E_c I_g}{1 + \beta_d} = \frac{0.70(4300)(4096)}{1.0}$$

$$= 1.23 \times 10^7 \text{ kip-in}^2$$

Deflection due to wind:

$$\frac{5w_u \ell^4}{384 EI} = \frac{5 \left( \frac{0.306}{12} \right) (360)^4}{384 (1.23 \times 10^7)} = 0.45 \text{ in.}$$

Total initial midspan bow including eccentricity and wind:

$$\Delta = 1.0 + 0.019 + 0.45 = 1.469 \text{ in.}$$

Deflection due to P- $\Delta$  moment at midspan:

$$\Delta = \frac{P e \ell^2}{8EI} = \frac{18.2e(360)^2}{8(1.23 \times 10^7)} = 0.024e$$

First iteration:

$$\Delta = 0.024(1.469) = 0.035 \text{ in.}$$

Second iteration:

$$e = 1.469 + 0.035 = 1.504 \text{ in.}$$

$$\Delta = 0.024(1.504) = 0.036 \text{ in.}$$

Third iteration:

$$e = 1.469 + 0.036 = 1.505 \text{ in.}$$

$$\Delta = 0.024(1.505) = 0.036 \text{ in. (convergence)}$$

$$M_u = \frac{18.2(1)}{2} + 18.2(1.51) + \frac{\left( \frac{0.306}{12} \right) (360)^2}{8}$$

$$= 450 \text{ kip-in}$$

$$M_{uy}/I = 450(4)(1000)/4096 = -439 \text{ psi}$$

$$\text{Panel weight} = 22 \text{ psi}$$

$$\text{Prestress} = 250 \text{ psi}$$

$$\text{Dead load} = 18 \text{ psi}$$

$$\text{Net stress (tension)} = -149 \text{ psi}$$

$$f_r = 7.5 \sqrt{f'_c} = 530 \text{ psi} > 149 \text{ psi}$$

Therefore, the analysis is valid.

$$P_u = 18.2/8 = 2.3 \text{ kips/ft}$$

$$M_u = 450/[(12)(8)] = 4.7 \text{ kip-ft/ft}$$

By comparison with Figure 2.6.5, OK.

## 3.5.2 Moment Magnification Method

This is an approximate method described in Sects. 10.11, 10.12 and 10.13 of ACI 318-95, and is applicable to precast and prestressed members with modification. Moment magnification as described by ACI is limited to  $k\ell_u/r$  values of 100 or less and to nonprestressed members.

Since most prestressed compression members and precast load bearing wall panels have much less than 1% steel, modified equations for EI are recommended. Figure 3.12.14 presents such equations based on "curve fitting" with theoretically exact procedures, and agrees reasonably well for  $k\ell_u/r$  values up to 150. Other modifications have also been used successfully. These approximations are necessarily conservative, so the second-order analysis is preferred for major structures. For  $k\ell_u/r$  values exceeding 150 a second-order analysis is recommended as well.

The moment magnification provisions in the ACI Code are presented in separate sections for non-sway frames and sway frames. A structure is considered non-sway if the increase in column end moments due to second-order effects does not exceed 5% of the first-order end moments. Another method to determine whether a structure is a non-sway frame or sway frame is to calculate the stability index "Q".

$$Q = \frac{\Sigma P_u \Delta_o}{V_u \ell_c} \quad (\text{Eq. 3.5.1})$$

where  $\Sigma P_u$  is the total vertical load,  $V_u$  is the story shear, and  $\Delta_o$  is the first order relative deflection between the top and the bottom of that story due to  $V_u$ . A frame is non-sway if Q is less than or equal to 0.05.

### 3.5.2.1 Moment Magnification Method for Non-Sway Frames

The ACI equations are repeated here for convenience:

$$M_c = \delta_{ns} M_2 \quad (\text{Eq. 3.5.2})$$

where:

$$\delta_{ns} = \frac{C_m}{1 - \frac{P_u}{0.75P_c}} \geq 1.0 \quad (\text{Eq. 3.5.3})$$

$$P_c = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{(k\ell_u)^2} \quad (\text{Eq. 3.5.4})$$

$$EI = \frac{0.2(E_c I_g) + E_s I_{se}}{1 + \beta_d} \quad (\text{Eq. 3.5.5})$$

or conservatively:

$$EI = \frac{0.4 E_c I_g}{1 + \beta_d} \quad (\text{Eq. 3.5.6})$$

or for  $100 < k\ell_u/r < 150$  use Figure 3.12.14:

$$C_m = 0.6 + 0.4 \frac{M_1}{M_2} \geq 0.4 \quad (\text{Eq. 3.5.7})$$

= 1.0 for members with transverse loads between supports.

In Eq. 3.5.4, the value of  $k$  can be determined from the Jackson-Moreland alignment charts, Figure 3.12.15. Since most precast members are used in non-sway frames, and the connections are not designed to transfer moment to horizontal members, a  $k$  of 1 is usually used.  $\psi_a$  and  $\psi_b$  refer to the ends of the compression member. Example 3.5.1 is redone using the moment magnification method:

### Example 3.5.2 Analysis of a Non-Sway Frame Using Moment Magnification

**Given:**

Use the same wall panel of Example 3.5.1.

**Problem:**

Determine if standard panel (Figure 2.6.5) is adequate using moment magnification.

$$r = 0.3(8) = 2.4 \text{ in.}$$

$$\frac{k\ell_u}{r} = 1.0(360)/2.4 = 150$$

Since  $k\ell_u/r$  exceeds 100 the equations from Figure 3.12.14 are used to compute  $EI$ .

From Figure 2.6.6:

$$\phi P_o = 289(8) = 2312 \text{ kips for an 8 in. x 8 feet wide wall}$$

where:

$$\phi = 0.70 \text{ for a compression failure}$$

$$P_o = 2312/0.70 = 3303$$

$$6 \leq \eta \leq 70 \text{ kips}$$

$$\eta = 2.5 + \frac{1.6}{P_u/P_o}$$

$$= 2.5 + \frac{1.6}{24.2/3303} = 221 > 70$$

$$\theta = \frac{27}{k\ell_u/r} - 0.05 = \frac{27}{150} - 0.05 = 0.13 \text{ (no compression flange)}$$

$$\lambda = \eta\theta \geq 3.2$$

$$\lambda = 70(0.13) = 9.1$$

$$EI = \frac{E_c I_g / \lambda}{1 + \beta_d} = \frac{4300(4096)}{9.1(1 + \beta_d)} = \frac{1.93 \times 10^6}{1 + \beta_d}$$

**Case 1: No Wind**

Since there is production bowing this should be considered to be a transverse load so  $C_m = 1.0$ . Total  $e$  at midheight is  $0.5 + 1.0 = 1.5$  in. This exceeds a minimum  $e$  from ACI 318-95 Sect. 10.12.3.2 so it is okay.

$$M_2 = P_u e = 24.2(1.5) = 36.3 \text{ kip-in}$$

$$P_c = \frac{\pi^2(1.93 \times 10^6)/(1 + 0.58)}{360^2} = 93.0 \text{ kips}$$

$$\delta_{ns} = \frac{1.0}{1 - \frac{24.2}{(0.75)(93.0)}} = 1.53$$

$$M_c = 1.53(67.5) = 103 \text{ kip-in}$$

This moment is more than what is calculated using the  $P-\Delta$  method of Example 3.5.1. As in that example, the wall is uncracked so the analysis is valid and the wall has enough ultimate strength for the applied loads. In this example, the moment magnification method produces conservative results. The wind load case is done in a similar manner with  $\beta_d = 0$ .

### 3.5.2.2 Moment Magnification Method for Sway Frames

The ACI equations are repeated here for convenience:

$$M_1 = M_{1ns} + \delta_s M_{1s} \quad (\text{Eq. 3.5.8a})$$

$$M_2 = M_{2ns} + \delta_s M_{2s} \quad (\text{Eq. 3.5.8b})$$

If an individual compression member has

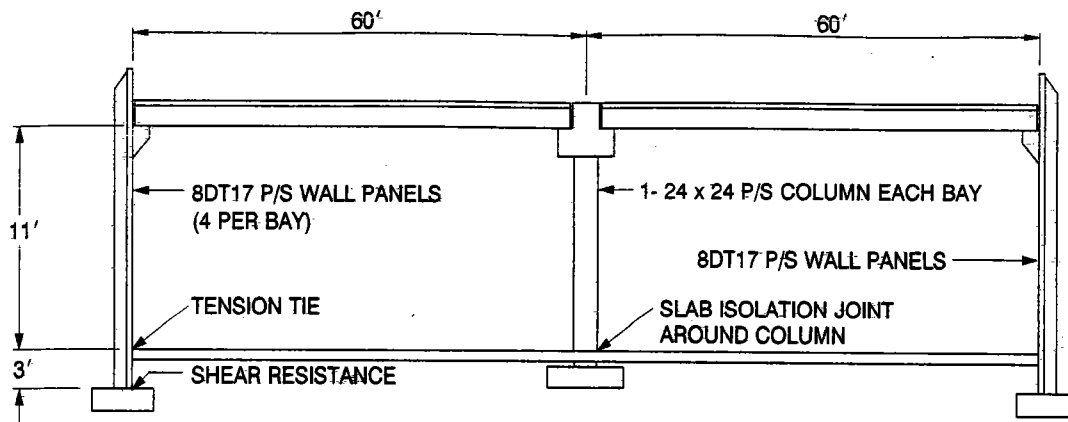
$$\frac{\ell_u}{r} > \frac{35}{\sqrt{\frac{P_u}{f'_c A_g}}} \quad (\text{Eq. 3.5.9})$$

it shall be designed for  $M_c$  as calculated in Sect. 3.5.2.1 using the sway magnified moments  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  as calculated above. Sect. 10.13.4 ACI 318-95 allows three methods of calculating  $\delta_s$ :

1. Use a second-order elastic analysis based on the member stiffnesses given in Sect. 10.11.1 ACI 318-95.
2. If  $\delta_s$  does not exceed 1.5 it may be calculated by:

$$\delta_s = \frac{1}{(1 - Q)} \geq 1.0 \quad (\text{Eq. 3.5.10})$$

where  $Q$  is calculated per Eq. 3.5.1.



$$3. \delta_s = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{\Sigma P_u}{0.75 \Sigma P_c}} \geq 1.0 \quad (\text{Eq. 3.5.11})$$

where  $\Sigma P_u$  is the summation for all the vertical loads in a story and  $\Sigma P_c$  is the summation for all the sway resisting columns in a story per Eq. 3.5.4.

The stability of the structure as a whole under factored gravity loads shall be considered. Sect. 10.13.6 ACI 318-95 lists three criteria that need to be met to ensure overall stability. The criteria are repeated here for convenience.

In addition to load cases involving lateral loads, the strength and stability of the structure as a whole under factored gravity loads shall be considered.

1. When  $\delta_s M_s$  is computed from ACI 10.13.4.1, the ratio of second-order lateral deflections to first-order lateral deflections for 1.4 dead load and 1.7 live load plus lateral load applied to the structure shall not exceed 2.5.
2. When  $\delta_s M_s$  is computed according to ACI 10.13.4.2, the value of  $Q$  computed using  $\Sigma P_u$  for 1.4 dead load plus 1.7 live load shall not exceed 0.60.
3. When  $\delta_s M_s$  is computed from ACI 10.13.4.3,  $\delta_s$  computed using  $\Sigma P_u$  and  $\Sigma P_c$  corresponding to the factored dead and live loads shall be positive and shall not exceed 2.5.

In cases (1), (2), and (3) above,  $\beta_d$  shall be taken as the ratio of the maximum factored sustained axial load to the total factored axial load.

### Example 3.5.3 Slenderness Effects Using Moment Magnification

Given:

The structure shown above is the interior portion of a long building that is isolated from the remaining

structure by expansion joints, creating an unbraced frame. A frame analysis of the structure yields the following data:

Each wall panel:

Axial load: D = 14.4 kips  
L = 7.2 kips  
W = 0

Top moment: D = 9.6 kip-ft  
L = 4.8 kip-ft  
W = 0

Bott. moment: D = 4.2 kip-ft  
L = 2.1 kip-ft  
W = 17.0 kip-ft (flange comp.)

Each column:

Axial load: D = 115.2 kips,  
L = 57.6 kips,  
W = 0

Top moment: D = L = W = 0 (pinned)

Bott. moment: D = L = 0, W = 3.0 kip-ft

Wall panel properties:

A = 334.5 in<sup>2</sup>

I = 7897 in<sup>4</sup>

r = 4.86 in.

$P_o$  (see Figure 2.6.3) =  $1222/\phi = 1746$  kips

$f'_c = 5000$  psi

$E_c = 4300$  ksi

Column properties:

A = 576 in<sup>2</sup>

I = 27,648 in<sup>4</sup>

r = 7.2 in.

$P_o$  (see Figure 2.6.1) =  $1650/0.7 = 2357$  kips

$f'_c = 5000$  psi

$E_c = 4300$  ksi

**Problem:**

Find magnified moments for wall panels and columns and check stability of the structure as a whole under factored gravity loads.

**Solution:**

Wall panel:

Case 1: (Dead + Live)

$$P_u = 1.4(14.4) + 1.7(7.2) = 32.4 \text{ kips}$$

$$M_{2ns} = 1.4(9.6) + 1.7(4.8) = 21.6 \text{ kip-ft}$$

$$M_{1ns} = 1.4(4.2) + 1.7(2.1) = 9.5 \text{ kip-ft}$$

In this case, the larger moment  $M_2$  occurs at the top.

When gravity loads are unsymmetrical, frame moments can be very small, but a sidesway case must be checked for overall stability. Since in this structure the axial loads are symmetrical and do not contribute to sidesway, the value of  $k$  can be taken as 1 and  $M_{1s}$  and  $M_{2s} = 0$ .

Therefore, Eqs. 3.5.8 become:

$$M_1 = M_{1ns} + \delta_s M_{1s} = 9.5 + 0 = 9.5 \text{ kip-ft}$$

$$M_2 = M_{2ns} + \delta_s M_{2s} = 21.6 + 0 = 21.6 \text{ kip-ft}$$

Check Eq. 3.5.9 to determine if the moment  $M_2$  needs to be multiplied by  $\delta_{ns}$ .

$$\ell_u/r = 11(12)/4.86 = 27.2$$

$$\frac{35}{\sqrt{\frac{P_u}{f'_c A_g}}} = \frac{35}{\sqrt{\frac{32.4}{5(334.5)}}} = 251$$

$27.2 < 251$ , so maximum moment is

$$M_2 = 21.6 \text{ kip-ft}$$

Case 2: (Dead + Live + Wind)

Use Eq. 3.5.11 to compute  $\delta_s M_s$ . First calculate the summations of the ultimate loads and critical loads,  $P_c$ , for the structure.

Wall Panel:

Since wind loads contribute to sidesway:

$$P_u = 0.75(32.4) = 24.3 \text{ kips}$$

$$M_{2ns} = 0.75(9.5) = 7.1 \text{ kip-ft}$$

$$M_{2s} = 0.75(1.7)(17.0) = 21.7 \text{ kip-ft}$$

In this case, the larger moment  $M_2$  occurs at the bottom.

$$\beta_d = 0$$

Assume  $\psi_A$  for use in Jackson-Moreland alignment charts is approximately the ratio of  $\ell_u$  to length below floor =  $14/3 = 4.7$ ;  $\psi_B = 1.0$  (max.)

$$k = 2.5$$

$$k\ell_u = 2.5(11)(12) = 330.0 \text{ in.}$$

Using Figure 3.12.14(A):

$$P_u/P_o = 24.3/1746 = 0.014, k\ell_u/r = 67.9$$

$$\lambda = 30$$

$$EI = \frac{4300(7897)/30}{1.0} = 1.13 \times 10^6 \text{ kip-in}^2$$

$$C_m = 1.0$$

$$P_c = \frac{\pi^2(1.13 \times 10^6)}{(330)^2} = 102.4 \text{ kips}$$

Column:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Column } P_u &= 0.75[1.4(115.2) + 1.7(57.6)] \\ &= 194.4 \text{ kips} \end{aligned}$$

From analysis of column/base relationships (see Sect. 3.8.3),  $K_c/K_b = 1.0$ .

Using alignment charts:

$$\psi_A = 1$$

$$\psi_B = 10$$

$$k = 1.9$$

$$k\ell_u = 1.9(11)(12) = 250.8 \text{ in.}$$

$$\frac{k\ell_u}{r} = 250.8/7.2 = 34.8$$

$$\frac{P_u}{P_o} = 194.4/2357 = 0.08$$

From Figure 3.12.14(B):

$$I = 16.3$$

$$EI = \frac{4300(27,648)/16.3}{1.0}$$

$$= 7.29 \times 10^6 \text{ kip-in}^2$$

$$P_c = \frac{\pi^2(7.29 \times 10^6)}{(250.8)^2} = 1144 \text{ kips}$$

$$\Sigma P_u = 8(24.3) + 194.4 = 389 \text{ kips}$$

$$\Sigma P_c = 8(102.4) + 1144 = 1963 \text{ kips}$$

Substituting into Eq. 3.5.11

$$\delta_s = \frac{1.0}{1 - \frac{\Sigma P_u}{0.75 \Sigma P_c}} = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{389}{0.75(1963)}} = 1.36$$

Use Eq. 3.5.8:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Wall panel } M_2 &= M_{2ns} + \delta_s M_{2s} \\ &= 7.1 + 1.36(21.7) \\ &= 36.6 \text{ kip-ft} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Column } M_2 &= 0 + 0.75(1.7)(3)(1.32) \\ &= 5.05 \text{ kip-ft} \end{aligned}$$

Check Eq. 3.5.9:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Wall panel: } \frac{\ell_u}{r} &= \frac{11(12)}{4.86} = 27.2 \\ \frac{35}{\sqrt{\frac{P_u}{f'_c A_g}}} &= \frac{35}{\sqrt{\frac{24.3}{5(334.5)}}} = 290.4 \end{aligned}$$

Since  $27.2 < 290.4$ , no further magnification is required for the wall panels.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Column: } \frac{\ell_u}{r} &= \frac{11(12)}{7.2} = 18.3 \\ \frac{35}{\sqrt{\frac{P_u}{f'_c A_g}}} &= \frac{35}{\sqrt{\frac{194.4}{5(576)}}} = 135 \end{aligned}$$

Since  $18.3 < 135$ , no further magnification is required for the columns.

Case 3: Check stability under gravity loads.

Check per criteria (C) ACI 318-95 Sect. 10.13.6:

$$\text{Wall Panel: } P_u = 32.4 \text{ kips (Case 1)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Column: } P_u &= 1.4(115.2) + 1.7(57.6) \\ &= 259.2 \text{ kips} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Recompute } \delta_s \text{ using } \beta_d = \frac{\text{Factored DL}}{\text{Total Factored Load}}$$

$$\text{Wall Panel: } \beta_d = \frac{1.4(14.4)}{32.4} = 0.622$$

Using the fixities from Case 2:

$$EI = \frac{4300(7897)/30}{1 + 0.622} = 0.70 \times 10^6$$

Using Eq. 3.5.4:

$$P_c = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{(k\ell_u)^2} = \frac{\pi^2(0.70 \times 10^6)}{(330)^2} = 63.4 \text{ kips}$$

$$\text{Column: } \beta_d = \frac{1.4(115.2)}{259.2} = 0.622$$

Using the fixities from Case 2:

$$EI = \frac{4300(27,648)/16.3}{1 + 0.622} = 4.50 \times 10^6$$

Using Eq. 3.5.4:

$$P_c = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{(k\ell_u)^2} = \frac{\pi^2(4.50 \times 10^6)}{(250.8)^2} = 706 \text{ kips}$$

$$\Sigma P_u = 8(32.4) + 259.2 = 518.4 \text{ kips}$$

$$\Sigma P_c = 8(63.4) + 706 = 1213 \text{ kips}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_s &= \frac{1}{1 - \frac{\Sigma P_u}{0.75 \Sigma P_c}} = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{518.4}{0.75(1213)}} \\ &= 2.3 < 2.5 \text{ OK} \end{aligned}$$

### 3.6 Diaphragm Design

Floor and roof framing systems can be designed as horizontal diaphragms, to help in resisting lateral loads from wind or earthquake. The reactions from the diaphragm are transmitted to shear walls or other lateral load resisting systems as described in Sect. 3.2.3.

#### 3.6.1 Method of Analysis

The diaphragm is analyzed by considering the roof or floor as a deep horizontal beam, analogous to a plate girder or I-beam. The shear walls or other lateral load resisting systems are the supports for this beam. As in a beam, tension and compression are induced in the chords or "flanges" of the analogous beam. The shear in the diaphragm is resisted by the "web" of the analogous beam. A diaphragm model using the analogous beam is shown in Figure 3.6.1.

#### 3.6.2 Shear Transfer Between Members

In precast floors and roofs without composite topping, the individual components comprising a floor or roof diaphragm must be connected together to act as a single diaphragm. Joints between precast components which are parallel to the lateral load resisting system must be connected together to resist the diaphragm shear forces as well as chord tension/compression forces at the boundary edges of the diaphragm. Joints between the precast components which are perpendicular to the lateral load resisting system must be connected together to resist horizontal shear ( $VQ/I$ ).

The types of connections used to connect precast components together to form diaphragms vary depending on the magnitude of the required connection capacity and the preference of the precast supplier manufacturing and erecting the product. Two com-

monly used welded connections are shown in Figure 3.6.2. Connections between members often serve functions in addition to the transfer of shear for lateral loads. For example, weld plates in flanged members are often used to adjust differential camber. Grout keys may be utilized to distribute concentrated loads.

Precast components may be fabricated with grout keys and connected by grouting the joint. For members connected by grout keys, a conservative value of 80 psi can be used for the design strength of the grouted key. If necessary, reinforcement placed as shown in Figure 3.6.3 can be used to transfer the shear. This steel is designed by the shear-friction principles discussed in Chapter 4.

In floors and roofs with composite topping, the topping itself, or in conjunction with the precast components, can act as the diaphragm, if adequately reinforced. Shear reinforcement, if required, can be determined by shear-friction analysis and continuous reinforcement at the diaphragm boundaries may be provided to resist chord tension forces.

Connections which transfer shear from the diaphragm to the shear walls or other lateral load resisting systems are analyzed in the same manner as the connections between members.

### 3.6.3 Chord Forces

Chord forces are calculated as shown in Figure 3.6.1. For roofs with intermediate supports as shown, the shear stress is carried across the beam with weld plates or bars in grout keys as shown in Section A-A. Bars are designed by shear-friction.

In flanged deck members, the chord tension at the perimeter of the building is usually transferred between members by reinforced topping or tension connections.

In all buildings, a minimum amount of perimeter reinforcement is required to satisfy structural integrity (see Sect. 3.10) [7]. These minimum requirements may be more than enough to resist the chord tension.

Figure 3.6.1 Analogous beam design of a diaphragm

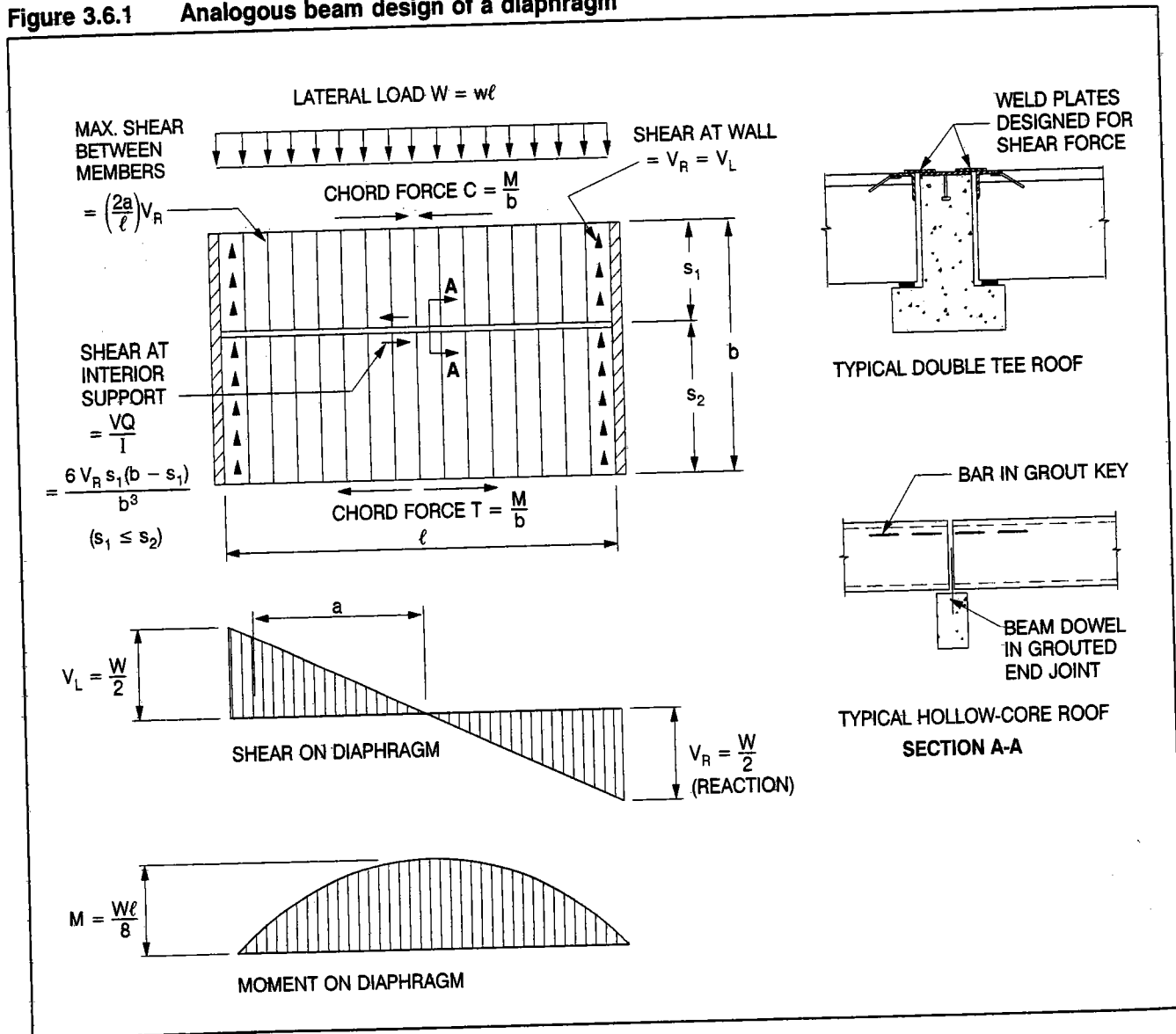
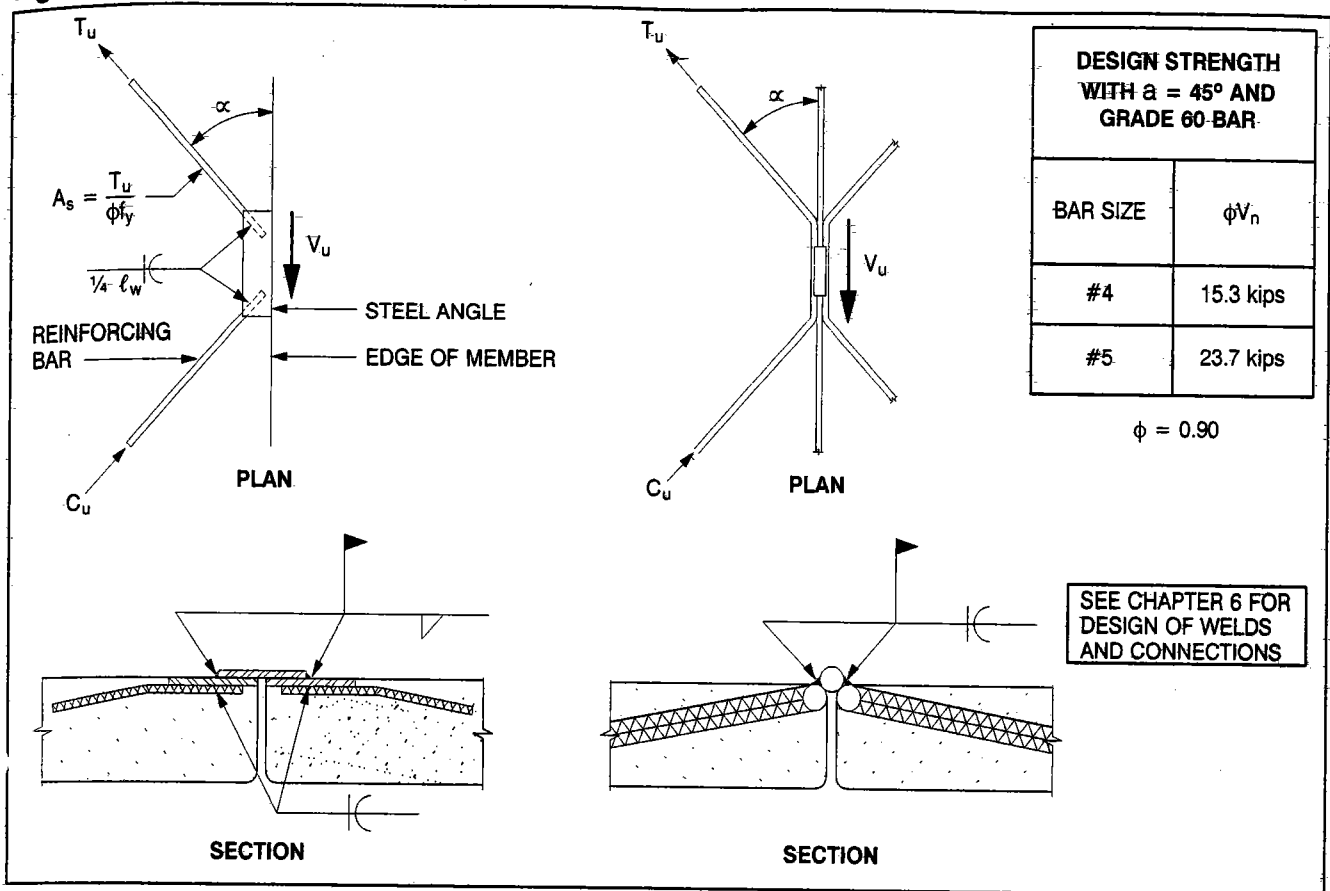


Figure 3.6.2 Typical flange weld-plate details



### 3.7 Shear Wall Buildings

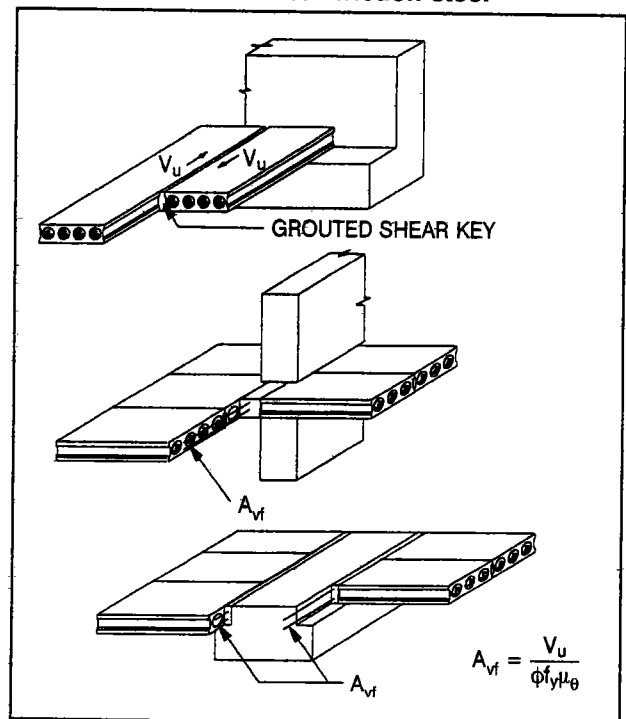
#### 3.7.1 General

In most cases, precast concrete shear walls will be the most economical lateral load resisting system for precast concrete buildings. Precast shear walls are structurally efficient and relatively easy to manufacture. They can be erected using a precaster's standard connections, which do not require production and erection tolerances as exacting as those required by most other types of lateral load resisting systems. Splice sleeve type connections are more demanding and require tighter tolerances. Shear walls are also economical because they can be designed using structural walls already required by the building layout, such as exterior walls, interior walls, and walls that enclose stairways, elevator and mechanical shafts.

Shear walls act as vertical cantilever beams, which transfer lateral forces acting parallel to the face of the wall, from the superstructure to the foundation. Shear walls should be oriented to resist lateral loads applied to the building in both principal axes of the building. Ideally, there should be at least two shear walls oriented to resist lateral loads in both principal axes of the building. If only one shear wall is oriented in one principal axis of the building, two shear walls should be provided in the orthogonal axis to resist diaphragm torsion. See Figure 3.7.3(A). Alternatively, it is accept-

able to orient the three shear walls in any non-collinear position. Some codes require that lateral loads be applied in the direction of both principal axes simultaneously.

Figure 3.6.3 Use of perimeter reinforcement as shear-friction steel



It is desirable to design shear walls as load bearing panels, whenever possible. The increased dead load acting on the panel is an advantage because it increases the panel's resistance to uplift and overturning.

The distribution of the total lateral force acting on a building to each individual shear wall is influenced by the following factors:

1. The supporting soil and footings
2. The stiffness of the diaphragm
3. The relative flexural and shear stiffness of each shear wall
4. The eccentricity of the lateral loads to the center of rigidity of the shear walls

Generally, it is common practice to neglect the deformation of the soil and the footings when distributing shears among shear walls.

If the depth-to-span ratio of a diaphragm is small, the diaphragm will be "flexible" and may deflect significantly when subjected to lateral loads. Flexible diaphragms distribute shears to each shear wall relative to the tributary width of diaphragm loading each shear wall. If the depth-to-span ratio of a diaphragm is large, the diaphragm will be "rigid" and not deflect as significantly as a flexible diaphragm, when subjected to lateral loads. Rigid diaphragms distribute shears to each shear wall in proportion to the shear wall's relative stiffness. In precast concrete building design, it is common practice to assume that floor and roof diaphragms act as rigid diaphragms.

### 3.7.1.1 Relative Stiffness of Shear Walls

The relative stiffness of each shear wall is determined by comparing the rigidity of an individual shear wall with the sum of the rigidities of all the shear walls. The rigidity of solid shear walls and distribution of lateral loads are further discussed in Sects. 3.7.2 and 3.7.3, respectively.

### 3.7.1.2 Eccentricity of Lateral Loads

A rigid diaphragm subjected to lateral load will translate in a direction parallel to the applied load. See Figure 3.7.1(A). The magnitude of the diaphragm translation is related to the sum of the rigidities of the resisting shear walls. If the center of rigidity is not coincident with the line of action of the applied loads, the diaphragm will tend to rotate about the center of rigidity. See Figure 3.7.1(B). The location of the center of lateral load can be different for different load cases,

such as wind loading and seismic loading. The dimension between the center of rigidity and center of lateral load is the eccentricity of the lateral load resisting system. Most codes have requirements for minimum eccentricity, to provide resistance for "accidental torsion."

Shear walls in precast concrete buildings can be individual wall panels, or individual wall panels which are connected together to function as a single shear wall. Connecting wall panels together to create a single shear wall is done in a manner similar to that described for connecting floor and roof components together to form diaphragms, as discussed in Sect. 3.6.2.

It is desirable to design the wall panels as single uncoupled units. This reduces the cost of connections and the magnitude of volume change restraint forces that occur when many wall panels are connected together to form one large shear wall.

If the overturning moment results in excessive uplift to an individual, uncoupled shear wall panel, multiple wall panels can be connected together. Connecting individual wall panels together greatly increases the shear resistance and reduces uplift of the shear wall. Locate the required panel-to-panel connections near mid-length of the wall to minimize volume change restraint forces. As previously stated, it is desirable to minimize the number of wall panels connected together to minimize volume change forces and number of connections required.

The stiffness of a shear wall may be increased by connecting it to perpendicular walls, which act as flanges. The effective flange width that can be assumed for such walls is illustrated in Figure 3.7.2. Generally, the use of "flanges," increases the shear wall's flexural rigidity, but has little effect on its shear rigidity. In some structures, such as Example 3.7.3, it may be desirable to connect perpendicular walls to a shear wall to increase its dead load, which increases the shear wall's resistance to overturning moment caused by lateral loads.

### 3.7.2 Rigidity of Solid Shear Walls

In order to determine the distribution of lateral loads, the relative rigidity of all shear walls must be established. Rigidity is defined as:

$$r = 1/\Delta \quad (\text{Eq. 3.7.1})$$

where:

$$\Delta = \text{sum of flexural and shear deflections.}$$

For a structure with rectangular shear walls of the same material, with a wall height-to-length ratio of less than about 0.3, the flexural stiffness can be neglected, and the distribution made in accordance with the cross sectional area of the walls. If the height-to-



length ratio is greater than about 3.0, the shear stiffness can be neglected, and the distribution made in accordance with the moments of inertia, based on the walls' plan dimensions.

When the height-to-length ratio is between 0.3 and 3.0, an equivalent moment of inertia,  $I_{eq}$ , can be derived for simplifying the calculation of wall rigidity.  $I_{eq}$  is an approximation of the moment of inertia that would result in a flexural deflection equal to the combined flexural and shear deflections of the wall. Figure 3.12.16 compares the deflections and  $I_{eq}$  for several load and restraint conditions.

Connecting or coupling of shear walls or walls with large openings will also affect stiffness, as discussed in Sects. 3.7.5 and 3.7.6.

### 3.7.3 Distribution of Lateral Loads

Lateral loads are distributed to each shear wall in proportion to its rigidity. It is usually considered sufficient to design for lateral loads in only two orthogonal directions.

When the shear walls are symmetrical with respect to the center of load application, the force resisted by any shear wall is:

$$F_i = (r_i / \Sigma r) W \quad (\text{Eq. 3.7.2})$$

where:

$F_i$  = the force resisted by an individual shear wall,  $i$

$r_i$  = the rigidity of wall  $i$

$\Sigma r$  = sum of rigidities of all shear walls

$W$  = total lateral load

### 3.7.4 Unsymmetrical Shear Walls

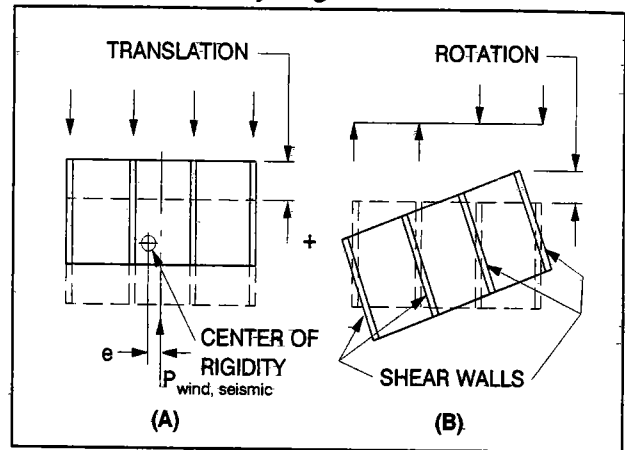
The analysis of structures which have shear walls placed unsymmetrically with respect to the center of the lateral load, should consider the torsional effect in the analysis. Typical examples are shown in Figure 3.7.3.

For complex structures such as multi-story buildings and buildings subjected to seismic loading, the distribution of lateral loads to shear walls should be based on a rigorous analysis, which calculates relative rigidities of shear walls in terms of their calculated shear stiffness and flexural stiffness. This type of analysis is required in order to accurately determine the load distribution to each story and the story drifts based on a separate calculation of the shear and bending deflection of the shear walls in each story. Refer to Ref. 24 for more specific information regarding this method of analysis.

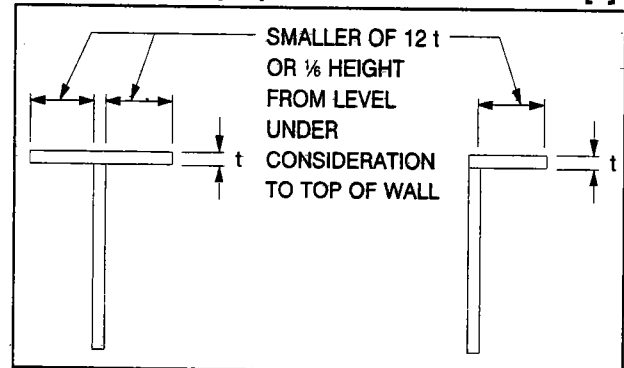
For most single-story buildings subjected to wind loads, a simplified, approximate analysis is commonly

used to determine torsion in unsymmetrically located shear walls. This type of analysis assumes a unit thickness for all shear walls, similar to the method used to design welds as discussed in Sect. 6.5.6. The method is described in the following example.

**Figure 3.7.1 Translation and rotation of rigid diaphragms**



**Figure 3.7.2 Effective width of wall perpendicular to shear walls [7]**



### Example 3.7.1 Design of Unsymmetrical Shear Walls

**Given:**

The structure of Figure 3.7.3(C). All walls are 8 ft high and 8 in. thick.

**Problem:**

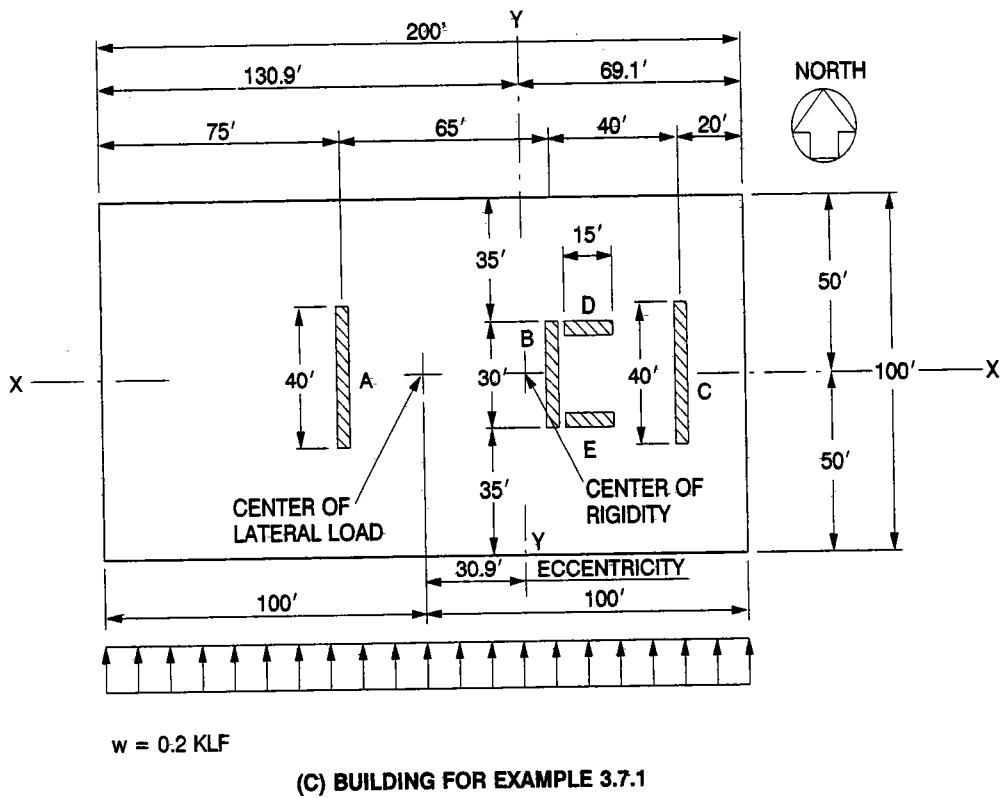
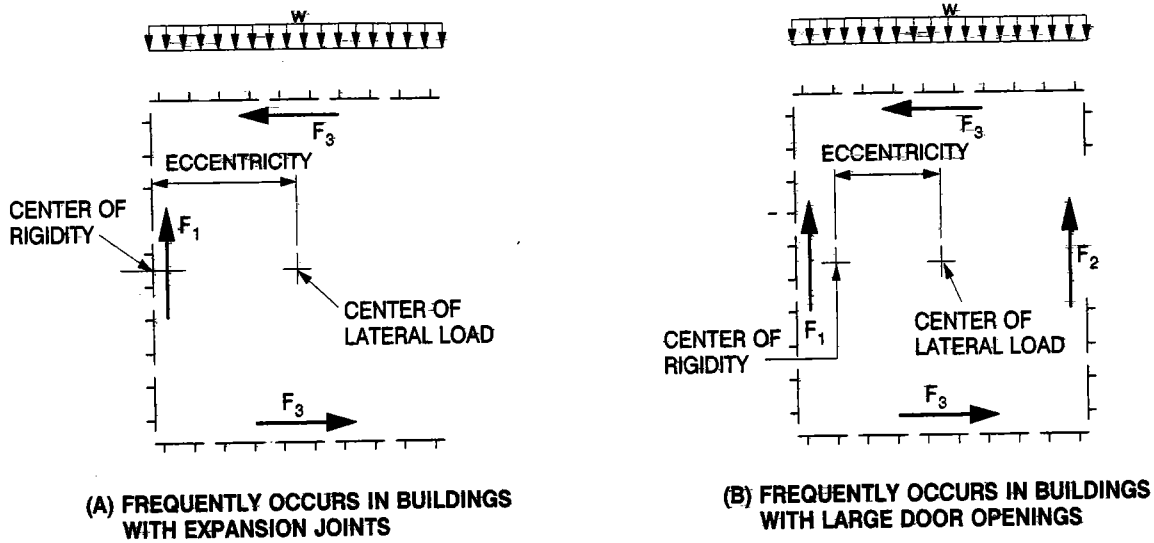
Determine the shear in each wall, assuming the floors and roof are rigid diaphragms. Walls D and E are not connected to Wall B.

**Solution:**

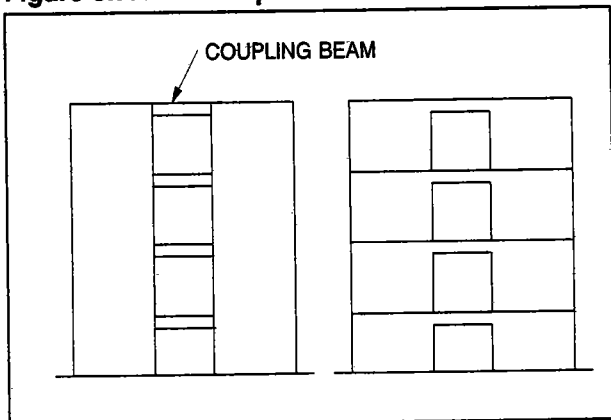
Maximum height-to-length ratio of north-south walls =  $8/30 < 0.3$ . Thus, for distribution of the direct wind shear, neglect flexural stiffness. Since walls are the same thickness and material, distribute in proportion to length.

Total lateral load,  $W = 0.20 \times 200 = 40$  kips

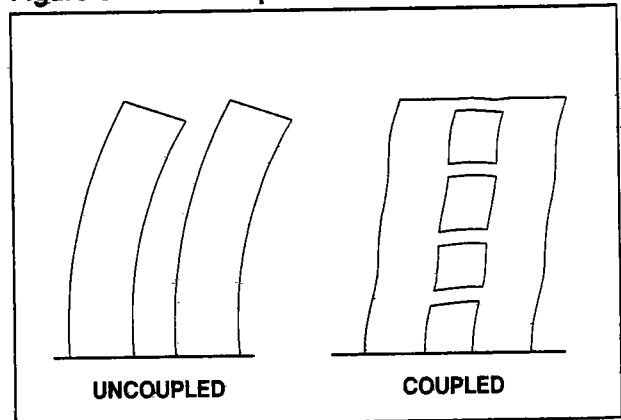
**Figure 3.7.3 Unsymmetrical shear walls**



**Figure 3.7.4 Coupled shear walls**



**Figure 3.7.5 Response to lateral loads**



Determine center of rigidity:

$$\bar{x} = \frac{40(75) + 30(140) + 40(180)}{40 + 30 + 40}$$

$$= 130.9 \text{ ft from left}$$

$\bar{y}$  = center of building, since walls D and E are placed symmetrically about the center of the building in the north-south direction.

$$\text{Torsional moment, } M_T = 40(30.9) = 1236 \text{ kip-ft}$$

Determine the polar moment of inertia of the shear wall group about the center of rigidity:

$$I_p = I_{xx} + I_{yy}$$

$$I_{xx} = \sum \ell y^2 \text{ of east-west walls}$$

$$= 2(15)(15)^2 = 6750 \text{ ft}^3$$

$$I_{yy} = \sum \ell x^2 \text{ of north-south walls}$$

$$= 40(130.9 - 75)^2 + 30(140 - 130.9)^2$$

$$+ 40(180 - 130.9)^2$$

$$= 223,909 \text{ ft}^3$$

$$I_p = 6750 + 223,909 = 230,659 \text{ ft}^3$$

$$\text{Shear in north-south walls} = \frac{W\ell}{\sum \ell} + \frac{M_T x \ell}{I_p}$$

$$\text{Wall A} = \frac{40(40)}{110} + \frac{1236(130.9 - 75)(40)}{230,659}$$

$$= 14.5 + 12.0 = 26.5 \text{ kips}$$

$$\text{Wall B} = \frac{40(30)}{110} + \frac{1236(-9.1)(30)}{230,659}$$

$$= 10.91 - 1.46 = 9.45 \text{ kips}$$

$$\text{Wall C} = \frac{40(40)}{110} + \frac{1236(-49.1)(40)}{230,659}$$

$$= 14.5 - 10.5 = 4.0 \text{ kips}$$

$$\text{Shear in east-west walls} = \frac{M_T y \ell}{I_p}$$

$$= 1236(15)(15)/230,659 = 1.21 \text{ kips}$$

Note: Some building codes do not allow torsional effects to be subtracted (only added).

### 3.7.5 Coupled Shear Walls

Two individual shear walls separated by large openings may be connected together with structural members which can resist axial and/or flexural loads. The combined stiffness of the two coupled shear walls is greater than the sum of their uncoupled stiffness.

Coupling shear walls can reduce the lateral deflection (drift) in a building and reduce the magnitude of the moments for which a shear wall must be designed.

Figure 3.7.4 shows two examples of coupled shear walls. The effect of coupling is to increase the stiffness by transfer of shear and moment through the coupling beam. The wall curvatures are altered from that of a cantilever because of the frame action developed. Figure 3.7.5 shows how the deflected shapes differ in response to lateral loads.

Several approaches may be used to analyze the response of coupled shear walls. A simple approach is to ignore the coupling effect by considering the walls as independent cantilevers. This method results in a conservative wall design. However, if the coupling beam is rigidly connected, significant shears and moments will occur in the beam that may cause unsightly and possibly dangerous cracking. To avoid the problem, the beam-to-panel connection can be detailed for little or no rigidity, or the beam can be designed to resist the actual shears and moments.

Finite element analysis may be used to determine the distribution of shears and moments within a coupled shear wall. The accuracy (and cost) of such an analysis is a function of the element size used. This method is usually reserved for very complex structures.

A "plane frame" computer analysis will be sufficiently accurate for the great majority of structures. In modeling the coupled shear wall as a frame, the member dimensions must be considered, as a centerline analysis may yield inaccurate results. A suggested model is shown in Figure 3.7.6(A).

Either a finite element or frame analysis may be used to determine the deflection of a coupled shear wall, and hence its equivalent moment of inertia. This may then be used to determine distribution of shears in a building which contains both solid and coupled shear walls. Some frame analysis programs do not calculate shear deformations; if significant, shear deformations may have to be calculated separately.

### 3.7.6 Shear Walls with Large Openings

Window panels and other wall panels with large openings may also be analyzed with a plane frame computer program. Figure 3.7.6(B) shows suggested models. Where length-to-depth ratios for vertical and horizontal segments are similar, a frame model based on segment centerlines will be reasonably accurate. Otherwise, an analysis similar to that described for coupled shear walls may be used. Recent research on shear walls with openings is available [25].

As with coupled shear walls, the deflections yielded by the computer analysis may be used to determine equivalent stiffness for determining lateral load distribution. Shear deflections, if significant, may

have to be hand calculated and added to the flexural stiffnesses from the frame analysis.

In very tall structures, vertical shear and axial deformations influence the rigidity of panels with large openings, so a more rigorous analysis may be required.

### Example 3.7.2 One-Story Building

Given:

The wind load analysis and design of a typical one-story industrial building are illustrated by the structure shown in Figure 3.7.7. 8-ft wide double tees are used for both the roof and walls. The local building code specifies that a wind load of 25 psf be used for buildings of this height.

Solution:

1. Calculate forces, reactions, shears and moments:

Total wind force to roof:

$$W = [25(160)(19/2 + 2.5)]/1000 = 48 \text{ kips}$$

$$V_L = V_R = 24 \text{ kips}$$

Diaphragm moment:

$$= \frac{W\ell}{8} = \frac{48(160)}{8} = 960 \text{ kip-ft}$$

2. Check sliding resistance of the shear wall:  
Determine dead load on the footing:

$$8\text{DT}12 \text{ wall} = 37(23.5)(120) = 104,340 \text{ lb}$$

12 in. x 18 in. footing

$$= 1(1.5)(150)(120) = 27,000 \text{ lb}$$

Assume 2 ft backfill

$$= 100(1.5)(120)(2) = 36,000 \text{ lb}$$

$$\text{Total} = 167,340 \text{ lb}$$

Assume coefficient of friction against granular soil,  $\mu_s = 0.5$

$$\text{Sliding resistance} = \mu_s N = 0.5(167.34) = 83.67 \text{ kips}$$

$$\text{Factor of safety} = 83.67/24 = 3.49 \text{ OK}$$

(Note: A 1.5 factor of safety is specified by some building codes.)

3. Check overturning resistance:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Applied overturning moment} &= 24(3 + 19) \\ &= 528 \text{ kip-ft} \end{aligned}$$

Resistance to overturning:

Assume axis of rotation at leeward edge of the building, and that all the panels are connected.

(Note: Some engineers prefer to use the more conservative assumption of an axis at  $b/5$ ,  $b/4$  or  $b/3$  from the leeward edge, depending on the foundation conditions.)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Resisting moment} &= 167.34(120/2) \\ &= 10,040 \text{ kip-ft} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Factor of safety} &= 10,040/528 \\ &= 19.0 > 1.5 \text{ OK} \end{aligned}$$

4. Analyze connections:

- a. Shear ties in double tee roof joint:

(Maximum load at first tee to tee joint)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Applied shear} &= [(80 - 8)/80](24) \\ &= 21.6 \text{ kips} \end{aligned}$$

Load factor by ACI 318-95 = 1.3

Connection load factor (see Sect. 6.3)

choose 1.2

$$V_u = 21.6(1.3)(1.2) = 33.7 \text{ kips}$$

$$v_u = 33.7/120 = 0.28 \text{ kips/ft}$$

Use #4 ties as shown in Figure 3.6.2

$$\phi V_n = 15.3 \text{ kips}$$

$$\text{Required spacing} = 15.3/0.28 = 54.6 \text{ ft}$$

(Note: Most engineers and precasters prefer a maximum connection spacing of about 8 to 15 ft for roof diaphragms.)

- b. Shear ties at the shear walls:

$$V_u = 24(1.3)(1.2) = 37.4 \text{ kips}$$

$$v_u = 37.4/120 = 0.31 \text{ kips/ft}$$

Wall tee connections as shown in Figure 3.6.2 are designed similarly to the shear tie between roof tees. This would require a spacing of  $15.3/0.31 = 49.3$  ft. In order to distribute the load to the wall panels, at least one connection per panel is required. From Figure 3.7.8 it is apparent that these connections should occur at the tee stems. Thus a spacing of 4 ft or 8 ft would be used in this case.

Other types of connections using headed studs are commonly used for this application. Design of studs is shown in Chapter 6.

In some cases, the designer may find it necessary to provide a connection that permits vertical movement of the roof member. This is illustrated in Figure 3.7.8(B). As an alternative detail, a slotted insert may be cast in the panel.

- c. Chord force (see Figure 3.7.9)

$$T = C = M/b = 960/120$$

$$= 8.0 \text{ kips}$$

$$T_u = 1.3(8.0) = 10.4 \text{ kips}$$

Figure 3.7.6 Computer models

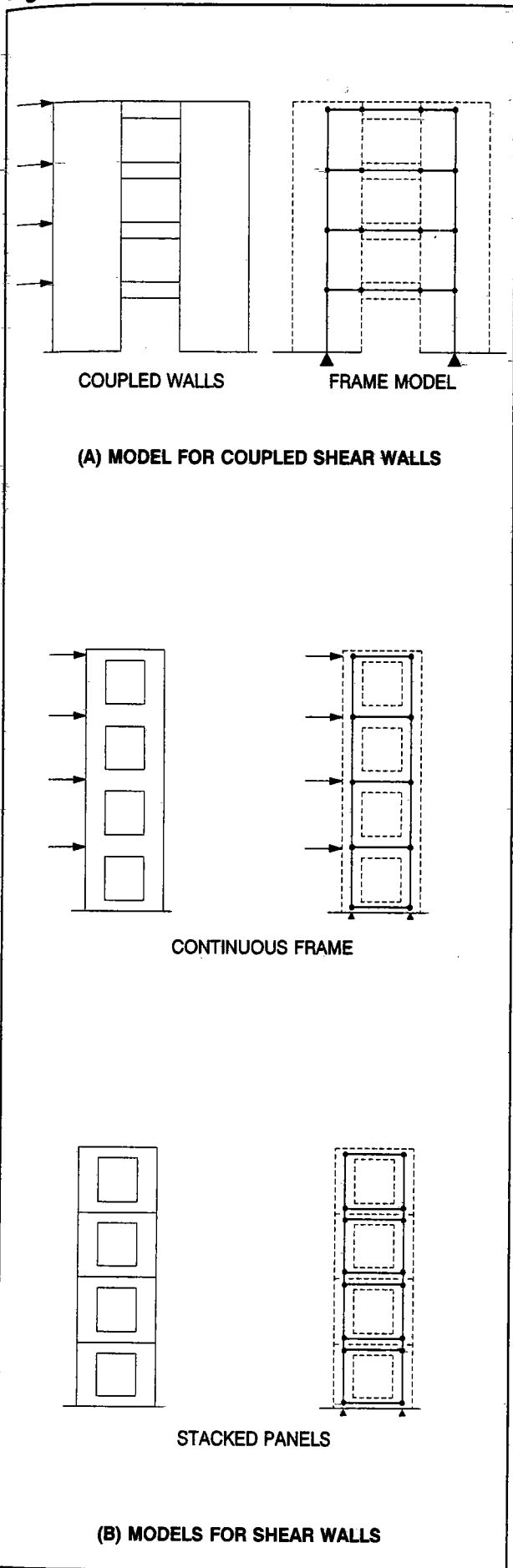
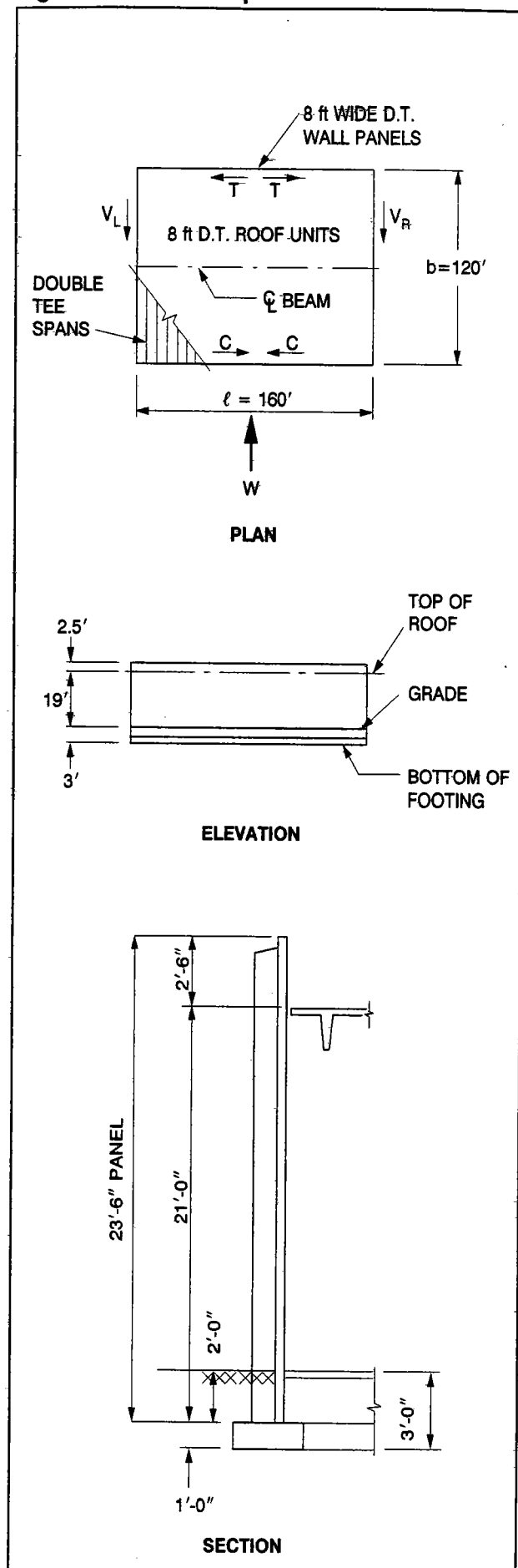
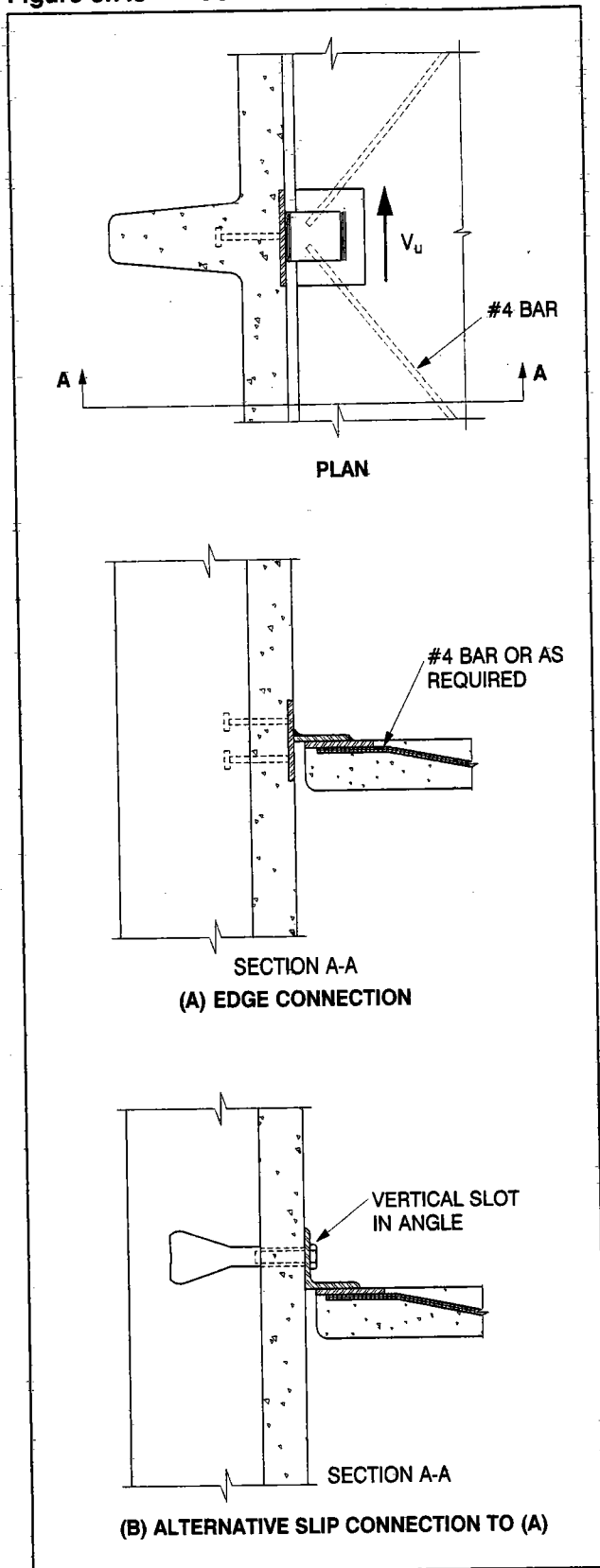


Figure 3.7.7 Example 3.7.2



**Figure 3.7.8 Connection of roof tee to wall**



The chord force can be transmitted between members by ties at the roof tees, wall panels or a combination, as illustrated in Figure 3.7.9. The force through the member flanges can be transmitted by the flange welded wire reinforcement. These ties and transmis-

sion of forces will typically provide the tie requirements given in Sect. 3.10 for structural integrity.

d. Wall panel connections:

This shear wall may be designed to act as a series of independent units, without ties between the panels. The shear force is assumed to be distributed equally among the wall panels (see Figure 3.7.10).

$$n = 120/8 = 15 \text{ panels}$$

$$V = V_R/n = 24/15 = 1.6 \text{ kips}$$

$$D = 37(8)(23.5) = 6956 \text{ lb} = 6.96 \text{ kips}$$

Design base connection for  $1.3W - 0.9D$

$$T_u = 1.3(1.53)(21) - 0.9(6.96)(2)$$

$$= 41.8 - 12.5$$

$$= 29.3 \text{ kips tension}$$

As an alternative, the shear walls may be designed with two or more panels connected together. Two analysis options are available. Example 3.11.7 illustrates an analysis where tension and compression compensate one another with simple shear connections across the vertical joints. In that system, tie-down connections may be required at the end panels of a string of interconnected panels. The second method is to connect a number of panels with rigid connections so as to have the connected panels act as a monolithic unit. By engaging more weight, tie-down forces can be reduced or eliminated. Volume change restraint must be considered when determining the number of panels to be interconnected.

Analysis of a rigidly connected panel group is dependent upon a number of factors. Connection stiffness determines whether the group will act monolithically or act as analyzed in Example 3.11.7. The aspect ratio of the rigidly connected group will affect the stress distribution at the base. While a panel group with a high height-to-length ratio may act nearly as a cantilever beam, a group with a medium to low ratio of height to length will act as a deep beam and exhibit non-linear stress distributions. Determination of tie-down forces, vertical joint forces, and base shear distribution will be a function of the aspect ratio. The shear and flexural stiffness of the individual panels will have a similar effect on force distribution.

A simplified analysis is presented for this problem. The analysis is fairly accurate for the aspect ratio used, and assumes highly rigid panel-to-panel connections. However, extrapolation to other aspect ratios is not recommended.

$$\text{Factored shear} = 1.3(1.6) = 2.08 \text{ kips per panel}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Factored weight} &= 0.9(6.96) \\ &= 6.26 \text{ kips per panel} \end{aligned}$$

Figure 3.7.9 Chord forces

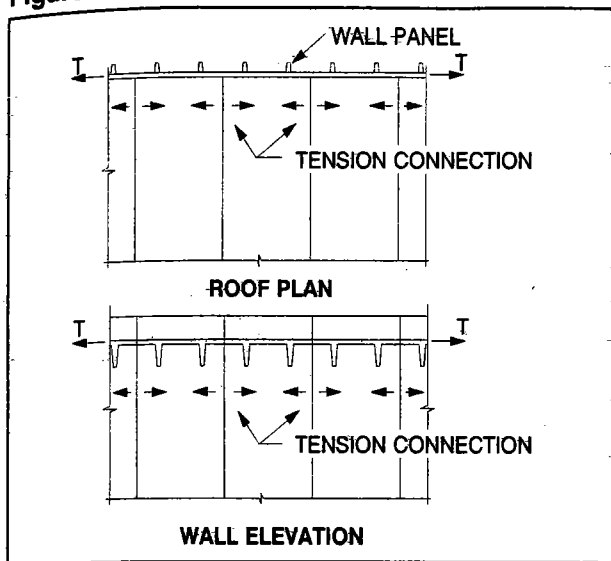
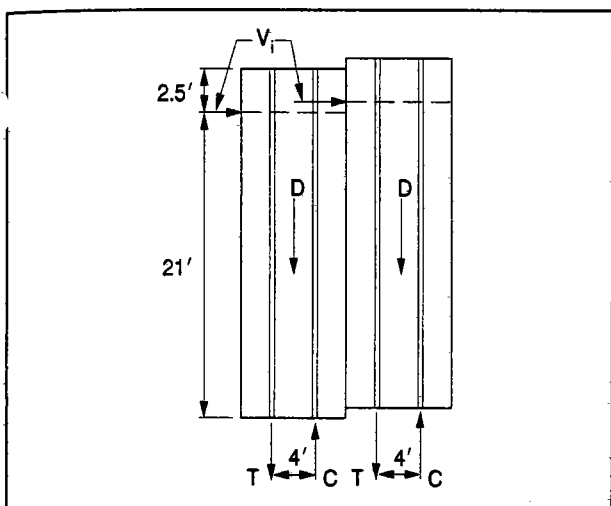


Figure 3.7.10 Panels acting as individual units in a shear wall



From Figure 3.7.11(A), try connecting two panel units:  
Design base connection for:

$$T_u = 1.3W - 0.9D$$

$$T_u = [2(1.3)(1.6)(21) - 0.9(6.96)(2+10)]/12 = 1.02 \text{ kips}$$

From Figure 3.7.11(B), examine joint forces using individual free body diagrams. On the tension side, assume the tie-down connection is concentrated at one stem. Locate a panel-to-panel connection 17.5 ft from bottom of panel.

$$\Sigma F_y: V_{u1} = 6.26 + 1.02 = 7.28 \text{ kips}$$

$$C_{u1} = [21(4.16) + 2(6.26) - 6(7.28)]/17.5$$

$$C_{u1} = 3.21 \text{ kips}$$

$$\Sigma F_x: V_{u2} = 4.16 - 3.21 = 0.95 \text{ kips}$$

On the compression side, from Figure 3.7.11(C):

$$\Sigma F_y = 0:$$

$$C_u = 7.28 + 6.26 = 13.54 \text{ kips}$$

$$\Sigma F_x = 0:$$

$$V_{u3} = 3.21 \text{ kips}$$

Check if  $\Sigma M_{cu} = 0$  OK

$$17.5(3.21) - 6(7.28) - 2(6.26) = 0$$

Therefore,  $\Sigma M_{cu} = 0$  OK

### Example 3.7.3 Four-Story Building

Given:

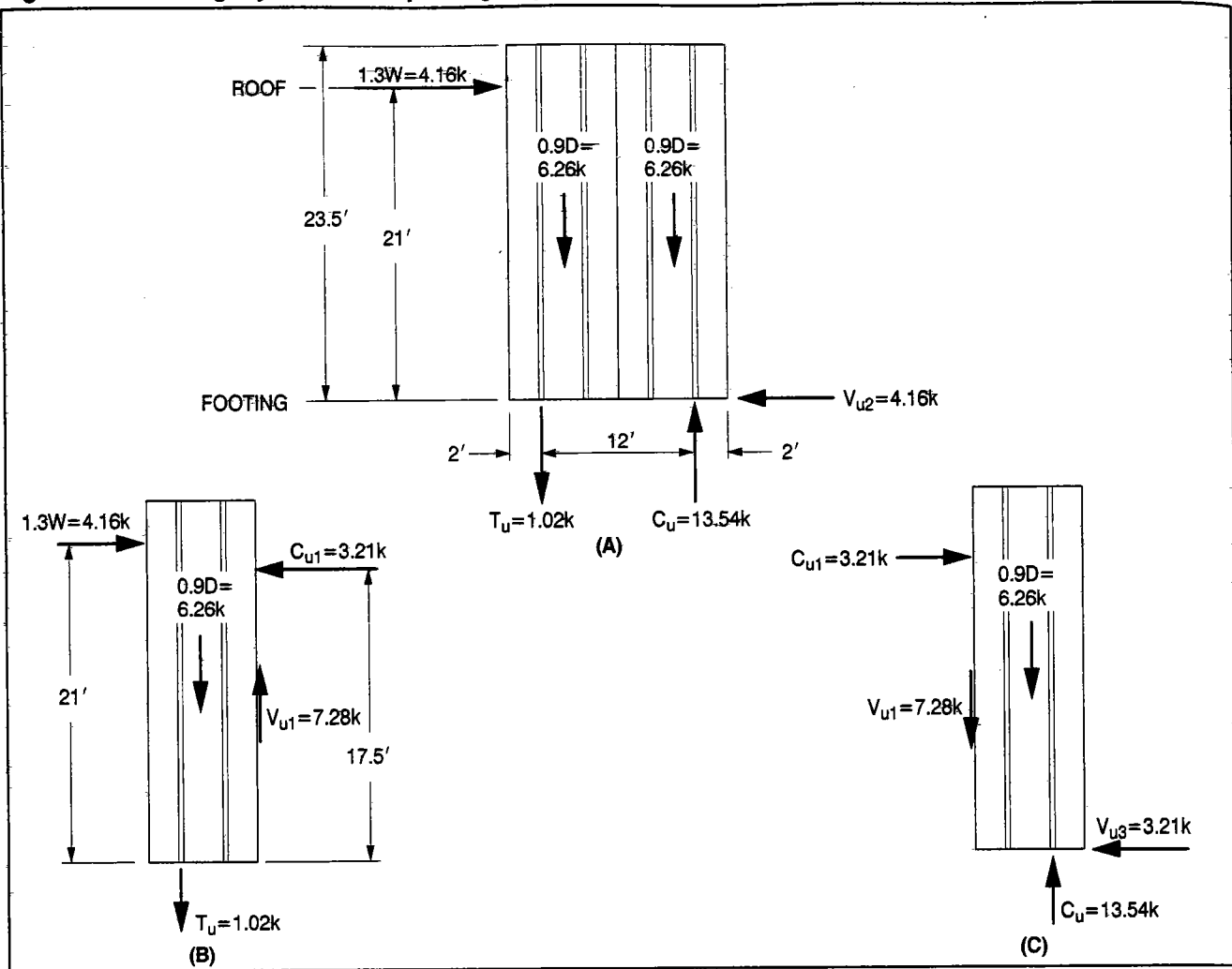
The wind load analysis and design of a typical four-story residential building is illustrated by the structure shown in Figure 3.7.12. 8-in. deep hollow-core units are used for the floors and roof, and 8-in. thick precast concrete walls are used for all walls shown. Unfactored loads are given as follows:

Gravity loads:	L.L.	D.L.
Roof	30	
Roofing, mechanical, etc.		10
Hollow-core slabs		64
	30 psf	74 psf
Typical floor		
Living areas	40	
Corridors	100	
Partitions		10
Hollow-core slabs		64
		74 psf
Walls		100 psf
Stairs	100	130 psf
Wind loads:		
0 to 30 ft above grade	= 25 psf	
30 to 34 ft 8 in. above grade	= 30 psf	

Solution:

1. For wind in the transverse (east-west) direction, common practice for this structure would be to

Figure 3.7.11 Rigidly connected panel group



conservatively neglect the resistance provided by the stair, elevator and longitudinal walls. Thus, two 27 ft long interior bearing walls can be assumed to resist the wind on one 26 ft bay. The wind and gravity loads on the wall are shown in Figure 3.7.13.

Concentrated loads from the corridor lintels can be assumed to be distributed as shown in Figure 3.7.13. In this example, these loads are conservatively neglected to simplify the calculations.

Check overturning of shear wall:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{D.L. resisting moment about toe of wall} &= 27(27/2)[1.92 + 3(2.72) + 0.8] \\ &= 3966 \text{ kip-ft} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Factor of safety} &= 3966/205.1 \\ &= 19.3 > 1.5 \text{ OK} \end{aligned}$$

Check for tension using factored loads:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Dead weight on wall} \\ P &= [1.92 + 3(2.72) + 0.8](27) \\ &= 293.8 \text{ kips} \end{aligned}$$

Maximum moment at foundation

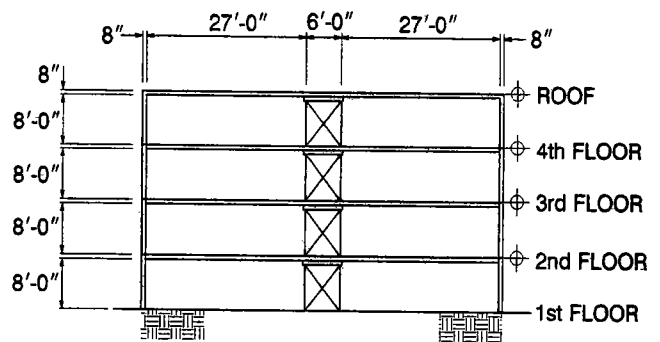
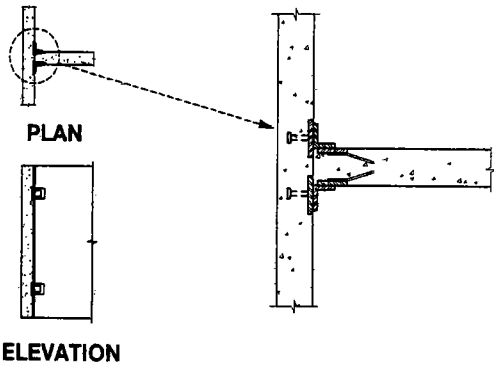
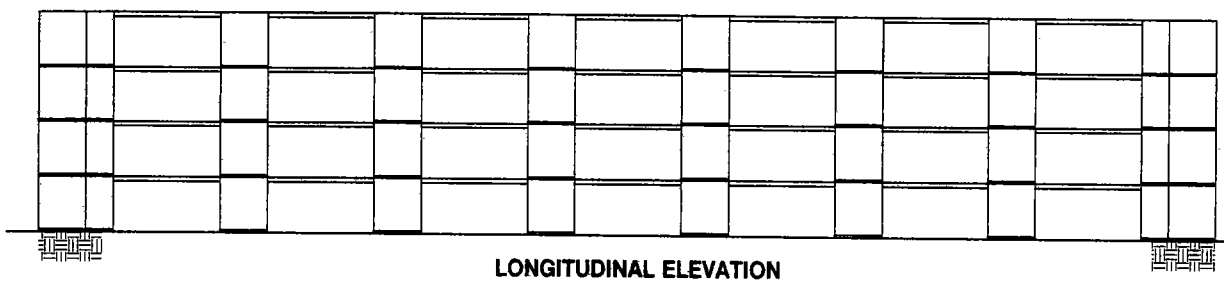
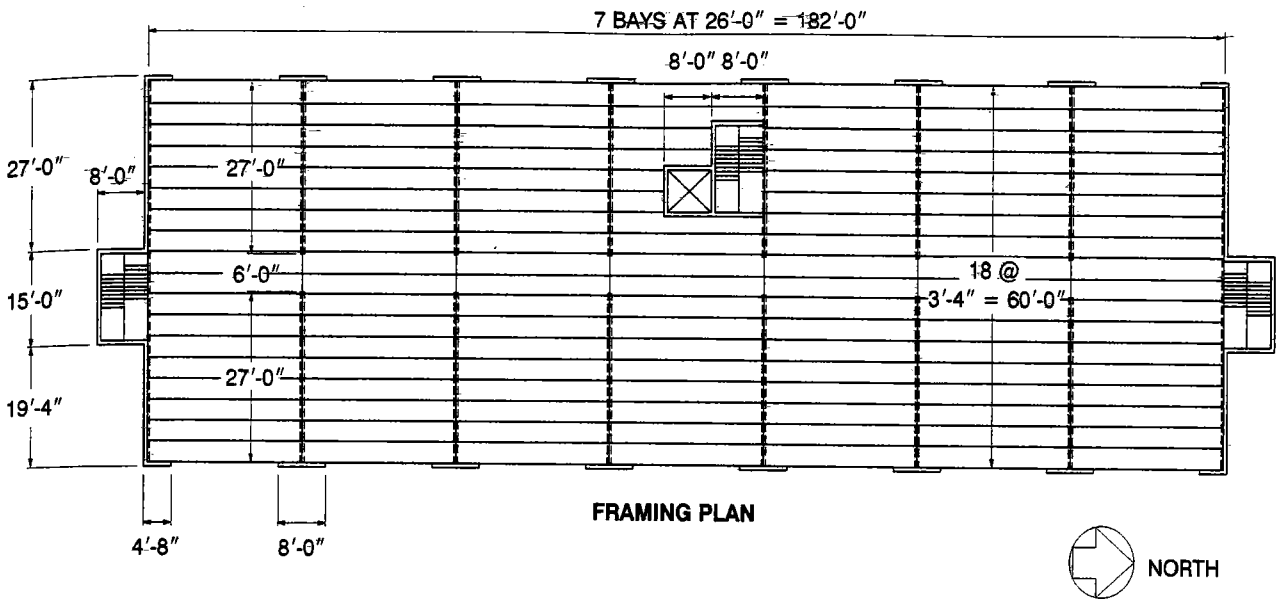
$$\begin{aligned} f_{ut} &= \frac{1.3M}{(\ell^2/6)} - \frac{0.9P}{\ell} \\ &= \frac{1.3(205.1)}{(27^2/6)} - \frac{0.9(293.8)}{27} \\ &= -7.60 \text{ klf (compression)} \\ &= 205.1 \text{ kip-ft} \end{aligned}$$

No tension connections are required between panels and the foundation. Thus, the building is stable under wind loads in east-west direction. (Note: Structural integrity considerations may dictate the use of minimum vertical ties. See Sect. 3.10.)

- For wind in the longitudinal (north-south) direction, the shear walls will be connected to the load bearing walls. The assumed resisting elements are shown in Figure 3.7.14; a summary of the properties is shown in Table 3.7.1. Sample calculations of these properties are given below for element A.

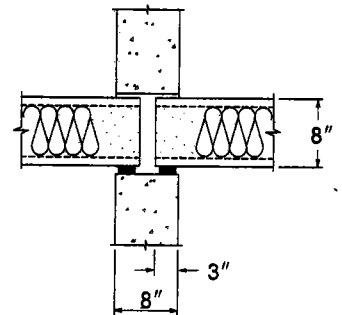
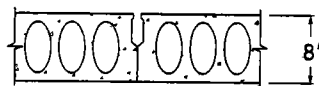
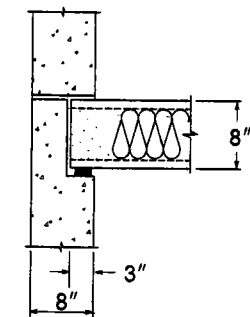


Figure 3.7.12 Example 3.7.3 — Four-story building design



WALL CONNECTION

TRANSVERSE SECTION



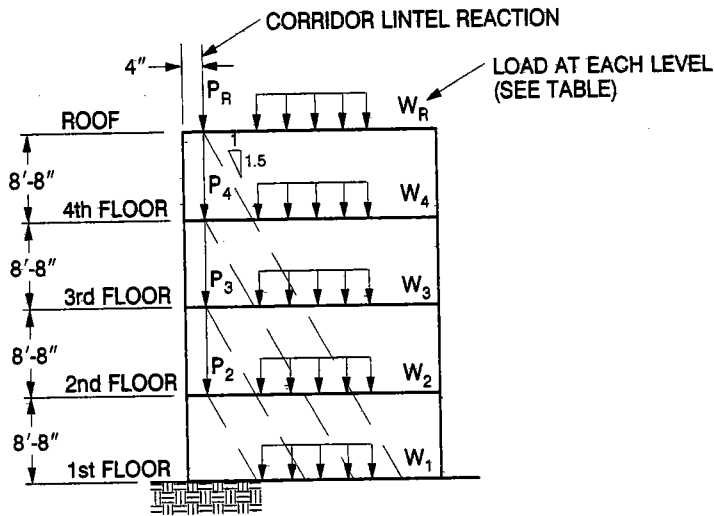
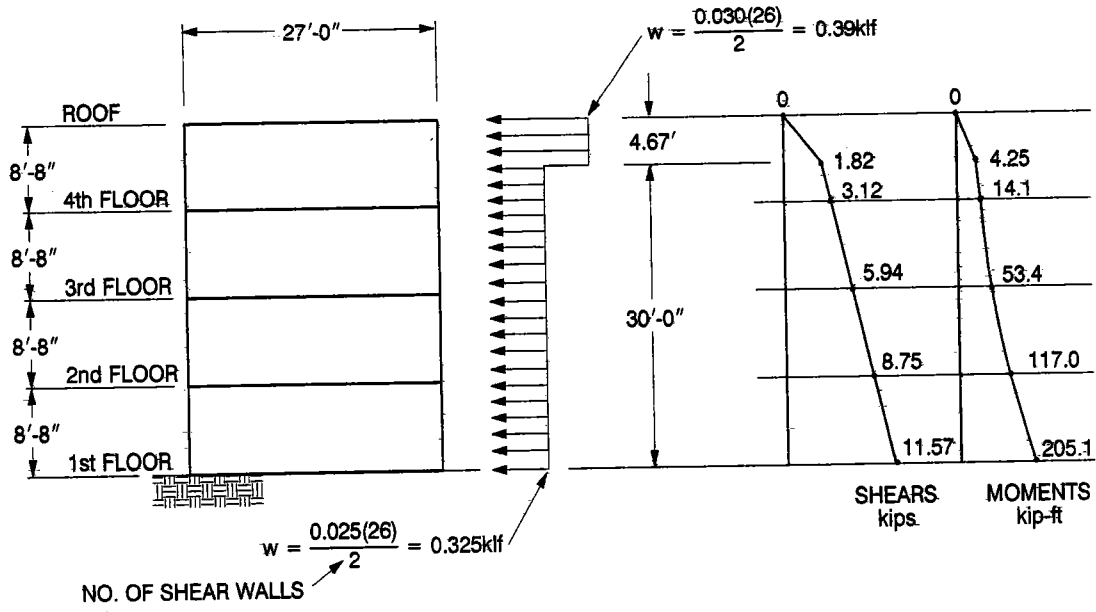
END WALL BEARING

SHEAR KEY

INTERIOR WALL BEARING

HOLLOW-CORE CONNECTIONS

Figure 3.7.13 Loads to transverse walls - four-story design example

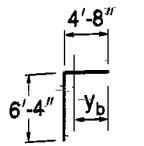
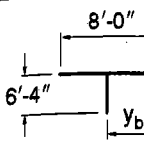
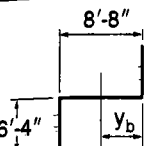
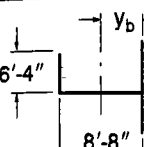
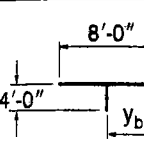
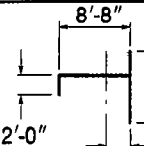
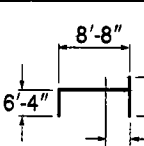


SUMMARY OF GRAVITY LOADS

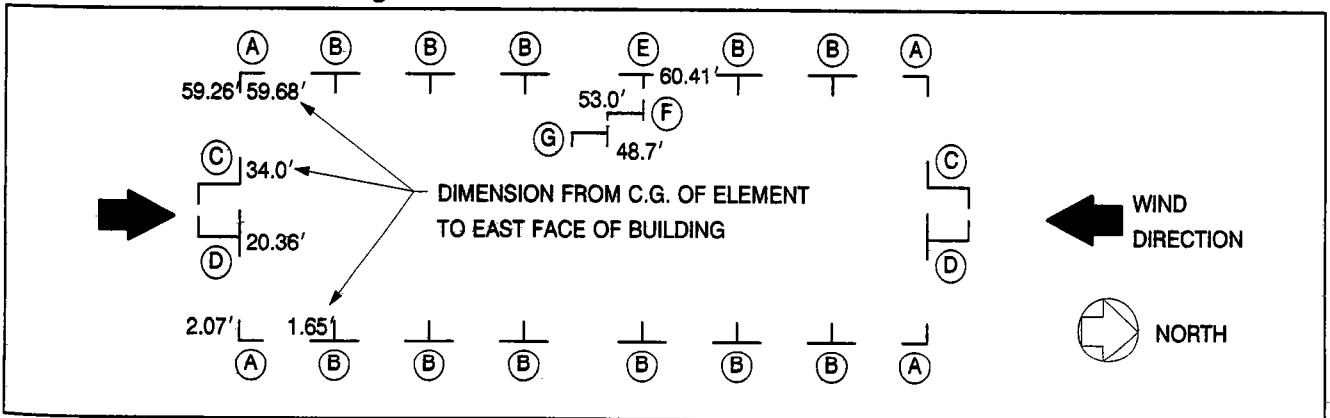
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P <sub>R</sub>	78 ft <sup>2</sup>	30	74	-	2.3 kips	5.8 kips	8.1 kips
P <sub>4</sub>	78 ft <sup>2</sup>	100	64	-	7.8 kips	5.0 kips	12.8 kips
P <sub>3</sub>	78 ft <sup>2</sup>	100	64	-	7.8 kips	5.0 kips	12.8 kips
P <sub>2</sub>	78 ft <sup>2</sup>	100	64	-	7.8 kips	5.0 kips	12.8 kips
W <sub>R</sub>	26 lin. ft	30	74	-	0.78 kif	1.92 kif	2.70 kif
W <sub>4</sub>	26 lin. ft	16*	74	0.8	0.42 kif	2.72 kif	3.14 kif
W <sub>3</sub>	26 lin. ft	16*	74	0.8	0.42 kif	2.72 kif	3.14 kif
W <sub>2</sub>	26 lin. ft	16*	74	0.8	0.42 kif	2.72 kif	3.14 kif
W <sub>1</sub>	N/A	-	-	0.8	0	0.80 kif	0.80 kif

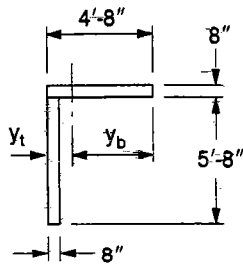
INCLUDES LIVE LOAD REDUCTION ALLOWED BY CODES

**Table 3.7.1 Properties of resisting elements for wind in longitudinal direction**

ELEMENT	$A_w$	$I$	$y_b$	$I_{eq}$	NO. OF ELEMENTS	$nI_{eq}$	$\frac{I_{eq}}{\sum nI_{eq}} (100)$	$\Sigma \bar{y}$	$I_{eq}(\Sigma \bar{y})$
 (A)	3.11	12.6	3.43	7.31	4	29.24	1.98	123	899
 (B)	5.36	28.7	4.0	14.68	11	161.5	3.98	308	4521
 (C)	5.81	158.1	4.34	27.02	2	54.04	7.33	68	1837
 (D)	5.81	205.6	3.45	28.13	2	56.26	7.63	41	1153
 (E)	5.36	29.0	4.0	14.76	1	14.76	4.01	60	886
 (F)	5.81	114.1	2.72	25.35	1	25.35	6.88	53	1344
 (G)	5.81	171.6	4.09	27.39	1	27.39	7.43	49	1342
$\Sigma nI_{eq} = 368.54$						$\Sigma = 11,982$			
<p>Center of rigidity = <math>11,982/368.54 = 32.51</math> ft from east                      Note: The north-south wind load is slightly eccentric by <math>32.51 - 61.33/2 = 1.85</math> ft                      Torsion due to this eccentricity is neglected in calculating shears and moments in Table 3.7.2.</p>									

**Figure 3.7.14 Wind resisting elements for North-South wind**





Effective width of perpendicular wall (see Figure 3.7.2) is the smaller of:

$$12t = 12(8) = 96 \text{ in.}, \text{ or}$$

$$(1/6)(34.67)(12) = 69.3 \text{ in. Use 5 ft 8 in.}$$

$$\text{Area of web} = 4.67(0.67) = 3.11 \text{ ft}^2$$

$$\text{Area of flange} = 5.67(0.67) = 3.78 \text{ ft}^2$$

$$\hline 6.89 \text{ ft}^2$$

$$y_b = \frac{3.11(4.67/2) + 3.78(4.67 - 0.33)}{6.89}$$

$$= 3.43 \text{ ft}$$

$$y_t = 4.67 - 3.43 = 1.24 \text{ ft}$$

$$I = \frac{0.67(4.67)^3}{12} + 3.11(3.43 - 2.33)^2$$

$$+ 3.78(1.24 - 0.33)^2$$

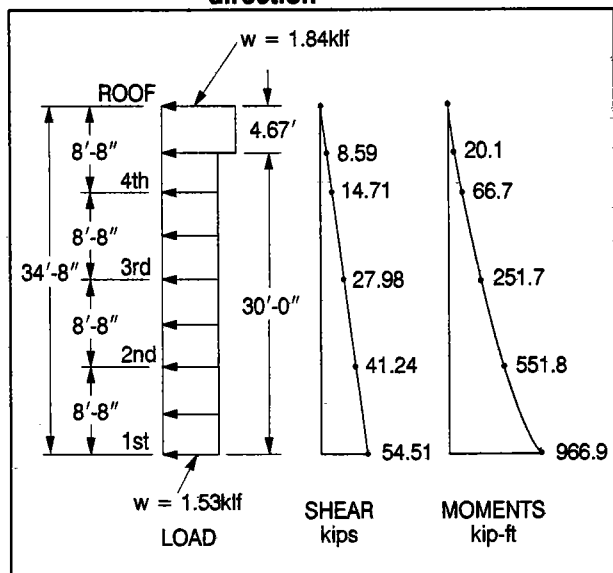
$$= 12.58 \text{ ft}^4$$

Equivalent stiffness is calculated using the Case 1 multi-story formula from Table 3.12.16.

$$I_{eq} = \frac{I}{1 + \frac{13.4(I)}{A_w h_s^2}}$$

$$= \frac{12.58}{1 + \frac{13.4(12.58)}{3.11(8.67)^2}} = 7.31 \text{ ft}^4$$

Figure 3.7.15 Wind load in North-South direction



$I_{eq}$  is essentially a relative stiffness:

$$K_r = 1/\Delta; \Delta = \frac{Ph^3}{3EI_{eq}}$$

$$K_r = \frac{3EI_{eq}}{Ph^3}$$

Since  $3$ ,  $E$ ,  $P$ , and  $h_s$  are all constants when comparing stiffnesses,  $K_r = I_{eq}$ .

Distribution of load to element A based on its relative stiffness is (see Table 3.7.1):

$$\frac{I_{eq}}{\sum I_{eq}} = \frac{7.31(100)}{368.54} = 1.98\%$$

The shears and moments in the north-south direction are shown in Figure 3.7.15, and the distributions are shown in Table 3.7.2.

To check overturning, consider element B at the first floor:

From Figure 3.7.13 the dead load on the 6 ft-4 in. portion of element B:

$$= 1.92 + 3(2.72) + 0.8 = 10.88 \text{ kip/ft}$$

The dead load on the 8 ft-0 in. portion of element B is the weight of the wall:

$$= 34.67(0.1) = 3.47 \text{ kip/ft}$$

The resisting moment is then:

$$M_R = 10.88(5.67)(4) + 3.47(8)(4)$$

$$= 358 \text{ kip-ft} \times 11 \text{ elements}$$

$$= 3938 \text{ kip-ft}$$

$$\text{Factor of safety} = 3938/966.9 = 4.1 > 1.5 \text{ OK}$$

(Note: This conservatively neglects the contribution of the other elements.)

To check for tension, also consider element B:

Total dead weight on the wall

$$= 10.88(5.67) + 3.47(8) = 89.45 \text{ kips}$$

Total wall area

$$= (8.0 + 5.67)0.67 = 9.16 \text{ ft}^2$$

$$M = 38.5 \text{ kip-ft (see Table 3.7.2)}$$

$$f_{ut} = \frac{1.3M(d/2)}{I} - \frac{0.9P}{A}$$

$$= \frac{1.3(38.5)(4.0)}{28.7} - \frac{0.9(89.45)}{9.16}$$

$$= -1.81 \text{ ksf (compression)}$$

No net uplift exists between the panels and the foundation. The building is stable under wind loads in the north-south direction.

The connections required to assure that the elements will act in a composite manner as assumed can be designed by considering element A. The unit stress at the interface is determined using the classic equation for horizontal shear:

$$v_h = \frac{VQ}{I}$$

$$Q = 5.67(0.67)(1.24 - 0.33) = 3.46 \text{ ft}^3$$

$$v_h = \frac{1.08(3.46)}{12.58} = 0.297 \text{ kips/ft}$$

$$\text{Total shear} = 0.297(8.0) = 2.37 \text{ kips}$$

Connections similar to those shown in Figure 3.7.12 can be designed using the principles outlined in Chapter 6.

#### Design of floor diaphragm:

Analysis procedures for the floor diaphragm are described in Sect. 3.6. For this example refer to Figure 3.7.16.

The factored wind load for a typical floor is:

$$w_u = 1.3(25)(8.67) = 282 \text{ plf}$$

For wind from the east or west:

$$V_{Ru} = V_{Lu} = \frac{0.282(26)}{2} = 3.67 \text{ kips}$$

$$C_u = T_u = \frac{M_u}{\ell} = \frac{0.282(26)^2}{8(56.67)}$$

$$= 0.42 \text{ kips}$$

As Figure 3.7.16 shows the chord tension,  $T_u$ , is parallel to the span of the hollow-core slabs and therefore will be resisted by the flexural reinforcement of the slabs.

The shear force to be resisted by the grout key adjacent to the chord tension,  $T_u$ , is approximately equal to  $T_u$ . The ability of this grout key to transfer this force (0.42 kips) in shear must therefore be checked.

The resisting shear strength of the grout key is assumed to be 80 psi, (See Sect. 3.6.2) along the full length of the keyway.

The shear force that this grout key is capable of resisting is:

$$\phi V_n = A_0.080 \text{ ksi}$$

$$\phi V_n = 26(12)(3)(0.080) = 74.9 \text{ kips}$$

$$74.9 \text{ kips} > 0.42 \text{ kips OK}$$

For wind from the north or south:

$$V_{Ru} = V_{Lu} = \frac{0.282(61.33)}{2} = 8.65 \text{ kips}$$

$$C_u = T_u = \frac{M_u}{\ell} = \frac{0.282(61.33)^2}{8(181.33)} = 0.73 \text{ kips}$$

Check the resisting shear force of the first grout key:

$$\phi V_n = A_0.080 \text{ ksi}$$

$$\phi V_n = 181.33(12)(3)(0.080) = 522 \text{ kips}$$

$$522 \text{ kips} > 8.65 \text{ kips OK}$$

Chord reinforcement should be designed to resist the chord tension,  $T_u$ . This chord reinforcement is usually embedded in pour strips at the ends of the hollow-core slabs.

Tension forces such as  $V_{Ru}$  and  $T_u$  for wind in both directions must also be transferred into shearwalls through appropriate connections. By comparing the reinforcing and connections required for structural integrity requirements (Sect. 3.10), it can be shown, usually by inspection, that structural integrity details amply provide resistance for the transfer of these tension forces.

### 3.7.7 Exterior Panels as Shear Walls

In many structures it is economical to take advantage of the strength and rigidity of exterior panels, and design them to serve as the lateral load resisting system. The effectiveness of such a system is largely dependent on the panel-to-panel connections.

**Table 3.7.2 Distribution of wind shears and moments (north-south direction)**

Element	% Dist.	4th floor		3rd floor		2nd floor		1st floor	
		Shear	Moment	Shear	Moment	Shear	Moment	Shear	Moment
		14.71 kips	66.7 kip-ft	27.98 kips	251.7 kip-ft	41.24 kips	551.8 kip-ft	54.51 kips	966.9 kip-ft
A	1.98	0.29	1.32	0.55	4.98	0.82	10.9	1.08	19.1
B	3.98	0.59	2.65	1.11	10.0	1.64	22.0	2.17	38.5
C	7.33	1.08	4.89	2.05	18.4	3.02	40.4	4.00	70.9
D	7.63	1.12	5.09	2.13	19.2	3.15	42.1	4.16	73.8
E	4.01	0.59	2.67	1.12	10.1	1.65	22.1	2.19	38.8
F	6.88	1.01	4.59	1.93	17.3	2.84	38.0	3.75	66.5
G	7.43	1.09	4.96	2.08	18.7	3.06	41.0	4.05	71.8

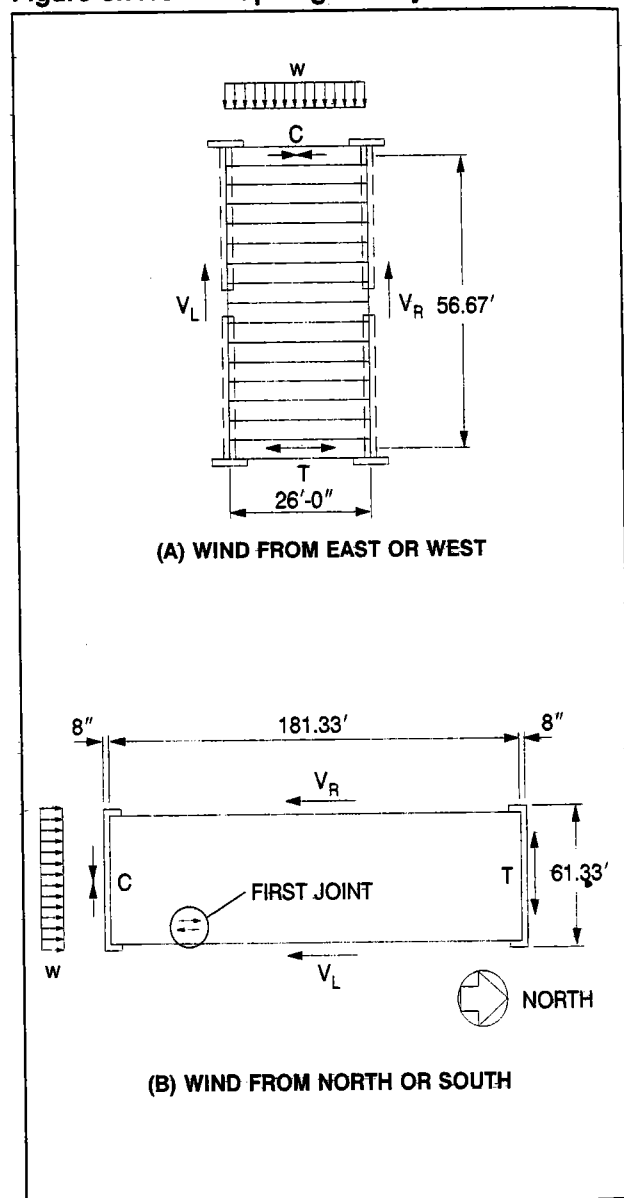
The relative stiffness and percent distribution for the elements in this table are assumed the same for all stories. The exact values may be slightly different for each story because the values change due to reduced flange width (see Figure 3.7.2).

Figure 3.7.17 illustrates that the method of inter-connecting individual wall panels can be selected to maximize the efficiency of the building's shear wall and foundation systems in resisting lateral loads applied to the building. If all of the individual wall panels located on one wall of a building are connected together to transfer shear forces across the panel joints, the entire wall of the building acts as one "plate shaped" shear wall. See Figure 3.7.17(A). If panel-to-panel shear connections are provided at the building corners, the shear wall will become "channel" or "tube" shaped in cross section. The channel or tube shaped shear walls are structurally stiffer than the plate shaped shear wall and engage more of the building foundation to resist the shear wall reactions. See Figure 3.7.17(B).

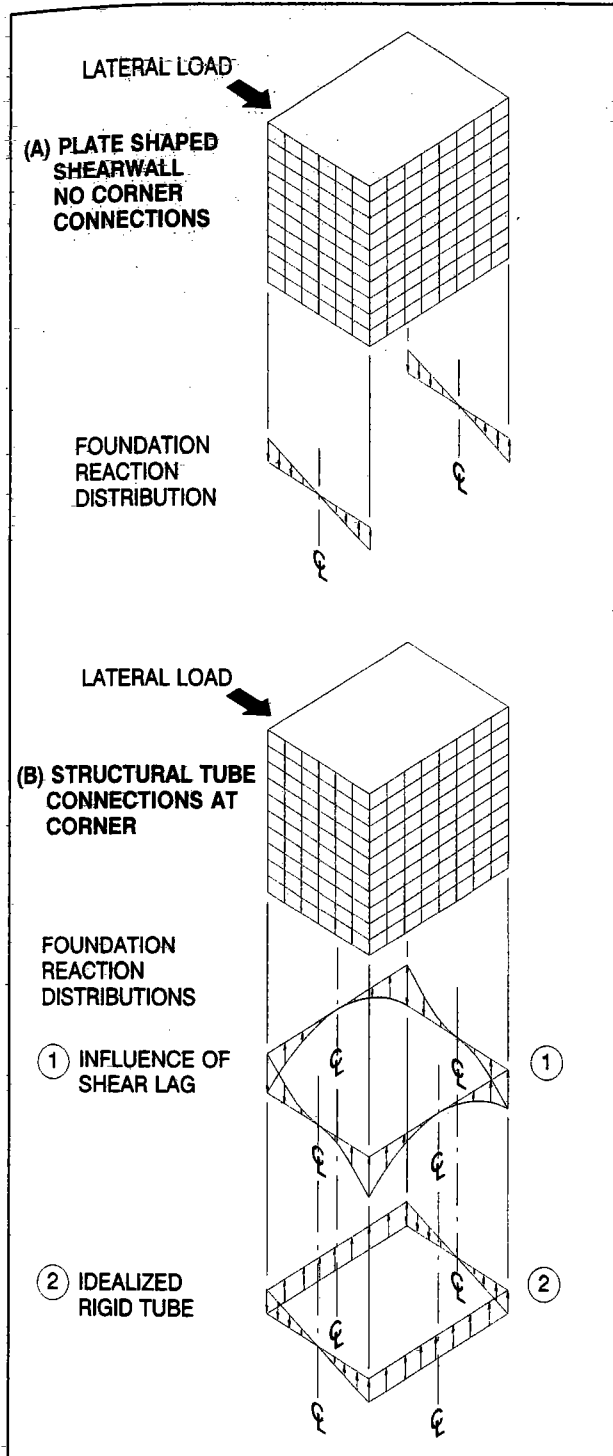
Because the components and the connections in a "tube" are not completely rigid, full tube behavior does not develop. Figure 3.7.17(B) illustrates the difference. The peaking of the foundation reaction at the corner results from shear lag, which limits the effective width of the "flange". Accurate evaluation of shear lag is difficult, but analytical and research studies have indicated the following limitations on the effective flange are sufficiently accurate for most structures:

1. One-half the length of the shear wall.
2. One-third length of windward or leeward wall.
3. One-tenth the height of the building.
4. Six times the thickness of the "flange" wall.
5. Distance to nearest major opening.
6. One-half the distance to the nearest shear wall.

**Figure 3.7.16 Diaphragm analysis**



**Figure 3.7.17 Foundation reaction distributions resulting from lateral loads**



### 3.8 Moment-Resisting Building Frames

#### 3.8.1 General

Precast, prestressed concrete beams and deck members are usually most economical when they can be designed and connected into a structure as simple-span members. This is because:

1. Positive moment-resisting capacity is much easier and less expensive to attain with pre-tensioned members than negative moment capacity at supports.
2. Connections which achieve continuity at the supports are usually complex and costly.
3. The restraint to volume changes that occurs in rigid connections may cause serious cracking and unsatisfactory performance or, in extreme cases, even structural failure.

Therefore, it is most desirable to design precast, prestressed concrete structures with connections which allow lateral movement and rotation, and to design the structure to achieve lateral stability through the use of floor and roof diaphragms and shear walls.

However, in some structures, adequate shear walls interfere with the function of the building, or are more expensive than alternate solutions. In these cases, the lateral stability of the structure depends on the moment-resisting capacity of either the column bases, a beam-column frame, or both.

When moment connections between beams and columns are required to resist lateral loads, it is desirable to make the moment connection after most of the dead loads have been applied. This requires careful detailing, specification of the construction process, and inspection. If such details are possible, the moment connections need only resist the negative moments from live load, lateral loads and volume changes, and will then be less costly.

#### 3.8.2 Moment Resistance of Column Bases

Buildings without shear walls may depend on the fixity of the column base to resist lateral loads. The ability of a spread footing to resist moments caused by lateral loads is dependent on the rotational characteristics of the base. The total rotation of the column base is a function of rotation between the footing and soil, bending in the base plate, and elongation of the anchor bolts, as shown in Figure 3.8.1.

The total rotation of the base is:

$$\phi_b = \phi_f + \phi_{bp} + \phi_{ab} \quad (\text{Eq. 3.8.1})$$

If the axial load is large enough so that there is no tension in the anchor bolts,  $\phi_{bp}$  and  $\phi_{ab}$  are zero, and:

$$\phi_b = \phi_f \quad (\text{Eq. 3.8.2})$$

Rotational characteristics can be expressed in terms of flexibility or stiffness coefficients:

$$\phi = \gamma M = M/K \quad (\text{Eq. 3.8.3})$$

where:

$$M = \text{applied moment} = Pe$$

$$e = \text{eccentricity of the applied load, } P$$

$$\gamma = \text{flexibility coefficient}$$

$$K = \text{stiffness coefficient} = 1/\gamma$$

If bending of the base plate and strain in the anchor bolts are assumed as shown in Figure 3.8.1, the flexibility coefficients for the base can be derived, and the total rotation of the base becomes:

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_b &= M(\gamma_f + \gamma_{bp} + \gamma_{ab}) \\ &= Pe(\gamma_f + \gamma_{bp} + \gamma_{ab}) \end{aligned} \quad (\text{Eq. 3.8.4})$$

$$\gamma_f = \frac{1}{k_s I_f} \quad (\text{Eq. 3.8.5})$$

$$\gamma_{bp} = \frac{(x_1 + x_2)^3 [2e/(h + 2x_1) - 1]}{6eE_s I_{bp} (h + x_1)} \geq 0 \quad (\text{Eq. 3.8.6})$$

$$\gamma_{ab} = \frac{g[2e/(h + 2x_1) - 1]}{2eE_s A_b (h + x_1)} \geq 0 \quad (\text{Eq. 3.8.7})$$

where:

$\gamma_f$  = flexibility coefficients of footing/soil interaction

$\gamma_{bp}$  = flexibility coefficients of base plate

$\gamma_{ab}$  = flexibility coefficients of anchor bolts

$k_s$  = coefficient of subgrade reaction from Figure 3.8.2

$I_f$  = moment of inertia of the footing (plan dimensions)

$E_s$  = modulus of elasticity of steel

$I_{bp}$  = moment of inertia of the base plate (vertical cross-section dimensions)

$A_b$  = total area of anchor bolts in tension

$h$  = width of column in direction of bending

$x_1$  = distance from face of column to the center of the anchor bolts, positive when anchor bolts are outside the column, and negative when anchor bolts are inside the column

$x_2$  = distance from the face of the column to base plate anchorage

$g$  = assumed length over which elongation of the anchor bolt takes place =  $\frac{1}{2}$  of development length + projection for anchor bolts made from reinforcing bars, or the length to the hook + projection for smooth anchor bolts (see Figure 3.8.1)

Figure 3.8.1 Assumptions used in derivation of rotational coefficients for column bases

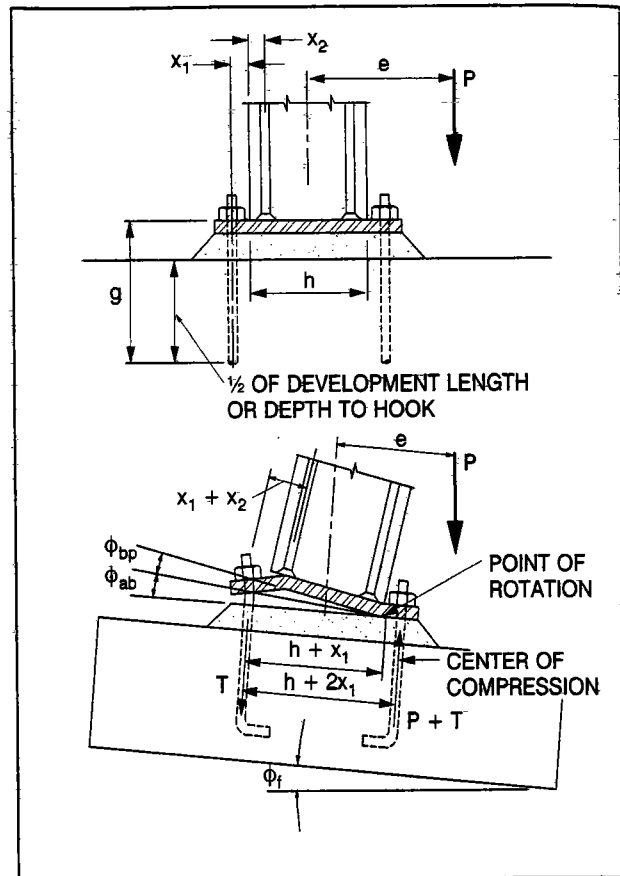
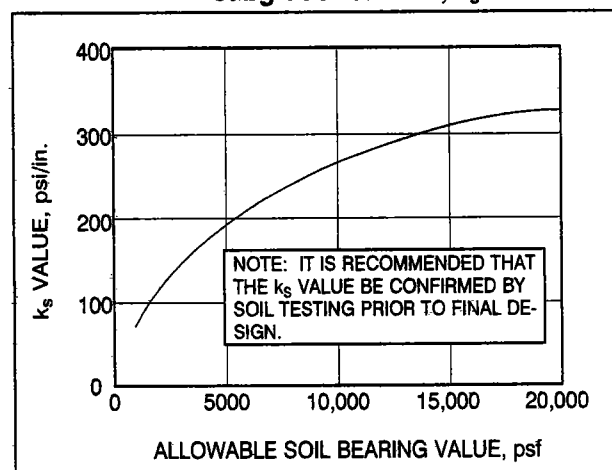


Figure 3.8.2 Approximate relationship between allowable soil bearing value and coefficient of subgrade reaction,  $k_s$



Rotation of the base may cause an additional eccentricity of the loads on the columns, causing moments which must be added to the moments induced by the lateral loads.

Note that in Eqs. 3.8.6 and 3.8.7, if the eccentricity,  $e$ , is less than  $h/2 + x_1$  (inside the center of compression),  $\gamma_{bp}$  and  $\gamma_{ab}$  are less than zero, meaning that there is no rotation between the column and the footing, and only the rotation from soil deformation (Eq. 3.8.5) need be considered.



Values of Eq. 3.8.5 through 3.8.7 are tabulated for typical cases in Figures 3.12.17 and 3.12.18.

Figure 3.8.3 Examples 3.8.1 and 3.8.2\*

**Example 3.8.1- Stability Analysis of an Unbraced Frame**

Given:

The column shown in Figure 3.8.3

Soil bearing capacity = 5000 psf

P = 80 kips dead load, 30 kips live load

W = 2 kips wind load

Problem:

Determine the column design loads and moments for stability as an unbraced frame.

Solution:

ACI 318-95 requires that the column be designed for the following conditions:

1. 1.4D + 1.7L
2. 0.75(1.4D + 1.7L + 1.7W)
3. 0.9D + 1.3W

The maximum eccentricity would occur when condition 3 is applied. Moment at base of column:

$$M = 2(16) = 32 \text{ kip-ft} = 384 \text{ kip-in.}$$

$$0.9D = 0.9(80) = 72 \text{ kips}$$

$$1.3W = 1.3(384) = 499.2 \text{ kip-in.}$$

Eccentricity due to wind load

$$e = \frac{M_u}{P_u} = \frac{499.2}{72} = 6.93 \text{ in.}$$

To determine the moments caused by base rotation, an iterative procedure is required.

Estimate eccentricity due to rotation = 0.25 in.

$$e = 6.93 + 0.25 = 7.18 \text{ in.}$$

Check rotation between column and footing:

$$h/2 + x_1 = 20/2 + (-2) = 8 \text{ in.} > 7.18$$

thus, there is no tension in the anchor bolts and no rotation between the column and footing.

$$I_f = [6(12)]^4/12 = 2.24 \times 10^6 \text{ in}^4$$

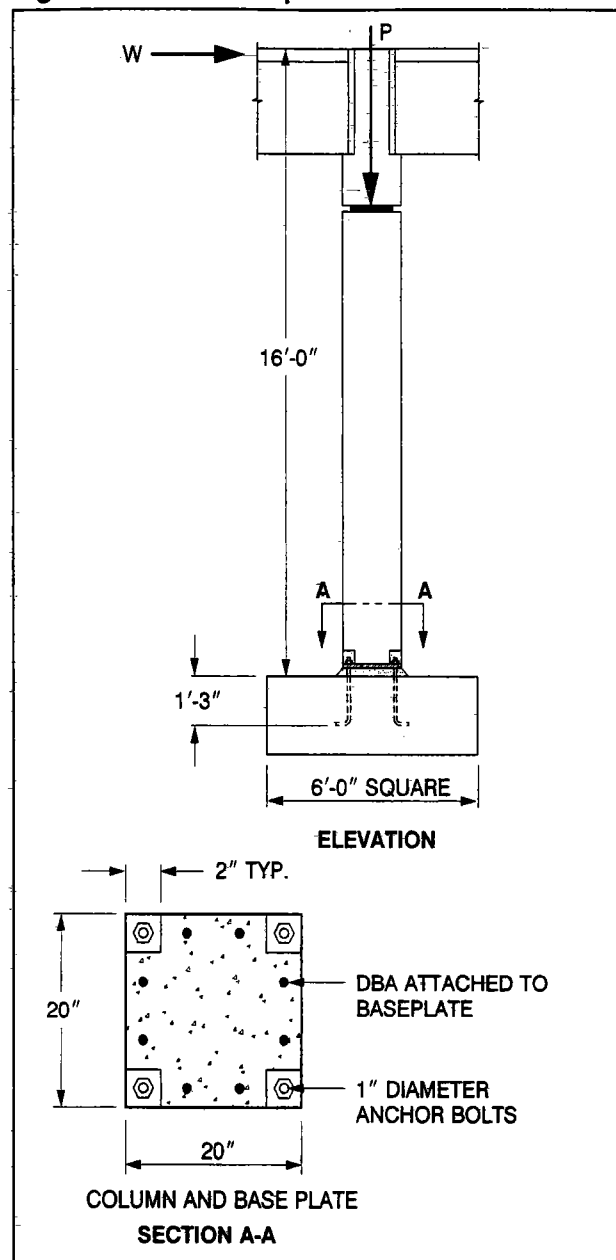
From Figure 3.8.2:  $k_s \approx 200 \text{ psi/in.}$

$$\gamma_f = 1/k_s I_f = 1/[200(2.24 \times 10^6)] \\ = 22.3 \times 10^{-10}$$

(Note: This could also be read from Figure 3.12.18.)

$$M_u = 72(7.18) = 517 \text{ kip-in.}$$

$$\phi_b = \gamma_f M_u = (22.3 \times 10^{-10})(517 \times 10^3) \\ = 0.00115 \text{ radians}$$



Eccentricity caused by rotation:

$$\phi_b h_s = 0.00115(16)(12) = 0.22 \text{ in.} \approx 0.25$$

No further trial is required

Design requirements for 0.9D + 1.3W:

$$P_u = 72 \text{ kips}$$

$$M_u = 517 \text{ kip-in} = 43.1 \text{ kip-ft}$$

Check for 0.75 (1.4D + 1.7L + 1.7W):

$$P_u = 0.75 (1.4D + 1.7L)$$

$$= 0.75[1.4(80) + 1.7(30)]$$

$$= 122.3 \text{ kips}$$

\*These examples assume that the section properties of the column extend to the top of the roof.

$$M_u = 0.75(1.7W) = 0.75[1.7(384)] \\ = 489.6 \text{ kip-in.}$$

$$e = \frac{489.6}{122.3} = 4.0 \text{ in.}$$

Estimate eccentricity due to rotation = 0.22 in.

$$M_u = 122.3(4.22) = 516.1 \text{ kip-in.}$$

$$\phi_b = \gamma_f M_u = (22.3 \times 10^{-10})(516.1 \times 10^3) \\ = 0.00115 \text{ radians}$$

$$\phi_b h_s = 0.00115(16)(12) = 0.22 \text{ in. OK}$$

Design requirements for 0.75[1.4D + 1.7L + 1.7W]:

$$P_u = 122.3 \text{ kips}$$

$$M_u = 516.1 \text{ kip-in.} = 43.0 \text{ kip-ft}$$

Sect. 10.12.3.2 (ACI 318-95) also requires that the moment caused by a minimum eccentricity of 0.6 + 0.03h be considered when designing for 1.4D + 1.7L.

$$P_u = 1.4D + 1.7L = 1.4(80) + 1.7(30) \\ = 163 \text{ kips}$$

$$e = 0.6 + 0.03h = 0.6 + 0.03(20) \\ = 1.2 \text{ in.}$$

Estimate eccentricity due to rotation = 0.1 in.

$$M_u = P_u e = 163(1.2 + 0.1) \\ = 211.9 \text{ kip-in}$$

$$\phi_b = (22.3 \times 10^{-10})(211.9 \times 10^3) \\ = 0.000473 \text{ radians}$$

$$\phi_b h_s = 0.000473(16)(12) = 0.09 \text{ in.} \\ \approx 0.1 \text{ in. OK}$$

Design requirements for 1.4D + 1.7L:

$$P_u = 163 \text{ kips}$$

$$M_u = 212 \text{ kip-in.} = 17.7 \text{ kip-ft}$$

### 3.8.3 Fixity of Column Bases

The degree of fixity of a column base is the ratio of the rotational stiffness of the base to the sum of the rotational stiffnesses of the column plus the base:

$$F_b = \frac{K_b}{K_b + K_c} \quad (\text{Eq. 3.8.8})$$

where:

$F_b$  = degree of base fixity, expressed as a decimal

$$K_b = 1/\gamma_b$$

$$K_c = \frac{4E_c I_c}{h_s}$$

$E_c$  = modulus of elasticity of the column concrete

$I_c$  = moment of inertia of the column

$h_s$  = column height

### Example 3.8.2 Degree of Fixity

Determine the degree of fixity of the column base in Example 3.8.1;

$$E_c = 4300 \text{ ksi:}$$

$$K_b = 1/\gamma_b = 1/(22.3 \times 10^{-10}) = 4.48 \times 10^8$$

$$I_c = 20^4/12 = 13,333$$

$$K_c = \frac{4(4.3 \times 10^6)(13,333)}{16(12)}$$

$$= 11.94 \times 10^8$$

$$F_b = \frac{4.48}{4.48 + 11.94} = 0.273$$

### 3.8.4 Modeling Partially Fixed Bases

Many computer programs permit the direct modeling of various degrees of base fixity by the use of spring options. A simple way to model base fixity is to incorporate an imaginary column below the actual column base. If the bottom of the imaginary column is modeled as pinned, then the expression for its rotational stiffness is:

$$K_{ci} = 3E_{ci}I_{ci}/h_{ci} \quad (\text{Eq. 3.8.9})$$

where the subscript "ci" denotes the properties of the imaginary column (Figure 3.8.4), and  $K_{ci} = K_b$  as calculated in Sect. 3.8.2, or, the degree of base fixity,  $F_b$ , can be determined or estimated, and  $K_b$  calculated from Eq. 3.8.8.

For the computer model, either  $I_{ci}$  or  $h_{ci}$  may be varied for different values of  $K_{ci}$ , with the other terms left constant for a given problem. It is usually preferable to use  $E_{ci} = E_c$ . For the assumptions of Figure 3.8.4:

$$h_{ci} = 3E_{ci}I_{ci}/K_{ci} \quad (\text{Eq. 3.8.9a})$$

or

$$I_{ci} = K_{ci}h_{ci}/(3E_{ci}) \quad (\text{Eq. 3.8.9b})$$

### Example 3.8.3 Imaginary Column for Computer Model

Determine the length of an imaginary column to model the fixity of the column base of Examples 3.8.1 and 3.8.2:

$$f'_c = 5000 \text{ psi}$$

$$E_c = 4300 \text{ ksi}$$

Assume:

$$E_{ci} = E_c = 4.3 \times 10^6 \text{ psi}$$

$$I_{ci} = I_c = 13,333 \text{ in}^4$$

$$K_{ci} = K_b = 4.48 \times 10^8$$

$$h_{ci} = \frac{3E_{ci}I_{ci}}{K_{ci}} = \frac{3(4.3 \times 10^6)(13,333)}{4.48 \times 10^8}$$

$$= 383 \text{ in.} = 31.9 \text{ ft}$$

### 3.8.5 Volume Change Effects in Moment-Resisting Frames

The restraint of volume changes in moment-resisting frames causes tension in the girders and deflections, shears and moments in the columns. The magnitude of these tensions, shears, moments and deflections is dependent on the distance from the center of stiffness of the frame.

The center of stiffness is that point of a frame, which is subject to a uniform unit shortening, at which no lateral movement will occur. For frames which are symmetrical with respect to bay sizes, story heights and member stiffnesses, the center of stiffness is located at the midpoint of the frame, as shown in Figure 3.8.5.

Tensions in girders are maximum in the bay nearest the center of stiffness. Deflections and moments in columns are maximum furthest from the center of stiffness. Thus in Figure 3.8.5:

$$F_1 < F_2 < F_3$$

$$\Delta_1 > \Delta_2 > \Delta_3$$

$$M_1 > M_2 > M_3$$

The degree of fixity of the column base as described in Sect. 3.8.3 has a great effect on the magnitude of the forces and moments caused by volume change restraint. An assumption of a fully fixed base in the analysis of the structure may result in significant overestimation of the restraint forces, whereas assuming a pinned base may have the opposite effect. The degree of fixity used in the volume change analy-

sis should be consistent with that used in the analysis of the column for other loadings, and the determination of slenderness effects. The horizontal shear force at the foundation may result in a lateral displacement of the foundation; this will reduce the volumetric restraint force.

#### 3.8.5.1 Equivalent Volume Change

If a horizontal framing member is connected at the ends such that the volume change shortening is restrained, a tensile force is built up in the member and transmitted to the supporting elements. However, since the shortening takes place gradually over a period of time, the effect of the shortening on the shears and moment of the support is lessened because of creep and microcracking of the member and its support.

For ease of design, the volume change shortenings can be treated in the same manner as short term elastic deformations by using a concept of "equivalent" shortening.

Thus, the following relations can be assumed:

$$\delta_{ec} = \delta_c / K_e \quad (\text{Eq. 3.8.10})$$

$$\delta_{es} = \delta_s / K_e \quad (\text{Eq. 3.8.11})$$

where:

$\delta_{ec}, \delta_{es}$  = equivalent creep and shrinkage shortenings, respectively

$\delta_c, \delta_s$  = calculated creep and shrinkage shortenings, respectively

$K_e$  = a constant for design purposes which varies from 4 to 6

The value of  $K_e$  will be near the lower end of the range when the members are heavily reinforced, and near the upper end when they are lightly reinforced. For most common structures, a value of  $K_e = 5$  is sufficiently conservative.

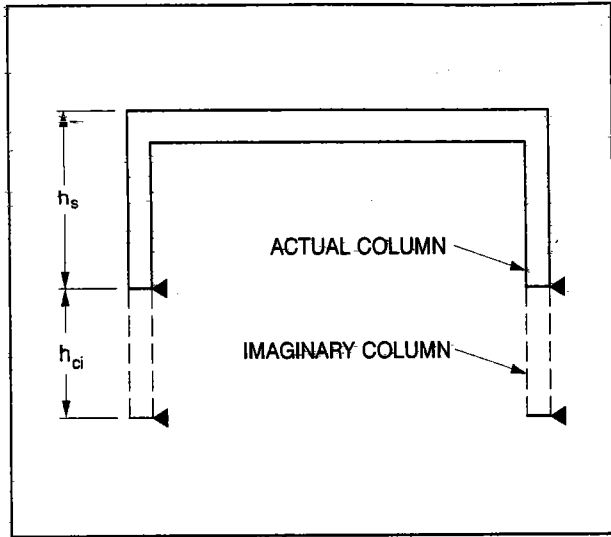
Shortening due to temperature change\* will be similarly modified. However, the maximum temperature change will usually occur over a much shorter time, probably within 60 to 90 days.

Thus,

$$\delta_{et} = \delta_t / K_t \quad (\text{Eq. 3.8.12})$$

\*Temperature change is of course a reversible effect; increases cause expansion and are important in design and location of expansion joints (Sect. 3.3.3). Temperature differentials in roof and wall elements should also be considered.

**Figure 3.8.4 Model for partially fixed column base**



where:

$\delta_{et}$ ,  $\delta_t$  = the equivalent and calculated temperature shortening, respectively

$K_t$  = a constant; recommended value = 1.5

The total equivalent shortening to be used for design is:

$$\Delta = \delta_{ec} + \delta_{es} + \delta_{et}$$

$$= \frac{\delta_c + \delta_s}{K_\ell} + \frac{\delta_t}{K_t} \quad (\text{Eq. 3.8.13})$$

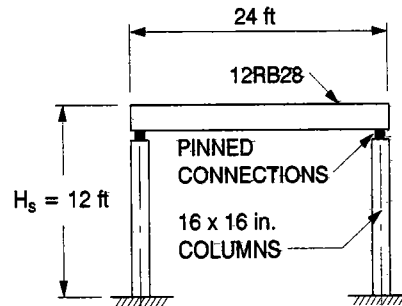
When the equivalent shortening is used in frame analysis for determining shears and moments in the supporting elements, the actual modulus of elasticity of the members is used, rather than a reduced modulus as used in other methods.

Figures 3.12.20 and 3.12.21 provide equivalent volume change strains for typical building frames.

**Example 3.8.4 Calculation of Column-Moment Caused by Volume Change Shortening of a Beam**

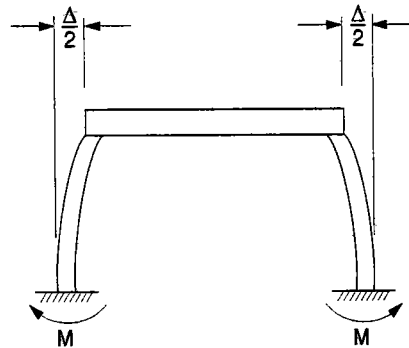
Given:

The beam of Example 3.3.1 is supported and attached to two 16 x 16-in. columns as shown in the sketch. Use  $E_c = 4.3 \times 10^6$  psi and  $f'_c$  (col.) = 5000 psi.



Problem:

Determine the horizontal force at the top of the column and the moment at the base of the column caused by volume change shortening of the beam.



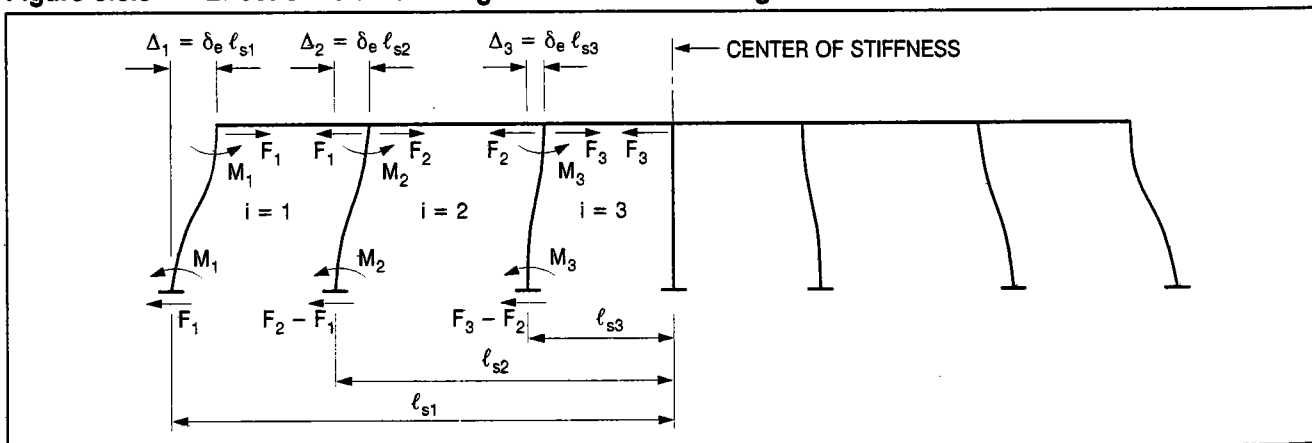
Solution:

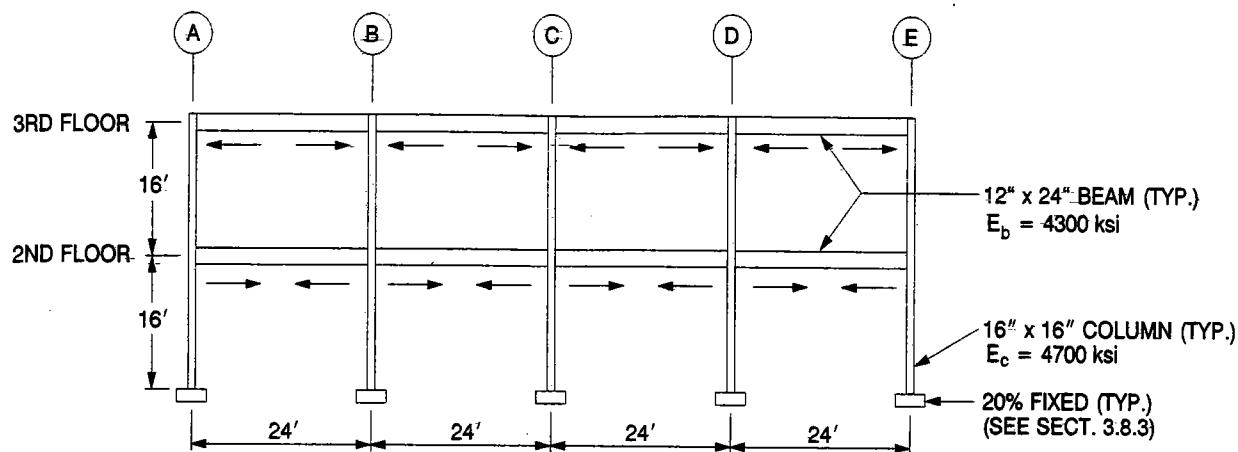
$$I_c = bh^3/12 = 16(16)^3/12 = 5461 \text{ in}^4$$

From Example 3.3.1:

Total volume change shortening from erection to final is 0.20 in., or 0.10 in. each end.

**Figure 3.8.5 Effect of volume change restraints in building frames**





Calculate the equivalent shortening:

$$\Delta = \frac{\delta_c + \delta_s}{K_r} + \frac{\delta_t}{K_t}$$

$$= \left[ \frac{246 - 80 + 454 - 140}{5} + \frac{210}{1.5} \right]$$

$$\times (10^{-6})(24)(12)$$

$$= 236 \times 10^{-6} (288) = 0.07 \text{ in.}$$

$$\frac{\Delta}{2} = \frac{0.070}{2} = 0.035 \text{ in. each end.}$$

$$\frac{\Delta}{2} = \frac{Fh_s^3}{3E_c I_c}$$

$$F = \frac{3E_c I_c \left( \frac{\Delta}{2} \right)}{h_s^3}$$

$$= \frac{3(4.3 \times 10^6)(5461)(0.035)}{[12(12)]^3} = 826 \text{ lb}$$

$$M = Fh_s = 826(144)$$

$$= 118,944 \text{ lb-in} = 9.91 \text{ kip-ft}$$

### 3.8.5.2 Calculating Restraint Forces

Most "plane frame" computer analysis programs allow the input of shortening strains of members from volume changes. The equivalent strains as described in Sect. 3.8.5.1 can be input directly into such programs.

For frames that are approximately symmetrical, the coefficients from Figures 3.12.19 and 3.12.22 can be used with small error. The notation for these tables is described in Figure 3.12.23.

### Example 3.8.5 Volume Change Restraint Forces

Given:

The 4-bay, 2-story frame shown above

Beam modulus of elasticity =  $E_b = 4300 \text{ ksi}$

Column modulus of elasticity =  $E_c = 4700 \text{ ksi}$

Column bases 20% fixed (see Sect. 3.8.3)

Design R.H. = 70%

Design temperature change =  $70^\circ\text{F}$

Problem:

Determine the maximum tension in the beams and the maximum moment in the columns caused by volume change restraint.

Solution:

1. Determine relative stiffness between columns and beams:

$$I_b = 12(24)^3/12 = 13,824 \text{ in}^4$$

$$E_b I_b / \ell = 4300(13,824)/[24(12)]$$

$$= 206,400$$

$$I_c = 16(16)^3/12 = 5461 \text{ in}^4$$

$$E_c I_c / h_s = 4700(5461)/[16(12)]$$

$$= 133,681$$

$$K_r = \frac{E_b I_b / \ell}{E_c I_c / h_s} = \frac{206,400}{133,681} = 1.5$$

2. Determine deflections:

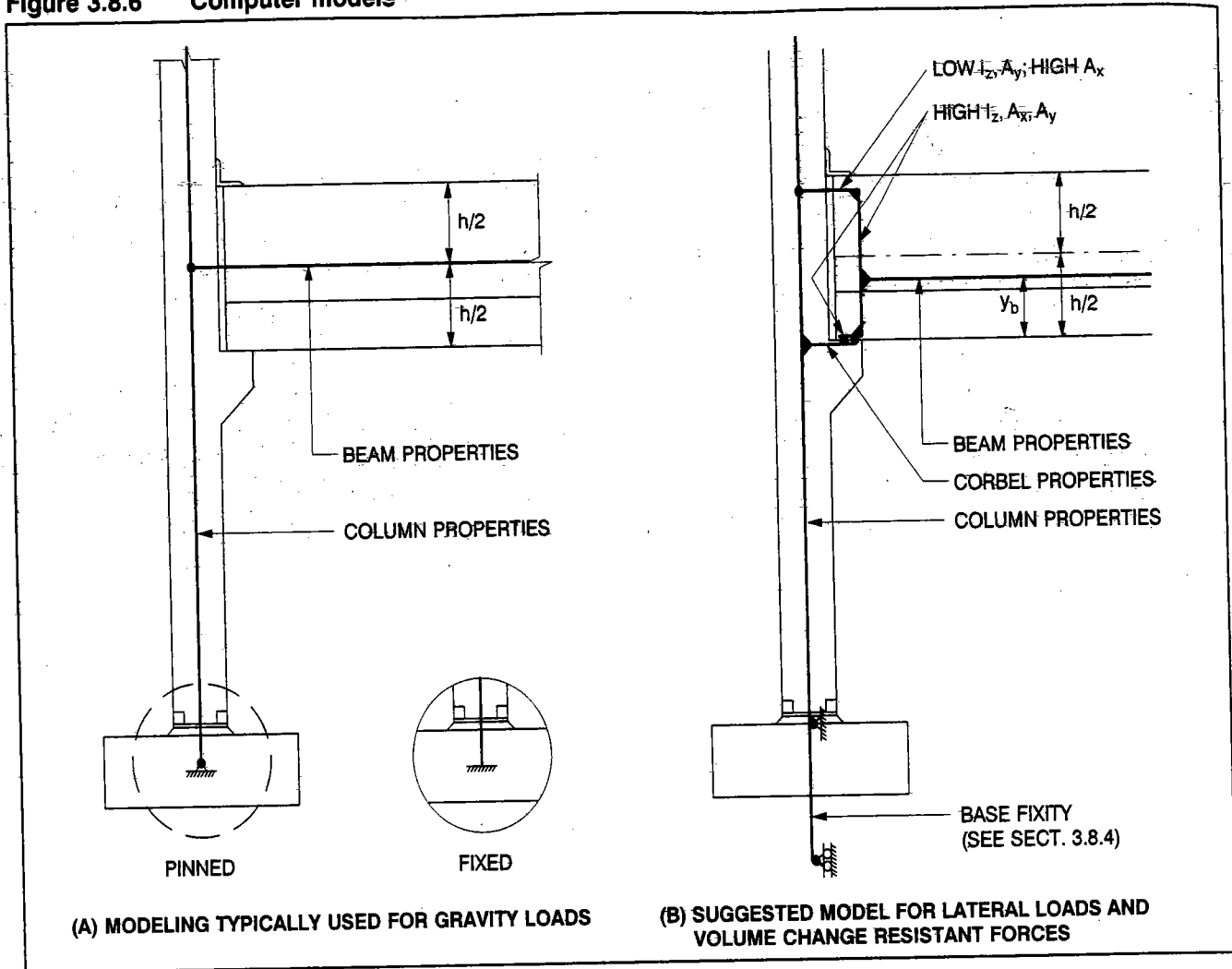
From Figure 3.12.20:

$$\delta_e = 221 \times 10^{-6} \text{ in./in.}$$

$$\Delta_B = \delta_e \ell = 0.000221(24)(12) = 0.064 \text{ in.}$$

$$\Delta_A = \delta_e(2\ell) = 0.128 \text{ in.}$$

Figure 3.8.6 Computer models



3. Determine maximum beam tension:

Maximum tension is nearest the center of stiffness, i.e., beams BC and CD, 2nd floor.

From Figure 3.12.19:

For:

$$n = 4 \text{ and}$$

$$i = 2$$

$$k_b = 3.00$$

From Figure 3.12.22:

$$\text{For } K_r = 1.0, \text{ fixed base; } k_f = 11.2$$

$$\text{For } K_r = 2.0, \text{ fixed base; } k_f = 11.6$$

Therefore for:

$$K_r = 1.5$$

$$k_f = 11.4$$

For pinned base:

$$k_f = 3.4$$

(for  $K_r = 1.0$  and  $2.0$ )

For 20% fixed:

$$k_f = 3.4 + 0.20(11.4 - 3.4) = 5.0$$

$$F_2 = k_f k_b \Delta_i E_c I_c / h_s^3$$

$$= \frac{5.0(3.0)(0.064)(4700)(5461)}{[16(12)]^3}$$

$$= 3.48 \text{ kips}$$

4. Determine maximum column moments:

For base moment,  $M_1$ :

From Figure 3.12.22, by interpolation similar to above:

$$k_m (\text{fixed}) = (4.9 + 5.2)/2 = 5.05$$

$$k_m (\text{pinned}) = 0$$

$$k_m (20\% \text{ fixed}) = 0 + 0.20(5.05) = 1.0$$

$$M_1 = k_m \Delta_i E_c I_c / h_s^2$$

$$= 1.0(0.128)(4700)(5461)/[16(12)]^2$$

$$= 89.1 \text{ kip-in.}$$

For second floor moment,  $M_{2L}$ :

$$k_m (\text{fixed}) = (3.9 + 4.5)/2 = 4.2$$

$$k_m \text{ (pinned)} = (2.1 + 2.4)/2 = 2.25$$

$$k_m \text{ (20\% fixed)} = 2.25 + 0.20(4.20 - 2.25)$$

$$= 2.64$$

$$M_{2L} = \frac{2.64(0.128)(4700)(5461)}{[16(12)]^2}$$

$$= 235 \text{ kip-in.}$$

### 3.8.6 Computer Models for Frame Analysis

When precast frames are modeled as "sticks", as is usually done with steel frames, the results are often very misleading. For example, the structure as modeled in Figure 3.8.6(A) will indicate more flexibility than is actually true. Lateral drift will be overestimated, and the moments caused by axial shortening may be underestimated. Figure 3.8.6(B) shows a suggested model which will better estimate the true condition.

### 3.9 Shear Wall-Frame Interaction

Rigid frames and shear walls exhibit different responses to lateral loads, which may be important, especially in high-rise structures. This difference is illustrated in Figure 3.9.1.

A frame bends predominantly in a shear mode as shown in Figure 3.9.1(A), while a shear wall deflects predominantly in a cantilever bending mode, Figure 3.9.1(B). Elevator shafts, stairwells, and concrete walls normally exhibit this behavior.

It is not always easy to differentiate between modes of deformation. For example, a shear wall weakened by a row, or rows of openings may tend to act like a frame, and an infilled frame will tend to deflect in a bending mode. Also, shear deformation of a shear wall can be more important than bending deformation if the height-to-length ratio is small, as discussed in Sect. 3.7.2.

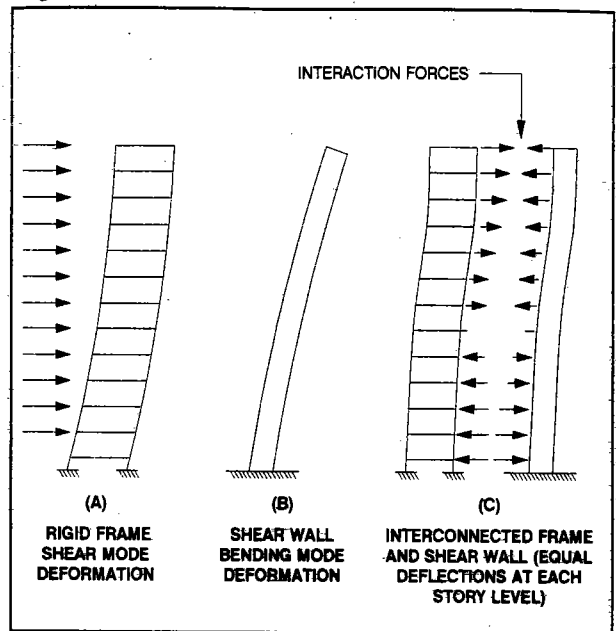
If all vertical elements of a structure exhibit the same behavior under load, that is, if they are all frames or all shear walls, the load can be distributed to the units in proportion to their stiffnesses (Sect. 3.7.3). However, because of the difference in bending modes, the load distribution in structures with both frames and shear walls is considerably more complex. Refs. 8 through 12 address this issue detail.

## 3.10 Structural Integrity

### 3.10.1 Introduction

It is the intent of the structural integrity provisions of ACI 318-95 to improve the redundancy and ductility of structures and thereby to reduce the risk of failure or collapse of parts or all of a building due to damage occurring to a relatively small area of a building. Code

Figure 3.9.1 Deformation modes



commentary emphasizes that the overall integrity of the structure can be substantially enhanced by minor changes in the detailing of reinforcement. In the event of damage to a beam, for example, it is important that displacement of its support member be minimized, so that other members will not be affected. For this reason, connection details which rely solely on friction caused by gravity loads are not permitted. Connections should also be arranged so as to minimize the potential for cracking due to restraint of volume change forces.

### 3.10.2 Precast Concrete Structures

For typical precast concrete structures, improved redundancy and ductility are achieved by connecting members into a load path to the lateral load resisting system. The load path in the lateral load resisting system shall be continuous to the foundation.

Any individual member may be connected into this load path by alternative methods. For example, a load bearing spandrel could be connected to a diaphragm (part of the lateral load resisting system). Structural integrity could be achieved by connecting the spandrel into all or a portion of the deck members forming the diaphragm, which in turn would be connected to the supporting beams and the beams would be connected to their supporting columns. Alternatively, the spandrel could be connected only to its supporting columns, which in turn must then be connected to the diaphragm.

Vertical continuity is achieved by providing connections at horizontal joints of vertical members.

For precast concrete structures, the following provisions will satisfy the requirements of ACI 318-95, Sects. 7.13.3 and 16.5.

1. Members shall be connected to the lateral load resisting system. Tension ties shall be provided in the transverse, longitudinal, and vertical directions and around the perimeter of the structure.
2. The lateral load resisting system shall be continuous to the foundation.
3. A diaphragm shall be provided with connections between diaphragm elements, with tension ties around its perimeter and around openings which significantly interrupt diaphragm action.
4. Column splices and column base connections shall have a nominal tensile design strength not less than  $200A_g$  in. pounds, where  $A_g$  is the gross area of the column in square in. For a compression member with a larger cross-section than required by consideration of loading, a reduced effective area,  $A_g$ , not less than one-half the total area, may be used.
5. Precast walls, other than cladding panels, shall be connected across horizontal joints by a minimum of two connections per panel. Each connection shall have a nominal tensile strength of not less than 10 kips. When design forces result in no tension at the base, these connections are permitted to be anchored into an appropriately reinforced slab on grade.
6. Where precast elements form roof or floor diaphragms, the connections between the diaphragm and those members being laterally supported shall have a nominal tensile strength not less than 300 pounds per linear foot.
7. To accommodate volume change strains in supported beams, (temperature and shrinkage) tie connections are typically located at the top of the member, with elastomeric pads employed at the bottom bearing surface. Such ties can be accomplished by welding, bolting, reinforcing steel in grout joints or bonded topping, or by doweling.
8. Connection details that rely solely on friction caused by gravity loads shall not be used. Exceptions may be permitted for heavy modular unit structures where resistance to overturning or sliding has a large factor of safety. Acceptance of such systems should be based on the provisions of ACI 318-95 Sect. 1.4.

### Example 3.10.1 Compliance of a Precast Concrete Structure with the Structural Integrity Provisions

This example uses the design of the one story building of Example 3.11.7 for checking compliance with the structural integrity provisions outlined in Sect. 3.10.2. The numbers used for the structural integrity provisions of this example refer to the same provision numbers used in Sect. 3.10.2.

#### Provision 1. "Members shall be connected..."

Compliance is provided by the connections between the roof diaphragm and the walls.

#### Provision 2. "The lateral load resisting..."

Compliance is provided by the existence of the exterior shear walls and the connections of these walls to the roof diaphragm and the foundation.

#### Provision 3. "A diaphragm shall be..."

Compliance is provided by the analysis, design and details of the roof diaphragm. Figure 3.11.5 demonstrates one example of a diaphragm connection.

#### Provision 4. "Column splices and column..."

Example 3.11.7 does not show the column to footing detail. Assume an 18 in. square column is used to support the interior beams. The column base plate is anchored to the column with 8-½ in. diameter deformed bar anchors and the base plate is anchored to the footing with 4-1 in. diameter A307 anchor bolts.

The nominal tensile strength is:

$$T_n = (200 \text{ psi}) (18 \text{ in.}) (18 \text{ in.}) = 64,800 \text{ lbs.}$$

#### Anchor Bolts

From Fig. 6.15.9,  $\phi T_n/\text{bolt} = 26.5 \text{ kips.}$

Note: The values in Table 6.15.9 include:

$$\phi = 0.75.$$

$$T_n = (4 \text{ bolts} \times 26,500 \text{ lbs/bolt}) / 0.75 \\ = 141,000 \text{ lb}$$

Since 141,000 lb > 64,800 lb compliance is achieved.

#### Base Plate

$$T_n = 8 \text{ bars} \times 0.20 \text{ in}^2/\text{bar} \times 60,000 \text{ psi} \\ = 96,000 \text{ lbs.}$$

Since 96,000 lb > 64,800 lb compliance is achieved.



### Provision 5. "Precast walls, other than..."

There are two shear wall to footing connections per panel. Each connection (Figure 3.11.8) has a tensile capacity greater than 43.2 kips.

Since two connections per panel are provided and each connection has a tensile capacity greater than 10 kips, this provision is satisfied.

### Provision 6. "Where precast elements..."

The connection between the exterior walls and the roof diaphragm has a required structural integrity nominal tensile strength of:

$$T_u = 8 \text{ ft} \times 300 \text{ lbs/ft} = 2400 \text{ lb} = 2.4 \text{ kips}$$

Since the required seismic tie force between the roof diaphragm and the wall panels is equal to 6.52 kips, which is greater than the structural integrity requirement of 2.4 kips, satisfaction of the seismic requirement provides structural integrity compliance.

Two connections per panel are provided as shown in Figures 3.11.3 and 3.11.4. These connections satisfy both the seismic requirements and the requirements of this provision.

### Provision 7. "To accommodate volume..." and

### Provision 8. "Connections details that rely..."

These provisions are satisfied by the designed and detailed connections shown in Figure 3.11.4. Since the inverted tee beam is connected to the roof diaphragm, structural integrity is satisfied. Alternatively, the inverted tee beam may be positively connected to the column. A feasible beam to column connection would be a doweled connection utilizing a coil insert in the column top, a coil rod through a vertical sleeve in the beam web and a coil nut with a plate washer located in a recess at the top of the beam web.

In conclusion, the structure of Example 3.11.7 with the clarifications noted in this section, satisfies all of the structural integrity provisions outlined in Sect. 3.10.2.

### 3.10.3 Large Panel Bearing Wall Structures

Large panel bearing wall structures are a special category of precast concrete structures, with respect to structural integrity. Large panel structures are typically constructed with precast walls having a horizontal dimension greater than the vertical dimension, which is generally the height of one story. The panels

are stacked for the height of the building and support the floor and roof decks. Criteria have been established for alternate load paths in such buildings three stories or more in height [7].

Large panel wall structures under three stories, shall meet the requirements of Sect. 3.10.2. For large panel bearing wall structures three stories or more in height, minimum tie force requirements are satisfied by the use of the following forces, as illustrated in Figure 3.10.1. It is not intended that these forces replace an analysis of the actual design forces required in the structure; these forces are not additive to the actual design forces.

$T_1$  = nominal tensile strength equal to 1500 lb per ft of floor or roof span. Ties may be encased in the floor units or in a topping, or may be concentrated at the wall. Spacing shall not exceed the spacing of bearing walls. Ties may be positioned in the walls within 2 ft of the plane of the floor or roof.

$T_2$  = peripheral nominal tensile strength sufficient to develop diaphragm action, but not less than 16,000 lbs., located within the depth of the floor or roof slab and within 4 ft of the edge. Ties may be reinforcing steel in a grout joint or in an edge beam; reinforced spandrels or wall anchored to the floor or roof may also be considered.

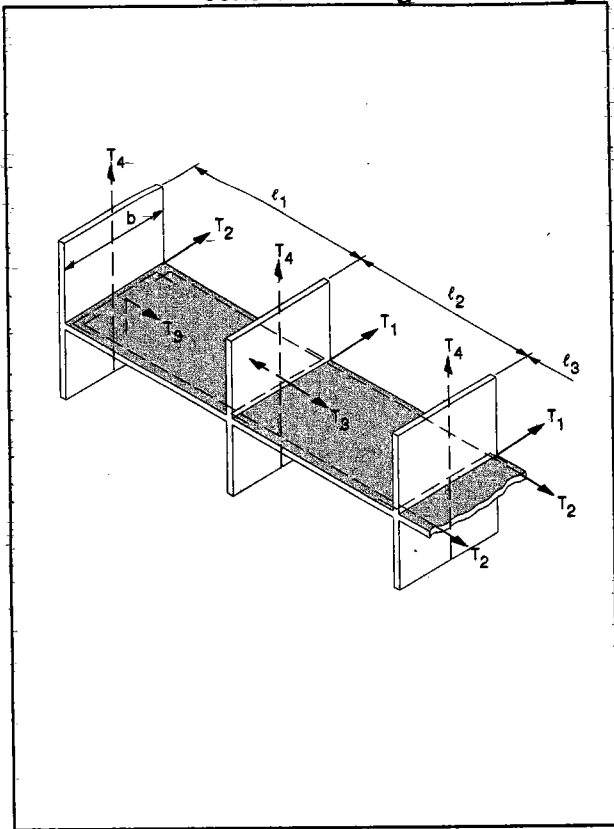
$T_3$  = nominal tensile strength not less than 1500 lb per linear foot of wall. Ties shall be spaced not greater than 10 ft on center. They may project from the precast element or be embedded in grout joints, with sufficient length and cover to develop the specified strength. At end walls, wall reinforcement shall extend into the floor, or mechanical anchorage between floor and wall shall be provided.

$T_4$  = nominal tensile strength not less than 3000 lb per linear foot of wall in all bearing walls, with a minimum of two ties per wall. These ties shall be continuous from foundation to top of wall.

### 3.10.4 Hybrid Structures

The provisions of ACI 318-95 relate to concrete buildings only. Those connections which interface precast concrete components with other structural materials (e.g., masonry walls, steel or wood roofs) should provide the same load paths and follow the design philosophy described above. Since the precast concrete supplier rarely has control over such other materials, the Engineer of Record must design and detail the connections to satisfy structural integrity and include them in the contract drawings.

**Figure 3.10.1 Recommended forces in precast concrete bearing wall buildings**



### 3.11 Earthquake Analysis and Design

#### 3.11.1 Notation

$a$	=	dimension
$A$	=	cross-sectional area
$A_a$	=	peak acceleration coefficient (SBC-94)
$A_c$	=	$\Sigma A_e [0.2 + (D_e/h_n)^2]$
$A_{cv}$	=	concrete shear area
$A_e$	=	minimum cross-sectional shear area in any horizontal plane in the first story of a shear wall (UBC-94)
$A_t$	=	cross-sectional area in linear measure
$A_s$	=	area of non-prestressed reinforcement
$A_v$	=	coefficient representing effective peak velocity-related acceleration (SBC-94)
$b$	=	width of panel
$C$	=	coefficient for base shear (UBC-94) or performance category (SBC-94)

$C$	=	total compressive force
$C_d$	=	deflection amplification factor (SBC-94)
$C_p$	=	coefficient for horizontal force on a part of the structure (UBC-94)
$C_s$	=	base shear coefficient (SBC-94)
$C_T$	=	fundamental period coefficient (SBC-94)
$C_{vx}$	=	vertical distribution factor for lateral forces (SBC-94)
$C_o$	=	compressive chord force
$C_u$	=	factored compressive force
$D$	=	dead load
$D_e$	=	length of shear wall in the first story in the direction parallel to the applied force (UBC-94)
$D_s$	=	longest dimension of a shear wall or braced frame in the direction parallel to the applied force (SBC-94)
$d$	=	dimension of building; distance from extreme compression fiber to centroid of tension reinforcement
$d$	=	bar, stud or bolt diameter
$E$	=	seismic load
$E$	=	end zone width (SBC-94)
$e$	=	eccentricity
$f$	=	extreme fiber stress
$F_i, F_n, F_x$	=	lateral forces applied to level $i$ , $n$ , or $x$ , respectively (SBC-94)
$F_p$	=	lateral force on the part of the structure and in the direction under consideration (UBC-94) (SBC-94)
$F_{px}$	=	force on floor diaphragms and collectors (SBC-94)
$F_{px}$	=	force due to weight of diaphragm and tributary elements at level $x$
$F_{pu}$	=	factored lateral force
$F_s$	=	sliding force
$F_t$	=	that portion of $V$ considered concentrated at the top of the structure, level $n$ (UBC-94), or in addition to $F_n$ (SBC-94)
$f'_c$	=	concrete compressive strength

$f_y$	=	yield strength of non-prestressed reinforcement	$S_{1,2,3,4}$	=	soil factor coefficient (SBC-94) (UBC-94)
$h$	=	height of member	$S_z$	=	section modulus in linear measure
$h_i, h_m, h_x$	=	height above base level to level $i$ , $n$ , or $x$ , respectively (UBC-94)(SBC-94)	$s$	=	spacing of items, e.g., weld clips, etc.
$I$	=	occupancy importance factor (UBC-94)(SBC-94)	$t$	=	thickness
$I$	=	moment of inertia	$T$	=	fundamental period of vibration of the building in the direction under consideration (UBC-94); total tensile force
$I_p$	=	occupancy importance for building par (UBC-94)	$T_a$	=	approximate fundamental building period (SBC-94)
$k$	=	exponent relating to type of construction and building period (SBC-94)	$T_n$	=	nominal tensile strength
$k$	=	effective length factor for compression members	$T_o$	=	tensile chord force
$k$	=	distance from back face of angle to web fillet toe	$T_u$	=	factored tensile force
$l$	=	length of building or member	$V$	=	total lateral load or shear at the base (UBC-94) (SBC-94); shear force
$l_w$	=	length of weld	$V_n$	=	nominal shear strength
$M$	=	moment	$V\ell$	=	shear force between panels
$M_c$	=	moment about compressive force	$V\ell_u$	=	factored shear force between panels
$M_o$	=	overturning moment	$V_u$	=	factored shear force
$M_1$	=	overturning moment	$v$	=	unit shear stress
$M_o$	=	maximum diaphragm bending moment	$v_{0,1,2,3}$	=	unit shear stresses
$M_{ot,1}$	=	overturning moment	$v_u$	=	factored shear stress
$M_R$	=	overturning moment resistance	$W$	=	total dead load plus applicable portions of other loads (UBC-94) (SBC-94)
$M_u$	=	factored moment	$W_p$	=	total weight of a part or portion of a structure (UBC-94) (SBC-94)
$N$	=	force normal to friction plane	$W_{px}$	=	weight of diaphragms and collectors and tributary elements at level $x$ plus allowable portions of live load (SBC-94)
$n$	=	uppermost level in the structure (UBC-94) (SBC-94)	$W_u$	=	factored dead load
$P_c$	=	nominal tensile strength of concrete element in shear cone	$W_i, W_x$	=	that portion of $W$ which is located at or is assigned to level $i$ or $x$ , respectively (SBC-94)
$P_s$	=	nominal tensile strength of steel element in shear cone	$W_1, W_2, W_3$	=	diaphragm forces per unit length for areas 1,2,3 respectively.
$P_u$	=	factored axial force	$x$	=	level which is under design consideration (SBC-94)
$R_o, R_1, R_2$	=	reactions	$Z$	=	coefficient dependent upon the seismic zone (UBC-94);
$R_s$	=	resistance to sliding	$Z$	=	plastic section modulus
$R, R_w$	=	seismic coefficient relating to type of construction (UBC-94)	$Z_c$	=	section modulus in linear measure
$r$	=	radius of gyration of cross-section of a compression			
$S$	=	section modulus			
$S$	=	site coefficient (SBC-94)(UBC-94)			

$\mu$	=	shear-friction coefficient
$\mu_s$	=	static coefficient of friction
$\rho_n$	=	reinforcement ratio
$\phi$	=	capacity reduction factor (ACI 318-95)

### 3.11.2 General

Earthquakes generate horizontal and vertical ground movement. When the earthquake passes beneath a structure, the foundation will tend to move with the ground, while the superstructure will tend to remain in its original position. The lag between foundation and superstructure movement will cause distortions and develop forces in the structure. As the ground moves, changing distortions and forces are produced throughout the height of the structure.

Precast concrete structures often utilize jointed construction, and individual elements are connected at their joints using a variety of methods. These connections may include embedded steel shapes such as flat plates and angles, with headed stud or reinforcing bar anchorage; the steel embedments are field bolted or welded. Some applications have also employed match casting of the precast members with "dry" connections (see Sect. 9.9). Another type of connection, referred to as a "wet" connection, consists of reinforcing bars protruding from the precast members, with the bars mechanically coupled or spliced. Cast-in-place concrete or non-shrink grout at the joint completes this connection. Either dry or wet connections are applicable for both moment-resisting frame and shear wall systems.

It is imperative that lateral load paths and resisting elements are clearly defined. Where significant movement between adjacent elements is anticipated, ductile connections must be provided. One advantage of jointed construction is the ease of defining load paths through the connections. Connections can be designed for specific directional resistance while maintaining flexibility on one or more other directions. It is important in a precast structure to develop connections that tie all precast members into the lateral load resisting system.

Connections in moment-resisting frames (see Sect. 3.8) rely upon ductile means of connecting precast beams to their supporting columns, in order to provide ample energy absorption through many cycles of loading without serious degradation. Recent government sponsored research (PRESSS and ATLSS programs) illustrates connection detailing that has produced moment frame performance superior to similar cast-in-place joints.

The current philosophy for the design of earthquake resistant structures permits minor damage for moderate earthquakes, and accepts major damage for severe earthquakes, provided that complete collapse is prevented. The design details often require large, inelastic, deformations to occur in order to absorb the inertial forces. This is achieved by providing member and connection ductility. While this ductility can prevent total collapse, the resultant distortions may lead to significant damage to mechanical, electrical, and architectural elements. Seismic damage can be minimized by setting limitations on structural deflections, such as interstory drift.

To limit damage of non-structural elements, three options are open to the designer. First, the elements could be uncoupled from the structural system, so that these elements are not forced to undergo as much deformation as the supporting structure. Note, however, that these elements must maintain their own structural integrity. Second, the deflections of the supports could be reduced in order to minimize deformation of the non-structural elements. This is typically attained through the use of shear walls. Third, the connection between individual elements and support elements could be designed to sustain large deformations and rotations without failure. Generally, the first or third approach is adopted for non-structural architectural wall panels (see Sects. 3.11.4 and 3.11.12).

Buildings may be designed as either flexible or stiff. Flexible structures will develop large deflections and small inertial forces; conversely, stiff structures will develop large inertial forces but small deflections. Either type may be designed to safely prevent total collapse. However, experience demonstrates that a stiff structure, such as a shear wall building properly designed to account for the large inertial forces, will incur significantly less damage to architectural, mechanical, and electrical elements.

Buildings utilizing shear walls as the lateral force resisting system provides a safe, serviceable and economical solution for wind and earthquake loads. Shear walls are the most common lateral force resisting system in the precast, prestressed concrete industry. The excellent performance of shear wall buildings throughout the world which have been subjected to earthquakes supports this method. In many cases in previous earthquakes in Chile and Japan, continued use of the structure has been allowed with full functions after the earthquake. The selection and design has followed principles used for monolithic cast-in-place structures, with modifications made as appropriate for the jointed nature of a precast concrete structural system. Design methods used to achieve successful performance of precast shear wall struc-

tures have been largely left to the ingenuity and judgment of the design engineer. Observations of performance structures in earthquakes show that where adequate strength and stiffness were provided to limit interstory drift to about 2%, the resulting displacements and damage were within acceptable levels. In regions of lower and moderate seismicity, dry connections with small grout joints are generally used. In regions of high seismicity, connections to the foundation, and connections between precast walls, generally use details which emulate cast-in-place behavior or include post-tensioning.

In the few cases where shear wall buildings have shown poor performance, the problems were generally related to details that were insufficiently ductile and thus resulted in brittle local failure (such as improper anchoring of embedments). Incomplete load paths such as improper diaphragm details were also problems. Inadequate diaphragm behavior can be caused by improper reinforcing for shear and tension within the diaphragm, and insufficient ties between the diaphragm and the shear walls.

Since ground motion is random in direction, a structure which is shaped so as to be equally resistant in any direction is the optimal solution. Thus, closed sections (boxes or tubes) have demonstrated markedly better behavior when compared to open sections because (1) closed sections provide a higher degree of torsional resistance and (2) the higher axial stresses and resultant deformations in the exterior columns provide significant energy absorption.

In structures where openness is important, such as parking structures, shear walls with large openings have been successfully used. Attention must be paid to local flexure and shear in those elements which surround the openings.

Flexural load tests of prestressed concrete members have consistently shown that large deflections occur as the design strength is approached. Because of prestressing, the transition from linear to nonlinear member response is gradual and smooth. Cyclic load test have shown that prestressed concrete beams can undergo several cycles of intense load reversal and still maintain their design strength.

### 3.11.3 Building Code Requirements

All major building codes include seismic provisions. In this section, examples are presented using the Uniform Building Code (UBC) and the Standard Building Code (SBC). The following discussion is based on the provisions of UBC-94.

The response of a structure to the ground motion of an earthquake depends on the structural system with its damping characteristics, and on the distribution of its mass. With mathematical idealization, a de-

signer can determine the probable response of the structure to an imposed earthquake. UBC-94 requires a dynamic analysis for structures which have highly irregular shapes or framing systems and allows it for other structures. However, most buildings have structural systems and shapes which are more or less regular, and many designers use the equivalent static load method for these structures. See UBC-94 Sect. 1627.

In its simplest form, UBC-94 requires that a total base shear,  $V$ , be applied to the building in any horizontal direction where

$$V = (ZICW)/R_w \quad (\text{Eq. 3.11.1})$$

in which:

- Z Is based on the expected earthquake intensity
- I Is based on the type of occupancy anticipated
- $R_w$  Is based on the type of framing
- C Is based on the flexibility of the structure and the site soil condition, and
- W Is the dead load of the structure, plus portions of the live load for some occupancies.

This total shear is divided among the story levels, with the upper stories being assigned more of the horizontal load than the lower stories. This is the method of equivalent static loads.

Also, UBC-94 requires that parts of the structure such as roofs, floors, walls, and their connections be designed locally for either the distributed base shear or the lateral forces determined by the expression:

$$F_p = ZI_p C_p W_p \quad (\text{Eq. 3.11.2})$$

in which the subscript "p" denotes the effects of the building part. For certain parts of buildings,  $F_p$  requirement is sometimes more severe than the distributed base shear.

The occupancy importance factor,  $I$ , has the effect of making structures that would be essential during an earthquake disaster (e.g., hospitals, fire stations, etc.), or those that could house large numbers of people, less likely to be severely damaged.

The values  $C$ ,  $C_p$  and  $R_w$  may be determined in accordance with UBC-94, Sects. 1624 -1633. The value of  $C$  need not exceed 2.75, and may be used for any structure without regard to soil type or structure period. The value of  $R_w$  is 6 for concrete bearing wall systems. For non load bearing shear walls,  $R_w$  is 8.

There have been many recent changes made to major documents that contain seismic design provisions. (See Ref. 19 through 23). These changes are based on a significant amount of seismic research

that has been completed as well as observations from the Northridge earthquake of 1994.

The new building codes will contain new or updated information regarding the many topics, a few of which are:

- Recognition of jointed panel construction as an alternative to emulation of monolithic construction.
- Achieving ductility by using "strong" connections that remain elastic while non-linear action (plastic hinging) occurs in the member away from the connection.
- Drift limits.
- Deformation compatibility of structural elements and attached non-structural elements.
- Additional soil type classifications added.
- Design considerations of buildings sites located near seismic faults.
- Design considerations of structures possessing redundancy.

There is a trend to unify seismic design practice. A new model building code, the International Building Code, is expected to replace the three existing model building codes early in the next century.

The revisions to the seismic design provisions in Refs. 19 through 23 are too lengthy and became available too late for inclusion in this edition of the Handbook. These changes will be included in the Sixth Edition of the *PCI Design Handbook*.

### 3.11.4 Design Guidelines for Wall Panels

This section, Sects. 3.11.5 and 3.11.6 deal primarily with totally precast concrete structures. In addition, architectural wall panels, whether connected to precast concrete or other materials, require special considerations:

1. Exterior walls perforated for windows will act somewhere between a solid wall and a flexible frame. For tall buildings, this will result in a non-linear distribution of forces, due to shear lag (see Sect. 3.7.7). When similar to a flexible frame, they must be designed as moment-resisting frames to resist seismic loads.
2. Portions of walls with opening can be subjected to significant axial loads. These portions may require reinforcement with closely spaced ties, in accordance with ACI 318-95, Chapter 21.
3. Connected walls may act as coupled walls (see Sect. 3.7.5).

4. Walls will be subjected to lateral loads perpendicular to the plane of the wall (wind, seismic) in combination with loads in the plane.
5. Design should consider the eccentricities produced by story drift. These are combined with the eccentricities due to manufacturing and erection tolerances. Drift is defined as the relative movement of one story with respect to the stories immediately above or below the level under consideration. Between points of connection, non-load bearing panels should be separated from the building frame to avoid contact under seismic action. In the immediate area of connections, panels will tend to distort the same amount as the supporting frame. Internal stresses induced due to a statically indeterminate support system should be checked. Even in a statically determinate panel there may be some built-in restraint at the connections, so that some allowance for internal stresses should be considered.
6. Under severe earthquake, large deflections may be anticipated. The investigation of individual walls and of the entire structure should include the consideration of deflection ( $P-\Delta$  effect).
7. To account for accidental torsion, the mass at each level shall be considered displaced from the calculated center of mass an amount equal to 5 percent of the building dimension perpendicular to the direction of force.
8. Seismic induced forces are reversible. This is particularly important at joints.
9. The best energy absorbing members are those with high moment-rotation capabilities. The energy absorbing capacity of a flexural member is measured by the area under the moment-rotation curve. Correctly reinforced, concrete can exhibit high ductility. Refer to ACI 318-95, Chapter 21, for proper methods of reinforcing to achieve ductility.
10. Joints represent discontinuities, and may be the location of stress concentrations. Reinforcement or mechanical anchorage must be provided through the joint to fully transmit the horizontal shear and flexure developed during seismic activity. See Chapter 6 for a discussion on connections. In zones of high seismicity, cast-in-place reinforced concrete in combination with precast concrete has proved successful in economically transferring seismic forces (see Sect. 7.3).

11. Where possible, make panel connections to the supporting structure statically determinate, in order to permit a more accurate determination of force distribution.
  12. Choose the number and location of connections to permit movements in the plane of the panel to accommodate story drift and volume changes.
  13. Locate connections to minimize torsional moments on supporting spandrel beams, particularly if the beams are structural steel.
  14. Provide separation between the panel and the building frame to prevent contact during an earthquake.
  15. For jointed construction, force the weakest link of the connection to occur in its most ductile component (i.e., connecting plate).
3. Determination of vertical and lateral loads
    - a. Determine the vertical gravity loads which are applicable to each of the shear walls.
    - b. Use the applicable seismic design criteria to determine the magnitude of lateral load at each floor, and compare with wind loading. Choose the critical condition for design.
  4. Preliminary load analysis
    - a. Determine the overturning moment, the lateral shear and the axial load at the base of each of the shear walls.
  5. Selection of shear walls
    - a. Review the preliminary choice of shear wall size and location.
    - b. Modify the number, location, and dimensions of shear walls as necessary to satisfy the requirements at the base of each. It is economically preferable that foundations not be subject to uplift.

### 3.11.5 Design Guidelines for Shear Wall Structures

The following are suggested guidelines for structures that have shear walls as the primary lateral load resisting element:

1. Evaluation of building function and applicable precast frame
  - a. In a warehouse type structure, it is common to include the exterior walls as part of the lateral load resisting system (See Sect. 3.11.6).
  - b. In parking structures, shear walls can be located at stair and elevator towers, at the perimeter or ramped bays, at selected locations on the perimeter of the structure, or any combination of the above locations.
2. Preliminary development of shear wall system
  - a. Provide at least 3 non-colinear walls to ensure torsional as well as direct lateral support.
  - b. Overturning will often be the governing criteria. Thus, the first choice is to use shear walls which also function as bearing walls.
  - c. Arrange shear walls so that they minimize restraint due to volumetric changes.
  - d. Consider whether the shear walls could be individual full height walls (vertical joints only).
  - e. Consider the practicality of shipping and erection when selecting the size of panels.
  - f. Balance the design requirements of the shear walls with the design requirements of the associated diaphragms.
6. Final load analysis
  - a. Based on the final location and dimensions of shear walls, perform the final lateral load and vertical load analysis for each of the shear walls. Consider shear stiffness as well as flexural stiffness when distributing lateral loads to the shear walls.
7. Final shear wall design
  - a. Design shear wall reinforcement and the connections to the associated diaphragms.
  - b. Where there is insufficient length of shear wall available to accommodate the necessary number of shear connectors, consider using an element in the plane of the diaphragm (drag strut) as an extension of the shear wall to pick up additional connectors to the diaphragm.
  - c. Consider the additional requirements necessary to satisfy the structural integrity provisions of the code (see Sect. 3.10).
8. Diaphragm design
  - a. Design the diaphragms to respond elastically to applied lateral loads in order to prevent formation of plastic regions in any diaphragm. To achieve this, the diaphragm design forces prescribed by the codes should be increased by  $(\frac{2}{3}) R_w$  in order to determine the required factored design loads.
  - b. Design the diaphragms as beams, provide the necessary tensile reinforcement for each chord, and choose shear connectors using design procedures of Chapter 6, or

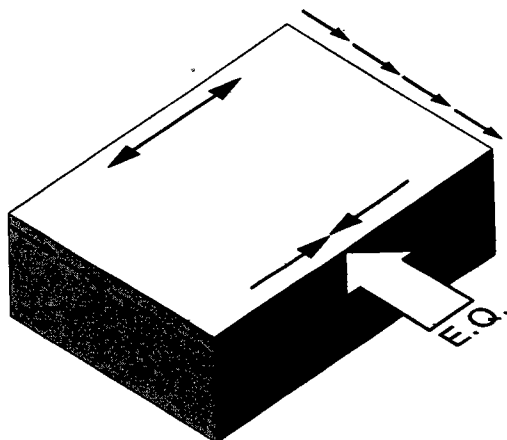
shear reinforcement using shear friction methods.

- c. Consider the additional requirements necessary to satisfy the structural integrity provisions of the code (see Sect. 3.10).

### 3.11.6 Concept of Box-Type Shear Wall Buildings

A box-type building consists of roof and floor diaphragms, and shear walls. When these components are appropriately connected they form a structure which is very resistant to lateral loads.

Since an earthquake is a ground motion reacting with the inertia of the building and its parts, the equivalent static loads are applied at the centroids of the parts. The internal forces that link the applied loads and the ground reaction follow the stiffest paths consistent with equilibrium and compatibility of deflection. With box-type buildings of moderate height-to-width ratio, the stiffnesses of diaphragms and walls in their own planes greatly exceed other resistances. The load paths are then along diaphragms and walls rather than through moment-resisting frames.



In multi-story, box-type buildings, the equivalent static loads find resistances in the several diaphragms and walls, and downward to the footings. The designer should try to arrange the path of resistance to be direct.

A diaphragm made up of precast elements requires that it be strong enough in shear and moment. When walls have numerous openings, the designer must judge if the wall should be considered a shear wall or a moment-resisting frame.

A box-type structure may have a large number of precast concrete elements that are assembled into walls, floors, roof, and occasionally frames. Proper connections between the many pieces create the diaphragms and shear walls, and the connections between these, in turn, create the box-type structure. In the seismic design of a box-type structure, there are two fundamental and different requirements of the two groups of connections:

1. One group of connections that transmits forces between elements within a horizontal diaphragm or a shear wall, and
2. Another group of connections that transmits forces between a horizontal diaphragm and a shear wall.

In seismic design, forces must be positively transmitted. Load paths must be as direct as possible. Anchors should be attached to or hooked around reinforcing bars or otherwise terminated so as to effectively transfer forces to the bars. Reinforcement in the vicinity of the anchors should be designed to distribute the forces so as to preclude local failure. Concrete dimensions must be ample, so that the hardware of the connection is confined, and the connection thus can transmit accidental forces that are normal to the usual plane of the load path. Finally, a connection should be such that, if it were to yield, it will do so in a ductile manner, i.e. without loss of load carrying capacity when the concrete cracks.

### 3.11.7 Example—1-Story Building

#### General

By taking advantage of walls already present, one-story buildings usually can be designed to resist lateral loads (wind or earthquake) by shear wall and diaphragm action. If a shear wall and diaphragm concept is feasible, it is generally the most economical concept. This section of the Handbook is intended to assist the designer with the shear wall/diaphragm concept for precast, prestressed concrete buildings.

To show a fairly complete design, the simple one-story example building in Figure 3.11.1 will be illustrated. It is 128 ft x 160 ft in. plan, and has 16-ft clear height inside. It is entirely precast above the foundation, using 16-in. double tees for the walls and 24-in. double tees for the roof. The double tees are 8 ft wide, with stems 4 ft on centers. The flanges on the roof tees are 2 in. thick, and on the wall tees, 4 in. thick. Double tee concrete strength,  $f'_c = 6000$  psi. The weight of roofing and mechanical equipment is 10 psf.

Because all loads must funnel through the connections, gravity and lateral loads must be considered together. Thus, this example shows both gravity and lateral load connections. The example emphasizes the concepts of free body diagrams and load paths.

#### Load Analysis

Earthquakes impose lateral and vertical ground motions upon a structure. The structure responds to these motions with its own independent deflections. The difference between the ground motion and the horizontal deflection of the structure causes deformation and stresses in structural components. How-



ever, most designers are used to thinking of stress as caused by load rather than as caused by deflection. Consequently, all the common methods of design use a set of static lateral loads intended to be equivalent to (i.e. produce the same stresses as) the real, dynamic loads caused by deflection. One such method is used in UBC-94. The example building is analyzed here for N-S earthquake only. In a real design situation, it would also have to be analyzed for E-W earthquake.

The example building resists lateral load by diaphragm and shear wall action. Inertial loads (mass x acceleration) are delivered to the roof diaphragm. The diaphragm acts like a plate girder laid flat, spanning between the shear walls. The diaphragm may be taken as the interconnected flanges of the precast roof elements. In determining the equivalent static loads on this diaphragm, the mass tributary to the diaphragm must be determined. This is done in terms of dead weight,  $W$ , as follows:

N and S walls:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{half ht + parapet} &= 13.5 \text{ ft} \\ \text{total length} = (2)(160) &= 320 \text{ ft} \\ \text{weight} = 13.5(320)(0.067) &= 289 \text{ kips} \end{aligned}$$

Roof (including 10 psf dead load):

$$\text{weight} = 128(160)(0.062) = 1270 \text{ kips}$$

$$\text{Total } W = 1559 \text{ kips}$$

The equivalent lateral load  $V$  is computed by multiplying  $W$  by an acceleration. The acceleration is determined from  $ZIC/R_w$ . The  $Z$ -factor, denoting geographical zones of equal probability of serious earthquake, is here taken as Zone 3 value of 0.30. The occupancy importance factor,  $I$ , is assumed as 1.0 and the  $R_w$  factor, used to indicate the performance of different framing systems have shown in actual earthquakes, is taken as 6.

The value of  $C$  is calculated as follows:

$$C = \frac{1.25S}{T^{2/3}} \leq 2.75$$

where:

$$T = C_T(h_n)^{3/4}$$

$$C_T = \frac{0.1}{\sqrt{A_c}} \geq 0.020$$

$$A_c = \Sigma A_e [0.2 + (D_e/h_n)^2]$$

Assume a stiff soil of depth  $> 200$  ft

$$S = 1.2$$

Calculate  $C_T$  in north-south direction:

There are 2 shear walls, each 128 ft long and 22 ft high (to roof) and 4-in. thick. Thus,

$$A_e = 128(0.33) = 42.24 \text{ ft}^2$$

$$D_e/h_n = 128/22 = 5.82 > 0.9; \text{ use } 0.9 \text{ (based on UBC limitations)}$$

$$A_c = 2(42.24)(0.2 + 0.9^2) = 85.32 \text{ ft}^2$$

$$C_T = 0.1/\sqrt{85.32} = 0.011 < 0.02; \text{ use } 0.02$$

$$T = 0.02 (22)^{3/4} = 0.20 \text{ seconds}$$

$$C = 1.25(1.2)/(0.20)^{2/3} = 4.4 > 2.75; \text{ use } 2.75$$

The coefficient used in design is thus:

$$ZIC/R_w = 0.30(1)(2.75)/6 = 0.14$$

Shear on the diaphragm due to earthquake is:

$$V = F_p = (ZIC/R_w)W = 0.14(1559) = 218 \text{ kips}$$

In comparison, the shear caused by a 20 psf wind load is:

$$V = 13.5(160)(0.020) = 43.2 \text{ kips} < 218 \text{ kips}$$

Thus the building design is governed by earthquake.

A word of caution is in order. The base shear due to earthquake as calculated above is a "service" load. Accelerations in real earthquakes may be many times the  $ZIC/R_w$  shown above. This will cause elements of the structure to be strained to first yield point and beyond in a severe earthquake. The structure must have deformation capability to absorb overloads of short duration without failure.

To guard against displacement of mass from actual location UBC-94 requires that a minimum 5% eccentricity be assumed with respect to the center of mass as shown in Figure 3.11.2. With this in mind, the forces internal to the roof diaphragm are:

Max. shear reaction:

$$R_0 = (88/160)V = 0.55(218) = 120 \text{ kips}$$

Max. shear intensity:

$$v_0 = 120/128 = 0.94 \text{ klf}$$

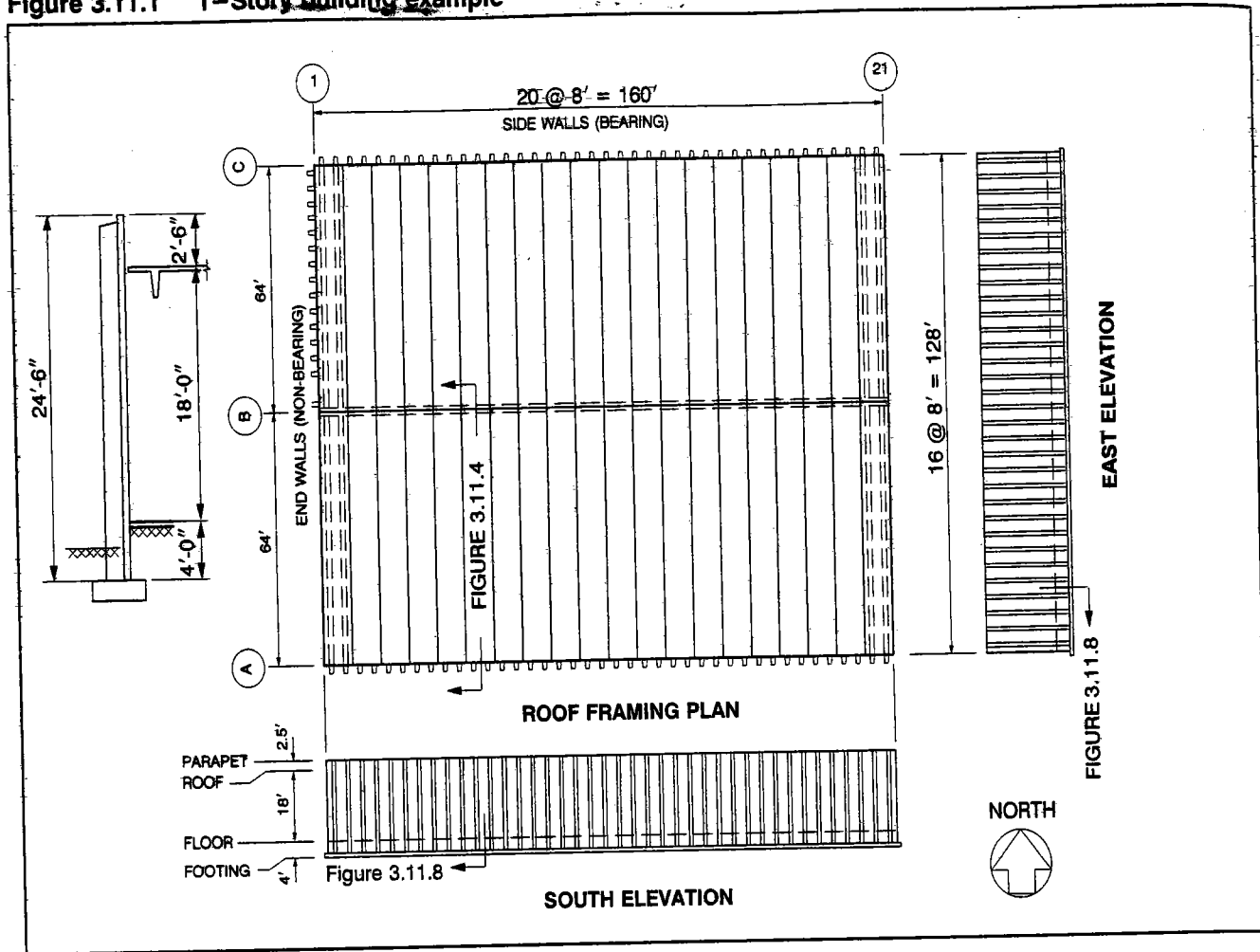
Max. bending moment:

$$M_0 = V\ell/8 = 218(160/8) = 4360 \text{ kip-ft}$$

Max. chord forces:

$$C_0 = T_0 = M_0/d = 4360/128 = 34.1 \text{ kips}$$

Figure 3.11.1 1-Story building example



The shear forces are analogous to those in the web of a plate girder. The chord forces are analogous to those in the flanges of a plate girder.

Considering the roof as a free body, Figure 3.11.2 shows that equilibrium is maintained by the reactions from the tops of the shear walls. Figure 3.11.2 shows that the wall as a free body can be in equilibrium only if sufficient sliding resistance and overturning resistance are provided. The forces acting which must be resisted by the shear wall are:

Sliding force:

$$R_1 = R_0 + (ZIC/R_w)W_{wall}$$

$$R_1 = 120 + (0.14)(128)(24.5)(0.067) = 149 \text{ kips}$$

Overturning moment:

$$M_1 = R_0 h + (V_{wall})(h/2) = 120(22) + (29)(24.5/2) = 2995 \text{ kip-ft}$$

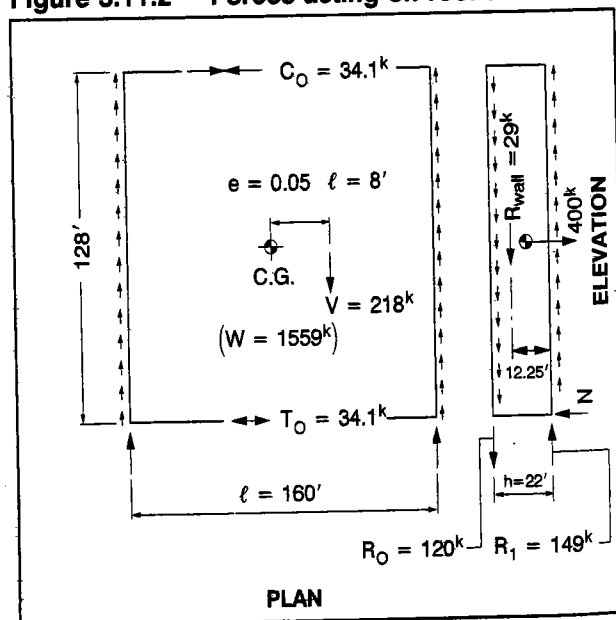
The weight of the end wall, tributary roof, floor, backfill, footing, etc., is about  $N = 400$  kips. The available resistance to overturning, then, is:

$$M_R = N(d/2) = 400(128/2) = 25,600 \text{ kip-ft}$$

The sliding force is resisted by friction at the bottom of the wall footing. Assume a granular soil, the coefficient of sliding friction is about 0.6.

$$R_s = \mu_s N = 0.6(400) = 240 \text{ kips}$$

Figure 3.11.2 Forces acting on roof and walls



The factors of safety (load factors) for overturning and sliding are seen to be sufficient:

$$M_p/M_t = 25,600/2995 = 8.55$$

$$R_s/F_s = 240/149 = 1.61$$

The designer must be careful to follow the loads all the way down into the ground. This is the "load-path" concept.

#### Strength Analysis—Roof

In this example, strengths of concrete components are analyzed using the load factors of ACI 318-95, and strength of structural steel parts by AISC-LRFD methods. Reinforcing bars are ASTM A 615, Grade 60. (See Chapter 6 for guides in welding reinforcing bars.) To maintain elastic behavior, a load factor of  $(2/5)R_w$  is used.

$$\text{Load Factor} = (2/5)R_w = (2/5)(6) = 2.4$$

Following the load path, the diaphragm is first analyzed for shear. The applied design shear in the double tee flanges is:

$$v_u = 2.4v_0 = 2.4(120/128) = 2.25 \text{ klf}$$

The design shear strength of the reinforced concrete in the double tee flanges, using a  $\phi$  factor of 0.6 per UBC-94, and using a minimum  $\rho_n$  of 0.0025, is:

$$\begin{aligned}\phi V_n &= \phi(A_{cv})(2\sqrt{f'_c} + \rho_n f_y) \\ &= 0.6(12)(2)[2\sqrt{6000} + 0.0025(60,000)] \\ \phi V_n &= 4.39 \text{ klf} > 2.25\end{aligned}$$

This is greater than required, therefore, satisfactory.

The double tee flanges must be connected at their edges to each other and to the side shear walls. This is analogous to providing shear strength along vertical joints in the web of a plate girder, and is done by weld clips as shown in Figure 3.11.3(A), (B) and (C). This clip is analyzed by truss analogy, illustrated in Figure 3.11.3(D). The design forces in the bars, and their resultant along the double tee edge, are:

$$\begin{aligned}C_u &= T_u = \phi A_s f_y = 0.9(0.31)(60) \\ &= 16.7 \text{ kips} \\ \phi V_n &= (C_u + T_u) \cos 45^\circ \\ &= (16.7 + 16.7)(0.707) \\ &= 23.7 \text{ kips}\end{aligned}$$

Connection hardware and welds must be designed to resist this force. The development of this force into the flange of the double tee by appropriate anchorage must also be verified.

At the junction with the side walls, the spacing between clips (as limited by horizontal or diaphragm shear) must be no more than:

$$s = \phi V_n / v_u = 23.7 / 2.25 = 10.5 \text{ ft}$$

Using the ratio of distances from the center of the roof, the shear between the first and second double tee and the corresponding spacing between clips, is:

$$v_u = (72/80)(2.25) = 2.03 \text{ klf}$$

$$s = 23.7 / 2.03 = 11.7 \text{ ft, but use maximum spacing of 10 ft}$$

Ten feet is a reasonable maximum spacing. However, in an earthquake, the double tee next to the side wall is subject to vertical bouncing. This could destroy the essential connection of diaphragm to shear wall, unless the connection is strengthened sufficiently to yield the double tee flange as a cantilever in bending where it joins the first interior stem. If standard weld clips are placed at 4 ft on centers (2 per wall panel), they will easily force uniform yield in the flange. Hence, the clips are spaced:

$$s = 10 \text{ ft on centers typically, and}$$

$$s = 4 \text{ ft on centers at side walls}$$

The double tee flanges must also be connected to the north and south walls. If the chord forces are resisted in the walls, the connections must transfer the "VQ/lb" type web shears to the chords. This is analogous to the connection between web and flange of a plate girder. This same connection must also function as a tension tie, by holding the wall panels onto the roof against wind and earthquake, and by holding the building together against shrinkage and related forces.

The connection which holds the wall panel to the roof must be designed for an earthquake force,  $F_p$ , which is obtained by multiplying the tributary weight of this part of the building,  $W_p$ , by an acceleration,  $Z I_p C_p$ .  $Z$  and  $I_p$  are the same zone and occupancy factors as before.  $C_p$  is a factor used to correlate for past good and bad experience in earthquakes. The UBC-94 requires a  $C_p$  of 0.75 for connections of wall panels, but also requires that the fasteners, such as bolts, inserts, welds, dowels, etc., be designed for 4 times the load determined from the above formula. Thus, for most parts of the connection, design acceleration is:

$$Z I_p C_p = 0.30(1.0)(0.75)(4) = 0.90$$

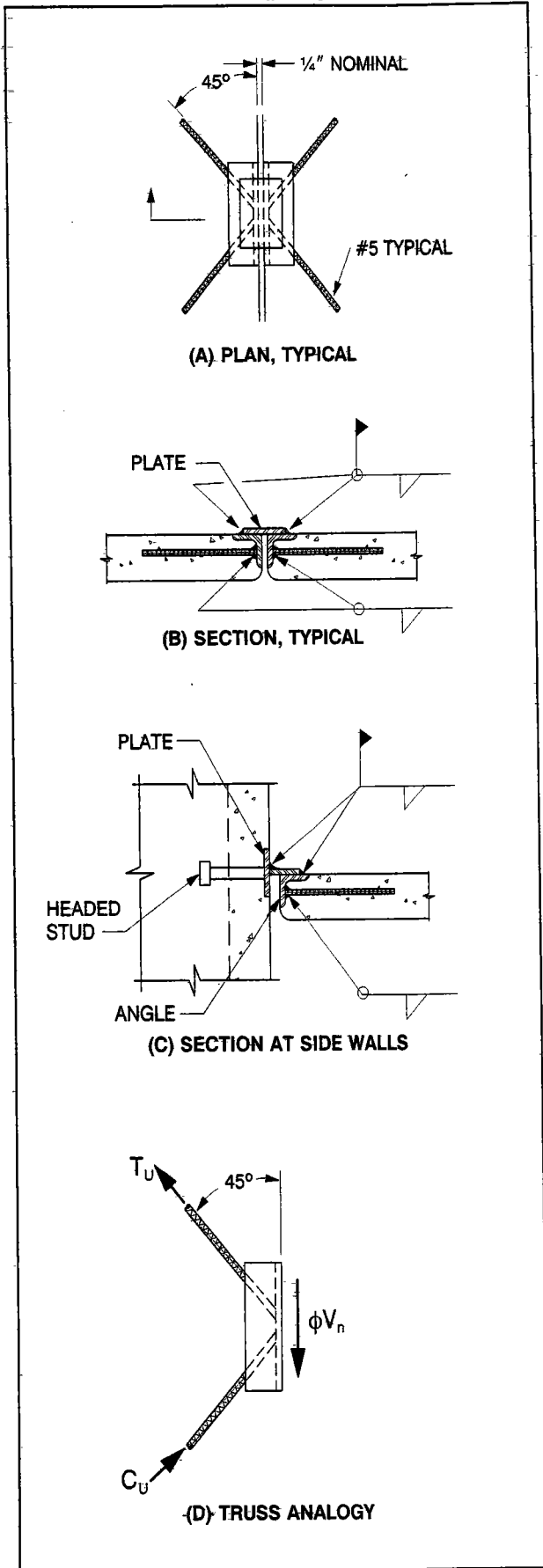
Tributary weight of an 8-ft wide wall panel is:

$$\begin{aligned}W_p \text{ (half ht + parapet)} &= \left(\frac{22}{2} + 2.5\right)(8)(0.067) \\ &= 7.24 \text{ kips}\end{aligned}$$

The corresponding lateral earthquake force is:

$$\begin{aligned}F_p &= Z I_p C_p W_p = 0.90(7.24) = 6.52 \text{ kips} \\ &= 3.26 \text{ kips per double tee stem}\end{aligned}$$

**Figure 3.11.3 Connections between flanges of roof and double tees and from roof diaphragm to wall**



Because this is nearly equivalent to a wind force of 60 psf, wind does not control. The connection must transmit diaphragm shear and at the same time allow for the live load end rotation of the simple span roof tees. This is done by welding the roof and wall tees together at the top of the roof tee, but not at the bearing (Figure 3.11.4).

In the case illustrated, bearing pads are used; the deformation of the pads will minimize the horizontal restraint at the bearing, and the connection design will be governed by the earthquake force. The bar anchorage is sized thus:

$$T_u = (2.4)F_p = 2.4(3.26) = 7.82 \text{ kips}$$

$$A_s = T_u / \phi f_y = 7.82 / [0.9(60)] = 0.14 \text{ in}^2$$

Use 2 - #3 bars ( $A_s = 0.22 \text{ in}^2$ )

The chord reinforcement will be placed in the roof members and is sized for tension as follows:

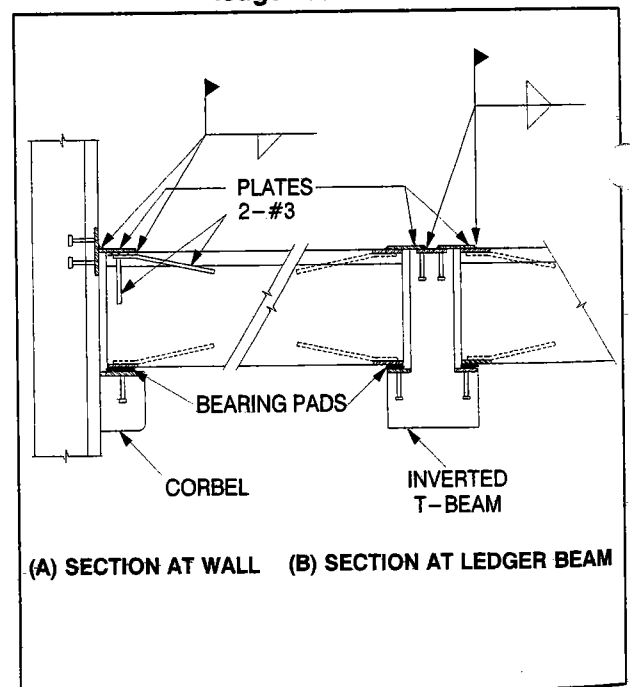
$$T_u = C_u = 2.4T_o = 2.4(34.1) = 81.8 \text{ kips}$$

$$A_s = T_u / \phi f_y = 81.8 / [0.9(60)] = 1.51 \text{ in}^2$$

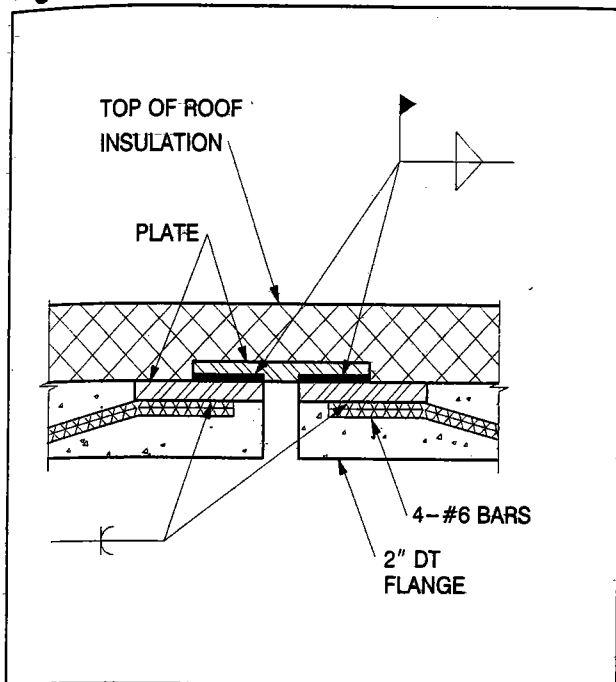
Use 4 - #6 bars ( $A_s = 1.76 \text{ in}^2$ )

These bars are located as shown in Figure 3.11.5. The cross-sectional area of the plates and the welds should be sufficient to ensure that yielding in the bars occurs first.

**Figure 3.11.4 Connections between roof double tees at side walls and ledger beam**



**Figure 3.11.5 Flange or chord reinforcement**



The diaphragm must be continuous in shear over the centerline ledger beam (see Figure 3.11.4B). For the design of this connection, refer to Sect. 3.6 and Figure 3.6.1. To provide ductility, the weld should be designed for 1.33 times the yield strength of the connection, and the headed studs made long enough to preclude a premature shear cone failure. Deformed bar anchors may be substituted for the headed studs.

This completes the strength analysis of the diaphragm for N-S earthquake. For E-W earthquake, a similar analysis is required.

**Strength Analysis—Walls**

Following the load path, the shear walls are analyzed next. For simplicity, it is assumed the walls have no openings. Thus, there are interior and exterior (corner) wall panels, as shown in Figure 3.11.6. Connections are made across the vertical panel joints to take advantage of the fact that compensating forces are generated in the panels. Considering an interior panel:

$$V(h) = V_1(b) + W(b/2 - a)$$

$$V_1 = [V(h) - W(b/2 - a)]/b$$

For vertical equilibrium:

$$C = W$$

Since this force system can exist for all interior panels, edge shears will balance to zero, when all panels have the same dimensions and weight. The only requirement for the connections is a transfer of vertical shear. Therefore, longitudinally sliding connections

can be used if volume restraint is of concern. At the exterior panels, the edge shear  $V_1$  from an exterior panel will be applied at one edge only. Because tension and compression base connections are not located at the panel edges, equilibrium may have to be satisfied with tension and compression connections to the foundation.

At the tension side exterior panel, equilibrium can be determined by summing moments about the compression force:

$$T = [V(h) - W(b/2 - a) - V_1(a)]/d$$

$$= V_1(b - a)/d$$

$$C = T + W - V_1$$

At the compression side exterior panel, equilibrium can also be determined by summing moments about the compression force:

$$T = [V(h) - W(b/2 - a) - V_1(b - a)]/d$$

$$= V_1(a)/d$$

$$C = T + W + V_1$$

For this example, stemmed panels are used for the walls. Connections are most conveniently located at the stems, so the pertinent dimensions are:

$$b = 8 \text{ ft}$$

$$a = 2 \text{ ft}$$

$$d = 4 \text{ ft}$$

Working with factored loads and based on inelastic behavior:

$$V_u = 1.4(0.94)(8) + 1.4(0.14)(8)(24.5)(0.067)$$

$$= 13.1 \text{ kips per panel}$$

$$W_u = 0.9(8)(24.5)(0.067) = 11.8 \text{ kips}$$

(The load factor, 1.4, is derived from Sects. 9.2.2 and 9.2.3 of ACI 318-95. From Eq. 9-2,  $U = 0.75(1.7 \times 1.1E) = 1.4E$ , and from Eq. 9-3,  $U = 1.3 \times 1.1E \approx 1.4E$ . Also, UBC-94 stipulates a load factor of 1.4.)

For the typical interior panel:

$$V_{1u} = [13.1(22) - 11.8(8/2 - 2)]/8$$

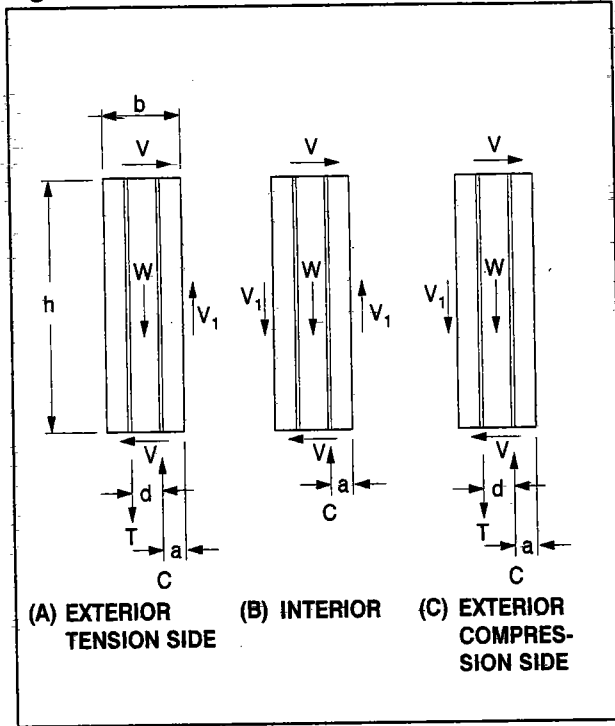
$$= 33.1 \text{ kips}$$

$$C_u = 11.8 \text{ kips}$$

$$V_u = 13.1 \text{ kips}$$

Weld clips similar to Figure 3.11.3 will be used in this example at the vertical joints. The number required is  $33.1 \text{ kips}/23.6 \text{ kips per connection} = 1.4$ ; use 2.

**Figure 3.11.6 Forces acting on wall panels**



The shear transferred to the foundation might be accomplished with weld plates, dowels, splice sleeves, or similar methods.

The tension side exterior panel will require a tie-down connection in this example.

$$T_u = 33.1(8 - 2)/4 = 49.7 \text{ kips}$$

$$C_u = 49.7 + 11.8 - 33.1 = 28.4 \text{ kips}$$

$$V_u = 13.1 \text{ kips}$$

The compression side exterior panel will also require a tie-down connection.

$$T_u = 33.1(2)/4 = 16.6 \text{ kips}$$

$$C_u = 16.6 + 11.8 + 33.1 = 61.5 \text{ kips}$$

$$V_u = 10.2 \text{ kips}$$

The controlling tie-down force is  $T_u = 49.7$  kips

The reinforcement required to resist  $T_u$  is determined as follows:

$$A_s = \frac{T_u}{\phi f_y} = \frac{49.7}{0.90(60)}$$

$$= 0.92 \text{ in}^2$$

use 3 - #5 bars.

Weld of #5 bar to plate, to ensure yielding of bar (Table 6.15.3):

$$l_w = 1.33(2.5) = 3.33 \text{ in. (use 4 in.)}$$

Connector plate area required:

$$49.7/[0.9(36)] = 1.53 \text{ in}^2$$

use 6 in. by 1/2 in. plate,  $A_{pl} = 3.0 \text{ in}^2$ .

Connector plate thickness required to ensure yielding of the 3 - #5 bars,  $A_s = 0.93 \text{ in}^2$ .

$$t = 1.33(60)(0.93)/[6(0.9)(36)] = 0.38 \text{ in.}$$

Therefore, use connector plate 6 in. x 1/2 in. x 6 in., with 6 in. of 7/16 in. fillet weld to foundation plate.

$$\phi T_{n_{\text{weld}}} = 6(9.74) = 58.4 \text{ kips} > 49.7 \text{ kips}$$

Determine foundation plate thickness:

$$(M_u)_{pl} = \frac{T_u s}{4} = 49.7 \left( \frac{4}{4} \right) = 49.7 \text{ kip-in}$$

where:

s = spacing of anchors

$$Z_{rqd} = 49.7/[(0.9)(36)] = 1.52 \text{ in}^3$$

$$t_{rqd} \geq \sqrt{\frac{4(1.52)}{8}} = 0.872 \text{ in.}$$

Use plate 7/8 in. x 6 in. x 8 in., with 4 - #5 bars with 90° bend.

$$Z_{pvd} = (1/4)(0.875)^2(8) = 1.53 \text{ in}^3 > 1.52$$

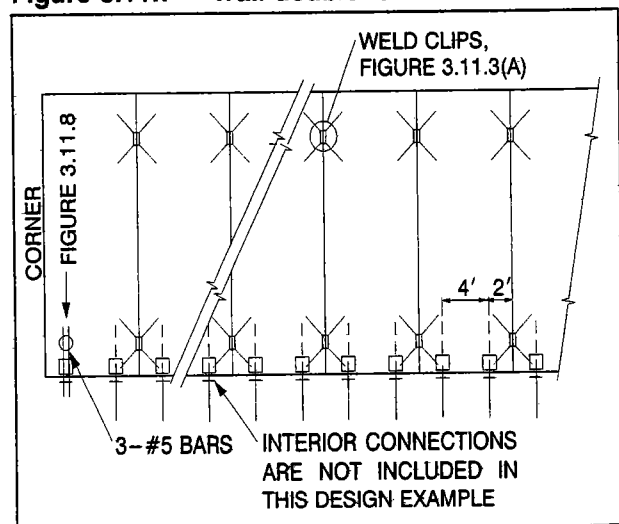
Details for wall panel flange connections and footing connections are shown in Figures 3.11.7 and 3.11.8.

Check the wall panel reinforcement to determine if two curtains of steel are required, (ACI 318-95, Sect. 21.6.2.2):

$$2A_{cv}\sqrt{f'_c} = 2(12)(4)\sqrt{6000} = 7.44 \text{ klf} > 1.64 \text{ klf}$$

This is much in excess of the actual factored shear. Two curtains are not required.

**Figure 3.11.7 Wall double tee connections**



Check to see if a boundary member is required (ACI 318-95, Sect. 21.6.6.1):

Gross section, neglecting legs:

$$A = (4/12)(128) = 42.67 \text{ ft}^2$$

$$S = (4/12)(128^2/6) = 910.2 \text{ ft}^3$$

Roof lateral load = 120 kips

Wall lateral load = 29 kips

$$P_u = 1.4(wp)(16) = 1.4(13.13)(16) = 294 \text{ kips}$$

$$M_u = 1.4[(120)(22) + 29(24.5/2)] = 4193 \text{ kip-ft}$$

$$f = P_u/A + M_u/S = 294/42.67 + 4193/910.2 \\ = 11.5 \text{ ksf, or } 80 \text{ psi}$$

$$0.2f'_c = 1200 \text{ psi, } > 80 \text{ psi}$$

Thus, boundary elements are not required.

### 3.11.8 Example—4-Story Building

#### General

The following is an example analysis of a four-story building in which the structural system resisting lateral forces is of the box type, that is, floors and roof are horizontal diaphragms, and exterior walls are shear walls. The building is rectangular in plan, and dimensions and layout are shown in Figures 3.11.9 and 3.11.10. Floors and roofs are made up of 8 ft wide precast, prestressed concrete double tees, which are supported by exterior bearing walls and a central interior frame of precast, reinforced concrete beams and columns. There are smaller frames at the two elevator-stairway shafts, one at each end of the building. The interior frames are made up of full height columns and short beams. The exterior walls are 8 ft wide precast, prestressed concrete double tees placed on end, and are continuous from top of footing to top of parapet. Seismic code is UBC-94.

#### Approximations and Partial Designs

In the example, several approximations are made, but they are all conservative. The designs are not complete in all respects, but in the case of several similar parts the more critical part is analyzed to illustrate procedure. Some items, such as number or spacing of connections, are in some cases determined by judgment.

#### Weights

The unit dead loads are:

Roof: 100 psf

Floors: 110 psf

Walls: 90 psf max., 67 psf average

The dead load assigned to each level of the building is the weight of the roof or floor plus the walls from mid-story to mid-story (only walls for first level).

This gives values of  $w_x$  as listed in Table 3.11.1 (Column 3).

#### Equivalent Static Loads

The building is located in a seismic Zone 2A:

$$Z = 0.15$$

The structural system is bearing walls:

$$R_w = 6$$

The site coefficient is (say):

$$S = 1.20$$

The fundamental period is approximately:

$$T = C_T(h_n)^{3/4} = 0.02(50)^{3/4} = 0.376 \text{ sec.}$$

$$W = 3823 \text{ kips, as shown in Table 3.11.1}$$

$$C = 1.25S/T^{2/3} = (1.25)(1.20)/0.376^{2/3} \\ = 2.88 > 2.75$$

The base shear is then:

$$V = ZICW/R_w \\ = 0.15(1.0)(2.75)(3823)/6 \\ = 263 \text{ kips}$$

The base shear is distributed over the height of the building. In this example, the extra lateral force at the top level is  $F_t = 0$ , since  $T < 0.7$  second. The distribution to the several levels is then:

$$F_x = \frac{(V - F_t)w_x h_x}{\sum_{i=1}^n w_i h_i} = \frac{263w_x h_x}{120,300} \quad (\text{Eq. 3.11.3})$$

which gives the values of  $F_x$  listed in Table 3.11.1 (Column 4). These lateral loads are used for design of the building as a whole, like shear in and overturning of walls. For floor and roof diaphragms the following equations are used:

Figure 3.11.8 Wall to footing connection

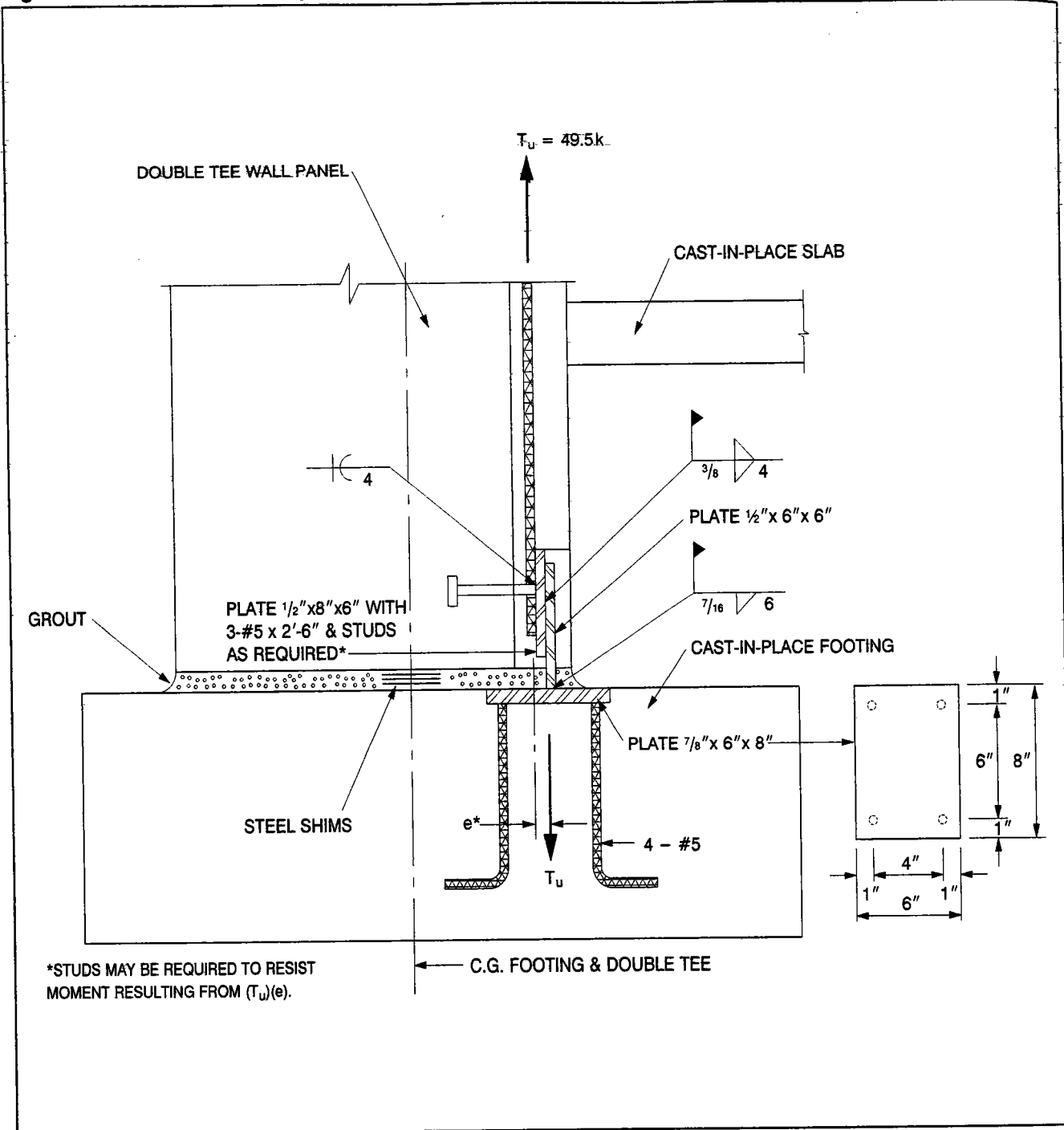


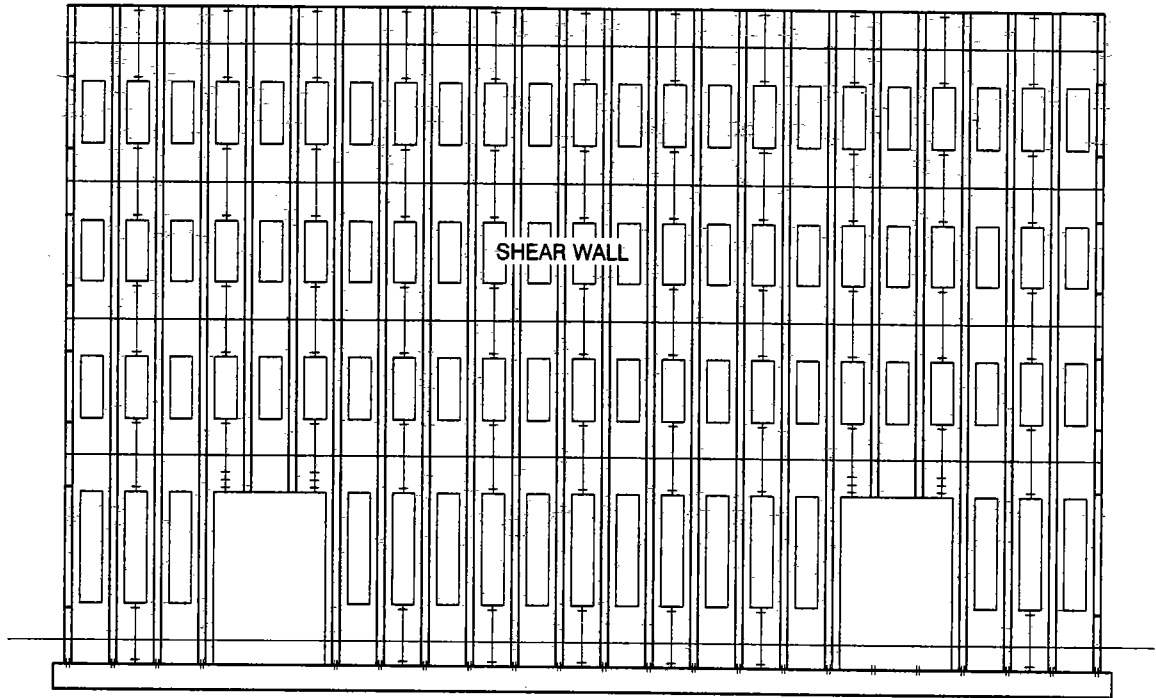
Table 3.11.1 Lateral force distribution through levels

(1) Level	(2) $h_x$ ft	(3) $w_x^*$ kips	(4) $F_x$ kips	(5)	(6)	(7) (6) / (5)	(8) $F_{px}$
Roof	50	831	90.8	831	90.8	0.1093	91.0
4th	39	926	79.0*	1757	169.8	0.0966	89.7
3rd	28	926	56.7	2683	226.5	0.0844	78.3
2nd	17	962	35.8	3645	262.3	0.0720	69.3
1st	2	178	0.8				
Totals		3823	263.1				

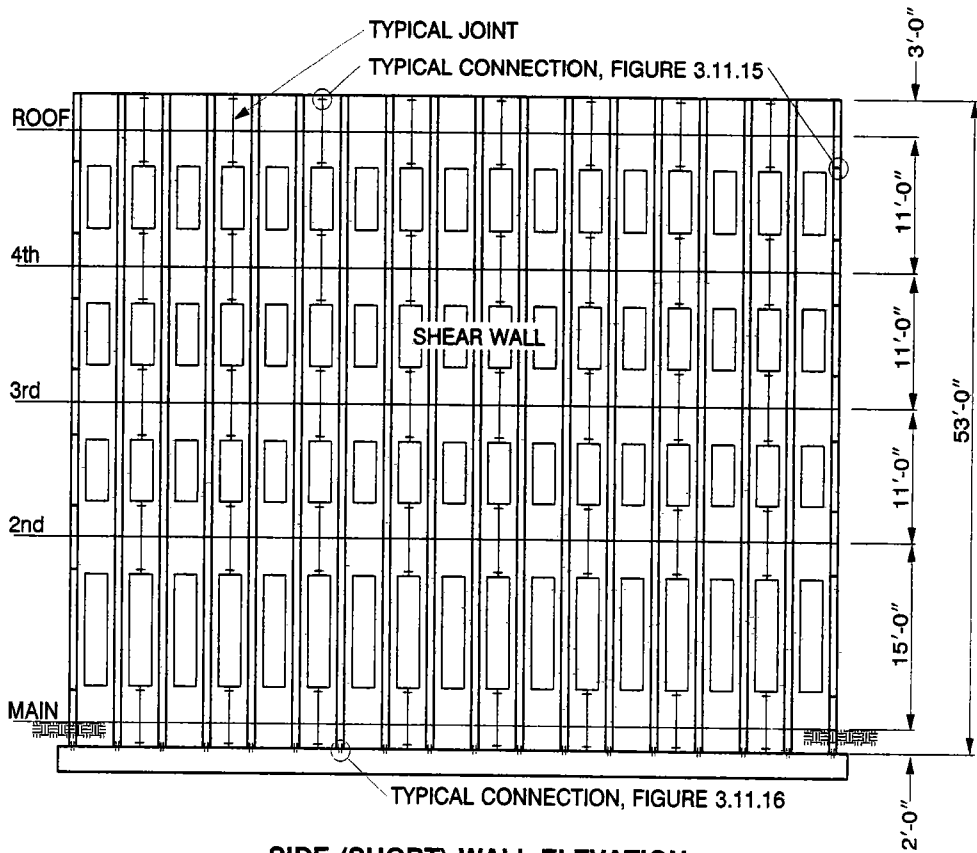
\* $w_{px}$  is assumed =  $w_x$



Figure 3.11.9 Four-story example building-elevations



FRONT (LONG) WALL ELEVATION



SIDE (SHORT) WALL ELEVATION

Figure 3.11.10 Four-story example building-typical floor plan

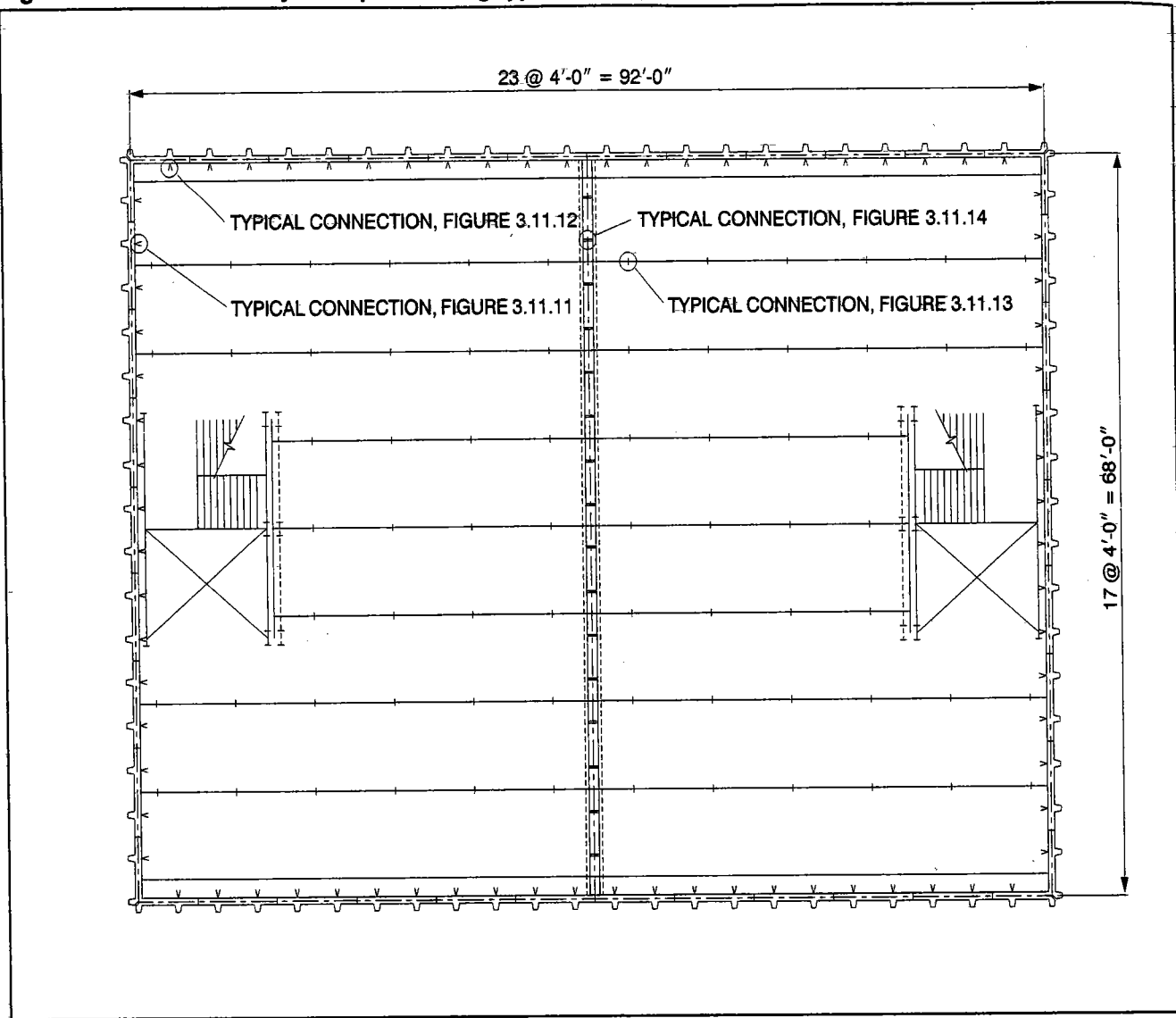
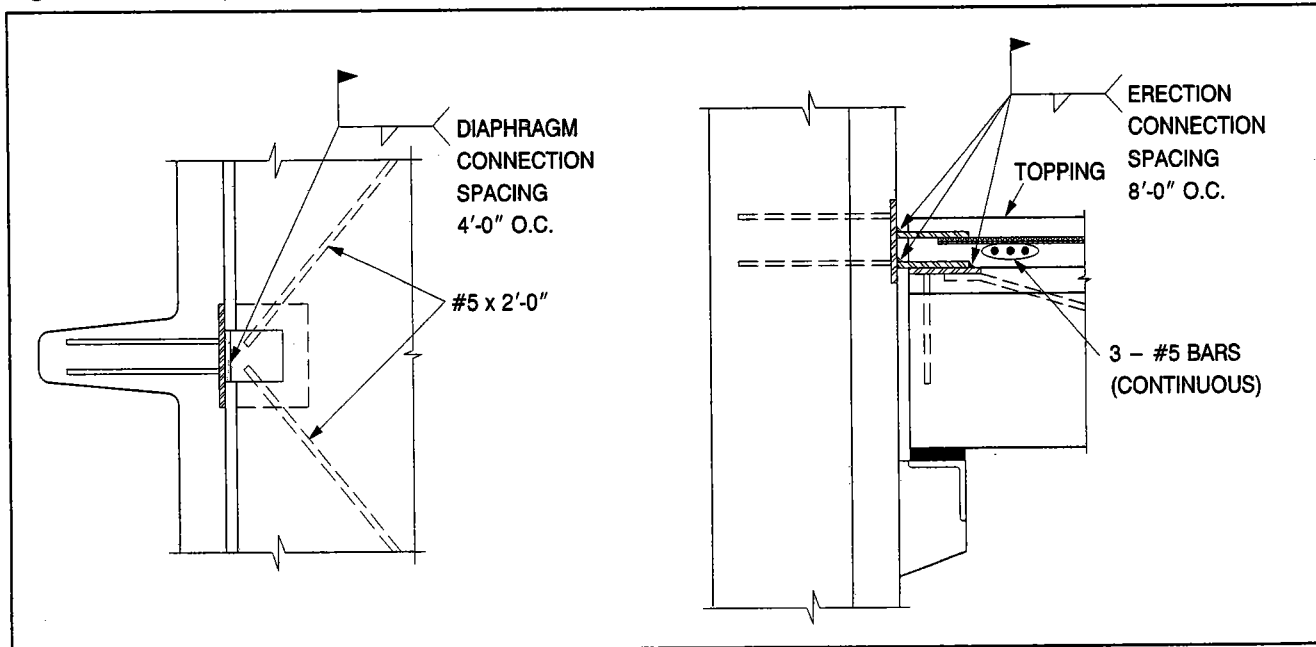


Figure 3.11.11 Typical connection between diaphragm and wall at end of double tee



$$F_{px} = \frac{F_t + \sum_{i=x}^n F_i}{\sum_{i=x}^n w_i} w_{px} \quad (\text{Eq. 3.11.4})$$

$$0.35 Zlw_{px} < F_{px} < 0.75 Zlw_{px}$$

The resulting values of  $F_{px}$  are listed in Table 3.11.1 (Column 8).

#### Chord Forces in Diaphragm

The roof is the most heavily loaded diaphragm, with a total lateral load of 91 kips. With the diaphragm spanning in the long direction, the moment  $T(d) = \frac{W\ell}{8}$  and the chord force:

$$T = \frac{W\ell}{8d} = \frac{91(92)}{8(68 - 2)} = 15.9 \text{ kips}$$

Design of the chord reinforcement:

To maintain elastic behavior, use load factor:

$$(2/5)R_w = (2/5)(6) = 2.4$$

$$A_s = T_u / \phi f_y = 2.4(15.9) / (0.9)(60) = 0.71 \text{ in}^2$$

Use 3 - #5 bars placed as shown in Figure 3.11.12.

Requirements at lower levels and for the diaphragm spanning in the short direction are even less, but, for simplicity, the same diaphragm chord reinforcement is used throughout. (Figure 3.11.11)

#### Shear Stresses in Diaphragm

This example building is assumed to be symmetrical, and the centers of mass and rigidity coincide. It is then necessary to include the effect of an arbitrary torsion, that is, the lateral load is offset from the center of rigidity by 5% of the maximum dimension of the diaphragm.

The torsional moment is resisted by all four exterior walls, depending on rigidities and distances from the center of rigidity. However, it is conservative to assume that the torsional moment is resisted by the two walls that are parallel to the direction of motion. For earthquake in the transverse (short) direction, the maximum total shear to one wall is:

$$R_0 = 0.55(F_x \text{ or } F_{px}) = 0.55(91) = 50.1 \text{ kips}$$

Deducting the length of the service shafts, the maximum unit shear is:

$$v_0 = R_0 / \ell = 50.1 / (68 - 20) = 1.04 \text{ klf}$$

For earthquake in the longitudinal direction, the maximum unit shear to the long walls is less. For simplicity in production of elements and erection at the

site, the 1.04 klf is used throughout all diaphragms and for their connections to the walls.

#### Typical Connections For Interior of Diaphragm

A typical connection transmitting shear between double tees is illustrated in Figure 3.11.13. In each edge there is a small angle anchored with two bars at 45°. The shear strength is calculated from force components in the anchor bars, as in the previous example:

$$\phi V_n = 23.6 \text{ kips}$$

To equalize cambers and deflections in neighboring elements, a maximum spacing should not exceed about 8 ft. This provides a resisting unit shear of:

$$\phi V_n / 8 = 23.6 / 8 = 2.95 \text{ klf}$$

which compares to the requirement of:

$$2.4(1.04) = 2.5 \text{ klf} < 2.95 \text{ klf}$$

Across the center of the building, the double tee elements are supported by a beam, and they meet end to end. It is desirable to make the shear path stay at the level of the flange, that is, making the path as direct as feasible. The easiest way to achieve this is by use of continuous reinforcement in the topping as shown in Figure 3.11.14. The use of fibermesh does not satisfy the requirements for diaphragm steel reinforcement. It may also be desirable to use some of the hardware type connections to make the building resistant to lateral loads during construction.

#### Connection of Diaphragm to Wall

First, consider the connections between the ends of the double tees and the short wall. The ribs of the double tees and of the wall elements are aligned, and the vertical loads are carried by corbels projecting from the interior wall surface. Two requirements must be satisfied: a) horizontal shear transfer between diaphragm and wall, and b) direct horizontal tension caused by the tendency of the wall to fall away from the building. Since the diaphragm is assumed to be elastic and the forces are high, the two requirements will not be superimposed and will be considered separately.

It is convenient to space the connections 4 ft apart so that they will occur at wall ribs. At each connection the forces are:

- a) Shear transfer,  $V = 1.04(4) = 4.16$  kips This can be handled by shear-friction. Then the tensile capacity for shear friction must be:

$$F_{pu} = V_u / \mu = 2.4(4.16 / 0.6) = 16.64 \text{ kips}$$

b) Direct horizontal tension is given by:

$$F_p = ZI_p C_p W_p$$

UBC-94, Table 16-O, gives  $C_p = 0.75$ . For the weight of wall contributing to one connection, a unit weight of 90 psf over an area of  $4 \times 14 = 56 \text{ ft}^2$  will be used, so that:

$$W_p = 0.090(56) = 5.04 \text{ kips}$$

$$F_{pu} = 2.4(0.15)(1.0)(0.75)(5.04) = 1.36 \text{ kips}$$

The minimum anchorage between walls and floors, per UBC-94 Sect. 1611, is 200 plf

Thus;

$$F_{pu} = 2.4(0.2)(4) = 1.92 \text{ kips} > 1.36 \text{ kips}$$

and therefore shear transfer controls.

$$F_{pu} = 16.64 < \phi V_n = 23.7 \text{ kips}$$

(See Fig. 3.6.2.)

The connection must also satisfy the requirements of structural integrity; refer to Sect. 3.10.

The diaphragm to double tee wall panel connection, (see Figures 3.11.11 and 3.11.12) utilizes a welded connection for temporary erection stability spaced at 8 ft on center in addition to a 4 ft spacing of reinforcement assemblies which project into the floor topping. The reinforcement assembly is welded to anchor plates cast into the precast walls. Coil-loop inserts with continuous threaded coil rods can be substituted for the reinforcement and weld plate assemblies if preferred by the designer. A note of caution is in order: the reinforcement assembly and anchor plate or coil-loop insert and coil rod should each be anchored in concrete so that yielding of the projecting steel element is ensured.

#### Special Situation at Service Shafts

From the typical floor plan, Figure 3.11.10, it is seen that several wall ribs are not tied to the floor, and the wall, because the vertical joints are not suited to span horizontally past the shaft openings. This situation is readily alleviated with a strongback type beam placed horizontally at each floor level, and spanning the shaft opening. The adjacent connections at each side of the shaft will have to be stronger than the standard connection designed in the preceding section.

#### Shear Wall

The exterior walls of the building provide the horizontal reaction for the diaphragms. These forces are in the plane of the wall and become horizontal shears, therefore the term shear wall. The end walls in the ex-

ample building do double duty in that they are also bearing walls.

The design of the individual wall elements can be important, but will not be covered here. For the example, next examine the shear in the joints, and overall stability. The equivalent static loads, which are assumed to act horizontally at each floor level, cause a tendency for the wall to overturn. Gravity loads and footing will stabilize the wall and prevent overturning, but internal shear and direct stresses will develop. In this case, no advantage will be taken of the slightly reduced overturning permitted by UBC-94, but the full value of the cantilever moment will be used. Results of the calculations are shown in Table 3.11.2 for one wall.

#### Shear in Shear Wall

The maximum shear in the short end wall due to the equivalent static loads and the arbitrary 5 percent eccentricity is

$$V = 0.55(263) = 145 \text{ kips}$$

$$v = 145/68 = 2.13 \text{ klf}$$

$$v_u = 1.4(2.13) = 2.98 \text{ klf}$$

This unit shear occurs near the bottom of the wall, and is both horizontal and vertical.

A typical connection for the vertical joints between wall elements is shown in Figure 3.11.15. In each edge there is a small angle anchored with two No. 5 bars. Using the shear-friction concept, with the anchor bars placed at  $90^\circ$  to the joint, the shear capacity of one connection is:

$$\begin{aligned} \phi V_n &= \phi A_s f_y \mu = 0.85(2)(0.31)(60)(1.4) \\ &= 44.3 \text{ kips} \end{aligned}$$

Near the bottom of the wall, the average vertical spacing should not be more than  $44.3/2.98 = 14.9 \text{ ft}$ , however, use three connections in each story. Since windows cross the joints, be sure to allow for this when locating the connections.

#### Moment in Shear Wall

The maximum moment in the short end wall, with allowance for the minimum 5 percent eccentricity, is:

$$M = 4911(1.05) = 5157 \text{ kip-ft}$$

The maximum gravity load is:

$$W \text{ of one end wall, } 68(53)(0.067) = 241$$

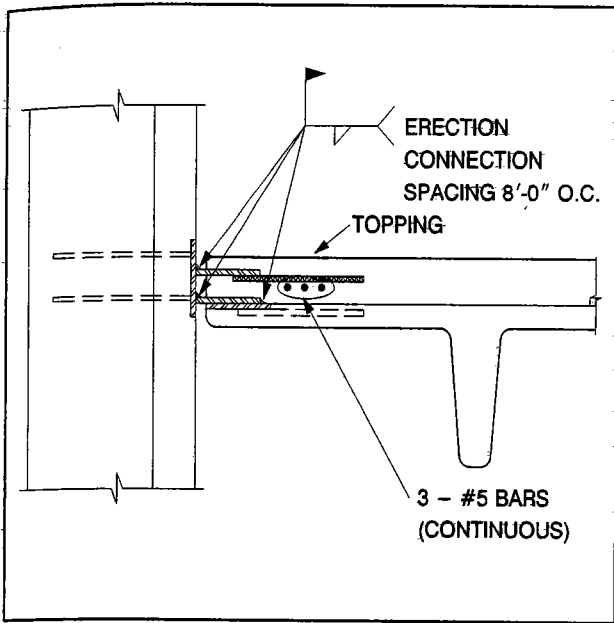
$$W \text{ of } \frac{1}{4} \text{ of roof, } 68(92/4)(0.100) = 156$$

$$W \text{ of } \frac{1}{4} \text{ of floors, } 68(92/4)(0.110)(3) = 516$$

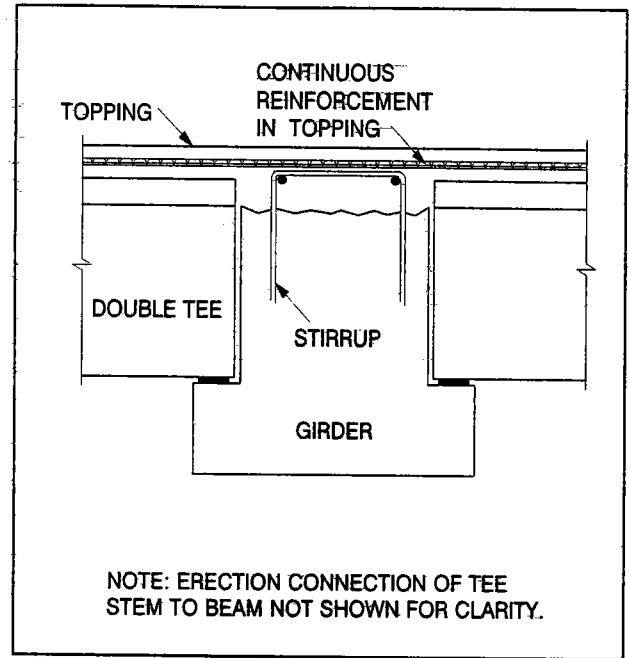
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$$\text{Total } W = 913 \text{ kips}$$

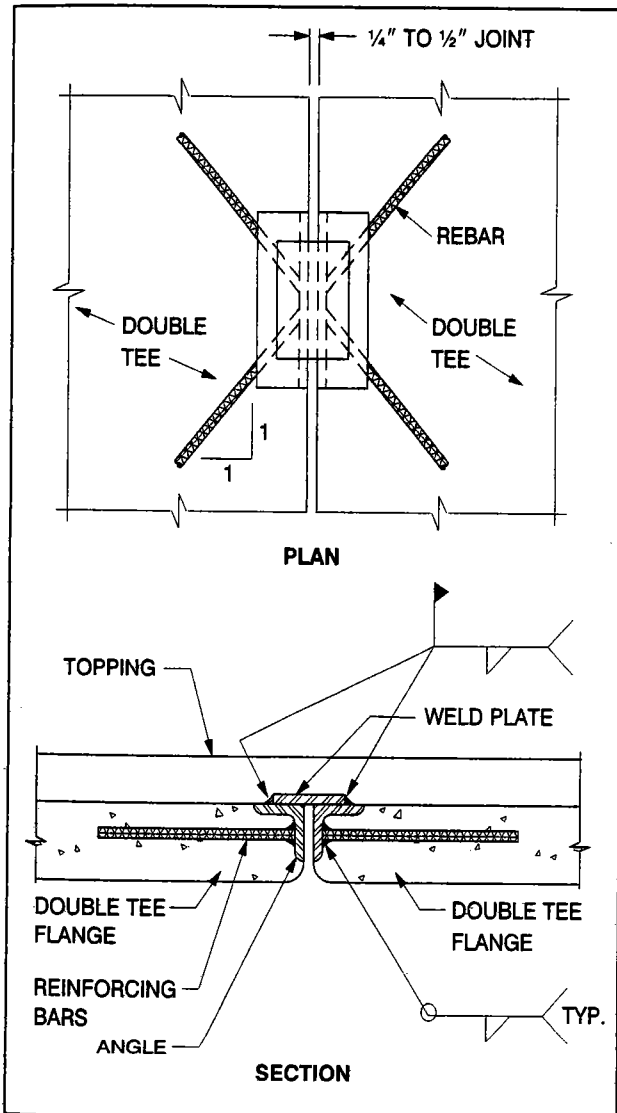
**Figure 3.11.12 Typical connection between diaphragm and wall at side of double tee**



**Figure 3.11.14 Typical end-connection between double tees**



**Figure 3.11.13 Typical diaphragm connections between double tees**



With wall ribs neglected, section properties in linear measure are, area,  $A_e = 68 \text{ ft}$ , and section modulus  $S_e = (1/6)(68)^2 = 771 \text{ ft}^2$ .

Fiber stresses at bottom of wall are:

$$f = \frac{W}{A_e} \pm \frac{M}{S_e} = \frac{913}{68} \pm \frac{5157}{771} = 20.1 \text{ klf and } 6.7 \text{ klf}$$

These values are a good measure of the stresses in the gross wall section, and can also be used to calculate the necessary width of wall footing. Additional refinement of stress calculations are necessary at window openings.

#### Other Shear Walls

The long shear walls, which provide the resistance to earthquake in the longitudinal direction of the building, are less critical than the short walls, and they will not be discussed. Details of design will be the same as for the short walls.

There is a special situation at the building's entrance doors. The wall panel above the doorway is supported by connections to neighboring units. The necessary strength can be provided by two additional connections in each joint above the doorway.

#### Connections of Walls to Footings

The footings can be proportioned on the basis of reactions from the walls, as indicated above. Each wall element can be connected to the footing by projecting the main reinforcement of the ribs downward into blockouts in the footings, and filling the blockouts with concrete. The space between wall elements and footing must be drypacked as shown in Figure 3.11.16.

Figure 3.11.15 Typical connections, wall-to-wall

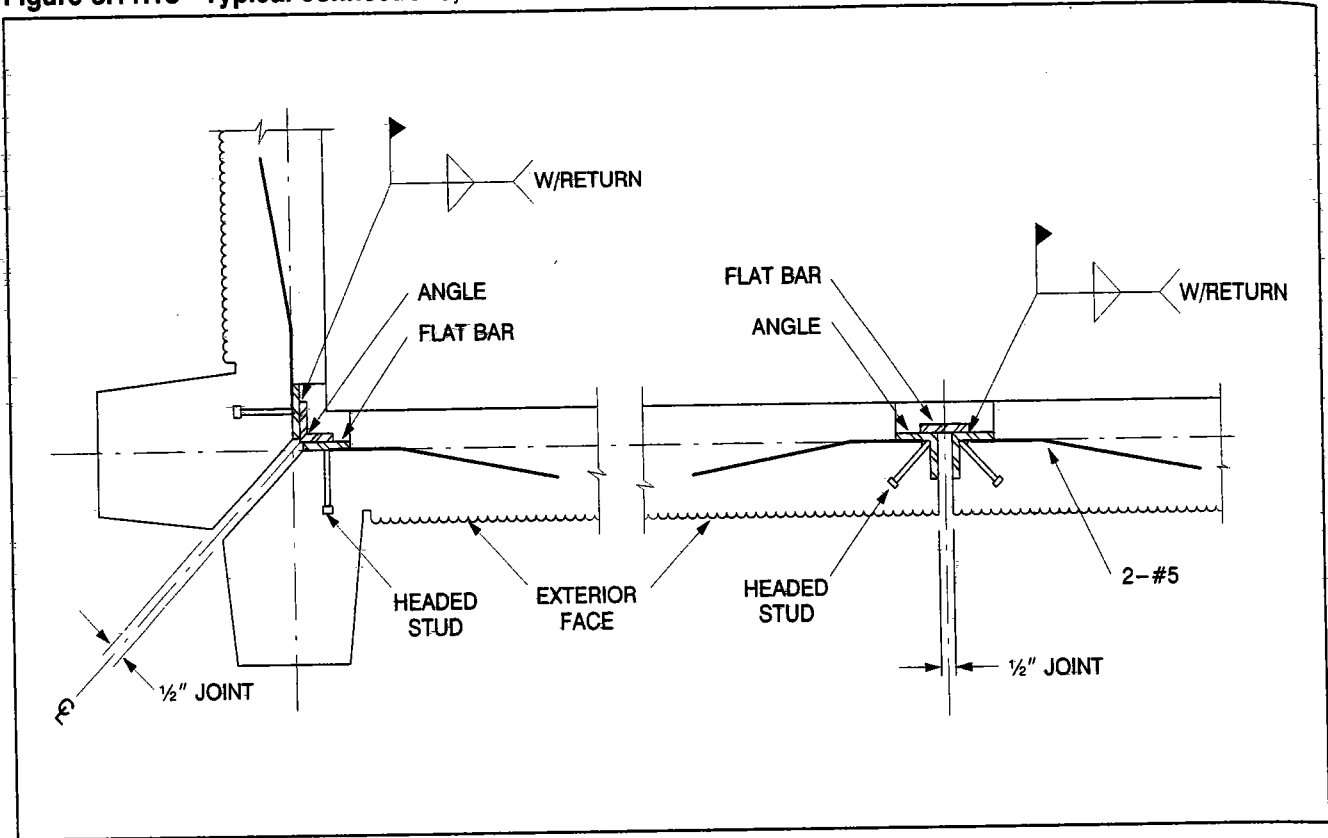


Table 3.11.2 Shear and moments by level

Level	$V_x$ kips	$M_x$ kip-ft
Roof	45.4	0
4th	84.9	499
3rd	113.3	1433
2nd	131.2	2680
1st	31.6	4648
Top of footing		4911

### 3.11.9 Example—3-Level Parking Structure

#### General

Over the years, precast concrete parking structures have proven to be a reliable, economical means of providing attractive and secure parking for the public. Since prestressed concrete is capable of long spans which accommodate ease of traffic circulation, a structure with minimum structural elements for vertical load support within the area of parking results. The resulting openness requires the designer to consider, early in the planning, the method of providing for lateral load resistance. As is demonstrated in this design example, sufficient shear walls can be provided in a manner so as to not intrude upon the functionality of the design. A detailed presentation of all aspects of precast concrete parking structures may be found in Ref. 16.

In this example, the applicable building code is the Standard Building Code, 1994. It should be noted that the requirements of the BOCA National Building Code are similar. A conceptual determination of the lateral load resisting system is first given, followed by a detailed analysis of key elements and their connections. The structure is shown in Figure 3.11.17.

#### Design Information

##### Wind Data

Basic wind speed = 100 mph

Basic wind pressure = 26 psf

##### Seismic Data

$A_a = 0.15A_v = 0.15$

Soil Profile Type = Unknown

$R = 4.5$

$C_d = 4$

End Zone Coefficient = 1.2

Interior Zone Coefficient = 0.8

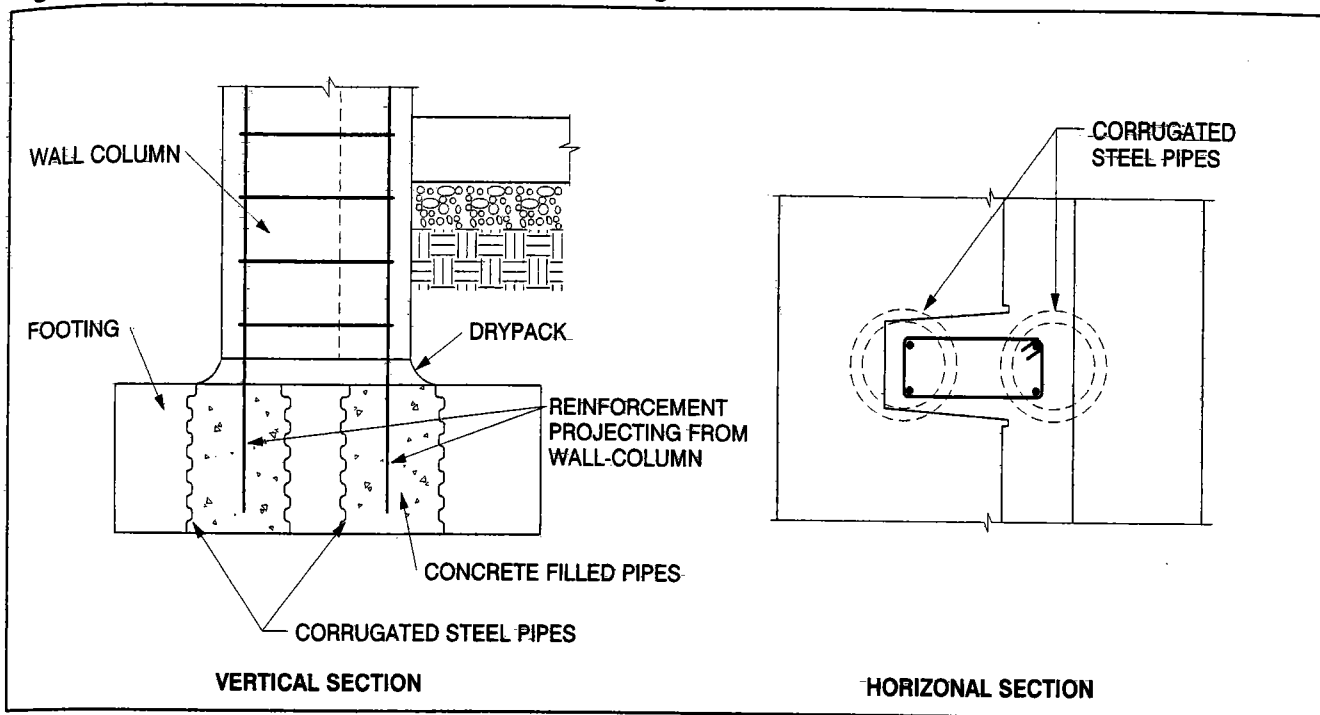
Seismic Hazard Exposure Group = 1

Seismic Performance Category = C

Basic Structural Type = Reinforced Concrete  
Shear Wall/Bearing Wall

Analysis Procedure = Equivalent Static Force

Figure 3.11.16 Typical connection of wall to footing



### Lateral Load Resisting System—Concept

The functional design has resulted in a structure with three, 60 ft wide bays in one direction, and a 264 ft length in the other direction. Three elevated levels, with 10 ft 6 in. floor-to-floor height, are needed to provide the required number of parking spaces. It has been determined that the structure is to be open on all four sides.

Since the structure must resist Zone 2 seismic forces and the forces generated by a 100-mph wind, as well as the vertical loads, the magnitude of generated forces must first be determined in order to determine which combination of loads will control. By arranging support elements in a manner as to resist both vertical and lateral loads, the goal of maintaining an open structure will be achieved.

### Load Analysis

Obtain an approximate magnitude of the applied loads. For gravity loads, 26 in. deep, 10 ft wide pre-topped double tees will be used. The total weight of double tees, beams, columns, and curbs will be taken as 110 psf. The code specified live load is 50 psf. It is determined that for this magnitude of loading, 30-ft bays with 24 in. square columns, and a 36IT36 girder in the end bays, will support vertical loads.

For lateral loads, a check is made to determine whether seismic or wind will govern the design. The 1994 Standard Building Code substitutes the following load combination to be used in lieu of the ACI 318-95 seismic load combination.

$$U = (0.9 - 0.5A_v)D + E$$

Consequently the lateral loads as calculated using the SBC-94 equations are to be used without the ACI 318-95 factors, i.e., without using the ACI factor of 1.4 for seismic forces.

### Calculation of Wind Forces

Determination of End Zone Width, E:

$$E = 2 \times \text{lesser of: } [0.1(180) = 18 \text{ ft}] \text{ and } [0.4(35) = 14 \text{ ft}] \text{ but not less than } [0.04(180) = 7.2 \text{ ft}]$$

$$E = 2(14 \text{ ft}) = 28 \text{ ft}$$

$$\text{End Zone Coefficient} = 1.2$$

$$\text{Interior Zone Coefficient} = 0.8$$

### Calculation of Wind Shears

Total N-S Wind Shear =

$$[1.2(28) + 0.8(264 - 28)](35)(0.026) = 202 \text{ kips}$$

Total E-W Wind Shear =

$$[1.2(28) + 0.8(180 - 28)](35)(0.026) = 141 \text{ kips}$$

### Calculation of Seismic Forces

$$V = C_s W$$

SBC-94 does not require any portion of parking garage live load to be considered in W.

$$W_p = 0.110(180)(264) = 5227 \text{ kips}$$

Figure 3.11.17 Layout of parking structure

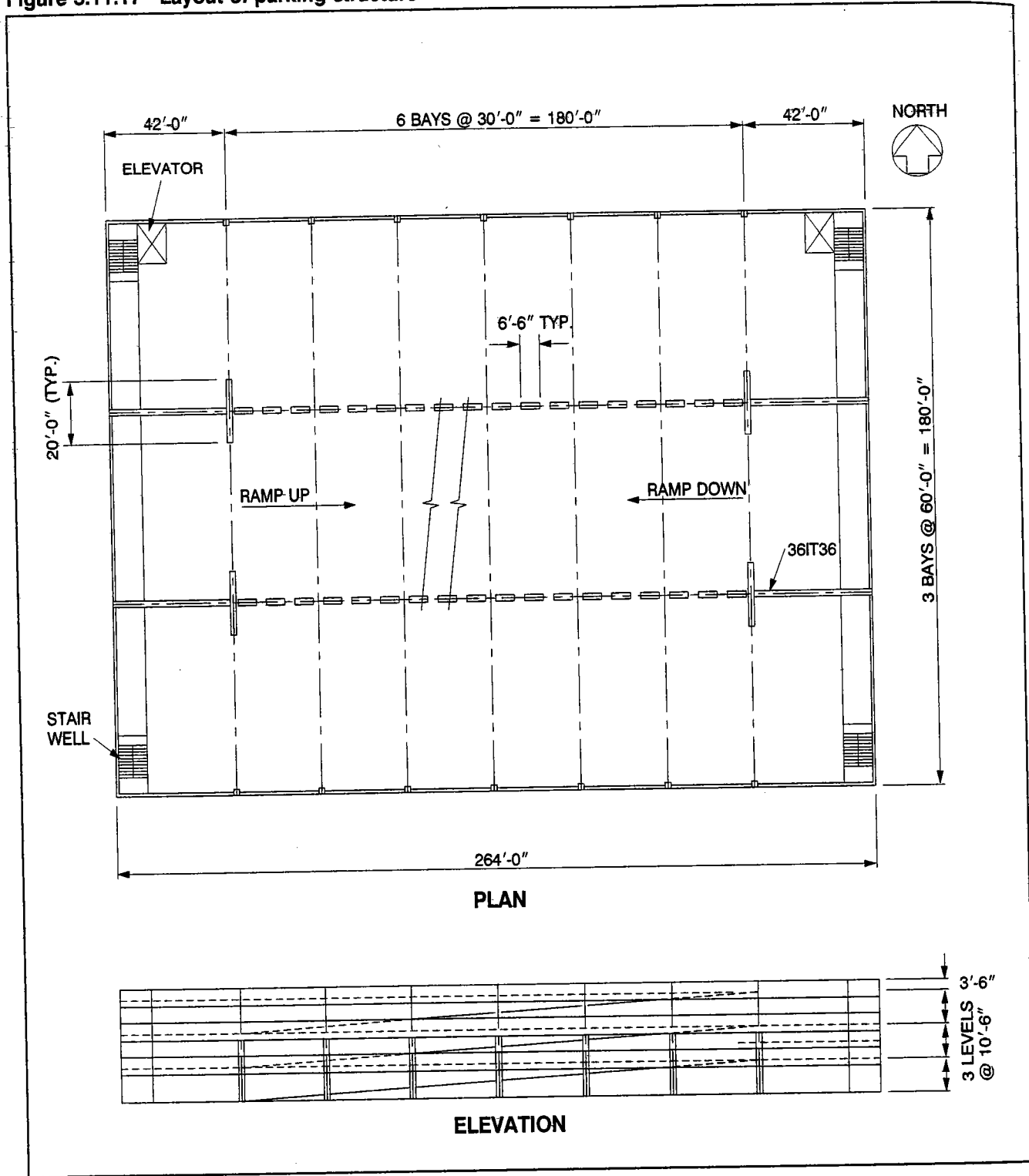


Table 3.11.3 Lateral force distribution through levels

(1) Level	(2) x	(3) h <sub>x</sub> ft	(4) w <sub>x</sub> kips	(5) (3)/(4) w <sub>x</sub> h <sub>x</sub> kip-ft	(6) (5)/Total (5) C <sub>vx</sub>	(7) (6)xV <sub>base</sub> F <sub>px</sub> kips
3	3	31.5	5227	164,650	0.500	651
2	2	21.0	5227	109,767	0.333	434
1	1	10.5	5227	54,883	0.167	217
<b>Totals</b>			15,681	329,300		1302



Since the soil profile type is unknown at the time of the preliminary design,  $C_s$  is calculated using the alternate equation:

$$C_s = 2.5A_s/R = (2.5)(0.15)/(4.5) = 0.083$$

$$V = C_s W = 0.083W$$

$$V = (3 \text{ levels})(5227)(0.083) = 1302 \text{ kip}$$

Since  $V = 1302 \text{ kips} > (1.3)(202) = 263 \text{ kip}$ , the seismic force governs the lateral forces in both directions.

Substantial shear resisting elements are required. Load bearing shear walls are chosen, primarily because the vertical gravity load will help resist the overturning moments due to applied lateral loads. While the corner stairwells and elevator shafts could be used as part of the lateral load resisting system, this may result in high forces due to restraint of volumetric deformations; consequently, it is decided that the corners will be isolated from the main structure. Alternatively, it might have been decided to use these corner elements, and provide connections which are flexible in the direction of volumetric restraint.

A preliminary distribution of seismic shears is made next. Since equivalent static loads approximate an inverted triangle, the first level is assigned a unit shear of 1, the second level a unit shear of 2, and the third level a unit shear of 3, as shown in Figure 3.11.18.

For the north-south load resisting system, try an 8 in. thick load bearing shear wall, located at each end of the ramp. These walls support the 36I36 girder, and may be as long as 30 ft without interfering with the traffic flow; a 20-ft length is used as a first iteration. Figure 3.11.19 illustrates the arrangement and loading. Since there are 4 walls,

$$V_{\text{per shear wall}} = 1302/4 = 326 \text{ kip}$$

$$M_{\text{ot per wall}} = 31900/4 = 7975 \text{ kip-ft}$$

$$D_{\text{per wall}} = \text{wall self wt.} + \text{inverted tees tributary load}$$

$$= 35(20)(0.67)(0.15) + (3 \text{ levels})(21)(60)(0.110)$$

$$D = 70 + 416 = 486 \text{ kips}$$

Calculation of net factored uplift force,  $T_u$ :

$$T_u = \{7975 - [0.9 - 0.5(0.15)](486)(10)\}/18$$

$$T_u = 220 \text{ kip}$$

$$A_s = \frac{T_u}{\phi f_y} = \frac{220}{0.9(60)} = 4.1 \text{ in}^2$$

Use (5) No. 9 bars,  $A_{s,pvd} = 5.0 \text{ in}^2 > 4.1 \text{ in}^2$

The (5) No. 9 bars which will be located so as to be centered 2 ft from each end of the wall. The force

transfer between the precast shear wall and the foundation can be accomplished by reinforcing bars with splice sleeves to develop full 125 percent tension splices. Alternatively, post-tensioning bars could be chosen. The preliminary analysis is completed by examining the capacity of the foundation system to transfer this force to the supporting ground; this analysis is not shown here.

For resistance in the east-west direction, 36 individual load bearing walls located along the length of the interior ramped bay will be used. These 8-in. thick walls are spaced 10 ft on centers, supporting one 60-ft double tee each side of the wall, as shown in Figure 3.11.20. Each wall is 6 ft-6 in. wide to accommodate the 5-ft stem spacing of the double tees, and to allow for visibility between the wall units.

$$V_{\text{per shear wall}} = 1302/36 = 36 \text{ kip}$$

$$M_{\text{ot per wall}} = 31,900/36 = 886 \text{ kip-ft}$$

$$D_{\text{per wall}} = \text{wall self wt.} + \text{double tees tributary load}$$

$$= 6.5(35)(0.67)(0.15) + (3 \text{ levels})(60)(10)(0.110)$$

$$D = 23 + 198 = 221 \text{ kips}$$

Calculation of net factored uplift force,  $T_u$

$$T_u = \{886 - [(0.9 - (0.5)(0.15)](221)(3.25)\}/5.5$$

$$T_u = 53 \text{ kips}$$

$$A_{s,reqd} = \frac{T_u}{\phi f_y} = \frac{53}{0.9(60)} = 0.981 \text{ in}^2$$

Use (1) No. 9 bar at 12 in. from each side of the wall.  $A_{s,pvd} = 1.0 \text{ in}^2 > 0.98 \text{ in}^2$

In the final design, a more accurate determination of forces, including the effect of torsional eccentricity, will be prepared. For a structure of this configuration, the final forces will be within about 10 percent of these approximate values.

#### Diaphragm—General

The floors act as diaphragms which transfer the lateral loads to the shear walls. A factor used in the determination of the vertical distribution of seismic forces is the approximate fundamental period.

$$T_a = C_T h_n^{3/4}$$

where:

$h_n$  = height from base to highest level, ft

$C_T$  = 0.02 for shear wall systems

$$T_a = (0.02)(31.5)^{3/4} = 0.27 \text{ sec.}$$

### Lateral Force Distribution

$$F_x = C_{vx}V$$

$$C_{vx} = \frac{w_x h_x^k}{\sum_{i=x}^n w_i h_i^k} \text{ where } k = 1 \text{ for } T_a < 0.5 \text{ sec.}$$

The results of this distribution are shown in Table 3.11.3. For this case there is exact agreement between the values in Table 3.11.3 and the simplified inverted triangular distribution shown in Figure 3.11.18.

### North-South Seismic Forces on Diaphragm

The diaphragm is modeled as shown in Figure 3.11.21. Since the diaphragm forces on Level 3 are the greatest, only this level will be analyzed and designed. To simplify, the diaphragm will be divided into 3 separate analyses. One is the flat area, which is further divided by a line along the center of the ramp, and the other is the ramp area.

$$w_1 = \frac{60(264)}{264(180)} \left( \frac{651}{264} \right) = 0.82 \text{ klf}$$

$$w_2 = \frac{30(42)}{264(180)} \left( \frac{651}{42} \right) = 0.41 \text{ klf}$$

$$w_3 = \frac{60(180)}{264(180)} \left( \frac{651}{180} \right) = 0.82 \text{ klf}$$

Because the overhanging cantilevers will reduce the stresses in the level area of the ramp diaphragm, the ramp diaphragm will be analyzed and the results conservatively used for the level area diaphragm as well. However, the negative moment for the overhangs will be determined.

### Summary of North-South Diaphragm Analysis

To maintain elastic behavior in the diaphragm, an additional load factor of  $(\frac{2}{5})R$  is used to determine the factored design forces:

$$\frac{2R}{5} = \frac{2(4.5)}{5} = 1.8$$

$$+M_u = 1.8(0.82)(180)^2/8 = 5978 \text{ kip-ft}$$

$$-M_u = 1.8(0.82 + 0.41)(42^2/2) = 1953 \text{ kip-ft}$$

$$V_u = 1.8(0.82)(180)/2 = 133 \text{ kip}$$

$$R_1 = 1.8[(264/2)(0.82) + 0.41(42)] = 226 \text{ kip}$$

$$R_2 = 1.8(180/4)(0.82) = 66 \text{ kip}$$

$$R_{tot} = R_1 + R_2 = 226 + 66 = 292 \text{ kip}$$

$$R_u \text{ per wall} = R_{tot} = 292 \text{ kips}$$

### Diaphragm—Moment Design

Assuming a 58 ft moment arm,  $T_{3u} = (5978)/58 = 103 \text{ kips}$ .

This tensile force may be resisted by reinforcing bars placed into field applied concrete topping or curbs located at each end of the double tees, or by reinforcing steel shop welded to plates cast in the edges of the double tee flanges. These plates would be connected together in the field across the joint using splice plates and welds. Various suggestions for connections are provided in Ref. 15.

$$A_s = T_{3u}/\phi f_y = (103)/[0.9(60)] = 1.91 \text{ in}^2$$

$$\text{use } 2 \text{ - \#9 bars, } A_s = 2(1.00) = 2.00 \text{ in}^2$$

$$A_{pl \text{ reqd}} = 2.00(60/36) = 3.33 \text{ in}^2$$

$$\text{use a plate } 6 \text{ in. } \times \frac{5}{8} \text{ in. } \times 0 \text{ ft } - 9 \text{ in., } A_{pl \text{ pvd}} = 3.75 \text{ in}^2$$

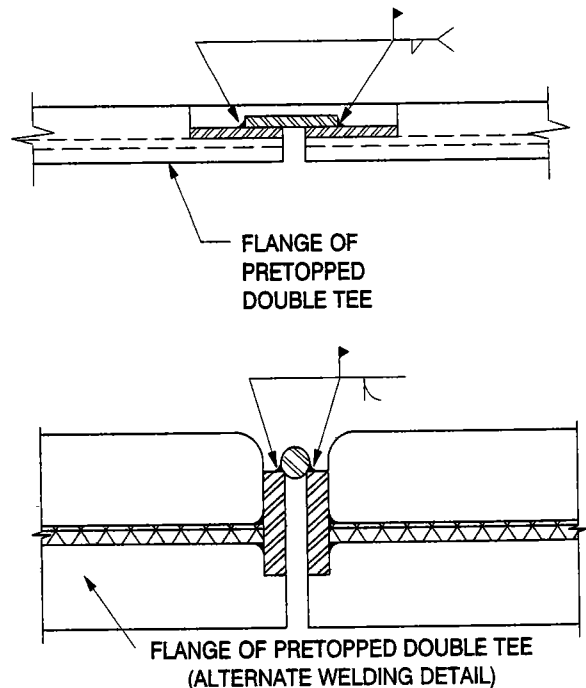
The required length of a  $\frac{5}{16}$  in. weld:

$$\ell_w = 60(2.00)/6.96 \text{ kips/in.}$$

$$= 17.2 \text{ in.}$$

$$\text{use } \ell_w = 18 \text{ in.}$$

The arrangement of reinforcement is as shown:

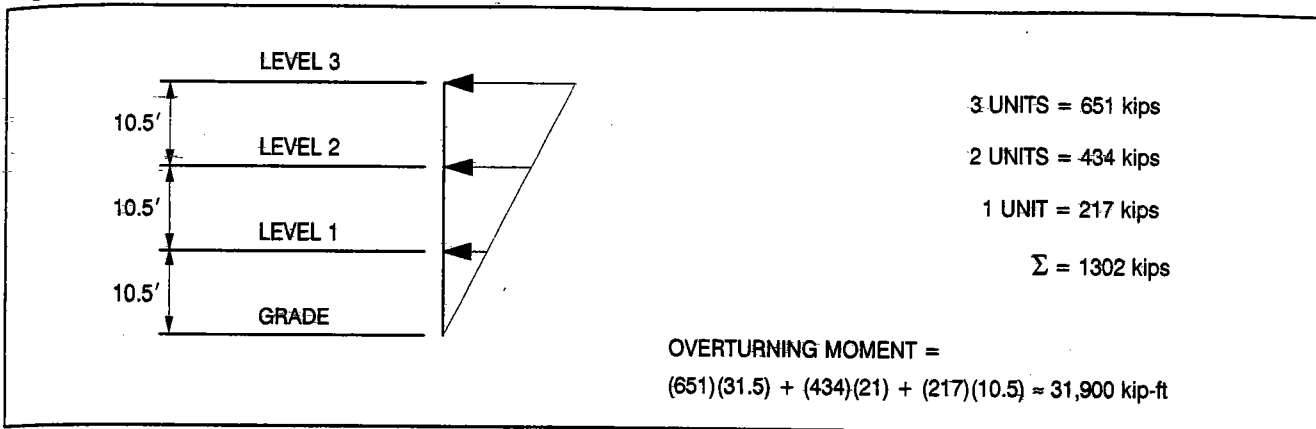


### Shear Design

$$v_u = 133/60 = 2.22 \text{ kip per ft}$$

If flange connectors are provided 5 ft on centers, required  $\phi V_n$  per connector =  $2.22(5) = 11.1 \text{ kip}$ .

**Figure 3.11.18 Summary of vertical distribution of seismic shears**



**Conclusion**

The preliminary analysis indicates that the presumed sizes and arrangement of load resisting elements is reasonable. Refinements as may be architecturally required are then made, and the final analysis performed.

**3.11.10 Example—12-Story Building**

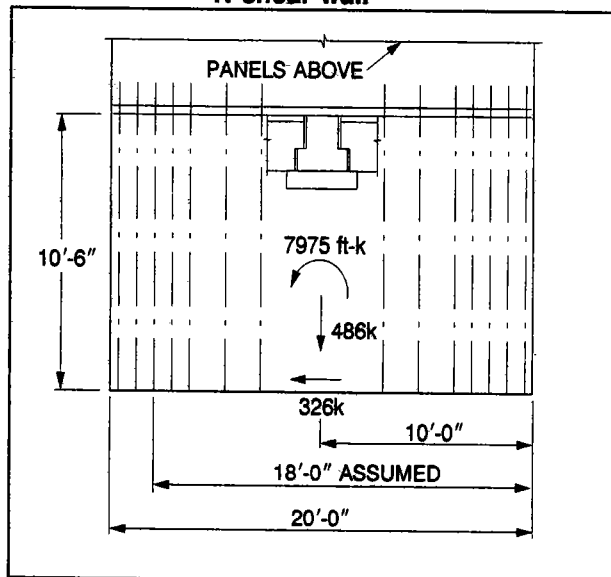
Box-type buildings can be built to a height of 160 ft, according to UBC-94. For buildings approaching that height, the structural layout and connection details may differ from those of the example, Sect. 3.11.8, but the design procedure is the same. The base shear, its distribution as equivalent static loads over the height of the building, and the load paths down to the foundations, are calculated as illustrated in Sect. 3.11.8.

Figure 3.11.22 shows a 12-story building which is square in plan. Wall units are 12 ft high and 30 ft or 15 ft in width. The "running bond" pattern illustrated is not an essential feature of seismic design, but it does help tie the building together, thus reducing the likelihood of progressive collapse in case of accidental overloads.

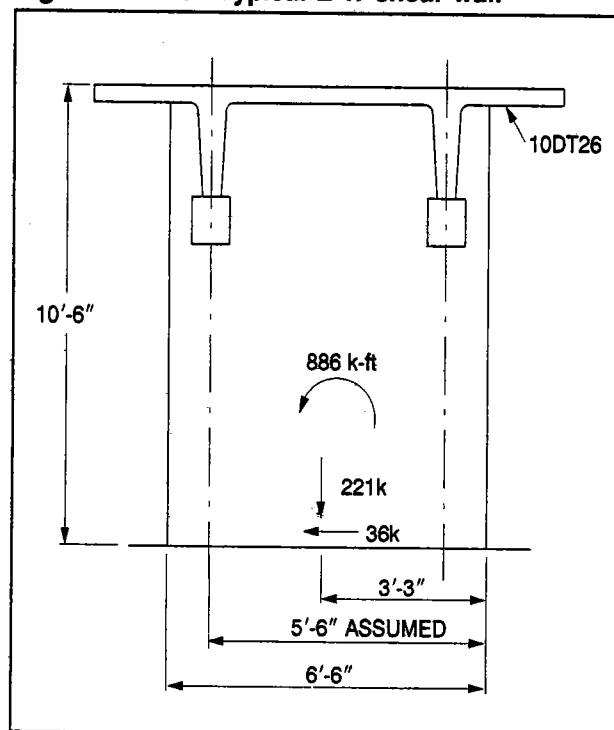
Floors consist of prestressed hollow-core slabs, 12 in. deep and 4 ft wide. They bear on continuous corbels on the walls and on interior beams.

Buildings of this type are generally erected one story at a time, and location of joints, temporary bracing, and connection details must be correlated with the erection sequence. Figure 3.11.23 indicates the erection cycle. The walls of the story below have been erected, braced, and fully connected. The hollow-core slabs are then erected, bearing on wall corbels and interior beams. The wall panels of the next story are then erected; these have dowels projecting downward into sleeves filled with grout in the wall panels below. See Figure 3.11.24(A). Hardware in the vertical joints for welded connections is shown in Figure 3.11.24(B). The erection cycle can be repeated as soon as the grout and concrete have adequate strength, and the welding of the connections between

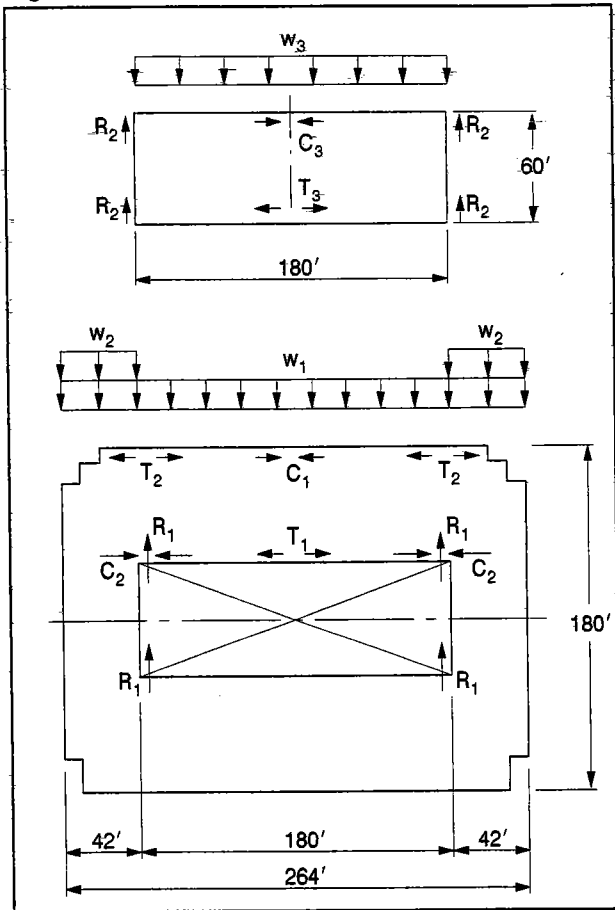
**Figure 3.11.19 Conceptual sketch of typical N-shear wall**



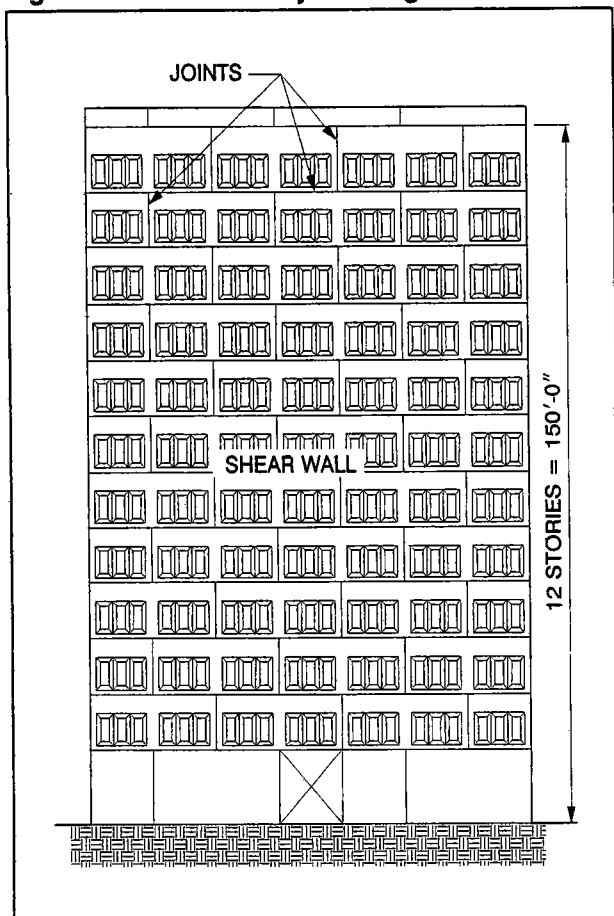
**Figure 3.11.20 Typical E-W shear wall**



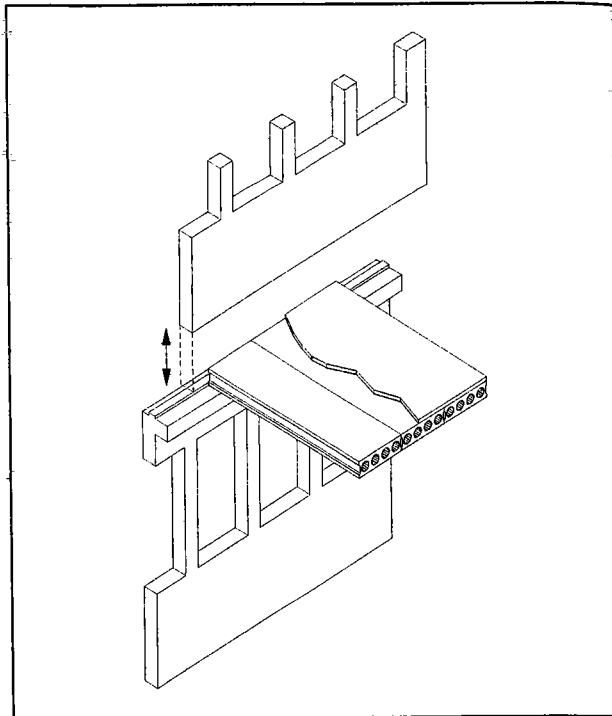
**Figure 3.11.21 North-South diaphragm analysis**



**Figure 3.11.22 12-Story building-elevation**



**Figure 3.11.23 12-Story building-isometric view of assembly**



the wall panels has been completed. The next step is to place continuous welded wire reinforcement for the topping, and finally place the topping.

The connections shown in Figure 3.11.24 are illustrations of methods of providing the diaphragms and continuous load paths discussed in the previous examples. Many other details have been used successfully on similar structures in high-intensity earthquake areas.

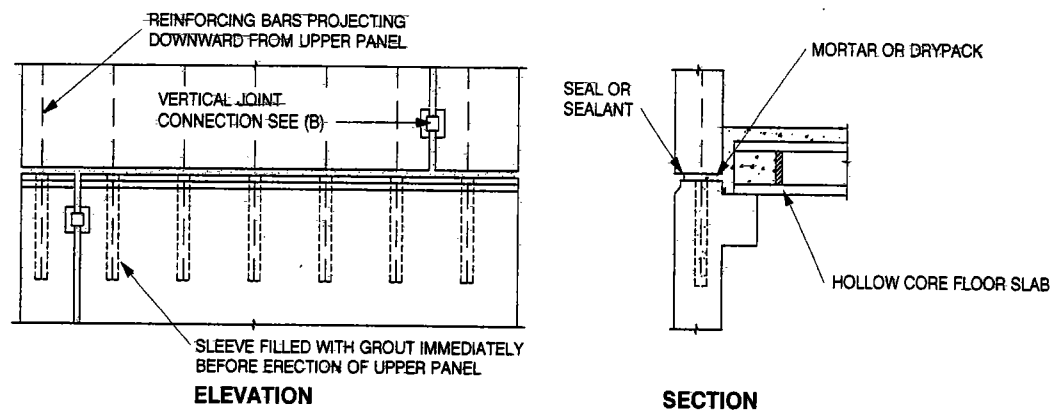
### 3.11.11 Example — 23-Story Building

Figures 3.11.25 and 3.11.26 show a 23-story building 300 ft high. The building was designed for earthquake resistance with a ductile moment-resisting space frame.

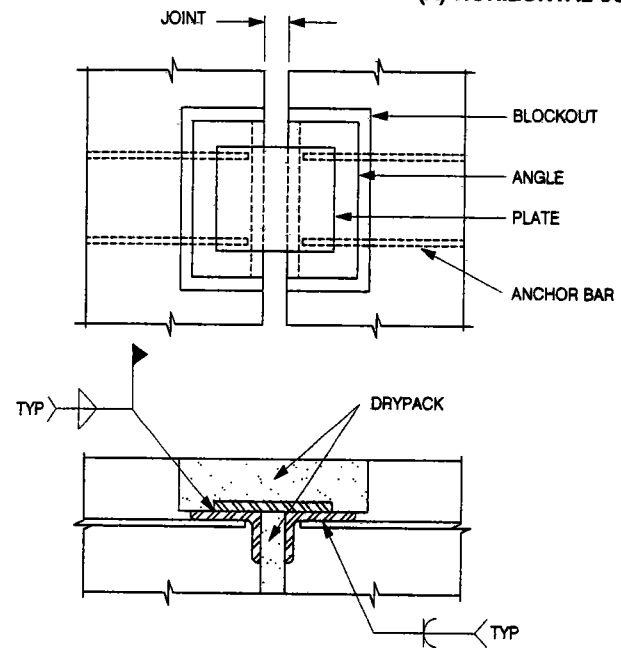
All floors consist of 10-ft wide single-tee units that were precast and prestressed. Adjacent tees were connected by means of hardware in the flanges, but these connections were not considered as diaphragm connections. The tees have a structural concrete topping reinforced with welded wire fabric. The diaphragm is provided by the topping rather than by the flanges of the tees.

The core of the building has no structural walls or frames that contribute measurably to lateral stability of the building. Each single tee is supported at the core by a cast-in-place column. The connection is not required for earthquake resistance. The core has additional columns and partial slabs, but in effect, the core creates a large square hole in the floor diaphragm. Reinforcement must be provided in the diaphragm around the core in the same manner as around any large hole in a slab.

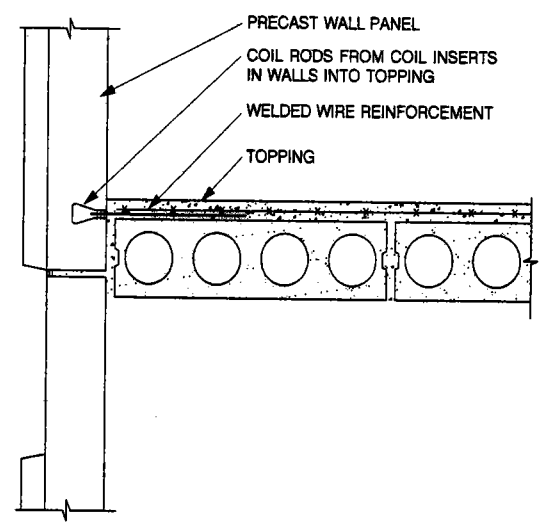
**Figure 3.11.24 Typical connections for 12-story building-seismic load**



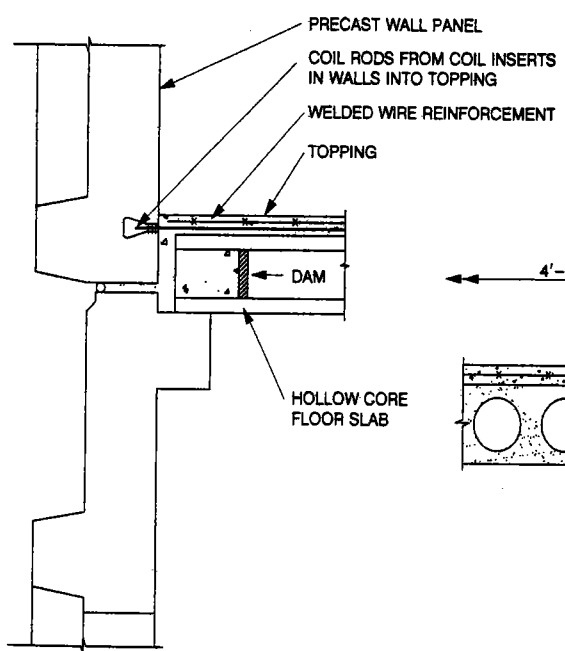
**(A) HORIZONTAL JOINT BETWEEN WALL PANELS**



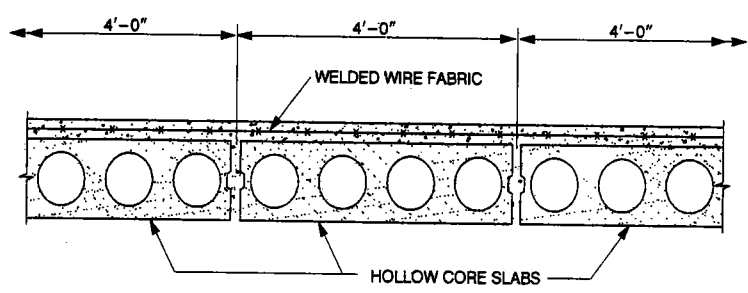
**(B) VERTICAL JOINT BETWEEN WALL PANELS**



**(C) CONNECTION TO PARALLEL WALL**

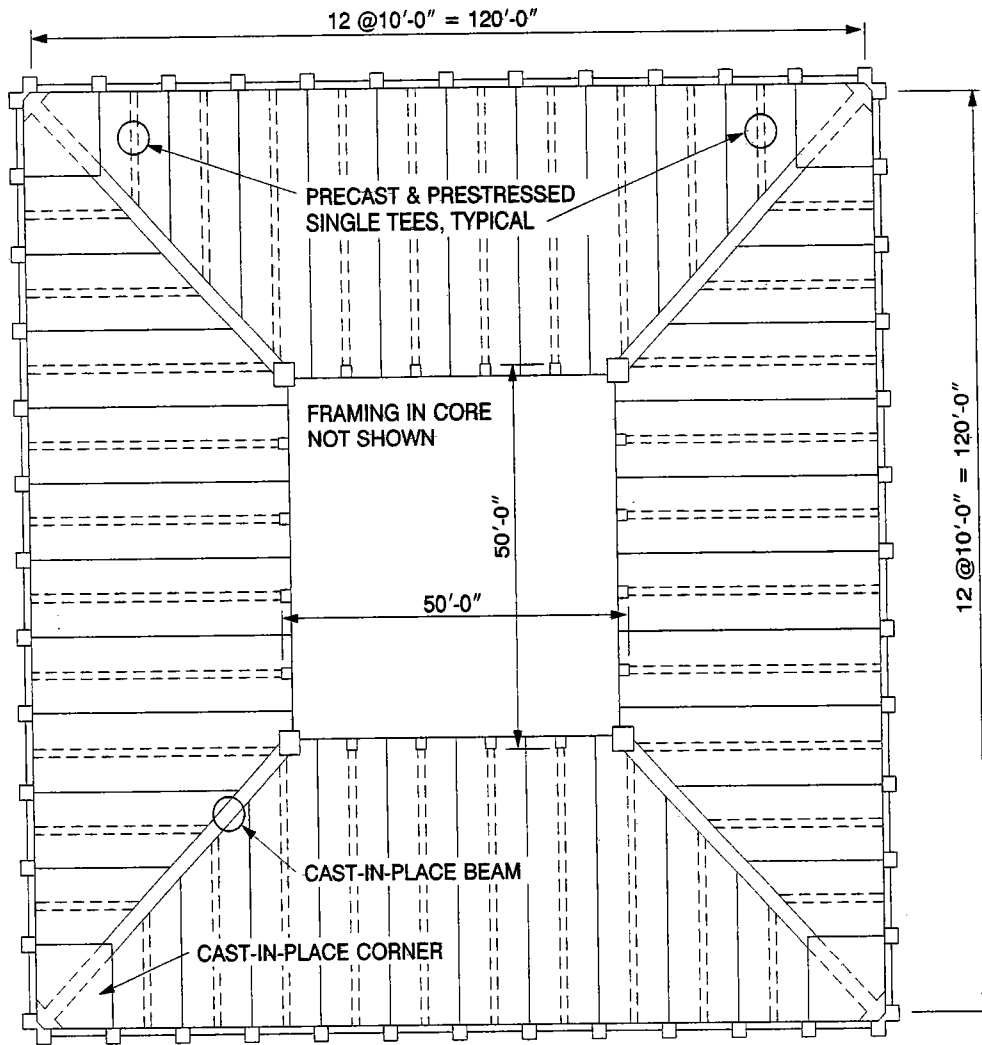


**(D) REINFORCING BARS PROJECTING FROM WALL INTO TOPPING**



**(E) WELDED WIRE REINFORCEMENT IN TOPPING**

Figure 3.11.25 23-story example building-typical floor plan



The exterior walls of the building are the moment-resisting frames. They consist of reinforced-concrete columns and spandrel beams. For these frames to be ductile, they must have closely spaced spirals in the columns and ties in the spandrels. At the intersections, the congestion of reinforcement is so great that it is not feasible to have the tees align with the columns. Instead they are located midway between columns, but again the connection of the tee stem to the spandrel is immaterial to the earthquake resistance. The vital connection here is between the flange and the spandrel. This was accomplished by reinforcement projecting out of the end of the tee flange, which is later embedded in the cast-in-place concrete of the spandrel.

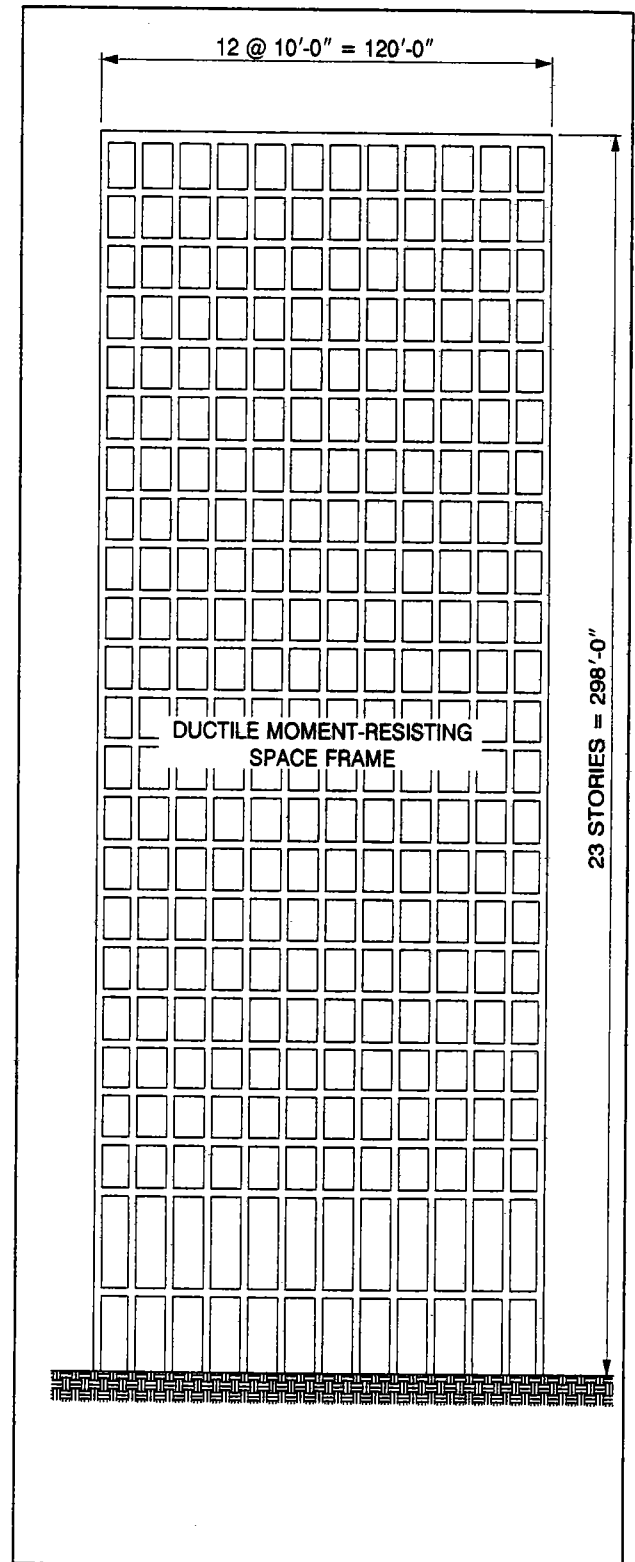
The 1994 Uniform Building Code [17], Sections 1630 and 1631, requires that precast non-bearing, non-shear wall panels or similar elements which are attached to or enclose the exterior shall be designed to resist the inertia forces per UBC formula (30-1). These elements shall also accommodate movements of the supporting structure resulting from lateral forces or temperature changes. Panels typically have two rigid load bearing connections with volume change relief provided by the flexibility of the connections, and two or more tie-back connections with full freedom of movement in the plane of the panel.

For seismic forces, UBC Sect. 1631.2.4.2 requires that the body of a connector be designed for a force equal to one and one-third times the inertia force, and that all fasteners (i.e., bolts, inserts, welds and dowels) be designed for a force equal to four times the inertia force. Anchorage to concrete is required to engage reinforcing steel in a manner so as to distribute forces to the concrete and/or reinforcement thus averting sudden or localized failure. Since the force distribution philosophy is critical to design in seismic zones, many designers specify confining hoop steel, or the use of long deformed anchor bars or reinforcement, as opposed to short headed studs or inserts. When studs or inserts are used, and located near panel edges, it is recommended that they be enclosed in sufficient reinforcing steel to carry the loads back into the panel, thus averting a sudden tensile failure mode in the concrete.

Connections and joints between panels should be designed to accommodate the movement of the structure under seismic action. Connections which permit movement in the plane of the panel for story drift may achieve this through bending of steel, sliding connections using slotted or oversized holes, or other similar methods. Story drift, which is the relative movement of one floor with respect to an adjacent floor, must be considered when determining panel joint locations as well as connection locations and types. Between points of connections, non-load bearing panels should be separated from the building frame to avoid contact under seismic action.

The following example is meant to illustrate how the UBC load multipliers are applied in the design of the various components that make up connection systems used for architectural precast concrete cladding panels. Some initial design procedures are given but it is not intended to carry out complete designs for each panel connection. Chapter 6 design examples and design aids should be applied in designing the various connection components.

**Figure 3.11.26 23-Story example building—elevation**



### 3.11.12 Example—Architectural-Precast Panel

(See figures 3.11.27 and 3.11.28)

#### Seismic Load:

1994 UBC, Seismic Zone 4

$$F_p = ZIC_pW_p$$

where:

$$Z = 0.4$$

$$I = 1.0$$

$$C_p = 0.75$$

For panel design,  $F_p = 0.3W_p$

For body of connection:

$$1.33F_p = 1.33(0.3)W_p$$

$$1.33F_p = 0.4W_p$$

For fastener design:

$$4F_p = 4(0.3)W_p$$

$$4F_p = 1.2W_p$$

#### Wind Load:

(Panel is not on corner of structure)

Wind pressure = 25 psf (Positive and Negative)

Panel Section Properties (From datum)

$$\bar{y} = 34.5 \text{ in. } \uparrow$$

$$\bar{z} = 4.5 \text{ in. } \nearrow$$

Cross-sectional area = 465.75 in.<sup>2</sup>

Unit weight = 150 pcf

$$w_p = 40.43 \text{ lb/in.}$$

$$W_p = 40.43(336) = 13,584 \text{ lb}$$

$$F_p = 0.3W_p = 0.3(13,584) = 4075 \text{ lb}$$

Window information (10 psf)

Upper window (full length of panel)

$$\text{Ht.} = 6 \text{ ft-0 in. (72 in.)}$$

$$\bar{y} = 84 \text{ in. } \uparrow$$

$$\bar{z} = 2 \text{ in. } \nearrow$$

$$w_p = 72(10/144) = 5 \text{ lb/in.}$$

$$W_p = 5(336) = 1680 \text{ lb}$$

½ of total height of window is tributary to the panel for lateral load, therefore

$$F_p = \frac{1}{2}(0.3)(1680) = 252 \text{ lb}$$

Lower window (full length of panel)

$$\text{Ht.} = 8 \text{ ft-0 in. (96 in.)}$$

$$\bar{y} = 0 \text{ in.}$$

$$\bar{z} = 22 \text{ in. } \nearrow$$

No dead load is tributary to the panel.

For lateral load:

$$F_p = \frac{1}{2}(96)(10/144)(0.3)(336) = 336 \text{ lb}$$

#### Wind Loading:

Upper Window

$$w = (25/144)(72/2) = 6.25 \text{ lb/in.}$$

Panel

$$\bar{y} = 42 \text{ in. } \uparrow$$

$$w = (25/144)(84) = 14.58 \text{ lb/in.}$$

Bottom Window

$$\bar{y} = 0 \text{ in. } \uparrow$$

$$w = (25/144)(96/2) = 8.33 \text{ lb/in.}$$

Combined Wind Load

$$\bar{y} = 39 \text{ in. } \uparrow$$

$$\Sigma w = 29.16 \text{ lb/in.}$$

$$\text{Total wind load, } W = 29.16 (336) = 9798 \text{ lb}$$

Determine Combined Dead Load and C.G.:

	$W_p$ lb	$\bar{z}$ in.	$W_p(\bar{z})$ in.-lb
Panel	13584	4.5	61128
Upper Window	1680	2	3360
Lower Window	0	22	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>15,264</b>		<b>64,488</b>

$$\bar{y} = 84 \text{ in. } \uparrow$$

$$\bar{z} = 64,488/15,264 = 4.2 \text{ in. } \nearrow$$

Determine Combined Lateral Load and C.G.:

	$F_p$ lb	$\bar{y}$ in.	$\bar{z}$ in.	$F_p(\bar{y})$ in.-lb	$F_p(\bar{z})$ in.-lb
Panel	4075	34.5	4.5	140,587.5	18,337.5
Upper Window	252	84	2	21,168	504
Lower Window	336	0	22	0	7392
<b>Total</b>	<b>4663</b>			<b>161,755.5</b>	<b>26,233.5</b>

$$\bar{y} = 34.7 \text{ in. } \uparrow$$

$$\bar{z} = 5.6 \text{ in. } \nearrow$$

Loads on connections (0.3 $W_p$  lateral load)

Gravity

$$(\nabla) \text{ Vertical} = 15264/2 = 7632 \text{ lb } \downarrow (y)$$

$$(\nabla, X) \text{ In-out} = 7632(7.5-4.2)/32.5$$

$$= 775 \text{ lb } \nearrow (z)$$

Seismic parallel to face

$$(\blacksquare) \text{ Parallel} = 4663 \text{ lb } \leftrightarrow (x)$$



$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla) \text{Up-down} &= 4663(27.5+32.5-34.7)/312 \\ &= 378 \text{ lb } \uparrow(y) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla) \text{In-out} &= 4663(5.6-4.5)/312 \\ &= 16 \text{ lb } \nearrow(z) \end{aligned}$$

Seismic perpendicular to face

Uniform load for continuous beam analysis

$$w = 4663/336 = 13.878 \text{ lb/in. of length}$$

$$\bar{y} = 34.7 \text{ in. } \uparrow$$

From continuous beam analysis

$$\text{End reaction (each end)} = 988 \text{ lb}$$

Distribute to top and bottom connections

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla) R_{\text{top}} &= 988(34.7-27.5)/32.5 \\ &= 219 \text{ lb } \nearrow(z) \end{aligned}$$

$$(X) R_{\text{bott}} = 769 \text{ lbs. } \nearrow(z)$$

Middle reaction = 2687 lb

Distribute to top and bottom connections

$$\begin{aligned} (\blacksquare) R_{\text{top}} &= 2687(34.7-27.5)/32.5 \\ &= 595 \text{ lb } \nearrow(z) \end{aligned}$$

$$(X) R_{\text{bott}} = 2092 \text{ lb } \nearrow(z)$$

Wind load

$$w = 29.16 \text{ lb/in.}$$

$$\bar{y} = 39 \text{ in. } \uparrow$$

By proportion from seismic analysis

$$\begin{aligned} \text{End reaction (each end)} &= 988(29.16/13.878) \\ &= 2076 \text{ lb} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla) R_{\text{top}} &= 2076(39-27.5)/32.5 \\ &= 735 \text{ lb } \nearrow(z) \end{aligned}$$

$$(X) R_{\text{bott}} = 1341 \text{ lb } \nearrow(z)$$

Middle reaction =  $2687(29.16/13.878) = 5646 \text{ lb}$

$$\begin{aligned} (\blacksquare) R_{\text{top}} &= 5646(39-27.5)/32.5 \\ &= 1998 \text{ lb } \nearrow(z) \end{aligned}$$

$$(X) R_{\text{bott}} = 3648 \text{ lb } \nearrow(z)$$

Design of Tie-Back Connection Components:  
(see Figure 3.11.29)

Load summary at bottom middle tie-back connections

$$\text{Wind } F_z = 3648 \text{ lb}$$

$$0.3W_p F_z = 2092 \text{ lb}$$

$$1.33(0.3)W_p F_z = 2782 \text{ lb}$$

$$4(0.3)W_p F_z = 8368 \text{ lb}$$

Component 1 (shear of weld)

$4(0.3)W_p >$  wind load, therefore seismic load controls.

$$\text{Direct shear} = 8.368/2 = 4.184 \text{ kips/weld } \leftrightarrow$$

$$\text{Couple force} = 8.368(3/5) = 5.0208 \text{ kips/weld } \uparrow$$

Resultant shear:

$$= \sqrt{(4.184)^2 + (5.0208)^2}$$

$$= 6.54 \text{ kips/weld}$$

With  $1/4$ -in. fillet weld, allowable stress design:

$$\text{Allow. strength} = 3.71 \text{ kips/in (Table 6.15.2)}$$

$$\text{Weld length} = 6.54/3.71 = 1.76 \text{ in. } < 2 \text{ in.}$$

Use  $2-1/4 \times 2$  in. fillet welds

Component 2 (flexure of angle):

With L  $5 \times 5 \times 1/2$  angle,  $k = 1$  in.

$1.33(0.3)W_p <$  wind load, therefore wind controls

$$e = 3 - 1 = 2 \text{ in.}$$

$$M = 2(3.648) = 7.296 \text{ kip-in.}$$

$$S_{\text{req}} = M / (\text{wind increase} \times \text{allowable stress})$$

$$S_{\text{req}} = 7.296 / [1.33(0.75)(36)] = 0.230 \text{ in.}^3$$

Length of angle required:

$$= 6(0.203)/(0.5^2)$$

$$= 4.87 \text{ in. } < 5 \text{ in.}$$

Use L  $5 \times 5 \times 1/2 \times 0 \text{ ft } -5 \text{ in.}$

Component 3 (buckling of rod):

$4(0.3)W_p >$  wind load, seismic controls

Rod length = 21 - panel thickness - location of the angle heel from the beam centerline

$$\text{Rod length} = 21 - 4\frac{1}{2} - 2\frac{1}{2} = 14 \text{ in.}$$

Try 1 in. diameter National Coarse threaded (A307)

Root diameter = 0.847 in.

Radius of gyration (See design Aid 11.3.1)

$$r = d/4$$

$$= 0.847/4 = 0.212 \text{ in.}$$

Conservatively select  $k = 1.0$

$$k\ell/r = 1(14)/0.2118 = 66$$

From AISC ASD, Ref. 18, Table C-36

Allowable compression stress with  $k\ell/r = 66$

$$F_a = 16.84 \text{ ksi}$$

Maximum allowable load

$$= \frac{\pi d^4}{4} F_a = \frac{\pi(0.847)^2}{4} 16.84$$

$$= 9.5 \text{ kips } > 8.37 \text{ kips}$$

Use 1 in. diameter National Coarse bolt.

Figure 3.11.27 Connection diagram for Example 3.11.12

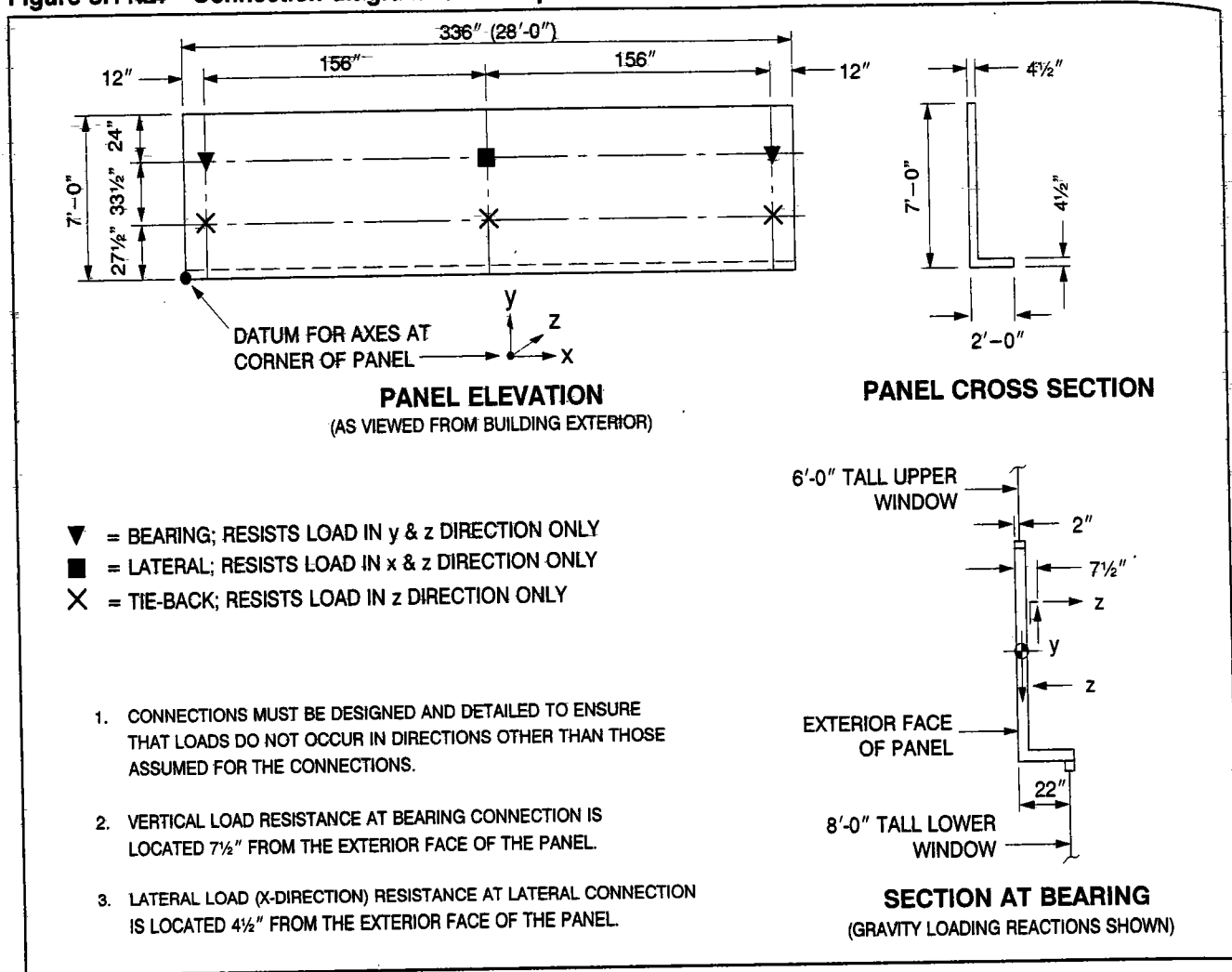


Figure 3.11.28 Reaction diagrams for load analysis with Example 3.11.12

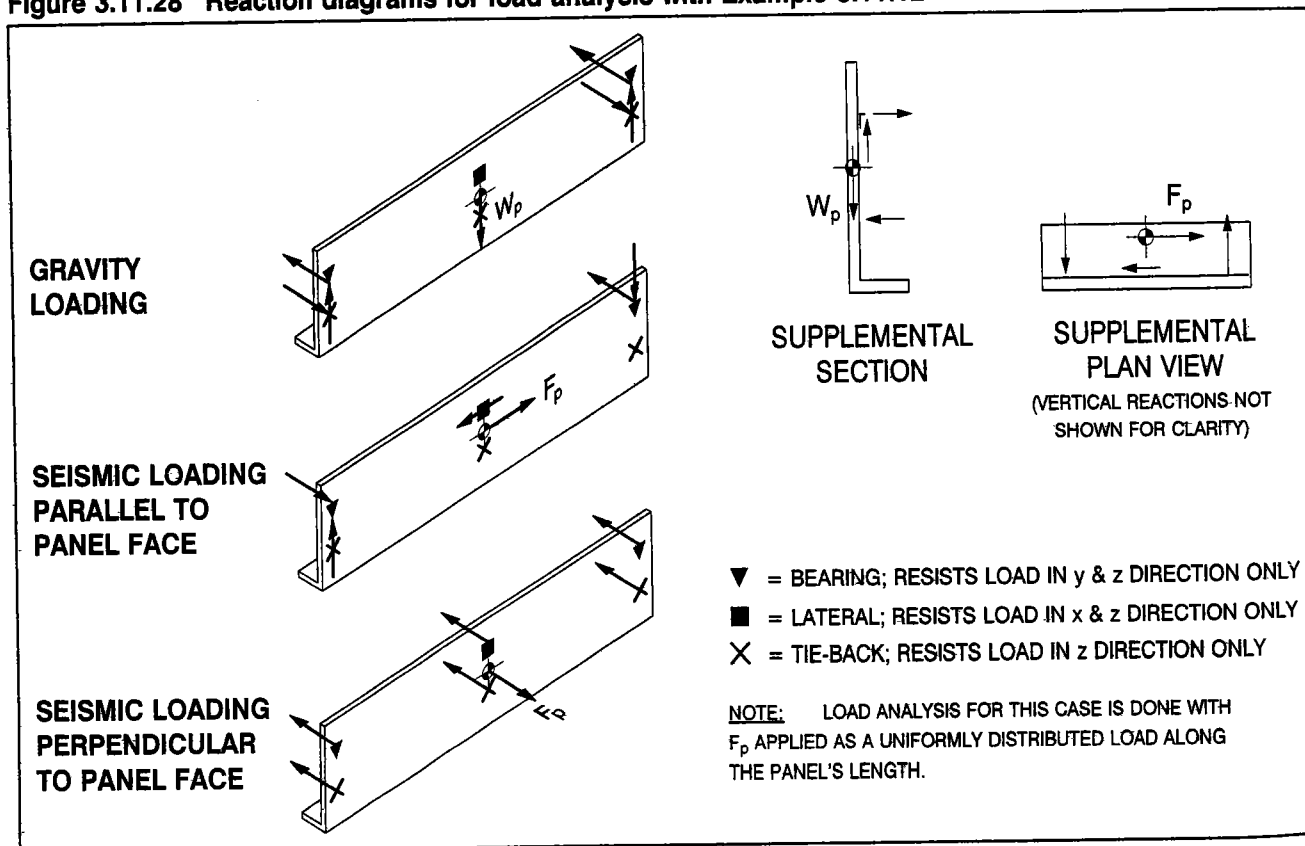
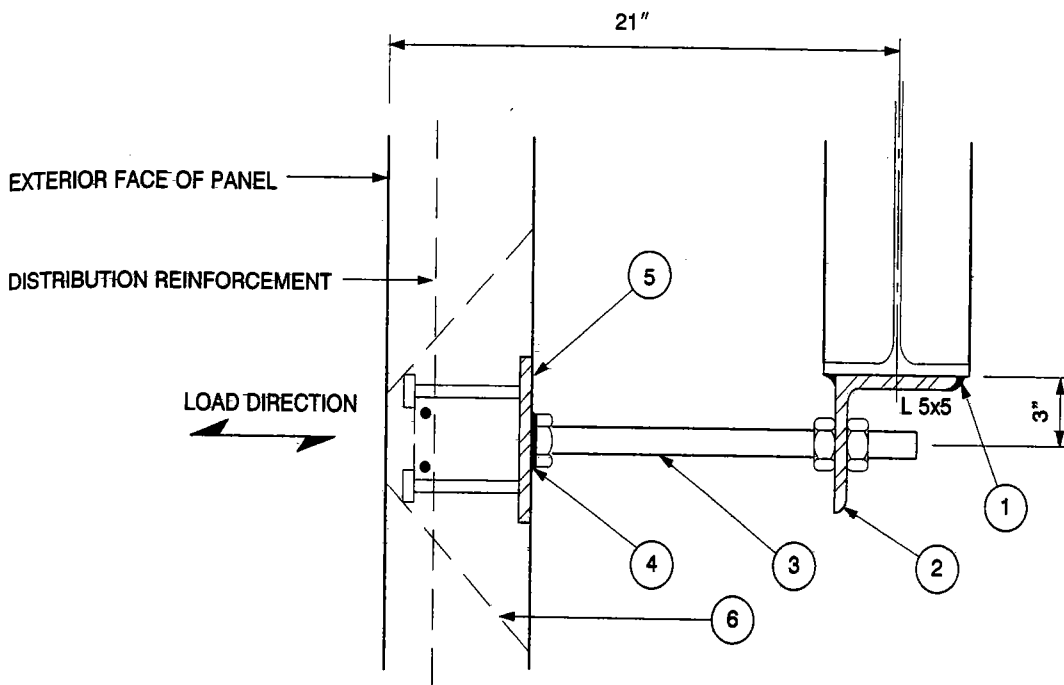


Figure 3.11.29 Bottom-middle tie-back detail for example 3.11.12



COMPONENT	MODE OF FAILURE	DESIGN LOAD*
①	SHEAR OF WELD	$4 F_p = 1.2 W_p$
②	FLEXURE OF ANGLE	$1.33 F_p = 0.4 W_p$
③	BUCKLING OF ROD	$4 F_p = 1.2 W_p$
④	SHEAR OF WELD	$4 F_p = 1.2 W_p$
⑤	FLEXURE OF PLATE	$1.33 F_p = 0.4 W_p$
⑥	CONCRETE PULL OUT	$4 F_p = 1.2 W_p$

OR WIND IF LARGER

\* ACI LOAD FACTORS MUST ALSO BE APPLIED TO THIS [1.1 (1.3)(1.2  $W_p$ )]

\*NOTE: IF CONNECTION ALSO HAS A DEAD LOAD REACTION, THE DESIGN LOAD WOULD INCLUDE THAT REACTION. I.E., FOR COMPONENT ①; DESIGN LOAD =  $DL + 1.2 W_p$  (OR WIND)

### 3.12 DESIGN AIDS

Figure 3.12.1 Maximum seasonal climatic temperature change, °F

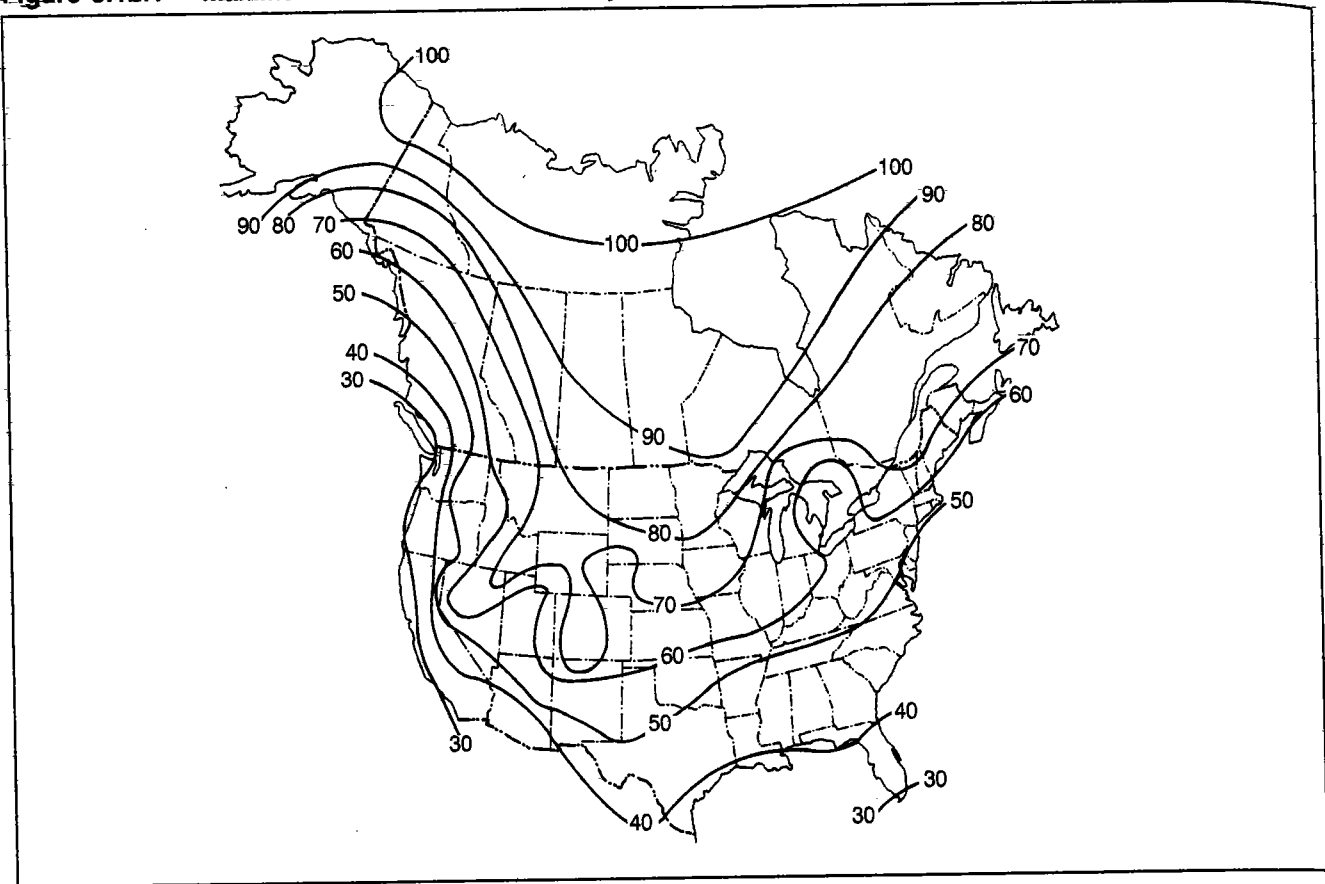


Figure 3.12.2 Annual average ambient relative humidity, percent

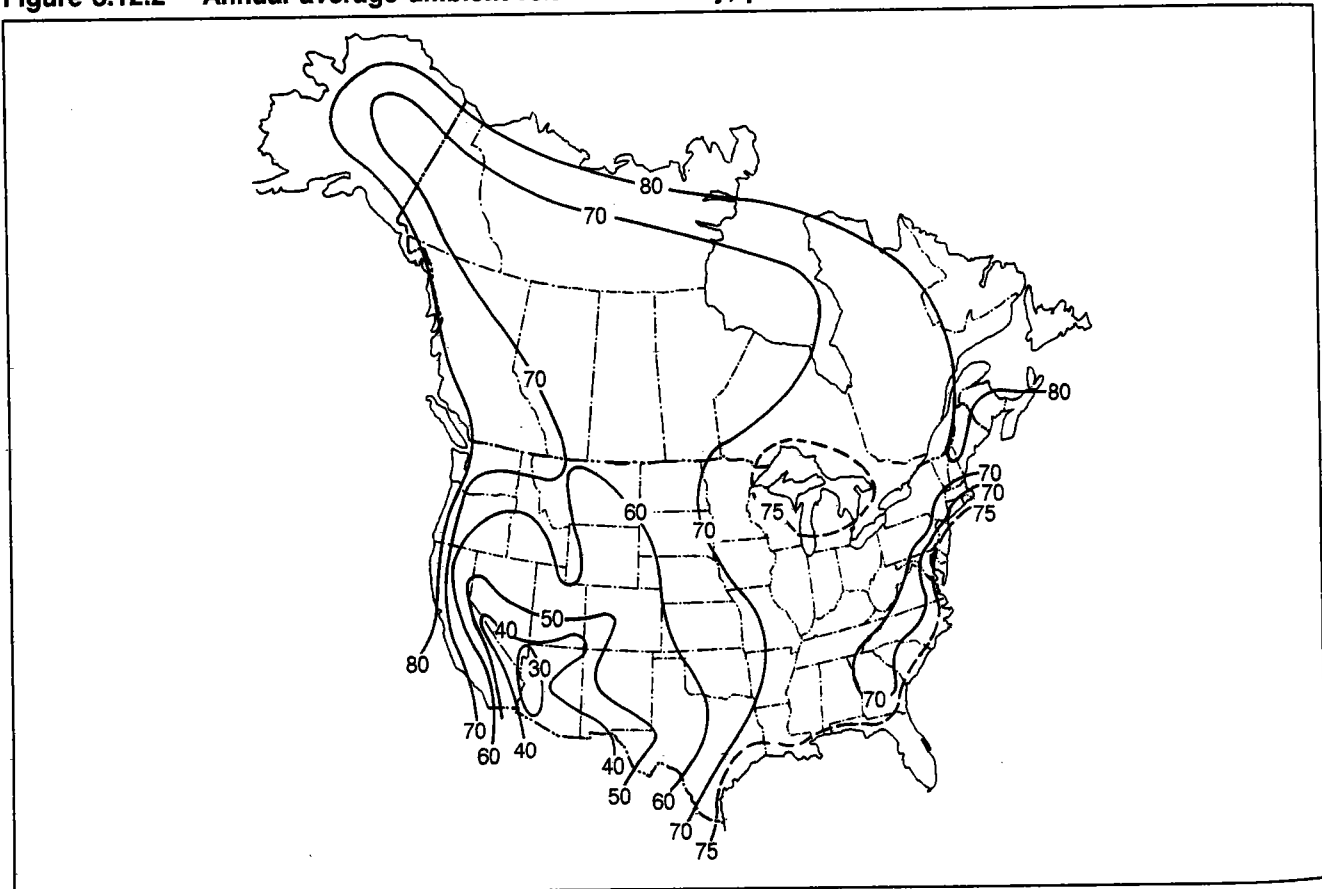


Figure 3.12.3 Creep and shrinkage strains (millionths)

Concrete Release Strength = 3500 psi				
Average Prestress = 600 psi				
Relative Humidity = 70%				
Volume/Surface Ratio = 1.5 in.				
Time, days	Creep		Shrinkage	
	Normal weight	Lightweight	Moist cure	Accelerated cure
1	29	43	16	9
3	51	76	44	26
5	65	97	70	43
7	76	114	93	58
9	86	127	115	72
10	90	133	124	78
20	118	176	204	136
30	137	204	258	180
40	150	224	299	215
50	161	239	329	243
60	169	252	354	266
70	177	263	373	286
80	183	272	390	302
90	188	280	403	317
100	193	287	415	329
200	222	331	477	400
1 Yr	244	363	511	443
3 Yr	273	407	543	486
5 Yr	283	422	549	495
Final	315	468	560	510

Figure 3.12.4 Correction factors for prestress and concrete strength (creep only)

Ave. P/A (psi)	Release Strength, $f_{ci}$ (psi)						
	2500	3000	3500	4000	4500	5000	6000
0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
200	0.39	0.36	0.33	0.31	0.29	0.28	0.25
400	0.79	0.72	0.67	0.62	0.59	0.56	0.51
600	1.18	1.08	1.00	0.94	0.88	0.84	0.76
800	1.58	1.44	1.33	1.25	1.18	1.12	1.02
1000	1.97	1.80	1.67	1.56	1.47	1.39	1.27
1200	2.37	2.16	2.00	1.87	1.76	1.67	1.53
1400	2.76	2.52	2.33	2.18	2.06	1.95	1.78
1600		2.88	2.67	2.49	2.35	2.23	2.04
1800		3.24	3.00	2.81	2.65	2.51	2.29
2000			3.123	3.12	2.94	2.79	2.55
2200				3.43	3.23	3.07	2.80
2400				3.74	3.53	3.35	3.06
2600					3.82	3.63	3.31
2800						3.90	3.56
3000						4.18	3.82

**Figure 3.12.5 Correction factors for relative humidity**

Ave. ambient R.H. (from Figure 3.12.2)	Creep	Shrinkage
40	1.25	1.43
50	1.17	1.29
60	1.08	1.14
70	1.00	1.00
80	0.92	0.86
90	0.83	0.43
100	0.75	0.00

**Figure 3.12.6 Correction factors for volume/surface ratio**

Time, days	Creep						Shrinkage					
	V/S						V/S					
	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	1.30	0.78	0.49	0.32	0.21	0.15	1.25	0.80	0.50	0.31	0.19	0.11
3	1.29	0.78	0.50	0.33	0.22	0.15	1.24	0.80	0.51	0.31	0.19	0.11
5	1.28	0.79	0.51	0.33	0.23	0.16	1.23	0.81	0.52	0.32	0.20	0.12
7	1.28	0.79	0.51	0.34	0.23	0.16	1.23	0.81	0.52	0.33	0.20	0.12
9	1.27	0.80	0.52	0.35	0.24	0.17	1.22	0.82	0.53	0.34	0.21	0.12
10	1.26	0.80	0.52	0.35	0.24	0.17	1.21	0.82	0.53	0.34	0.21	0.13
20	1.23	0.82	0.56	0.39	0.27	0.19	1.19	0.84	0.57	0.37	0.23	0.14
30	1.21	0.83	0.58	0.41	0.30	0.21	1.17	0.85	0.59	0.40	0.26	0.16
40	1.20	0.84	0.60	0.44	0.32	0.23	1.15	0.86	0.62	0.42	0.28	0.17
50	1.19	0.85	0.62	0.46	0.34	0.25	1.14	0.87	0.63	0.44	0.29	0.19
60	1.18	0.86	0.64	0.48	0.36	0.26	1.13	0.88	0.65	0.46	0.31	0.20
70	1.17	0.86	0.65	0.49	0.37	0.28	1.12	0.88	0.66	0.48	0.32	0.21
80	1.16	0.87	0.66	0.51	0.39	0.29	1.12	0.89	0.67	0.49	0.34	0.22
90	1.16	0.87	0.67	0.52	0.40	0.31	1.11	0.89	0.68	0.50	0.35	0.23
100	1.15	0.87	0.68	0.53	0.42	0.32	1.11	0.89	0.69	0.51	0.36	0.24
200	1.13	0.90	0.74	0.61	0.51	0.42	1.08	0.92	0.75	0.59	0.44	0.31
1 Yr	1.11	0.91	0.77	0.67	0.58	0.50	1.07	0.93	0.79	0.64	0.50	0.38
3 Yr	1.10	0.92	0.81	0.73	0.67	0.62	1.06	0.94	0.82	0.71	0.59	0.47
5 Yr	1.10	0.92	0.82	0.75	0.70	0.66	1.06	0.94	0.83	0.72	0.61	0.49
Final	1.09	0.93	0.83	0.77	0.74	0.72	1.05	0.95	0.85	0.75	0.64	0.54

**Figure 3.12.7 Design temperature strains (millionths)**

Temperature zone (from Figure 3.3.1)	Normal weight		Lightweight	
	Heated	Unheated	Heated	Unheated
10	30	45	25	38
20	60	90	50	75
30	90	135	75	113
40	120	180	100	150
50	150	225	125	188
60	180	270	150	225
70	210	315	175	263
80	240	360	200	300
90	270	405	225	338
100	300	450	250	375

Based on accepted coefficients of thermal expansion, reduced to account for thermal lag [2].

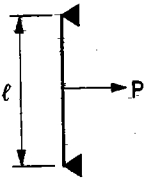
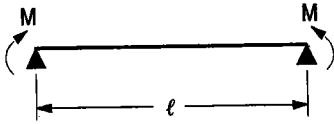
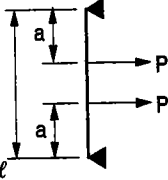
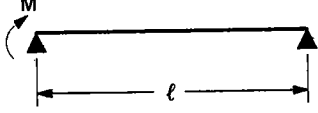
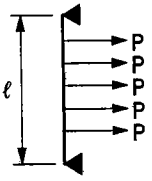
**Figure 3.12.8 Volume change strains for typical building elements (millionths)**

Temp. zone (from map)	Prestressed members (P/A = 600 psi)									
	Normal weight concrete					Lightweight concrete				
	Ave. R.H. (from map)					Ave. R.H. (from map)				
	40	50	60	70	80	40	50	60	70	80
<b>Heated buildings</b>										
0	548	501	454	407	360	581	532	483	434	385
10	578	531	484	437	390	606	557	508	459	410
20	608	561	514	467	420	631	582	533	484	435
30	638	591	544	497	450	656	607	558	509	460
40	668	621	574	527	480	681	632	583	534	485
50	698	651	604	557	510	706	657	608	559	510
60	728	681	634	587	540	731	682	633	584	535
70	758	711	664	617	570	756	707	658	609	560
80	788	741	694	647	600	781	732	683	634	585
90	818	771	724	677	630	806	757	708	659	610
100	848	801	754	707	660	831	782	733	684	635
<b>Unheated structures</b>										
0	548	501	454	407	360	581	532	483	434	385
10	593	546	499	452	405	619	570	521	472	423
20	638	591	544	497	450	656	607	558	509	460
30	683	636	589	542	495	694	645	596	547	498
40	728	681	634	587	540	731	682	633	584	535
50	773	726	679	632	585	769	720	671	622	573
60	818	771	724	677	630	806	757	708	659	610
70	863	816	769	722	675	844	795	746	697	648
80	908	861	814	767	720	881	832	783	734	685
90	953	906	859	812	765	919	870	821	772	723
100	998	951	904	857	810	956	907	858	809	760

**Figure 3.12.9 Volume change strains for typical building elements (millionths)**

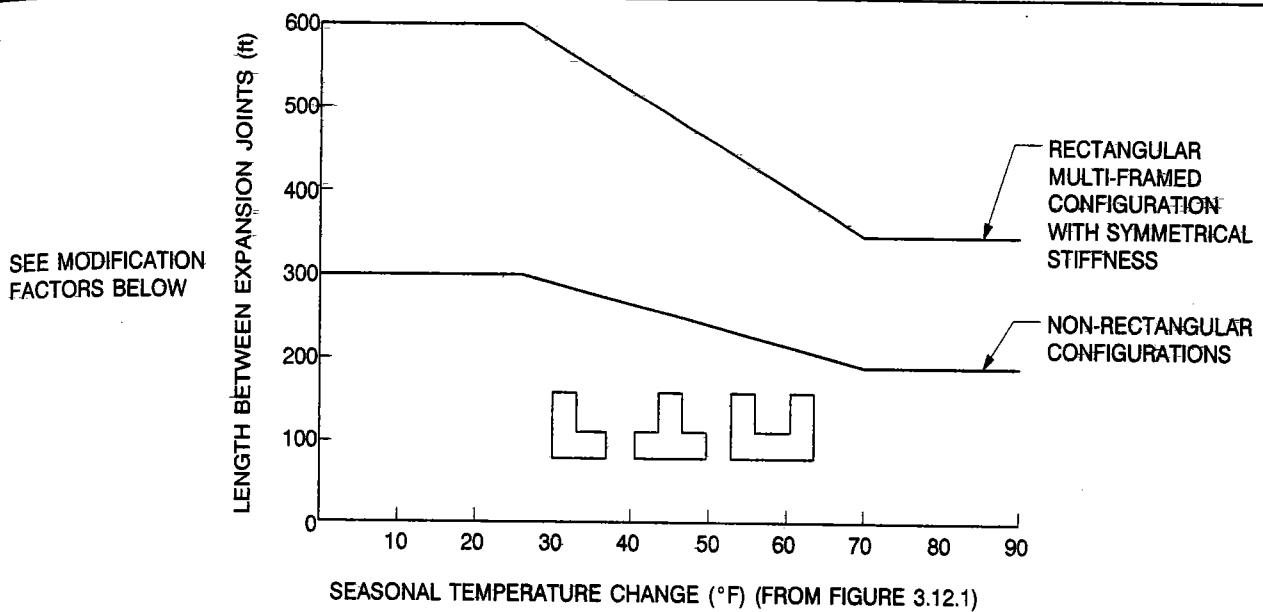
Temp. zone (from map)	Non-prestressed members									
	Normal weight concrete					Lightweight concrete				
	Ave. R.H. (from map)					Ave. R.H. (from map)				
	40	50	60	70	80	40	50	60	70	80
<b>Heated buildings</b>										
0	294	265	235	206	177	294	265	235	206	177
10	324	295	265	236	207	319	290	260	231	202
20	354	325	295	266	237	344	315	285	256	227
30	384	355	325	296	267	369	340	310	281	252
40	414	385	355	326	297	394	365	335	306	277
50	444	415	385	356	327	419	390	360	331	302
60	474	445	415	386	357	444	415	385	356	327
70	504	475	445	416	387	469	440	410	381	352
80	534	505	475	446	417	494	465	435	406	377
90	564	535	505	476	447	519	490	460	431	402
100	594	565	535	506	477	544	515	485	456	427
<b>Unheated structures</b>										
0	294	265	235	206	177	294	265	235	206	177
10	339	310	280	251	222	332	302	273	244	214
20	384	355	325	296	267	369	340	310	281	252
30	429	400	370	341	312	407	377	348	319	289
40	474	445	415	386	357	444	415	385	356	327
50	519	490	460	431	402	482	452	423	394	364
60	564	535	505	476	447	519	490	460	431	402
70	609	580	550	521	492	557	527	498	469	439
80	654	625	595	566	537	594	565	535	506	477
90	699	670	640	611	582	632	602	573	544	514
100	744	715	685	656	627	669	640	610	581	552

Figure 3.12.10 Forces required to restrain bowing

INTERMEDIATE RESTRAINT (ENDS FREE TO ROTATE)	END RESTRAINT
<p data-bbox="193 232 612 259">CASE 1: SINGLE RESTRAINT AT MIDSPAN</p>  $P = \frac{48 E_t \Delta}{\ell^3}$ <p data-bbox="357 555 612 600">MOMENT IN PANEL = <math>\frac{P\ell}{4}</math></p>	<p data-bbox="890 232 1241 259">CASE 4: BOTH ENDS RESTRAINED</p>  $M = \frac{8 E_t \Delta}{\ell^2}$
<p data-bbox="236 752 580 779">CASE 2: TWO RESTRAINT POINTS</p>  $P = \frac{24 E_t \Delta}{3a\ell^2 - 4a^3}$ <p data-bbox="363 1081 619 1104">MOMENT IN PANEL = Pa</p>	<p data-bbox="911 741 1235 768">CASE 5: ONE END RESTRAINED</p>  $M = \frac{16 E_t \Delta}{\ell^2}$
<p data-bbox="156 1272 687 1328">CASE 3: THREE OR MORE RESTRAINT POINTS (APPROXIMATE UNIFORM CONTINUOUS RESTRAINT)</p>  $\Sigma P = w\ell = \frac{77 E_t \Delta}{\ell^3}$ <p data-bbox="371 1574 730 1630">MOMENT IN PANEL = <math>\frac{w\ell^2}{8} = \Sigma P \left( \frac{\ell}{8} \right)</math></p>	<p data-bbox="895 1417 1267 1473">FOR DAILY TEMPERATURE CHANGE, USE <math>E_t = 0.75 E_c</math></p> <p data-bbox="943 1507 1222 1563">FOR SEASONAL CHANGES, USE <math>E_t = 0.50 E_c</math></p>



**Figure 3.12.11 Length of structure without use of expansion joints**



SEE MODIFICATION FACTORS BELOW

These curves are directly applicable to buildings of beam-and-column construction, hinged at the base, and with heated interiors. When other conditions prevail, the following rules are applicable:

- (a) If the building will be heated only and will have hinged-column bases, use the length as specified;
- (b) If the building will be air conditioned as well as heated, increase the length by 15% (provided the environmental control system will run continuously);
- (c) If the building will be unheated, decrease the length by 33%;
- (d) If the building will have fixed-column bases, decrease the length by 15%;
- (e) If the building will have substantially greater stiffness against lateral displacement at one end of the plan dimension, decrease the length by 25%.

When more than one of these design conditions prevail in a building, the percentile factor to be applied should be the algebraic sum of the adjustment factors of all the various applicable conditions.

Note: Figure 3.12.11 should be used as a preliminary guideline for the spacing of expansion joints. It should not be used as the absolute, authoritative, or sole means of determining the spacing of expansion joints. The spacing of expansion joints should be determined by the designer, based on analysis or experience, for the structure being considered.

Source: Adapted from "Expansion Joints in Buildings," Technical Report No. 65, National Research Council, National Academy of Sciences, 1974.

**Figure 3.12.12 Use of Figure 3.12.13**

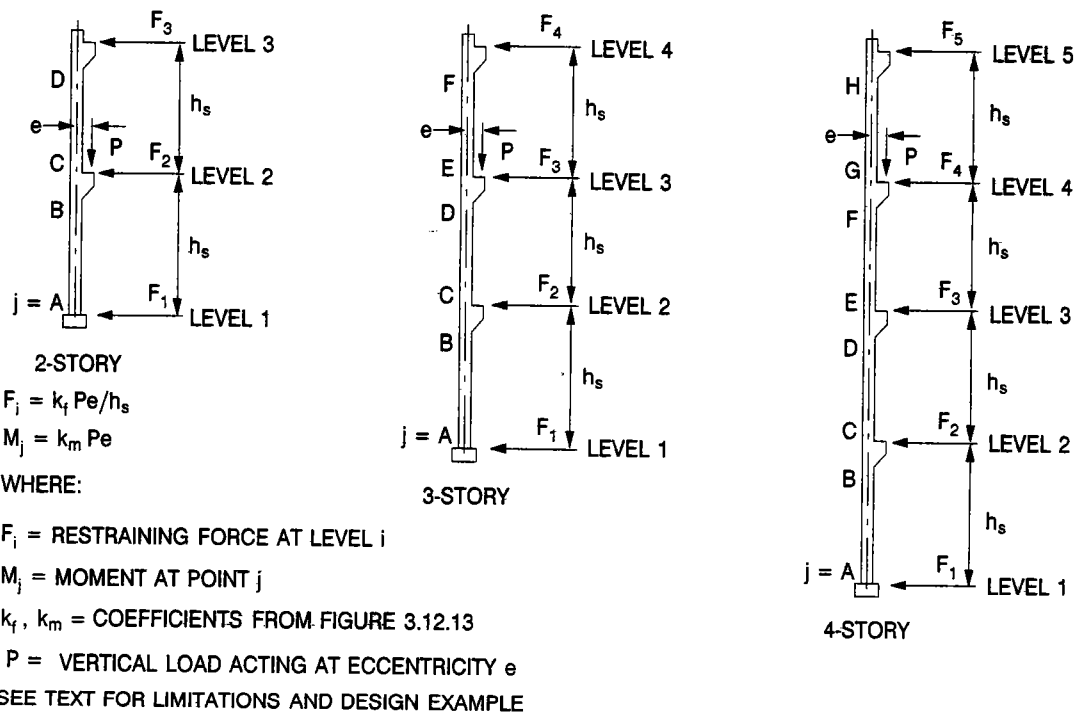


Figure 3.12.13 Coefficients  $k_f$  and  $k_m$  for determining moments and restraining forces on eccentrically loaded columns braced against sidesway

See Figure 3.12.12 for explanation of terms

+ Indicates clockwise moments on the columns and compression in the restraining beam															
No. of stories	Base Fixity	P acting at level	$k_f$ at level					$k_m$ at point							
			1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
2	PINNED	3	+0.25	-1.50	+1.25			0	-0.25	+0.25	+1.0				
		2	-0.50	0	+0.50			0	+0.50	+0.50	0				
		$\Sigma$ Max	$\pm 0.75$	$\pm 1.50$	$\pm 1.75$			0	$\pm 0.75$	$\pm 0.75$	$\pm 1.0$				
		$\Sigma$ One Side	-0.25	-1.50	+1.75			0	+0.25	+0.75	+1.0				
	FIXED	3	+0.43	-1.72	+1.29			-0.14	-0.29	+0.29	+1.0				
		$\Sigma$ Max	$\pm 1.29$	$\pm 2.15$	$\pm 1.72$			$\pm 0.43$	$\pm 0.86$	$\pm 0.72$	$\pm 1.0$				
3	PINNED	4	-0.07	+0.40	-1.60	+1.27		0	+0.07	-0.07	-0.27	+0.27	+1.0		
		3	+0.13	-0.80	+0.20	+0.47		0	-0.13	+0.13	+0.53	+0.47	0		
		2	-0.47	-0.20	+0.80	-0.13		0	+0.47	+0.53	+0.13	-0.13	0		
		$\Sigma$ Max	$\pm 0.67$	$\pm 1.40$	$\pm 2.60$	$\pm 1.87$		0	$\pm 0.67$	$\pm 0.73$	$\pm 0.93$	$\pm 0.87$	$\pm 1.0$		
		$\Sigma$ One Side	-0.41	-0.60	-0.60	+1.61		0	+0.40	+0.60	+0.40	+0.60	+1.0		
	FIXED	4	-0.12	+0.47	-1.62	+1.27		+0.04	+0.08	-0.08	-0.27	+0.27	+1.0		
		3	+0.23	-0.92	+0.23	+0.46		-0.08	-0.15	+0.15	+0.54	+0.46	0		
		2	-0.81	+0.23	+0.70	-0.12		+0.27	+0.54	+0.46	+0.12	-0.12	0		
		$\Sigma$ Max	$\pm 1.16$	$\pm 1.62$	$\pm 2.55$	$\pm 1.85$		$\pm 0.38$	$\pm 0.77$	$\pm 0.69$	$\pm 0.92$	$\pm 0.85$	$\pm 1.0$		
		$\Sigma$ One Side	-0.70	-0.22	-0.69	+1.61		+0.23	+0.46	+0.54	+0.38	+0.62	+1.0		
4	PINNED	5	+0.02	-0.11	+0.43	-1.61	+1.27	0	-0.02	+0.02	+0.07	-0.07	-0.27	+0.27	+1.0
		4	-0.04	+0.22	-0.86	+0.22	+0.46	0	+0.04	-0.04	-0.14	+0.14	+0.54	+0.46	0
		3	+0.13	-0.75	0	+0.75	-0.12	0	-0.13	+0.13	+0.50	+0.50	+0.12	-0.12	0
		2	-0.46	-0.22	+0.86	-0.22	+0.04	0	+0.46	+0.54	+0.14	-0.14	-0.04	+0.04	0
		$\Sigma$ Max	$\pm 0.65$	$\pm 1.30$	$\pm 2.15$	$\pm 2.80$	$\pm 1.89$	0	$\pm 0.64$	$\pm 0.72$	$\pm 0.86$	$\pm 0.86$	$\pm 0.97$	$\pm 0.89$	$\pm 1.0$
	FIXED	$\Sigma$ One Side	-0.35	-0.86	+0.43	-0.86	+1.65	0	+0.35	+0.65	+0.57	+0.43	+0.35	+0.65	+1.0
		5	+0.03	-0.12	+0.43	-1.61	+1.27	-0.01	-0.02	+0.02	+0.07	-0.07	-0.27	+0.27	+1.0
		4	-0.06	+0.25	-0.87	+0.22	+0.46	+0.02	+0.04	-0.04	-0.14	+0.14	+0.54	+0.46	0
		3	+0.22	-0.87	+0.03	+0.74	-0.12	-0.07	-0.14	+0.14	+0.51	+0.50	+0.12	-0.12	0
		$\Sigma$ Max	$\pm 1.11$	$\pm 1.45$	$\pm 2.07$	$\pm 2.75$	$\pm 1.88$	$\pm 0.37$	$\pm 0.74$	$\pm 0.67$	$\pm 0.84$	$\pm 0.83$	$\pm 0.96$	$\pm 0.88$	$\pm 1.0$
$\Sigma$ One Side	-0.61	-0.53	+0.33	-0.83	+1.64	+0.21	+0.41	+0.59	+0.56	+0.44	+0.36	+0.64	+1.0		

Figure 3.12.14 Coefficients,  $\lambda$ , for modified EI

$$EI = \frac{E_c I_g / \lambda}{1 + \beta_d} \quad (\text{FOR } P_c \text{ EQUATION})$$

WHERE:

$$\lambda = \eta \theta \geq 3.2$$

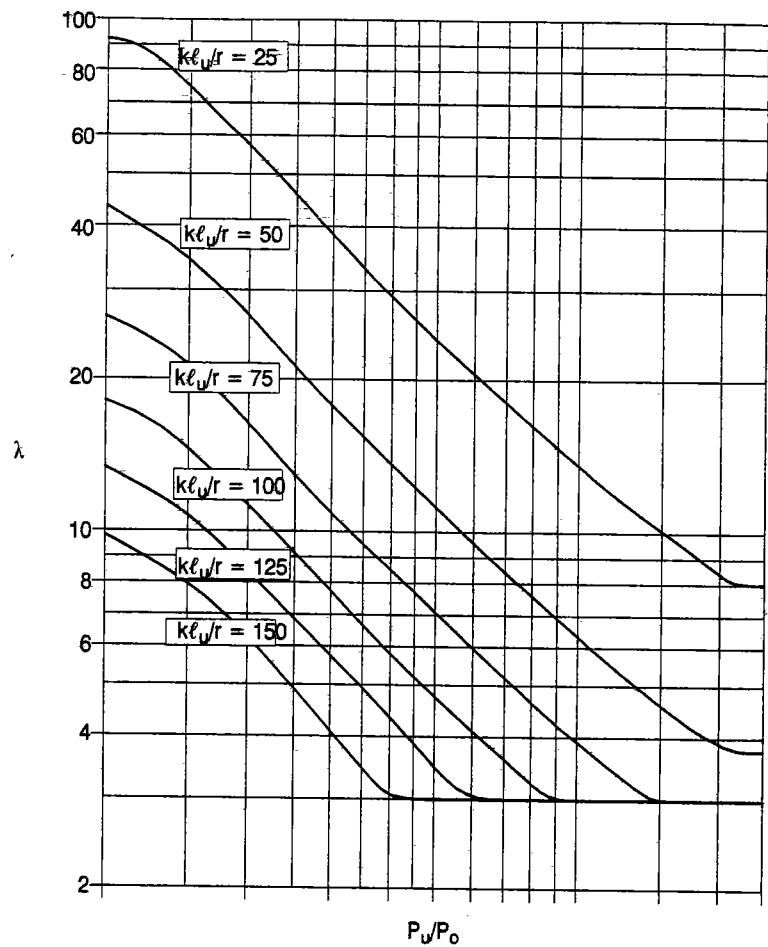
$$\eta = 2.5 + \frac{1.6}{P_u/P_o}$$

$$6 \leq \eta \leq 70$$

AND  $\theta$  IS GIVEN BELOW

**(A) COMPRESSION FLANGE**

$$\theta = \frac{35}{k\ell_w/r} - 0.09$$



**(B) NO COMPRESSION FLANGE**

$$\theta = \frac{27}{k\ell_w/r} - 0.05$$

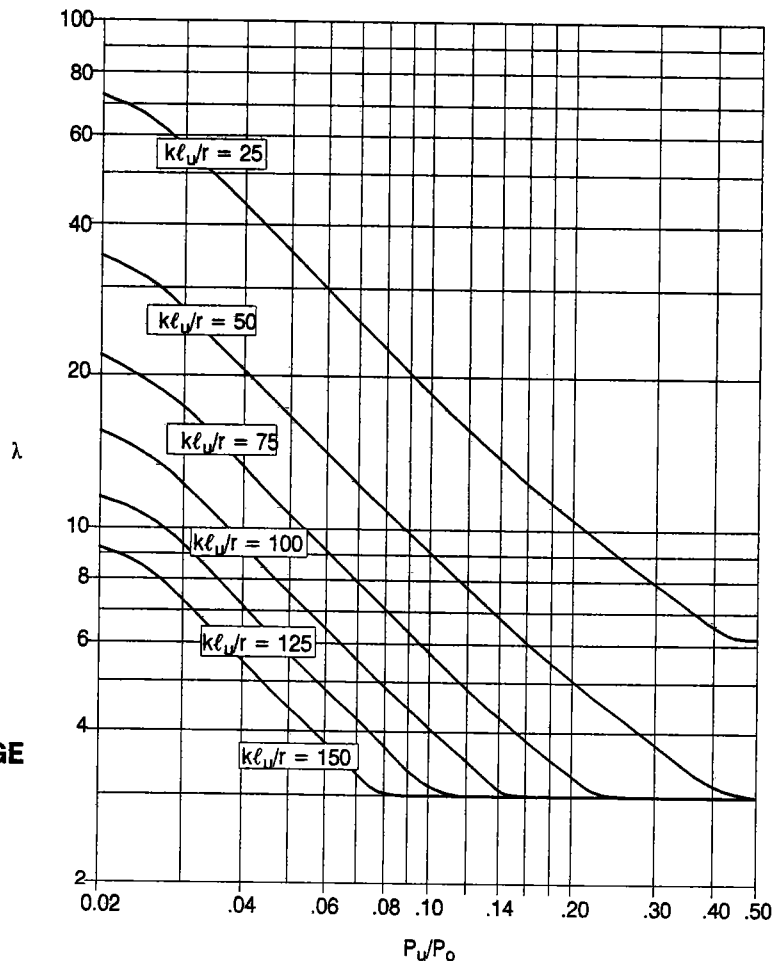


Figure 3.12.15 Alignment charts for determining effective length factors

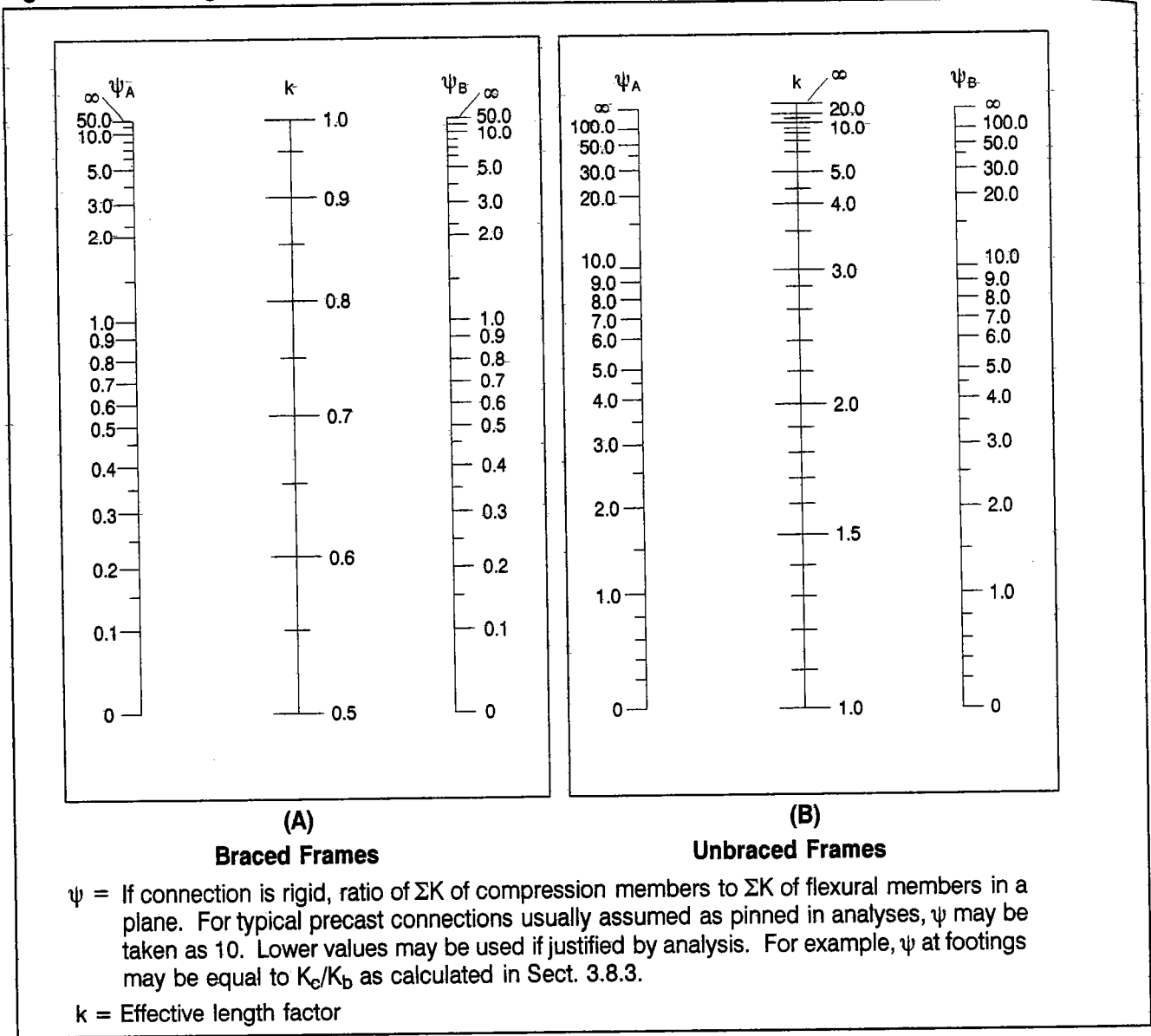
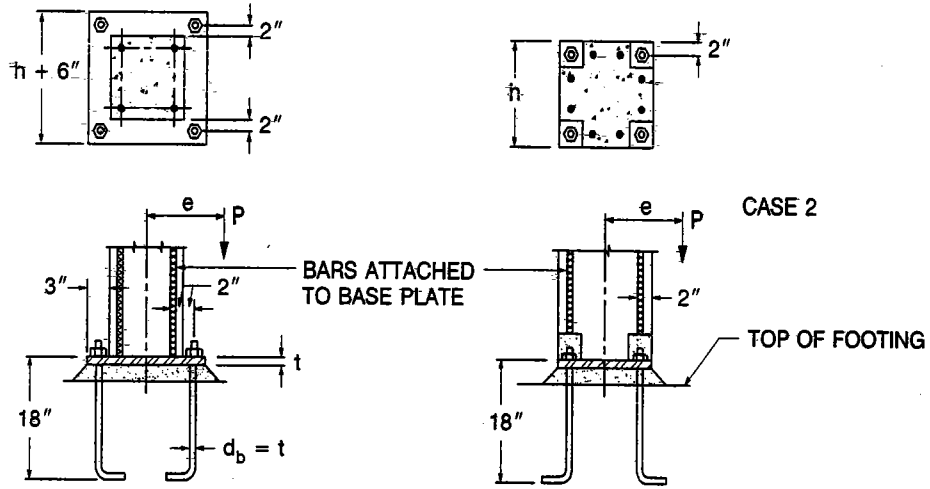


Figure 3.12.16 Shear wall deflections

CASE	DEFLECTION DUE TO		EQUIVALENT MOMENT OF INERTIA, $I_{eq}$	
	FLEXURE	SHEAR	SINGLE STORY	MULTI-STORY
	$\frac{Ph^3}{3EI}$	$\frac{2.78Ph}{A_w E}$ ( $A_w = \ell t$ )	$\frac{I}{1 + \frac{8.34 I}{A_w h^2}}$	$\frac{I}{1 + \frac{13.4 I}{A_w h^2}}$
	$\frac{Wh^3}{8EI}$	$\frac{1.39Wh}{A_w E}$	—	$\frac{I}{1 + \frac{23.6 I}{A_w h^2}}$
	$\frac{Ph^3}{12EI}$	$\frac{2.78Ph}{A_w E}$	$\frac{I}{1 + \frac{33.4 I}{A_w h^2}}$	—

Figure 3.12.17 Flexibility coefficients for anchor bolts and base plates

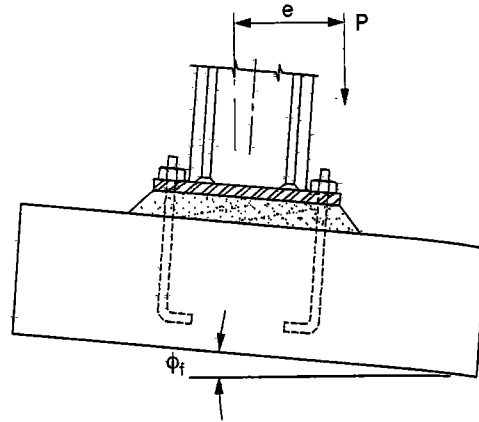


$\gamma_{ab} + \gamma_{bp}$ , 1/in. - lb. x 10<sup>-10</sup> FOR TYPICAL DETAILS (SEE EQ. 3.8.6 AND 3.8.7)

COLUMN SIZE, h (in.)	e (in.)	CASE 1: EXTERIOR ANCHOR BOLTS				CASE 2: INTERIOR ANCHOR BOLTS			
		BASE PLATE THICKNESS & ANC. BOLT DIA.				BASE PLATE THICKNESS & ANC. BOLT DIA.			
		.75	1.00	1.25	1.50	.75	1.00	1.25	1.50
12 x 12	4	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
	6	.0	.0	.0	.0	29.3	16.5	10.5	7.3
	8	.0	.0	.0	.0	43.9	24.7	15.8	11.0
	10	16.6	7.9	4.5	2.9	52.7	29.6	19.0	13.2
	12	27.7	13.2	7.5	4.8	58.5	32.9	21.1	14.6
	14	35.7	16.9	9.6	6.1	62.7	35.3	22.6	15.7
	16	41.6	19.8	11.2	7.2	65.8	37.0	23.7	16.5
	18	46.2	22.0	12.5	8.0	68.3	38.4	24.6	17.1
16 x 16	6	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
	8	.0	.0	.0	.0	10.5	5.9	3.8	2.6
	10	.0	.0	.0	.0	16.7	9.4	6.0	4.2
	12	7.7	3.7	2.1	1.4	20.9	11.8	7.5	5.2
	14	13.1	6.3	3.6	2.3	23.9	13.4	8.6	6.0
	16	17.2	8.3	4.8	3.1	26.1	14.7	9.4	6.5
	18	20.4	9.8	5.7	3.6	27.9	15.7	10.0	7.0
	20	23.0	11.1	6.4	4.1	29.3	16.5	10.5	7.3
20 x 20	8	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
	10	.0	.0	.0	.0	4.9	2.7	1.8	1.2
	12	.0	.0	.0	.0	8.1	4.6	2.9	2.0
	14	4.1	2.0	1.2	.7	10.5	5.9	3.8	2.6
	16	7.1	3.5	2.0	1.3	12.2	6.9	4.4	3.0
	18	9.5	4.6	2.7	1.7	13.5	7.6	4.9	3.4
	20	11.4	5.6	3.2	2.1	14.6	8.2	5.3	3.7
	22	13.0	6.3	3.7	2.4	15.5	8.7	5.6	3.9
24 x 24	10	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
	12	.0	.0	.0	.0	2.7	1.5	1.0	.7
	14	.0	.0	.0	.0	4.6	2.6	1.6	1.1
	16	2.4	1.2	.7	.5	6.0	3.4	2.2	1.5
	18	4.3	2.1	1.2	.8	7.1	4.0	2.6	1.8
	20	5.8	2.8	1.7	1.1	8.0	4.5	2.9	2.0
	22	7.0	3.4	2.0	1.3	8.7	4.9	3.1	2.2
	24	8.0	3.9	2.3	1.5	9.3	5.2	3.4	2.3

Figure 3.12.18 Flexibility coefficients for footing soil interactions

FLEXIBILITY OF BASE =  $\gamma_b = \gamma_f + \gamma_{ab} + \gamma_{bp}$   
 ROTATION OF BASE =  $\phi_b = \gamma_b P e$   
 STIFFNESS OF BASE =  $K_b = 1/\gamma_b$   
 FIXITY OF BASE =  $K_b / (K_c + K_b)$



$K_c$  = COLUMN STIFFNESS =  $4E_c I_c / h_s$   
 $E_c$  = MODULUS OF ELASTICITY OF COLUMN CONCRETE, psi  
 $I_c$  = MOMENT OF INERTIA OF COLUMN, in.<sup>4</sup>  
 $h_s$  = STORY HIEGHT, in.

$\gamma_f$  1/in. - lb. x 10<sup>-10</sup> FOR SQUARE FOOTINGS

FOOTING SIZE (ft)	$K_s$				
	100	150	200	250	300
2.0 X 2.0	3616.9	2411.3	1808.4	1446.8	1205.6
2.5 X 2.5	1481.5	987.7	740.7	592.6	493.8
3.0 X 3.0	714.4	476.3	357.2	285.8	238.1
3.5 X 3.5	385.6	257.1	192.8	154.3	128.5
4.0 X 4.0	226.1	150.7	113.0	90.4	75.4
4.5 X 4.5	141.1	94.1	70.6	56.5	47.0
5.0 X 5.0	92.6	61.7	46.3	37.0	30.9
5.5 X 5.5	63.2	42.2	31.6	25.3	21.1
6.0 X 6.0	44.7	29.8	22.3	17.9	14.9
6.5 X 6.5	32.4	21.6	16.2	13.0	10.8
7.0 X 7.0	24.1	16.1	12.1	9.6	8.0
7.5 X 7.5	18.3	12.2	9.1	7.3	6.1
8.0 X 8.0	14.1	9.4	7.1	5.7	4.7
9.0 X 9.0	8.8	5.9	4.4	3.5	2.9
10.0 X 10.0	5.8	3.9	2.9	2.3	1.9
11.0 X 11.0	4.0	2.6	2.0	1.6	1.3
12.0 X 12.0	2.8	1.9	1.4	1.1	0.9

Figure 3.12.19 Build-up of restraint forces in beams ( $k_b$ )

Total number of bays (n)	Number of bays from end (i)							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
2	1.00							
3	1.00	4.00						
4	1.00	3.00						
5	1.00	2.67	9.00					
6	1.00	2.50	6.00					
7	1.00	2.40	5.00	16.00				
8	1.00	2.33	4.50	10.00				
9	1.00	2.29	4.20	8.00	25.00			
10	1.00	2.25	4.00	7.00	15.00			
11	1.00	2.22	3.86	6.40	11.67	36.00		
12	1.00	2.20	3.75	6.00	10.00	21.00		
13	1.00	2.18	3.67	5.71	9.00	16.00	49.00	
14	1.00	2.17	3.60	5.50	8.33	13.50	28.00	
15	1.00	2.15	3.55	5.33	7.86	12.00	21.00	64.00
16	1.00	2.14	3.50	5.20	7.50	11.00	17.50	36.00

**Figure 3.12.20 Equivalent volume change strains for typical continuous building frames (millionths)**

Temp. zone (from map)	Prestressed members (P/A = 600 psi)									
	Normal weight concrete					Lightweight concrete				
	Ave. R.H. (from map)					Ave. R.H. (from map)				
	40	50	60	70	80	40	50	60	70	80
<b>Heated buildings</b>										
0	110	100	91	81	72	116	106	97	87	77
10	130	120	111	101	92	133	123	113	104	94
20	150	140	131	121	112	150	140	130	120	110
30	170	160	151	141	132	166	156	147	137	127
40	190	180	171	161	152	183	173	163	154	144
50	210	200	191	181	172	200	190	180	170	160
60	230	220	211	201	192	216	206	197	187	177
70	250	240	231	221	212	233	223	213	204	194
80	270	260	251	241	232	250	240	230	220	210
90	290	280	271	261	252	266	256	247	237	227
100	310	300	291	281	272	283	273	263	254	244
<b>Unheated structures</b>										
0	110	100	91	81	72	116	106	97	87	77
10	140	130	121	111	102	141	131	122	112	102
20	170	160	151	141	132	166	156	147	137	127
30	200	190	181	171	162	191	181	172	162	152
40	230	220	211	201	192	216	206	197	187	177
50	260	250	241	231	222	241	231	222	212	202
60	290	280	271	261	252	266	256	247	237	227
70	320	310	301	291	282	291	281	272	262	252
80	350	340	331	321	312	316	306	297	287	277
90	380	370	361	351	342	341	331	322	312	302
100	410	400	391	381	372	366	356	347	337	327

**Figure 3.12.21 Equivalent volume change strains for typical continuous building frames (millionths)**

Temp. zone (from map)	Non-prestressed members									
	Normal weight concrete					Lightweight concrete				
	Ave. R.H. (from map)					Ave. R.H. (from map)				
	40	50	60	70	80	40	50	60	70	80
<b>Heated buildings</b>										
0	59	53	47	41	35	59	53	47	41	35
10	79	73	67	61	55	76	70	64	58	52
20	99	93	87	81	75	92	86	80	75	69
30	119	113	107	101	95	109	103	97	91	85
40	139	133	127	121	115	126	120	114	108	102
50	159	153	147	141	135	142	136	130	125	119
60	179	173	167	161	155	159	153	147	141	135
70	199	193	187	181	175	176	170	164	158	152
80	219	213	207	201	195	192	186	180	175	169
90	239	233	227	221	215	209	203	197	191	185
100	259	253	247	241	235	226	220	214	208	202
<b>Unheated structures</b>										
0	59	53	47	41	35	59	53	47	41	35
10	89	83	77	71	65	84	78	72	66	60
20	119	113	107	101	95	109	103	97	91	85
30	149	143	137	131	125	134	128	122	116	110
40	179	173	167	161	155	159	153	147	141	135
50	209	203	197	191	185	184	178	172	166	160
60	239	233	227	221	215	209	203	197	191	185
70	269	263	257	251	245	234	228	222	216	210
80	299	293	287	281	275	259	253	247	241	235
90	329	323	317	311	305	284	278	272	266	260
100	359	353	347	341	335	309	303	297	291	285

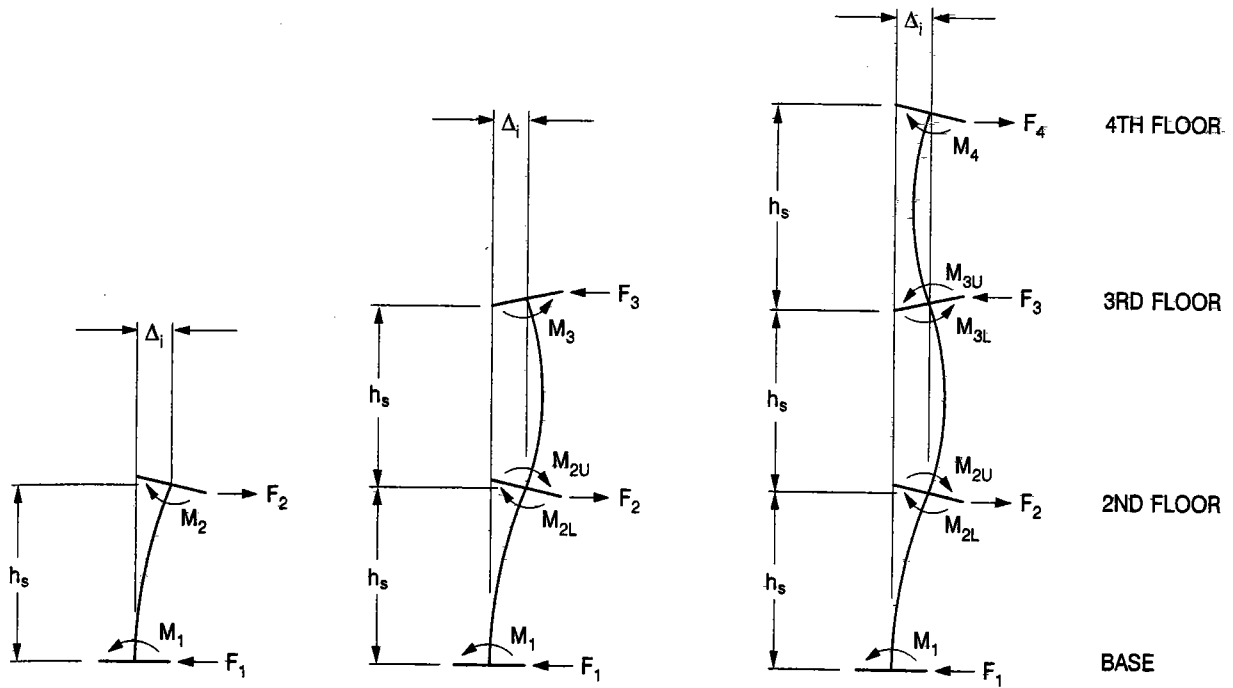
Figure 3.12.22 Coefficients  $k_f$  and  $k_m$  for forces and moments caused by volume change restraint forces

See Figure 3.12.23 for notation

No. of Stories	$K_r = \frac{\sum E_b I_b / \ell}{\sum E_c I_c / h_s}$	Base Fixity	Values of $k_f$				Values of $k_m$					
			$F_1$	$F_2$	$F_3$	$F_4$	Base $M_1$	2nd floor		3rd floor		4th
								$M_{2L}$	$M_{2U}$	$M_{3L}$	$M_{3U}$	$M_4$
1	0	Fixed	3.0	3.0			3.0	0				
		Pinned	0	0			0	0				
	0.5	Fixed	6.0	6.0			4.0	2.0				
		Pinned	1.2	1.2			0	1.2				
	1.0	Fixed	7.5	7.5			4.5	3.0				
		Pinned	1.7	1.7			0	1.7				
	2.0	Fixed	9.0	9.0			5.0	4.0				
		Pinned	2.2	2.2			0	2.2				
4.0 or more	Fixed	10.1	10.1			5.4	4.7					
	Pinned	2.5	2.5			0	2.5					
2	0	Fixed	6.8	9.4	2.6		4.3	2.6	2.6	0		
		Pinned	0	3.0	1.5		0	1.5	1.5	0		
	0.5	Fixed	8.1	10.7	2.6		4.7	3.4	2.1	0.4		
		Pinned	1.9	3.4	1.4		0	1.9	1.2	0.2		
	1.0	Fixed	8.9	11.2	2.3		4.9	3.9	1.8	0.5		
		Pinned	2.1	3.4	1.3		0	2.1	1.0	0.3		
	2.0	Fixed	9.7	11.6	1.9		5.2	4.5	1.4	0.5		
		Pinned	2.4	3.4	1.0		0	2.4	0.8	0.3		
4.0 or more	Fixed	10.4	11.9	1.4		5.5	5.0	1.0	0.4			
	Pinned	2.6	3.4	0.8		0	2.6	0.5	0.2			
3 or more	0	Fixed	7.1	10.6	4.1	0.7	4.4	2.8	2.8	0.7	0.7	0
		Pinned	1.6	3.6	2.4	0.4	0	1.6	1.6	0.4	0.4	0
	0.5	Fixed	8.2	11.1	3.5	0.5	4.7	3.5	2.2	0.7	0.4	0.09
		Pinned	1.9	3.6	1.9	0.3	0	1.9	1.2	0.4	0.2	0.05
	1.0	Fixed	8.9	11.4	2.9	0.4	5.0	3.9	1.9	0.7	0.3	0.09
		Pinned	2.2	3.5	1.6	0.2	0	2.2	1.0	0.4	0.2	0.05
	2.0	Fixed	9.7	11.7	2.2	0.2	5.2	4.7	1.4	0.6	0.2	0.06
		Pinned	2.4	3.5	1.2	0.1	0	2.4	0.8	0.3	0.1	0.03
4.0 or more	Fixed	10.4	11.9	1.5	0.04	5.5	5.0	1.0	0.5	0.04	0.01	
	Pinned	2.6	3.4	0.8	0.02	0	2.6	0.5	0.2	0.02	0.00	



Figure 3.12.23 Use of Figure 3.12.22



$$\Delta_i = \delta_e \ell_s$$

$$F_i = k_f k_b \Delta_i E_c I_c / h_s^3$$

$$M_i = k_m \Delta_i E_c I_c / h_s^2$$

WHERE:  $\delta_e$  = EQUIVALENT UNIT STRAIN (SEE SECT. 3.3)

$\ell_s$  = DISTANCE FROM COLUMN TO CENTER OF STIFFNESS

$F_i$  =  $F_1, F_2$ , ETC., AS SHOWN ABOVE

$k_f, k_m$  = COEFFICIENTS FROM FIGURE 3.12.22

$$k_b = i \left( \frac{n+1-i}{n+2-2i} \right) \text{ (OR FROM FIGURE 3.12.19)}$$

$n$  = NUMBER OF BAYS

$i$  = AS SHOWN IN FIGURE 3.8.5

$E_c$  = MODULUS OF ELASTICITY OF THE COLUMN CONCRETE

$I_c$  = MOMENT OF INERTIA OF THE COLUMN

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# DESIGN OF PRECAST AND PRESTRESSED CONCRETE COMPONENTS

## 4.1 General

### 4.1.1 Notation

$A$	=	cross-sectional area	$A_v$	=	area of shear reinforcement
$A$	=	average effective area around one reinforcing bar	$A_v$	=	area of diagonal tension reinforcement in dapped end
$A_{comp}$	=	cross-sectional area of the equivalent rectangular stress block	$A_{vf}$	=	area of shear-friction reinforcement
$A_{cp}$	=	area enclosed by outside perimeter of concrete cross section	$A_w$	=	area of web in a flanged section
$A_{cr}$	=	area of crack interface	$A_{we}$	=	area of steel in horizontal direction at beam end for torsional equilibrium
$A_{cs}$	=	area of horizontal shear ties	$A_{ww}$	=	area of steel in vertical direction at beam end for torsional equilibrium
$A_f$	=	in a flanged section, area of flange outside the web	$A_1$	=	loaded area
$A_g$	=	gross area of concrete cross section	$A_2$	=	maximum area of the portion of the support that is geometrically similar to and concentric with the loaded area
$A_{ft}$	=	shear-friction steel across vertical crack at dapped ends	$a$	=	shear span
$A_\ell$	=	total area of longitudinal reinforcement to resist torsion	$a$	=	depth of equivalent rectangular stress block
$A_\ell$	=	area of longitudinal reinforcement to resist bending in ledges (see Eq. 4.5.5)	$b$	=	width of compression or tension face of member
$A_n$	=	area of reinforcement required to resist axial tension	$b_\ell$	=	ledger beam width at ledge
$A_o$	=	gross area enclosed by shear flow path	$b_t$	=	width of bearing area under concentrated loads on ledges
$A_{oh}$	=	area enclosed by centerline of the outermost closed transverse torsional reinforcement	$b_v$	=	width of interface surface in a composite member (Sect. 4.3.5)
$A_{ps}, A'_{ps}$	=	area of prestressed reinforcement	$b_w$	=	web width
$A_{pw}$	=	portion of prestressed reinforcement to develop web strength	$C$	=	coefficient as defined in section used (with subscripts)
$A_s$	=	area of non-prestressed tension reinforcement	$C$	=	compressive force
$A_{s, min}$	=	minimum amount of flexural reinforcement	$C_c$	=	compressive force capacity of composite topping
$A'_s$	=	area of non-prestressed compression reinforcement	$C_r$	=	reduction coefficient (see Eq. 4.6.1)
$A_{sh}$	=	area of vertical reinforcement for horizontal or diagonal cracks	$CR$	=	creep of concrete
$A_t$	=	area of one leg of closed stirrup	$c$	=	distance from extreme compression fiber to neutral axis
$A_{top}$	=	effective area of cast-in-place composite topping	$D$	=	distance from extreme compression fiber to centroid of tension reinforcement in a dapped end member
			$d$	=	distance from extreme compression fiber to centroid of longitudinal tension reinforcement, but need not be less than $0.8h$ for prestressed members ( $d_p$ is used for prestressed members when a distinction from $d$ for non-prestressed reinforcement is relevant)

$d'$	= distance from extreme compression fiber to centroid of compression reinforcement ( $d'_p$ is used for prestressed members when a distinction from $d'$ for non-prestressed reinforcement is relevant)	$f'_{cc}$	= specified compressive strength of composite topping
$d_b$	= nominal diameter of reinforcing bar or prestressing strand	$f_{cds}$	= concrete stress at center of gravity of prestressing force due to all permanent (dead) loads not used in computing $f_{cir}$
$d_c$	= concrete thickness to the center of reinforcement closest to the tension face	$f'_{ci}$	= compressive strength of concrete at time of initial prestress
$d_e$	= distance from center of load to beam end	$f_{cir}$	= concrete stress at center of gravity of prestressing force immediately after transfer
$d_\ell$	= depth of centroid of $A_\ell$ reinforcement in ledger beam ledges	$f_{ct}$	= splitting tensile strength of lightweight concrete
$d_p, d'_p$	= distance from extreme compression fiber to centroid of prestressing steel in tension and compression zones respectively	$f_d$	= stress due to service dead load
$d_t$	= distance from extreme compression fiber to extreme tension steel	$f_e$	= total load stress in excess of $f_r$
$d_w$	= depth of $A_{we}$ and $A_{ww}$ reinforcement from outside face of ledger beam	$f_\ell$	= stress due to service live load
$E_c$	= modulus of elasticity of concrete	$f_{pc}$	= compressive stress in concrete at centroid of cross section due to prestress (after allowance for all prestress losses)
$E_{ci}$	= modulus of elasticity of concrete at time of initial prestress	$f_{pd}$	= stress in prestressed reinforcement limited by strand development
ES	= elastic shortening	$f_{pe}$	= compressive stress in concrete due to effective prestress forces only (after allowance for all prestress losses) at extreme fiber of section where tensile stress is caused by externally applied loads
$E_{ps}$	= modulus of elasticity of prestressed reinforcement	$f_{pi}$	= compressive stress in concrete due to initial prestress force
$E_s$	= modulus of elasticity of steel	$f_{ps}, f'_{ps}$	= stress in prestressed reinforcement at nominal strength of member
$e$	= eccentricity of design load or prestressing force parallel to axis measured from the centroid of the section	$f_{pu}$	= ultimate strength of prestressing steel
$e'$	= distance between c.g. of strand at end and c.g. of strand at lowest point = $e_c - e_e$	$f_{py}$	= specified yield strength of prestressing steel
$e_c$	= eccentricity of prestressing force from the centroid of the section at the center of the span	$f_r$	= modulus of rupture of concrete
$e_e$	= eccentricity of prestressing force from the centroid of the section at the end of the span	$f'_r$	= allowable flexural tension, computed using gross concrete section
$F_h$	= horizontal shear force	$f_s, f'_s$	= stress in non-prestressed reinforcement
$f_b$	= stress in the bottom fiber of the cross section	$f_{se}$	= effective stress in prestressing steel after losses
$f'_c$	= specified compressive strength of concrete	$f_t$	= stress in the top fiber of a cross section
		$f_t$	= tensile stress at extreme tension fiber
		$f_{te}$	= final calculated stress in the member

$f_y, f_y'$	=	specified yield strength of non-prestressed reinforcement	$M$	=	service load moment
$f_{yv}$	=	yield strength of closed transverse torsional reinforcement, psi	$M_a$	=	total moment at the section
$f_{yt}$	=	yield strength of longitudinal torsional reinforcement, psi	$M_{cr}$	=	cracking moment
$H$	=	total depth of a dapped end member	$M_d$	=	moment due to service dead load (unfactored)
$H_u$	=	factored torsional equilibrium reactions	$M_g$	=	moment due to weight of member (unfactored)
$h$	=	depth of member above dap	$M_c$	=	moment due to service live load (unfactored)
$h$	=	overall depth of a non-dapped member	$M_{max}$	=	maximum factored moment at section due to externally applied loads
$h$	=	unsupported length of a pile	$M_n$	=	nominal moment strength of a section
$h_f$	=	depth of flange	$M_{nb}$	=	nominal moment strength under balanced conditions
$h_e$	=	ledger beam depth of ledge	$M_{nc}$	=	moment due to beam self weight plus dead loads applied before composite action
$h_p$	=	height of pocket in a pocketed spandrel beam	$M_o$	=	nominal moment strength of a compression member with zero axial load
$h_s$	=	distance between torsional equilibrium reactions	$M_{sd}$	=	moment due to superimposed dead load plus sustained live load (unfactored)
$h_1$	=	distance from centroid of tensile reinforcement to neutral axis	$M_{top}$	=	moment due to topping (unfactored)
$h_2$	=	distance from extreme tension fiber to neutral axis	$M_u$	=	applied factored moment at a section
$I$	=	moment of inertia	$m$	=	modification factor for hanger steel calculation
$I_{cr}$	=	moment of inertia of cracked section transformed to concrete	$N$	=	unfactored axial load
$I_e$	=	effective moment of inertia for computation of deflection	$N_u$	=	factored horizontal or axial force
$I_{equiv}$	=	equivalent constant moment of inertia in members with varying cross sections	$n$	=	modular ratio = $E_s/E_c$
$I_g$	=	moment of inertia of gross section	$n$	=	number of reinforcing bars
$J$	=	coefficient as defined in Sect. 4.7.3	$P$	=	prestress force after losses
$j, k$	=	factors used in service load design (Sect. 4.2.2)	$P_i$	=	initial prestress force
$K$	=	coefficient as defined in Sect. 4.7.3 (with subscripts)	$P_n$	=	axial load nominal strength of a compression member at given eccentricity
$K_u$	=	design coefficient (see Figure 4.12.1)	$P_{nb}$	=	axial load nominal strength under balanced conditions
$K'_u$	=	design coefficient (see Figure 4.12.2)	$P_o$	=	prestress force at transfer
$\ell$	=	span length	$P_o$	=	axial load nominal strength of a compression member with zero eccentricity
$\ell_d$	=	development length	$p_{cp}$	=	outside perimeter of the concrete cross section
$\ell_t$	=	strand transfer length			
$\ell_{vh}$	=	horizontal shear length as defined in Figure 4.3.5			

$p_h$	=	perimeter of centerline of outermost closed transverse torsional reinforcement	$V_n$	=	nominal shear strength
RE	=	relaxation of tendons	$V_p$	=	vertical component of the effective prestress force at the section considered
R.H.	=	average ambient relative humidity	$V_s$	=	nominal shear strength provided by the shear reinforcement
$r$	=	radius of gyration	$V/S$	=	volume-surface ratio
$S$	=	section modulus	$V_u$	=	factored shear force at section
$S_b$	=	section modulus with respect to the bottom fiber of the precast section	$w$	=	maximum crack width at extreme tension fiber
$S_{bc}$	=	section modulus with respect to the bottom fiber of a composite section	$w$	=	unfactored load per unit length of beam or per unit area of slab
$S_t$	=	section modulus with respect to the top fiber of a cross section	$w_c$	=	unit weight of concrete
SH	=	shrinkage of concrete	$w_d$	=	unfactored dead load per unit length
$s$	=	shear or torsion reinforcement spacing in a direction parallel to the longitudinal reinforcement	$w_\ell$	=	unfactored live load per unit length
$s$	=	spacing of concentrated loads on ledger beam ledge	$w_{sd}$	=	dead load due to superimposed loading plus sustained live load
$T$	=	tensile force	$w_{t\ell}$	=	unfactored total load per unit length = $w_d + w_\ell$
$T$	=	torsion	$w_u$	=	factored total load per unit length or area
TL	=	total prestress loss	$x$	=	distance from support to point being investigated
$T_n$	=	nominal torsional moment strength	$y'$	=	distance from top to c.g. of $A_{comp}$
$T_u$	=	factored torsional moment on a section	$y_b$	=	distance from bottom fiber to center of gravity of the section
$t$	=	thickness (used for various parts of members with subscripts)	$y_s$	=	distance from centroid of prestressed reinforcement to bottom fiber
$V_c$	=	nominal shear strength provided by the concrete	$y_t$	=	distance from centroid of gross section to extreme fiber in tension
$V_{ci}$	=	nominal shear strength provided by concrete when diagonal cracking is the result of combined shear and moment	$y_t$	=	distance from top fiber to center of gravity of the section
$V_{cw}$	=	nominal shear strength provided by concrete when diagonal cracking is the result of excessive principal tensile stress in the web	$z$	=	quantity limiting distribution of flexural reinforcement (Sect. 4.2.2.1)
$V_d$	=	dead load shear (unfactored)	$\alpha$	=	distance from end of member to strand depression point (Figure 4.12.10)
$V_i$	=	factored shear force at section due to externally applied loads occurring simultaneously with $M_{max}$	$\beta_1$	=	factor defined in Sect. 4.2.1
$V_\ell$	=	live load shear (unfactored)	$\theta$	=	angle of compression diagonals in truss analogy for torsion
			$\Delta$	=	deflection (with subscripts)
			$\epsilon_c$	=	concrete strain



$\epsilon_{cu}$	=	ultimate concrete strain
$\epsilon_{ps}, \epsilon_{pd}, \epsilon'_{ps}$	=	strain in prestressing steel corresponding to $f_{ps}, f_{pd}, f'_{ps}$
$\epsilon_s$	=	strain in non-prestressed tension reinforcement
$\epsilon'_s$	=	strain in non-prestressed compression reinforcement
$\epsilon_{sa}$	=	strain in prestressing steel caused by external loads = $\epsilon_{ps} - \epsilon_{se}$
$\epsilon_{se}$	=	strain in prestressing steel after losses
$\epsilon_t$	=	net tensile strain in extreme tension steel
$\epsilon_y$	=	maximum allowable strain in non-prestressed reinforcement
$\lambda$	=	a conversion factor for lightweight concrete
$\lambda$	=	multiplier applied to initial deflection
$\gamma_p$	=	factor for type of prestressing tendon (see ACI Code Sect. 18.0 for values)
$\gamma_t$	=	factor used in designing hanger reinforcement (see Table 4.5.1)
$\mu$	=	shear-friction coefficient
$\mu_e$	=	effective shear-friction coefficient
$\xi$	=	time-dependent factor for sustained loads
$\rho$	=	$A_s/bd$ = ratio of non-prestressed tension reinforcement
$\rho'$	=	$A'_s/bd$ = ratio of non-prestressed compression reinforcement
$\rho_p$	=	$A_{ps}/bd_p$ = ratio of prestressed reinforcement
$\rho_w$	=	$A_s/b_wd$ = ratio of non-prestressed tension reinforcement based on web width
$\rho_{bal}$	=	non-prestressed reinforcement ratio producing balanced strain conditions
$\rho_{max}$	=	maximum reinforcement ratio for non-prestressed members
$\phi$	=	strength reduction factor
$\omega$	=	$\rho f_y/f'_c = A_s f_y/bdf'_c$
$\omega'$	=	$\rho' f_y/f'_c = A'_s f_y/bdf'_c$
$\bar{\omega}$	=	factor used in Figure 4.12.1

$\omega_{max}$	=	maximum permissible $\omega$
$\omega_p$	=	$\rho_p f_{ps}/f'_c = A_{ps} f_{ps}/bd_p f'_c$
$\omega_{pu}$	=	$\rho_p f_{pu}/f'_c = A_{ps} f_{pu}/bd_p f'_c$
$\omega_w, \omega_{pw}, \omega'_w$	=	reinforcement indices for flanged sections computed as for $\omega, \omega_p$ , and $\omega'$ except that $b$ shall be the web width, and reinforcement area shall be that required to develop compressive strength of web only

#### 4.1.2 Introduction

This chapter of the Handbook provides a summary of theory and procedures used in the design of precast and prestressed concrete components. Designs are based on the provisions of "Building Code Requirements for Structural Concrete (ACI 318-95)" [1], which is referred to as "the Code" or "ACI 318" in the Handbook. Occasionally, standard design practice may require interpretation of the Code. This has been done in Sect. 10.5 of the Handbook.

Two different phases must be considered in designing precast concrete components: (1) the manufacturing through erection phase and (2) the in-service conditions. The designer is referred to Chapter 5 for the first phase. This chapter is concerned with the in-service conditions.

The load tables in Chapter 2 will not provide all the design data necessary. In most cases, the engineer will select standard sections and typical details, with the detailed design carried out by the precast concrete producer. The engineer of record should verify that the section selected is capable of satisfying both strength and performance criteria for the use intended. In cases where the engineer of record undertakes the complete design responsibility, consultation with producers in the area will ensure compatibility of design with production and will result in optimum quality and economy.

#### 4.2 Flexure

Design for flexure in accordance with the Code requires that precast and prestressed concrete members be checked for both design strength and service load. Members reinforced with non-prestressed steel require service load checks in accordance with Code Sect. 10.6.4. Also see section 4.2.2 of this handbook.

#### 4.2.1 Strength Design

Strength design is based on solution of the equations of equilibrium, normally using the rectangular stress block in accordance with Sect. 10.2.7 of the Code (see Figure 4.2.1). The stress in the prestressing steel at nominal strength,  $f_{ps}$ , can be determined by strain compatibility [2] or by the approximate equation given in the Code (Eq. 18-3). In carrying out strain compatibility analysis, the manufacturer's stress-strain relations may be used. Alternatively, the idealized stress-strain equations given in Design Aid 11.2.5 may be used.

For elements with compression reinforcement, the nominal strength can be calculated by assuming that the compression reinforcement yields. This assumption should be subsequently verified from the strain diagram. The designer will normally choose a section and reinforcement and then determine if it meets the basic design strength requirement:

$$\phi M_n \geq M_u$$

A flow chart illustrating the calculation of the nominal strength of flexural elements is given in Figure 4.2.2.

##### 4.2.1.1 Depth of Stress Block

The depth "a" of the rectangular stress block is related to the depth to the neutral axis "c" by the equation:

$$a = \beta_1 c$$

where:

$\beta_1$	$f'_c$ , psi
0.85	3000
0.85	4000
0.80	5000
0.75	6000
0.70	7000
0.65	8000 and higher

##### 4.2.1.2 Flanged Elements

The equations for nominal strength given in Figure 4.2.1 apply to rectangular cross sections and flanged sections in which the stress block lies entirely within the depth of the flange  $h_f$ . The depth of the stress block "a", is obtained from the first equation of equilibrium in Figure 4.2.1:

$$a = \frac{A_{ps} f_{ps} + A_s f_y - A'_s f'_y}{0.85 f'_c b} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.2.1})$$

If  $a > h_f$ , and compression reinforcement is present, use of strain compatibility or reasonable approxi-

mations for it may be made to find the nominal strength. If compression reinforcement is not present, the nominal strength can be found using the Code equations shown in Figure 4.2.2 or by strain compatibility.

##### 4.2.1.3 Limitations on Reinforcement

For non-prestressed flexural elements, except slabs of uniform thickness, the minimum reinforcement required, is:

$$A_{s,min} = 3 \frac{\sqrt{f'_c}}{f_y} b_w d \geq \frac{200 b_w d}{f_y} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.2.2})$$

For T-sections with flanges in tension,  $A_{s,min}$  is the smaller of that determined by Eq. 4.2.2, where  $b_w$  is the width of the flange, or by:

$$A_{s,min} = \frac{6 \sqrt{f'_c}}{f_y} b_w d \quad (\text{Eq. 4.2.3})$$

where:

$b_w$  is the width of the web.

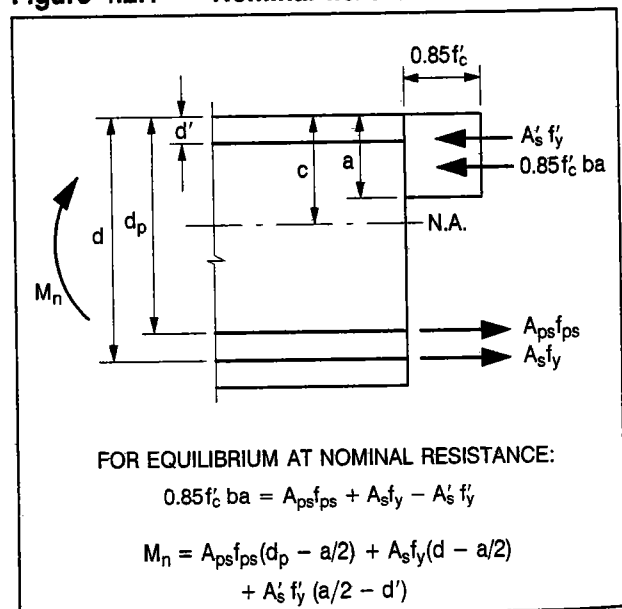
The above limits do not apply if the area of tensile reinforcement provided is  $\frac{1}{2}$  greater than that required by analysis.

For slabs, the minimum flexural reinforcement is that amount required for shrinkage and temperature reinforcement, with a maximum spacing not exceeding three times the slab thickness or 18 in., whichever is smaller.

The maximum reinforcement ratio for non-prestressed elements is limited to 0.75 times the balanced reinforcement ratio:

$$\rho_{max} = 0.75 \rho_b \quad (\text{Eq. 4.2.4})$$

Figure 4.2.1 Nominal flexural resistance



where:

$$\rho_b = \frac{0.85\beta_1 f'_c}{f_y} \left( \frac{87,000}{87,000 + f_y} \right)$$

Substituting the equation for  $\omega$  yields:

$$\begin{aligned} \omega_{\max} &= \frac{\rho_{\max} f_y}{f'_c} \\ &= 0.64\beta_1 \left( \frac{87,000}{87,000 + f_y} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.2.5})$$

For prestressed elements, the Code requires that the total prestressed and non-prestressed reinforcement be adequate to develop a factored load at least 1.2 times the cracking load, except for flexural members with shear and flexural strength at least twice that required by analysis. The cracking moment,  $M_{cr}$ , may be calculated by:

$$M_{cr} = S_{bc} \left[ \frac{P}{A} + \frac{Pe}{S_b} + f_r \right] - M_{nc} \left( \frac{S_{bc}}{S_b} - 1 \right) \quad (\text{Eq. 4.2.6})$$

where:

$M_{nc}$  = Moment due to beam self weight plus dead loads applied before composite action

$S_b$  = Section modulus with respect to the bottom fiber of the precast section

$S_{bc}$  = Section modulus with respect to the bottom fiber of a composite section

$f_r$  = Modulus of rupture, usually taken as  $7.5\lambda\sqrt{f'_c}$

No upper limit is placed on the reinforcement for prestressed elements. However, when either:

$$\omega_p, [\omega_p + d/d_p(\omega - \omega')], \text{ or}$$

$$[\omega_{pw} + d/d_p(\omega_w - \omega'_w)], \text{ or}$$

$$0.85a/d_p > 0.36\beta_1$$

the nominal strength, as shown in Figure 4.2.2, is calculated based on the compression force of the moment couple.

#### 4.2.1.4 Critical Section

For simply supported, uniformly loaded, prismatic non-prestressed elements, the critical section for flexural design will occur at mid-span. For uniformly loaded prestressed elements, in order to reduce the end stresses at release some strands are often depressed near mid-span, or debonded for a length near the ends. For strands with a single point depression, the critical section can usually be assumed at

0.4 $l$ . For straight strands, the critical section will be at mid-span, but if some strands are debonded near the end, an additional critical section may occur near the end of the debonded length as shown in Figure 4.2.3.

The presence of concentrated loads or non-prestressed reinforcement may alter the location of the critical section. In such cases, computer programs with the capability of checking the capacity at short intervals along the member length can be used to expedite analysis.

#### 4.2.1.5 Analysis Using Code Equations

Figure 4.2.2 essentially outlines the design procedures using the Code equations for prestressed and partially prestressed members. If compression reinforcement is present, the Code requires certain checks to assure that the stress in the compression reinforcement is at its yield strength. In computing  $f_{ps}$ , if any compression reinforcement is taken into account, the term:

$$\left[ \rho_p \frac{f_{pu}}{f'_c} + \frac{d}{d_p} (\omega - \omega') \right]$$

shall be taken not less than 0.17 and  $d'$  shall be no greater than  $0.15d_p$ . Alternatively, the yielding of the compression reinforcement is ensured if Eq. 4.2.7 is satisfied:

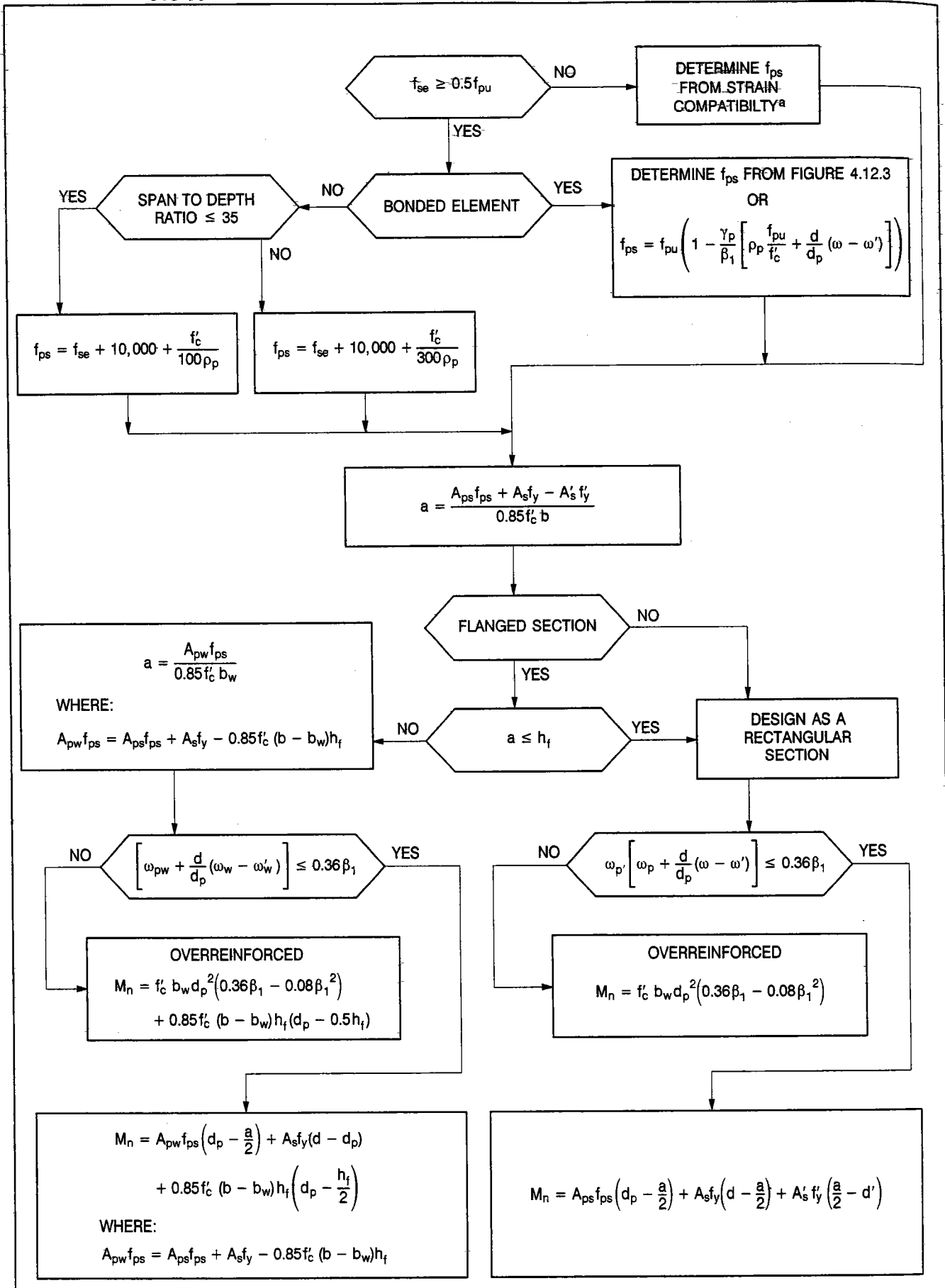
$$\frac{A_{ps} f_{ps} + A_s f_y - A'_s f'_y}{bd} \geq$$

$$0.85\beta_1 f'_c \frac{d'}{d} \left( \frac{87,000}{87,000 - f_y} \right) \quad (\text{Eq. 4.2.7})$$

#### 4.2.1.6 Analysis Using Strain Compatibility

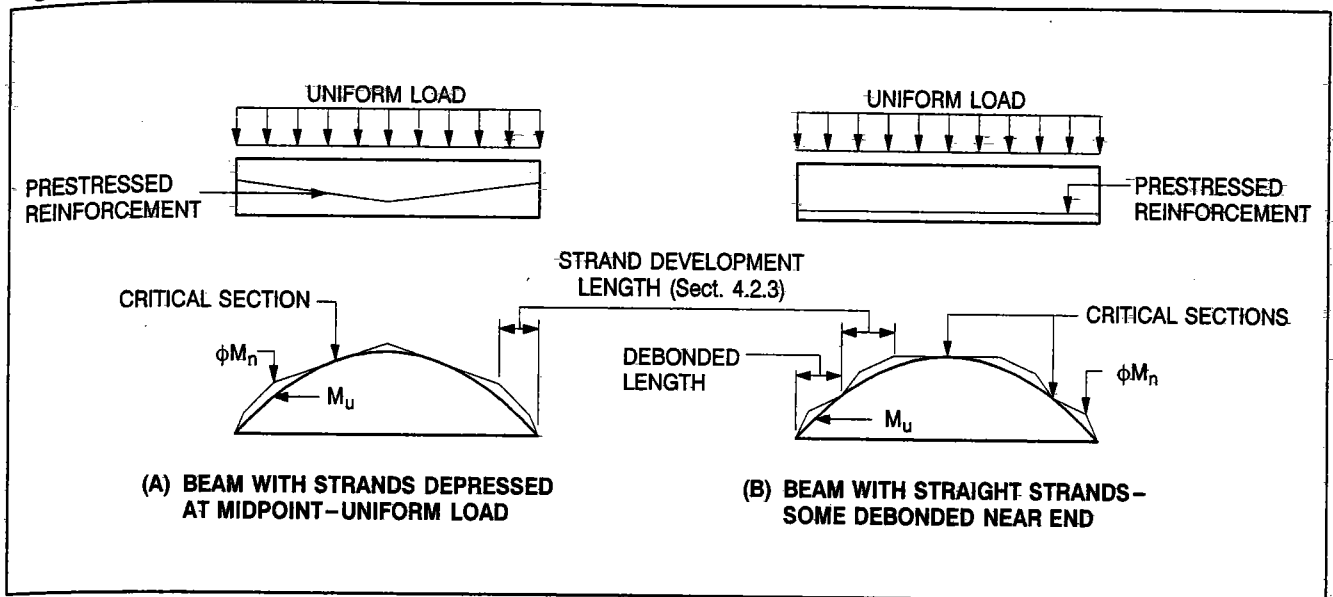
Strain compatibility is recognized as being the more accurate alternative method to the Code equations. The procedure consists of assuming the location of the neutral axis, computing the strains in the prestressed and non-prestressed reinforcement, and establishing the depth of the stress block. Knowing the stress-strain relationship for the reinforcement, and assuming that the maximum strain in the concrete is 0.003, the forces in the reinforcement and in the concrete are determined and the sum of compression and tension forces is computed. If necessary, the neutral axis location is moved on a trial and error basis until the sum of forces is zero. The moment of these forces is then computed to obtain the nominal strength of the section.

Figure 4.2.2 Flow chart for nominal strength calculations for flexure, not using Appendix B of ACI 318-95



a. This analysis may be based on either actual stress-strain curves or the idealized curve given in Design Aid 11.2.5. The latter results in  $f_{ps}$  values given in Figure 4.12.3.

**Figure 4.2.3 Critical section for flexural design**



#### 4.2.1.7 Analysis Using Appendix B—ACI 318-95

ACI 318-95 contains a new Appendix B, *Unified Design Provisions for Reinforced and Prestressed Concrete Flexural and Compression Members*. This appendix does not alter the nominal strength computations. It unifies reinforcement limits for both prestressed and non-prestressed sections, and defines the capacity reduction factor,  $\phi$ , in a way that is applicable to both flexural and compression members.

The provisions of Appendix B are most useful in the following cases:

1. Tension-controlled columns. The use of Appendix B eliminates the kink in the design strength interaction curve.
2. Sections with multiple layers of steel.
3. Sections with both prestressing steel and conventional reinforcement.
4. Sections of complex shape, for which it is difficult to properly define  $b$  and  $d$  for computing  $\rho$  and  $\omega$ .

The design of compression-controlled columns is not affected by Appendix B. The design of ordinary flexural members (prestressed and non-prestressed) is not affected by Appendix B, except for those near the maximum reinforcement limits. The new provisions apply equally to beams and columns of rectangular or non-rectangular section, with non-prestressed or prestressed reinforcement, or both, and with one or many layers of steel.

Appendix B modifies Sects. 10.3.2, 10.3.3 and 18.8.1 of the Code, which define the maximum reinforcement limit for flexural members. The concept of flexural members is replaced by the concept of tension-controlled members. The concept of compression-controlled flexural members is also created.

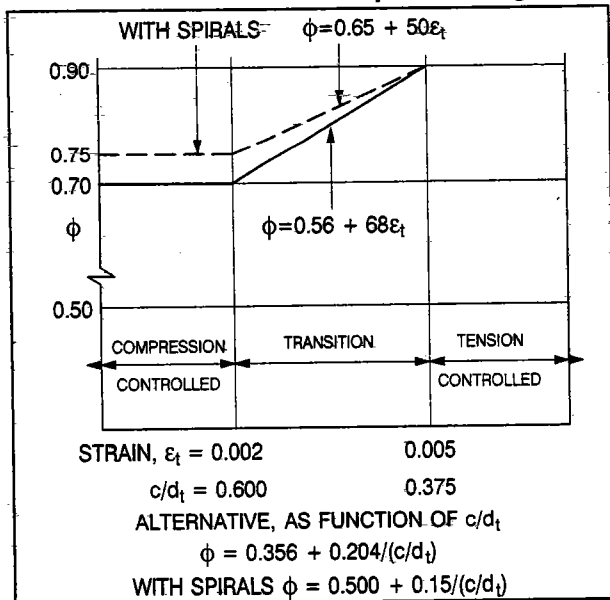
Compression- and tension-controlled sections are defined in terms of the net tensile strain (exclusive of prestress) at nominal strength in the steel farthest from the extreme compression fiber. A compression-controlled section is defined as one having a maximum net tensile strain in the steel of 0.002 or less (for Grade 60 and prestressing steel), and a tension-controlled section is defined as one having a maximum net tensile strain in the steel of 0.005 or more.

The net tensile strain limits of 0.002 and 0.005 may also be expressed in terms of the  $c/d_t$  ratio when  $c$  is the depth to the neutral axis and  $d_t$  is the distance from the extreme compression fiber to the tension steel farthest from that fiber. Fig 4.2.4 shows  $\phi$  as a function of  $\epsilon_t$  and  $c/d_t$ .

For rectangular sections with one layer of tension steel, the net tensile strain limit for tension controlled sections may also be stated in terms of  $\rho/\rho_b$  or  $\omega$ . The net tensile strain limit of 0.005 corresponds to  $\rho/\rho_b = 0.63$  and  $\omega = 0.32\beta_1$ . These limits for rectangular sections with one layer of tension steel are slightly lower than those given in Chapters 10 and 18 of the Code. But for sections with more than one layer of tension steel and for reinforced tee beams, Appendix B may allow the use of more tension steel and higher flexural capacities than Chapters 10 and 18.

The provisions of Code Sect. 9.3.2 that define the capacity reduction factor,  $\phi$ , are also revised by Appendix B. In Sect. 9.3.2 there is a single factor for flexure without axial load (0.90), and another factor for axial load and axial load combined with flexure (0.70 or 0.75), with a transition based on the ratio of  $\phi P_n/(f'_c A_g)$ . In B.9.3.2 this is replaced by the use of  $\phi = 0.90$  for tension-controlled members and  $\phi = 0.70$  (or 0.75) for compression-controlled members, also with a linear transition for intermediate cases.

**Figure 4.2.4** Variation of  $\phi$  with net tensile strain for Grade 60 reinforcement and for prestressing steel\*



a. See ACI 318-95 Figure RB.9.3.2

Because this change introduces new concepts, ACI Committee 318 decided to place it in an appendix in the 1995 Code. Designers have the option of using the provisions in the body of the Code or the provisions of Appendix B. If the appendix is used for the design of a given section, it must be used in its entirety.

To use Appendix B, do the nominal strength calculation in the usual manner. When doing the strength calculation, find either  $c/d_t$  or  $\epsilon_t$ . Determine the  $\phi$  factor from  $c/d_t$  or  $\epsilon_t$ .

**Figure 4.2.5** Comparison between Appendix B (ACI 318-95) and Figure 4.12.2 for prestressed flexural members

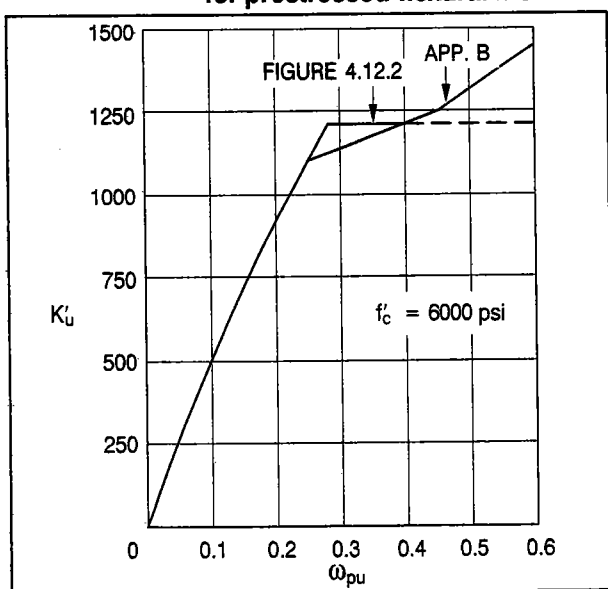


Figure 4.2.6 shows the design procedures using Appendix B. It is essentially the same as that shown in Figure 4.2.2 except that the check for an over-reinforced section is replaced by the determination of  $\phi$ .

#### 4.2.1.8 Use of Design Aids

Figs. 4.12.1 through 4.12.3 are provided to assist in the strength design of flexural members. Figure 4.12.1 can be used for members with prestressed or non-prestressed reinforcement, or combinations (partial prestressing). Note that to use this aid, it is necessary to determine  $f_{ps}$  from some other source, such as Eq. 18-3 of ACI 318-95 or Figure 4.12.3.

Figure 4.12.2 is for use only with fully prestressed members. The value of  $f_{ps}$  is determined by strain compatibility in a manner similar to that used in Figure 4.12.3. The reduction factor,  $\phi$ , is included in the values of  $K'_u$ . The Examples 4.2.1 through 4.2.4 illustrate the use of these design aids.

The use of Appendix B of the Code results in a slight decrease in the  $K'_u$  values given in Figure 4.12.2, for  $\omega_{pu}$  values around the reinforcement index limit of  $0.36\beta_1$ . Figure 4.2.5 shows how the values of  $K'_u$  computed by Appendix B differ from those given in Figure 4.12.2, if all the prestressing steel is concentrated in a single layer. When prestressing strands are in multiple layers (the usual case for high reinforcement indices), one may use the net tensile strain in the prestressing steel at the extreme depth in determining  $\phi$ . This has the effect of increasing  $K'_u$  for high values of  $\omega_{pu}$ .

#### Example 4.2.1 Use of Figure 4.12.1 for Determination of Non-Prestressed Reinforcement

Given:

The ledger beam shown below.

Applied factored moment,  $M_u = 1460$  kip-ft

$f'_c = 5000$  psi, normal weight concrete

$d = 72$  in.

$f_y = 60$  ksi

Problem:

Find the amount of mild steel reinforcement,  $A_s$ , required.

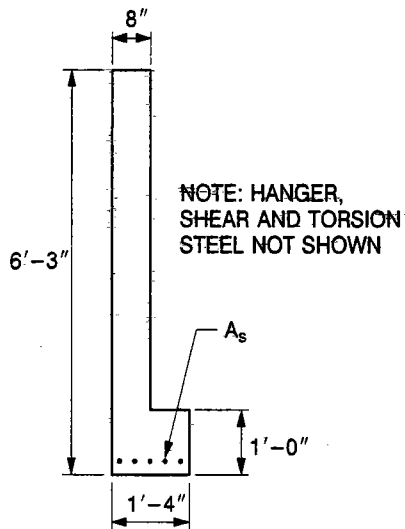
Solution:

Referring to Figure 4.12.1:

$$A_{ps} = 0$$

$$A'_s = 0$$

$$K_u = \frac{M_u/\phi}{f'_c b d^2} = \frac{1460(12,000)/0.9}{5000(8)(72)^2} = 0.0939$$



Required  $\bar{\omega} = 0.10 < \omega_{\max} = 0.302$

$$A_s = \frac{\bar{\omega} b d f'_c}{f_y} = \frac{0.10(8)(72)(5)}{60}$$

$$= 4.80 \text{ in}^2$$

Use 5 - #9;  $A_s = 5.00 \text{ in}^2$

$$A_{s, \min} = \frac{3\sqrt{f'_c}}{f_y} b_w d = \frac{3\sqrt{5000}}{60,000} (8)(72) = 2.03 \text{ in}^2$$

$$\text{or } \frac{200b_w d}{f_y} = 1.92 \text{ in}^2$$

$2.03 \text{ in}^2 < 5.00 \text{ in}^2$  OK

Note: Detailing of reinforcement must provide for adequate crack control (see Sect. 4.2.2.1).

**Example 4.2.2 Use of Figure 4.12.2 for Determination of Prestressing Steel Requirements—Bonded Strand**

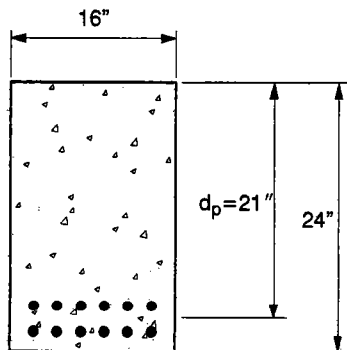
Given:

PCI standard rectangular beam 16RB24

Applied factored moment,  $M_u = 600 \text{ kip-ft}$

$f'_c = 6000 \text{ psi}$  normal weight concrete

$f_{pu} = 270 \text{ ksi}$ , low-relaxation strand



**Problem:**

Find the required amount of prestressing steel.

**Solution:**

Referring to Figure 4.12.2:

$$M_u \leq \phi M_n = K'_u b d_p^2 / 12,000 \text{ kip-ft}$$

$$\text{Required } K'_u = \frac{M_u(12,000)}{b d_p^2} = \frac{600(12,000)}{16(21)^2}$$

$$= 1020$$

$$\text{for } \omega_{pu} = 0.22, K'_u = 1005$$

$$\text{for } \omega_{pu} = 0.23, K'_u = 1041$$

therefore:

$$\omega_{pu} = 0.22 + \frac{1020 - 1005}{1041 - 1005} (0.01) = 0.224$$

$$A_{ps} = \frac{\omega_{pu} b d_p f'_c}{f_{pu}}$$

$$= \frac{0.224(16)(21)(6)}{270}$$

$$= 1.67 \text{ in}^2$$

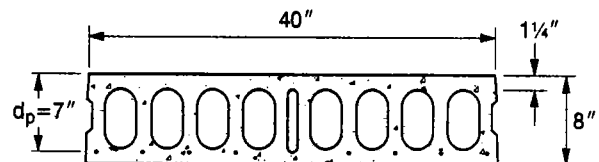
Use 12- $\frac{1}{2}$  in. diameter strands;

$$A_{ps} = 1.84 \text{ in}^2$$

**Example 4.2.3 Use of Figure 4.12.3—Values of  $f_{ps}$  by Stress-Strain Relationship—Bonded Strand**

Given:

3 ft-4 in. x 8 in. hollow-core slab



Concrete:

$f'_c = 5000 \text{ psi}$  normal weight concrete

Prestressing Steel:

8- $\frac{3}{8}$  in. diameter 270K low-relaxation strand

$$A_{ps} = 8(0.085) = 0.68 \text{ in}^2$$

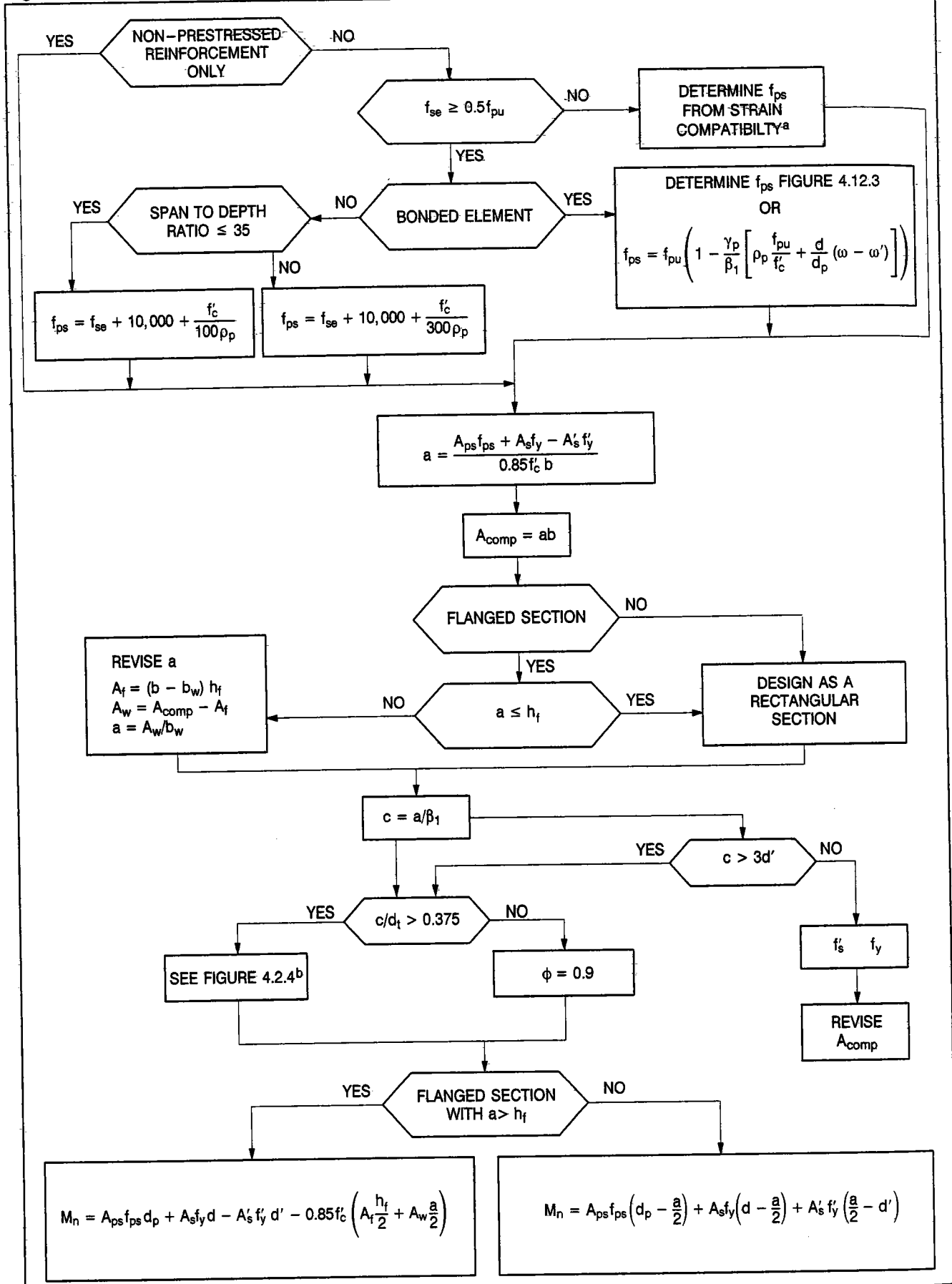
Section Properties:

$$A = 218 \text{ in}^2$$

$$S_b = 381 \text{ in}^3$$

$$y_b = 3.98 \text{ in.}$$

Figure 4.2.6 Flow chart for nominal strength calculations for flexure, using Appendix B of ACI 318-95



a. This analysis may be based on either actual stress-strain curves or the idealized curve given in Design Aid 11.2.5. The latter results in  $f_{ps}$  values given in Figure 4.12.3.

b. With spirals,  $\phi = 0.50 + 0.15/(c/d_t) \geq 0.75$



**Problem:**

Find design flexural strength,  $\phi M_n$

**Solution:**

Determine  $C\omega_{pu}$  for the section:

$$C\omega_{pu} = C \frac{A_{ps} f_{ps}}{bd_p f'_c} + \frac{d}{d_p} (\omega - \omega')$$

since  $\omega = \omega' = 0$

$$C\omega_{pu} = \frac{1.06(0.68)(270)}{40(7)(5)} = 0.139$$

Entering Figure 4.12.3 with this parameter and an assumed effective stress,  $f_{se}$ , of 170 ksi gives a value of:

$$f_{ps} = 266 \text{ ksi}$$

Determine the flexural strength:

$$\phi M_n = \phi [A_{ps} f_{ps} (d_p - a/2)]$$

$$a = A_{ps} f_{ps} / (0.85 f'_c b)$$

$$a = \frac{0.68(266)}{0.85(5)(40)} = 1.064 \text{ in.}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \phi M_n &= 0.9[0.68(266)(7 - 1.064/2)] \\ &= 1053 \text{ kip-in.} = 87.7 \text{ kip-ft} \end{aligned}$$

Check the ductility requirement:

$$\phi M_n > 1.2M_{cr}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P &= f_{se} A_{ps} = 170(0.68) \\ &= 116 \text{ kips} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 1.2M_{cr} &= 1.2 \left( P/A + Pe/S_b + 7.5 \sqrt{f'_c} \right) S_b \\ &= 1.2 \left( \frac{116}{218} + \frac{116(2.98)}{381} + \frac{7.5 \sqrt{5000}}{1000} \right) 381 \\ &= 901 \text{ kip-in.} = 75.0 \text{ kip-ft} \\ &< 87.7 \text{ kip-ft OK} \end{aligned}$$

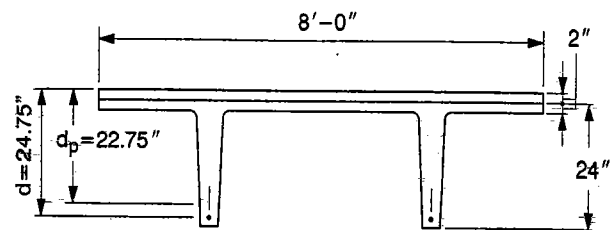
**Example 4.2.4 Use of Figure 4.12.3 and Eq. 18-3 (ACI 318-95) for Partially Prestressed Member**

**Given:**

PCI standard double tee  
8DT24 + 2

**Concrete:**

Precast:  $f'_c = 5000$  psi  
Topping:  $f'_c = 3000$  psi, normal weight



**Reinforcement:**

12-½ in. diameter 270K low-relaxation strands  
(6 each stem)

$$A_{ps} = 12(0.153) = 1.84 \text{ in}^2$$

$$A_s (2-\#6) = 0.88 \text{ in}^2$$

**Problem:**

Find the design flexural strength of the composite section by the stress-strain relationship, Figure 4.12.3, and compare using Code Eq. 18-3.

**Solution:**

Assume  $f_{se} = 170$  ksi

$$C\omega_{pu} = C \frac{A_{ps} f_{ps}}{bd_p f'_c} + \frac{d}{d_p} (\omega - \omega')$$

$$\omega = A_s f_y / bdf'_c$$

$$= \frac{0.88(60)}{96(24.75)(3)} = 0.0074$$

$$\begin{aligned} C\omega_{pu} &= \frac{1.00(1.84)(270)}{96(22.75)(3)} + \frac{24.75}{22.75} (0.0074) \\ &= 0.084 \end{aligned}$$

From Figure 4.12.3:

$$f_{ps} = 268 \text{ ksi}$$

$$a = \frac{1.84(268) + 0.88(60)}{0.85(3)(96)} = 2.23 \text{ in.}^*$$

$$\begin{aligned} M_n &= 1.84(268)[22.75 - (2.23/2)] \\ &\quad + 0.88(60)[24.75 - (2.23/2)] \end{aligned}$$

$$= 11,917 \text{ kip-in} = 993 \text{ kip-ft}$$

$$\phi M_n = 0.9(993) = 894 \text{ kip-ft}$$

\* Since  $a = 2.23 \text{ in.} > 2.0 \text{ in.}$  — the topping thickness, a more exact analysis requires revised calculation to account for the higher strength concrete of the double tee flange. However, such a refinement is expected to produce a negligible difference in the results. In this case, the revised calculation yields  $a = 2.16 \text{ in.}$  versus 2.23 in. and  $\phi M_n = 896 \text{ kip-ft}$  versus 894 kip-ft.

Find  $f_{ps}$  using Eq. 18-3 (ACI 318-95):

$$f_{ps} = f_{pu} \left( 1 - \frac{\gamma_p}{\beta_1} \left[ \rho_p \frac{f_{pu}}{f'_c} + \frac{d}{d_p} (\omega - \omega') \right] \right)$$

$\omega' = 0$  in this example

$$f_{ps} = 270 \left( 1 - \frac{0.28}{0.85} \left[ \frac{1.84(270)}{96(22.75)(3)} + \frac{24.75}{22.75} (0.0074) \right] \right)$$

$$= 263 \text{ ksi (vs. 268 ksi from Figure 4.12.3)}$$

$$\phi M_n = 879 \text{ kip-ft}$$

### Example 4.2.5 Flexural Strength of Double Tee Flange in Transverse Direction

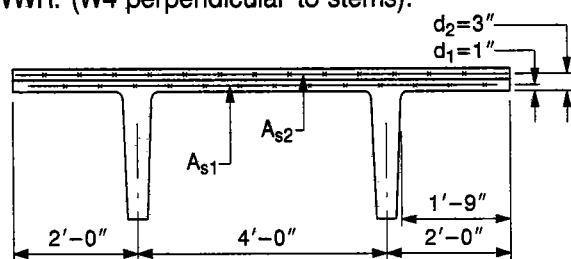
For flanged sections, in addition to providing adequate flexural strength in the longitudinal direction, the flanges must be designed for bending in the transverse direction. This example illustrates a design for both uniformly distributed loads (Part A) and concentrated loads (Part B).

Fibers, which are sometimes used to control shrinkage cracks, do not transfer loads and therefore cannot be used to replace structural reinforcing such as welded wire reinforcement. This is particularly important for structural toppings over precast concrete decks. The reinforcing in these toppings cannot be replaced with fibers.

#### Part A

##### Given:

PCI standard double tee of Example 4.2.4. Topping is reinforced with 6 x 6-W1.4 x W1.4 WWR, and the flange is reinforced with 12 x 6-W2.5 x W4.0 WWR. (W4 perpendicular to stems).



$$f'_c \text{ (topping)} = 3000 \text{ psi}$$

$$f'_c \text{ (precast)} = 5000 \text{ psi}$$

$$f_y = 60,000 \text{ psi}^*$$

\* ACI 318-95, Sect. 3.5.3 allows  $f_y$  to exceed 60,000 psi if stress corresponds to a strain of 0.35%.

##### Problem:

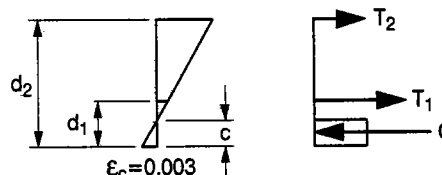
Find the uniform live load which the flange can support.

##### Solution:

$$A_{s1} \text{ (WWR in precast)} = 0.080 \text{ in}^2/\text{ft}$$

$$A_{s2} \text{ (WWR in topping)} = 0.028 \text{ in}^2/\text{ft}$$

The cantilevered flange controls the design since the negative moment over the stem reduces the positive moment between the stems. Construct strain diagram:



Try  $c = 0.25$  in.

$$\frac{\epsilon_s + 0.003}{0.003} = \frac{d}{c}$$

Therefore:

$$\epsilon_{s1} = \frac{0.003d_1}{c} - 0.003$$

$$\epsilon_{s2} = \frac{0.003d_2}{c} - 0.003$$

$$\epsilon_{s1} = \frac{0.003(1)}{0.25} - 0.003 = 0.009$$

$$\epsilon_{s2} = \frac{0.003(3)}{0.25} - 0.003 = 0.033$$

$$\epsilon_y = \frac{f_y}{E_s} = \frac{60}{29,000} = 0.0021 < 0.009$$

Therefore, reinforcement yields, and

$$f_s = f_y = 60 \text{ ksi}$$

$$a = \beta_1 c = 0.80(0.25) = 0.20 \text{ in.}$$

$$C = 0.85 f'_c b a = 0.85(5)(12)(0.20)$$

$$= 10.2 \text{ kip/ft}$$

$$T_1 = A_{s1} f_y = 0.08(60) = 4.80 \text{ kip/ft}$$

$$T_2 = A_{s2} f_y = 0.028(60) = 1.68 \text{ kip/ft}$$

$$T_1 + T_2 = 6.48 < 10.2 \text{ kip/ft}$$

Therefore, try

$$a = (T_1 + T_2) / (0.85 f'_c b)$$

$$= 6.48 / [0.85(5)(12)]$$

$$= 0.13 \text{ in.}$$

$$\bar{c} = 0.13/0.80 = 0.16$$

Check :

$$\epsilon_{s1} = \frac{0.003(1)}{0.16} = 0.003$$

$$= 0.016 > 0.0021$$

Therefore, the reinforcement yields, and the analysis is valid.

$$\begin{aligned} \phi M_n &= \phi [T_1(d_1 - a/2) + T_2(d_2 - a/2)] \\ &= 0.9[4.80(1 - 0.13/2) + 1.68(3 - 0.13/2)] \\ &= 8.48 \text{ kip-in./ft} = 707 \text{ lb-ft/ft} \end{aligned}$$

Check minimum and maximum reinforcement:

$$d = \frac{0.028(3) + 0.08(1)}{0.028 + 0.080}$$

$$= 1.52 \text{ in.}$$

$$b = 12 \text{ in.}$$

$$A_{s,\min} = \frac{3\sqrt{f'_c}}{f_y} b_w d = \frac{3\sqrt{5000}(12)(1.52)}{60,000}$$

$$= 0.064 \text{ in}^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} A_s \text{ provided} &= 0.028 + 0.080 \\ &= 0.108 \text{ in}^2 > 0.064 \text{ OK} \end{aligned}$$

$$\rho = \frac{A_s}{bd} = \frac{0.108}{12(1.52)} = 0.0059$$

$$\rho_{\max} = 0.75\rho_b$$

$$= 0.75(0.85\beta_1) \left( \frac{f'_c}{f_y} \right) \left( \frac{87,000}{87,000 + f_y} \right)$$

$$= 0.75(0.85)(0.80) \left( \frac{5000}{60,000} \right) \left( \frac{87}{87 + 60} \right)$$

$$= 0.025 > 0.0059 \text{ OK}$$

Calculate allowable load:

$$w_d \text{ (flange self weight)} = 50 \text{ psf}$$

$$M_d = \frac{w_d \ell^2}{2} = \frac{50(1.4)(1.75)^2}{2} = 107.2 \text{ lb-ft/ft}$$

$$M_e = 707 - 107.2 = 599.8 \text{ lb-ft/ft}$$

$$w_e = \frac{599.8(2)}{(1.75)^2(1.7)} = 230 \text{ psf}$$

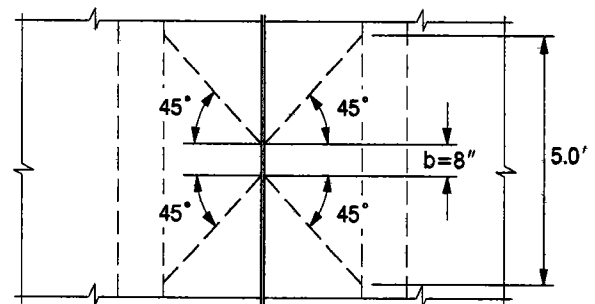
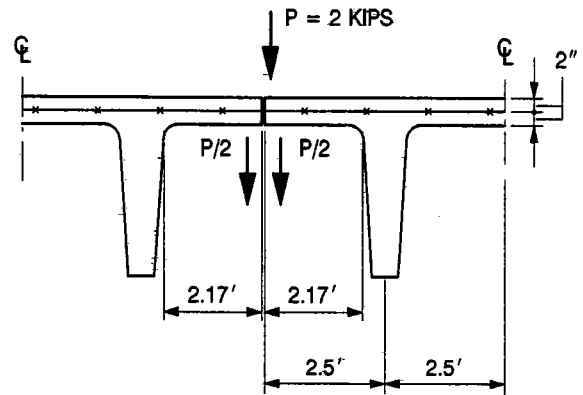
## Part B

Given:

Pretopped double tee 10DT34 (see Chapter 2)

$$f'_c = 5,000 \text{ psi}$$

$$f_y = 65,000 \text{ psi (WWR)*}$$



PLAN VIEW

Problem:

Design the flange for bending in the transverse direction for a concentrated live load of 2 kips (typical for parking structures) as shown.

Solution:

The following assumptions related to distribution of the concentrated load are typical:

1. Because of the flange-to-flange connection, the 2 kip load may be distributed to two adjacent double tees (1 kip per double tee) [30].
2. The load is considered applied over an area of about 20 in<sup>2</sup> with the dimension b equal to 6 to 10 in.
3. An angle of 45° is typically used for distribution of the concentrated load in each double tee flange.

Note: For this example, a 45° angle and the dimension b equal to 8 in. results in a distribution width at face of stem of 5 ft as shown.

\* ACI 318-95, Sect. 3.5.3 allows  $f_y$  to exceed 60,000 psi if stress corresponds to a strain of 0.35%.

Calculate factored moment per foot width:

$$w_d \text{ (self weight of flange)} = \frac{4}{12}(150) = 50 \text{ psf}$$

$$M_d \text{ (factored)} = 1.4(50)(2.17)\left(\frac{2.17}{2}\right)\left(\frac{12}{1000}\right)$$

$$= 1.98 \text{ kip-in./ft}$$

$$M_e \text{ (factored)} = \frac{1.7(1)(2.17)(12)}{(5)}$$

$$= 8.85 \text{ kip-in./ft}$$

$$M_u = 1.98 + 8.85 = 10.83 \text{ kip-in./ft}$$

Calculate design moment strength with trial wire reinforcement that has W4 wire at 4 in. on centers.

$$A_s = 0.12 \text{ in}^2/\text{ft}$$

$$a = \frac{A_s f_y}{0.85 f'_c b} = \frac{0.12(65)}{0.85(5)(12)} = 0.15 \text{ in}$$

$$\phi M_n = \phi A_s f_y \left( d - \frac{a}{2} \right)$$

$$= 0.9(0.12)(65) \left( 2 - \frac{0.15}{2} \right)$$

$$= 13.5 \text{ kip-in./ft} > 10.83 \text{ kip-in./ft OK}$$

Check ACI 318-95, Sects. 10.5.4 and 7.12 for required minimum reinforcement:

$$A_s \text{ (shrinkage and temperature)}$$

$$= 0.0018(12)(4) \left( \frac{60}{65} \right)$$

$$= 0.080 \text{ in}^2/\text{ft} < 0.12 \text{ in}^2/\text{ft OK}$$

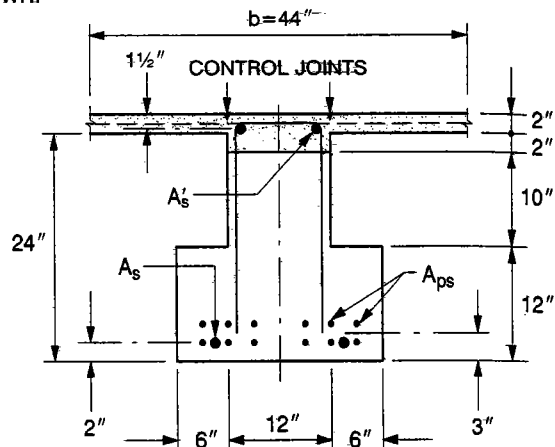
Use 12 x 4 - W2.0 x W4.0 WWR (one layer)

(Note: Since most double tees meet the requirement of ACI 318-95 Sect. 7.12.3, shrinkage and temperature reinforcement in the longitudinal direction typically is not required. In such cases, only a nominal amount is used to facilitate shipping and handling of the reinforcement. The Wire Reinforcement Institute requires that the longitudinal wire must have an area at least equal to 0.4 times the transverse wire area).

### Example 4.2.6 Design of a Partially Prestressed Flanged Section Using Strain Compatibility

Given:

Inverted tee beam with 2 in. composite topping as shown:



Concrete:

$$f'_c \text{ (precast)} = 5000 \text{ psi}$$

$$f'_c \text{ (topping)} = 3000 \text{ psi}$$

Reinforcement:

12-1/2 in. diameter 270K low-relaxation strand

$$A_{ps} = 12 \times 0.153 = 1.836 \text{ in}^2$$

$$E_{ps} = 28,500 \text{ ksi}$$

$$A_s = 2\text{-}\#7 = 1.2 \text{ in}^2 \quad E_s = 29,000 \text{ ksi}$$

$$A'_s = 2\text{-}\#9 = 2.0 \text{ in}^2 \quad E_s = 29,000 \text{ ksi}$$

Problem:

Find flexural strength,  $\phi M_n$

Solution:

Determine effective flange width,  $b$ , from Sect. 8.10.2 of the Code; overhanging width = 8 times thickness. (Note: May also be limited by 1/4 span.)

$$b = b_w + 2(8t) = 12 + 2(8)(2) = 44 \text{ in.}$$

$$d_p = 26 - 3 = 23 \text{ in.}$$

$$d = 26 - 2 = 24 \text{ in.}$$

$$d' = 1\frac{1}{2} \text{ in.}$$

Assume 20% loss of prestress

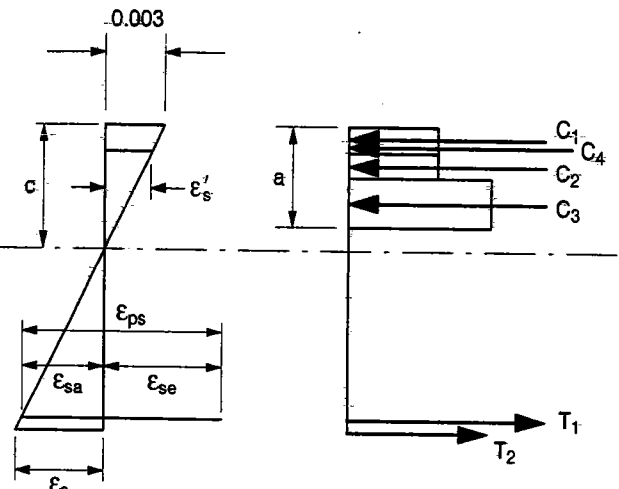
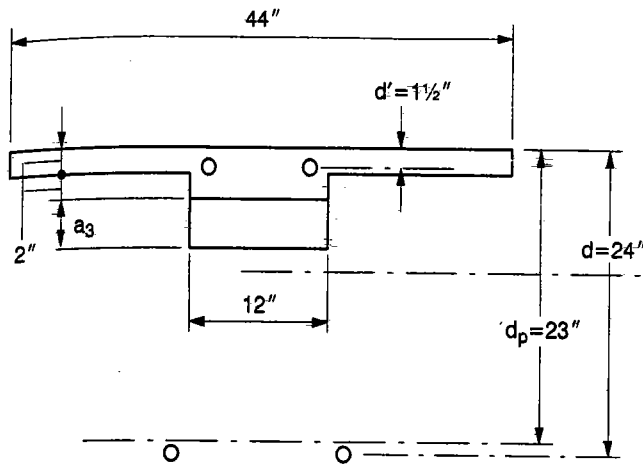
Strand initially tensioned to 75% of  $f_{pu}$

$$f_{se} = 0.80(0.75)(270) = 162 \text{ ksi}$$

$$\epsilon_{se} = \frac{f_{se}}{E_{ps}} = \frac{162}{28,500} = 0.0057$$

Construct a strain diagram as shown on next page:

$$\frac{\epsilon_{sa} + 0.003}{0.003} = \frac{d_p}{c}$$



$$\epsilon_{sa} = \frac{0.003d_p}{c} - 0.003$$

$$\epsilon_s = \frac{0.003d}{c} - 0.003$$

$$\epsilon'_s = 0.003 - \frac{0.003d'}{c}$$

$$\epsilon_{sa} = \frac{0.003(23)}{c} - 0.003 = \frac{0.069}{c} - 0.003$$

$$\epsilon_{ps} = \epsilon_{sa} + \epsilon_{se} = \frac{0.069}{c} + 0.0027$$

$$\epsilon_s = \frac{0.003(24)}{c} - 0.003 = \frac{0.072}{c} - 0.003$$

$$\epsilon'_s = 0.003 - \frac{0.003(1.5)}{c} = 0.003 - \frac{0.0045}{c}$$

$$\epsilon_y = \frac{f_y}{E_s} = \frac{60}{29,000} = 0.0021$$

Try  $c = 9$  in

$$\epsilon_{ps} = \frac{0.069}{9} + 0.0027 = 0.0104$$

From the strand stress-strain curve equations in Design Aid 11.2.5

$$f_{ps} = 270 - \left( \frac{0.04}{0.0104 - 0.007} \right) = 258.2 \text{ ksi}$$

$$\epsilon_s = \frac{0.072}{9} - 0.003 = 0.0050 > 0.0021$$

$$f_s = 60 \text{ ksi}$$

$$\epsilon'_s = 0.003 - \frac{0.0045}{9} = 0.0025 > 0.0021$$

$$f'_s = 60 \text{ ksi}$$

$$a_3 = \beta_1 c - 4 \text{ in.} = (0.85)(9) - 4 = 3.7 \text{ in.}$$

$$C_1 = 0.85(3)(2)(44) = 224.4 \text{ kips}$$

$$C_2 = 0.85(3)(2)(12) = 61.2 \text{ kips}$$

$$C_1 + C_2 = 285.6 \text{ kips}$$

$$C_3 = 0.85(5)(3.7)(12) = 188.7 \text{ kips}$$

$$C_4 = 2.0(60) = 120 \text{ kips}$$

$$C_1 + C_2 + C_3 + C_4 = 594.3 \text{ kips}$$

$$T_1 = A_{ps} f_{ps} = 1.836(258.2) = 474.1 \text{ kips}$$

$$T_2 = 1.2(60) = 72 \text{ kips}$$

$$T_1 + T_2 = 546.1 \text{ kips} < 594.3 \text{ kips}$$

Try  $c = 8.25$  in

$$\epsilon_{ps} = \frac{0.069}{8.25} + 0.0027 = 0.0111$$

$$f_{ps} = 270 - \left( \frac{0.04}{0.0111 - 0.007} \right) = 260.2 \text{ ksi}$$

$$\epsilon_s = \frac{0.072}{8.25} - 0.003 = 0.0057 > 0.0021$$

$$f_s = 60 \text{ ksi}$$

$$\epsilon'_s = 0.003 - \frac{0.0045}{8.25} = 0.0025 > 0.0021$$

$$f'_s = 60 \text{ ksi}$$

$$a_3 = 0.85(8.25) - 4 = 3.01 \text{ in.}$$

$$C_1 + C_2 = 285.6 \text{ kips}$$

$$C_3 = 0.85(5)(3.01)(12) = 153.5 \text{ kips}$$

$$C_4 = 2.0(60) = 120 \text{ kips}$$

$$C_1 + C_2 + C_3 + C_4 = 559.1 \text{ kips}$$

$$T_1 = 1.836(260.2) = 477.7 \text{ kips}$$

$$T_2 = 1.2(60) = 72 \text{ kips}$$

$$T_1 + T_2 = 549.7 \text{ kips} \approx 559.1 \text{ kips OK}$$

**Table 4.2.1 Recommended maximum values of z and crack widths, w**

Type	Appearance not critical		Appearance critical	
	Not exposed to weather	Exposed to weather	Not exposed to weather	Exposed to weather
Max. value of z (k/in.)	175	145	105	80
Corresponding value of w (in.)	0.016	0.013	0.010	0.007

Based on  $h_2/h_1 = 1.2$  in. Eq. 4.2.10

Check reinforcement limits by ACI 318-95, Appendix B.

Net tensile strain of extreme depth:

In this case,  $\epsilon_t = \epsilon_s$

$$\epsilon_t = 0.0057 > 0.005$$

Therefore, it is a tension-controlled section and

$$\phi = 0.9$$

Alternatively:

Extreme depth  $d_t = 24$  in.

$$c/d_t = 8.25/24 = 0.344 < 0.375$$

From Figure 4.2.4,  $\phi = 0.9$

$$\begin{aligned} M_n &= 224.4(8.25 - 1) + 61.2(8.25 - 3) \\ &\quad + 153.5\left(8.25 - 4 - \frac{3.01}{2}\right) \\ &\quad + 120(8.25 - 1.5) + 477.7(23 - 8.25) \\ &\quad + 72(24 - 8.25) \\ &= 11,359 \text{ kip-in.} \\ &= 947 \text{ kip-ft} \\ \phi M_n &= 0.9(947) = 852 \text{ kip-ft} \end{aligned}$$

Notes:

1. This example shows the exact method; approximate methods may be satisfactory in many situations.
2. In this example, since the cast-in-place topping carries significantly more compression force than the precast member,  $\beta_1 = 0.85$  corresponds to topping concrete. In other cases, where the compression is shared by the topping and precast in different proportions, a reasonable average value for  $\beta_1$  may be used.
3. In evaluating  $\omega_{pu}$  and other similar factors,  $f'_c = 3.5$  ksi is used to reflect the contribution of topping vs. precast member to the total compression force.

4. For over-reinforced members, nominal moment strength must be calculated based on the compression portion of the internal couple. The equations for that case are given in Figure 4.2.6.

#### 4.2.2 Service Load Design

Precast members are checked under service load, primarily for meeting performance criteria and to control cracking.

##### 4.2.2.1 Non-Prestressed Element Design

Non-prestressed flexural elements are normally proportioned, and reinforcement selected, on the basis of the procedures described in Sect. 4.2.1. However, depending upon the application and exposure of the member, designers may want to control the degree of cracking. In some applications, such as architectural precast concrete panels, they may not want any discernible cracking. In other cases cracking may be permitted, but the crack width must be limited. In addition, Sect. 10.6.4 of the Code requires that the crack width be limited when the yield strength of the reinforcement exceeds 40,000 psi.

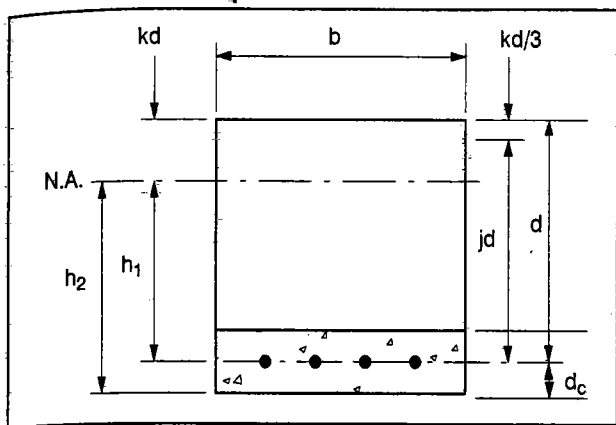
If no discernible cracking is the criteria, the flexural tensile stress level should be limited to:

$$f'_r \leq 5\lambda\sqrt{f'_c} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.2.8})$$

where:

- $f'_r$  = allowable flexural tension, computed using gross concrete section
- $f'_c$  = concrete strength at the time considered
- $\lambda$  = 1.0 for normal weight concrete  
= 0.85 for sand-lightweight concrete  
= 0.75 for all-lightweight concrete

**Figure 4.2.7** Notation for crack-control equations



When tensile stress,  $f_t$ , exceeds this value, required reinforcement is determined by a Code limitation on the maximum value of the quantity  $z$  as shown in Table 4.2.1, in which  $z$  is calculated from the equation:

$$z = f_s \sqrt[3]{d_c A} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.2.9})$$

where:

- $f_s$  = reinforcement stress at service load, ksi  
=  $0.6f_y$ , unless otherwise determined
- $d_c$  = concrete thickness to the center of reinforcement closest to the tension face, in.
- $A$  = average effective area around one reinforcing bar, in<sup>2</sup>  
=  $2bd_c/n$
- $b$  = width of tension face, in
- $n$  = number of reinforcing bars

This equation is derived from the Gergely-Lutz [3] expression:

$$w = (7.6 \times 10^{-5}) \frac{h_2 f_s \sqrt[3]{d_c A}}{h_1} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.2.10})$$

where:

- $w$  = maximum crack width at extreme tension fiber, in.
- $h_1$  = distance from centroid of tensile reinforcement to neutral axis, in.
- $h_2$  = distance from extreme tension fiber to neutral axis, in.

If the value of  $f_s$  under service load conditions is required to be less than  $0.6f_y$  to satisfy crack control requirements, reinforcement should be provided equal to:

$$A_s = \frac{M}{0.9 f_s d} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.2.11})$$

where:

$$M = \text{service load moment}$$

This equation is based on working stress design principles with the assumption that  $j = 0.9$  and  $k = 0.3$ .

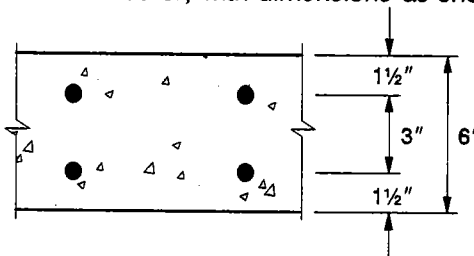
It should be emphasized that the equations and criteria given here are for reasonable control of cracking. The crack widths are guidelines and should not be used as acceptance criteria for finished wall panels.

Sect. 16.4.2 of the Code requires a minimum amount of reinforcement equivalent to 0.001 times the gross cross-sectional area of precast concrete panels.

### Example 4.2.7 Non-Prestressed Panel Design

Given:

A 6 in. thick precast wall panel exposed to view and to the weather, with dimensions as shown:



Concrete  $f'_c = 5000$  psi

Service load moment,  $M = 2.4$  kip-ft/ft

Problem:

Determine if reinforcement is needed to control cracking, and if so, amount required (see Figure 4.2.7 for notation).

Solution:

For a 12 in. width:

$$f_t = \frac{M}{S} = \frac{2.4(12)(1000)}{12(6)^2/6} = 400 \text{ psi}$$

From Eq. 4.2.8:

$$f'_t = 5(1.0)\sqrt{5000} = 354 \text{ psi} < 400, \text{ reinforcement required}$$

For an appearance critical panel exposed to the weather, the recommended maximum value of  $w$  from Table 4.2.1 is:

$$w = 0.007 \text{ in.}$$

Assuming  $j = 0.9$  and  $k = 0.3$ , calculate:

$$d = 6 - 1.5 = 4.50 \text{ in.}$$

$$kd = 0.3(4.5) = 1.35 \text{ in.}$$

$$h_1 = 4.5 - 1.35 = 3.15 \text{ in.}$$

$$h_2 = 6 - 1.35 = 4.65 \text{ in.}$$

$$\frac{h_2}{h_1} = \frac{4.65}{3.15} = 1.48$$

$$d_c = 1.5 \text{ in.}$$

Try a bar spacing of 4 in.

$$A = 2(4)(1.5) = 12 \text{ in}^2$$

From Eq. 4.2.10:

$$\begin{aligned} f_s &= \frac{w}{(7.6 \times 10^{-5}) \frac{h_2^3}{h_1} \sqrt{d_c A}} \\ &= \frac{0.007}{(7.6 \times 10^{-5})(1.48)^3 \sqrt{1.5(12)}} \\ &= 23.7 \text{ ksi} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A_s &= \frac{M}{0.9 f_s d} \\ &= \frac{2.4(12)}{0.9(23.7)(4.5)} = 0.30 \text{ in}^2/\text{ft} \end{aligned}$$

Use No. 3 at 4 in.

$$A_s = 0.33 \text{ in}^2/\text{ft}$$

Note: This is an unusually high amount of reinforcement for this type of panel. Ordinarily, span would be reduced to keep the stress below  $f_r$ .

#### 4.2.2.2 Prestressed Element Design

For prestressed concrete members, the ACI Code requires that service load stresses be checked at critical points, in addition to the design strength of the member. Code limitations on the service load

stresses are summarized as follows (see Code Sects. 18.4 and 18.5):

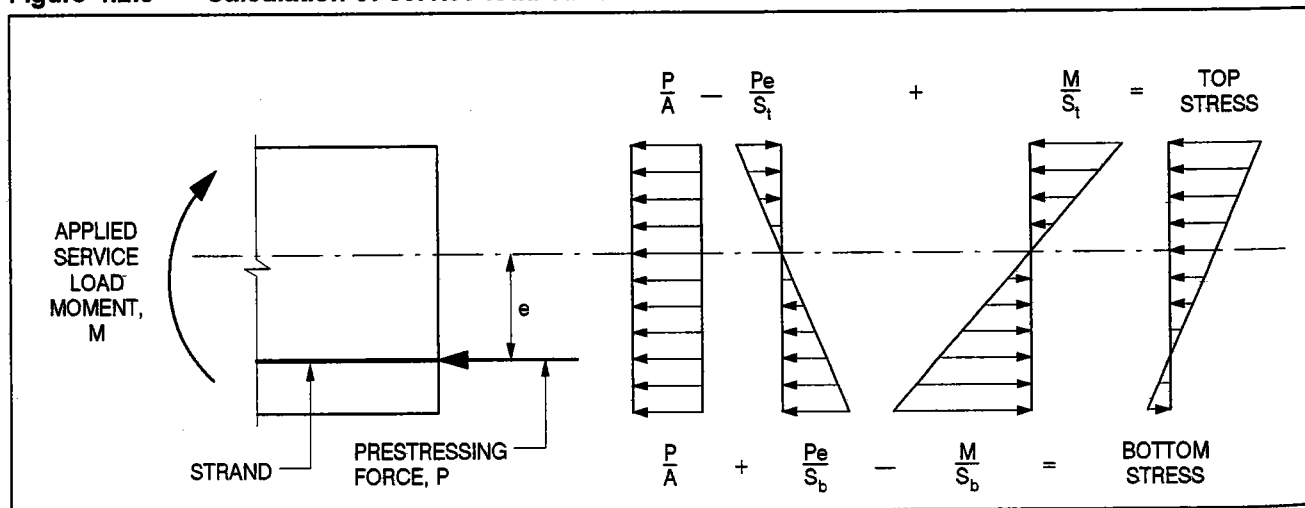
#### Concrete

1. At release (transfer) of prestress, before time-dependent losses:
  - a. Compression (see Sect. 10.5) ..  $0.60f_{ci}$
  - b. Tension (except at ends) .....  $3\sqrt{f_{ci}}$
  - c. Tension at ends\* of simply supported members .....  $6\sqrt{f_{ci}}$
2. Under service loads:
  - a. Compression due to prestress plus sustained loads .....  $0.45f'_c$
  - b. Compression due to prestress plus total load .....  $0.60f'_c$
  - c. Tension in precompressed tensile zone then deflections are calculated based on gross section .....  $6\sqrt{f'_c}$
  - d. Tension on precompressed tensile zone then deflections are calculated based on bilinear relationships and where cover requirements comply with ACI 318 Sect. 7.7.3.2 (see Sect. 4.8.3) .....  $12\sqrt{f'_c}$

The *Standard Design Practice* (Sect. 10.5 of this Handbook) points out that in practice, the limitation of  $6\sqrt{f'_c}$  has very little meaning. Bilinear deflection behavior, as shown in Sect. 4.8.3 and most other texts and design guides, uses  $7.5\sqrt{f'_c}$  as the cracking stress, so at that value or below, deflections would be based on the gross section. Since deflections are routinely calculated using bilinear relationships for all precast, prestressed concrete structural members, the limitation of  $12\sqrt{f'_c}$  applies to all types of sections.

\* May be considered at transfer length from end (See Sect. 4.2.3)

Figure 4.2.8 Calculation of service load stresses





## Prestressing steel

- a. Tension due to tendon jacking  
force: .....  $0.80f_{pu}$  or  $0.94f_{py}$
- b. Tension immediately after prestress  
transfer:  
Stress-relieved strand: .....  $0.7f_{pu}$   
Low-relaxation strand: .....  $0.74f_{pu}$

These values are commonly assumed to be after a small seating loss. Manufacturers may "fine tune" actual jacking force to compensate for temperature variation.

Calculations of stresses at critical points follow the classical straight line theory as illustrated in Figure 4.2.8.

### Composite Members

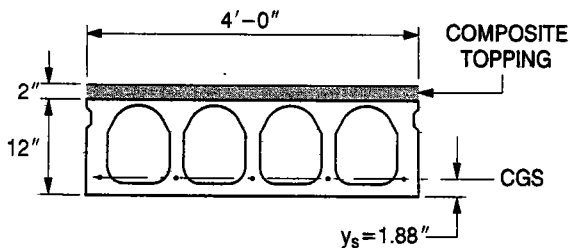
It is usually more economical to place cast-in-place composite topping without shoring the member, especially for deck members. This means that the weight of the topping and simultaneous construction live load must be carried by the precast member alone. Additional superimposed dead and live loads are carried by the composite section.

The following examples illustrate a tabular form of superimposing the stresses caused by the prestress force and the dead and live load moments.

### Sign Convention

The customary sign convention used in the design of precast, prestressed concrete members for service load stresses is positive (+) for compression and negative (-) for tension. This convention is used throughout this Handbook.

### Example 4.2.8 Calculation of Critical Stresses—Straight Strands



### Given:

- 4HC12+2 as shown  
Span = 36 ft

### Section properties:

Non-Composite	Composite
$A_c = 265 \text{ in}^2$	—
$I_c = 4771 \text{ in}^4$	$7209 \text{ in}^4$
$y_b = 6.67 \text{ in.}$	$8.10 \text{ in.}$
$y_t = 5.33 \text{ in.}$	$5.90 \text{ in.}$
$S_b = 715.3 \text{ in}^3$	$890.0 \text{ in}^3$
$S_t = 895.1 \text{ in}^3$	$1221.9 \text{ in}^3$
$wt = 276 \text{ plf}$	$376 \text{ plf}$
$e = 4.79 \text{ in.}$	

Superimposed sustained load = 20 psf = 80 plf  
Superimposed live load = 50 psf = 200 plf

Precast concrete (normal weight):

$$f'_c = 6000 \text{ psi}$$

$$f'_{ci} = 4000 \text{ psi}$$

$$E_c = 4700 \text{ ksi}$$

Topping concrete (normal weight):

$$f'_c = 4000 \text{ psi}$$

$$E_c = 3800 \text{ ksi}$$

Prestressing steel:

5-1/2 in. diameter 270K low-relaxation strand  
 $A_{ps} = 5(0.153) = 0.765 \text{ in}^2$   
Straight strands

**Problem:**

Find critical service load stresses.

**Solution:**

Prestress force:

$$P_i = 0.765(0.75)(270) = 155 \text{ kips}$$

$$P_o \text{ (assume 10\% initial loss)}$$

$$= 0.90(155) = 139 \text{ kips}$$

$$P \text{ (assume 18\% total loss)}$$

$$= 0.82(155) = 127 \text{ kips}$$

Mid-span service load moments:

$$M_d = 0.276(36)^2(12)/8 = 537 \text{ kip-in.}$$

$$M_{top} = 0.100(36)^2(12)/8 = 194 \text{ kip-in.}$$

$$M_{sd} = 0.080(36)^2(12)/8 = 156 \text{ kip-in.}$$

$$M_e = 0.200(36)^2(12)/8 = 389 \text{ kip-in.}$$

Allow  $6\sqrt{f'_c}$  tension at service load.

See the following table for service load stresses.

**Example 4.2.8**

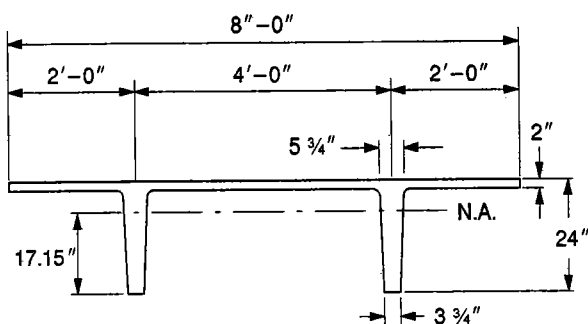
Load	Transfer Pt. at Release $P = P_o$		Mid-span at Release $P = P_o$		Mid-span at Service Load $P = P$		
	$f_b$	$f_t$	$f_b$	$f_t$	$f_b$	$f_t(a)^a$	$f_t(b)^a$
P/A	+ 525	+ 525	+ 525	+ 525	+ 479	+ 479	+ 479
Pe/S	+ 931	- 744	+ 931	- 744	+ 850	- 680	- 680
$M_d/S$	- 164	+ 131	-751	+600	- 751	+ 600	+ 600
$M_{top}/S$					- 271	+ 217	+ 217
$M_{sd}/S^b$					- 175	+ 84	+ 84
$M_c/S$					- 437		+210
Stresses	+ 1292	- 88	+705	+ 381	- 305	+ 700	+910
Limiting Stresses	$0.70f_{ci}^c$	$6\sqrt{f_{ci}}$	$0.70f_{ci}^c$	$0.70f_{ci}^c$	$12\sqrt{f_c}$	$0.45f_c$	$0.6f_c$
	+ 2400	- 379	+2800	+2800	- 930	+2700	+3600
	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK

- a. (a) and (b) correspond to the (a) and (b) stress criteria in Code Sec. 18.4.2  
 b. For all stresses, the composite section modulus is used. The stresses are calculated at the top of the precast section.  
 c. See Sect. 10.5

**Example 4.2.9 Calculation of Critical Stresses—Single Point Depressed Strand**

Given:

- Span = 70 ft  
 Superimposed sustained load = 10 psf = 80 plf  
 Superimposed live load = 35 psf = 280 plf  
 Select 8DT24 as shown



Section properties:

- $A = 401 \text{ in}^2$   
 $I = 20,985 \text{ in}^4$   
 $y_b = 17.15 \text{ in.}$   
 $y_t = 6.85 \text{ in.}$   
 $S_b = 1224 \text{ in}^3$   
 $S_t = 3063 \text{ in}^3$   
 $wt = 418 \text{ plf} = 52 \text{ psf}$

Eccentricities, single point depression:

- $e_e = 5.48 \text{ in.}$   
 $e_c = 13.90 \text{ in.}$   
 $e \text{ at } 0.4\ell = 12.22 \text{ in.}$   
 $e' = 13.90 - 5.48 = 8.42 \text{ in.}$

Problem:

Find critical service load stresses.

Solution:

Prestress force:

- $P_i = 1.836 (0.75)(270) = 372 \text{ kips}$   
 $P_o$  (assume 10% initial loss)  
 $= 0.90 (372) = 335 \text{ kips}$   
 $P$  (assume 20% total loss)  
 $= 0.80(372) = 298 \text{ kips}$

Concrete (normal weight):

- $f_c' = 5000 \text{ psi}$   
 $f_{ci}' = 3500 \text{ psi}$

Prestressing steel:

- 12-1/2 in. diameter 270K low-relaxation strand  
 $A_{ps} = 12 \times 0.153 = 1.836 \text{ in}^2$

Service load moments at mid-span:

$$M_d = 0.418(70)^2 (12)/8 = 3072 \text{ kip-in.}$$

$$M_{sd} = 0.080(70)^2 (12)/8 = 588 \text{ kip-in.}$$

$$M_t = 0.280(70)^2 (12)/8 = 2058 \text{ kip-in.}$$

at  $0.4\ell$ :

$$M_d = 3072(0.96) = 2949 \text{ kip-in.}$$

$$M_{sd} = 588(0.96) = 564 \text{ kip-in.}$$

$$M_t = 2058(0.96) = 1976 \text{ kip-in.}$$

Allow  $12\sqrt{f'_c}$  final tension.

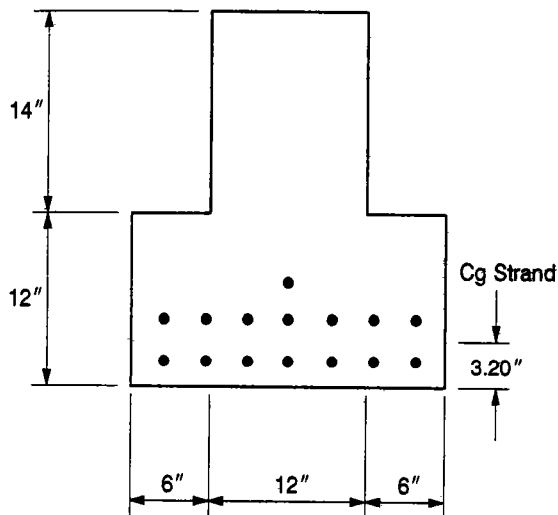
See the following table for service load stresses.

### Example 4.2.10 Tensile Force to be Resisted by Top Reinforcement

Given:

Span = 24 ft

24IT26 as shown below



Concrete:

$$f'_c = 6000 \text{ psi}$$

$$f'_{ci} = 4000 \text{ psi}$$

Prestressing steel:

15- $\frac{1}{2}$  in. diameter 270K low-relaxation strand

$$A_{ps} = 15(0.153) = 2.295 \text{ in}^2$$

Section properties:

$$A = 456 \text{ in}^2$$

$$I = 24,132 \text{ in}^4$$

$$y_b = 10.79 \text{ in.}$$

$$y_t = 15.21 \text{ in.}$$

$$S_b = 2237 \text{ in}^3$$

$$S_t = 1587 \text{ in}^3$$

$$wt = 475 \text{ plf}$$

$$e = 7.59 \text{ in.}$$

Problem:

Find critical stresses at release.

Solution:

Prestress force:

$$P_i = 2.295(0.75)(270) = 465 \text{ kips}$$

$$P_o \text{ (assume 10\% initial loss)}$$

$$= 0.90(465) = 418 \text{ kips}$$

Moment due to member weight:

At mid-span:

$$M_d = 0.475(24)^2(12)/8 = 410 \text{ kip-in.}$$

Assume transfer length =

$$\left(\frac{f_{se}}{3}\right)d_b = (170/3)0.5 = 28.3 \text{ in.} = 2.36 \text{ ft}$$

(See Sect. 4.2.3).

At transfer point:

$$M_d = \frac{wx}{2}(\ell - x) = \frac{0.475(2.36)}{2}(24 - 2.36)(12) = 146 \text{ kip-in.}$$

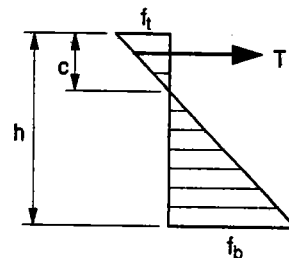
See the following table for stresses at release.

Since the tensile stress exceeds the limits, reinforcement is required to resist the total tensile force, as follows:

$$c = \frac{f_t}{f_t + f_b}(h) = \frac{990}{990 + 2270}(26)$$

$$= 7.90 \text{ in.}$$

$$T = \frac{cf_t b}{2} = \frac{7.90(990)(12)}{2} = 46,926 \text{ lb}$$



Similarly, the tension at mid-span can be found as 35,591 lb.

The Commentary to the Code, Sect. 18.4.1 (b) and (c), recommends that reinforcement be proportioned to resist this tensile force at a stress of  $0.6f_y$ , but not more than 30 ksi. Using reinforcement with  $f_y = 60$  ksi:

$$0.6(60) = 36 \text{ ksi, use 30 ksi}$$

$$A_s \text{ (end)} = \frac{46.9}{30} = 1.56 \text{ in}^2$$

$$A_s \text{ (midspan)} = \frac{35.6}{30} = 1.19 \text{ in}^2$$

### Example 4.2.9

Load	Transfer Pt. at Release $P = P_o$		Mid-span at Release $P = P_o$		0.4 $l$ at Service Load $P = P$		
	$f_b$	$f_t$	$f_b$	$f_t$	$f_b$	$f_t$ (a) <sup>a</sup>	$f_t$ (b) <sup>a</sup>
P/A	+ 835	+ 835	+ 835	+ 835	+ 743	+ 743	+ 743
Pe/S	+ 1500	- 599	+ 3804	- 1520	+ 2985	- 1189	- 1189
M <sub>d</sub> /S	- 290	+ 116	-2510	+1003	- 2409	+ 962	+ 962
M <sub>sd</sub> /S					- 461	+ 184	+ 184
M <sub>e</sub> /S					- 1614		+ 645
Stresses	+ 2045	+ 352	+2129	+ 318	- 756	+ 700	+ 1345
Limiting Stresses	0.70f' <sub>ci</sub> <sup>b</sup>	0.70f' <sub>ci</sub> <sup>b</sup>	0.70f' <sub>ci</sub> <sup>b</sup>	0.70f' <sub>ci</sub> <sup>b</sup>	12√f' <sub>c</sub>	0.45f' <sub>c</sub>	0.60f' <sub>c</sub>
	+ 2450	+ 2450	+ 2450	+ 2450	- 848	+ 2250	+ 3000
	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK

- a. (a) and (b) correspond to the (a) and (b) stress criteria in Code Sec 18.4.2  
b. See Sect. 10.5

### Example 4.2.10

Load	Transfer Point at Release $P = P_o$		Mid-span at Release $P = P_o$	
	$f_b$	$f_t$	$f_b$	$f_t$
P/A	+ 917	+ 917	+ 917	+ 917
Pe/S	+1418	- 1999	+1418	- 1999
M <sub>d</sub> /S	- 65	+ 92	- 183	+ 258
Stresses	+2270	-990	+2152	-824
Limiting Stresses	0.70f' <sub>ci</sub>	6√f' <sub>ci</sub>	0.70f' <sub>ci</sub>	6√f' <sub>ci</sub> <sup>a</sup>
	+ 2800	- 379	+ 2800	- 379
	OK	HIGH	OK	HIGH

- a. See Sect. 10.5

Top strands used as stirrup supports may also be used to carry this tensile force.

It should be noted that some cracking may occur even with reinforcement. Such cracking, however, has no structural significance, and is acceptable.

### 4.2.3 Prestress Transfer and Strand Development

In a pretensioned member, the prestress force is transferred to the concrete by bond. The length required to accomplish this transfer is called the "trans-

fer length." It is given in the Commentary to the Code to be equal to  $(f_{se}/3)d_b$ .

The length required to develop the design strength of the strand, however, is much longer, and is specified in Code Sect. 12.9.1 by the equation:

$$\ell_d = (f_{ps} - 2/3f_{se})d_b \quad (\text{Eq. 4.2.12})$$

Sect. 12.9.3 of the Code requires the development length to be doubled if:

- Bonding of the strand does not extend to the end of the member (debonded or "shielded" strand) and
- The member is designed such that tension will occur in the precompressed tensile zone under service loads.

In the Commentary to the Code, the variation of strand stress along the development length is given as shown in Figure 4.2.9. For convenience, this curve may be approximated by straight lines. This is illustrated in Figure 4.12.4 for several strand sizes. The value of  $f_{se}$  is shown as 170 ksi, which is typical for low-relaxation strand tensioned to the maximum allowable. A more general design aid which includes all currently used strand sizes and other values of  $f_{se}$  is given in Chapter 11 (see Design Aid 11.2.6).

In short span flexural members, prestressing strands may not be developed at sections of high moment. In such cases, it is possible that a premature failure may occur in the concrete due to strand slip [5]. In such cases, the capacity of the section should be reduced to account for this changed failure mode, as illustrated in Example 4.2.11.

When a portion of the strands are debonded, zones are created where sections through the member will contain strands with unequal strains. In this case, calculation of nominal strength in the development region should be based on strain compatibility, or conservatively, the contribution of the debonded strand neglected until it is fully developed. Example 4.2.12 illustrates these principles.

Failures caused by bond slip are brittle, so a value of  $\phi = 0.85$  is recommended to determine flexural capacity when this failure mode is possible. Also, quality control measures by strand suppliers and/or precast concrete producers must be in place to assure that strands will meet the transfer and development length requirements of the Code [6].

#### Example 4.2.11 Use of Figure 4.12.4—Design Stress for Underdeveloped Strand

Given:

Span = 12 ft  
4HC8 as shown

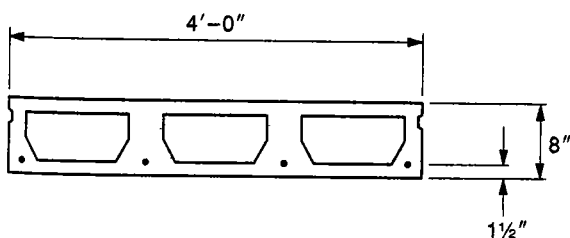
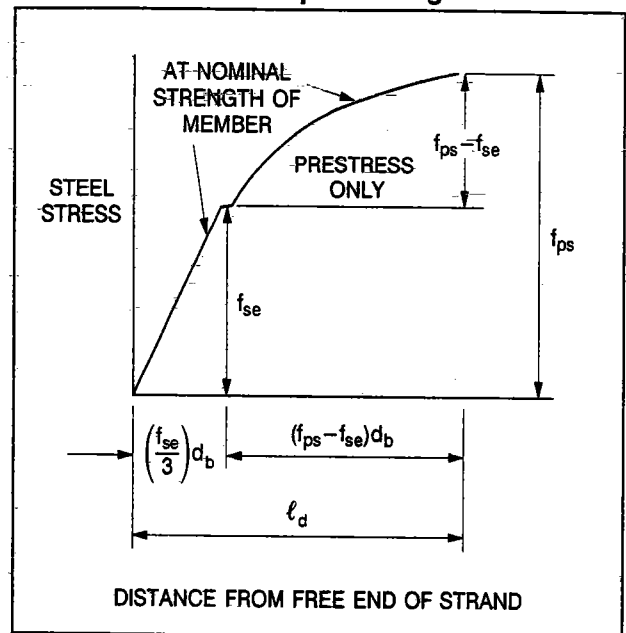


Figure 4.2.9 Variation of steel stress with development length



Concrete:

$$f'_c = 5000 \text{ psi, Normal weight}$$

Prestressing steel:

4- $\frac{1}{2}$  in. diameter 270K strands

$$A_{ps} = 4 (0.153) = 0.612 \text{ in}^2$$

Solution:

If the strand is fully developed (see Figure 4.12.3):

$$C\omega_{pu} = \frac{CA_{ps}f_{pu}}{bd_p f'_c} = \frac{1.06(0.612)(270)}{48(6.5)(5)} = 0.11$$

From Figure 4.12.3 with  $f_{se} = 170$  ksi

$$f_{ps} = 268 \text{ ksi}$$

The maximum development length available is:

$$\ell/2 = 12(12/2) = 72 \text{ in.}$$

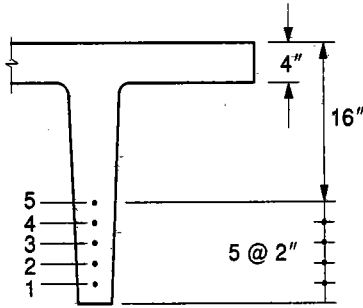
From Fig 4.12.4 the maximum  $f_{pd} = 257$  ksi

This value, rather than 268 ksi, should be used to calculate the design strength ( $\phi M_n$ ) of the member at mid-span. Since failure would be by brittle bond slip,  $\phi = 0.85$ .

**Example 4.2.12 Moment Capacity of Member with Debonded Strands in Development Region**

Given:

10-ft wide double tee, one stem shown below:



10-½ in. diameter, 270 ksi strands (5 each stem)

$$A_{ps} = 10(0.153) = 1.53 \text{ in}^2$$

Concrete (normal weight concrete):

$$f'_c = 5000 \text{ psi}$$

$$E_c = 4300 \text{ ksi}$$

Prestressing strands:

$$f_{pu} = 270 \text{ ksi}$$

$$\text{Initial stress in the strand} = 0.74f_{pu}$$

$$\text{Total losses} = 15 \%$$

$$f_{se} = 0.74(270)(0.85) = 170 \text{ ksi}$$

$$E_{ps} = 28,500 \text{ ksi}$$

$$\epsilon_{se} = 170/28500 = 0.0060$$

Problem:

Strand No. 3 is debonded for 5 ft from the end. Find  $M_n$  at 12 ft from the end.

- Determine capacity assuming the debonded strand does not slip:

Solution:

Maximum  $f_{ps}$  for fully bonded strand (from separate analysis) = 269 ksi.

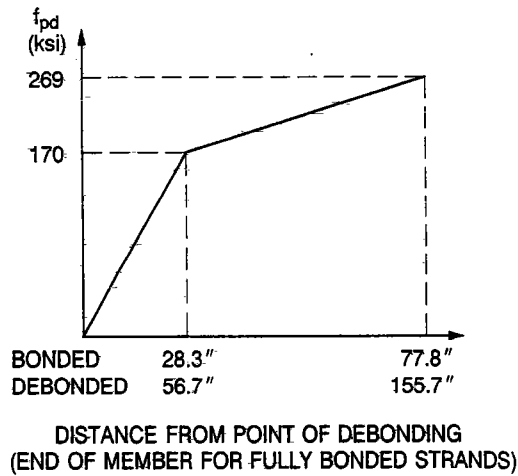
$$\text{Transfer length} = (f_{se}/3)d_b = (170/3)(0.5) = 28.33 \text{ in.}$$

For debonded strands, double the transfer length per ACI 318-95, Sect. 12.9.3.

$$\text{Transfer length for debonded strands} = 2(28.33) = 56.7 \text{ in.}$$

$$\ell_d = (f_{ps} - (2/3)f_{se})d_b = (269 - 113.3)(0.5) = 77.85 \text{ in.}$$

$$\ell_d \text{ for debonded strands} = 2(77.85) = 155.7 \text{ in.}$$



If the strand does not slip, the maximum strength the strand can develop at 12 ft from the end (7 ft or 84 in. from the point of debonding) is given by:

$$f_{pd} = 170 + \frac{84 - 56.7}{155.7 - 56.7}(269 - 170) = 197.3 \text{ ksi}$$

and the corresponding strain is:

$$\epsilon_{pd} = f_{pd}/E_{ps} = 197.3/28,500 = 0.00692 \text{ in./in.}$$

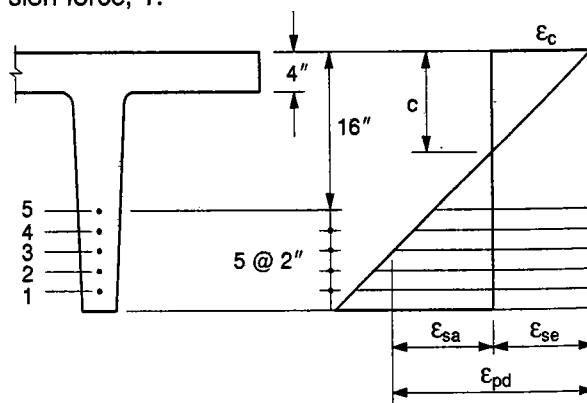
$$\epsilon_{sa} = \epsilon_{pd} - \epsilon_{se} = 0.00692 - 0.0060 = 0.00092$$

(See the sketch below).

Note: In this example, the spacing of the strands is such that the variation in strains is inconsequential. Thus, the stress in the strands may be assumed to be equal, and the centroid of the tension force,  $T$ , may be assumed to be at the centroid of the strand group.

$$T = 197.3(1.53) = 301.9 \text{ kips}$$

Use iteration procedures, varying  $\epsilon_c$  until the compression force,  $C$ , reasonably approximates the tension force,  $T$ .



Final trial:

$$\epsilon_c = 0.000265 \text{ in./in.}$$

$$c = \frac{0.000265}{0.000265 + 0.00092}(20) = 4.47 \text{ in.}$$

Compressive stress at the top of the flange

$$= \epsilon_c E_c = 0.000265(4300) = 1.14 \text{ ksi}$$

Compressive stress at the bottom of the flange.

$$= \frac{0.47}{4.47}(1.14) = 0.12 \text{ ksi}$$

Compression in the flange

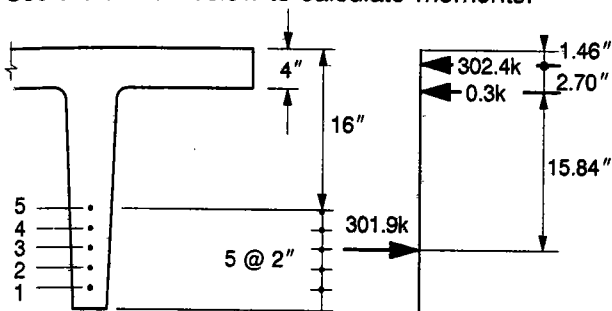
$$= \frac{1.14 + 0.12}{2}(120)(4) = 302.4 \text{ kips}$$

Compression in the webs

$$= \frac{5.75(0.47)(0.12)}{2}(2 \text{ webs}) = 0.3 \text{ kips}$$

$$\text{Total compression} = 302.4 + 0.3 = 302.7 \text{ kips} \\ \approx 301.9 \text{ kips}$$

Use the sketch below to calculate moments:



$$M_n = 301.9(15.84 + 2.70) - 0.3(2.7) \\ = 5596 \text{ kip-in} = 466 \text{ kip-ft}$$

Since the failure mode is brittle strand slip:  
 $\phi = 0.85$

$$\phi M_n = 0.85(466) = 396 \text{ kip-ft}$$

2. Assume debonded strand slips:

If additional load is applied causing higher strand stress than indicated in the above analysis, the strand will slip. The other strands, however, being fully bonded, are capable of much higher stress and strain. If additional load is applied, as in a load test, the stress and strains will redistribute, and load can be applied until the full ultimate strength of the strands is reached. Thus, a second, more conservative analysis would be to neglect the debonded strands and determine moment capacity with eight fully bonded strands.

$$T = A_{ps} f_{ps} = 8(0.153)(269) = 329.3 \text{ kips}$$

$$a = \frac{T}{0.85 f'_c b} = \frac{329.3}{0.85(5)(120)} = 0.65 \text{ in.}$$

Since this is less than the flange thickness, the design is like a rectangular beam.

$$M_n = T \left( d - \frac{a}{2} \right) = 329.3 \left( 20 - \frac{0.65}{2} \right)$$

$$= 6480 \text{ kip-in} = 540 \text{ kip-ft}$$

In this case, the failure mode is ductile  $\phi = 0.9$

$$\phi M_n = 0.9(540) = 486 \text{ kip-ft}$$

Since the assumption of strand slip is more conservative, the design may be based on method B.

#### 4.2.4 End Stresses at Transfer

At the time prestress force is transferred, tensile stresses perpendicular to the prestressing force (sometimes called "bursting" or "splitting" stresses), develop which may cause horizontal cracks near the end of the member [7]. These forces can be resisted by vertical reinforcement calculated by the following equation.

$$A_{vt} = \frac{0.021 P_o h}{f_s \ell_t} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.2.13})$$

where:

$A_{vt}$  = required area of stirrups at the end of a member uniformly distributed over a length  $h/5$  from the end

$P_o$  = prestress force at transfer

$h$  = depth of the member

$f_s$  = design stress in the stirrups, usually assumed to be 30 ksi

$\ell_t$  = strand transfer length

Since this is a temporary stress at the time of prestress transfer, such reinforcement need not be in addition to shear and torsion reinforcement.

#### Example 4.2.13 Calculation of End Reinforcement to Resist Bursting Stresses

Given:

Beam of Example 4.2.10

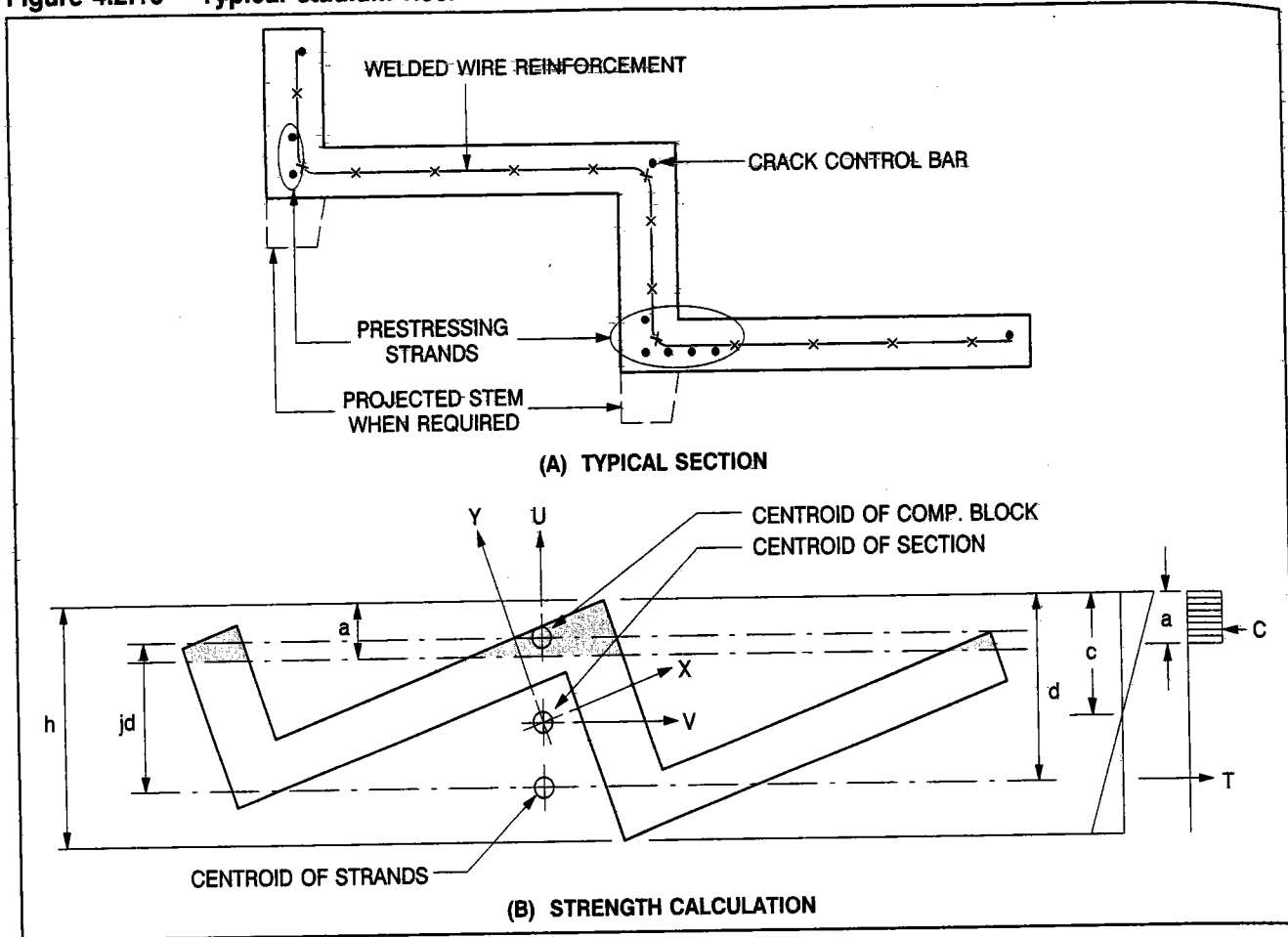
Transfer length = 28.3 in.

$$A_{vt} = \frac{0.021 P_o h}{f_s \ell_t} = \frac{0.021(418)(26)}{30(28.3)} = 0.27 \text{ in}^2$$

$h/5 = 26/5 = 5.2$  say 6 in.

Provide at least 2-#3 stirrups ( $A_s = 0.44 \text{ in}^2$ ) within 6 in. of the end.

Figure 4.2.10 Typical stadium riser



### 4.2.5 Bending of Asymmetrical Sections

Most precast, prestressed standard sections are symmetrical about their vertical axes. However, some sections, such as the stadium riser unit shown in Figure 4.2.10(A), are not, and it is necessary to calculate properties about the principal axes, U-U and V-V. Note that the principal axes may change when the unit is attached to the structure. Calculations of stresses of prestressed concrete stadium risers are illustrated in Ref. 8. Strength design, Fig 4.2.10(B), is more complex, and may be approximated or computed graphically.

### 4.3 Shear

The shear design of precast concrete members is covered in Chapter 11 of ACI 318-95. The shear resistance of precast concrete elements must meet the requirement:

$$V_u \leq \phi V_n$$

where:

$$V_n = V_c + V_s, \text{ and}$$

$V_c$  = nominal shear strength of concrete

$V_s$  = nominal shear strength of shear reinforcement

$$\phi = 0.85$$

If  $V_u$  is less than  $\phi V_c/2$ , no shear reinforcement is required. However, for flat deck members (hollow-core and solid slabs), and others proven by test, no shear reinforcement is required if the factored shear force,  $V_u$ , does not exceed the design shear strength of the concrete,  $\phi V_c$ . For other members, the minimum shear reinforcement is usually adequate.

The critical section for shear and torsion is indicated in the Code to be a distance "d" from the face of the support for non-prestressed members and "h/2" for prestressed members. However, precast concrete members on which the load is not applied at the top of the member, such as L-shaped beams, the distance "d" or "h" should be measured from the point of load application to the bottom, or, conservatively, the critical section taken at the face of the support. Also, if a concentrated load is applied near a support face, the critical section should be taken at the support face. See Code Sect. 11.1.3.



### 4.3.1 Shear Resistance of Non-Prestressed Concrete

In the absence of torsion and axial forces, the nominal shear resistance of concrete is given by:

$$V_c = 2\sqrt{f'_c} b_w d \quad (\text{Eq. 4.3.1})$$

or if one performs a more detailed analysis:

$$V_c = \left( 1.9\sqrt{f'_c} + 2500\rho_w \frac{V_u d}{M_u} \right) b_w d \leq 3.5\sqrt{f'_c} b_w d \quad (\text{Eq. 4.3.2})$$

where:

$$\frac{V_u d}{M_u} \leq 1.0$$

See ACI Code for members subjected to significant axial forces in addition to shear. Torsion is presented in Sect. 4.4

#### Example 4.3.1 Design of Shear Reinforcement—Non-Prestressed Member

Given:

A spandrel beam as shown:

$$b = 8 \text{ in.}$$

$$d = 87 \text{ in.}$$

$$\text{Span, } \ell = 30 \text{ ft}$$

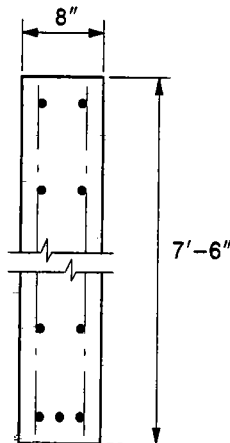
$$f'_c = 5 \text{ ksi}$$

Loading at top of member,  $w_u$

$$\text{Dead load} = 3.96(1.4) = 5.54$$

$$\text{Live load} = 1.31(1.7) = 2.23$$

$$7.77 \text{ kips/ft}$$



Problem:

Determine what size welded wire reinforcement will satisfy the shear requirements.

Solution:

Determine  $V_u$  at a distance  $d$  from support:

$$V_u = 7.77(30/2 - 87/12) = 60.2 \text{ kips}$$

$$V_c = 2\sqrt{f'_c} b_w d = \frac{2\sqrt{5000}}{1000} (8)(87) = 98.4 \text{ kips}$$

$$\frac{\phi V_c}{2} = \frac{0.85(98.4)}{2} = 41.8 \text{ kips}$$

$$V_c > V_u > \frac{\phi V_c}{2}$$

Therefore minimum shear reinforcement is required.

ACI 318-95, Eq. 11-13 requires a minimum amount of reinforcement be provided as follows:

$$A_v = 50b_w s / f_y = \frac{50(8)(12)}{60,000} = 0.08 \text{ in}^2/\text{ft}$$

From Design Aid 11.2.11, select a WWR that has vertical wires: W4 at 6 in.

$$A_v = 0.08 \text{ in}^2/\text{ft}$$

See Sect. 12.13.2.4 of the Code for development of single leg WWR used as shear reinforcement.

### 4.3.2 Shear Resistance of Prestressed Concrete Members

Shear design of prestressed concrete members is covered in ACI 318-95 by Eq. 11-9 through 11-12, reproduced below.

Either Eq. 4.3.3 or the lesser of Eqs. 4.3.4 or 4.3.6 may be used, however, Eq. 4.3.3 is valid only if the effective prestress force is at least equal to 40% of the tensile strength of the prestressing strand. The Code places certain upper and lower limits on the use of these equations, which are shown in Figure 4.3.1.

$$V_c = \left( 0.6\sqrt{f'_c} + 700 \frac{V_u d}{M_u} \right) b_w d \quad (\text{Eq. 4.3.3})$$

where:

$$\frac{V_u d}{M_u} \leq 1.0$$

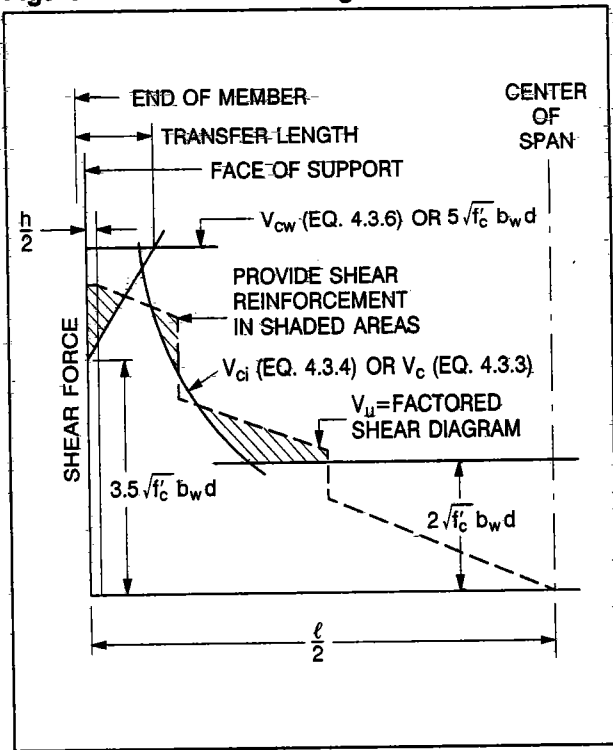
$$V_{ci} = 0.6\sqrt{f'_c} b_w d + V_d + \frac{V_i M_{cr}}{M_{\max}} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.3.4})$$

$$M_{cr} = \left( \frac{I}{y_t} \right) (6\sqrt{f'_c} + f_{pe} - f_d) \quad (\text{Eq. 4.3.5})$$

$$V_{cw} = \left( 3.5\sqrt{f'_c} + 0.3 f_{pc} \right) b_w d + V_p \quad (\text{Eq. 4.3.6})$$

The value of  $d$  in the term  $V_u d / M_u$  in Eqs. 4.3.3 is the distance from the extreme compression fiber to the centroid of the prestressed reinforcement. In all other equations,  $d$  need not be less than  $0.8h$ .

**Figure 4.3.1 Shear design**



In unusual cases, such as members which carry heavy concentrated loads, or short spans with high superimposed loads, it may be necessary to construct a shear resistance diagram ( $V_c$ ) and superimpose upon that a factored shear ( $V_u$ ) diagram. The procedure is illustrated in Figure 4.3.1.

The steps for constructing the shear resistance diagram are as follows:

1. Draw a horizontal line at a value of  $2\sqrt{f'_c} b_w d$  (Note: The Code requires that this minimum be reduced to  $1.7\sqrt{f'_c} b_w d$  when the stress in the strand after all losses is less than  $0.4 f_{pu}$ . For precast, prestressed members the value will generally be above  $0.4 f_{pu}$ .)
2. Construct the curved portion of the diagram. For this, either Eq. 4.3.4 or, more conservatively, Eq. 4.3.3 may be used. Usually it is adequate to find 3 points on the curve.
3. Draw the upper limits line,  $V_{cw}$  from Eq. 4.3.6 if Eq. 4.3.4 has been used in Step 2, or  $5\sqrt{f'_c} b_w d$  if Eq. 4.3.3 has been used.
4. The diagonal line at the upper left of Figure 4.3.1 delineates the upper limit of the shear resistance diagram in the prestress transfer zone. This line starts at a value of  $3.5\sqrt{f'_c} b_w d$  at the end of the member, and intersects the  $V_{cw}$  line or  $5\sqrt{f'_c} b_w d$  line at transfer length from the end of the member. See Code Sect. 11.4.3

**Example 4.3.2 Construction of Applied and Resisting Design Shear Diagrams**

Given:

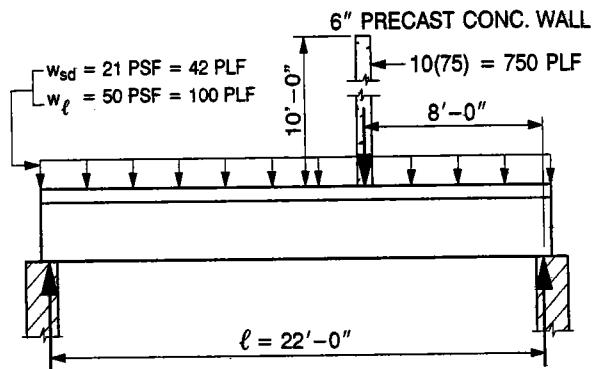
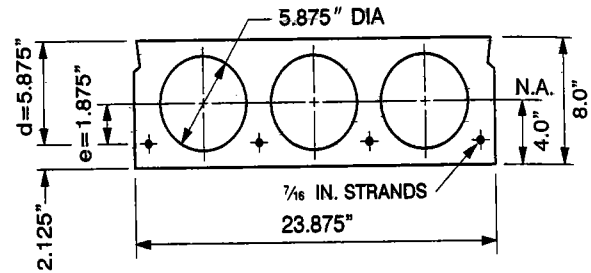
2HC8 with span and loadings shown

Section properties:

- $A = 110 \text{ in}^2$
- $I = 843 \text{ in}^4$
- $y_b = 4.0 \text{ in.}$
- $b_w = 6.80 \text{ in.}$
- $d = 5.875 \text{ in.}$
- $h = 8.0 \text{ in. (} 0.8 h = 6.4 \text{)}$
- $wt = 57 \text{ psf} = 114 \text{ plf}$

Concrete:

$f'_c = 5000 \text{ psi normal weight}$



Solution:

1. Determine factored loads  
 Uniform dead =  $1.4(42 + 114) = 218 \text{ plf}$   
 Uniform live =  $1.7(100) = 170 \text{ plf}$   
 Concentrated dead =  $1.4(2)(750) = 2100 \text{ lb}$
2. Construct shear diagram as shown in Figure 4.3.2
3. Construct the shear resistance diagram as described in the previous section.
  - a. Construct line at  $2\sqrt{f'_c} b_w d = 5.2 \text{ kips}$
  - b. Construct  $V_c$  line by Eq. 4.3.3:

$$V_c = \left( 0.6\sqrt{f'_c} + 700 \frac{V_u d}{M_u} \right) b_w d$$

$$= 1.56 + 25.7 \frac{V_u d}{M_u}$$

Point	x (ft)	$V_u$ (kips)	$M_u$ (kip-in)	$V_u d / M_u$	$-V_c$ (kips)
1	1	4.64	58.02	0.470	13.6
2	2	4.25	111.36	0.224	7.3
3	4	3.47	204.00	0.100	4.1
4	1	5.22	64.98	0.472	13.7
5	2	4.83	125.28	0.227	7.4
6	4	4.05	231.84	0.103	4.2

$$d = 5.875 \text{ in.}$$

At 1, 2, and 4 ft from each end:

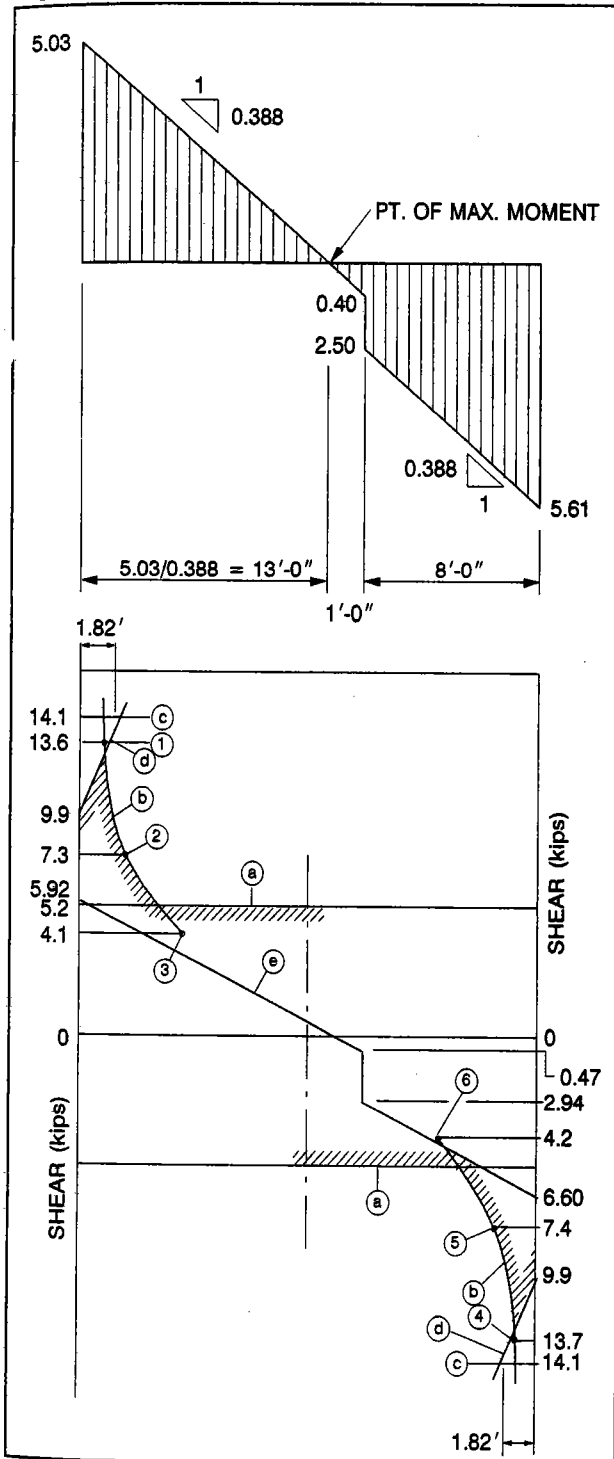
$$V_u(\text{left}) = 5.03 - 0.39x$$

$$M_u(\text{left}) = \left( 5.03x - \frac{0.39x^2}{2} \right) 12$$

$$V_u(\text{right}) = 5.61 - 0.39x$$

$$M_u(\text{right}) = \left( 5.61x - \frac{0.39x^2}{2} \right) 12$$

Figure 4.3.2 Diagrams for Example 4.3.2



where:

c. Construct upper limit line at 14.1 kips

d. Construct diagonal line at transfer zone from  $3.5\sqrt{f'_c} b_w d = 9.9$  kips at end of member to 14.1 kips.

$$\text{kips at } 50d_b = 50(7/16) = 21.9 \text{ in.} = 1.82 \text{ ft}$$

e. Construct  $V_u/\phi$  diagram:

$$5.03/0.85 = 5.92$$

$$0.40/0.85 = 0.47$$

$$2.50/0.85 = 2.94$$

$$5.61/0.85 = 6.60$$

It is apparent from these diagrams that no shear reinforcement is required.

### 4.3.3 Design Using Design Aids

Figs. 4.12.5 through 4.12.9 are design aids to assist in determining the shear strength of precast, prestressed members.

When lightweight concrete is used, the shear equations, Eqs. 4.3.1 through 4.3.6, are modified by substituting  $\lambda\sqrt{f'_c}$  for  $\sqrt{f'_c}$ . The coefficient  $\lambda$  is defined as follows:

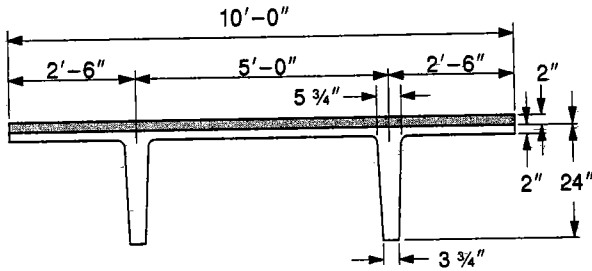
$$\lambda = \left( \frac{f_{ct}}{6.7} \right) \frac{1}{\sqrt{f'_c}} \leq 1.0$$

In this equation  $f_{ct}$  is the splitting tensile strength determined by test (ASTM C 496). For normal weight concrete,  $\lambda$  is equal to 1.0. If the value of  $f_{ct}$  is not known,  $\lambda = 0.85$  for sand-lightweight concrete, and 0.75 for all-lightweight concrete is used. Figs. 4.12.5 to 4.12.7 provide separate charts for normal weight and lightweight concrete. In these charts, it is assumed that  $f_{ct}$  is not known and the material is sand-lightweight, or  $\lambda = 0.85$ .

**Example 4.3.3 Use of Figs. 4.12.5 through 4.12.7—Graphical Solution of Eq. 4.3.3 (Code Eq. 11-9)**

Given:

- PCI standard double tee 10LDT24 + 2
- Span = 50 ft
- $b_w = 9.5$  in.
- $d = 21 + 2 = 23$  in.
- $0.8 h = 20.8$  in.
- $d$  (near ends) = 16 in. < 20.8, use 20.8 in.
- $d$  (near mid-span) = 23 in. > 20.8, use 23 in.



Concrete:

- Precast:  $f'_c = 5000$  psi, sand-lightweight
- Topping:  $f'_c = 4000$  psi, normal weight

Reinforcement:

Prestressing steel:

- 270K strand, 108-D1 pattern,
- $A_{ps} = 1.53$  in<sup>2</sup>
- $e_e = 7.77$  in.
- $e_c = 14.77$  in.

Shear reinforcement

$$f_y = 60 \text{ ksi}$$

Loads:

- Dead load,  $w_d = 609$  plf
- Live load,  $w_l = 800$  plf

Problem:

Find the value of excess shear force,  $V_u/\phi - V_c$ , along the span using Eq. 4.3.3 for  $V_c$ .

Solution (see Figure 4.3.3):

The parameters needed for use of Figs. 4.12.5 through 4.12.7 are:

Strand drape:  $14.77 - 7.77 = 7$  in. which is approximately equal to  $d/3$ , thus a shallow drape.

$$\ell/d = \frac{50 \times 12}{23} = 26.1$$

$$\begin{aligned} V_u/\phi \text{ at support} &= [(1.4w_d + 1.7w_l)\ell/2]/\phi \\ &= (1.4 \times 609 + 1.7 \times 800)(50/2)/0.85(1000) \\ &= 65.1 \text{ kips} \end{aligned}$$

The graphical solution (Figure 4.3.3) follows these steps:

- (a) Draw a line from  $V_u/\phi = 65.1$  kips at support to  $V_u/\phi = 0$  at midspan.
- (b) Draw line from  $V_c = 3.5\lambda\sqrt{f'_c} b_w d = 41.6$  kips at support to  $V_c = 5\lambda\sqrt{f'_c} b_w d = 59.4$  kips at  $50 d_b = 25$  in. (or  $0.042\ell$ ) from end of member.
- (c) Draw a curved line at  $\ell/d = 26.1$ .
- (d) Draw a vertical line at  $h/2$  from face of support.
- (e) The shaded area is the excess shear,  $V_u/\phi - V_c$ , for which shear reinforcement is required (see Example 4.3.5 for design of shear reinforcement).

**4.3.4 Shear Reinforcement**

Shear reinforcement is required in all concrete members, except as noted in Sect. 11.5.5, ACI 318-95. The minimum area required by the ACI Code is determined using Eq. 11-13:

$$A_v = 50 b_w s / f_y \quad (\text{Eq. 4.3.7})$$

or, alternatively for prestressed members only, using Eq. 11-14:

$$A_v = \frac{A_{ps} f_{pu} s}{80 f_y d} \sqrt{\frac{d}{b_w}} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.3.8})$$

Figure 4.12.8 is a graphical solution for the minimum shear reinforcement by Eq. 4.3.8.

**Example 4.3.4 Minimum Shear Reinforcement by Eq. 4.3.8 and Figure 4.12.8**

Given:

- Double tee of Example 4.3.3
- Shear reinforcement: W 4.0 wire each leg
- $A_v = 2(0.040) = 0.080$  in<sup>2</sup>

Problem:

Determine the minimum amount of shear reinforcement required by Eq. 4.3.8 (Code Eq. 11-14). Verify the result from Figure 4.12.8.

Solution:

$$b_w d = 9.5(22) = 209 \text{ in}^2$$

Note: As a simplification,  $d = 22$  in. is used as an average value.

From Eq. 4.3.8:

$$A_v = 0.080 = \frac{1.53 (270)}{80 (60)} \left(\frac{s}{22}\right) \sqrt{\frac{22}{9.5}}$$

thus:

$$s = 13.4 \text{ in.}$$

From Figure 4.12.8:

For:

$$A_{ps} = 1.53 \text{ in}^2$$

$$f_y = 60 \text{ ksi}$$

$$f_{pu} = 270 \text{ ksi}$$

$$b_w d = 209 \text{ in}^2$$

$$A_v = 0.075 \text{ in}^2/\text{ft}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{corresponding } s &= 12(0.080)/0.075 \\ &= 12.8 \text{ in.} \approx 13.4 \text{ OK} \end{aligned}$$

Per Code Sect. 11.5.4:

$$s_{\max} = \frac{3}{4} h \leq 24 \text{ in.}$$

$$\frac{3}{4} h = 0.75(26) = 19.5 \text{ in.} > 13.4 \text{ OK}$$

Shear reinforcement requirements are defined in ACI 318-95 by Eq. 11-15 which may be rewritten for vertical reinforcement as:

$$A_v = \frac{[(V_u/\phi) - V_c]s}{f_y d} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.3.9})$$

Figure 4.12.9 may be used to design shear reinforcement by Eq. 4.3.9 for a given excess shear. Stirrup size, strength or spacing can be varied. Welded wire reinforcement may also be used for shear reinforcement in accordance with Sect. 11.5.1 of ACI 318-95; Sects. 12.13.2.3 and 12.13.2.4 give development requirements.

#### Example 4.3.5 Use of Figure 4.12.9—Shear Reinforcement

Given:

Double tee of Examples 4.3.3 and 4.3.4

Problem:

Design shear reinforcement for:

$$(V_u/\phi) - V_c = 10,000 \text{ lb}$$

Solution:

The horizontal shear force,  $F_h$ , which must be resisted is the total force in the topping; compression in positive moment regions and tension in negative moment regions as shown in Figure 4.3.4.

Excess shear per stem

$$= \frac{1}{2}[(V_u/\phi) - V_c]/d = \frac{1}{2}(10,000/20.8)$$

$$= 240 \text{ lb/in}$$

From Figure 4.12.9:

Use one row per stem of welded wire reinforcement W4.0, vertical wire spacing = 6 in.

$$[(V_u/\phi) - V_c]/d \text{ provided per stem}$$

$$= 400 \text{ lb/in} > 240 \text{ lb/in OK}$$

#### 4.3.5 Horizontal Shear Transfer in Composite Members

Cast-in-place concrete topping is often used on precast members to develop composite structures. The increased stiffness and strength may be required for gravity loads or for developing a diaphragm to transfer lateral loads.

Fibers, which are sometimes used to control shrinkage cracks, do not transfer loads and therefore cannot be used to replace structural reinforcing such as welded wire reinforcement. This is particularly important for structural toppings over precast concrete decks. The reinforcing in these toppings cannot be replaced with fibers.

In order for a precast member with topping to behave compositely, full transfer of horizontal shear forces must be assured at the interface of the precast member and the cast-in-place topping. This requires that interface surfaces must be clean and free of laitencies. In addition, intentional roughening of surfaces and/or horizontal shear ties may also be required depending on the magnitude of shear force to be transferred.

ACI 318-95 includes two methods for design of horizontal shear transfer. The procedure recommended and described below is in Code Sect. 17.5.3.

In a composite member which has an interface surface that is intentionally roughened but does not have horizontal shear ties, or where minimum ties are provided in accordance with Code Sect. 17.6 but the surface is not intentionally roughened,  $F_h$  should not exceed  $\phi 80b_v l_{vh}$ , where  $b_v$  is the width of the interface surface and  $l_{vh}$  is the horizontal shear length as defined in Figure 4.3.5. (Note: Experience and tests indicate that normal finishing methods used for precast concrete structural members will qualify as "intentionally roughened". Thus, horizontal shear strength of  $\phi 80b_v l_{vh}$  may be used for design.)

For an interface surface which is both intentionally roughened and includes minimum horizontal shear ties per Code Sect. 17.6,  $F_h$  is limited to:

$$F_h = \phi(260 + 0.6\rho_v f_y)\lambda b_v l_{vh} \text{ and} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.3.10})$$

$$F_h \leq \phi 500b_v l_{vh}$$

For  $F_h$  exceeding  $\phi 500b_v l_{vh}$ , the area of horizontal shear ties required in length  $l_{vh}$  may be calculated by:

$$A_{cs} = \frac{F_h}{\phi \mu_e f_y} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.3.11})$$

where:

$A_{cs}$  = area of horizontal shear ties, in<sup>2</sup>

$F_h$  = horizontal shear force, lb

$f_y$  = yield strength of horizontal shear ties, psi

$\mu_e$  = effective shear-friction coeff. (Eq. 4.3.16).

$\phi$  = 0.85

Figure 4.3.3 Solution for Example 4.3.3

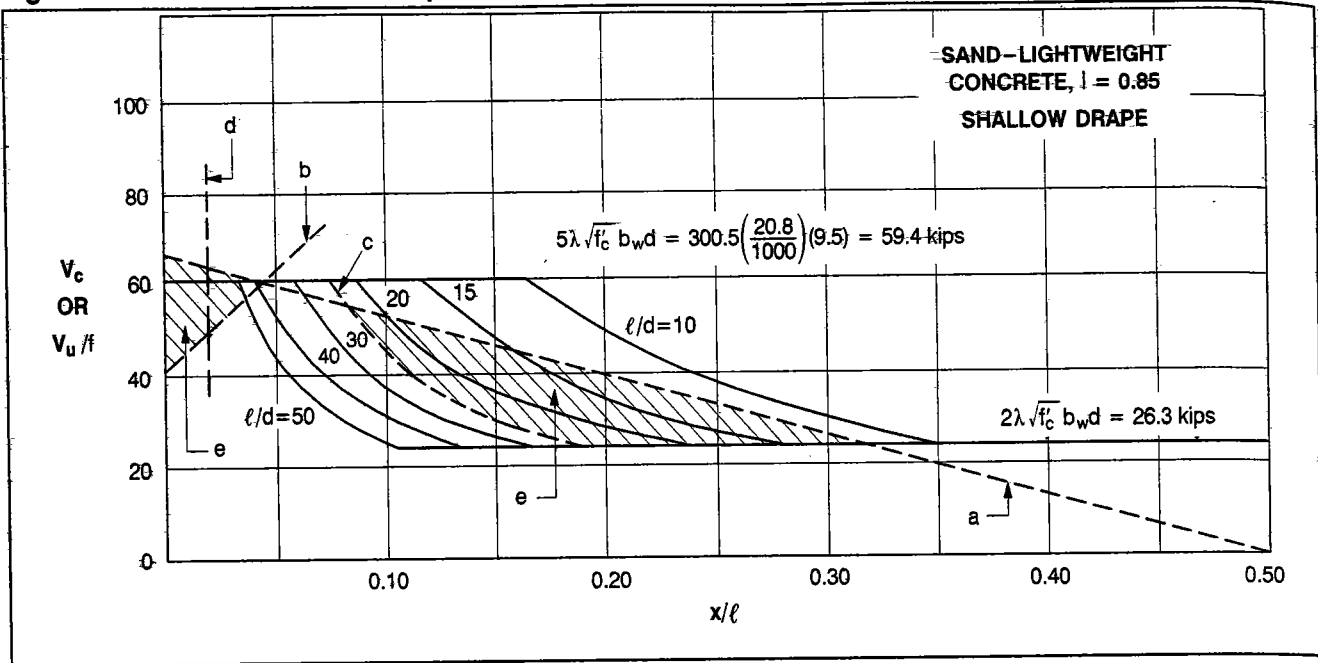
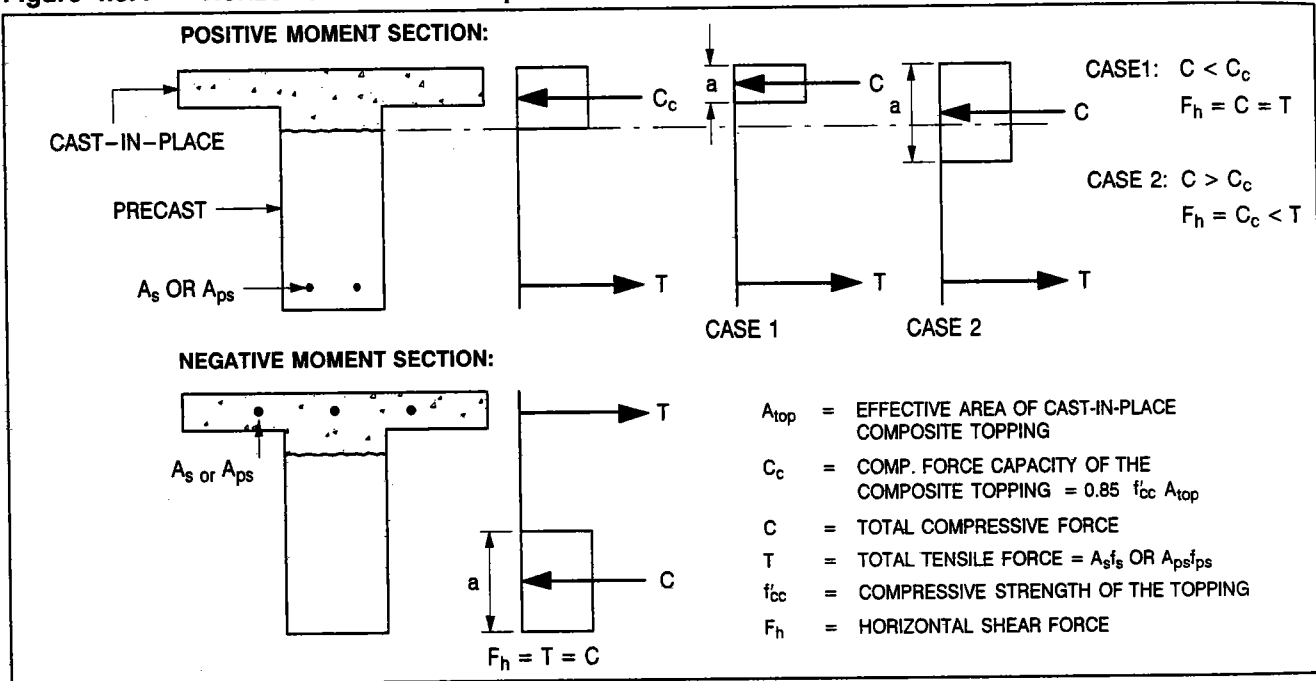


Figure 4.3.4 Horizontal shear in composite section



For composite members,  $\mu = 1.0\lambda$  and  $A_{cr} = b_v \ell_{vh}$ , therefore:

$$\mu_e = \frac{1000\lambda^2 b_v \ell_{vh}}{F_h} \leq 2.9 \quad (\text{Eq. 4.3.12})$$

(See Table 4.3.1)

The value of  $F_h$  is limited to:

$$F_h / \phi(\max) = 0.25\lambda^2 f_c b_v \ell_{vh} \leq 1000\lambda^2 b_v \ell_{vh} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.3.13})$$

Sect. 17.5.3.1 of the Code requires that ties be placed along the member to "approximately reflect the distribution of shear forces in the member." Thus the horizontal shear ties are usually either an exten-

sion of, or placed the same as shear reinforcement. Sect. 17.6.1 of ACI 318-95 also requires that ties, when required, be spaced no more than four times the least dimension of the supported element, nor 24 in., and meet the minimum shear reinforcement requirements of Sect. 11.5.5.3:

$$A_{cs, \min} = \frac{50b_v \ell_{vh}}{f_y} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.3.14})$$

Anchorage of ties must satisfy Code Sect. 17.6.3. Research [4] has shown that this requirement can be satisfied by providing a minimum distance of 1.75, 2.5 and 3.25 in. between the shear transfer interface and the outside ends of standard hooks on No. 3, No. 4 and No. 5 ties respectively.

**Example 4.3.6 Horizontal Shear Design for Composite Beam**

**Given:**

Inverted-tee beam with 2-in. composite topping  
(See Example 4.2.6)

Beam length = 20 ft - 0 in.

**Concrete:**

$f'_c$  (precast) = 5000 psi

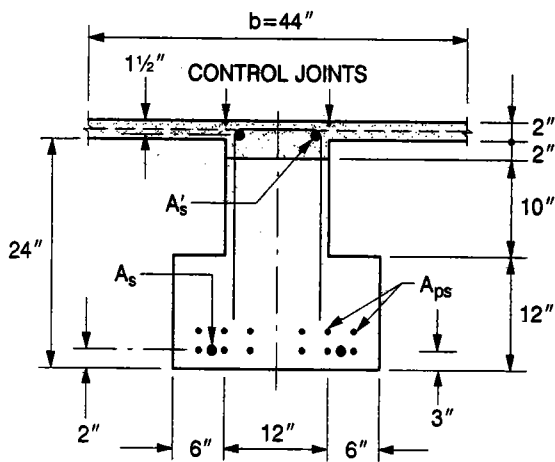
$f'_{cc}$  (topping) = 3000 psi

**Prestressing steel:**

12-½ in. diameter 270K strands

$A_{ps} = 12 \times 0.153 = 1.836 \text{ in}^2$

Tie steel:  $f_y = 60,000 \text{ psi}$



**Problem:**

Determine the tie requirements to transfer horizontal shear force.

**Solution:**

$$b_v = 12 \text{ in.}$$

$$\ell_{vh} = \frac{20(12)}{2} = 120 \text{ in.}$$

$$A_{top} = 2(44) + 2(12) = 112 \text{ in}^2$$

$$C = 0.85f'_{cc}A_{top} + A'_s f_y = 0.85(3)(112) + 2(60) = 285.6 + 120.0 = 405.6 \text{ kips}$$

$$f_{ps} = 260.2 \text{ ksi (see Example 4.2.6)}$$

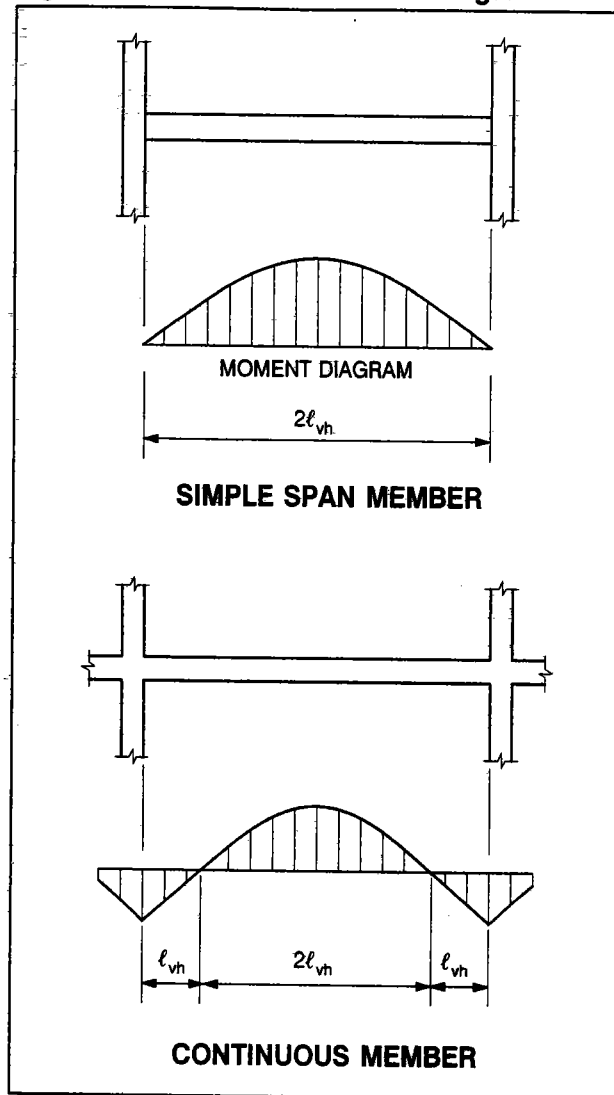
$$A_{ps} f_{ps} = 1.836(260.2) = 477.7 \text{ kips} > 405.6$$

Therefore:

$$F_h = 405.6 \text{ kips}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \phi 80b_v \ell_{vh} &= 80(0.85)(12)(120)/1000 \\ &= 97.9 \text{ kips} < 405.6 \end{aligned}$$

**Figure 4.3.5 Horizontal shear length**



Therefore, ties are required.

$$\lambda = 1.0 \text{ (normal weight concrete)}$$

Check maximum by Eq. 4.3.10:

$$\phi 500b_v \ell_{vh} = \frac{0.85(500)(12)(120)}{1000}$$

$$= 612.0 \text{ kips} > 405.6$$

Therefore, design by Eq. 4.3.10:

$$\phi(260 + 0.6\rho_v f_y)\lambda b_v \ell_{vh} = 405,600$$

$$\phi \lambda b_v \ell_{vh} = 0.85(1.0)(12)(120) = 1224 \text{ in}^2$$

$$0.6\rho_v(60,000) = \frac{405,600 - 260(1224)}{1224}$$

$$\rho_v = 0.00198$$

$$A_{cs} = 0.00198(12)(120) = 2.85 \text{ in}^2$$

Check minimum requirements:

$$\begin{aligned} A_{cs, \text{ min}} &= \frac{50b_v \ell_{vh}}{f_y} = \frac{50(12)(120)}{60,000} \\ &= 1.20 \text{ in}^2 \end{aligned}$$

Use No. 3 ties;  $A_{cs} = 2(0.11) = 0.22 \text{ in}^2$   
 Maximum tie spacing =  $4(4) = 16 \text{ in.} < 24 \text{ in.}$   
 For  $A_{cs} = 2.85 \text{ in}^2$ , number of ties in length  $\ell_{vt}$   
 $= 2.85/0.22 \approx 13$   
 Total number of ties in the beam = 26

Provide 5 No. 3 ties at 6 in. spacing at each end and the remaining 16 No. 3 at approximately 11 in. spacing in the middle portion of the beam.

In this example it is assumed that the full flange width of 44 in. is part of the composite section. Control joints in topping, particularly in parking garages, are often located along the joints between ends of double tees and edges of tee beams for crack control as shown in the example figure. This raises the concern that the extended parts of the topping on each side of the tee beam web (16 in. for this example) may not behave compositely with the rest of the section. However, it can be shown that the usual steel provided in the topping, in most cases, generates sufficient shear friction resistance (see Sect. 4.3.6) to ensure composite action. The following calculations support this observation.

The topping reinforcement is:

$$6 \times 6 - W2.9 \times W2.9$$

$$A_s = 0.058 \text{ in}^2/\text{ft}$$

$$= 0.58 \text{ in}^2 \text{ per } \frac{1}{2} \text{ span}$$

The portion of the total compression force in the extended part of topping:

$$C'_c = \frac{16(2)}{112} (285.6) = 81.6 \text{ kips}$$

$$\mu_e = \frac{1000(1.0)(2)(120)(1)(1.4)}{81,600} = 4.12 > 3.4$$

$$A'_{cs} = \frac{81.6}{0.85(4.12)(60)} = 0.39 \text{ in}^2 < 0.58 \text{ in}^2 \text{ OK}$$

$$A'_{cs \text{ min}} = \frac{50(2)(120)}{60,000} = 0.2 \text{ in}^2 < 0.39 \text{ in}^2 \text{ OK}$$

Maximum spacing =  $4(2) = 8 \text{ in.}$

Thus 6 x 6 - W2.9 x W2.9 is adequate.

#### 4.3.6 Shear-Friction

Shear-friction is an extremely useful tool in the design of precast and prestressed concrete structures.

Use of the shear-friction theory is recognized by Sect. 11.7 of ACI 318-95, which states that shear friction is "to be applied where it is appropriate to consider shear transfer across a given plane, such as an existing or potential crack, an interface between dissimilar materials, or an interface between two concretes cast at different times."

A basic assumption used in applying the shear-friction concept is that concrete within the direct shear area of the connection will crack in the most undesirable manner. Ductility is achieved by placing reinforcement across this anticipated crack so that the tension developed by the reinforcement will provide a force normal to the crack. This normal force in combination with "friction" at the crack interface provides the shear resistance. The shear-friction analogy can be adapted to designs for reinforced concrete bearing, corbels, daps, composite sections, and other applications.

An "effective shear-friction coefficient,"  $\mu_e$ , may be used [9] when the concept is applied to precast concrete construction. The shear-friction reinforcement nominally perpendicular to the assumed crack plane can be determined by:

$$A_{vf} = \frac{V_u}{\phi f_y \mu_e} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.3.15})$$

where:

$$\phi = 0.85$$

$A_{vf}$  = area of reinforcement nominally perpendicular to the assumed crack plane,  $\text{in}^2$

$f_y$  = yield strength of  $A_{vf}$ , psi (equal to or less than 60,000 psi)

$V_u$  = applied factored shear force, parallel to the assumed crack plane, lb (limited by the values given in Table 4.3.1)

$$\mu_e = \frac{1000\lambda A_{cr}\mu}{V_u} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.3.16})$$

$\leq$  values in Table 4.3.1

**Table 4.3.1 Shear-friction coefficients**

Crack interface condition	Recommended $\mu$	Maximum $\mu_e$	Maximum $V_n = V_u \phi$
1. Concrete to concrete, cast monolithically	$1.4\lambda$	3.4	$0.30\lambda^2 f'_c A_{cr} \leq 1000\lambda^2 A_{cr}$
2. Concrete to hardened concrete, with roughened surface	$1.0\lambda$	2.9	$0.25\lambda^2 f'_c A_{cr} \leq 1000\lambda^2 A_{cr}$
3. Concrete to concrete	$0.6\lambda$	2.2	$0.20\lambda^2 f'_c A_{cr} \leq 800\lambda^2 A_{cr}$
4. Concrete to steel	$0.7\lambda$	2.4	$0.20\lambda^2 f'_c A_{cr} \leq 800\lambda^2 A_{cr}$



$\lambda$  = factor for use with lightweight concrete, see Sect. 4.3.3

$\mu$  = shear-friction coefficient (values in Table 4.3.1)

$A_{cr}$  = area of the crack interface, in<sup>2</sup>

When axial tension is present, additional reinforcement area should be provided:

$$A_n = \frac{N_u}{\phi f_y} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.3.17})$$

where:

$A_n$  = area of reinforcement required to resist axial tension, in<sup>2</sup>

$N_u$  = applied factored tensile force nominally perpendicular to the assumed crack plane, lb. May be taken as 0.2 times the factored sustained parallel force [14].

$\phi = 0.85$

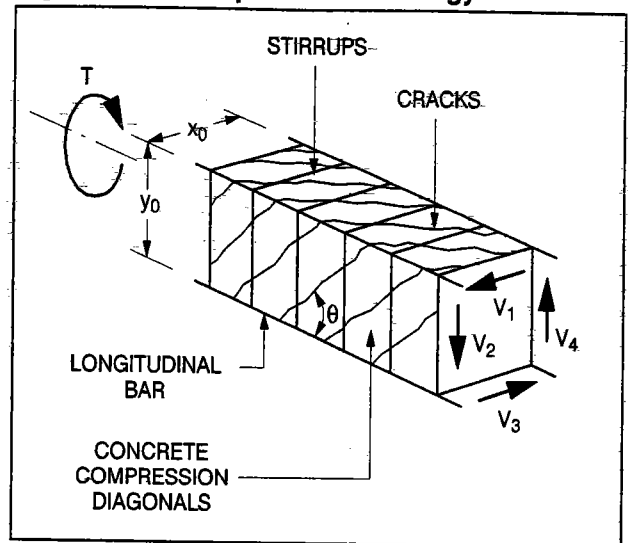
All reinforcement, either side of the assumed crack plane, should be properly anchored to develop the design forces. The anchorage may be achieved by extending the reinforcement for the required development length (with or without hooks), or by welding to reinforcing bars, angles or plates.

#### 4.4 Torsion

ACI 318-95 provisions for torsion design are completely different from those in previous Code editions. They are based on a thin walled tube, space-truss analogy. Solid sections are idealized as tubes, with the inner core neglected. The truss analogy, or strut-and-tie analysis, is illustrated in Figure 4.4.1. After torsional cracking develops, the torsional resistance is provided mainly by closed stirrups, longitudinal bars, and compression diagonals. Further explanation can be found in the Commentary to ACI 318-95.

It is noted that this new ACI 318-95 procedure yields design results comparable to the PCI Handbook, Fourth Edition procedure. This section is limited to the design of solid sections on simple spans. Sect. 11.6 of ACI 318-95 also includes provisions for hollow sections and continuous spans. For the first time, prestressed concrete is included. The procedures for prestressed and non-prestressed members are the same. Prestressed members provide somewhat higher resistance to torsional stresses, which is reflected in the steps for determining whether torsion needs to be considered in the design (discussed in step 3 below). It should be noted that the critical section for torsion in simple-span beams is usually near the end of the member where prestress forces may be only partially transferred. This should be considered when the modifications are applied.

Figure 4.4.1 Space truss analogy



The new torsion design provisions introduce the following additional terms:

$A_{cp}$  = area enclosed by outside perimeter of concrete cross section

$A_o$  = gross area enclosed by the shear flow path

$A_{oh}$  = area enclosed by the centerline of the outermost closed transverse torsional reinforcement

$p_{cp}$  = outside perimeter of the concrete cross section

$p_h$  = perimeter of the centerline of the outermost closed transverse torsional reinforcement

When determining these quantities for non-rectangular sections, only those portions of the section containing closed ties are included. For example, if the ledge in a ledger beam is reinforced with U-bars instead of closed ties, only the vertical stem would be included in the determination of the above terms. If the ledge contains closed ties, as shown in the examples in this section and Table 4.5.1, the area and reinforcement of the ledge may also be included.

Design of typical precast members is illustrated in the following procedure:

##### Step 1.

Determine the design shear ( $V_u$ ) and the torsional moment ( $T_u$ ) at the following critical sections:

Non-prestressed members:

distance  $d$  from the support

Prestressed members:

$h/2$  from the support

If a concentrated load occurs between the critical section and the face of the support, the critical section shall be taken at the face of the support.

**Step 2.**

Determine shear reinforcement requirements:

for  $V_n = V_u/\phi$ , and when  $V_c < V_u/\phi$

$$\frac{A_v}{s} = \frac{(V_u/\phi) - V_c}{f_{yv}d} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.4.1})$$

**Step 3.**

Determine if torsion can be neglected:

Non-prestressed members:

$$T_u < \phi \sqrt{f'_c} \frac{A_{cp}^2}{\rho_{cp}} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.4.2})$$

Prestressed members:

$$T_u < \phi \sqrt{f'_c} \frac{A_{cp}^2}{\rho_{cp}} \sqrt{1 + \frac{f_{pc}}{4\sqrt{f'_c}}} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.4.3})$$

**Step 4.**

Check to ensure that the required torsional moment and shear strengths do not exceed the following maximum limit:

$$\sqrt{\left(\frac{V_u}{b_w d}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{T_u \rho_h}{1.7 A_{oh}^2}\right)^2} \leq \phi 10 \sqrt{f'_c} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.4.4})$$

Note: This form of Code Eq. 11-18 assumes a conservative value of  $V_c/b_w d = 2\sqrt{f'_c}$

**Step 5.**

Determine transverse torsion reinforcement:

assume  $\phi T_n = T_u$

$$T_n = \frac{2A_o A_t f_{yv}}{s} \cot \theta \quad (\text{Eq. 4.4.5})$$

The angle,  $\theta$ , of the compression strut (Fig 4.4.1) may be between  $30^\circ$  and  $60^\circ$ . The Code suggests a value of  $\theta = 45^\circ$  for non-prestressed members, and  $\theta = 37.5^\circ$  for prestressed members.

$$A_o = 0.85A_{oh}$$

It is frequently convenient to use nominal stirrup size and spacing for the transverse reinforcement, e.g. #3 bars at 12 in., or #4 bars at 12 in. etc. The strut-and-tie analysis method used here provides the opportunity to take advantage of this modular spacing as follows:

a. For design, assume that:

$$T_n = T_u/\phi \text{ and } V_n = V_u/\phi$$

b. Pick a stirrup size and spacing and calculate the quantity  $(A_v + 2A_t)/s$ .

For example, for #4 bars at 12,

$$(A_v + 2A_t)/s = 2(0.2)/12 = 0.0333$$

c. Determine:

$$\bar{A}_t/s = \frac{(A_v + 2A_t)/s - A_v/s}{2} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.4.6})$$

d. Solve Eq. 4.4.5 for  $\theta$ :

$$\cot \theta = \frac{T_u/\phi}{1.7A_{oh}(A_t/s)f_{yv}} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.4.7})$$

e. If  $30^\circ < \theta < 60^\circ$ , the stirrup size and spacing chosen may be used.

f. Using the value of  $\theta$  calculated in Part d, continue with steps 6 through 9 below.

**Step 6.**

Check minimum transverse reinforcement:

$$A_v + 2A_t = \frac{50b_w s}{f_{yv}} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.4.8})$$

Maximum stirrup spacing shall not exceed the lesser of  $\rho_h/8$  or 12 in.

**Step 7.**

Determine longitudinal torsion reinforcement:

$$A_\ell = \frac{A_t}{s} \rho_h \cot^2 \theta \quad (\text{Eq. 4.4.9})$$

**Step 8.**

Check minimum longitudinal torsion reinforcement:

$$A_{\ell, \min} = \frac{5\sqrt{f'_c} A_{cp}}{f_{y\ell}} - \frac{A_t}{s} \rho_h \quad (\text{Eq. 4.4.10})$$

where:

$$\frac{A_t}{s} \geq \frac{25b_w}{f_{yv}} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.4.11})$$

Maximum longitudinal bar or tendon spacing is 12 in. and at least one longitudinal bar or tendon shall be in each corner of the closed stirrups.

Note: This form of Code Eqs. 11-22 and 11-24 assumes that the longitudinal and transverse reinforcements are the same grade.

**Step 9.**

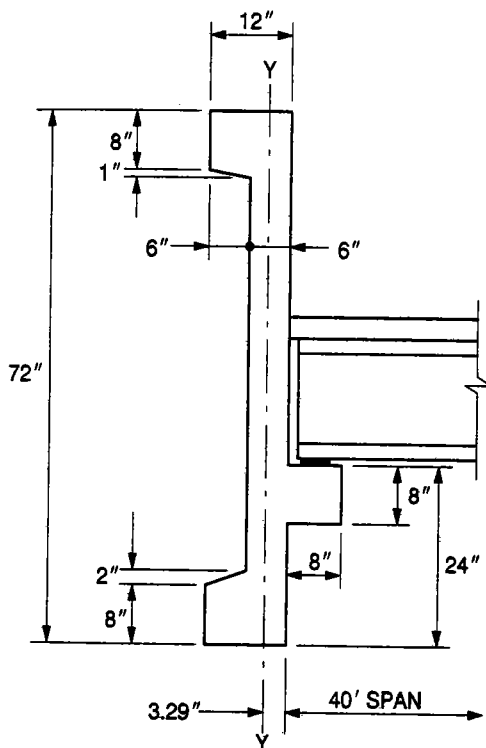
Check additional Code provisions.

1. If the required longitudinal reinforcement is significantly greater than the minimums, check the additional provisions in Code Sects. 11.6.3.9 and 11.6.3.10. In most single span members, the shear and torsion are highest when moment is low, so these sections will have minimum application. In some applications, the total reinforcement may be optimized

by investigating more than one section along the length of the member. The longitudinal reinforcement requirements may be reduced by placing a few extra transverse stirrups.

- Longitudinal reinforcement development. In many cases, the bars or tendons will not be fully developed at the critical section. Thus it may be necessary to provide U-bars at the ends of the members lapped with the longitudinal reinforcement.
- Strands may be used as part of the longitudinal reinforcement. However, they must be developed (or the reduced capacity due to partial development used) and the provisions of Code Sect. 11.6.3.10 must be met.

**Example 4.4.1 Shear and Torsion Design of a Non-Prestressed Member**



**Given:**

Precast load bearing spandrel beam shown.  
 Span of spandrel beam = 30 ft clear  
 Tributary width of floor = 20 ft  
 $f'_c = 5000$  psi, normal weight concrete  
 Reinforcement  $f_y = 60,000$  psi  
 $d = 69$  in

**Loads (kips/ft):**

D.L.:  
 Precast floor  $60 \text{ psf}(20 \text{ ft}) = 1.2 (1.4) = 1.68$   
 Topping  $38(20) = 0.76 (1.4) = 1.06$

Superimposed	$20(20) = 0.4 (1.4) = 0.56$
Window	$= 0.05(1.4) = 0.07$
Spandrel	$= 0.63 (1.4) = 0.88$
L.L.:	$50 \text{ psf} \times (20 \text{ ft}) = 1.00 (1.7) = 1.70$
	<u>5.95</u>

**Problem:**

Determine torsion reinforcement requirements.

**Solution:**

- Compute shear ( $V_u$ ) and torsion ( $T_u$ ) at critical section, located at 1 ft - 9 in. from the face of the support (see p. 4-30):  
 $30/2 - 1.75 = 13.25$  ft from mid-span  
 $w_u$  for shear = 5.95 kips/ft  
 $V_u = 5.95(13.25) = 78.8$  kips  
 $w_u$  for torsion =  $1.68 + 1.06 + 0.56 + 1.70 = 5.00$  kips/ft

Note: It is sufficiently accurate in this and most precast concrete sections to use the centroid rather than the shear center to calculate the eccentricity.

$$\text{Eccentricity} = 2/3 (8) + 3.29 = 8.62 \text{ in.}$$

$$T_u = w_u(e)(13.25) = 5.00(8.62)(13.25) = 571 \text{ kip-in.}$$

- Determine shear reinforcement requirements.

$$\frac{A_v}{s} = \frac{(V_u/\phi) - V_c}{f_y d}$$

By Eq. 4.3.2:

$$V_c = 3.5 \sqrt{f'_c} b_w d \quad (\text{full calculation not shown})$$

$$V_c = 3.5 \frac{\sqrt{5000}}{1000} (6)(69) = 102.5 \text{ kips}$$

$$\phi V_c = 0.85 (102.5) = 87.1 \text{ kips} > 55$$

shear steel is not required.  $A_v = 0$ .

$$3. A_{cp} \text{ (do not include haunch)} = 6(72) + 2(8)(6) + 6(1)/2 + 6(2)/2 = 537 \text{ in}^2$$

$$p_{cp} = 2(12) + 72 + (72-9-10) + 2(8) + \sqrt{1^2 + 6^2} + \sqrt{2^2 + 6^2} = 177.4 \text{ in.}$$

By Eq. 4.4.2:

$$\phi \sqrt{f'_c} \left( \frac{A_{cp}^2}{p_{cp}} \right) = 0.85 \frac{\sqrt{5000}}{1000} \left( \frac{537^2}{177.4} \right)$$

$$= 97.7 < 571 \text{ kip-in.}$$

Therefore, consider torsion.

4. Assume 1 in. from edge to centerline of reinforcement.

$$p_h = 70 + 2(10) + 2(6) + 6.1 + 6.3 + 55 = 169 \text{ in.}$$

$$A_{oh} = 70(4) + \frac{6(12 + 15)}{2} = 361 \text{ in}^2$$

By Eq. 4.4.2:

$$\sqrt{\left(\frac{V_u}{b_w d}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{T_u p_h}{1.7 A_{oh}^2}\right)^2} =$$

$$\sqrt{\left(\frac{78,800}{6(69)}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{571,000(169)}{1.7(361)^2}\right)^2} = 475 \text{ psi}$$

$$< \phi 10 \sqrt{5000} = 601 \text{ psi}$$

5.a Using Eq. 4.4.5 and solving for  $\frac{A_t}{s}$

$$T_n = \frac{2A_o A_t f_{yv}}{s} \cot \theta$$

$$T_n = T_u / \phi$$

$$\theta = 45^\circ$$

$$A_o = 0.85(361) = 307 \text{ in}^2$$

$$T_u / \phi = \frac{571}{0.85} = 2(307)(60) \left(\frac{A_t}{s}\right) (1)$$

$$\frac{A_t}{s} = \frac{571}{0.85(2)(307)(60)} = 0.0182$$

Total shear and torsion reinforcement =

$$\frac{A_v}{s} + \frac{2A_t}{s} = 0.00 + 2(0.0182) = 0.0364$$

#4 at 10.99 in.

5.b Try #4 at 12 in.

$$\frac{A_v}{s} + \frac{2A_t}{s} = \frac{2(0.20)}{12} = 0.0333$$

$$5.c \frac{A_v}{s} = \frac{0.0333 - 0.00}{2} = 0.0167 \text{ in}^2/\text{in}$$

5.d By Eq. 4.4.7:

$$\cot \theta = \frac{T_u / \phi}{1.7 A_{oh} (A_t / s) f_{yv}}$$

$$= \frac{571 / 0.85}{1.7(361)(0.0167)(60)} = 1.09$$

$$\theta = 42.4^\circ$$

$$30^\circ < 42.4^\circ < 60^\circ \text{ OK}$$

Use #4 at 12 in. closed ties.

6. By Eq. 4.4.8:

$$\frac{A_v + 2A_t}{s} > \frac{50b_w}{f_{yv}} = \frac{50(6)}{60,000}$$

$$= 0.005 < 0.0167 \text{ OK}$$

7. By Eq. 4.4.9:

$$A_t = \frac{A_t}{s} p_h \cot^2 \theta = 0.0167(169)(1.09)^2 = 3.35 \text{ in}^2$$

8. By Eq. 4.4.10:

$$A_t (\text{min}) = 5 \sqrt{f'_c} \frac{A_{cp}}{f_{ye}} - \frac{A_t}{s} p_h$$

$$= \frac{5 \sqrt{5000} (537)}{60,000} - 0.0167(169)$$

$$= 3.16 - 2.82 = 0.33 < 3.28 \text{ in}^2 \text{ OK}$$

By Eq. 4.4.11:

$$\text{Check min } \frac{A_t}{s} = \frac{25b_w}{f_{yv}} = \frac{25(6)}{60,000}$$

$$= 0.0025 < 0.0167 \text{ OK}$$

9. Detailing requirements:

a. Corner bars.

Code Sect. 11.6.6.2: bar diameter at least  $\frac{1}{4}$  of stirrup spacing = 0.5 in. Use #4 bars.

b. Commentary Sect. R11.6.3.8 permits excess flexural reinforcement to be used as longitudinal torsion reinforcement. From separate analysis, flexural reinforcement

$$= 3 - \#8 = 2.37 \text{ in}^2.$$

$M_u$  at critical section =

$$\frac{w_x}{2} (\ell - x) = \frac{5.95(1.75)}{2} (30 - 1.75)$$

$$= 147 \text{ kip-ft}$$

Flexural reinforcement required at critical section  $\approx 0.45 \text{ in}^2$

$$2.37 - 0.45 = 1.92 \text{ in}^2 \text{ can be used for } A_t$$

Flexural reinforcement also meets the requirements for corner bars.

- c. Code Sect. 11.6.3.9 permits longitudinal torsional reinforcement in the flexural compression zone to be reduced by:

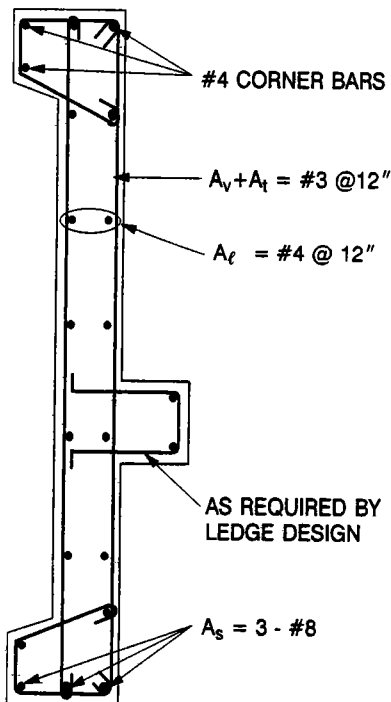
$$\frac{M_u}{0.9df_y} = \frac{415(12)}{0.9(69)(60)} = 1.34 \text{ in}^2$$

Provided minimums are maintained.

Total additional longitudinal reinforcement required:

$$3.35 - 1.92 - 0.47 = 0.96 \text{ in}^2$$

#4 bars at 12 would provide approx. 2 in<sup>2</sup>.



Notes:

1. For reinforcement detailing considerations, an 8 in. beam width is preferable to the 6 in. width shown in this example.
2. It would be permissible to use #3 bars for  $A_l$ . However, since the corner bars must be #4, usual practice would be to use #4 for all  $A_l$  bars.

### Example 4.4.2 Shear and Torsion Design in a Prestressed Concrete Member

Given:

Precast, prestressed concrete spandrel beam shown in Figure 4.4.2

D.L. of deck = 89.5 psf

L.L. = 50 psf

Beam properties:

$A = 696 \text{ in}^2$

wt = 725 plf

$f'_c = 5000 \text{ psi}$ , normal weight

$f_y = 60 \text{ ksi}$

Prestressing:

6- $\frac{1}{2}$  in. diameter, 270K strands

$A_{ps} = 6(0.153) = 0.918 \text{ in}^2$

$d = 72 \text{ in.}$

Problem:

Determine shear and torsion reinforcement for the spandrel beam at critical section.

Solution:

1. Calculate  $V_u$  and  $T_u$

Determine factored loads:

D.L. of beam =  $1.4(0.725) = 1.02 \text{ kips/ft}$

D.L. of deck =  $1.4(0.0895)\left(\frac{60}{2}\right)(4)$   
 $= 15.04 \text{ kips per stem}$

L.L. =  $1.7(0.050)(30)(4)$   
 $= 10.2 \text{ kips per stem}$

$V_u$  at support:

$$= 1.02(14) + 7(15.04 + 10.2)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$= 102.6 \text{ kips}$$

Center of support to  $h/2$ :

$$= 0.5 + \frac{6.25}{2} = 3.625 \text{ ft}$$

Since a concentrated load occurs within  $h/2$ , critical section is at face of support.

$V_u$  at face of support:

$$= 102.6 - 1.02(0.5)$$

$$= 102.1 \text{ kips}$$

$T_u$  at support (assume torsion arm = 8 in):

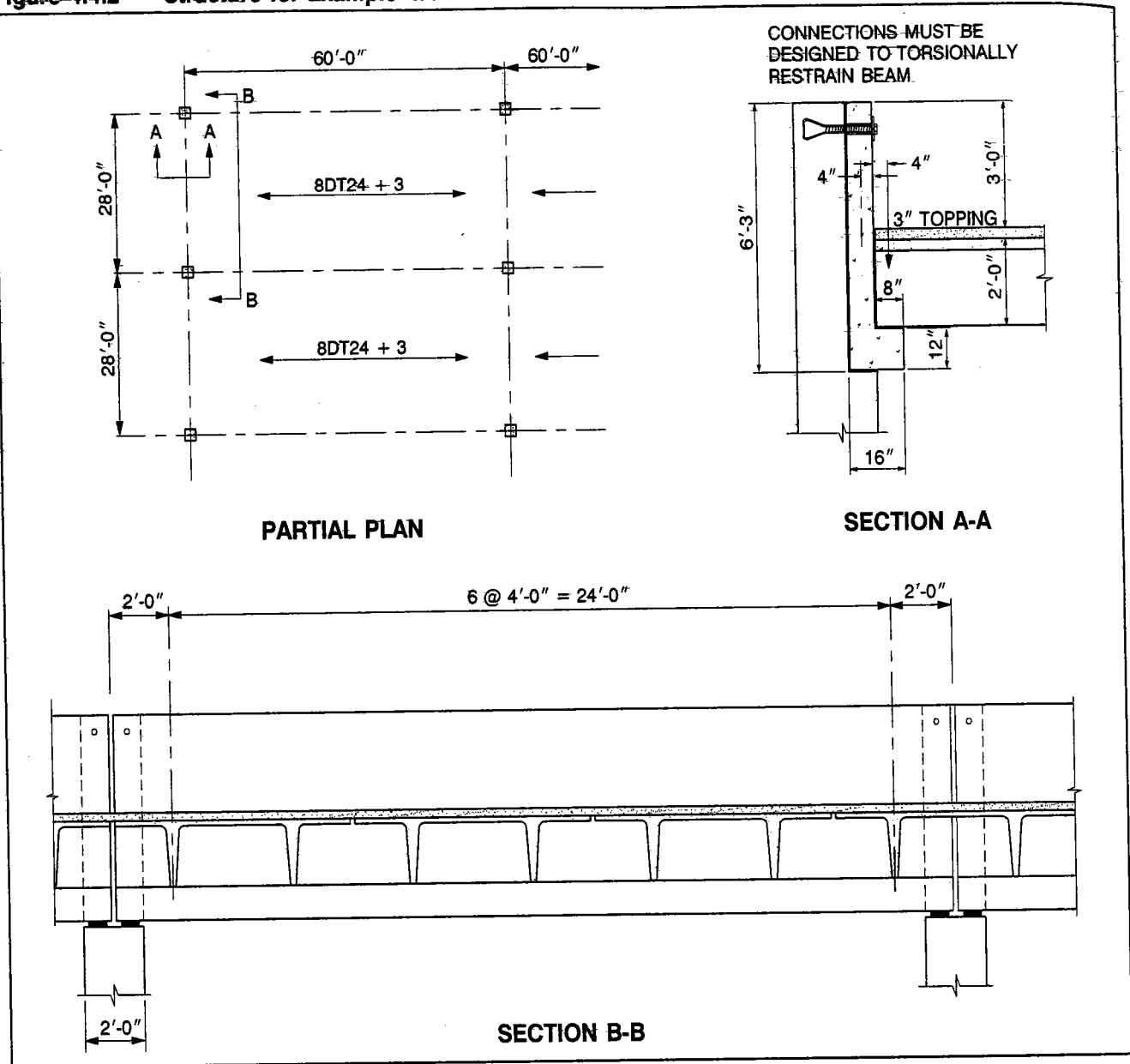
$$= (15.04 + 10.2)(7)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)(8)$$

$$= 707 \text{ kip-in (same at face of support)}$$

2. By Eq. 4.4.1:

$$\frac{A_v}{s} = \frac{(V_u/\phi) - V_c}{(f_y d)}$$

Figure 4.4.2 Structure for Example 4.4.2



$$V_c = \frac{2\sqrt{5000}(8)(72)}{1000} = 81.5 \text{ kips}$$

$$\phi V_c = 0.85(81.5) = 69.3 \text{ kips} < 102.1$$

Reinforcement is required.

$$\frac{A_v}{s} = \frac{(102.1/0.85) - 81.5}{(60)(72)} = 0.0089 \text{ in}^2/\text{in.}$$

3. Determine  $f_{pc}$  at critical section approximately 11 in. from end of member. From Figure 4.12.4, strand develops 170 ksi at 28 in.

$$(11/28)(170) = 66.8 \text{ ksi}$$

$$66.8(0.918) = 61.3 \text{ kips}$$

$$f_{pc} = \frac{61.3}{696} = 0.088 \text{ ksi}$$

$$A_{cp} = 696 \text{ in}^2$$

$$p_{cp} = 75(2) + 16(2) = 182 \text{ in.}$$

By Eq. 4.4.3:

$$\begin{aligned} & \phi \sqrt{f'_c} \left( \frac{A_{cp}^2}{P_{cp}} \right) \sqrt{1 + \frac{f_{pc}}{4\sqrt{f'_c}}} \\ &= \frac{0.85\sqrt{5000}}{1000} \left( \frac{696^2}{182} \right) \sqrt{1 + \frac{88}{4\sqrt{5000}}} \end{aligned}$$

$$= 183 \text{ kip-in.} < 707 \text{ Consider torsion.}$$

4. Assume 1½ in. from edge to centerline of stirrups.

$$p_h = 5 + 72 + 72 + 13 + 8 = 170 \text{ in.}$$

$$A_{oh} = 5(72) + 9(8) = 432 \text{ in}^2$$

By Eq. 4.4.4:

$$\sqrt{\left(\frac{V_u}{b_w d}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{T_u p_h}{1.7 A_{oh}^2}\right)^2} =$$

$$\sqrt{\left(\frac{102,100}{8(72)}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{707,000(170)}{1.7(432)^2}\right)^2} = 418 \text{ psi}$$

$$\phi 10 \sqrt{f'_c} = 0.85(10) \sqrt{5000}$$

$$= 601 \text{ psi} > 418 \text{ OK}$$

5. Determine transverse reinforcement.

$$T_n = T_u / \phi = 707 / 0.85 = 832 \text{ kip-in.}$$

Try #4 at 12 in.

$$\frac{(A_v + 2A_t)}{s} = \frac{2(0.20)}{12}$$

$$= 0.0333 \text{ in}^2/\text{in.}$$

$$A_v/s = 0.0089$$

$$A_t/s = \frac{0.0333 - 0.0089}{2}$$

$$= 0.0122 \text{ in}^2/\text{in.}$$

By Eq. 4.4.7:

$$\cot \theta = \frac{T_u / \phi}{1.7 A_{oh} (A_t/s) f_{yv}}$$

$$\cot \theta = \frac{707 / 0.85}{1.7(432)(0.0122)(60)} = 1.55$$

$$\theta = 32.9^\circ > 30^\circ < 60^\circ \text{ OK}$$

Use #4 at 12 in.

6. Check minimum transverse reinforcement:

By Eq. 4.4.8:

$$50 \frac{b_w}{f_{yv}} = \frac{50(8)}{60,000}$$

$$= 0.0067 < 0.0333 \text{ OK}$$

7. Design longitudinal reinforcement:

By Eq. 4.4.9:

$$A_t = \frac{A_t}{s} p_h \cot^2 \theta$$

$$= 0.0122(170)(1.5472)^2 = 4.96 \text{ in}^2$$

From step 3, strand has developed more than 60 ksi and at face, none is required for flexure, so 4 strands on the perimeter may be included as part of

$A_t$ . In this case it may be advantageous to place one or two additional transverse stirrups near the ends, where torsion is highest, and reduce the number of full length longitudinal bars:

$$4(0.153) = 0.61 \text{ in}^2$$

$$4.96 - 0.61 = 4.35 \text{ in}^2$$

$4.35 / 0.2 = 21.75$ . Provide at least 22-#4 (See detail below).

8. Check maximum spacing and minimum  $A_t$ .

2 bars in ledge, 10 per side

$$\text{spacing} = \frac{69.5}{10} \approx 7 \text{ in.} < 12 \text{ OK}$$

By Eq. 4.4.10:

$$A_{t, \min} = 5 \sqrt{f'_c} \frac{A_{cp}}{f_{yc}} - \frac{A_t}{s} p_h$$

$$= \frac{5 \sqrt{5000} (696)}{60,000} - 0.0122(170)$$

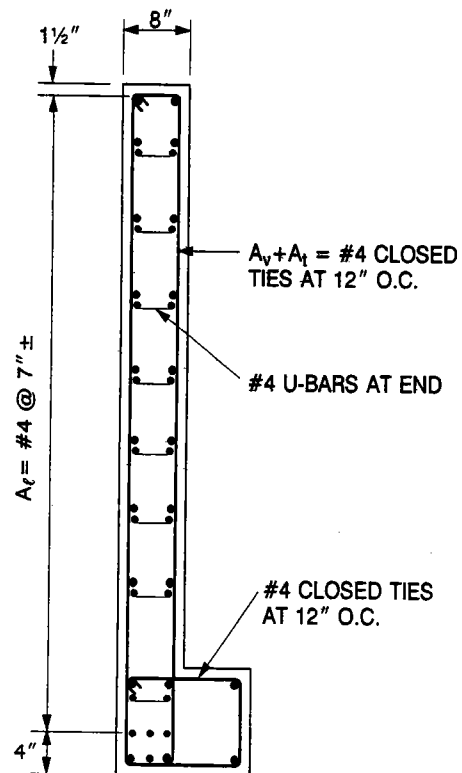
$$= 2.03 \text{ in}^2 < 4.35 \text{ OK}$$

Check minimum longitudinal torsion reinforcement:

By Eq. 4.4.11:

$$\frac{A_t}{s} = 25 \frac{b_w}{f_{yv}} = \frac{25(8)}{60,000} = 0.0033 < 0.0122 \text{ OK}$$

9. Since longitudinal bars are not fully developed at the critical section, provide U-bars at the ends. (See sketch below.)



## 4.5 Beams with Ledges

As shown in the previous example, one of the most common occurrences of torsion in precast members is in L-shaped beams (beams with a ledge on one side). Significant torsion may also occur in inverted tee beams with severely unbalanced loads. This section covers additional design items related to the beam end and the ledge and its attachment to the web. These items are discussed in Refs. 10 through 13 and are covered as shown in Figure 4.5.1.

### 4.5.1 Shear Strength of the Ledge

The design shear strength of continuous beam ledges supporting concentrated loads, can be determined by the lesser of Eqs. 4.5.1 and 4.5.2:

for  $s > b_t + h_\ell$

$$\phi V_n = 3\phi\lambda\sqrt{f'_c} h_\ell [2(b_\ell - b) + b_t + h_\ell] \quad (\text{Eq. 4.5.1})$$

$$\phi V_n = \phi\lambda\sqrt{f'_c} h_\ell [2(b_\ell - b) + b_t + h_\ell + 2d_e] \quad (\text{Eq. 4.5.2})$$

For  $s < b_t + h_\ell$ , and equal concentrated loads, use the lesser of Eqs. 4.5.1.a, 4.5.2.a or 4.5.3

$$\phi V_n = 1.5\phi\lambda\sqrt{f'_c} h_\ell [2(b_\ell - b) + b_t + h_\ell + s] \quad (\text{Eq. 4.5.1a})$$

$$\phi V_n = \phi\lambda\sqrt{f'_c} h_\ell \left[ (b_\ell - b) + \frac{(b_t + h_\ell)}{2} + d_e + s \right] \quad (\text{Eq. 4.5.2a})$$

where:

$$\phi = 0.85$$

$h_\ell$  = depth of the beam ledge, in

$b$  = beam web width

$b_\ell$  = width of web and one ledge, in

$b_t$  = width of bearing area, in

$s$  = spacing of concentrated loads, in

$d_e$  = distance from center of load to the end of the beam, in

If the ledge supports a continuous load or closely spaced concentrated loads, the design shear strength is:

$$\phi V_n = 24\phi h_\ell \lambda \sqrt{f'_c} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.5.3})$$

where:

$\phi V_n$  = design shear strength, lb/ft

If the applied factored load exceeds the strength as determined by Eqs. 4.5.1, 4.5.2 or 4.5.3, the ledge should be designed for shear transfer and diagonal tension in accordance with Sects. 4.6.3.2 through 4.6.3.4.

### 4.5.2 Transverse (Cantilever) Bending of the Ledge

Transverse (cantilever) bending of the ledge requires flexural reinforcement,  $A_s$ , which is computed by Eq. 4.5.4. Such reinforcement may be uniformly spaced over a width of  $6h_\ell$  on either side of the bearing, but not to exceed half the distance to the next load. Bar spacing should not exceed the ledge depth,  $h_\ell$ , or 18 in.

$$A_s = \frac{1}{\phi f_y} \left[ V_u \left( \frac{a}{d} \right) + N_u \left( \frac{h_\ell}{d} \right) \right] \quad (\text{Eq. 4.5.4})$$

(See Figure 4.5.1 for definitions).

### 4.5.3 Longitudinal Bending of the Ledge

Longitudinal reinforcement, calculated by Eq. 4.5.5, should be placed in both the top and bottom of the ledge portion of the beam:

$$A_\ell = 200(b_\ell - b)d_\ell/f_y \quad (\text{Eq. 4.5.5})$$

where:

$d_\ell$  = design depth of  $A_\ell$  reinforcement.

(See Figure 4.5.1 for other definitions.)

### 4.5.4 Attachment of the Ledge to the Web

Hanger steel,  $A_{sh}$ , computed by Eq. 4.5.6 is required for attachment of the ledge to the web. Distribution and spacing of  $A_{sh}$  reinforcement should follow the same guidelines as for  $A_s$  reinforcement in Sect. 4.5.2.  $A_{sh}$  is not additive to shear and torsion reinforcement designed in accordance with Sects. 4.3 and 4.4.

$$A_{sh} = \frac{V_u}{\phi f_y} (m) \quad (\text{Eq. 4.5.6})$$

where:

$V_u$  = applied factored load

$\phi = 0.85$

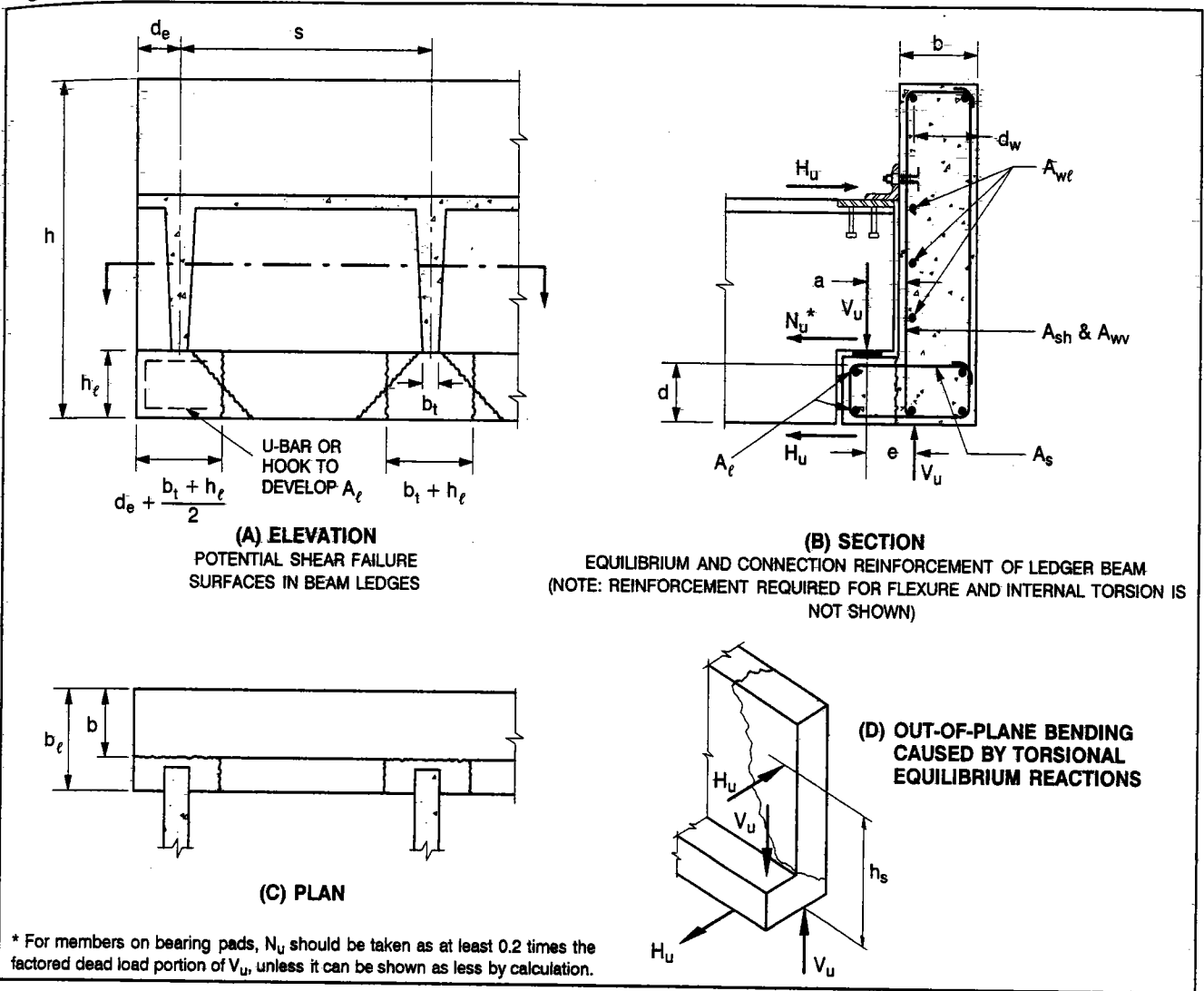
$f_y$  = yield strength of  $A_{sh}$  reinforcement

$m$  = a modification factor which can be derived from Eqs. 6 through 9 of Ref. 13 and is dependent on beam section geometry (see Table 4.5.1), and a factor  $\gamma_t$  which accounts for proportioning of applied torsion between the ledge and the web. If closed stirrups are provided in the ledge,  $\gamma_t$  may conservatively be taken as 1.0. If closed stirrups are not provided in the ledge,  $\gamma_t$  may be taken as zero.

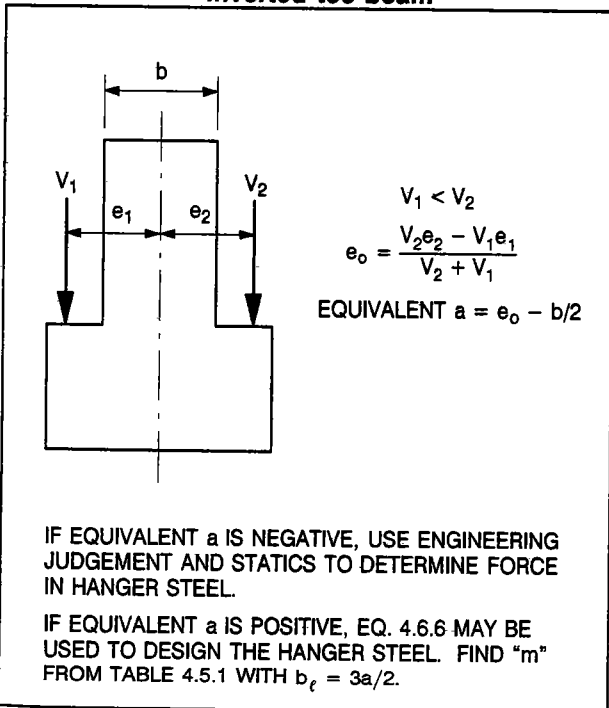
In the case of an inverted tee beam with unbalanced loads, "an equivalent  $b_\ell$ " can be calculated as shown in Figure 4.5.2. Use the values of  $e_o$  and  $b$  shown in Figure 4.5.2.



**Figure 4.5.1 Design of beam ledges**



**Figure 4.5.2 Unbalanced loads on an inverted tee beam**



**4.5.5 Out-of-Plane Bending Near Beam End**

In the Ref. 13 study, it was found that when the reaction is not colinear with applied loads, as illustrated in Figure 4.5.1, the resulting out-of-plane bending may require additional vertical and horizontal reinforcement. These are computed by Eq. 4.5.7 and provided on the inside face of the beam. This reinforcement is not additive to the reinforcement for internal torsion. The  $A_{wl}$  and  $A_{ww}$  bars should be evenly distributed over a height and width equal to  $h_s$ . See Figure 4.5.1(D).

$$A_{ww} = A_{wl} = \frac{V_u e}{2\phi f_y d_w} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.5.7})$$

Terms are as shown in Figure 4.5.1(B).  
where:

$V_u$  = factored shear force at critical section

$e$  = eccentricity, see Figure 4.5.1(B).

$\phi$  = 0.85 (Note: The use of  $\phi = 0.85$  instead of 0.90 (flexure) compensates for the use of  $d_w$  in place of the actual, somewhat smaller, lever arm.)

$f_y$  = yield strength

$d_w$  = depth of  $A_{ww}$  and  $A_{we}$  reinforcement from outside face of beam

Note that if the out-of-plane eccentricity,  $e$ , is very small, the additional reinforcement may not be required.

### Example 4.5.1 Ledger Beam End and Ledge Design

Given:

8 ft wide double tees resting on a standard L-beam similar to that shown in Figure 4.5.1. Layout of tees is irregular so that a stem can be placed at any point on the ledge.

$$V_u = 18 \text{ kips per stem}$$

$$N_u = 3 \text{ kips per stem}$$

$$h_\ell = 12 \text{ in.}$$

$$d = 11 \text{ in.}$$

$$d_\ell = 11 \text{ in.}$$

$$b_t = 3 \text{ in.}$$

$$b_\ell = 14 \text{ in.}$$

$$h = 36 \text{ in.}$$

$$b = 8 \text{ in.}$$

$$s = 48 \text{ in.}$$

$$f'_c = 5000 \text{ psi (normal weight)}$$

$$f_y = 60 \text{ ksi}$$

Problem:

Investigate the strength of the ledge and its attachment to the web. Determine required reinforcement.

Solution:

$$\text{Minimum } d_e = b_t/2 = 1.5 \text{ in.}$$

Since  $s > b_t + h_\ell$  and  $d_e < 2(b_\ell - b) + b_t + h_\ell$

use Eq. 4.5.2:

$$\begin{aligned} \phi V_n &= \phi h_\ell \lambda \sqrt{f'_c} [2(b_\ell - b) + b_t + h_\ell + 2d_e] \\ &= 0.85(12)(1)\sqrt{5000} [2(6) + 3 + 12 + 2(1.5)] \\ &= 21,600 \text{ lb} = 21.6 \text{ kips} > 18 \text{ OK} \end{aligned}$$

Determine reinforcement for flexure and axial tension:

$$\text{Shear span, } a = \frac{2}{3}(b_\ell - b) + 1\frac{1}{4} = 5.25 \text{ in}$$

By Eq. 4.5.4:

$$\begin{aligned} A_s &= \frac{1}{\phi f_y} \left[ V_u \left( \frac{a}{d} \right) + N_u \left( \frac{h_\ell}{d} \right) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{0.85(60)} \left[ 18 \left( \frac{5.25}{11} \right) + 3 \left( \frac{12}{11} \right) \right] \\ &= 0.23 \text{ in}^2 \\ 6h_\ell &= 6 \text{ ft} > s/2 = 2 \text{ ft} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore distribute reinforcement over  $s/2$  each side of the load.

$$(s/2)(2) = 4 \text{ ft}$$

$$\text{Maximum bar spacing} = h_\ell = 12 \text{ in.}$$

$$\text{Use \#3 bars at 12 in.} = 0.44 \text{ in}^2 \text{ for each 4 ft}$$

Place 2 additional bars at the beam end to provide equivalent reinforcement for stem placed near the end.

By Eq. 4.5.6:

$$A_{sh} = \frac{V_u}{\phi f_y} (m) = \frac{18}{0.85(60)} (1.33) = 0.47 \text{ in}^2$$

Note:  $m = 1.33$  is obtained from Table 4.5.1 corresponding to:  $b_\ell/b = 14/8 = 1.75$ ,  $h_\ell/h = 12/36 = 0.33$ ,  $b = 8$ , and  $\gamma_t = 1.0$  (closed stirrups in the ledge).

$$A_{sh} = \frac{0.47}{4} = 0.12 \text{ in}^2/\text{ft}$$

Maximum bar spacing =  $h_\ell = 12 \text{ in.}$

$$A_{sh} = \#3 \text{ at } 10 \text{ in.} = 0.132 \text{ in}^2/\text{ft}$$

By Eq. 4.5.5:

$$\begin{aligned} A_\ell &= \frac{200(b_\ell - b)d_\ell}{f_y} = \frac{200(14 - 8)(11)}{60,000} \\ &= 0.22 \text{ in}^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Use 2-\#3 top and bottom} = 0.22 \text{ in}^2$$

By Eq. 4.5.7

$$A_{ww} = A_{we} = \frac{V_u e}{2\phi f_y d_w}$$

Assume:

$$V_u e = 820 \text{ kip-in.}$$

$$d_w = b - 1.25 = 6.75 \text{ in.}$$

$$h_s = 18 \text{ in.}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A_{ww} = A_{we} &= \frac{820}{2(0.85)(60)(6.75)} \\ &= 1.19 \text{ in}^2 \end{aligned}$$

**Table 4.5.1 Modification factor, m, for design of hanger steel.**

$$A_{sh} = \frac{V_u}{\phi f_y} (m) \quad (\text{Eq. 4.5.6})$$

where:

$$m = \frac{\left[ (d + a) - \left( 3 - 2 \frac{h_\ell}{h} \right) \left( \frac{h_\ell}{h} \right)^2 \left( \frac{b_\ell}{2} \right) - e \gamma_t \frac{(x^2 y)_\ell}{\Sigma x^2 y} \right]}{d}$$

x, y = shorter and longer sides respectively, of the component rectangles forming the ledge and the web parts of the beam.

$\gamma_t = 0$ , when closed ties are not used in the ledge.  
 $= 1.0$  when closed ties are used in the ledge

The table values are based on the following assumptions:

- (1)  $d = b - 1.25$
- (2)  $V_u$  is applied at a distance equal to  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the ledge projection from the inside face of web.

$$(3) \frac{(x^2 y)_\ell}{\Sigma x^2 y} = \frac{(b_\ell - b)^2 \frac{h_\ell}{h}}{(b_\ell - b)^2 \frac{h_\ell}{h} + b^2}$$

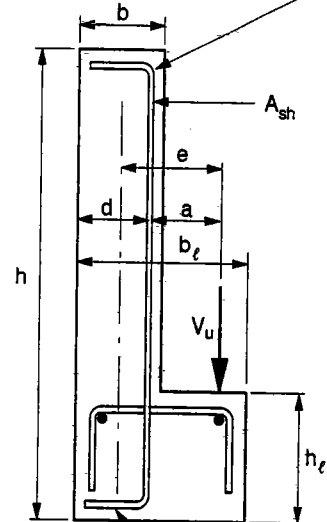
This is a conservative assumption for commonly used ledger beam sizes.

(Note: A lower limit of  $m = 0.6$  is suggested to account for the limited variability in beam sizes tested. Values of  $m$  smaller than 0.6 are flagged with \* in the table.)

**Modification factor, m**

$b_\ell/b$	$h_\ell/h$	$b = 6 \text{ in.}$		$b = 8 \text{ in.}$		$b = 10 \text{ in.}$	
		0.00	1.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	1.00
1.25	0.10	1.45	1.45	1.36	1.36	1.31	1.31
	0.15	1.43	1.42	1.34	1.33	1.29	1.28
	0.20	1.39	1.38	1.31	1.30	1.26	1.25
	0.25	1.35	1.34	1.27	1.26	1.22	1.21
	0.30	1.30	1.29	1.22	1.21	1.18	1.17
	0.35	1.25	1.23	1.18	1.16	1.13	1.12
	0.40	1.20	1.18	1.12	1.10	1.05	1.06
	0.45	1.14	1.12	1.07	1.05	1.03	1.01
	0.50	1.08	1.05	1.01	0.99	0.98	0.95
	0.55	1.02	0.99	0.96	0.93	0.92	0.90
	0.60	0.96	0.93	0.90	0.87	0.87	0.84
0.65	0.91	0.87	0.85	0.82	0.82	0.79	
0.70	0.86	0.82	0.80	0.77	0.77	0.74	
0.75	0.81	0.77	0.76	0.72	0.72	0.73	0.70
1.50	0.10	1.66	1.63	1.56	1.53	1.50	1.48
	0.15	1.63	1.59	1.53	1.49	1.47	1.44
	0.20	1.59	1.54	1.49	1.44	1.44	1.39
	0.25	1.54	1.48	1.44	1.38	1.39	1.34
	0.30	1.48	1.41	1.39	1.32	1.34	1.27
	0.35	1.42	1.33	1.33	1.25	1.28	1.21
	0.40	1.35	1.26	1.27	1.18	1.22	1.14
	0.45	1.28	1.18	1.20	1.10	1.16	1.06
	0.50	1.21	1.10	1.14	1.03	1.10	0.99
	0.55	1.14	1.01	1.07	0.85	1.03	0.92
	0.60	1.07	0.93	1.01	0.88	0.97	0.85
0.65	1.01	0.86	0.94	0.80	0.91	0.78	
0.70	0.94	0.79	0.89	0.74	0.85	0.71	
0.75	0.89	0.72	0.83	0.68	0.80	0.65	

BAR MUST BE DEVELOPED ABOVE AND BELOW CRITICAL SECTION AT TOP OF LEDGE



CLOSED TIES WHEN REQUIRED (SEE SECT. 4.4)

Table 4.5.1 Modification factor,  $m$ , for design of hanger steel (continued)

$b_e/b$	$\gamma_t$ $h_c/h$	$b = 6$ in.		$b = 8$ in.		$b = 10$ in.	
		0.00	1.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	1.00
1.75	0.10	1.87	1.80	1.75	1.69	1.69	1.63
	0.15	1.83	1.73	1.72	1.63	1.66	1.57
	0.20	1.78	1.65	1.67	1.55	1.61	1.50
	0.25	1.73	1.57	1.62	1.47	1.56	1.42
	0.30	1.66	1.48	1.56	1.38	1.50	1.34
	0.35	1.59	1.38	1.49	1.29	1.44	1.25
	0.40	1.51	1.28	1.42	1.20	1.37	1.15
	0.45	1.43	1.17	1.34	1.10	1.29	1.06
	0.50	1.35	1.07	1.26	1.00	1.22	0.96
	0.55	1.26	0.96	1.18	0.90	1.14	0.87
	0.60	1.18	0.86	1.11	0.81	1.07	0.78
	0.65	1.10	0.76	1.04	0.72	1.00	0.69
	0.70	1.03	0.67	0.97	0.63	0.93	0.61
0.75	0.97	0.59*	0.91	0.55*	0.87	0.53*	
2.00	0.10	2.07	1.94	1.95	1.82	1.88	1.75
	0.15	2.03	1.84	1.91	1.73	1.84	1.66
	0.20	1.98	1.73	1.86	1.62	1.79	1.57
	0.25	1.91	1.62	1.79	1.52	1.73	1.46
	0.30	1.84	1.49	1.72	1.40	1.66	1.35
	0.35	1.75	1.37	1.65	1.28	1.59	1.24
	0.40	1.66	1.24	1.56	1.16	1.51	1.12
	0.45	1.57	1.11	1.48	1.04	1.42	1.01
	0.50	1.48	0.98	1.39	0.92	1.34	0.89
	0.55	1.38	0.86	1.30	0.80	1.25	0.78
	0.60	1.29	0.74	1.21	0.69	1.17	0.67
	0.65	1.20	0.62	1.13	0.58*	1.09	0.56*
	0.70	1.12	0.51*	1.05	0.48*	1.01	0.46*
0.75	1.04	0.41*	0.98	0.38*	0.94	0.37*	
2.25	0.10	2.28	2.05	2.14	1.93	2.06	1.86
	0.15	2.23	1.91	2.10	1.80	2.02	1.73
	0.20	2.17	1.77	2.04	1.66	1.97	1.60
	0.25	2.10	1.62	1.97	1.52	1.90	1.47
	0.30	2.01	1.47	1.89	1.38	1.82	1.33
	0.35	1.92	1.32	1.80	1.24	1.74	1.20
	0.40	1.82	1.17	1.71	1.10	1.65	1.06
	0.45	1.72	1.02	1.61	0.95	1.55	0.92
	0.50	1.61	0.87	1.51	0.81	1.46	0.79
	0.55	1.50	0.72	1.41	0.68	1.36	0.65
	0.60	1.40	0.58*	1.31	0.55*	1.27	0.53*
	0.65	1.30	0.45*	1.22	0.42*	1.18	0.40*
	0.70	1.21	0.32*	1.13	0.30*	1.09	0.29*
0.75	1.12	0.21*	1.05	0.20*	1.02	0.19*	
$b_e/b$	$\gamma_t$ $h_c/h$	$b = 12$ in.		$b = 14$ in.		$b = 16$ in.	
		0.00	1.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	1.00
1.25	0.10	1.28	1.28	1.26	1.26	1.25	1.24
	0.15	1.26	1.25	1.24	1.23	1.23	1.22
	0.20	1.23	1.22	1.21	1.20	1.20	1.19
	0.25	1.19	1.18	1.17	1.16	1.16	1.15
	0.30	1.15	1.14	1.13	1.12	1.12	1.11
	0.35	1.11	1.09	1.09	1.07	1.08	1.06
	0.40	1.06	1.04	1.04	1.02	1.03	1.01
	0.45	1.01	0.99	0.99	0.97	0.98	0.96
	0.50	0.85	0.93	0.94	0.92	0.93	0.91
	0.55	0.90	0.88	0.89	0.86	0.88	0.85
	0.60	0.85	0.82	0.84	0.81	0.83	0.80
	0.65	0.80	0.77	0.79	0.76	0.78	0.75
	0.70	0.76	0.72	0.74	0.71	0.73	0.70
0.75	0.71	0.68	0.70	0.67	0.69	0.66	

**Table 4.5.1 Modification factor, m, for design of hanger steel (continued)**

$b_f/b$	$\gamma_t$ $h_c/h$	b = 12 in.		b = 14 in.		b = 16 in.	
		0.00	1.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	1.00
1.50	0.10	1.47	1.44	1.44	1.42	1.43	1.40
	0.15	1.44	1.41	1.42	1.38	1.40	1.37
	0.20	1.40	1.36	1.38	1.34	1.36	1.32
	0.25	1.36	1.30	1.34	1.28	1.32	1.27
	0.30	1.31	1.24	1.29	1.22	1.27	1.21
	0.35	1.25	1.18	1.23	1.16	1.22	1.15
	0.40	1.20	1.11	1.18	1.09	1.16	1.08
	0.45	1.13	1.04	1.12	1.02	1.10	1.01
	0.50	1.07	0.97	1.05	0.95	1.04	0.94
	0.55	1.01	0.90	0.99	0.88	0.98	0.87
	0.60	0.95	0.83	0.93	0.81	0.92	0.80
	0.65	0.89	0.76	0.87	0.75	0.86	0.74
	0.70	0.83	0.69	0.82	0.68	0.81	0.67
	0.75	0.78	0.64	0.77	0.63	0.76	0.62
1.75	0.10	1.65	1.59	1.62	1.56	1.60	1.55
	0.15	1.62	1.53	1.59	1.51	1.57	1.49
	0.20	1.58	1.46	1.55	1.44	1.53	1.42
	0.25	1.52	1.39	1.50	1.36	1.48	1.35
	0.30	1.47	1.30	1.44	1.28	1.52	1.27
	0.35	1.40	1.22	1.38	1.20	1.36	1.18
	0.40	1.33	1.13	1.31	1.11	1.30	1.10
	0.45	1.26	1.04	1.24	1.02	1.23	1.01
	0.50	1.19	0.94	1.17	0.93	1.16	0.92
	0.55	1.12	0.85	1.10	0.84	1.08	0.83
	0.60	1.04	0.76	1.03	0.75	1.01	0.74
	0.65	0.98	0.68	0.96	0.66	0.95	0.66
	0.70	0.91	0.59*	0.90	0.58*	0.89	0.58*
	0.75	0.85	0.52*	0.84	0.51*	0.83	0.51*
2.00	0.10	1.83	1.71	1.80	1.69	1.78	1.67
	0.15	1.80	1.63	1.77	1.60	1.75	1.58
	0.20	1.75	1.53	1.72	1.50	1.70	1.49
	0.25	1.69	1.43	1.66	1.40	1.64	1.39
	0.30	1.62	1.32	1.60	1.30	1.58	1.28
	0.35	1.55	1.21	1.52	1.19	1.51	1.28
	0.40	1.47	1.10	1.45	1.08	1.43	1.07
	0.45	1.39	0.98	1.37	0.97	1.35	0.96
	0.50	1.31	0.87	1.28	0.86	1.27	0.85
	0.55	1.22	0.76	1.20	0.75	1.19	0.74
	0.60	1.14	0.65	1.12	0.64	1.11	0.63
	0.65	1.06	0.55*	1.05	0.54*	1.03	0.63
	0.70	0.99	0.45*	0.97	0.44*	0.96	0.44*
	0.75	0.92	0.36*	0.91	0.36*	0.90	0.35*
2.25	0.10	1.98	1.78	1.96	1.76	1.94	1.75
	0.15	1.94	1.66	1.92	1.64	1.90	1.63
	0.20	1.89	1.54	1.87	1.52	1.85	1.51
	0.25	1.82	1.41	1.80	1.39	1.79	1.38
	0.30	1.75	1.28	1.73	1.27	1.71	1.25
	0.35	1.67	1.15	1.65	1.14	1.63	1.12
	0.40	1.58	1.02	1.56	1.00	1.55	1.00
	0.45	1.79	0.88	1.47	0.87	1.46	0.87
	0.50	1.40	0.75	1.38	0.75	1.37	0.74
	0.55	1.31	0.63	1.29	0.62	1.28	0.61
	0.60	1.22	0.50*	1.20	0.50*	1.19	0.49*
	0.65	1.13	0.39*	1.12	0.38*	1.11	0.38*
	0.70	1.05	0.28*	1.04	0.28*	1.03	0.27*
	0.75	0.98	0.18*	0.96	0.18*	0.95	0.18*

This amount should be compared with the reinforcement for internal shear and torsion design (Sects. 4.3 and 4.4) and only the excess provided over a width and height of 18 in.

#### 4.5.6 Pocketed Beams

As an alternative to beams with ledges, pocketed beams may be used to provide support for stemmed members. Because of double tee erection constraints, pocketed beams can only be used to support one end of the member. They are frequently used on the exterior line of columns in parking garages. Pocketed beams have the advantages of minimal torsion, simplified forming, economical production and a flush interior face.

#### Example 4.5.2 Shear, Torsion and Dap Design of a Prestressed Pocketed Spandrel Beam

##### Given:

Precast pocketed spandrel beam shown below.

D.L. of deck = 89 psf (10DT34 NWT)

L.L. = 50 psf

##### Beam Properties:

$$A = 624 \text{ in}^2$$

$$b = 8 \text{ in.}$$

$$f'_c = 5,000 \text{ psi}$$

$$f_y = 60 \text{ ksi}$$

$$H = 78 \text{ in.}$$

$$h_p = 20 \text{ in. (outside)}$$

$$D \cong 74 \text{ in. (assumed)}$$

$$wt = 650 \text{ plf}$$

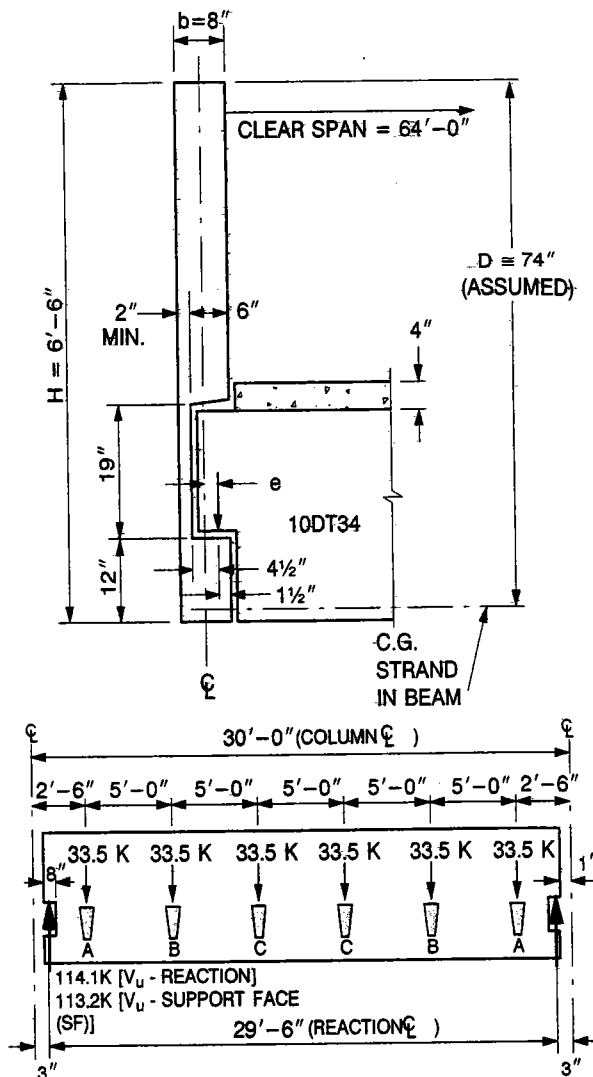
##### Problem:

Determine shear, torsion and dap reinforcement for the beam at critical sections. An objective of this example is to illustrate the reduced torsion requirement of prestressed pocketed spandrel beams. A comparison of this problem with Example 4.4.2 (a similarly loaded spandrel beam with a ledge) will provide contrasting design solutions.

##### Factored Loads:

##### Tee Stem:

$$\frac{64}{2} \left( \frac{10}{2} \right) \left( \frac{89(1.4) + 50(1.7)}{1000} \right) = 33.5 \text{ kips/stem}$$



##### Spandrel:

$$\frac{8(78)}{144} \left( \frac{150}{1000} \right) (1.4) = 0.91 \text{ klf}$$

Connections at spandrel ends, to columns, not shown, provide for overall beam torsional equilibrium. Calculate eccentricity of stem load,  $e$ . Stem load is applied at a distance equal to  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the pocket depth from the inside face of the pocket (or  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the pocket depth from the outside face of the pocket).

$$e = \frac{b}{2} - 6 \left( \frac{1}{4} \right) = 4 - 6 \left( \frac{1}{4} \right) = 2.5 \text{ in.}$$

##### Solution:

1. Compute design shear ( $V_u$ ) and torsion moment ( $T_u$ ) where  $T_u = 2.5 \text{ in.} \times \text{tee stem load}$ .

Location	$V_u$ (kips)	$T_u$ (k-in)	$M_u$ (k-ft)
Support Face (SF)	113.5	251.2	56.8
Pocket A	111.9	251.2	254.0
Pocket B	73.8	167.5	634.4
Pocket C	35.8	83.8	824.7
Mid-span	0.0	0.0	827.5

The critical section is at the face of the support since a concentrated load occurs within distance  $D$  from the pocketed spandrel end.

2. Determine shear reinforcement requirements using Eq. 4.4.1 at support face (SF) and pocket (A) and pocket (B).

$$\frac{A_v}{s} = \frac{(V_u/\phi) - V_c}{(f_y D)}$$

At support face using Eq. 4.3.6 (at end of member  $f_{pc} \cong 0$  and  $V_p = 0$ ):

$$\begin{aligned} V_c &= 3.5 \sqrt{f'_c} b_w D \\ &= \frac{3.5 \sqrt{5000}}{1000} (8)(74) = 146.5 \text{ kips} \end{aligned}$$

$$\phi V_c = 0.85(146.5) = 124.5 \text{ kips}$$

$$V_u < \phi V_c \text{ but greater than } \frac{\phi V_c}{2}$$

Therefore check  $A_{v,min}$  versus  $2A_t$  in torsion design,

since  $\left(\frac{A_v}{s}\right)_{SF}$  required = 0.0.

At pocket A:

For prestressing strands located as shown in Figure 4.5.3:

Assume  $f_{se} = 170$  ksi. (Note that this force is not transferred until  $\left(\frac{f_{se}}{3}\right)d_b = 28$  in. from the end. See Sect. 4.2.3).

$$f_{pc} = \frac{f_{se}}{bH} = \frac{4(0.153)(170,000)}{(8)(78)} = 167 \text{ psi}$$

Edge of pocket A is approximately 24 in. from the end of the beam.

$$f_{pcA} = \left(\frac{24}{28}\right)(167) \text{ psi} = 143 \text{ psi}$$

$$\begin{aligned} V_{cw} &= (3.5 \sqrt{f'_c} + 0.3f_{pc})(b_w D) \\ (V_p &= 0 \text{ because straight strands are used}). \end{aligned}$$

Reduce shear depth  $D$  by the height of the pocket,  $h_p$  to determine  $V_{cw}$ . Use full  $D$  for stirrup calculations.

$$\begin{aligned} V_{cw} &= \frac{(3.5 \sqrt{5000} + 0.3(167))}{1000} (8)(74 - 20) \\ &= 129 \text{ kips} \end{aligned}$$

Note:  $3.5 \sqrt{5000} + 0.3(167) = 298$  psi OK

$298 \text{ psi} < 5 \sqrt{5000} = 354$  psi, max  $V_c$  value.

$$\phi V_{cw} = (0.85)(129) = 110 \text{ kips} < V_u$$

Therefore:

$$\left(\frac{A_v}{s}\right)_A = \frac{(113.5/0.85) - 129}{60(74)} = 0.00102 \text{ in}^2/\text{in.}$$

At pocket B:

$$\text{Use } V_c = 2 \sqrt{f'_c} b_w (D - h_p)$$

$$V_c = \frac{2 \sqrt{5000}}{1000} (8)(54) = 61.1 \text{ kips}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{A_v}{s}\right)_B &= \frac{((73.8/0.85) - 61.1)}{60(74)} = 0.00579 \text{ in}^2/\text{in} \\ &= 0.0695 \text{ in}^2/\text{ft} \end{aligned}$$

3. Determine if torsion can be neglected using Eq. 4.4.3.

$$\text{Neglect if } T_u < \phi \sqrt{f'_c} \frac{A_{cp}^2}{P_{cp}} \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{f_{pc}}{4 \sqrt{f'_c}}\right)}$$

$$A_{cp} = 8(78) = 624 \text{ in}^2$$

$$P_{cp} = 2(8 + 78) = 172 \text{ in.}$$

$$\frac{0.85 \sqrt{5000}}{1000} \left(\frac{624^2}{172}\right) \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{167}{4 \sqrt{5000}}\right)}$$

$$= 171.6 \text{ kip-in}$$

< 251.2 kip-in at SF, design for torsion

> 167.5 kip-in at B, design for torsion not required.

4. Check using Eq. 4.4.4 that the required torsion and shear strength do not exceed the maximum limit which would result in crushing of the inclined compression strut.

$$\sqrt{\left(\frac{V_u}{b_w D}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{T_u P_h}{1.7 A_{oh}^2}\right)^2} \leq \phi 10 \sqrt{f'_c}$$

Use 1½ in. from edge to center of stirrups. This provides approximately 1¼ in. clear, which is adequate for precast concrete.

$$p_h = 2[8 - 2(1.5) + 78 - 2(1.5)] = 160.0 \text{ in.}$$

$$A_{oh} = [8 - 2(1.5)][78 - 2(1.5)] = 375.0 \text{ in}^2$$

$$\sqrt{\left(\frac{113,500}{8(74)}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{251,200(160)}{1.7(375)^2}\right)^2}$$

$$= 255 \text{ psi} < \phi 10\sqrt{f'_c} = 601 \text{ psi}$$

Maximum  $V_u$  and  $T_u$  OK, no further crushing checking required.

5. Determine transverse torsion reinforcement at support face (SF) and pocket (A) using Eq. 4.4.5 and solving for  $A_t/s$ . Angle  $\theta$  at SF is taken at 45° since the prestress force is not transferred at that point. (Note:  $\cot \theta = 1/\tan \theta$  and  $A_o = 0.85 A_{oh}$ ).

$$\frac{A_t}{s} = \frac{T_u(\tan \theta)}{\phi(2A_o f_{yv})}$$

$$= \frac{251.2(1.0)}{0.85(2)(0.85)(375)(60)} = 0.00773 \text{ in}^2/\text{in}$$

$$\left(\frac{A_v}{s} + \frac{2A_t}{s}\right)_{SF} = 0.00102 + 2(0.00773)$$

$$= 0.0165 \text{ in}^2/\text{in.}$$

$$\text{Use \# 3 at } 0.22/0.0165 = 13.3 \text{ in.}$$

$$\text{or \# 4 at } 0.40/0.0165 = 24.2 \text{ in.}$$

6. Check minimum stirrup requirements using Eq. 4.4.8.

$$\frac{A_v + 2A_t}{s} \geq \frac{50b_w}{f_{yv}} = \frac{50(8)}{60,000} = 0.00667 \text{ in}^2/\text{in}$$

$$\text{Use \#3 at } 0.22/0.00667 = 33.0 \text{ in.}$$

$$\text{Use \#4 at } 0.40/0.00667 = 60.0 \text{ in.}$$

Maximum spacing is the smaller of  $p_h/8$  or 12 in.

$$p_h/8 = 160/8 = 20.0 \text{ in.}$$

Use 12 in. maximum spacing.

Select #3 stirrups using spacing of 12 in. from end of beam to pocket B. Extend shear/torsion stirrups (and  $A_t$ ) a distance of  $b_w + D$  beyond the point no longer required. Between pockets B and mid-span, no torsion reinforcement is required, but shear reinforcement must be provided.

Use #3 at 12 in. (minimum).

$$\frac{A_v}{s} = \frac{0.22}{12} = 0.0183 > 0.00794 \text{ OK}$$

Note: If spacing is substantially different from that selected,  $\theta$  should be checked:  $30^\circ < \theta < 60^\circ$ .

7. Determine longitudinal reinforcement using Eq. 4.4.9 and check minimum longitudinal torsion reinforcement using Eq. 4.4.10 at support face and pocket (A):

$$(A_t)_{\min} = 2.44 \text{ in}^2 \text{ controls}$$

Number of  $A_t$  bars should be distributed evenly around cross-section perimeter with a 12 in. center to center spacing. This results in a total of 14 bars.

$$\text{Area per bar} = 2.44/14 = 0.17 \text{ in}^2$$

Use #4  $A_t$  bars at 12 in. centers.

8. Check additional code provisions.

(1) Since  $A_t$  reinforcement is minimum no further checks are necessary.

(2) Provide U-bars at the beam ends to develop  $A_t$  and splice to longitudinal bars. Use class B splice since all  $A_t$  bars spliced at the same location.

From Design Aid 11.2.8. For 5000 psi, #4 bars,  $1.0\ell_d = 17 \text{ in.}$  and  $1.3\ell_d = 22 \text{ in.}$

Extend  $A_t$  bars minimum of  $b_w + D$  beyond pocket B since  $T_u < 193.1 \text{ kip-in.}$ , therefore not requiring  $A_t$  nor  $A_s$ .

9. Determine hanger reinforcement  $A_{sh}$  at beam pockets using Eq. 4.5.6:

$$V_u = 33.5 \text{ kips (tee stem reaction)}$$

$$\text{use } V_u = 33.5 \text{ kips}/\cos 30^\circ = 38.7 \text{ kips}$$

$$A_{sh} = \frac{V_u}{\phi f_y} = \frac{38.7}{0.85(60)} = 0.76 \text{ in}^2 \text{ to two legs}$$

$$A_{sh} \text{ per bar leg} = 0.76/2 = 0.38 \text{ in}^2$$

Use (1) #6 bar.

$$A_{sh} \text{ total } 2(0.44) = 0.88 \text{ in}^2$$

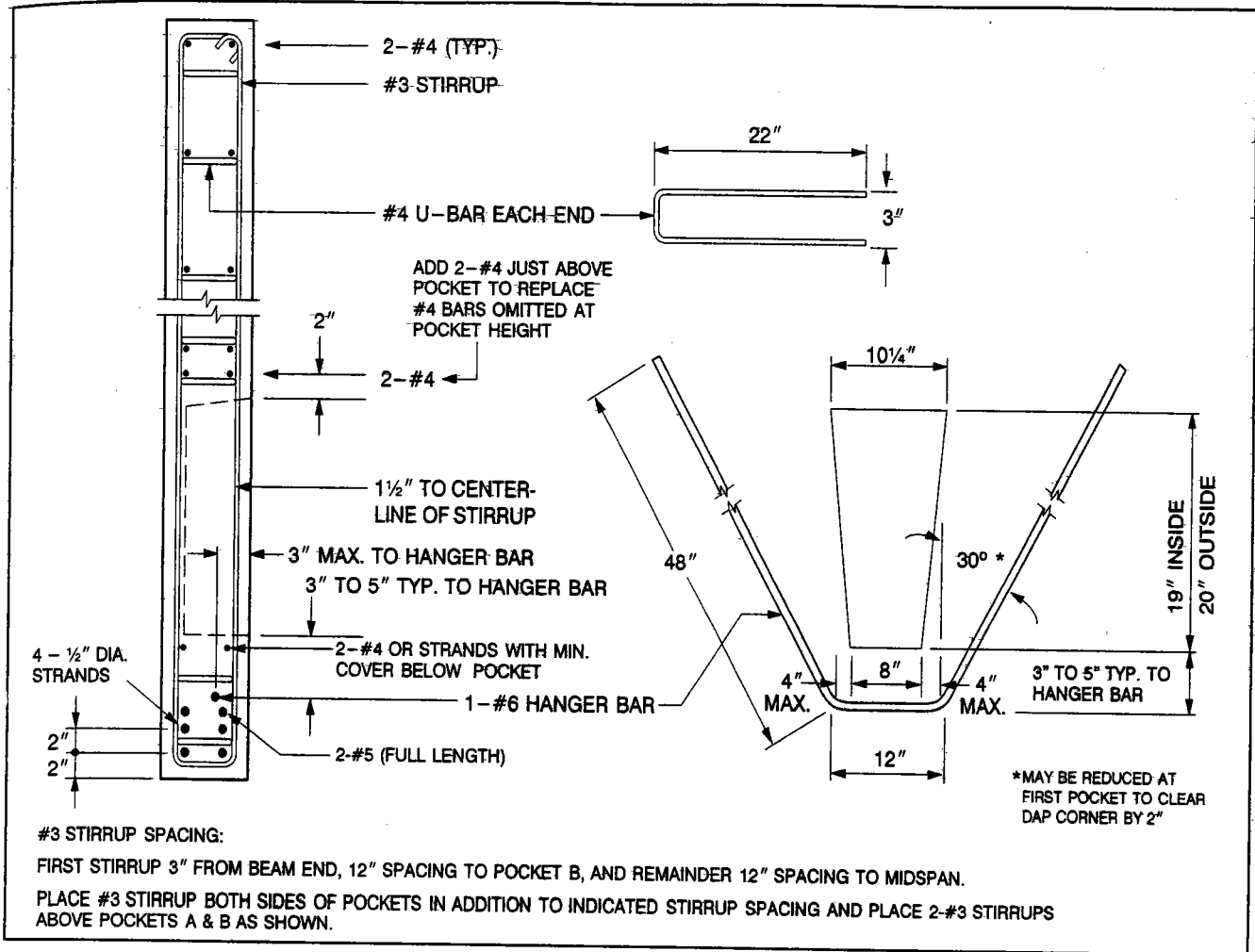
For #6,  $\ell_d/d_b = 33.9$  and  $\ell_d = 25.4 \text{ in.}$  required for bar above pocket top.

Select #6 with vertical leg length of 48 in. minimum.

10. Select dap reinforcement. See Fig 4.5.4.



Figure 4.5.3 Reinforcement details for Example 4.5.2



$$V_u = 114.1 \text{ kips}$$

$$V_u(DL) = 73.4 \text{ kips}$$

$$N_u = 0.2 V_u(DL) = 14.7 \text{ kips}$$

Determine the required reinforcements  $A_s$ ,  $A_h$ ,  $A_{sh}$ , and  $A_v$ .

Assume shear span,  $a = 9 \text{ in.}$ ,  $d = 39 \text{ in.}$

Check shear strength, Table 4.3.1

$$\begin{aligned} \phi V_n(\text{max.}) &= \phi(1000\lambda^2bd) \\ &= 0.85(1000)(1)^2(8)(39)/1000 \\ &= 265 \text{ kips} > 114.1 \text{ kips OK} \end{aligned}$$

Flexure in extended end by Eq. 4.6.3

$$\begin{aligned} A_s &= \frac{1}{\phi f_y} \left[ V_u \left( \frac{a}{d} \right) + N_u \left( \frac{h}{d} \right) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{0.85(60)} \left[ 114.1 \left( \frac{9}{39} \right) + 14.7 \left( \frac{40}{39} \right) \right] \\ &= 0.81 \text{ in}^2 \end{aligned}$$

Direct shear:

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_e &= \frac{1000\lambda b h \mu}{V_u} \\ &= \frac{1000(1)(8)(40)(1.4)(1)}{114,100} \end{aligned}$$

$$= 3.93 > 3.4 \text{ Use } 3.4.$$

By Eqs. 4.6.4 and 4.6.5:

$$\begin{aligned} A_s &= \frac{2V_u}{3\phi f_y \mu_e} + \frac{N_u}{\phi f_y} \\ &= \frac{2(114.1)}{3(0.85)(60)(3.4)} + \frac{14.7}{(0.85)(60)} \end{aligned}$$

$$= 0.44 + 0.29 = 0.73 < 0.81 \text{ in}^2$$

Therefore:

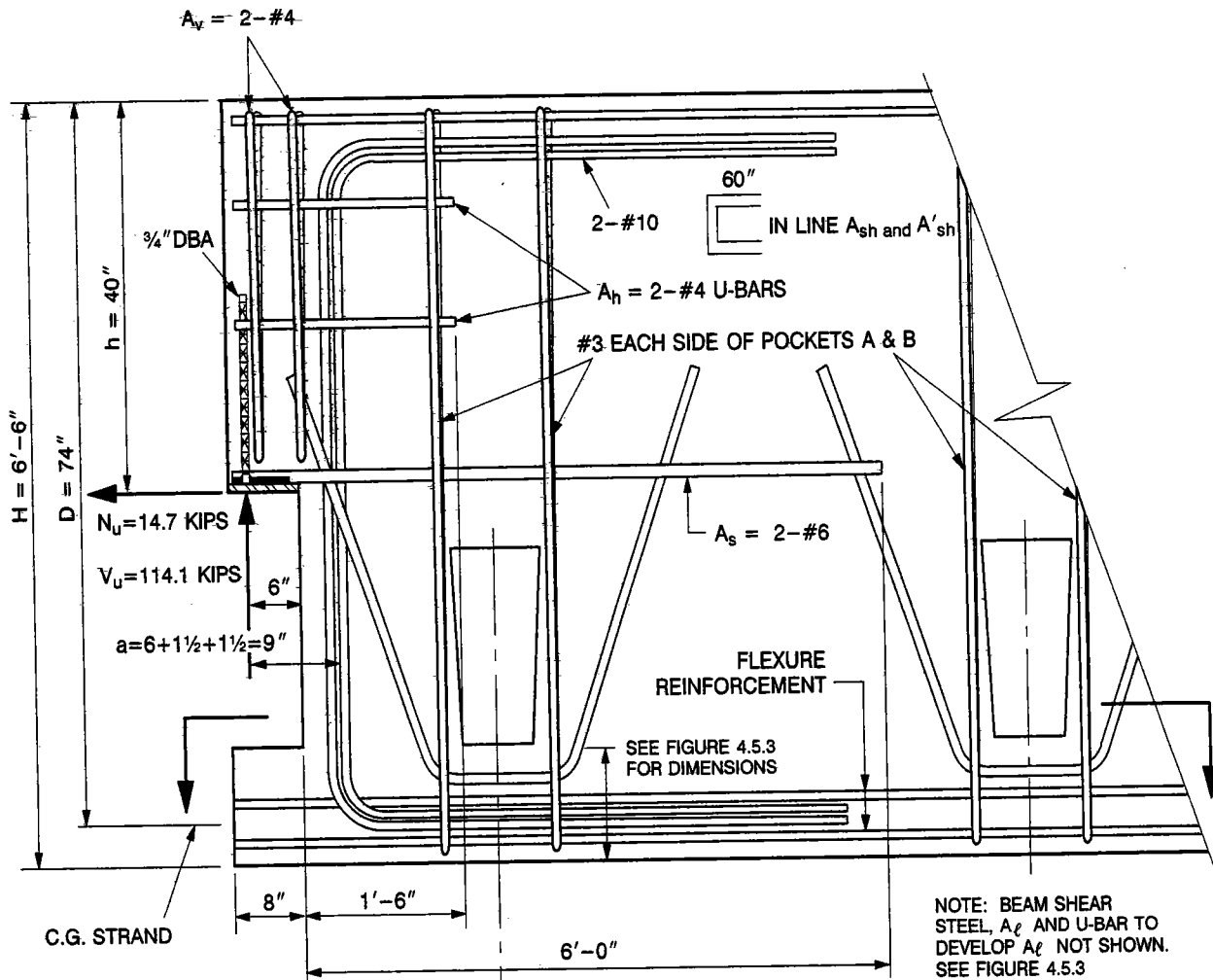
$$A_s = 0.81 \text{ in}^2$$

$$\text{Use } 2\text{-}\#6, A_s = 0.88 \text{ in}^2$$

By Eq. 4.6.6:

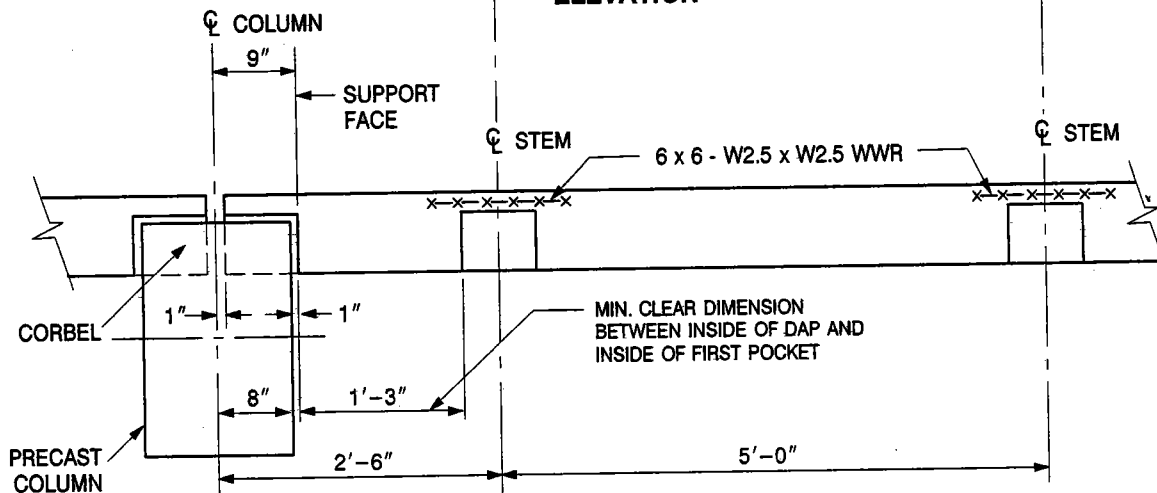
$$A_h = 0.5(A_s - A_n) = 0.5(0.81 - 0.29)$$

Figure 4.5.4 Dapped-end beam of Example 4.5.2



NOTE: BEAM SHEAR STEEL,  $A_\ell$  AND U-BAR TO DEVELOP  $A_\ell$  NOT SHOWN. SEE FIGURE 4.5.3

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Note: The minimum distance shown from edge of the dap to the face of the first pocket (15 in.) and the typical dimension shown for the hanger bar to be placed below the bottom of the pocket (3-5 in.) are Committee recommendations based on discussions. Research is underway to verify these recommendations.

$$= 0.26 \text{ in}^2$$

Use 2-#3 U-bars.  $A_h = 0.44 \text{ in}^2$

Diagonal tension at re-entrant corner:

By Eq. 4.6.7:

$$A_{sh} = \frac{V_u}{\phi f_y} = \frac{114.1}{0.85(60)} = 2.24 \text{ in}^2$$

Use 2-#10 = 2.54 in<sup>2</sup>

$A'_{sh}$  is provided by the horizontal legs of the C-shaped #10 bars.

Diagonal tension at extended end (Sect. 4.6.3.4):

Concrete capacity:

$$\begin{aligned} &= 2\lambda \sqrt{f'_c} bd \\ &= \frac{(2)(1)\sqrt{5000}(8)(39)}{1000} = 44.1 \text{ kips} \end{aligned}$$

By Eq. 4.6.9:

$$\begin{aligned} A_v &= \frac{1}{2f_y} \left[ \frac{V_u}{\phi} - 2\lambda bd \sqrt{f'_c} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2(60)} \left( \frac{114.1}{0.85} - 44.1 \right) = 0.75 \text{ in}^2 \end{aligned}$$

Try 2-#4 stirrups = 0.80 in<sup>2</sup>

Check Eq. 4.6.8:

$$\begin{aligned} \phi V_n &= \phi \left[ A_v f_y + A_h f_y + 2\lambda bd \sqrt{f'_c} \right] \\ &= 0.85 \left[ 0.80(60) + 0.44(60) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{2(1)(8)(39)\sqrt{5000}}{1000} \right] \\ &= 101 \text{ kips} < 114.1 \text{ kips} \end{aligned}$$

Change  $A_h$  to 2-#4 U-bars.

$$\phi V_n = 119 \text{ kips} > 114.1 \text{ kips} \quad \text{OK}$$

Check anchorage requirements:

$A_s$  bars:

From Design Aid 11.2.8:

$$f_y = 60,000,$$

$$f'_c = 5000 \text{ psi, \#6 bars}$$

$$1.3\ell_d = 33 \text{ in.}$$

Extension past dap =  $H - d + 1.3\ell_d$  (see Figure 4.6.3)

$$\begin{aligned} &= 78 - 39 + 33 \\ &= 72 \text{ in. (6 ft - 0 in.)} \end{aligned}$$

$A_h$  bars:

From Design Aid 11.2.8, for #4-bars:

$$1.3\ell_d = 22 \text{ in. (say, 2 ft - 0 in.)}$$

$A'_{sh}$  bars (see Figure 4.6.3):

From Design Aid 11.2.8, for #10 bars:

$$\ell_d = 54 \text{ in.}$$

bar length =  $H - D + \ell_d$

$$= 78 - 74 + 54 = 58 \text{ in.}$$

(say 5 ft - 0 in.)

11. Other considerations.

- For parking garages the spandrel beam must be checked for vehicle barrier load criteria. Most codes require the application of 6,000 lb (unfactored) applied horizontally 18 in. above the floor.
- Local code requirements for snow loading, including drifting, should be checked in addition to the 50 psf live load on the roof decks of parking structures.
- 2-#5 longitudinal bars shown above strands in Fig 4.5.3 have been added to satisfy ACI 318-95 Sect. 18.8.3. (Additional strand instead of No. 5 bars may be used).

## 4.6 Bearing

### 4.6.1 Bearing on Plain Concrete

Plain concrete bearing may be used in situations where the bearing is uniform and the bearing stresses are low as is typical, for example, in hollow-core and solid slabs. In other situations, and in thin stemmed members where the bearing area is smaller than 20 in<sup>2</sup>, a minimum reinforcement equal to  $N_u/\phi f_y$  (but not less than one No. 3 bar) is recommended. (Note that Ref. 14 recommends that  $N_u$  be taken as 0.2 times the sustained load portion of  $V_u$  unless otherwise calculated).

The design bearing strength of plain concrete may be calculated as:

$$\phi V_n = \phi C_r (0.85f'_c A_1) \sqrt{\frac{A_2}{A_1}} \leq 1.2f'_c A_1 \quad (\text{Eq. 4.6.1})$$

where:

$\phi V_n$  = design bearing strength

$$\phi = 0.70$$

$$C_r = \left( \frac{SW}{200} \right)^{N_u/V_u}$$

= 1.0 when reinforcement is provided in direction of  $N_u$ , in accordance with Sect. 4.6.2 or when  $N_u$  is zero. The product  $sw$  should not be taken greater than  $9.0 \text{ in}^2$

$A_1$  = loaded area

$A_2$  = maximum area of the portion of the supporting surface that is geometrically similar to and concentric with the loaded area (see Figure 4.6.1)

#### 4.6.2 Reinforced Concrete Bearing

If the applied load,  $V_u$ , exceeds the design bearing strength,  $\phi V_n$ , as calculated by Eq. 4.6.1, reinforcement is required in the bearing area. This reinforcement can be designed by shear-friction as discussed in Sect. 4.3.6. Referring to Figure 4.6.2, the reinforcement  $A_{vf} + A_n$  nominally parallel to the direction of the axial load,  $N_u$ , is determined by Eqs. 4.3.15 through 4.3.17 with  $A_{cr}$  equal to  $b \times h$  (i.e.,  $\theta \approx 0^\circ$ , see Ref. 14). This reinforcement must be appropriately developed by hooks or by welding to anchor bar, bearing plate or angle.

Vertical reinforcement across potential horizontal cracks can be calculated by:

$$A_{sh} = \frac{(A_{vf} + A_n)f_y}{\mu_e f_{ys}} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.6.2})$$

where:

$$\mu_e = \frac{1000\lambda A_{cr}\mu}{(A_{vf} + A_n)f_y}$$

$f_{ys}$  = yield strength of  $A_{sh}$ , psi

$$A_{cr} = \ell_d b, \text{ in}^2$$

$b$  = average member width, in

$\ell_d$  = development length of  $A_{vf} + A_n$  bars, in

Stirrups or mesh used for diagonal tension reinforcement can be considered to act as  $A_{sh}$  reinforcement.

When members are subjected to bearing force in excess of  $1.2f'_c A_1$ , confinement reinforcement in all directions may be necessary.

#### Example 4.6.1 Reinforced Bearing for a Rectangular Beam

Given:

PCI standard rectangular beam 16RB28-

$V_u = 94$  kips (includes all load factors)

$N_u = 15$  kips (includes all load factors)

Bearing pad = 4" x 14"

$f_y = 60,000$  psi (all reinforcement)

$f'_c = 5000$  psi (normal weight)

Problem:

Determine reinforcement requirements for the end of the member.

Solution:

$$A_{cr} = b(h) = 16(28) = 448 \text{ in}^2$$

Check max  $V_n$  from Table 4.3.1

$$1000\lambda^2 A_{cr} = 1000(1.0)^2(448)/1000 = 448 \text{ kips}$$

$$\max V_u = 0.85(448) = 381 \text{ kips} > 94 \text{ OK}$$

By Eq. 4.3.16:

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_e &= \frac{1000\lambda A_{cr}\mu}{V_u} = \frac{1000(1)(448)(1.4)(1)}{94,000} \\ &= 6.67 > 3.4, \text{ use } 3.4 \end{aligned}$$

By Eq. 4.3.15:

$$\begin{aligned} A_{vf} &= \frac{V_u}{\phi f_y \mu_e} = \frac{94,000}{0.85(60,000)(3.4)} \\ &= 0.54 \text{ in}^2 \end{aligned}$$

By Eq. 4.3.17:

$$A_n = \frac{N_u}{\phi f_y} = \frac{15,000}{0.85(60,000)}$$

$$= 0.29 \text{ in}^2$$

$$A_{vf} + A_n = 0.54 + 0.29 = 0.83 \text{ in}^2$$

Use 3-#5 = 0.93 in<sup>2</sup>

Determine  $\ell_d$  from Design Aid 11.2.8 for

$f'_c = 5,000$  psi:

$$\ell_d = 21 \text{ in.}$$

$$A_{cr} = \ell_d b = (21)(16) = 336 \text{ in}^2$$

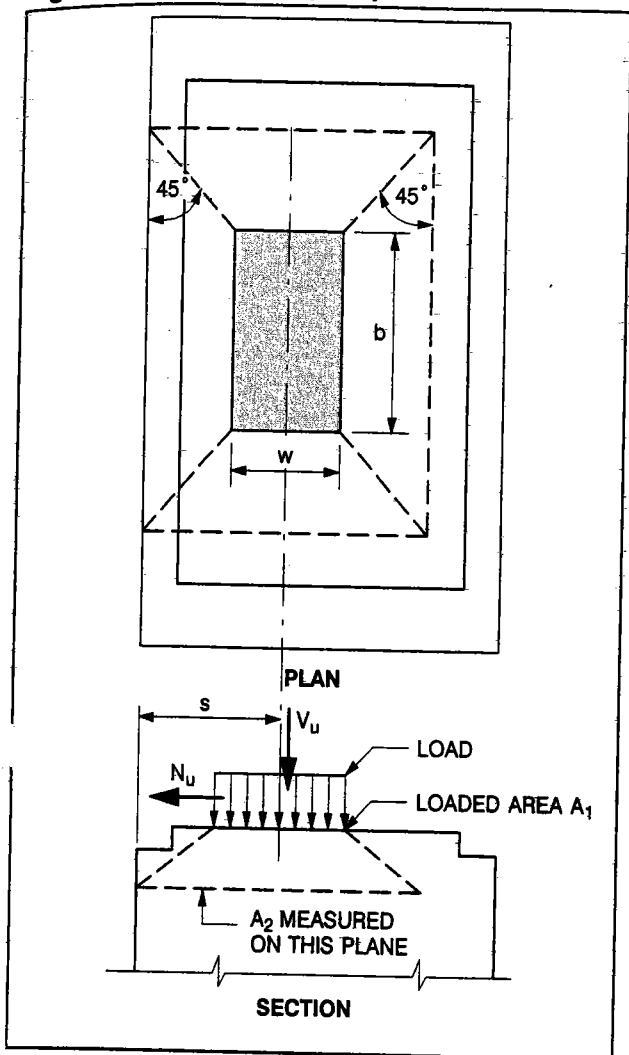
$$\mu_e = \frac{1000(1)(336)(1.4)(1)}{0.83(60,000)} = 9.44 > 3.4$$

Use  $\mu_e = 3.4$

$$A_{sh} = \frac{(A_{vf} + A_n)f_y}{\mu_e f_{ys}} = \frac{0.83(60,000)}{3.4(60,000)} = 0.24 \text{ in}^2$$

Use 2-#3 stirrups = 0.44 in<sup>2</sup>

**Figure 4.6.1 Bearing on plain concrete**



### 4.6.3 Dapped-End Bearing

Design of bearing areas which are recessed or dapped into the end of the member requires the investigation of several potential failure modes. These are numbered and shown in Figure 4.6.3 and listed in this section along with the reinforcement required for each consideration. The design equations given in this section are based primarily on Refs. 15 and 16, and are appropriate for cases where shear span-to-depth ratio ( $a/d$  in Figure 4.6.3) is not more than 1.0.

Dap reinforcement (Eqs. 4.6.3 through 4.6.9) should be provided in all cases where any one or more of the following conditions occurs:

1. The depth of the recess exceeds  $0.2H$  or 8 in.
2. The width of the recess ( $\ell_p$  in Figure 4.6.3) exceeds 12 in.

$a$  = shear span, in., measured from load to center of  $A_{sh}$

- 3a. For members less than 8 in. wide, less than  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the main flexural reinforcement extends to the end of the member above the dap.

- 3b. For members 8 in. or more wide, less than  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the main flexural reinforcement extends to the end of the member above the dap.

These criteria indicate that only short, shallow recesses, having the minimum amount of main reinforcement or more extending into the nib above the dap, do not require all the dap reinforcement. Experience and some unpublished tests verify that, for short, shallow recesses, the hanger reinforcement,  $A_{sh}$  and  $A'_{sh}$  is not necessary. However, in these cases it is recommended that confinement reinforcement,  $A_v$ , and flexural reinforcement,  $A_{vf} + A_n$  in accordance with Sect. 4.6.2, be provided.

Ref. 26 supports the above criteria for determining when a dap requires full dap reinforcement. It also contains information on cases when  $a/d$  exceeds 1.0.

The potential failure modes are as follows:

1. Flexure (cantilever bending) and axial tension in the extended end. Provide flexural reinforcement,  $A_f$ , plus axial tension reinforcement,  $A_n$ .
2. Direct shear at the junction of the dap and the main body of the member. Provide shear-friction reinforcement composed of  $A_{vf}$  and  $A_{th}$ , plus axial tension reinforcement,  $A_n$ .
3. Diagonal tension emanating from the re-entrant corner. Provide shear reinforcement,  $A_{sh}$ .
4. Diagonal tension in the extended end. Provide shear reinforcement composed of  $A_n$  and  $A_v$ .
5. Diagonal tension in the undapped portion. This is resisted by providing a full development length for  $A_s$  beyond the potential crack [15].

Each of these potential failure modes should be investigated separately. The reinforcement requirements are not cumulative, that is,  $A_s$  is the greater of that required by 1 or 2, not the sum.  $A_n$  is the greater of that required by 2 or 4, not the sum.

#### 4.6.3.1 Flexure and Axial Tension in the Extended End

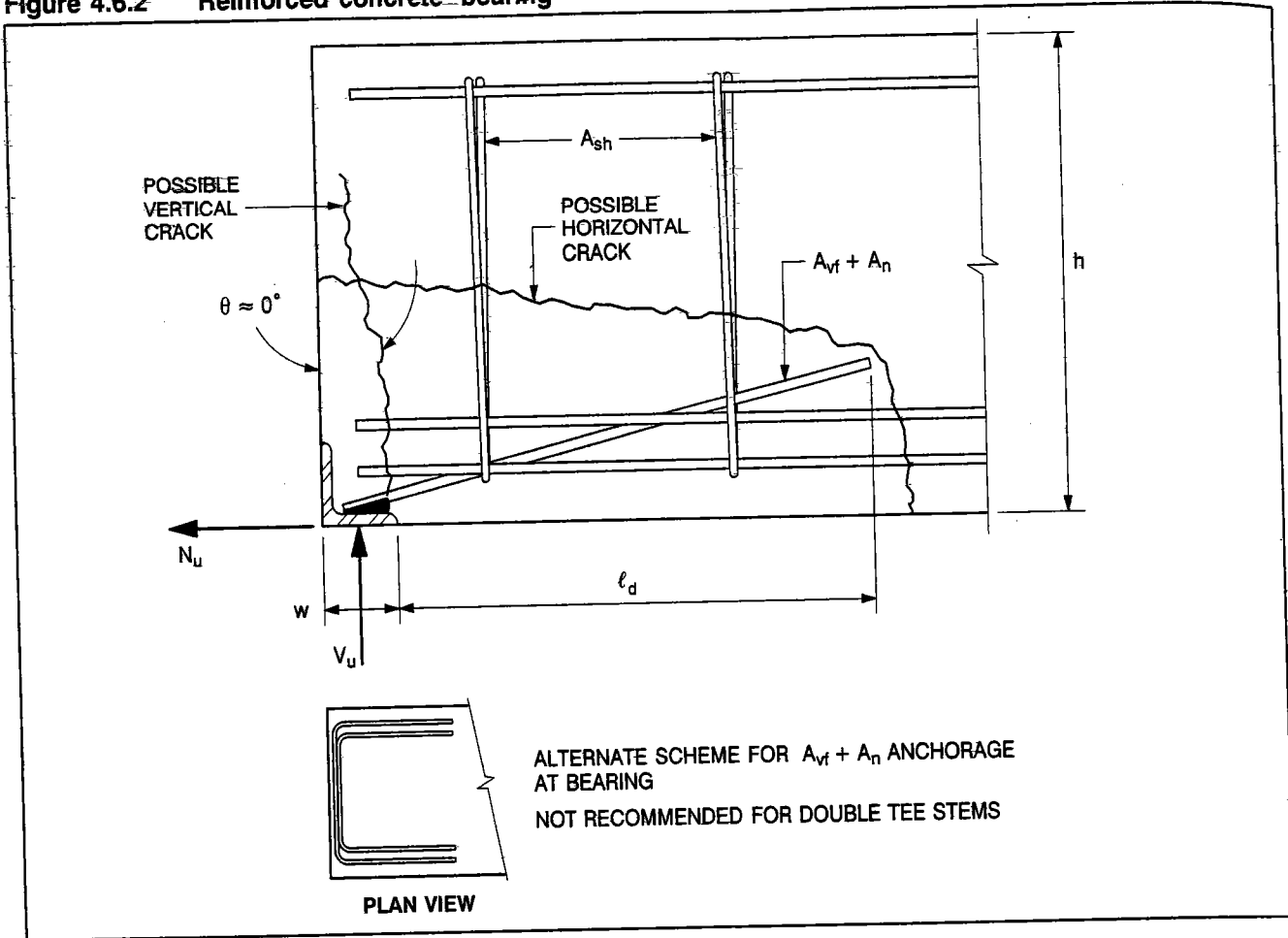
The horizontal reinforcement is determined in a manner similar to that for column corbels, Sect. 6.8. Thus:

$$A_s = A_f + A_n = \frac{1}{\phi f_y} \left[ V_u \left( \frac{a}{d} \right) + N_u \left( \frac{h}{d} \right) \right] \quad (\text{Eq. 4.6.3})$$

where:  $\phi = 0.85^*$

\* To be exact, Eq. 4.6.3 should have  $j_u d$  in the denominator. The use of  $\phi = 0.85$  instead of 0.90 (flexure) compensates for this approximation. Also, for uniformity  $\phi = 0.85$  is used throughout Sect. 4.6 even though  $\phi = 0.90$  would be more appropriate and may be used where flexure and direct tension are addressed.

Figure 4.6.2 Reinforced concrete bearing



$h$  = depth of the member above the dap, in

$d$  = distance from top to center of the reinforcement,  $A_s$ , in

$f_y$  = yield strength of the flexural reinforcement, psi

The shear strength of the extended end is limited by the maximum values given in Table 4.3.1.

$N_u$  = 0.2 times sustained load portion of  $V_u$  unless otherwise calculated [14].

#### 4.6.3.2 Direct Shear

The potential vertical crack shown in Figure 4.6.3 is resisted by a combination of  $A_s$  and  $A_n$ . This reinforcement can be calculated by Eqs. 4.6.4 through 4.6.6.

$$A_s = \frac{2V_u}{3\phi f_y \mu_e} + A_n \quad (\text{Eq. 4.6.4})$$

$$A_n = \frac{N_u}{\phi f_y} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.6.5})$$

$$A_h = 0.5(A_s - A_n) \quad (\text{Eq. 4.6.6})$$

where:

$$\phi = 0.85$$

$f_y$  = yield strength of  $A_s$ ,  $A_n$ ,  $A_h$ , psi

$$\mu_e = \frac{1000\lambda b h \mu}{V_u} \leq \text{values in Table 4.3.1}$$

#### 4.6.3.3 Diagonal Tension at Re-entrant Corner

The reinforcement required to resist diagonal tension cracking starting from the re-entrant corner, shown as 3 in Figure 4.6.3, can be calculated from:

$$A_{sh} = \frac{V_u}{\phi f_y} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.6.7})$$

where:

$$\phi = 0.85$$

$V_u$  = applied factored load

$A_{sh}$  = vertical or diagonal bars across potential diagonal tension crack, in<sup>2</sup>

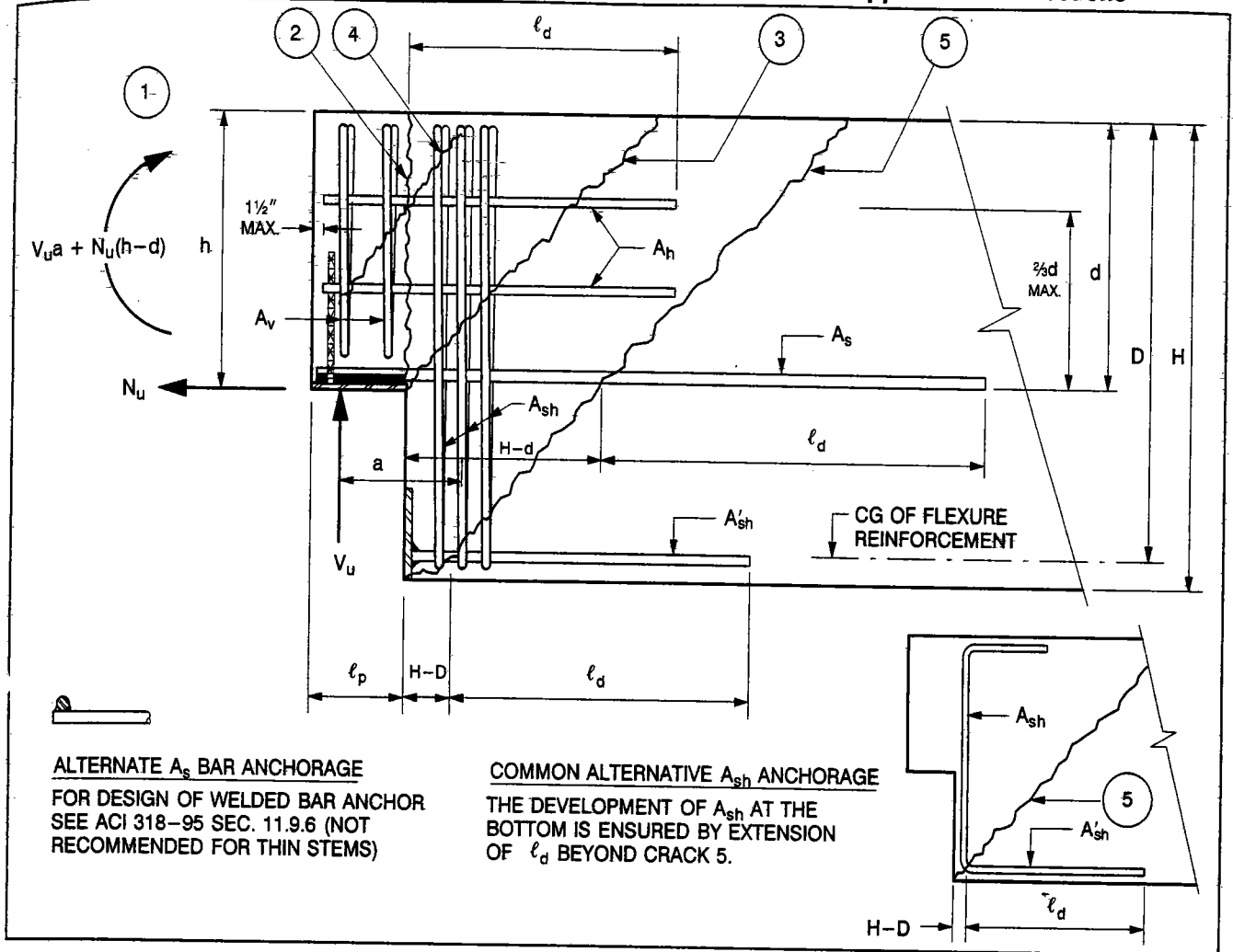
$f_y$  = yield strength of  $A_{sh}$

#### 4.6.3.4 Diagonal Tension in the Extended End

Additional reinforcement for crack 4 in Figure 4.6.3 is required in the extended end, such that:

$$\phi V_n = \phi(A_v f_y + A_n f_y + 2\lambda b d \sqrt{f'_c}) \quad (\text{Eq. 4.6.8})$$

**Figure 4.6.3 Potential failure modes and required reinforcement in dapped-end connections**



At least one half of the reinforcement required in this area should be placed vertically. Thus:

$$\min A_v = \frac{1}{2f_y} \left( \frac{V_u}{\phi} - 2\lambda b d \sqrt{f'_c} \right) \quad (\text{Eq. 4.6.9})$$

#### 4.6.3.5 Anchorage of Reinforcement

With reference to Figure 4.6.3:

1. Horizontal bars  $A_s$  should be extended a minimum of  $l_d$  past crack 5, and anchored at the end of the beam by welding to cross bars, plates or angles.
2. Horizontal bars  $A_h$  should be extended a minimum of  $l_d$  past crack 2 and anchored at the end of the beam by hooks or other suitable means.
3. To ensure development of hanger reinforcement,  $A_{sh}$ , it may be bent and continued parallel to the beam bottom, or separate horizontal reinforcement,  $A'_{sh} \geq A_{sh}$  must be provided. The extension of  $A'_{sh}$  or  $A_{sh}$  reinforcement at beam bottom must be at least  $l_d$  beyond crack 5. The  $A'_{sh}$  reinforcement may be anchored on the

dap side by welding it to a plate (as shown in Figure 4.6.3), angle or cross bar. The beam flexure reinforcement may also be used to ensure development of  $A_{sh}$  reinforcement provided that the flexure reinforcement is adequately anchored on the dap side.

4. Vertical reinforcement  $A_v$  should be properly anchored by hooks as required by ACI 318-95.
5. Welded wire reinforcement in place of bars may be used for reinforcement. It should be anchored in accordance with ACI 318-95.

#### 4.6.3.6 Other Considerations

1. The depth of the extended end should not be less than about one-half the depth of the beam, unless the beam is significantly deeper than necessary for other than structural reasons.
2. The hanger reinforcement,  $A_{sh}$ , should be placed as close as practical to the re-entrant corner. This reinforcement requirement is not additive to other shear reinforcement requirements.

3. If the flexural stress in the full depth section immediately beyond the dap, using factored loads and gross section properties, exceeds  $6\sqrt{f'_c}$ , longitudinal reinforcement should be placed in the beam to develop the required flexural strength.

4. The Ref. 16 study found that, due to formation of the critical diagonal tension crack (crack 5 in Figure 4.6.3), it was not possible to develop a full depth beam shear strength greater than the diagonal tension cracking shear in the vicinity of the dap. It is therefore suggested that, for a length of the beam equal to the overall depth,  $H$ , of the beam, the nominal shear strength of concrete,  $V_c$ , be taken as the lesser of  $V_{ci}$  and  $V_{cw}$  calculated at  $H/2$  from the end of the full depth web.

### Example 4.6.2 Reinforcement for Dapped-End Beam

Given:

The 16RB28 beam with a dapped end as shown in Fig 4.6.4

$$V_u = 100 \text{ kips (includes all load factors)}$$

$$N_u = 15 \text{ kips (includes all load factors)}$$

$$f'_c = 5000 \text{ psi (normal weight)}$$

$$f_y = 60 \text{ ksi (for all reinforcement)}$$

Problem:

Determine the required reinforcements  $A_s$ ,  $A_h$ ,  $A_{sh}$ , and  $A_v$  shown in Figure 4.6.3

Solution:

1. Flexure in extended end:

By Eq. 4.6.3:

$$\begin{aligned} A_s &= \frac{1}{\phi f_y} \left[ V_u \left( \frac{a}{d} \right) + N_u \left( \frac{h}{d} \right) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{0.85 \times 60} \left[ 100 \left( \frac{6}{15} \right) + 15 \left( \frac{16}{15} \right) \right] \\ &= 1.10 \text{ in}^2 \end{aligned}$$

2. Direct shear:

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_e &= \frac{1000 \lambda b h \mu}{V_u} = \frac{1000(1)(16)(16)(1.4)(1)}{100,000} \\ &= 3.58 > 3.4 \text{ Use 3.4} \\ &\text{By Eqs. 4.6.4 and 4.6.5:} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A_s &= \frac{2V_u}{3\phi f_y \mu_e} + \frac{N_u}{\phi f_y} \\ &= \frac{2(100)}{3(0.85)(60)(3.4)} + \frac{15}{0.85(60)} \\ &= 0.38 + 0.29 = 0.67 \text{ in}^2 < 1.10 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $A_s = 1.10 \text{ in}^2$

Use 4-#5,  $A_s = 1.24 \text{ in}^2$

By Eq. 4.6.6:

$$\begin{aligned} A_h &= 0.5(A_s - A_n) = 0.5(1.10 - 0.29) \\ &= 0.41 \text{ in}^2 \end{aligned}$$

Assume: Shear span,  $a = 6 \text{ in.}$

$d = 15 \text{ in.}$

Check shear strength, Table 4.3.1:

$$\begin{aligned} \phi V_n &= \phi(1000 \lambda^2 b d) \\ &= 0.85(1000)(1)^2(16)(15)/1000 \\ &= 204 \text{ kips} > 100 \text{ OK} \end{aligned}$$

Use 2-#3 U-bars.  $A = 0.44 \text{ in}^2$

3. Diagonal tension at re-entrant corner:

By Eq. 4.6.7:

$$A_{sh} = \frac{V_u}{\phi f_y} = \frac{100}{0.85(60)} = 1.96 \text{ in}^2$$

Use 5-#4 closed ties = 2.00 in<sup>2</sup>

For  $A'_{sh}$  (minimum area =  $A_{sh}$ )

Use 5-#6 = 2.2 in<sup>2</sup> > 1.96 OK

4. Diagonal tension in the extended end:

Concrete capacity =  $2\lambda\sqrt{f'_c}bd$

$$= 2(1)\sqrt{5000}(16)(15)/1000 = 33.9 \text{ kips}$$

By Eq. 4.6.9:

$$\begin{aligned} A_v &= \frac{1}{2f_y} \left[ \frac{V_u}{\phi} - 2\lambda b d \sqrt{f'_c} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2(60)} \left( \frac{100}{0.85} - 33.9 \right) = 0.70 \text{ in}^2 \end{aligned}$$

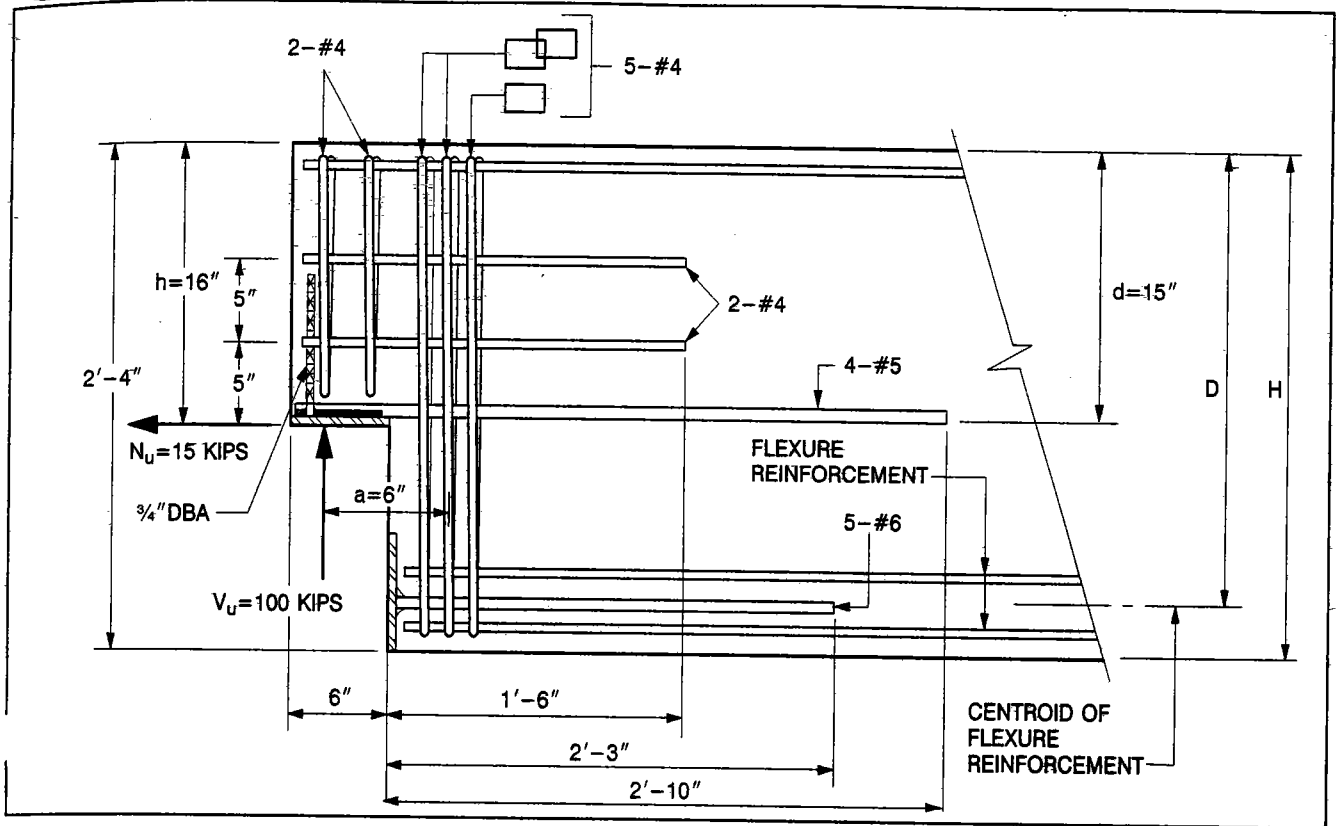
Try 2-#4 stirrups = 0.80 in<sup>2</sup>

Check Eq. 4.6.8:

$$\begin{aligned} \phi V_n &= \phi(A_v f_y + A_h f_y + 2\lambda\sqrt{f'_c}bd) \\ &= 0.85[0.80(60) + 0.44(60) + 33.9] \end{aligned}$$



Figure 4.6.4 Dapped-end beam of Example 4.6.2



$$= 92.1 \text{ kips} < 100$$

Change  $A_h$  to 2-#4

$$\phi V_n = 110.4 \text{ kips} > 100 \text{ OK}$$

Check anchorage requirements:

$A_s$  bars:

From Design Aid 11.2.8:

$$f_y = 60,000 \text{ psi}$$

$$f'_c = 5000 \text{ psi}$$

#5 bars

$$\ell_d = 21 \text{ in.}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Extension past dap} &= H - d + \ell_d \\ &= 28 - 15 + 21 \\ &= 34 \text{ in.} \end{aligned}$$

$A_h$  bars:

From Design Aid 11.2.8, for #4 bars:

$$\ell_d = 17 \text{ in.}$$

$A'_{sh}$  bars:

From Design Aid 11.2.8, for #6 bars:

$$\ell_d = 25 \text{ in.}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{bar length} &= H - D + \ell_d \\ &= 28 - 26 + 25 \\ &= 27 \text{ in.} \end{aligned}$$

## 4.7 Loss of Prestress

Loss of prestress is the reduction of tensile stress in prestressing tendons due to shortening of the concrete around the tendons, relaxation of stress within the tendons and external factors which reduce the total initial force before it is applied to the concrete. ACI 318-95 identifies the sources of loss of prestress listed in Sect. 4.7.1.

Accurate determination of losses is more important in some prestressed concrete members than in others. Losses have no effect on the ultimate strength of a flexural member unless the tendons are unbonded or if the final stress after losses is less than  $0.50 f_{pu}$ . Underestimation or overestimation of losses can affect service conditions such as camber, deflection and cracking.

### 4.7.1 Sources of Stress Loss

#### 1. Anchorage Seating Loss and Friction

Anchorage seating loss and friction loss due to intended or unintended curvature in post-tensioning tendons are two mechanical sources of loss. They represent the difference between the tension applied to the tendon by the jacking unit and the initial tension available for application to the concrete by the tendon. Their magnitude can be determined with reasonable accuracy and, in many cases, they are fully or partially compensated for by overjacking.

## 2. Elastic Shortening of Concrete

The concrete around the tendons shortens as the prestressing force is applied to it. Those tendons which are already bonded to the concrete shorten with it.

## 3. Shrinkage of Concrete

Loss of stress in the tendon due to shrinkage of the concrete surrounding it is proportional to that part of the shrinkage that takes place after the transfer of prestress force to the concrete.

## 4. Creep of Concrete and Relaxation of Tendons

Creep of concrete and relaxation of tendons complicate stress loss calculations. The rate of loss due to each of these factors changes when the stress level changes and the stress level is changing constantly throughout the life of the structure. Therefore, the rates of loss due to creep and relaxation are constantly changing.

### 4.7.2 Range of Values for Total Loss

Total loss of prestress in typical members will range from about 25,000 to 50,000 psi for normal weight concrete members, and from about 30,000 to 55,000 psi for sand-lightweight members.

The load tables in Chapter 2 have a lower limit on loss of 30,000 psi.

### 4.7.3 Estimating Prestress Loss

This section is based on the report of a task group sponsored by ACI-ASCE Committee 423, Prestressed Concrete [17]. That report gives simple equations for estimating losses of prestress which would enable the designer to estimate the various types of prestress loss rather than using a lump sum value. It is believed that these equations, intended for practical design applications, provide fairly realistic values for normal design conditions. For unusual design situations and special structures, more detailed analyses may be warranted.

$$T.L. = ES + CR + SH + RE \quad (\text{Eq. 4.7.1})$$

where:

T.L. = total loss (psi), and other terms are losses due to:

ES = elastic shortening

CR = creep of concrete

SH = shrinkage of concrete

RE = relaxation of tendons

$$ES = K_{es} E_{ps} f_{cir} / E_{ci} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.7.2})$$

where:

$K_{es}$  = 1.0 for pretensioned members

$E_{ps}$  = modulus of elasticity of prestressing tendons (about  $28.5 \times 10^6$  psi)

$E_{ci}$  = modulus of elasticity of concrete at time prestress is applied

$f_{cir}$  = net compressive stress in concrete at center of gravity of prestressing force immediately after the prestress has been applied to the concrete.

$$f_{cir} = K_{cir} \left( \frac{P_i}{A_g} + \frac{P_i e^2}{I_g} \right) - \frac{M_g e}{I_g} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.7.3})$$

where:

$K_{cir}$  = 0.9 for pretensioned members

$P_i$  = initial prestress force (after anchorage seating loss)

$e$  = eccentricity of center of gravity of tendons with respect to center of gravity of concrete at the cross section considered

$A_g$  = area of gross concrete section at the cross section considered

$I_g$  = moment of inertia of gross concrete section at the cross section considered

$M_g$  = bending moment due to dead weight of prestressed member and any other permanent loads in place at time of prestressing

$$CR = K_{cr} (E_s / E_c) (f_{cir} - f_{cds}) \quad (\text{Eq. 4.7.4})$$

where:

$K_{cr}$  = 2.0 normal weight concrete  
= 1.6 sand-lightweight concrete

$f_{cds}$  = stress in concrete at center of gravity of prestressing force due to all superimposed permanent deadloads that are applied to the member after it has been prestressed (see Eq. 4.7.5)

Table 4.7.1 Values of  $K_{re}$  and  $J$

Type of tendon	$K_{re}$	$J$
270 Grade stress-relieved strand or wire	20,000	0.15
250 Grade stress-relieved strand or wire	18,500	0.14
240 or 235 Grade stress-relieved wire	17,600	0.13
270 Grade low-relaxation strand	5,000	0.040
250 Grade low-relaxation wire	4,630	0.037
240 or 235 Grade low-relaxation wire	4,400	0.035
145 or 160 Grade stress-relieved bar	6,000	0.05

$E_c$  = modulus of elasticity of concrete at 28 days

$$f_{c ds} = M_{sd}(e)/I_g \quad (\text{Eq. 4.7.5})$$

where:

$M_{sd}$  = moment due to all superimposed permanent dead and sustained loads applied after prestressing

$$SH = (8.2 \times 10^{-6})K_{sh}E_s(1-0.06V/S)(100-R.H.) \quad (\text{Eq. 4.7.6})$$

where:

$K_{sh}$  = 1.0 for pretensioned members

$V/S$  = volume to surface ratio

R.H. = average ambient relative humidity (see Figure 3.12.2)

$$RE = [K_{re} - J(SH + CR + ES)]C \quad (\text{Eq. 4.7.7})$$

where:

Values for  $K_{re}$  and  $J$  are taken from Table 4.7.1. For values of coefficient, see Table 4.7.2. or calculate using Eqs. 4.7.8. through 4.7.12.

For stress-relieved strand:

$$0.75 \geq \frac{f_{pi}}{f_{pu}} \geq 0.70 :$$

$$C = 1 + 9 \left( \frac{f_{pi}}{f_{pu}} - 0.7 \right) \quad (\text{Eq.4.7.8})$$

$$0.70 > \frac{f_{pi}}{f_{pu}} \geq 0.51 :$$

$$C = \frac{f_{pi}/f_{pu}}{0.19147} \left( \frac{f_{pi}/f_{pu}}{0.85} - 0.55 \right) \quad (\text{Eq. 4.7.9})$$

$$f_{pi}/f_{pu} < 0.51 :$$

$$C = \frac{f_{pi}/f_{pu}}{3.83} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.7.10})$$

For low-relaxation strand:

$$f_{pi}/f_{pu} \geq 0.54 :$$

$$C = \frac{f_{pi}/f_{pu}}{0.2125} \left( \frac{f_{pi}/f_{pu}}{0.9} - 0.55 \right) \quad (\text{Eq. 4.7.11})$$

$$f_{pi}/f_{pu} \leq 0.54 :$$

$$C = \frac{f_{pi}/f_{pu}}{4.25} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.7.12})$$

where:

$$f_{pi} = P_i/A_{ps}$$

$f_{pu}$  = ultimate strength of prestressing steel

Values of  $C$  are also shown in Table 4.7.2.

#### 4.7.4 Critical Locations

Computations for stress losses due to elastic shortening and creep of concrete are based on the compressive stress in the concrete at the center of gravity (cgs) of the prestressing force.

For bonded tendons, stress losses are computed at that point on the span where flexural tensile stresses are most critical. In members with straight, parabolic or approximately parabolic tendons this is usually mid-span. In members with tendons deflected at mid-span only, the critical point is generally near the 0.4 point of the span. Since the tendons are bonded, only the stresses at the critical point need to be considered. Stresses or stress changes at other points along the member do not affect the stresses or stress losses at the critical point.

Table 4.7.2 Values of C

$f_{pi}/f_{pu}$	Stress-relieved strand or wire	Stress-relieved bar or low-relaxation strand or wire
0.80		1.28
0.79		1.22
0.78		1.16
0.77		1.11
0.76		1.05
0.75	1.45	1.00
0.74	1.36	0.95
0.73	1.27	0.90
0.72	1.18	0.85
0.71	1.09	0.80
0.70	1.00	0.75
0.69	0.94	0.70
0.68	0.89	0.66
0.67	0.83	0.61
0.66	0.78	0.57
0.65	0.73	0.53
0.64	0.68	0.49
0.63	0.63	0.45
0.62	0.58	0.41
0.61	0.53	0.37
0.60	0.49	0.33

wt = 491 plf  
wt of topping = 250 plf

Concrete:

Precast: Sand-lightweight

$f'_c = 5000$  psi  $E_c = 3.0 \times 10^6$  psi

$f'_{ci} = 3500$  psi  $E_{ci} = 2.5 \times 10^6$  psi

Topping: Normal weight

Prestressing steel:

12-1/2 in. diameter 270K low-relaxation strands

$A_{ps} = 12(0.153) = 1.836$  in<sup>2</sup>

$E_s = 28.5 \times 10^6$  psi

Depressed at mid-span

$e_e = 12.81$  in.

$e_c = 18.73$  in.

Problem:

Determine total loss of prestress.

Solution:

For depressed strand, critical section is at  $0.4\ell$ . Determine moments, eccentricity, and prestress force.

$$M \text{ at } 0.4\ell = \frac{w\ell^2}{2}(\ell - x)$$

$$= \frac{w(0.4\ell)}{2}(\ell - 0.4\ell)$$

$$= 0.12w\ell^2$$

$$M_g = 0.12(0.491)(70)^2 = 289 \text{ kip-ft}$$

$$M_{sd} = 0.12(0.250)(70)^2 = 147 \text{ kip-ft}$$

$$e \text{ at } 0.4\ell = 12.81 + 0.8(18.73 - 12.81)$$

$$= 17.55 \text{ in.}$$

Assume compensation for anchorage seating loss during prestressing.

$$P_i = 0.75 A_{ps} f_{pu} = 0.75(1.836)(270)$$

$$= 371.8 \text{ kips}$$

Determine  $f_{cir}$  and  $f_{c ds}$ :

$$f_{cir} = K_{cir} \left( \frac{P_i}{A_g} + \frac{P_i e^2}{I_g} \right) - \frac{M_g e}{I_g}$$

$$= 0.9 \left( \frac{371.8}{615} + \frac{371.8(17.55)^2}{59,720} \right)$$

$$- \frac{289(12)(17.55)}{59,720}$$

$$= 1.252 \text{ ksi} = 1252 \text{ psi}$$

Example 4.7.1 Loss of Prestress

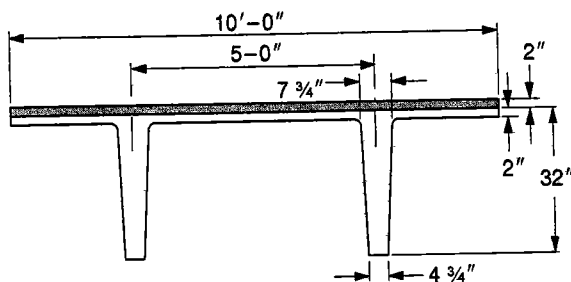
Given:

10LDT 32 + 2 as shown below:

Span = 70 ft

No superimposed dead load except topping

R.H. = 75%



Section properties (untopped):

$A = 615$  in<sup>2</sup>

$I = 59,720$  in<sup>4</sup>

$S_b = 2717$  in<sup>3</sup>

$V/S = 615/364 = 1.69$  in.

$$f_{c ds} = M_{sd}(e)/I_g$$

$$= \frac{147(12)(17.55)}{59,720}$$

$$= 0.518 \text{ ksi} = 518 \text{ psi}$$

$$ES = K_{es}E_s f_{cir}/E_{ci}$$

$$= (1)(28.5 \times 10^6)(1252)/(2.5 \times 10^6)$$

$$= 14,272 \text{ psi}$$

$$CR = K_{cr}(E_s/E_c)(f_{cir} - f_{c ds})$$

$$CR = (1.6)(28.5 \times 10^6/3.0 \times 10^6)(1252 - 518)$$

$$= 11,157 \text{ psi}$$

$$SH = (8.2 \times 10^{-6})K_{sh}E_s(1 - 0.06V/S)(100 - R.H.)$$

$$= (8.2 \times 10^{-6})(1)(28.5 \times 10^6)$$

$$\times [1 - 0.06(1.69)](100 - 75)$$

$$= 5249 \text{ psi}$$

$$RE = [K_{re} - J(SH + CR + ES)]C$$

From Table 4.7.1:

$$K_{re} = 5000$$

$$J = 0.04$$

$$f_{pi}/f_{pu} = 0.75$$

From Table 4.7.2:

$$C = 1.0$$

$$RE = [5000 - 0.04(5249 + 11,157 + 14,272)](1)$$

$$= 3773 \text{ psi}$$

$$T.L. = ES + CR + SH + RE$$

$$= 14,272 + 11,157 + 5249 + 3773$$

$$= 34,451 \text{ psi} = 34.5 \text{ ksi}$$

$$\text{Final prestress force} = 371.8 - 34.5(1.836)$$

$$= 309 \text{ kips}$$

#### 4.8 Camber and Deflection

Most precast, prestressed concrete flexural members will have a net positive (upward) camber at the

time of transfer of prestress, caused by the eccentricity of the prestressing force. This camber may increase or decrease with time, depending on the stress distribution across the member under sustained loads. Camber tolerances are suggested in Chapter 8 of this Handbook.

Limitations on instantaneous deflections and time-dependent cambers and deflections are specified in the ACI Code. Table 9.5(B) of the Code is reprinted for reference (see Table 4.8.1).

The following sections contain suggested methods for computing cambers and deflections. There are many inherent variables that affect camber and deflection, such as concrete mix, storage method, time of release of prestress, time of erection and placement of superimposed loads, relative humidity, etc. *Because of this, calculated long-term values should never be considered any better than estimates.* Non-structural components attached to members which could be affected by camber variations, such as partitions or folding doors, should be placed with adequate allowance for variation. Calculation of topping quantities should also recognize the imprecision of camber calculations.

It should also be recognized that camber of precast, prestressed members is a result of the placement of the strands needed to resist the design moments and service load stresses. It is not practical to alter the forms of the members to produce a desired camber. Therefore, cambers should not be specified, but their inherent existence should be recognized.

#### 4.8.1 Initial Camber

Initial camber can be calculated using conventional moment-area equations. Figure 4.12.10 has equations for the camber caused by prestress force for the most common strand patterns used in precast, prestressed members. Design Aids 11.1.3 and 11.1.4 provide deflection equations for typical loading conditions and more general camber equations.

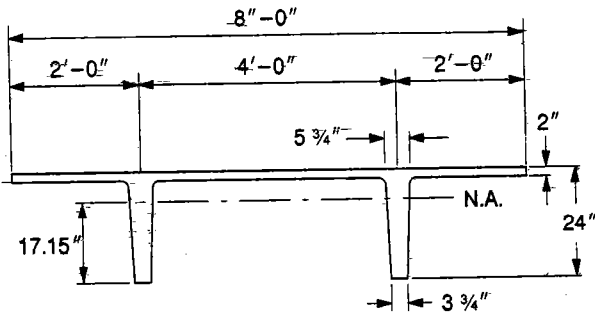
#### Example 4.8.1 Calculation of Initial Camber

Given:

8DT24 for Example 4.2.9.

Section Properties:

$A = 401 \text{ in}^2$	$S_b = 1224 \text{ in}^3$
$I = 20,985 \text{ in}^4$	$S_t = 3063 \text{ in}^3$
$y_b = 17.15 \text{ in.}$	$wt = 418 \text{ plf}$
$y_t = 6.85 \text{ in.}$	$= 52 \text{ psf}$



Concrete:

$$f'_c = 5000 \text{ psi}$$

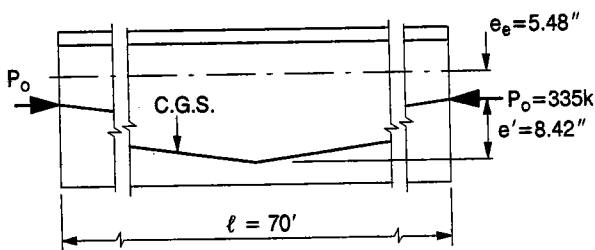
Normal weight (150 pcf)

$$E_c = 33w^{1.5}\sqrt{f'_c} = 33(150)^{1.5}\sqrt{5000} = 4287 \text{ ksi}$$

$$f'_{ci} = 3500 \text{ psi}$$

$$E_{ci} = 33(150)^{1.5}\sqrt{3500} = 3587 \text{ ksi}$$

(Note: The values of  $E_c$  and  $E_{ci}$  could also be read from Design Aid 11.2.2.)



**Problem:**

Find the initial camber at time of transfer of prestress.

**Solution:**

The prestress force at transfer and strand eccentricities are calculated in Example 4.2.9 and are shown above.

Calculate the upward component using equations given in Figure 4.12.10.

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta \uparrow &= \frac{P_o e_e \ell^2}{8E_{ci} I} + \frac{P_o e' \ell^2}{12E_{ci} I} \\ &= \frac{335(5.48)[(70)(12)]^2}{8(3587)(20,985)} \\ &\quad + \frac{335(8.42)[(70)(12)]^2}{12(3587)(20,985)} \\ &= 2.15 + 2.20 = 4.35 \text{ in.} \uparrow \end{aligned}$$

Deduct deflection caused by weight of member:

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta \downarrow &= \frac{5w\ell^4}{384E_{ci} I} \\ &= \frac{5\left(\frac{0.418}{12}\right)[(70)(12)]^4}{384(3587)(20,985)} = 3.00 \text{ in.} \downarrow \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Net camber at release} &= 4.35 \uparrow - 3.00 \downarrow \\ &= 1.35 \text{ in.} \uparrow \end{aligned}$$

#### 4.8.2 Elastic Deflections

Calculation of instantaneous deflections of both prestressed and non-prestressed members caused by superimposed service loads follows classical methods of mechanics. Design equations for various load conditions are given in Chapter 11 of this Handbook. If the bottom tension in a simple span member does not exceed the modulus of rupture, the deflection is calculated using the uncracked moment of inertia of the section. The modulus of rupture of concrete is defined in Chapter 9 of the Code as:

$$f_r = 7.5\lambda\sqrt{f'_c} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.8.1})$$

See Sect. 4.3.3 for definition of  $\lambda$ .

#### 4.8.3 Bilinear Behavior

Sect. 18.4.2 of the Code requires that "bilinear moment-deflection relationships" be used to calculate instantaneous deflections of prestressed concrete members when the bottom tension exceeds  $6\sqrt{f'_c}$ . This means that the deflection before the member has cracked is calculated using the gross (uncracked) moment of inertia,  $I_g$ , and the additional deflection after cracking is calculated using the moment of inertia of the cracked section. This is illustrated graphically in Figure 4.8.1.

In lieu of a more exact analysis, the empirical relationship:

$$I_{cr} = nA_{ps}d_p^2 (1 - 1.6\sqrt{n\rho_p}) \quad (\text{Eq. 4.8.2})$$

may be used to determine the cracked moment of inertia. Figure 4.12.11 gives coefficients for use in solving this equation.

**Example 4.8.2 Deflection Calculation Using Bilinear Moment-Deflection Relationship**

Given:

8DT24 from Examples 4.2.9 and 4.8.1.

Problem:

Determine the total deflection caused by the specified uniform live load.

Solution:

$$\text{Determine } f_r = 7.5\lambda\sqrt{f'_c} = 530 \text{ psi}$$

From Example 4.2.9 the final tensile stress is 756 psi, which is more than 530 psi, so the bilinear behavior must be considered.

Determine  $I_{cr}$  from Figure 4.12.11:

$$\begin{aligned} A_{ps} &= 1.836 \text{ in}^2 \text{ (See Example 4.2.9)} \\ d_p \text{ at mid-span} &= e_c + y_t = 13.90 + 6.85 \\ &= 20.75 \text{ in.} \end{aligned}$$

(Note: It is within the precision of the calculation method and observed behavior to use mid-span  $d_p$  and to calculate the deflection at mid-span, although the maximum tensile stress in this case is assumed at  $0.4\ell$ .)

$$\rho_p = \frac{A_{ps}}{bd_p} = \frac{1.836}{(96)(20.75)} = 0.00092$$

$$C = 0.0056$$

$$\begin{aligned} I_{cr} &= Cbd_p^3 = 0.0056(96)(20.75)^3 \\ &= 4803 \text{ in}^4 \end{aligned}$$

Determine the portion of the live load that would result in a bottom tension of 530 psi.

$$756 - 530 = 226 \text{ psi}$$

The tension caused by live load alone is 1614 psi, therefore, the portion of the live load that would result in a bottom tension of 530 psi is:

$$\frac{1614 - 226}{1614} (0.280) = 0.241 \text{ kips/ft}$$

and:

$$\Delta_g = \frac{5w\ell^4}{384E_c I_g} = \frac{5\left(\frac{0.241}{12}\right)[70(12)]^4}{384(4287)(20,985)} = 1.45 \text{ in.}$$

$$\Delta_{cr} = \frac{5\left(\frac{0.039}{12}\right)[70(12)]^4}{384(4287)(4803)} = 1.02 \text{ in.}$$

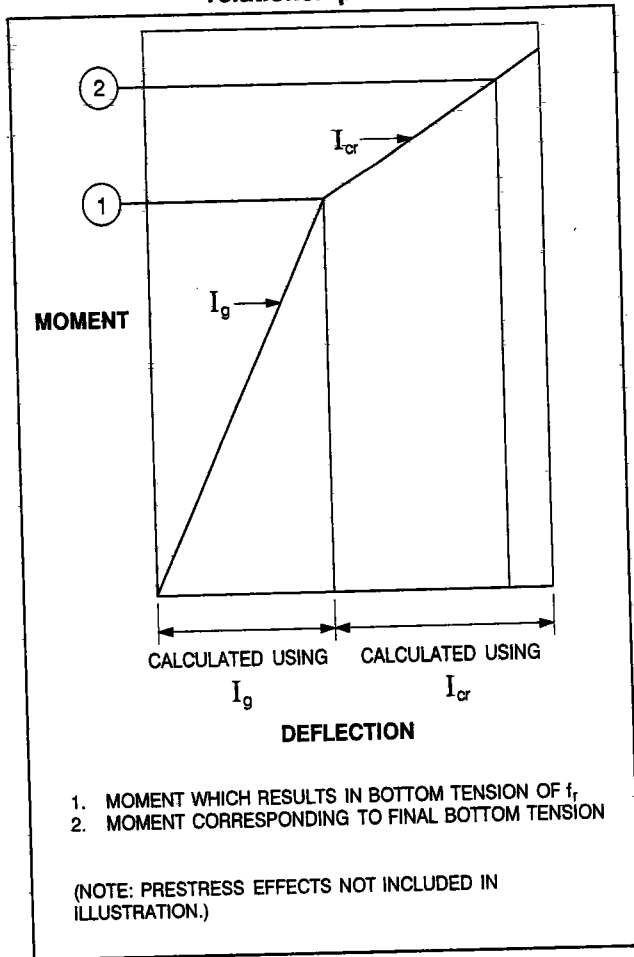
$$\text{Total deflection} = 1.45 + 1.02 = 2.47 \text{ in.}$$

**Table 4.8.1 Maximum permissible computed deflections**

Type of member	Deflection to be considered	Deflection limitation
Flat roofs not supporting or attached to nonstructural elements likely to be damaged by large deflections	Immediate deflection due to live load	$\frac{\ell^a}{180}$
Floors not supporting or attached to nonstructural elements likely to be damaged by large deflections	Immediate deflection due to live load	$\frac{\ell}{360}$
Roof or floor construction supporting or attached to nonstructural elements likely to be damaged by large deflections	That part of the total deflection occurring after attachment of nonstructural elements (sum of the long-term deflection due to all sustained loads and the immediate deflection due to any additional live load) <sup>c</sup>	$\frac{\ell^b}{480}$
Roof or floor construction supporting or attached to nonstructural elements not likely to be damaged by large deflections		$\frac{\ell^d}{240}$

- Limit not intended to safeguard against ponding. Ponding should be checked by suitable calculations of deflections, including added deflections due to ponded water, and considering long-term effects of all sustained loads, camber, construction tolerances, and reliability of provisions for drainage.
- Limit may be exceeded if adequate measures are taken to prevent damage to supported or attached elements.
- Long-term deflection shall be determined in accordance with Sects. 9.5.2.5 or 9.5.4.2, ACI 318-95, but may be reduced by amount of deflection calculated to occur before attachment of nonstructural elements. This amount shall be determined on the basis of accepted engineering data relating to time-deflection characteristics of members similar to those being considered.
- But not greater than tolerance provided for nonstructural elements. Limit may be exceeded if camber is provided so that total deflection minus camber does not exceed limit.

**Figure 4.8.1 Bilinear moment-deflection relationship**



where:

$f_{te}$  = the final calculated total stress in the member

$f_e$  = calculated stress due to live load

**Example 4.8.3 Deflection Calculation Using Effective Moment of Inertia**

Given:

Same section and loading conditions of Examples 4.2.9, 4.8.1 and 4.8.2.

Problem:

Determine the deflection caused by live load using the  $I_e$  method.

Solution:

From the table of stresses in Example 4.2.9:

$$f_{te} = 756 \text{ psi (tension)}$$

$$f_e = 1614 \text{ psi (tension)}$$

$$f_r = 7.5 \sqrt{f'_c} = 530 \text{ psi (tension)}$$

$$\frac{M_{cr}}{M_a} = 1 - \left( \frac{756 - 530}{1614} \right) = 0.860$$

$$\left( \frac{M_{cr}}{M_a} \right)^3 = (0.860)^3 = 0.636$$

$$1 - \left( \frac{M_{cr}}{M_a} \right)^3 = 1 - 0.636 = 0.364$$

**4.8.4 Effective Moment of Inertia**

The Code allows an alternative to the method of calculation described in the previous section. An effective moment of inertia,  $I_e$ , can be determined and the deflection then calculated by substituting  $I_e$  for  $I_g$  in the deflection calculation.

The equation for effective moment of inertia is:

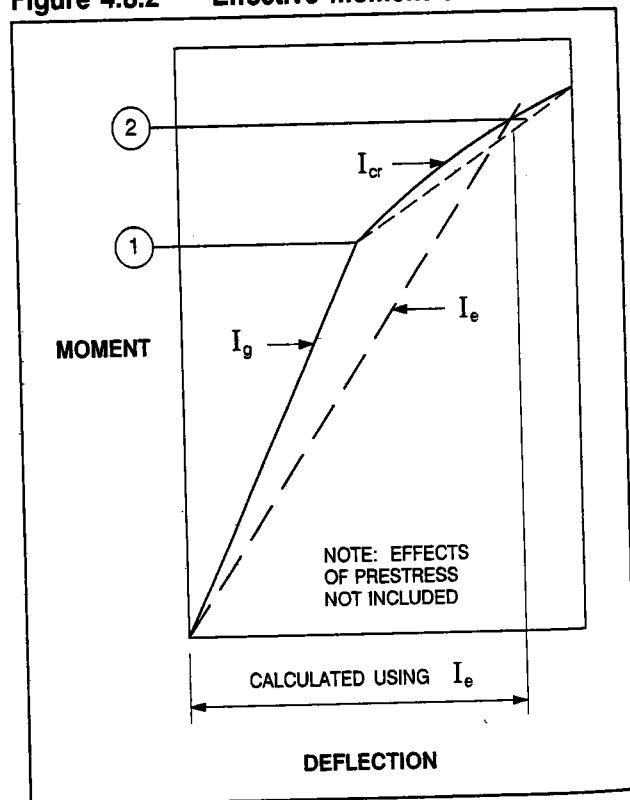
$$I_e = \left( \frac{M_{cr}}{M_a} \right)^3 I_g + \left[ 1 - \left( \frac{M_{cr}}{M_a} \right)^3 \right] I_{cr} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.8.3})$$

The difference between the bilinear method and the  $I_e$  method is illustrated in Figure 4.8.2.

The use of  $I_e$  with prestressed concrete members is described in Ref. 18. The value of  $M_{cr}/M_a$  for use in determining live load deflections can be expressed as:

$$\frac{M_{cr}}{M_a} = 1 - \left( \frac{f_{te} - f_r}{f_e} \right) \quad (\text{Eq. 4.8.4})$$

**Figure 4.8.2 Effective moment of inertia**





$$I_e = 0.636(20,985) + 0.364(4803) \\ = 15,095 \text{ in}^4$$

$$\Delta_c = \frac{5w\ell^4}{384E_c I_e} = \frac{5\left(\frac{0.280}{12}\right)[(70)(12)]^4}{384(4287)(15,095)} = 2.34 \text{ in.}$$

#### 4.8.5 Long-Term Camber/Deflection

ACI 318-95 provides a multiplier,  $\lambda$ , applied to initial deflection for estimating the long-term deflection of non-prestressed reinforced concrete members (Code Sect. 9.5.2.5):

$$\lambda = \frac{\zeta}{1 + 50\rho'} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.8.5})$$

where  $\zeta$  is a factor related to length of time, and  $\rho'$  is the ratio of compressive reinforcement. (There is no corresponding ratio for prestressed concrete in ACI 318-95).

The determination of long-term cambers and deflections in precast, prestressed members is somewhat more complex because of (1) the effect of prestress and the loss of prestress over time, (2) the strength gain of concrete after release of prestress, and because (3) the camber or deflection is important not only at the "initial" and "final" stages, but also at erection, which occurs at some intermediate stage, usually from 30 to 60 days after casting.

It has been customary in the design of precast, prestressed concrete to estimate the camber of a member after a period of time by multiplying the initial calculated camber by some factor, usually based on the experience of the designer. To properly use these

"multipliers," the upward and downward components of the initial calculated camber should be separated in order to take into account the effects of loss of prestress, which only affects the upward component.

Table 4.8.2 provides suggested multipliers which can be used as a guide in estimating long-term cambers and deflections for typical members, i.e., those members which are within the span-depth ratios recommended in this Handbook (see Sect. 3.2.2). Derivation of these multipliers is contained in Ref 19.

For members which are made continuous for superimposed dead load and live load, the final multipliers, (3) through (6) Table 4.8.2, may be reduced.

Long-term effects can be substantially reduced by adding non-prestressed reinforcement in prestressed concrete members. The reduction effects proposed in Ref. 20 can be applied to the approximate multipliers of Table 4.8.2 as follows:

$$C_2 = \frac{C_1 + A_s/A_{ps}}{1 + A_s/A_{ps}} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.8.6})$$

where:

$C_1$  = multiplier from Table 4.8.2

$C_2$  = revised multiplier

$A_s$  = area of non-prestressed reinforcement

$A_{ps}$  = area of prestressed steel

#### Example 4.8.4 Use of Multipliers for Determining Long-Term Cambers and Deflections

Given:

8DT24 for Examples 4.2.9, 4.8.1, 4.8.2 and 4.8.3. Non-structural elements are attached, but not likely to be damaged by deflections (light fixtures, etc.).

#### Example 4.8.4

	(1) Release	Multiplier	(2) Erection	Multiplier	(3) Final
<b>Prestress</b>	4.35 ↑	1.80 x (1)	7.83 ↑	2.45 x (1)	10.66 ↑
<b><math>w_d</math></b>	3.00 ↓	1.85 x (1)	5.55 ↓	2.7 x (1)	8.10 ↓
	1.35 ↑		2.28 ↑		2.56 ↑
<b><math>w_{sd}</math></b>			0.48 ↓	3.0 x (2)	1.44 ↓
			1.80 ↑		1.12 ↑
<b><math>w_c</math></b>					2.34 ↓
					1.22 ↓

**Problem:**

Estimate the camber and deflection and determine if it meets the requirements of Table 9.5(B) of the Code (see Table 4.8.1).

**Solution:**

Calculate the instantaneous deflections caused by the superimposed dead and live loads.

$$\Delta_d = \frac{5w\ell^4}{384E_c I} = \frac{5\left(\frac{0.080}{12}\right)[70(12)]^4}{384(4287)(20,985)}$$

$$= 0.48 \text{ in.} \downarrow$$

$$\Delta_e = 2.34 \text{ in.} \downarrow \text{ (Example 4.8.3)}$$

For convenience, a tabular format is used.

The estimated critical cambers would then be:

At erection of the member:

after  $w_{sd}$  is applied = 1.80 in.

"Final" long-term camber = 1.12 in.

The deflection limitation of Table 4.8.1 for the above condition is  $\ell/240$ .

$$\frac{70(12)}{240} = 3.50 \text{ in.}$$

Total deflection occurring after attachment of non-structural elements:

$$\Delta_t = (1.80 - 1.12) + 2.34$$

$$= 3.02 \text{ in.} < 3.50 \text{ OK}$$

## 4.9 Compression Members

Precast and prestressed concrete columns and load bearing wall panels are usually proportioned on the basis of strength design. Stresses under service conditions, particularly during handling and erection (especially of wall panels) must also be considered. The procedures in this section are based on Chapter 10 of the Code and on the recommendations of the PCI Committee on Prestressed Concrete Columns (referred to in this section as "the Recommended Practice") [21].

### 4.9.1 Strength Design of Precast Concrete Compression Members

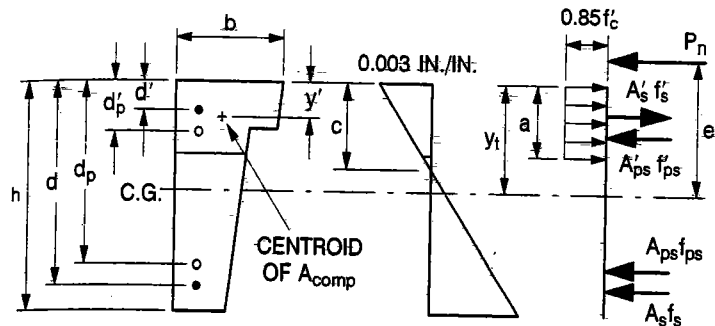
The capacity of a reinforced concrete compression member with eccentric loads is most easily determined by constructing a capacity interaction curve. Points on this curve are calculated using the compatibility of strains and solving the equations of equilibrium as prescribed in Chapter 10 of the Code. Solution of these equations is illustrated in Figure 4.9.1.

ACI 318-95 waives the minimum vertical reinforcement requirements for compression members if the concrete is prestressed to at least an average of 225 psi after all losses. In addition, the Recommended Practice permits the elimination of column ties, if the nominal capacity is multiplied by 0.85. Interaction curves for typical prestressed square columns and wall panels are provided in Chapter 2.

**Table 4.8.2 Suggested simple span multipliers to be used as a guide in estimating long-term cambers and deflections for typical prestressed members**

	Without Composite Topping	With Composite Topping
<i>At erection:</i>		
(1) Deflection (downward) component—apply to the elastic deflection due to the member weight at release of prestress	1.85	1.85
(2) Camber (upward) component—apply to the elastic camber due to prestress at the time of release of prestress	1.80	1.80
<i>Final:</i>		
(3) Deflection (downward) component—apply to the elastic deflection due to the member weight at release of prestress	2.70	2.40
(4) Camber (upward) component—apply to the elastic camber due to prestress at the time of release of prestress	2.45	2.20
(5) Deflection (downward)—apply to elastic deflection due to superimposed dead load only	3.00	3.00
(6) Deflection (downward)—apply to elastic deflection caused by the composite topping	—	2.30

**Figure 4.9.1 Equilibrium equations for prestressed and non-prestressed compression members**



$$\epsilon'_s = (0.003/c)(c - d')$$

$$\epsilon_s = (0.003/c)(d - c)$$

$$\epsilon'_{ps} = f_{se}/E_{ps} - (0.003/c)(c - d'_p) \leq 0.035$$

$$\epsilon_{ps} = f_{se}/E_{ps} + (0.003/c)(d_p - c) \leq 0.035$$

$$f'_s = \epsilon'_s E_s \leq f_y \quad f_s = \epsilon_s E_s \leq f_y$$

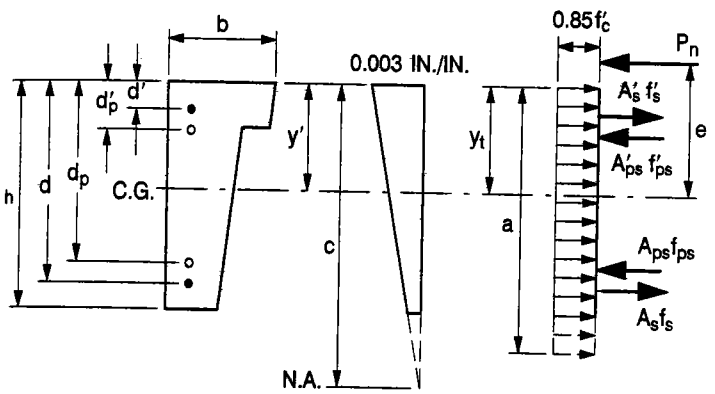
$$f'_{ps} \text{ FROM STRESS-STRAIN DIAGRAM} \leq f_{pu}$$

$$f_{ps} \text{ FROM STRESS-STRAIN DIAGRAM} \leq f_{pu}$$

$$P_n = (A_{comp} - A'_s - A'_{ps})(0.85f'_c) + A'_s f'_s - A_s f_s - A'_{ps} f'_{ps} - A_{ps} f_{ps}$$

$$M_n = P_n e = (A_{comp} - A'_s - A'_{ps})(y_t - y')(0.85f'_c) + A'_s f'_s (y_t - d') + A_s f_s (d - y_t) - A'_{ps} f'_{ps} (y_t - d'_p) + A_{ps} f_{ps} (d_p - y_t)$$

**(A) BASIC RELATIONSHIPS**



$$A_{comp} \approx A \text{ IF } a > h$$

$$\epsilon'_s = (0.003/c)(c - d')$$

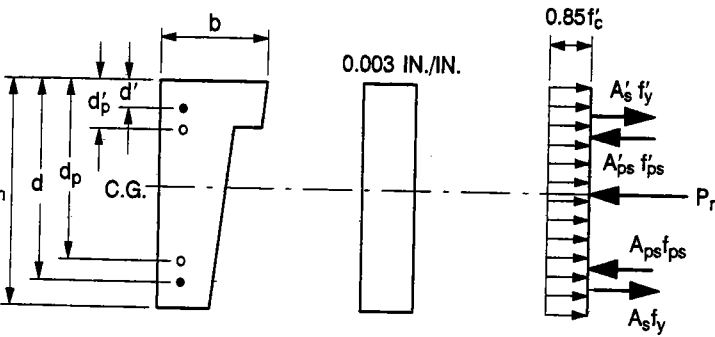
$$\epsilon_s = (0.003/c)(c - d)$$

$$\epsilon'_{ps} = f_{se}/E_{ps} - (0.003/c)(c - d'_p) \leq 0.035$$

$$\epsilon_{ps} = f_{se}/E_{ps} + (0.003/c)(d_p - c) \leq 0.035$$

REMAINING EQUATIONS SAME AS ABOVE.

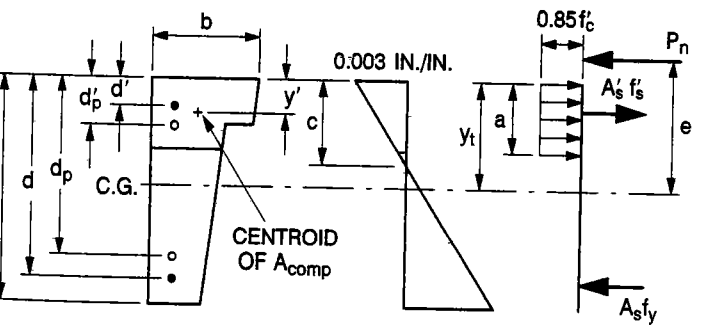
**(B) SPECIAL CASE WITH NEUTRAL AXIS OUTSIDE OF THE SECTION**



$$P_n^* = 0.85f'_c (A - A'_s - A'_{ps} - A_{ps} - A_s) - (A'_{ps} + A_{ps})(f_{se} - 0.003E_{ps}) + (A'_s + A_s)f_y$$

\* MULTIPLY BY 0.85 IF NO TIES ARE USED.

**(C) SPECIAL CASE WHEN  $M_n = 0$   $P_n = P_o$**



$$d_t = \text{the greater of } d \text{ and } d_p$$

$$c = \frac{0.003d_t}{0.003 + 0.002} = 0.6d_t$$

CALCULATE  $P_n$  AND  $M_n$  PER CASE (A) ABOVE

**(D) SPECIAL CASE AT COMPRESSION CONTROLLED LIMIT FOR MEMBERS REINFORCED WITH PRESTRESSING STRAND AND/OR GRADE 60 REINFORCEMENT**

Construction of an interaction curve usually follows these steps:

**Step 1:**

Determine  $P_o$  for  $M_n = 0$ . (See Figure 4.9.1.C)

**Step 2:**

Determine  $M_o$  for  $P_n = 0$ . This is normally done by neglecting the reinforcement above the neutral axis and determining the moment capacity by one of the methods described in Sect. 4.2.1.

**Step 3:**

Determine  $P_{nb}$  and  $M_{nb}$  at the balance point. This occurs when the net tensile strain in the extreme tension steel is equal to  $f_y/E_s$ . If the extreme tensile steel is prestressing steel, one may use the same net tensile strain (exclusive of prestress) as for Grade 60 reinforcement.

**Step 4:**

For each additional point on the interaction curve, proceed as follows:

- Select a value of "c" and calculate  $a = \beta_1 c$
- Determine the value of  $A_{comp}$  from the geometry of the section (see Figure 4.9.1.a).
- Determine the strain in the reinforcement assuming that  $\epsilon_c = 0.003$  at the compression face of the column. For prestressed reinforcement, add the strain due to the effective prestress  $\epsilon_{se} = f_{se}/E_{ps}$ .
- Determine the stress in the reinforcement. For non-prestressed reinforcement,  $f_s = \epsilon_s E_s \leq f_y$ . For prestressed reinforcement, the stress is determined from a stress-strain relationship (see Design Aid 11.2.5). If the maximum factored moment occurs near the end of a prestressed element, where the strand is not fully developed, an appropriate reduction in the value of  $f_{ps}$  should be made as described in Sect. 4.2.3.
- Calculate  $P_n$  and  $M_n$  by statics.
- Calculate  $\phi P_n$  and  $\phi M_n$ . Appendix B of the Code describes that for compression-controlled sections (without spiral reinforcement) with net tensile strain  $\epsilon_t$  in the extreme tension steel less than or equal to that at the balance point,  $\phi = 0.7$ . For Grade 60 reinforcement and for prestressed steel, this occurs when  $\epsilon_t \leq 0.002$ . For tension-controlled sections in which  $\epsilon_t \geq 0.005$ ,  $\phi = 0.9$ . For sections in which  $\epsilon_t$  is between these limits,  $\phi = 0.56 + 68\epsilon_t$ . For each point plotted on the nominal strength curve, multiply  $P_n$  and  $M_n$  by  $\phi$  to obtain the design strength curve.

**Step 5:**

Calculate the maximum factored axial resistance specified by the Code as:

$0.80\phi P_o$  for tied columns.

$0.85\phi P_o$  for spiral columns.

For cross sections which are not rectangular, it is necessary to determine separate curves for each direction of the applied moment. Further, since most architectural precast column cross sections are not rectangular, the "a" distance only defines the depth of the rectangular concrete stress distribution. Instead of using  $a/2$ , as for a rectangular cross-section, it is necessary to calculate the actual centroid of the compression area which is indicated as  $y'$ .

As noted in Step 4d, the flexural resistance is reduced for prestressed elements at locations within a distance equal to the strand development length from each end. The flexural resistance of the prestressed reinforcement in this zone can be supplemented by non-prestressed reinforcement that is anchored to end plates, or otherwise developed.

The interaction curves in Chapter 2 are based on a maximum value of  $f_{ps} = f_{se}$ , which is equivalent to a development length equal to the assumed transfer length. The required area of end reinforcement can be determined by matching interaction curves, or can be approximated by the following equation if the bar locations approximately match the strand locations:

$$A_s = \frac{A_{ps} f_{se}}{f_y} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.9.1})$$

where:

$A_s$  = required area of bars

$f_{se}$  = strand stress after losses

$f_y$  = yield strength of bars

The effects of adding end reinforcement to a 24 x 24 in. prestressed concrete column, thus improving moment capacity in the end 2 ft, are shown in Figure 4.9.2.

**Example 4.9.1 Construction of Interaction Curve for a Precast, Reinforced Concrete Column**

*Given:*

Column cross-section shown

Concrete:

$f'_c = 5000$  psi

Reinforcement:

Grade 60

$f_y = 60,000$  psi

$E_s = 29,000$  ksi

Figure 4.9.2 End reinforcement in a precast, prestressed concrete column

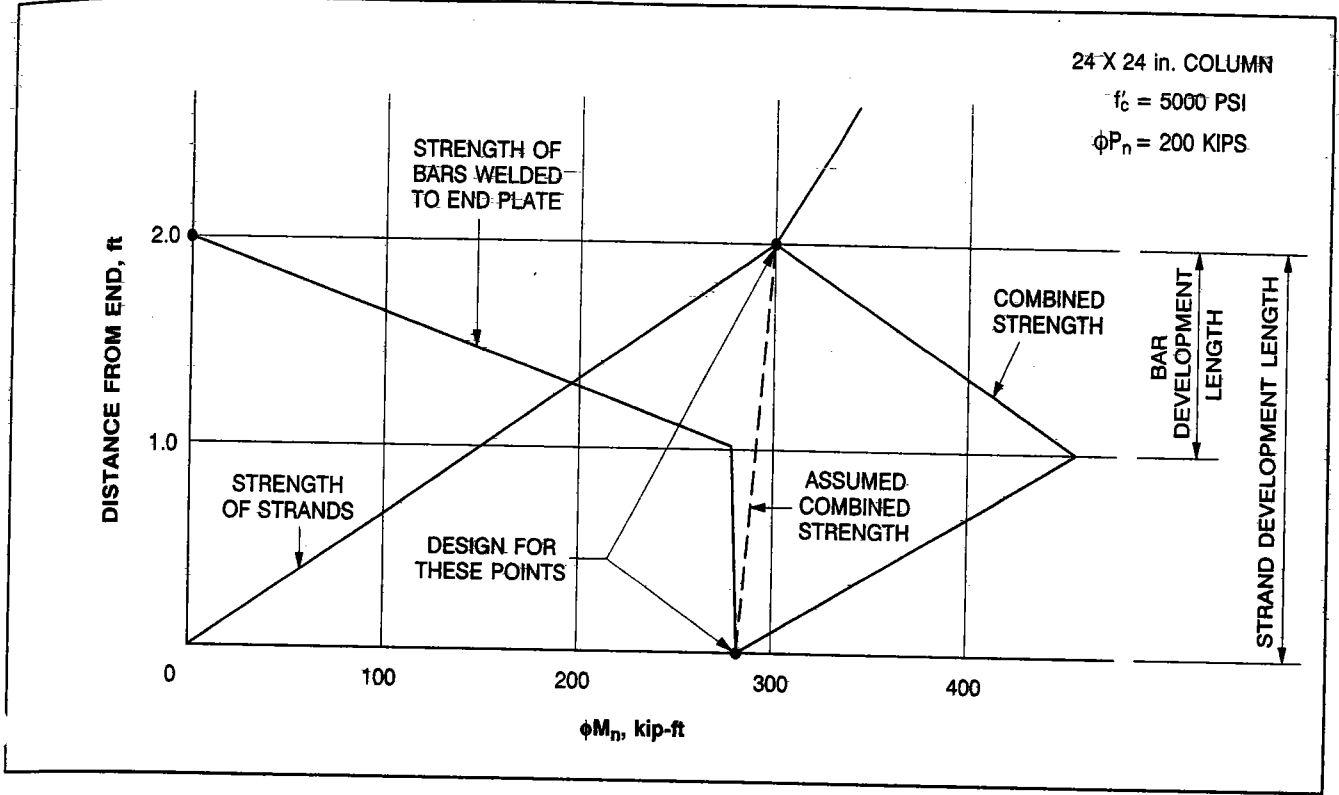
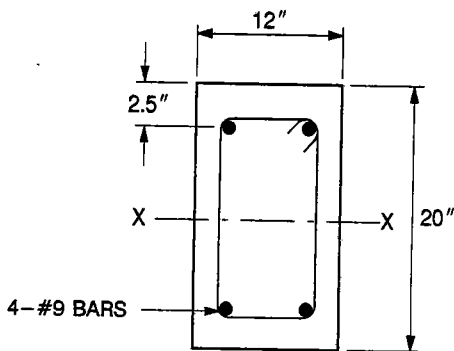
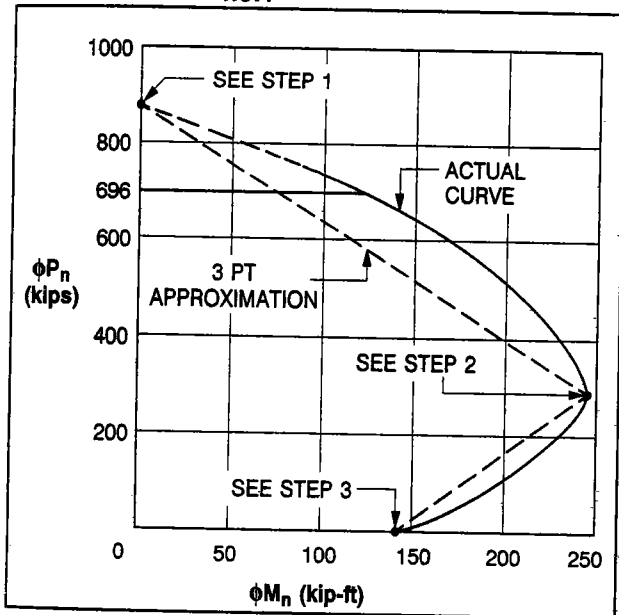


Figure 4.9.3 Interaction curve for Example 4.9.1



**Problem:**

Construct interaction curve for bending about x-x axis.

**Solution:**

Determine following parameters:

$$\beta_1 = 0.85 - 0.05 = 0.80$$

$$d = 20 - 2.5 = 17.5 \text{ in.}$$

$$d' = 2.5 \text{ in.}$$

$$y_t = 10 \text{ in.}$$

$$0.85 f'_c = 0.85(5) = 4.25 \text{ ksi}$$

$$A_g = 12(20) = 240 \text{ in}^2$$

$$A_s = A'_s = 2.00 \text{ in}^2$$

**Step 1. Determine  $P_o$  from Figure 4.9.1(c):**

$$P_o = 0.85 f'_c (A_g - A'_s - A_s) + (A'_s + A_s) f_y$$

$$\phi P_o = 0.70 [4.25(240 - 4) + (4)(60)]$$

$$= 870 \text{ kips}$$

**Step 2. Determine  $P_{nb}$  and  $M_{nb}$  from Figure 4.9.1(d):**

$$c = \frac{0.003d}{0.003 + f_y/E_s} = \frac{0.003(17.5)}{0.003 + 60/29,000}$$

$$= 10.36 \text{ in.}$$

$$f'_s = 29,000 \left[ \frac{0.003}{10.36} (10.36 - 2.5) \right]$$

$$= 66.0 > 60$$

therefore:

$$f'_s = f_y = 60 \text{ ksi}$$

$$A_{comp} = ab = \beta_1 cb = 0.80(10.36)(12) = 99.5 \text{ in}^2$$

$$y' = a/2 = 0.090(10.36)/2 = 4.14 \text{ in.}$$

$$P_{nb} = (99.5 - 2)4.25 + 2(60) - 2(60) = 414.4 \text{ kips}$$

$$\phi P_{nb} = 0.70(414.4) = 290 \text{ kips}$$

$$M_{nb} = 97.5(10 - 4.14)(4.25) + 2.0(60)(17.5 - 10) + 2.0(60)(10 - 2.5)$$

$$\phi M_{nb} = 0.70(2428 + 900 + 900) = 2960 \text{ kip-in.} = 247 \text{ kip-ft}$$

### Step 3.

Determine  $M_o$ ; use conservative solution neglecting compressive reinforcement:

$$a = \frac{A_s f_y}{0.85 f'_c b} = \frac{2.0(60)}{4.25(12)} = 2.35 \text{ in.}$$

$$M_o = A_s f_y \left( d - \frac{a}{2} \right) = (2.0)(60)(17.5 - 2.35/2) = 1959 \text{ kip-in.}$$

$$c = a/\beta_1 = 2.35/0.8 = 2.94$$

$$\epsilon_t = 0.003(d - c)/c = 0.0149$$

$$\epsilon_t > 0.005; \phi = 0.9$$

$$\text{For } \phi = 0.9, \phi M_o = 1763 \text{ kip-in.} = 147 \text{ kip-ft}$$

To determine intermediate points on the curve:

### Step 4(a).

$$\text{Set } a = 6 \text{ in., } c = 6/0.80 = 7.5 \text{ in.}$$

### Step 4(b).

$$A_{comp} = 6(12) = 72 \text{ in}^2$$

### Step 4(d).

Use Figure 4.9.1(A):

$$f'_s = 29,000 \left[ \frac{0.003}{7.5} (7.5 - 2.5) \right] = 58.0 \text{ ksi} < f_y$$

$$f_s = 29,000 \left[ \frac{0.003}{7.5} (17.5 - 7.5) \right] = 116 \text{ ksi} > f_y$$

$$\text{Use } f_s = f_y = 60 \text{ ksi}$$

### Steps 4(e) and 4(f)

$$P_n = (72 - 2)4.25 + 2.0(58) - 2.0(60) = 293.5 \text{ kips}$$

$$\epsilon_t = 0.003(17.75 - 7.5)/7.5 = 0.004$$

$$\phi = 0.56 + 68\epsilon_t = 0.83$$

$$\phi P_n = 0.83(293.5) = 244 \text{ kips}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \phi M_n &= 0.83 \{ (72 - 2)(10 - 3)4.25 \\ &\quad + 2.0(60)(17.5 - 10) + 2.0(58)(10 - 2.5) \} \\ &= 0.83(2082.5 + 900 + 870) \\ &= 3198 \text{ kip-in.} = 267 \text{ kip-ft} \end{aligned}$$

(Note: Steps 4a to 4f can be repeated for as many points as desired.)

A plot of these points is shown as Figure 4.9.3.

### Step 5.

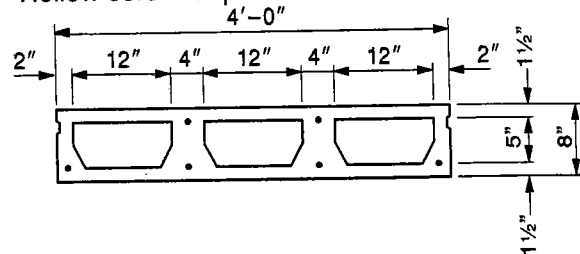
Calculate:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Maximum design load} &= 0.80\phi P_o \\ &= 0.80(870) = 696 \text{ kips} \end{aligned}$$

## Example 4.9.2 Calculation of Interaction Points for a Prestressed Concrete Compression Member

Given:

Hollow-core wall panel shown



Concrete:

$$f'_c = 6000 \text{ psi}$$

$$A = 204 \text{ in}^2$$

Prestressing steel:

$$f_{pu} = 270 \text{ ksi}$$

$$E_{ps} = 28,500 \text{ ksi}$$

$$f_{se} = 150 \text{ ksi}$$

5- $\frac{3}{8}$  in. diameter 270K strands

$$A_{ps} (\text{bott}) = 3(0.085) = 0.255 \text{ in}^2$$

$$A'_{ps} (\text{top}) = 2(0.085) = 0.170 \text{ in}^2$$

Problem:

Calculate a point on the design interaction curve for  $a = 2 \text{ in.}$

Solution:

Step 1:

$$\beta_1 = 0.85 - 2(.05) = 0.75$$

$$a = 2 \text{ in., } c = \frac{2}{0.75} = 2.67 \text{ in}$$

Step 2:

$$A_{\text{comp}} = 48(1.5) + 12(2 - 1.5) \\ = 78 \text{ in}^2$$

$$y' = \frac{48(1.5)(1.5/2) + 12(0.5)(1.5 + 0.5/2)}{78} \\ = 0.83 \text{ in.}$$

Step 3:

$$\epsilon_{\text{se}} = \frac{f_{\text{se}}}{E_{\text{ps}}} = \frac{150}{28,500} = 0.00526 \text{ in./in.}$$

Step 4:

From Figure 4.9.1(A)

$$\epsilon'_{\text{ps}} = 0.00526 - \frac{0.003}{2.67}(2.67 - 1.5) \\ = 0.00526 - 0.00131 = 0.00395 \text{ in./in.}$$

From Design Aid 11.2.5, this strain is on the linear part of the curve:

$$f'_{\text{ps}} \epsilon'_{\text{ps}} E_s = 0.00395(28,500) = 113 \text{ ksi}$$

$$\epsilon_t = \frac{0.003}{2.67}(6.5 - 2.67) = 0.00430$$

$$\epsilon_{\text{ps}} = 0.00526 + 0.00430 = 0.00956$$

$$\phi = 0.56 + 68\epsilon_t = 0.85$$

From Design Aid 11.2.5,  $f_{\text{ps}} = 252 \text{ ksi}$

From Figure 4.9.1(A):

$$P_n = (A_{\text{comp}})0.85f'_c - A'_{\text{ps}}f'_{\text{ps}} - A_{\text{ps}}f_{\text{ps}} \\ = 78(0.85)(6) - 0.170(113) - 0.255(252) \\ = 397.8 - 19.2 - 64.3 = 314.3 \text{ kips}$$

$$\phi P_n = 0.85(314.3) = 267 \text{ kips}$$

$$M_n = 397.8(4 - 0.83) - 19.2(4 - 1.5) \\ + 64.3(6.5 - 4) \\ = 1261.0 - 48.0 + 160.8 = 1373.8 \text{ kip-in} \\ = 114.5 \text{ kip-ft}$$

$$\phi M_n = 0.85(1373.8) = 1168 \text{ kip-in} \\ = 97.3 \text{ kip-ft}$$

Since no lateral ties are used in this member, the values should be multiplied by 0.85.

$$\phi P_n = 0.85(267) = 227 \text{ kips}$$

$$\phi M_n = 0.85(97.3) = 82.7 \text{ kip-ft}$$

Note: This is for *fully developed* strand. If the capacity at a point near the end of the transfer zone is desired, then  $f_{\text{ps}} \leq f_{\text{se}} = 150 \text{ ksi}$ ,  $\phi = 0.7$  because  $\epsilon_t = 0.002$ .

$$\phi P_n = 0.85(0.70)[397.8 - 19.2 - 0.255(150)] \\ = 202.5 \text{ kips}$$

$$\phi M_n = 0.85(0.70)[1261.0 - 48.0 \\ + 0.255(150)(6.5 - 4)] \\ = 778.6 \text{ kip-in.} = 64.9 \text{ kip-ft}$$

Note: For compliance with ACI Code Sect. 18.8.3, cracking moment,  $M_{\text{cr}}$ , must be calculated to verify  $\phi M_n \geq 1.2M_{\text{cr}}$  for both faces of the wall panel, except for flexural members with shear and flexural strength at least twice that required by ACI 318-95 Sect. 9.2. The effects of prestressing and its eccentricity should be included in calculating  $M_{\text{cr}}$  and other aspects of wall panel behavior, such as deflections.

#### 4.9.2 Slenderness Effects

Sects. 10.10 through 10.13 of ACI 318-95 contain provisions for evaluating slenderness effects (buckling) of columns. Use of these provisions is described in Chapter 3 of this Handbook. Additional recommendations are given in the Recommended Practice [21].

#### 4.9.3 Service Load Stresses

There are no limitations in ACI 318-95 on service load stresses in compression members subject to bending. The Recommended Practice suggests that, for prestressed members, the limitations of Sect. 18.4 of the Code be applied. For non-prestressed members, stresses and crack control are discussed in Sects. 4.2.2.1 and 5.2.4. Handling stresses are nearly always more critical than service load stresses.

#### 4.9.4 Effective Width of Wall Panels

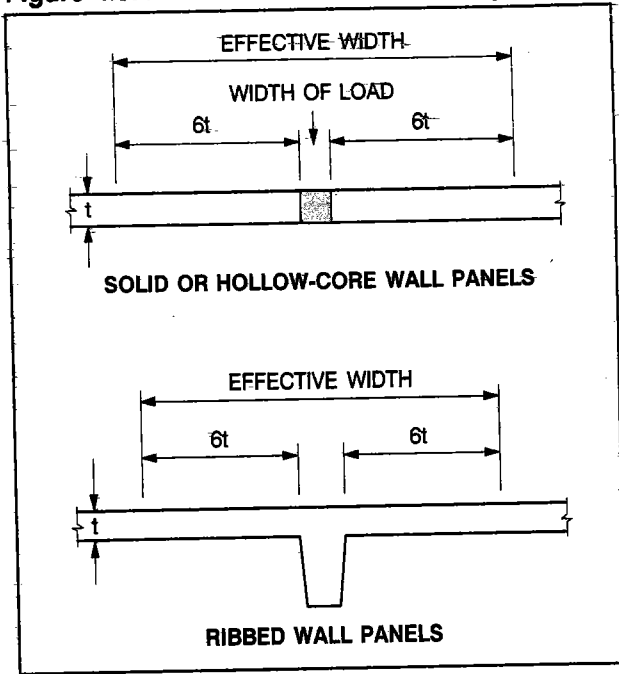
The Recommended Practice specifies that the portion of a wall considered as effective for supporting concentrated loads or for determining the effects of slenderness shall be the least of the following:

- The center-to-center distance between loads.
- The width of the loaded portion plus six times the wall thickness on either side (Figure 4.9.4).
- The width of the rib (in ribbed wall panels) plus six times the thickness of the wall between ribs on either side of the rib (Figure 4.9.4).
- 0.4 times the actual height of the wall.

#### 4.9.5 Varying Section Properties of Compression Members

Architectural wall panels will frequently be of a configuration that varies over the unsupported height of the panel. While there are precise methods of de

**Figure 4.9.4 Effective width of wall panels**



termining the effects of slenderness for such members, the approximate nature of the analysis procedures used do not warrant such precision. Example 4.9.3 illustrates approximate methods for determining section properties used in evaluating slenderness effects.

**Example 4.9.3 Approximate Section Properties of an Architectural Mullion Panel**

*Given:*

The load bearing architectural wall panel shown below.

$$f_c = 5000 \text{ psi}$$

$$E_c = 4300 \text{ ksi}$$

*Problem:*

Determine an approximate moment of inertia for slenderness analysis.

*Solution:*

One method is to determine a simple span deflection with a uniform load as follows:

Using the moment area method, the center or mid-height deflection is:

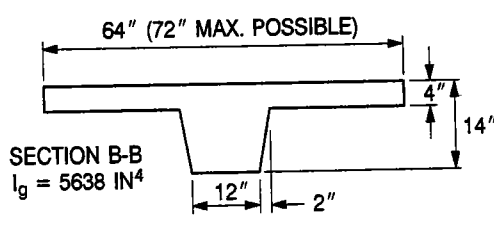
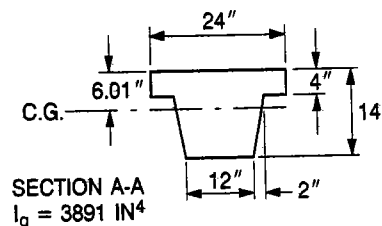
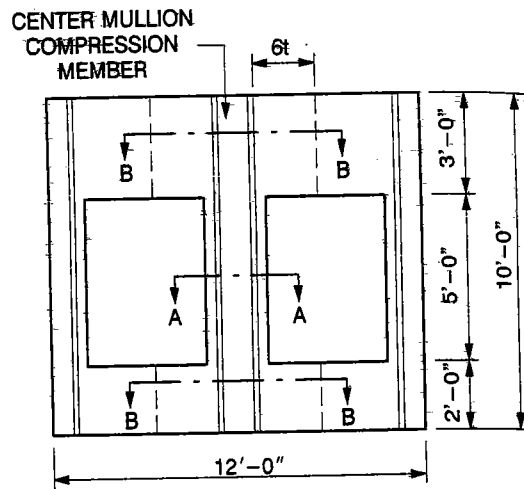
$$\Delta_o = 0.013 \text{ in.}$$

$$\Delta_o = \frac{5wL^4}{384E I_{equiv}}$$

$$I_{equiv} = \frac{5wL^4}{\Delta_o 384E}$$

$$= \frac{5(1/12)[10(12)]^4}{0.013(384)(4300)}$$

$$= 4025 \text{ in}^4$$



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A second, more approximate method would be to use a "weighted average" of the moments of inertia of the two sections. In this case:

$$I_{equiv} = \frac{I_1 h_1 + I_2 h_2}{h_1 + h_2}$$

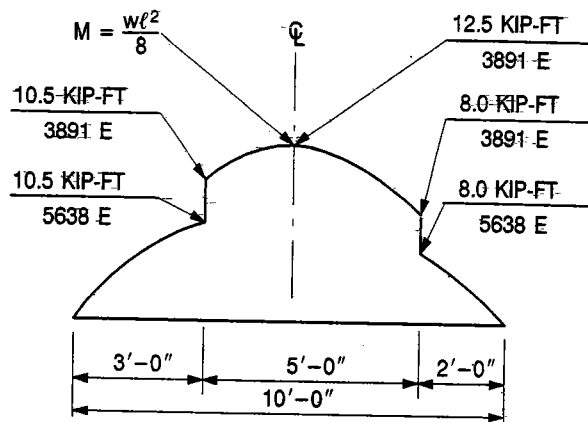
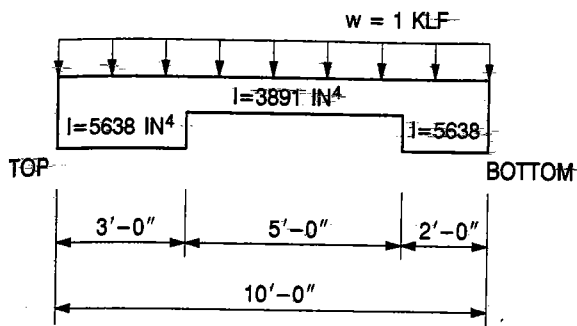
$$= \frac{5638(3 + 2) + 3891(5)}{10} = 4764 \text{ in}^4$$

Once an equivalent moment of inertia is determined, slenderness effects are evaluated by one of the methods described in Sect. 3.5.

**4.9.6 Piles**

In this section, procedures are shown to determine the structural capacity of pretensioned concrete piles, assuming adequate soil capacity. The soil capacity must be established by load tests or evaluated by a geotechnical engineer. Experience has shown that the frictional and bearing resistance of the soil will control the design more often than the strength and service load stresses on the pile. For more information on prestressed concrete piles, see Ref. 3, Chapter 2.





#### 4.9.6.1 Strength Under Axial Load

##### Nominal Strength

In the following procedure, a capacity based on service loads is compared with the nominal strength ( $\phi = 1.0$ ). For the nominal strength, the concrete stress at failure is assumed to be  $0.85f'_c$ . Also, with an ultimate concrete strain of 0.003, it can be shown that about 60% of the effective prestress,  $f_{pc}$  remains in the member when it reaches its nominal strength. Thus the nominal strength is:

$$P_n = (0.85f'_c - 0.60f_{pc})A_g \quad (\text{Eq. 4.9.2})$$

A study by the Portland Cement Association, which has been accepted by most building codes, recommends the following limitation for axially loaded short column prestressed piles, based on service loads:

$$N = (0.33f'_c - 0.27f_{pc})A_g \quad (\text{Eq. 4.9.3})$$

For a concentric load on a short column pile, a factor of safety ( $P_n/N$ ) of between 2.0 and 3.0 is usually adequate. A value for  $f_{pc}$  of  $0.2f'_c$  is considered to be about the desirable upper limit, and a value of 700 psi is recommended as the desirable lower limit for all piles over about 40 ft in length. For example, for

$$f'_c = 6000 \text{ psi and } f_{pc} = 700 \text{ psi} :$$

$$P_n = [0.85(6000) - 0.60(700)]A_g = 4680 A_g$$

$$N = [0.33(6000) - 0.27(700)]A_g = 1791 A_g$$

$$\text{F.S.} = 4680/1791 = 2.60$$

##### Unsupported Length

It is suggested that the use of Eq. 4.9.3 be limited to values of  $h/r$  of not greater than 60, where "h" is the unsupported length of the pile and "r" is the radius of gyration.

For piles considered fully fixed at one end and hinged at the other end, "h" may be taken as 0.7 times the length between the hinge and the assumed point of fixity. For piles fully fixed at both ends, h may be taken as 0.5 of the length between points of fixity.

#### 4.9.6.2 Combined Bending and Axial Load

##### Service Loads

It is common practice to allow a tension under service loads of approximately 50% of the modulus of rupture, or about  $4\sqrt{f'_c}$  and to allow compression of  $0.45f'_c$ . Thus:

$$\frac{N}{A_g} + f_{pc} \pm \frac{M}{S} = \begin{array}{l} \text{tension} \leq 4\sqrt{f'_c} \\ \text{compression} \leq 0.45f'_c \end{array}$$

##### Strength Design

Because prestressed piles have multiple layers of prestressed reinforcement, the design strength must be obtained from a strain compatibility analysis, as illustrated in Example 4.9.5, or from an interaction diagram based on such an analysis. The interaction diagrams for square prestressed columns in Chapter 2 may be used for square piling with similar strand patterns.

#### Example 4.9.4 Bearing Pile

For a 12 in. square solid pile, compute the allowable loads and moments.

Given:

$$A = 144 \text{ in}^2$$

$$I = 1,728 \text{ in}^4$$

$$S = 288 \text{ in}^3$$

$$f'_c = 6000 \text{ psi}$$

Prestress with 4- 1/2 in. diameter 270K strands

$$A_{ps} = 0.612 \text{ in}^2$$

Initial stress =  $0.75f_{pu}$ ; assume total loss = 18%

$$P = 270(0.75)(0.82)(0.612) = 101.6 \text{ kips}$$

$$f_{pc} = P/A = 101.6(1000)/144 = 706 \text{ psi}$$

(a) Direct Load

$$N = (0.33f'_c - 0.27f_{pc})A$$

$$N = 1789(A)$$

$$\text{Allowable } N = 1789(144)/1000 = 258 \text{ kips or } 129 \text{ tons.}$$

Nominal strength is given by:

$$P_n = (0.85f'_c - 0.60f_{pc})A$$

$$= \frac{[0.85(6000) - 0.60(706)]144}{1000}$$

$$= 673 \text{ kips}$$

$$\text{Thus, factor of safety} = 673/258 = 2.61$$

(b) Moment Capacity

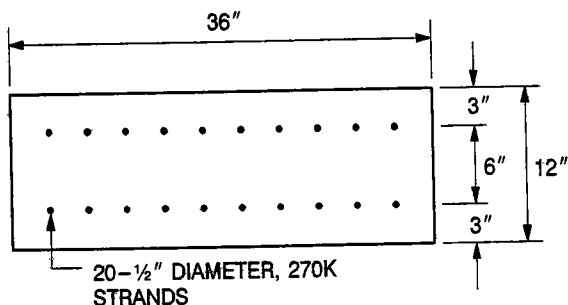
Figure 2.6.1 can be used to determine the moment capacity:

$$\phi P_n = 0.7(673) = 471 \text{ kips}$$

From Figure 2.6.1, with  $f'_c = 6000 \text{ psi}$ ,

$$\phi M_n \approx 40 \text{ kip-ft}$$

#### Example 4.9.5 Sheet Pile



Given:

$$A = 432 \text{ in}^2$$

$$I = 5184 \text{ in}^4$$

$$S = 5184/6 = 864 \text{ in}^3$$

$$f'_c = 6000 \text{ psi}$$

Stress to 75% of  $f_{pu}$ ; assume 18% loss

Problem:

For the 12 in. x 36 in. sheet pile shown, compute allowable moment.

Solution:

$$f_{se} = 0.75(0.82)(270) = 166 \text{ ksi}$$

$$A_{ps} = 20(0.153) = 3.06 \text{ in}^2$$

$$f_{pc} = \frac{166(3.06)}{432} = 1.176 \text{ ksi}$$

Moment Capacity:

(a) Service loads

For allowable tension of  $4\sqrt{f'_c}$  or 0.30 ksi:

Allowable Moment:

$$\begin{aligned} &= (0.4\sqrt{f'_c} + f_{pc})S = (0.30 + 1.176)864 \\ &= 1275 \text{ kip-in per pile} \\ &= 425 \text{ kip-in per ft} \end{aligned}$$

(b) Strength design

Use strain compatibility:

Using an iteration procedure, determine the depth of neutral axis,  $c$ , to be 4.33 in. (See Example 4.2.6).

$$\epsilon_{se} = f_{se}E_{ps} = 166/28,500 = 0.00582 \text{ in./in.}$$

Last iteration:

$$\epsilon_{s1} = \frac{9.00 - 4.33}{4.33}(0.003) + 0.00582$$

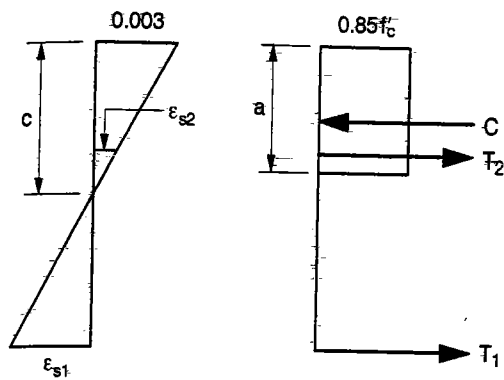
$$= 0.00906$$

$$f_{s1} = 270 - \frac{0.04}{0.00906 - 0.007} = 250.6 \text{ ksi}$$

$$T_1 = 250.6(0.153)(10) = 383.4 \text{ kips}$$

$$\epsilon_{s2} = \frac{4.33 - 3.00}{4.33}(-0.003) + 0.00582$$

$$= 0.00490$$



$$f_{s2} = 0.00490 (28,500) = 139.7 \text{ ksi}$$

$$T_2 = 139.7(0.153)(10) = 213.7 \text{ kips}$$

$$T_1 + T_2 = 383.4 + 213.7 = 597.1 \text{ kips}$$

$$a = \beta_1 c = 0.75(4.33) = 3.25 \text{ in.}$$

$$C = 0.85 f'_c b a = 0.85(6)(36)(3.25) = 596.7 \text{ kips (close to } T_1 + T_2 \text{) OK}$$

$$M_n = -596.7(3.25/2) + 213.7(3) + 383.4(9) = 3122 \text{ kip-in.}$$

$$\epsilon_t = \epsilon_{s1} - \epsilon_{s2} = 0.00906 - 0.00582 = 0.00324$$

$$\phi = 0.56 + 68\epsilon_t = 0.78$$

$$\phi M_n = 0.78(3122) = 2436 \text{ kip-in.} \\ = 203 \text{ kip-ft}$$

## 4.10 Special Considerations

This section outlines solutions of special situations which may arise in the design of a precast floor or roof system. Since production methods of products vary, local producers should be consulted. Also, test data may indicate that the conservative guidelines presented here may be exceeded for a specific application.

### 4.10.1 Load Distribution

Frequently, floors and roofs are subjected to line loads, for example from walls, and concentrated loads. The ability of hollow-core systems to transfer or distribute loads laterally through grouted shear keys has been demonstrated in several published reports [22-24], and many unpublished tests. Based on tests, analysis and experience, the PCI Hollow-Core Slab Producers Committee recommends [25] that line and concentrated loads be resisted by an effective section as described in Figure 4.10.1. Exception:

If the total deck width, perpendicular to the span, is less than the span, modification may be required. Contact local producers for recommendations.

Load distribution in stemmed members may not necessarily follow the same pattern, because of different torsional resistance properties.

### Example 4.10.1 Load Distribution

*Given:*

An untopped hollow-core floor with 4 ft wide 8 in. deep slabs, and supporting a load bearing wall and concentrated loads as shown in Figure 4.10.2.

*Problem:*

Determine the design loads for the slab supporting the wall and concentrated loads.

*Solution:*

(Note: Each step corresponds to a line number in the table in Figure 4.10.2)

1. Calculate the shears and moments for the non-distributable (uniform) loads:

$$w_u = 1.4(56 + 10) + 1.7(40) = 160 \text{ psf}$$

2. Calculate the shears and moments for the distributable (concentrated and line) loads:

$$w_u = 1.4(650) + 1.7(1040) = 2678 \text{ lb/ft}$$

$$P_{1u} = 1.4(500) + 1.7(1000) = 2400 \text{ lb}$$

$$P_{2u} = 1.4(1000) + 1.7(3000) = 6500 \text{ lb}$$

3. Calculate effective width along the span:

At the support, width = 4.0 ft

At  $0.25\ell$  (6.25 ft), width =  $0.5\ell = 12.5$  ft

Between  $x = 0$  and  $x = 6.25$  ft

$$\text{width} = 4 + (x/6.25)(12.5 - 4) = 4 + 1.36x$$

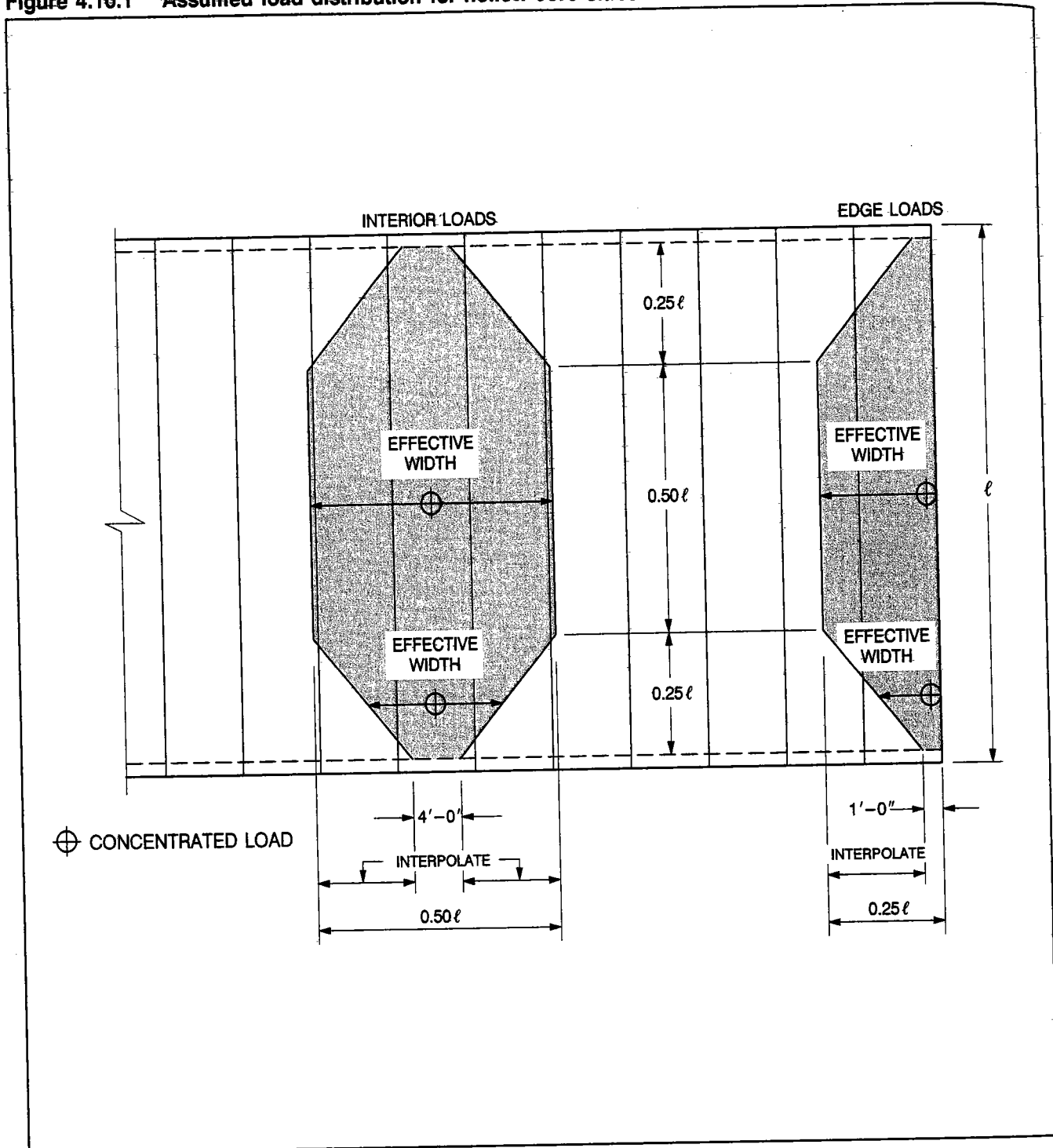
4. Divide distributable shears and moments from step 2 by the effective widths from step 3.

5. Add the distributed shears and moments to the non-distributable shears and moments from step 1.

Once the moments and shears are determined, the slabs are designed as described in Sects. 4.2, 4.3, and 4.6.

This method is suitable for computer solution. For manual calculations, the procedure can be simplified by investigating only critical sections. For example, shear may be determined by dividing all distributable loads by 4 ft, and flexure at mid-span can be checked by dividing the distributable loads by  $0.5\ell$ .

Figure 4.10.1 Assumed load distribution for hollow-core slabs



#### 4.10.2 Openings through Decks

Openings may be provided in precast decks by: (1) saw cutting after the deck is installed and grouted, (2) forming (blocking out) or sawing in the plant, or (3) using short units with steel headers or other connections. In hollow-core or solid slabs, structural capacity is least affected by orienting the longest dimension of an opening parallel to a span, or by coring small holes to cut the fewest strands. Openings in stemmed members must not cut through the stem, and for double tees, should be narrower than the

stem spacing less the top stem width less 2 in. (see Figure 4.10.3).

Following are reasonable guidelines regarding design of hollow-core slabs around openings. Some producers may have data to support a different procedure:

1. An opening located near the end of the span and extending into the span less than the lesser of  $0.125l$  or 4 ft may be neglected when designing for flexure in the mid-span region.

2. Strand development must be considered on each side of an opening which cuts strand. (See Sect. 4.2.3.)
3. Slabs which are adjacent to openings which are long ( $l/4$  or more), or occur near mid-span, may be considered to have a free edge for flexural design.
4. Slabs which are adjacent to openings closer to the end than  $3l/8$  may be considered to have a free edge for shear design.

#### 4.10.3 Openings through Webs

In special situations, horizontal openings may be required in stems of deck members. These openings will add significantly to the cost of the product and the constructability of such modifications should be carefully considered. Refs. 27–29 summarize recent research on the subject including the results of full-scale testing and design recommendations. The principal recommendations from those references are:

1. Web openings should be placed outside the strand development area. See Figure 4.10.3.
2. Vertical stirrups should be placed on each side of an opening to control cracks in the vicinity of the openings.
3. The openings should be located in the flexural region of the member and below the compression block.
4. The member should be subjected to primarily uniformly distributed loads. Significant concentrated loads may be placed directly above the solid area between openings, or otherwise carefully designed for.
5. The minimum distance between the openings shall be equal to the height of the opening but not less than 10 in.
6. The members should be designed so that tensile stresses do not exceed the modulus of rupture.

Refs. 28 and 29 provide design examples and further recommendations. These references should be reviewed before designing or specifying horizontal openings in webs.

#### 4.10.4 Continuity

Precast deck members are normally used as part of a simple span system. However, when reinforcement is required at supports for structural integrity ties or diaphragm connections, limited continuity can be achieved. The amount of reinforcement is usually too low to develop significant moment capacity, but may be considered for reducing service load deflections. It is recommended that full simple span positive moment capacity be provided for strength design in all deck members due to uncertain moment-curvature conditions at the supports at ultimate loads.

When top steel is required at supports, it may be placed in composite topping (if available), or, in slab members, in the grout keys or concreted into cores.

Advantage may be taken of limited continuity when using rational design procedures for fire resistance (see Sect. 9.3).

#### 4.10.5 Cantilevers

The method by which precast, prestressed members resist cantilever moments depends on (1) the method of production, (2) the length and loading requirements of the cantilever, and (3) the size of the project (amount of repetition).

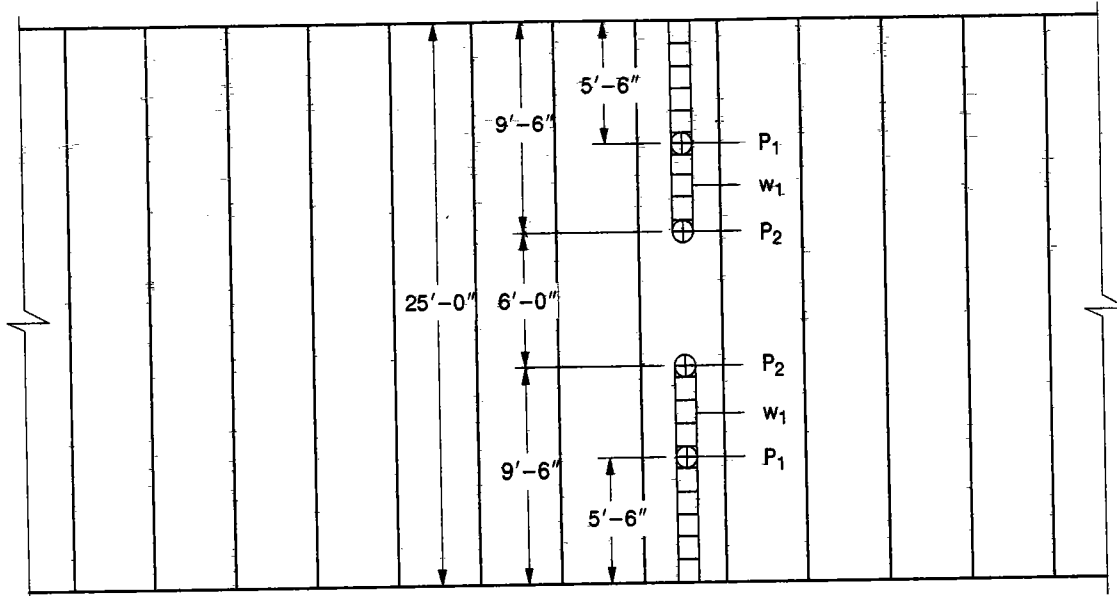
If a cantilever is not long enough to fully develop top strands, a reduced value of  $f_{ps}$  must be used, as discussed in Sect. 4.2.3. As with reinforcing bars, due to settlement of concrete, top strands often do not bond as well as the ACI development equation indicates, especially in dry cast systems. It is often necessary, or at least desirable, to debond the top strands in positive moment regions, and the bottom strands in the cantilever.

In some cases it is preferable to design cantilevers as reinforced concrete members, using deformed reinforcing bars to provide the negative moment resistance. In machine-made products, the steel can be placed in grout keys, composite topping, or concreted into cores.

Top tension under service loads should be limited to  $6\sqrt{f'_c}$  so that the section remains uncracked, allowing better prediction of service load deflections.

Consultation with local producers is recommended before choosing a method of reinforcement for cantilevers. Some have developed standard methods that work best with their particular system, and have proven them with tests or experience.

Figure 4.10.2 Example 4.10.1



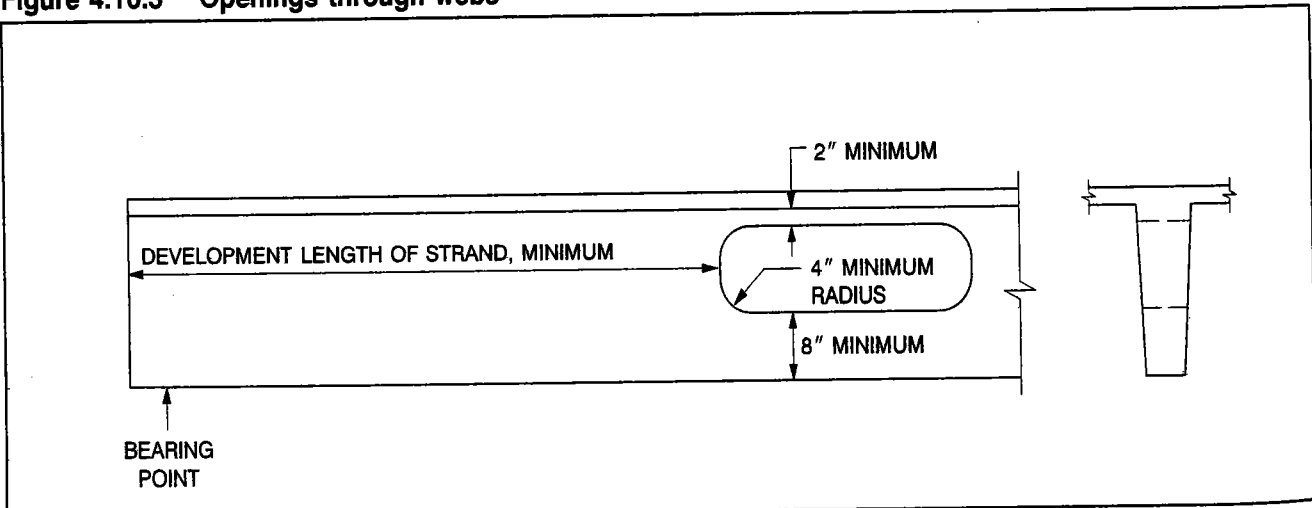
SDL = 10 PSF       $w_{1D}$  = 650 PLF       $P_{1D}$  = 500 LB       $P_{2D}$  = 1000 LB  
 LL = 40 PSF       $w_{1L}$  = 1040 PLF       $P_{1L}$  = 1000 LB       $P_{2L}$  = 3000 LB  
 SLAB WT = 56 PSF

**Shears and Moments**

DISTANCE FROM SUPPORT		0	$h/2$	1'	2'	3'	4'	5'	7.5'	10'	12.5'
1. NON-DISTRIBUTABLE LOADS	$V_u$	2.0	1.95	1.84	1.68	1.52	1.36	1.20	0.80	0.40	0
	$M_u$	0	0.66	1.92	3.68	5.28	6.72	8.0	10.50	12.0	12.5
2. DISTRIBUTABLE LOADS	$V_u$	34.34	33.45	31.66	28.99	26.31	23.63	20.95	11.86	0	0
	$M_u$	0	11.29	33.0	63.33	90.97	115.94	138.23	177.44	195.79	195.79
3. EFFECTIVE WIDTH	ft	4	4.45	5.36	6.72	8.08	9.44	10.80	12.5	12.5	12.5
4. DISTRIBUTED SHEARS & MOMENTS	$V_u$	8.58	7.52	5.91	4.31	3.26	2.50	1.94	0.95	0	0
	$M_u$	0	2.54	6.16	9.42	11.26	12.28	12.80	14.20	15.66	15.66
5. DESIGN SHEARS & MOMENTS	$V_u$	10.58	9.47	7.75	5.99	4.78	3.86	3.14	1.75	0.40	0
	$M_u$	0	3.20	8.08	13.10	16.54	19.0	20.80	24.70	27.66	28.16

$V_u$  in kips/ft;  $M_u$  in kip-ft/ft

Figure 4.10.3 Openings through webs



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## 4.12.1 DESIGN AIDS

**Figure 4.12.1 Flexural resistance coefficients for elements with non-prestressed, partially prestressed and prestressed reinforcement**

*Procedure:*

*Design:*

1. Determine  $K_u = \frac{M_u/\phi - A_s' f_y' (d - d')}{f_c' b d^2}$
2. Find  $\bar{\omega}$  from table
3. For prestressed reinforcement, estimate  $f_{ps}$
4. Select  $A_{ps}$ ,  $A_s$  and  $A_s'$  from:  
 $A_{ps} f_{ps} + A_s f_y - A_s' f_y' = \bar{\omega} b d f_c'$
5. Check assumed value of  $f_{ps}$

*Analysis:*

1. Determine  $\bar{\omega} = \frac{A_{ps} f_{ps} + A_s f_y - A_s' f_y'}{b d f_c'}$
2. Find  $K_u$  from table
3. Determine  $\phi M_n = \phi [K_u f_c' b d^2 + A_s' f_y' (d - d')]$

*Basis:*

$$K_u = \bar{\omega}(1 - 0.59 \bar{\omega})$$

$M_u$  in units of lb-in.

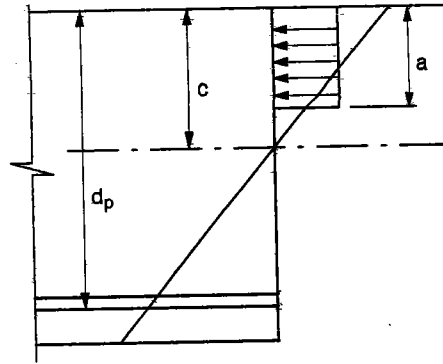
		$\bar{\omega}_{max} = \bar{\omega}_{max}$ for non-prestressed elements					
$f_y, \text{ksi}$	$f_c', \text{psi}$	3000	4000	5000	6000	7000	8000
40		0.371	0.371	0.349	0.328	0.306	0.284
50		0.344	0.344	0.324	0.304	0.283	0.263
60		0.321	0.321	0.302	0.283	0.264	0.245

Values of $K_u$										
$\bar{\omega}$	0.000	0.001	0.002	0.003	0.004	0.005	0.006	0.007	0.008	0.009
0.00	0.0000	0.0010	0.0020	0.0030	0.0040	0.0050	0.0060	0.0070	0.0080	0.0090
0.01	0.0099	0.0109	0.0119	0.0129	0.0139	0.0149	0.0158	0.0168	0.0178	0.0188
0.02	0.0198	0.0207	0.0217	0.0227	0.0237	0.0246	0.0256	0.0266	0.0275	0.0285
0.03	0.0295	0.0304	0.0314	0.0324	0.0333	0.0343	0.0352	0.0362	0.0371	0.0381
0.04	0.0391	0.0400	0.0410	0.0419	0.0429	0.0438	0.0448	0.0457	0.0466	0.0476
0.05	0.0485	0.0495	0.0504	0.0513	0.0523	0.0532	0.0541	0.0551	0.0560	0.0569
0.06	0.0579	0.0588	0.0597	0.0607	0.0616	0.0625	0.0634	0.0644	0.0653	0.0662
0.07	0.0671	0.0680	0.0689	0.0699	0.0708	0.0717	0.0726	0.0735	0.0744	0.0753
0.08	0.0762	0.0771	0.0780	0.0789	0.0798	0.0807	0.0816	0.0825	0.0834	0.0843
0.09	0.0852	0.0861	0.0870	0.0879	0.0888	0.0897	0.0906	0.0914	0.0923	0.0932
0.10	0.0941	0.0950	0.0959	0.0967	0.0976	0.0985	0.0994	0.1002	0.1011	0.1020
0.11	0.1029	0.1037	0.1046	0.1055	0.1063	0.1072	0.1081	0.1089	0.1098	0.1106
0.12	0.1115	0.1124	0.1132	0.1141	0.1149	0.1158	0.1166	0.1175	0.1183	0.1192
0.13	0.1200	0.1209	0.1217	0.1226	0.1234	0.1242	0.1251	0.1259	0.1268	0.1276
0.14	0.1284	0.1293	0.1301	0.1309	0.1318	0.1326	0.1334	0.1343	0.1351	0.1359
0.15	0.1367	0.1375	0.1384	0.1392	0.1400	0.1408	0.1416	0.1425	0.1433	0.1441
0.16	0.1449	0.1457	0.1465	0.1473	0.1481	0.1489	0.1497	0.1505	0.1513	0.1521
0.17	0.1529	0.1537	0.1545	0.1553	0.1561	0.1569	0.1577	0.1585	0.1593	0.1601
0.18	0.1609	0.1617	0.1625	0.1632	0.1640	0.1648	0.1656	0.1664	0.1671	0.1679
0.19	0.1687	0.1695	0.1703	0.1710	0.1718	0.1726	0.1733	0.1741	0.1749	0.1756
0.20	0.1764	0.1772	0.1779	0.1787	0.1794	0.1802	0.1810	0.1817	0.1825	0.1832
0.21	0.1840	0.1847	0.1855	0.1862	0.1870	0.1877	0.1885	0.1892	0.1900	0.1907
0.22	0.1914	0.1922	0.1929	0.1937	0.1944	0.1951	0.1959	0.1966	0.1973	0.1981
0.23	0.1988	0.1995	0.2002	0.2010	0.2017	0.2024	0.2031	0.2039	0.2046	0.2053
0.24	0.2060	0.2067	0.2074	0.2082	0.2089	0.2096	0.2103	0.2110	0.2117	0.2124
0.25	0.2131	0.2138	0.2145	0.2152	0.2159	0.2166	0.2173	0.2180	0.2187	0.2194
0.26	0.2201	0.2208	0.2215	0.2222	0.2229	0.2236	0.2243	0.2249	0.2256	0.2263
0.27	0.2270	0.2277	0.2283	0.2290	0.2297	0.2304	0.2311	0.2317	0.2324	0.2331
0.28	0.2337	0.2344	0.2351	0.2357	0.2364	0.2371	0.2377	0.2384	0.2391	0.2397
0.29	0.2404	0.2410	0.2417	0.2423	0.2430	0.2437	0.2443	0.2450	0.2456	0.2463
0.30	0.2469									

**Figure 4.12.2 Coefficients  $K'_u$  for determining flexural design strength—bonded prestressing steel**

Procedure:

1. Determine  $\omega_{pu} = \frac{A_{ps} f_{pu}}{bd_p f'_c}$
2. Find  $K'_u$  from table
3. Determine  $\phi M_n = K'_u \frac{bd_p^2}{12,000}$  (kips-ft)



Basis:

$$K'_u = \frac{\phi f_{ps} f'_c}{f_{pu}} (\omega_{pu}) \left[ 1 - (0.59 \omega_{pu}) \left( \frac{f_{ps}}{f_{pu}} \right) \right]$$

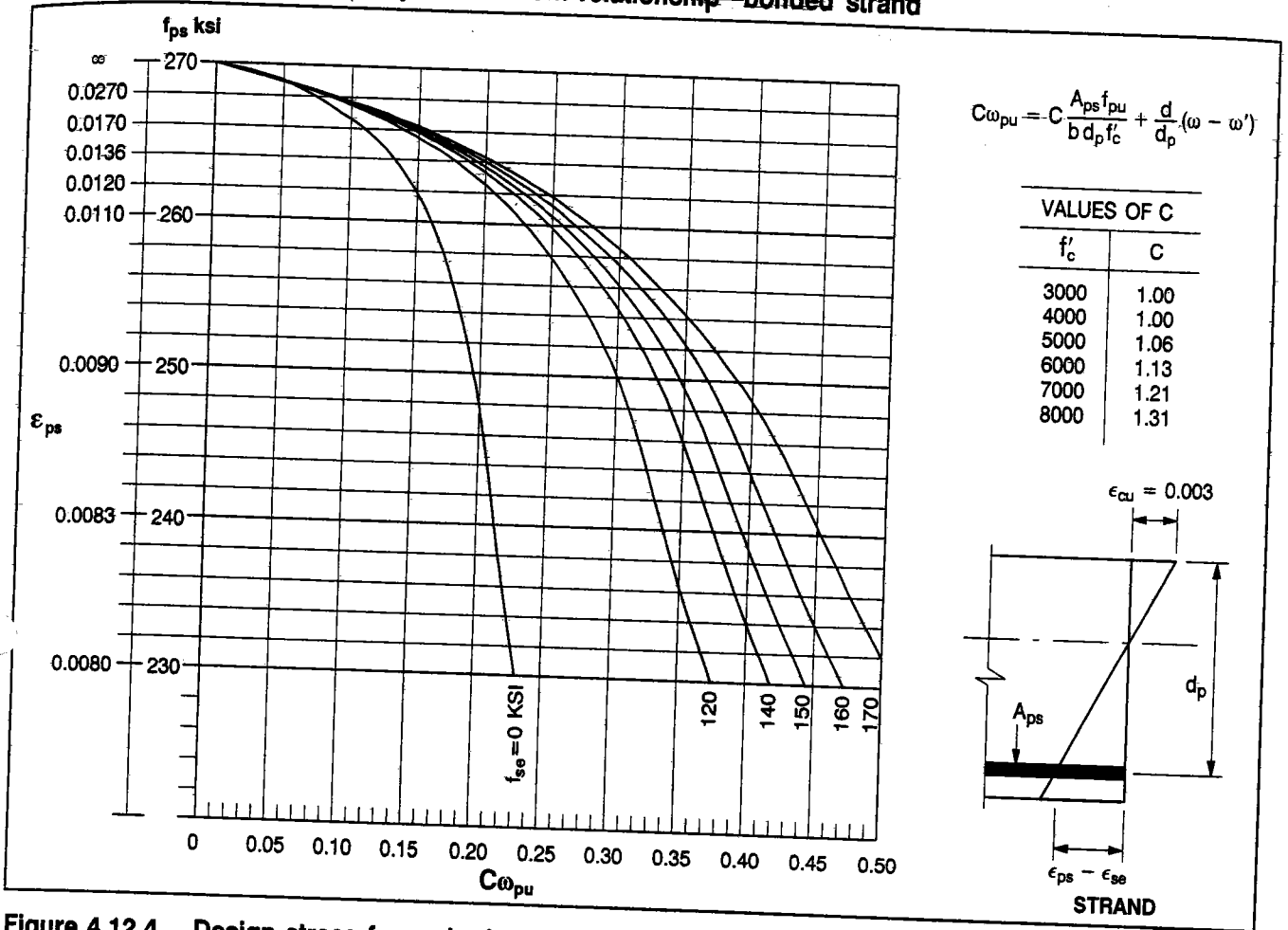
Note:  $K'_u$  from this table is approximately equivalent to  $\phi K_u f'_c$  from Figure 4.12.1.

Table values are based on a strain compatibility analysis, using a stress-strain curve for prestressing strand similar to that in Design Aid 11.2.5. Asterisk (\*) indicates  $\omega_p > 0.36\beta_1$  and  $\phi M_n = \phi [f'_c b d_p^2 (0.36\beta_1 - 0.08\beta_1^2)]$ . See Figure 4.2.5 for variation when Appendix B of ACI 318-95 is used.

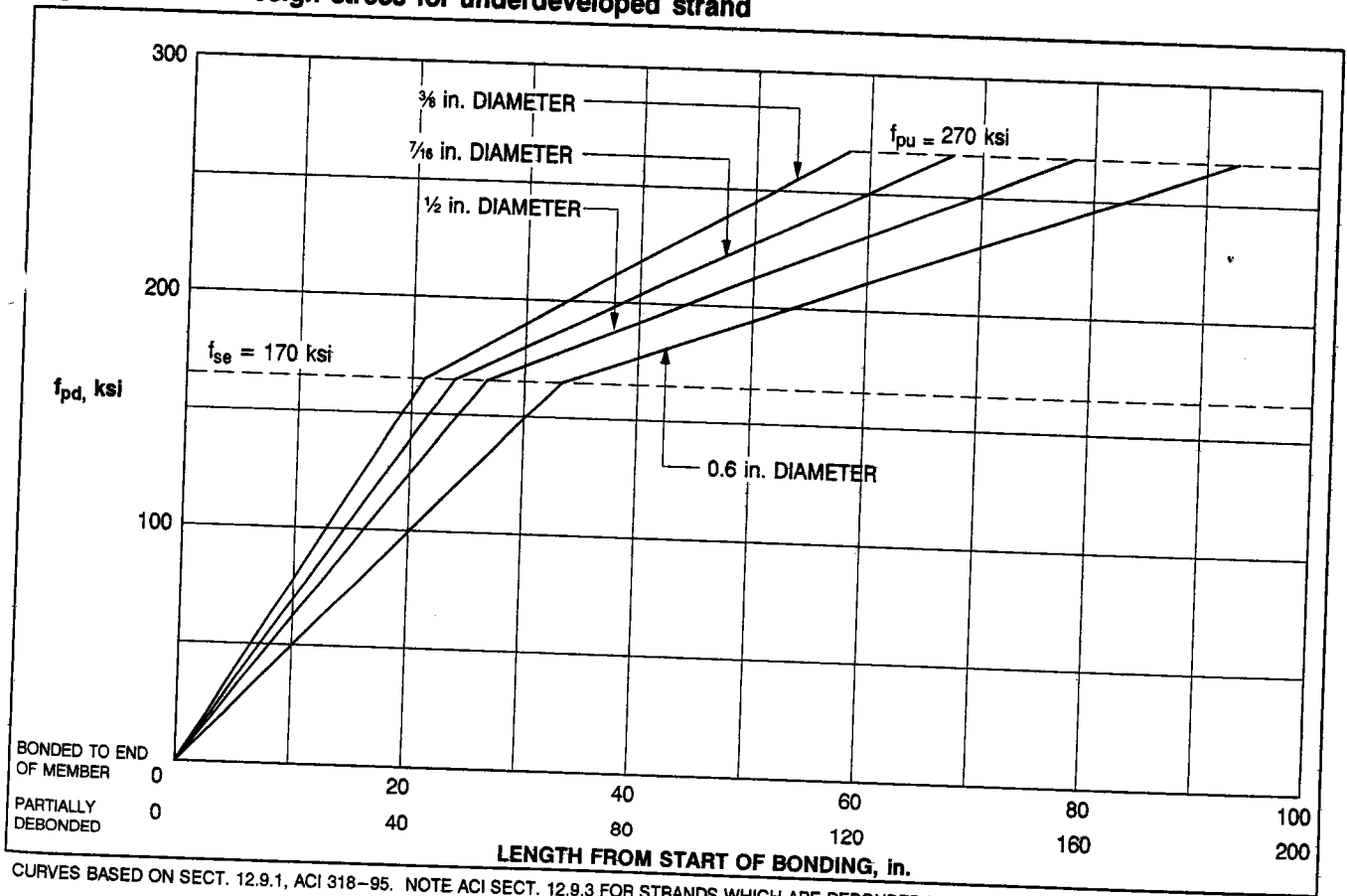
**Values of  $K'_u$**

$f'_c$ (psi)	$\omega_{pu}$	.00	.01	.02	.03	.04	.05	.06	.07	.08	.09
3000	0.0	0	27	53	79	105	131	156	180	205	228
	0.1	252	275	298	321	343	364	386	407	427	447
	0.2	467	486	505	524	542	560	577	594	610	626
	0.3	642	657	*670	*670	*670	*670	*670	*670	*670	*670
4000	0.0	0	36	71	106	140	174	207	240	273	305
	0.1	336	367	397	427	457	486	514	542	570	596
	0.2	623	649	674	699	723	746	770	792	814	835
	0.3	856	876	*894	*894	*894	*894	*894	*894	*894	*894
5000	0.0	0	45	89	132	175	217	259	300	341	381
	0.1	420	458	496	534	570	606	642	677	711	744
	0.2	777	809	840	871	901	930	958	986	1013	1039
	0.3	1064	*1066	*1066	*1066	*1066	*1066	*1066	*1066	*1066	*1066
6000	0.0	0	54	107	159	210	261	311	360	409	456
	0.1	503	550	595	640	684	727	769	811	851	891
	0.2	930	968	1005	1041	1077	1111	1144	1177	1208	*1215
	0.3	*1215	*1215	*1215	*1215	*1215	*1215	*1215	*1215	*1215	*1215
7000	0.0	0	63	124	185	245	304	363	420	476	532
	0.1	587	641	693	745	796	846	895	944	991	1037
	0.2	1081	1125	1168	1210	1250	1289	1327	*1341	*1341	*1341
	0.3	*1341	*1341	*1341	*1341	*1341	*1341	*1341	*1341	*1341	*1341
8000	0.0	0	72	142	212	280	348	414	480	544	608
	0.1	670	731	791	850	908	965	1021	1075	1128	1180
	0.2	1231	1280	1328	1374	1419	*1441	*1441	*1441	*1441	*1441
	0.3	*1441	*1441	*1441	*1441	*1441	*1441	*1441	*1441	*1441	*1441

**Figure 4.12.3 Values of  $f_{ps}$  by stress-strain relationship—bonded strand**



**Figure 4.12.4 Design stress for underdeveloped strand**



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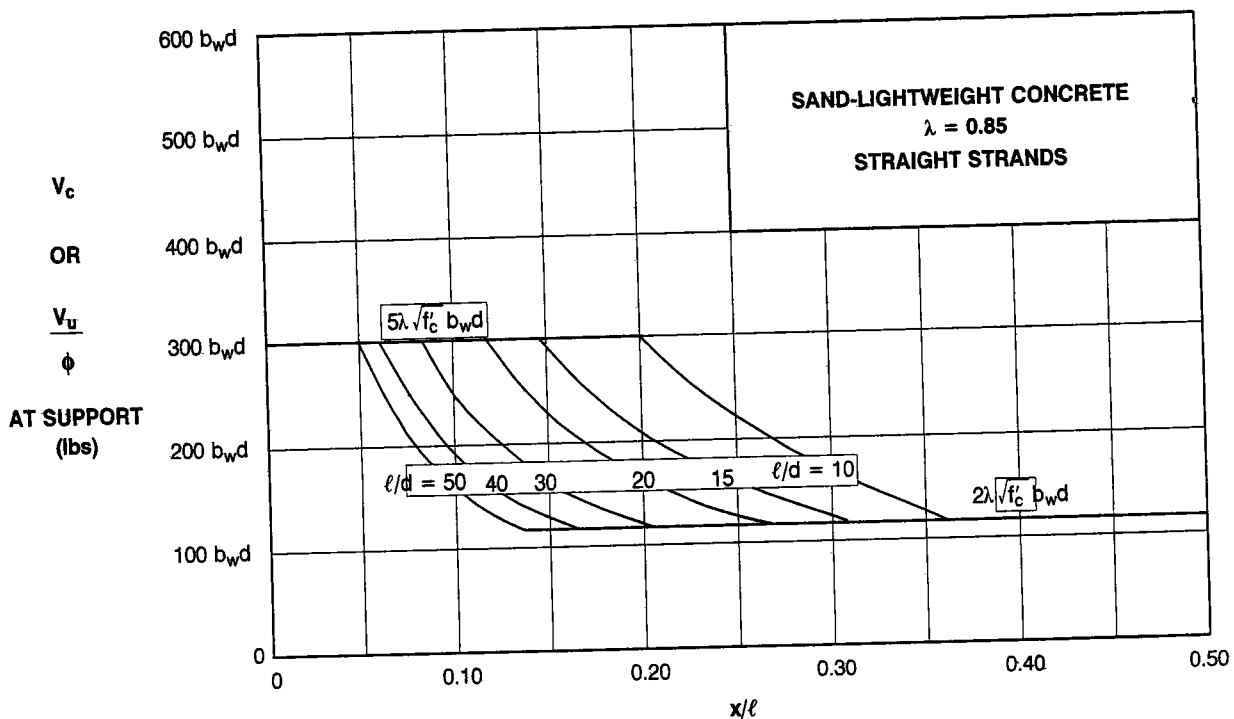
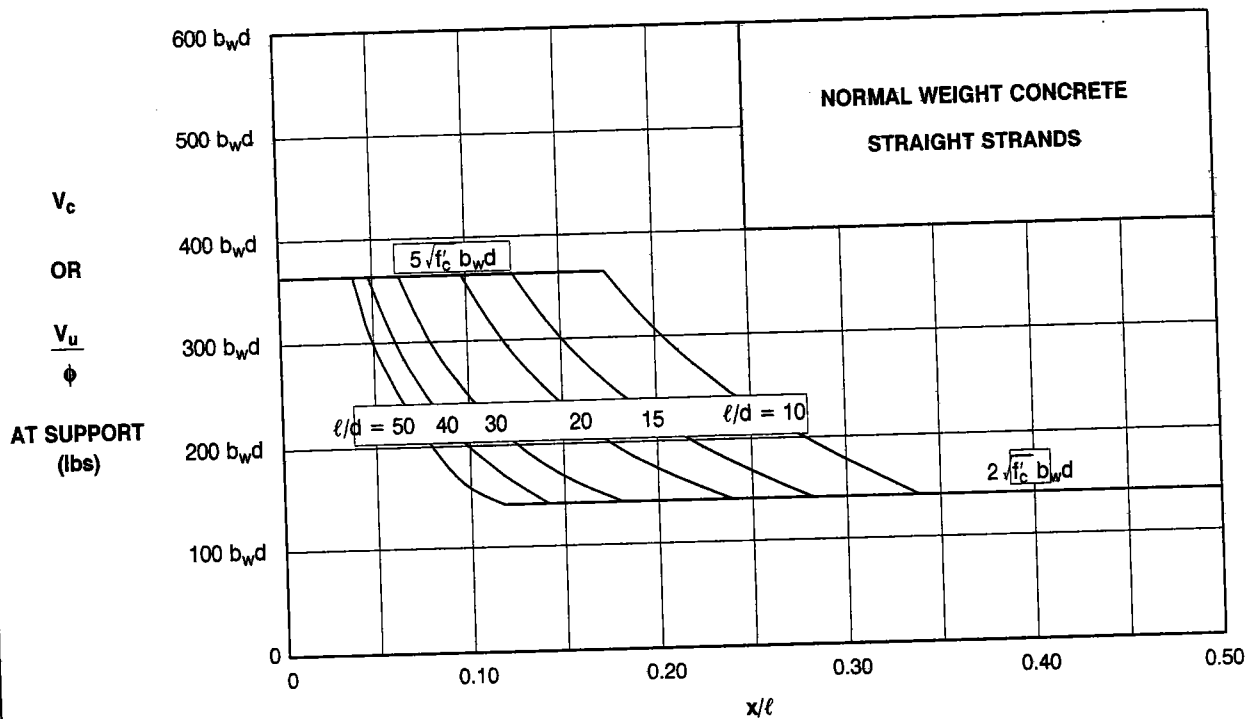
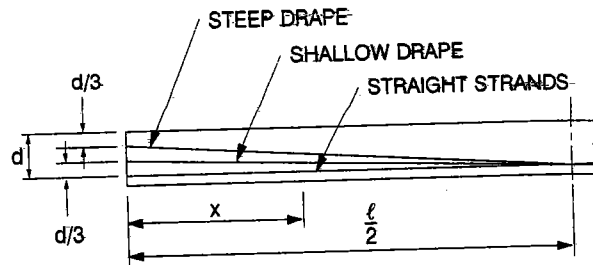
**Figure 4.12.5 Shear design by Eq. 4.3.3—Straight strands**

**NOTES:**

1. Applicable to simple span, uniformly loaded members only.
2.  $f'_c = 5000$  psi – Error less than 10% for 4000 psi to 6000 psi.

$$V_c = \left( 0.6\sqrt{f'_c} + 700 \frac{V_u d}{M_u} \right) b_w d \quad (\text{Eq. 4.3.3})$$

SEE ACI 318-95 SECT. 11.4.1



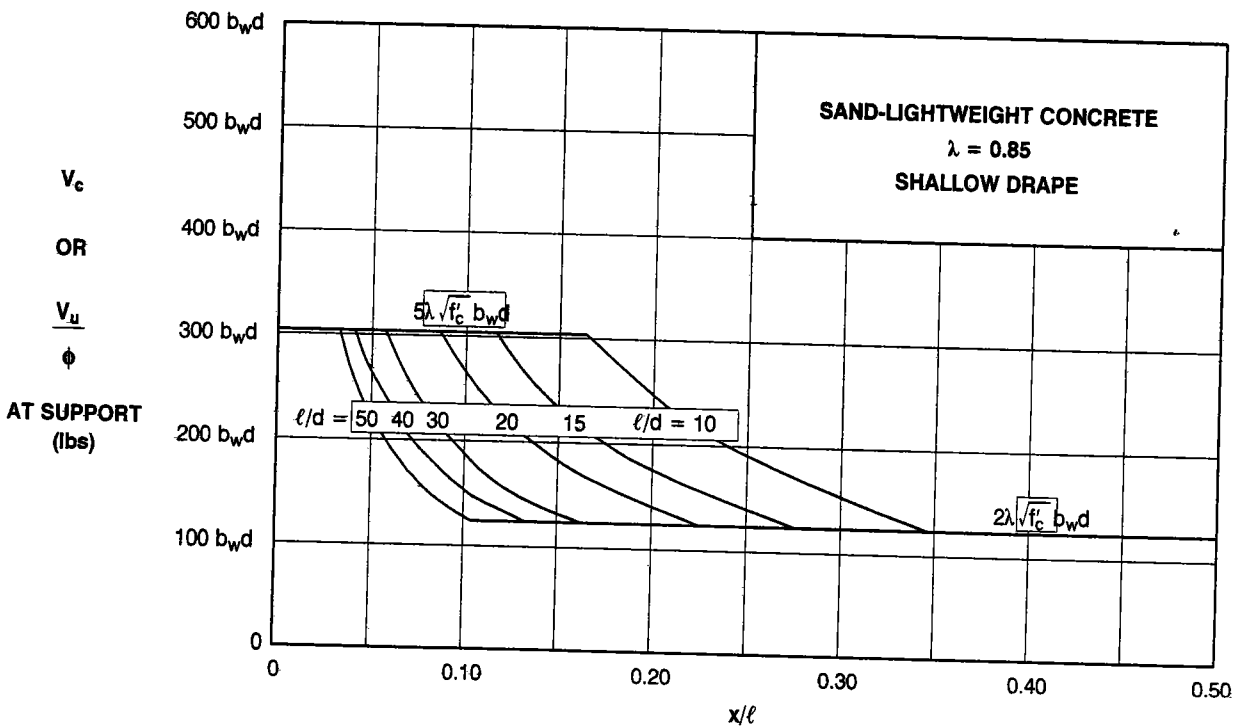
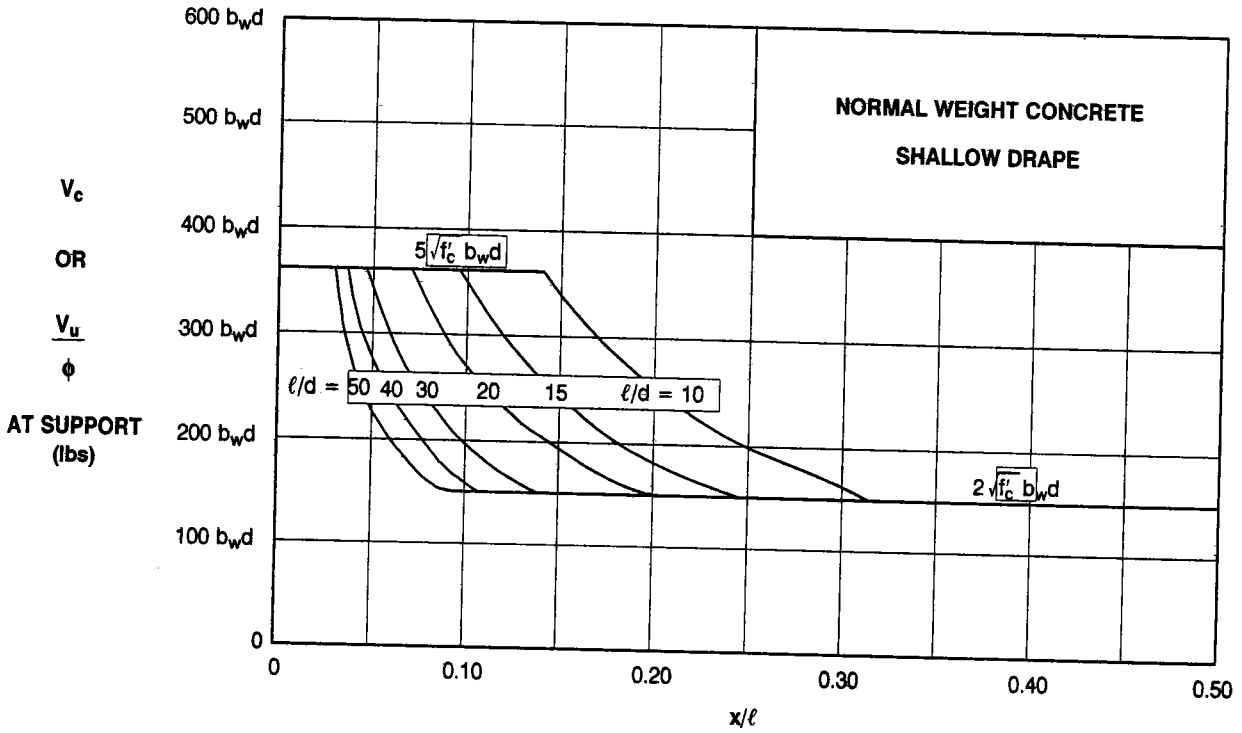
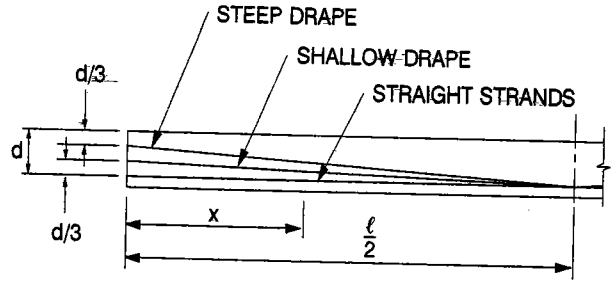
**Figure 4.12.6 Shear design by Eq. 4.3.3—Shallow drape**

**NOTES:**

1. Applicable to simple span, uniformly loaded members only.
2.  $f'_c = 5000$  psi – Error less than 10% for 4000 psi to 6000 psi.

$$V_c = \left( 0.6\sqrt{f'_c} + 700\frac{V_u d}{M_u} \right) b_w d \quad (\text{Eq. 4.3.3})$$

SEE ACI 318-95 SECT. 11.4.1



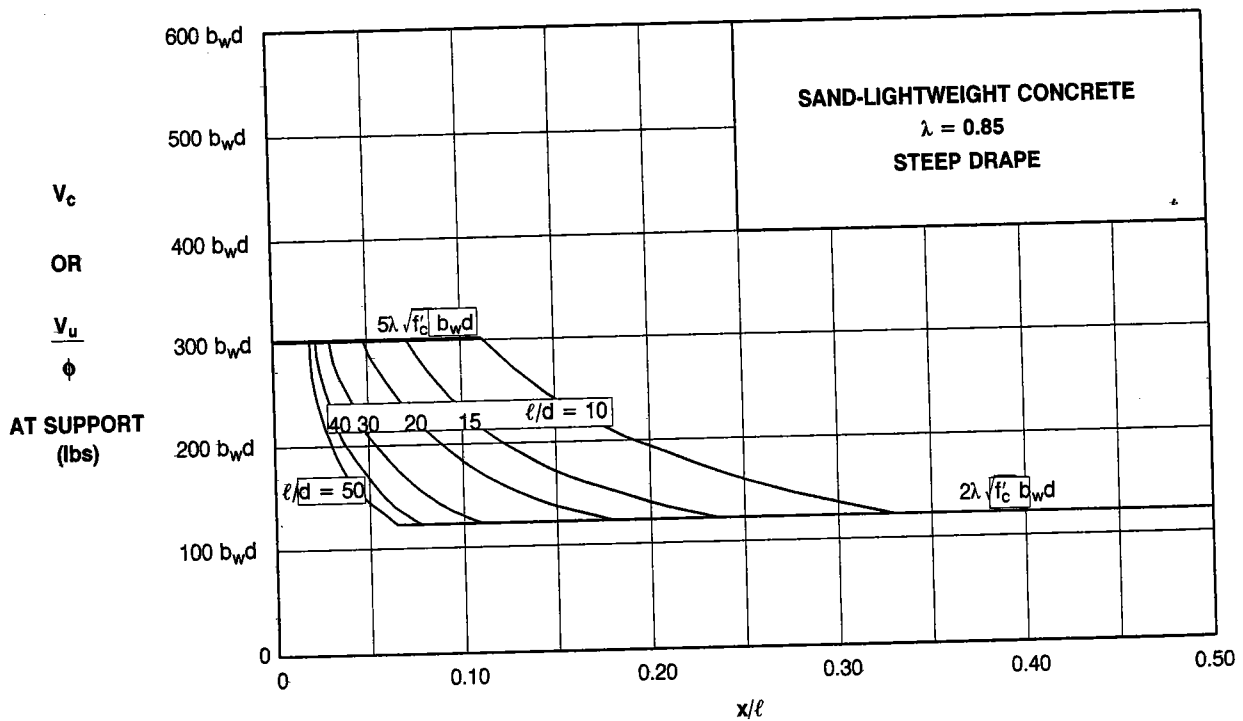
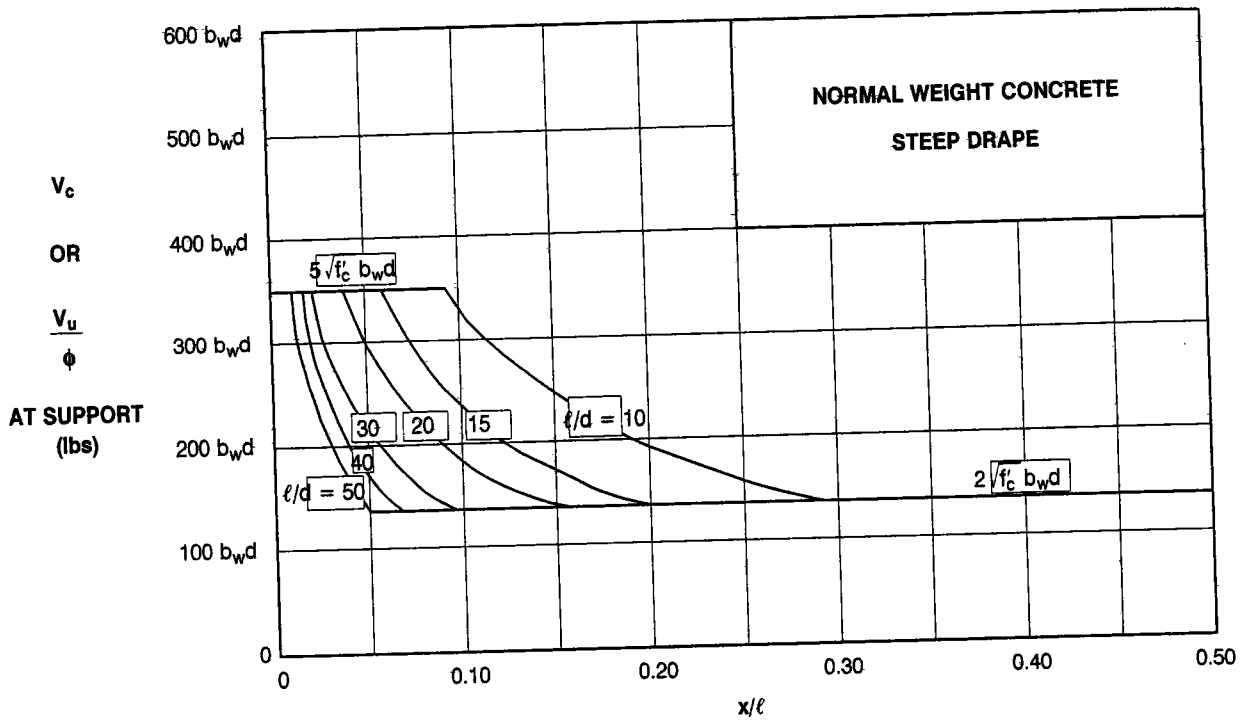
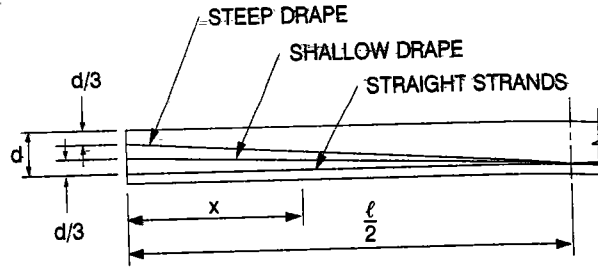
**Figure 4.12.7 Shear design by Eq. 4.3.3—Steep drape**

**NOTES:**

1. Applicable to simple span, uniformly-loaded members only.
2.  $f'_c = 5000$  psi – Error less than 10% for 4000 psi to 6000 psi.

$$V_c = \left( 0.6\sqrt{f'_c} + 700 \frac{V_u d}{M_u} \right) b_w d \quad (\text{Eq. 4.3.3})$$

SEE ACI 318-95 SECT. 11.4.1



**Figure 4.12.8 Minimum shear reinforcement by Eq. 4.3.8**

$$A_v = \frac{A_{ps} f_{pu} s}{80 f_y d} \sqrt{\frac{d}{b_w}} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.3.8})$$

SEE ACI 318-95 SECT. 11.5.5.4

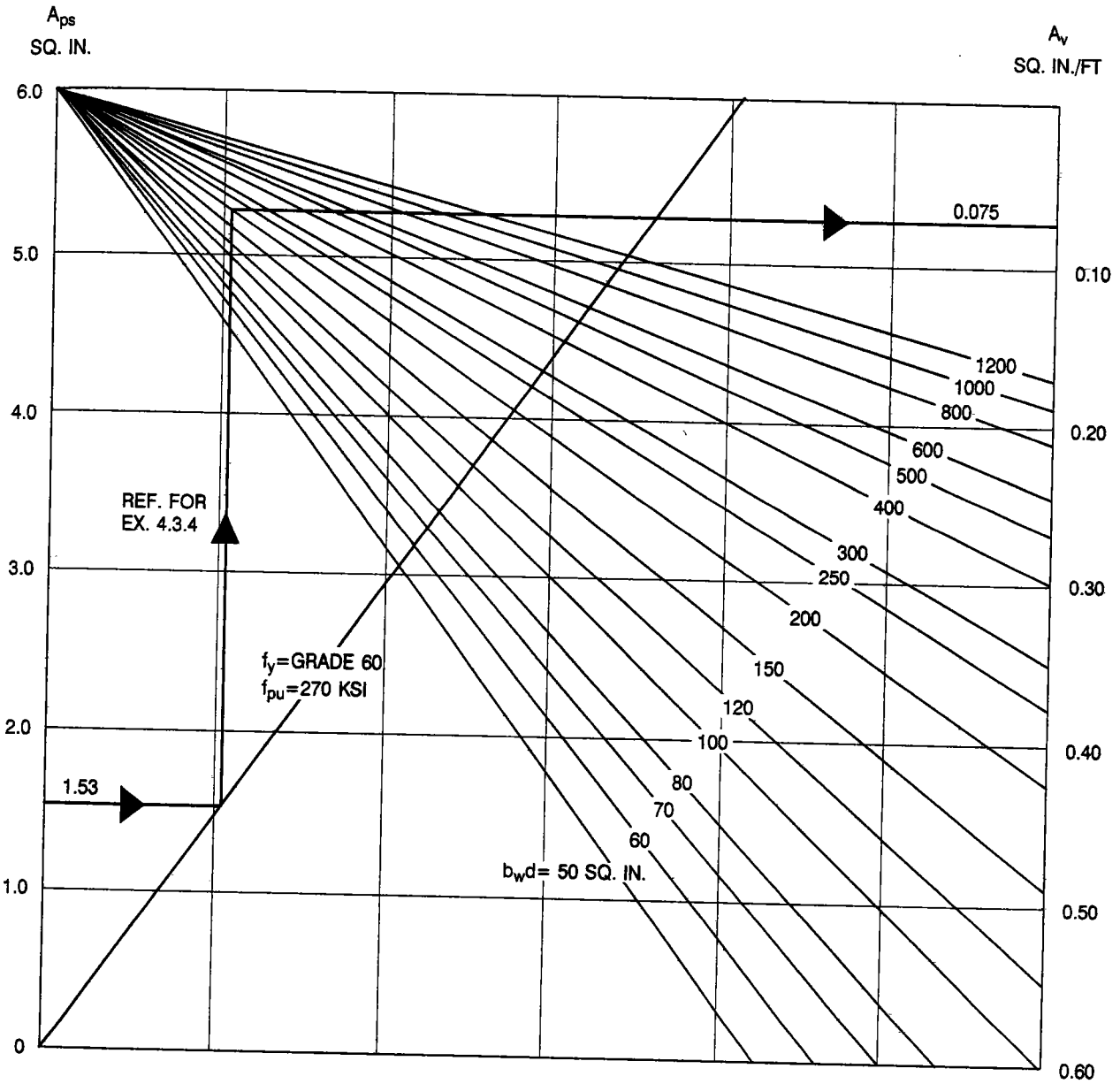
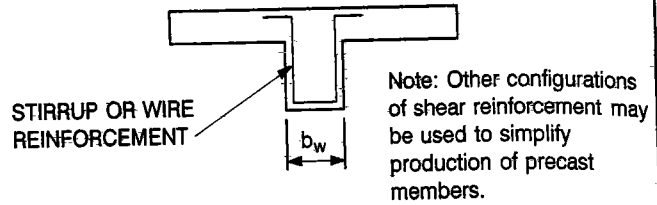


Figure 4.12.9 Shear reinforcement

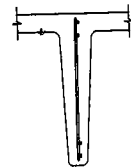
$$A_v = \frac{(V_u/\phi - V_c)s}{f_y d} \quad (\text{Eq. 4.3.9})$$



**Vertical Deformed Bar Stirrups**

Stirrup Spacing (in.)	Maximum values of $(V_u/\phi - V_c)/d$ (lb/in.)						Stirrup Spacing (in.)
	$f_y = 60,000$ psi						
	No 3 $A_v = 0.22$	No 4 $A_v = 0.40$	No 5 $A_v = 0.62$	No 3 $A_v = 0.22$	No 4 $A_v = 0.40$	No 5 $A_v = 0.62$	
2.0	6600	12000	18600	1320	2400	3720	10.0
2.5	5280	9600	14880	1200	2182	3382	11.0
3.0	4400	8000	12400	1100	2000	3100	12.0
3.5	3771	6857	10629	1015	1846	2862	13.0
4.0	3300	6000	9300	943	1714	2657	14.0
4.5	2933	5333	8267	880	1600	2480	15.0
5.0	2640	4800	7440	825	1500	2325	16.0
5.5	2400	4364	6764	776	1412	2188	17.0
6.0	2200	4000	6200	733	1333	2067	18.0
7.0	1886	3429	5314	660	1200	1860	20.0
8.0	1650	3000	4650	600	1091	1691	22.0
9.0	1467	2667	4133	550	1000	1550	24.0

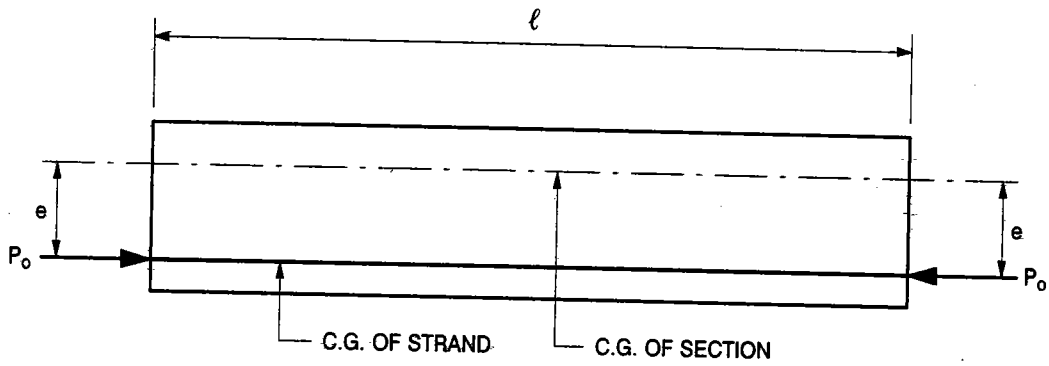
**Welded Wire Reinforcement (WWR)  
as Shear Reinforcement ( $f_y = 60,000$  psi)**



Spacing of vertical wire (in.)	Maximum values of $(V_u/\phi - V_c)/d$ (lb/in.)								Spacing of vertical wire (in.)
	One Row				Two Rows				
	Vertical wire				Vertical wire				
	W7.5 $A_v = 0.075$	W5.5 $A_v = 0.055$	W4 $A_v = 0.040$	W2.9 $A_v = 0.029$	W7.5 $A_v = 0.150$	W5.5 $A_v = 0.110$	W4 $A_v = 0.080$	W2.9 $A_v = 0.058$	
2	2250	1650	1200	870	4500	3300	2400	1740	2
3	1500	1100	800	580	3000	2200	1600	1160	3
4	1125	825	600	435	2250	1650	1200	870	4
6	750	550	400	290	1500	1100	800	580	6

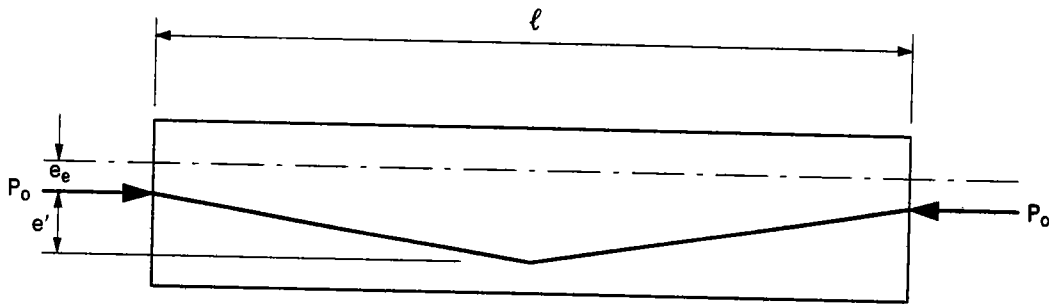


Figure 4.12.10 Camber equations for typical strand profiles



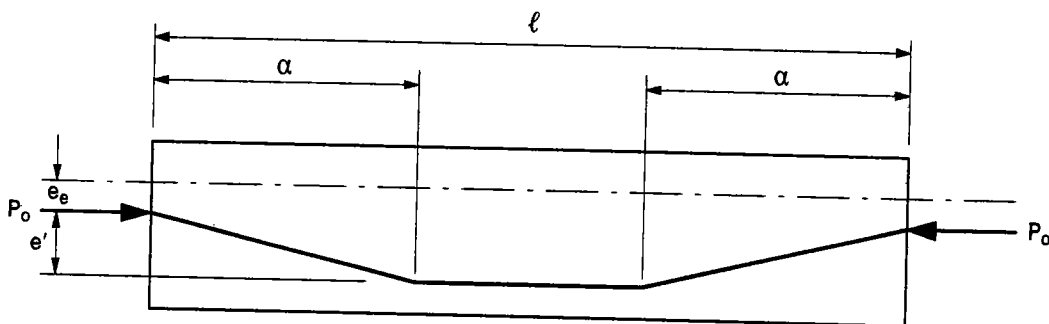
**STRAIGHT STRANDS**

$$\Delta \uparrow = \frac{P_o e l^2}{8EI}$$



**SINGLE POINT DEPRESSED**

$$\Delta \uparrow = \frac{P_o e_e l^2}{8EI} + \frac{P_o e' l^2}{12EI}$$



**TWO POINT DEPRESSED**

$$\Delta \uparrow = \frac{P_o e_e l^2}{8EI} + \frac{P_o e'}{EI} \left( \frac{l^2}{8} - \frac{\alpha^2}{6} \right)$$

Figure 4.12.11 Moment of inertia of transformed section—prestressed members

$$I_{cr} = nA_{ps}d_p^2 (1 - 1.6\sqrt{n\rho_p})$$

$$= n\rho_p(1 - 1.6\sqrt{n\rho_p}) \times bd_p^3$$

$$= C \text{ (from table)} \times bd_p^3$$

where:  $\rho_p = \frac{A_{ps}}{bd_p}$ ,  $n = \frac{E_s}{E_c}$

$E_s = 28.5 \times 10^6 \text{ psi}$

$E_c = 33w_c^{1.5} \sqrt{f'_c}$  (ACI Sect. 8.5.1)

$w_c = 145 \text{ lb/ft}^3$  normal weight concrete

$w_c = 115 \text{ lb/ft}^3$  sand-lightweight concrete

Values of Coefficient, C

		$f'_c$ , psi					
$\rho_p$		3000	4000	5000	6000	7000	8000
Normal Weight Concrete	.0005	.0041	.0036	.0032	.0029	.0027	.0026
	.0010	.0077	.0068	.0061	.0056	.0052	.0049
	.0015	.0111	.0098	.0089	.0082	.0076	.0072
	.0020	.0143	.0126	.0115	.0106	.0099	.0093
	.0025	.0173	.0153	.0139	.0129	.0120	.0113
	.0030	.0201	.0179	.0163	.0151	.0141	.0133
	.0035	.0228	.0203	.0185	.0172	.0161	.0152
	.0040	.0254	.0226	.0207	.0192	.0180	.0170
	.0045	.0278	.0248	.0227	.0211	.0198	.0188
	.0050	.0300	.0270	.0247	.0230	.0216	.0205
	.0055	.0322	.0290	.0266	.0248	.0233	.0221
	.0060	.0343	.0309	.0284	.0265	.0250	.0237
	.0065	.0362	.0327	.0302	.0282	.0266	.0253
	.0070	.0381	.0345	.0319	.0298	.0281	.0267
	.0075	.0398	.0362	.0335	.0314	.0296	.0282
	.0080	.0415	.0378	.0350	.0329	.0311	.0296
	.0085	.0430	.0393	.0365	.0343	.0325	.0309
	.0090	.0445	.0408	.0380	.0357	.0338	.0323
	.0095	.0459	.0422	.0393	.0370	.0351	.0335
	.0100	.0472	.0435	.0406	.0383	.0364	.0348
Sand-Lightweight Concrete	.0005	.0056	.0049	.0044	.0040	.0038	.0035
	.0010	.0105	.0092	.0083	.0077	.0071	.0067
	.0015	.0149	.0132	.0120	.0110	.0103	.0097
	.0020	.0190	.0169	.0153	.0142	.0133	.0125
	.0025	.0228	.0203	.0185	.0172	.0161	.0152
	.0030	.0263	.0235	.0215	.0200	.0187	.0177
	.0035	.0296	.0265	.0243	.0226	.0213	.0201
	.0040	.0326	.0294	.0270	.0252	.0237	.0224
	.0045	.0354	.0320	.0295	.0275	.0260	.0246
	.0050	.0381	.0345	.0319	.0298	.0281	.0267
	.0055	.0405	.0368	.0341	.0320	.0302	.0288
	.0060	.0427	.0390	.0362	.0340	.0322	.0307
	.0065	.0448	.0411	.0382	.0360	.0341	.0325
	.0070	.0466	.0430	.0401	.0378	.0359	.0343
	.0075	.0484	.0447	.0419	.0395	.0376	.0359
	.0080	.0499	.0464	.0435	.0412	.0392	.0375
	.0085	.0513	.0479	.0451	.0428	.0408	.0391
	.0090	.0526	.0493	.0465	.0442	.0422	.0405
	.0095	.0537	.0506	.0479	.0456	.0436	.0419
	.0100	.0547	.0518	.0492	.0469	.0449	.0432

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### 5.1 General

#### 5.1.1 Notation

<p><math>A</math> = area; average effective area around one reinforcing bar</p> <p><math>A_s</math> = area of reinforcement</p> <p><math>A'_s</math> = area of compression reinforcement</p> <p><math>a</math> = dimension defined in section used</p> <p><math>b</math> = dimension defined in section used</p> <p><math>d</math> = depth from extreme compression fiber to centroid of tension reinforcement</p> <p><math>d_c</math> = concrete cover to the center of the reinforcement</p> <p><math>e</math> = eccentricity of force about center of gravity</p> <p><math>E_{ci}</math> = modulus of elasticity of concrete at age other than final</p> <p><math>F</math> = multiplication factor (Figure 5.2.7)</p> <p><math>f_b, f_t</math> = stress in bottom and top fiber, respectively</p> <p><math>f'_c</math> = specified concrete compressive strength</p> <p><math>f'_{ci}</math> = concrete compressive strength at the time considered</p> <p><math>f_{ct}</math> = splitting tensile strength</p> <p><math>f'_r</math> = allowable flexural tensile stress computed using the gross concrete section</p> <p><math>f_s</math> = stress in steel</p> <p><math>f_y</math> = yield strength of steel</p> <p><math>h_1</math> = distance from centroid of tensile reinforcement to neutral axis</p> <p><math>h_2</math> = distance from extreme tension fiber to neutral axis</p> <p><math>I</math> = moment of inertia (with subscripts)</p> <p><math>\ell</math> = span; length of precast unit</p> <p><math>\ell_e</math> = embedment length</p> <p><math>M</math> = bending moment</p> <p><math>M_x, M_y, M_z</math> = see Figures 5.2.4, 5.2.5, and 5.2.9</p>	<p><math>P</math> = axial load</p> <p><math>P, P_H, P_V</math> = see Figures 5.2.8 and 5.2.9</p> <p><math>R</math> = reaction (with subscripts)</p> <p><math>S_b, S_t</math> = section modulus with respect to bottom and top, respectively</p> <p><math>T</math> = tension on cable</p> <p><math>t</math> = thickness</p> <p><math>W</math> = total load</p> <p><math>w</math> = weight per unit length or area; maximum crack width</p> <p><math>w_b</math> = wind load on beam</p> <p><math>w_c</math> = wind load on column</p> <p><math>y_b, y_c, y_t</math> = see Figures 5.2.8 and 5.2.9</p> <p><math>y_{max}</math> = instantaneous maximum displacement</p> <p><math>y_t</math> = time dependent displacement; height of roll axis above center of gravity of beam</p> <p><math>\theta</math> = angle of lift lines in longitudinal directions (sling angle); angle of roll in long slender members</p> <p><math>\theta_{max}</math> = maximum permissible tilt angle</p> <p><math>\lambda</math> = correction factor related to unit weight of concrete; deflection amplification factor</p> <p><math>\mu</math> = coefficient of curvature friction for unbonded tendons</p> <p><math>\rho</math> = reinforcement ratio for non-prestressed tension reinforcement</p> <p><math>\rho'</math> = reinforcement ratio for non-prestressed compression reinforcement</p> <p><math>\phi</math> = angle of lift line from vertical in transverse direction; strength reduction factor</p>
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#### 5.1.2 Introduction

This Chapter discusses stripping, yarding, shipping and erection of precast products which are of importance to the design engineer, the product engineer, and the engineer responsible for safe handling and erection procedures.

Design procedures presented in this chapter follow ACI 318-95 and other relevant national model building code requirements except where modified to reflect current industry practice (see also Sect. 10.5).

## 5.2 Product Handling

### 5.2.1 Introduction

The loads and forces on precast and prestressed members during production, transportation or erection will frequently require a separate analysis because concrete strengths are lower and support points and orientation are usually different from the panel in its final load carrying position.

Most structural products are manufactured in long-line steel forms with fixed cross section dimensions. Standard product dimensions are shown in Chapter 2 and in manufacturer's catalogs. Architectural wall panels are formed in a variety of sizes and shapes, usually designed by the project architect, and are manufactured in molds designed especially for the panel.

The most economical element for a project is usually the largest, considering:

1. Stability and stresses on the element during handling.
2. Transportation size and weight regulations and equipment restrictions.
3. Available crane capacity at both the plant and the project site. Position of the crane must be considered, since capacity is a function of reach.
4. Storage space, truck turning radius, and other site restrictions.

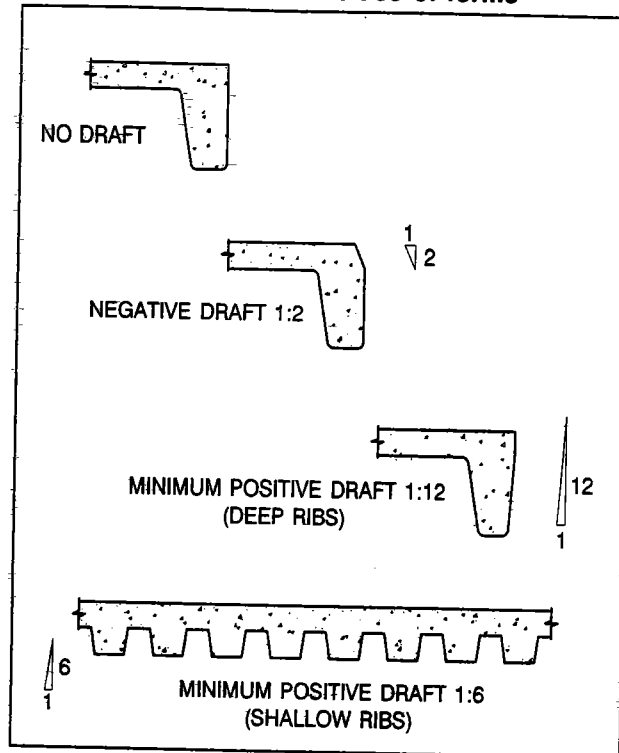
Member shapes must be such that reinforcement and concrete placement can be accomplished effectively.

To remove a member from a form without partially dismantling the form, and to reduce trapping air bubbles, the sides must have adequate draft (see Figure 5.2.1).

### 5.2.2 Structural Design Criteria

Precast products must be designed for the loadings which occur during each phase of their existence, as shown in Figure 5.2.2.

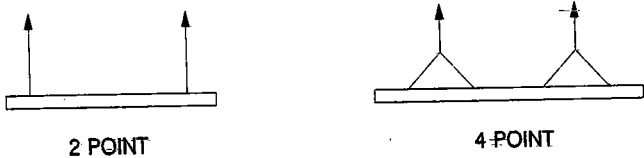
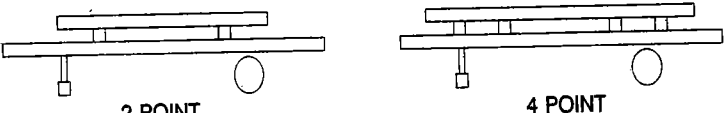
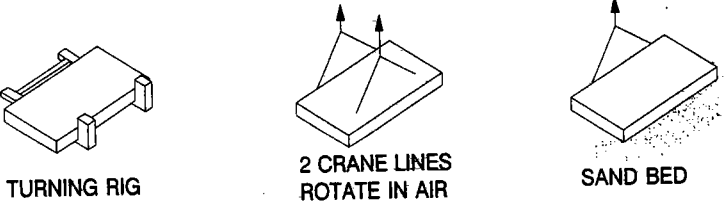
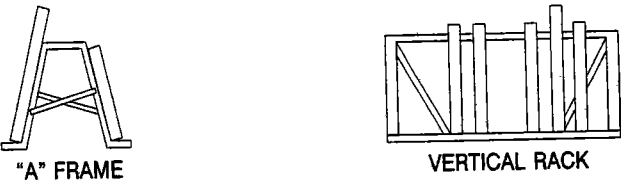
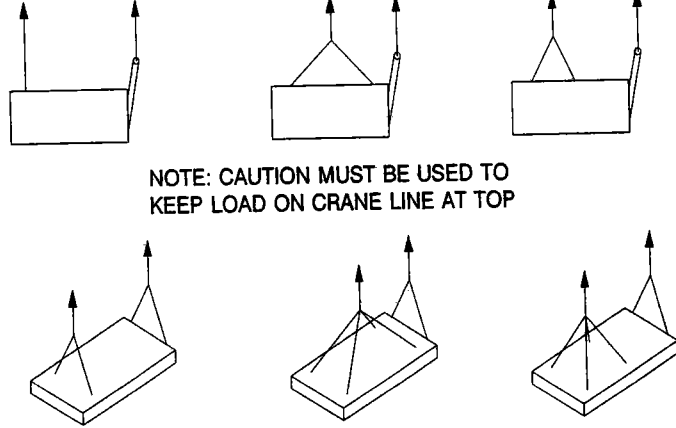
Figure 5.2.1 Draft on sides of forms



The items which affect the forces imposed during each phase are listed below:

1. *Stripping.*
  - a. Orientation of member-horizontal, vertical or some angle between.
  - b. Form suction and impact-see Table 5.2.1.
  - c. Number and location of handling devices.
  - d. Member weight and weight of any additional items which must be lifted, such as forms which remain with the member during stripping.
2. *Yard Handling and Storage.*
  - a. Orientation of the member.
  - b. Location of temporary support points.
  - c. Location with respect to other stored members.
  - d. Orientation with respect to the sun.
3. *Transportation to the Job Site.*
  - a. Orientation of the member.
  - b. Location of horizontal and vertical supports.
  - c. Condition of the transporting vehicle, roads and site.
  - d. Dynamic considerations during movement.
4. *Erection.*
  - a. Lifting point locations.
  - b. Orientation and tripping (rotating).
  - c. Location of temporary supports.
  - d. Temporary loadings.
5. *In-place.*
  - a. See Chapters 3 and 4.

**Figure 5.2.2 Typical handling methods**

<p><b>STRIPPING</b></p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">2 POINT                      4 POINT</p>
<p><b>YARDING</b></p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">2 POINT                      4 POINT</p>
<p><b>ROTATING</b></p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">TURNING RIG                      2 CRANE LINES ROTATE IN AIR                      SAND BED</p>
<p><b>STORAGE FOR SURFACE FINISHING, FINAL STORAGE, AND TRANSPORTATION</b></p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">"A" FRAME                      VERTICAL RACK</p>
<p><b>ERECTION</b> (SEE SECT. 5.2.12)</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">NOTE: CAUTION MUST BE USED TO KEEP LOAD ON CRANE LINE AT TOP</p>

**5.2.3 Form Suction and Impact Factors**

To account for the forces on the member caused by form suction and impact, it is common practice to apply a multiplier to the member weight and treat the resulting force as an equivalent static service load. The multipliers cannot be quantitatively derived, so they are based on experience. Table 5.2.1 provides typical values.

**5.2.4 Stress Limitations**

Stress limits for prestressed members during production are specified in Chapter 18 of ACI 318-95, and are discussed in Chapter 4 of this Handbook. However, codes do not restrict stresses on non-pre-

stressed reinforced members. When exposed to view, precast products may be designed for handling to (a) limit stresses so that cracks are not visible, or (b) control cracking in accordance with Sect. 4.2.2.1, considering the lower concrete strengths and actual flexural conditions. When not exposed to view, design is in accordance with the strength design requirements for reinforced concrete in ACI 318-95.

**5.2.4.1 Handling Without Cracking**

Under this criterion, surfaces are intended to remain free of discernible cracks by limiting the flexural tension to the modulus of rupture modified by a safety

factor. If the modulus of rupture is  $7.5\lambda\sqrt{f'_{ci}}$  and a safety factor of 1.5 is used:

$$f_r = 5\lambda\sqrt{f'_{ci}} \quad (\text{Eq. 5.2.1})$$

where:

$f_r$  = allowable flexural tensile stress computed using the gross concrete section

$f'_{ci}$  = concrete compressive strength at the time considered

For normal weight concrete:

$$\lambda = 1.0$$

For lightweight concrete, if the splitting tensile strength,  $f_{ct}$ , is known:

$$\lambda\sqrt{f'_{ci}} = \frac{f_{ct}}{6.7} \leq \sqrt{f'_{ci}}$$

If  $f_{ct}$  is not known:

- $\lambda = 0.75$  for all-lightweight concrete
- $= 0.85$  for sand-lightweight concrete

#### 5.2.4.2 Handling with Controlled Cracking

The amount and location of reinforcing steel has a negligible effect on performance until a crack develops. As flexural tension increases above the modulus of rupture, hairline cracks will develop and extend

a distance into the element. If cracks are narrow and closely spaced, the structural adequacy of the element will remain unimpaired because reinforcement will be fully protected.

For members exposed to weather, it is recommended that crack widths be limited to the following:

Exposed:	0.007 in.
Not exposed:	0.010 in.

Design procedures are illustrated in Examples 4.2.7 and 5.2.2.

Whether or not the product is designed to prevent or to control cracking, a minimum reinforcement ratio of 0.001 for wall panels should be provided in accordance with Sect. 16.4.2, ACI 318-95.

#### 5.2.5 Safety Factors

When designing for stripping and handling, the following safety factors are recommended:

1. Use embedded inserts and erection devices with a pullout strength at least equal to 4 times the calculated load on the device.
2. For members designed "without cracking", use a factor of 1.5 applied to the modulus of rupture as discussed in Sect. 5.2.4.1.

**Table 5.2.1 Equivalent static load multipliers to account for stripping and dynamic forces<sup>a</sup>**

Stripping		
Product Type	Finish	
	Exposed aggregate with retarder	Smooth mold (form oil only)
Flat, with removable side forms, no false joints or reveals	1.2	1.3
Flat, with false joints and/or reveals	1.3	1.4
Fluted, with proper draft <sup>d</sup>	1.4	1.6
Sculptured	1.5	1.7
Yard handling <sup>b</sup> and erection <sup>c</sup>		
All products	1.2	
Travel <sup>b</sup>		
All products	1.5	

- a. These factors are used in flexural design of panels and are not to be applied to required safety factors on lifting devices. At stripping, suction between product and form introduces forces, which are treated here by introducing a multiplier on product weight. It would be more accurate to establish these multipliers based on the actual contact area and a suction factor independent of product weight.
- b. Certain unfavorable conditions in road surface, equipment, etc., may require use of higher values.
- c. Under certain circumstances may be higher.
- d. For example, tees, channels and fluted panels.

**Table 5.2.2 Suggested maximum strand diameter**

Concrete thickness, in.	Strand diameter, in.
2	$\frac{3}{8}$
2½	$\frac{3}{8}$
2½ to 3	$\frac{7}{16}$
3 and thicker	$\frac{1}{2}$ and larger

### 5.2.6 Prestressed Wall Panels

Panels can be prestressed, using either pretensioning or post-tensioning. Design is based on Chapter 18 of ACI 318-95, as described in Chapter 4, with the further restriction that tensile stresses during handling should not exceed  $f_t$  given by Eq. 5.2.1.

It is recommended that the average stress due to prestressing, after losses, be limited to a range of 125 to 800 psi. The prestressing force should be concentric with the effective cross section in order to minimize camber, although some manufacturers prefer to have a slight inward bow in the in-place position to counteract thermal bow (see Sect. 3.3.2). It should be noted that, since concentrically prestressed members do not camber, the form adhesion may be larger than with members that do camber.

In order to minimize the possibility of splitting cracks in thin pretensioned members, the strand diameter should not exceed that shown in Table 5.2.2. Additional light transverse reinforcement may be required to control longitudinal cracking.

When wall panels are post-tensioned, care must be taken to assure proper transfer of force at the anchorage and protection of anchors and tendons against corrosion. Straight strands or bars may be used, or, to reduce the number of anchors, the method shown in Figure 5.2.3 may be used. Plastic coated tendons with a low coefficient of curvature friction ( $\mu = 0.03$  to  $0.05$ ) are looped within the panel, and anchors installed at only one end. The tendons remain unbonded.

It should be noted that if an unbonded tendon is cut, the prestress is lost. This can sometimes happen if an unplanned opening is put in at a later date.

### 5.2.7 Handling Considerations

The number and location of lifting devices are chosen to keep stresses within the allowable limits, which depends on whether the "no cracking" or "controlled cracking" criteria are used. It is desirable to use the same lifting devices for both stripping and erection; however, additional devices may be required to rotate the member to its final position.

Panels that are stripped by rotating about one edge with lifting devices at the opposite edge will develop moments as shown in Figure 5.2.4. When panels are stripped this way, care should be taken to pre-

vent spalling of the edge along which rotation occurs. A compressible material or sand bed will help protect this edge. Members that are stripped flat from the mold will develop the moments shown in Figure 5.2.5.

To determine stresses in flat panels for either rotation or flat stripping, the calculated moment may be assumed to be resisted by the effective widths shown.

In some plants, tilt tables or turning rigs are used to reduce stripping stresses, as shown in Figure 5.2.6.

When a panel is ribbed or is of a configuration or size such that stripping by rotation or tilting is not practical, vertical pick-up points on the top surface can be used. These lift points should be located to minimize the tensile stresses on the exposed face.

Since the section modulus with respect to the top and bottom faces may not be the same, the designer must select the controlling design limitation:

1. Tensile stresses on both faces to be less than that which would cause cracking.
2. Tensile stress on one face to be less than that which would cause cracking, with controlled cracking permitted on the other face.
3. Controlled cracking permitted on both faces.

If only one of the faces is exposed to view, this face will generally control the design.

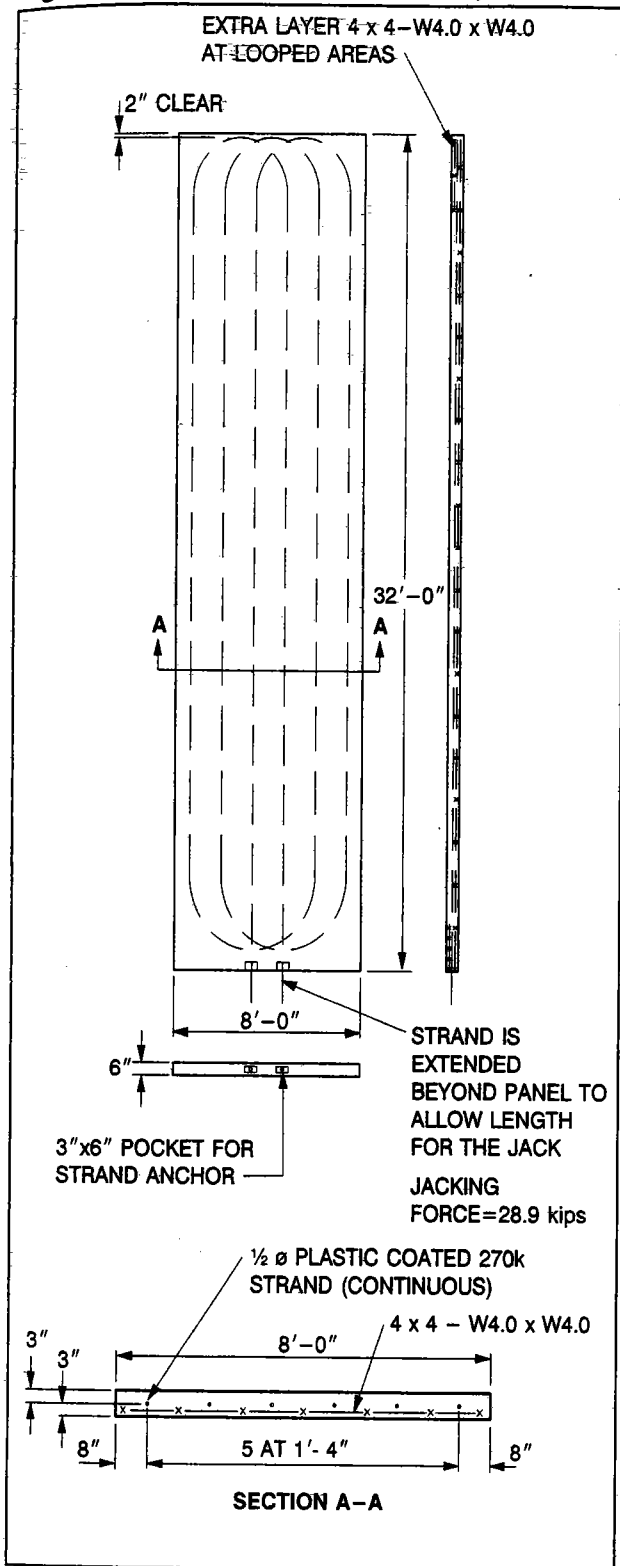
Lift line forces for a two point lift, using inclined lines, are shown in Figure 5.2.7. When the sling angle is small, the component of force parallel to the longitudinal axis of the member may generate a significant moment. While this effect can and should be accounted for, it is not recommended that it be allowed to dominate design moments. Rather, consideration should be given to using spreader beams, two cranes or other mechanisms to increase the sling angle. Any such special handling requirements should be clearly shown on the shop drawings.

In addition to longitudinal bending moments, a transverse bending moment may be caused by the orientation of the pick-up points with respect to the transverse dimension (Figure 5.2.9). For the section shown, a critical moment could occur between the ribs because of the thin cross section.

The design guidelines listed above apply to elements of constant cross section. For elements of varying cross section, the location of lift points is usually determined by trial. Rolling blocks can be used on long elements of varying section (Figure 5.2.10), which makes the forces in the lifting lines equal. The member can then be analyzed as a beam with varying load supported by equal reactions. The force in the lift lines can be determined as shown in Figure 5.2.7.



Figure 5.2.3 Post-tensioned wall panel



### 5.2.8 Handling Devices

The most common lifting devices are prestressing strand or aircraft cable loops projecting from the concrete, threaded inserts, or proprietary devices.

Since lifting devices are subject to dynamic loads, ductility of the material is part of the design requirement. Deformed reinforcing bars should not be used since the deformations result in stress concentrations from the shackle pin. Also, reinforcing bars may be hard grade or re-rolled rail steel with little ductility and

low impact strength at cold temperatures. Strain hardening from bending the bars may also cause embrittlement. Smooth bars of a known steel grade may be used if adequate embedment or mechanical anchorage is provided. The diameter must be such that localized failure will not occur by bearing on the shackle pin.

Prestressing strand, both new and used, may be used for lifting loops. The capacity of a lifting loop embedded in concrete is dependent upon the strength of the strand, length of embedment, the condition of the strand, the diameter of the loop, and the strength of the concrete.

As a result of observations of lift loop behavior during the past few years, it is important that certain procedures be followed to prevent both strand slippage and strand failure. Precast producers' tests and/or experience offer the best guideline for the load capacity to use. A safety factor of 4 against slippage or breakage should be used. In lieu of test data, the recommendations listed below should be considered when using strand as lifting loops:

1. Minimum embedment to the bend should be 16 in.
2. Embedded ends should have 6 in. hooks bent at 80-100 degrees. The bending radius should be at least 2 in. and the bend should be made mechanically without heating.
3. The strand surface shall be free of contaminants, such as form oil, grease, mud, or loose rust which could reduce the bonding of the strand to the concrete.
4. The diameter of the hook or fitting around which the strand lifting eye will be placed should be at least 4 times the diameter of the strand being used.
5. Do not use heavily corroded strand or strand of unknown size and strength.

In the absence of tests or experience, it is recommended that the safe load on a single 1/2 in. diameter 270 ksi strand loop satisfying the above recommendations not exceed 8 kips. The safe working load of multiple loops may be conservatively obtained by multiplying the safe load for one loop by 1.7 for double loops and 2.2 for triple loops. To avoid overstress in one loop when using multiple loops, care should be taken in the fabrication to ensure that all strands are bent the same. Thin wall conduit over the strands in the region of the bend has been used to reduce the overstress.

**Table 5.2.3 Safe working load of 7 x 19 aircraft cable used as lifting loops<sup>a</sup>**

Diameter (in.)	Safe Load (kips) <sup>b</sup>
3/8	3.6
7/16	4.4
1/2	5.7

- a. 7 strands with 19 wires each  
 b. Based on a single strand with a factor of safety of 4 applied to the minimum breaking strength of galvanized cable. The user should consider embedment, loop diameter and other factors discussed for strand loops. Aircraft cables are usually wrapped around reinforcement in the precast product.

Lifting heavy members with threaded inserts should be carefully assessed. When properly de-

signed for both insert and concrete capacities, threaded inserts have many advantages. However, correct usage is sometimes difficult to inspect during handling operations. In order to ensure that an embedded insert acts primarily in tension, a swivel plate as indicated in Figure 5.2.11 should be used. Sufficient threads must be engaged to develop the strength of the bolt. Some manufacturers use a long bolt with a nut between the bolt head and the swivel plate. After the bolt has "bottomed out", the nut is turned against the swivel plate.

Connection hardware should not be used for lifting or handling any but the lightest units, unless approved by the designer. In order to prevent field error, inserts used for lifting should be of a different type or size than those used for the final connections.

**Figure 5.2.4 Moments developed in panels stripped by rotating about one edge**

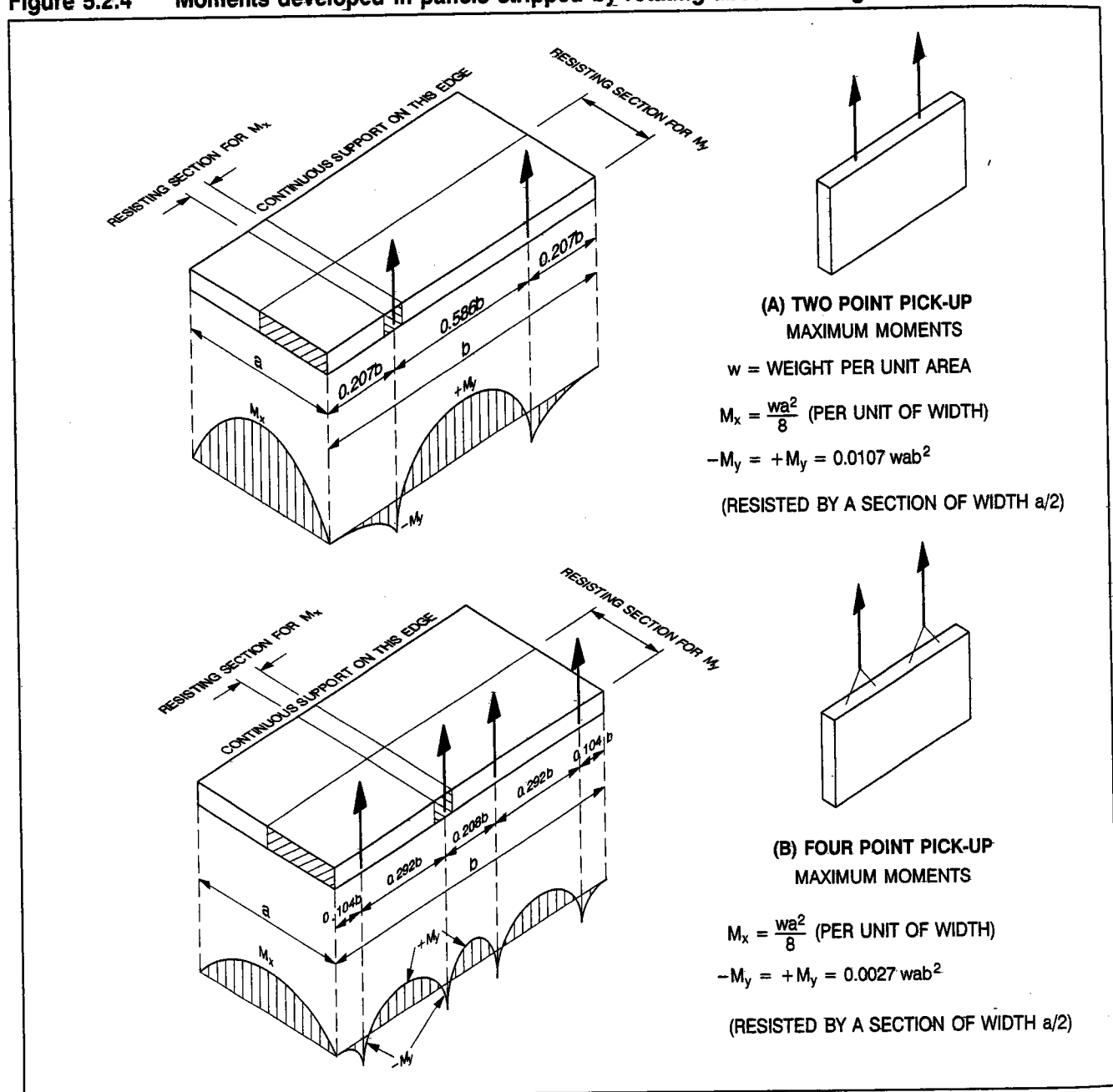
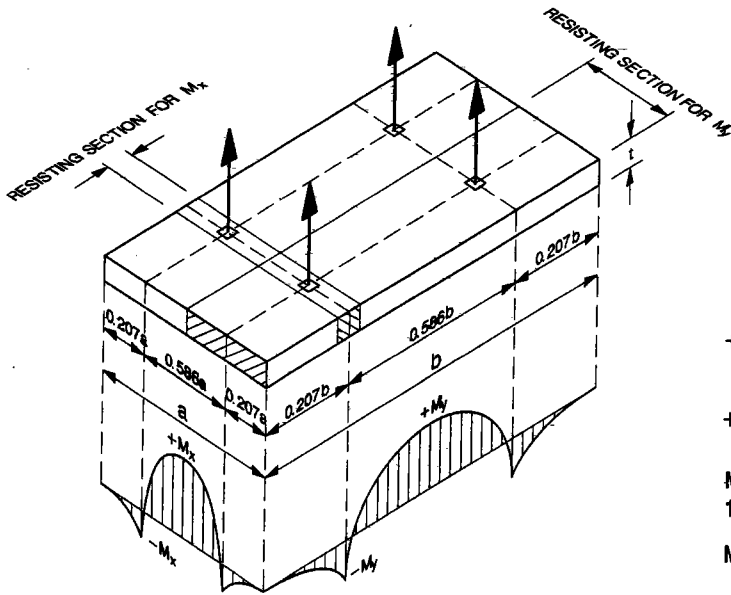


Figure 5.2.5 Moments developed in panels stripped flat



(A) TWO POINT PICK-UP  
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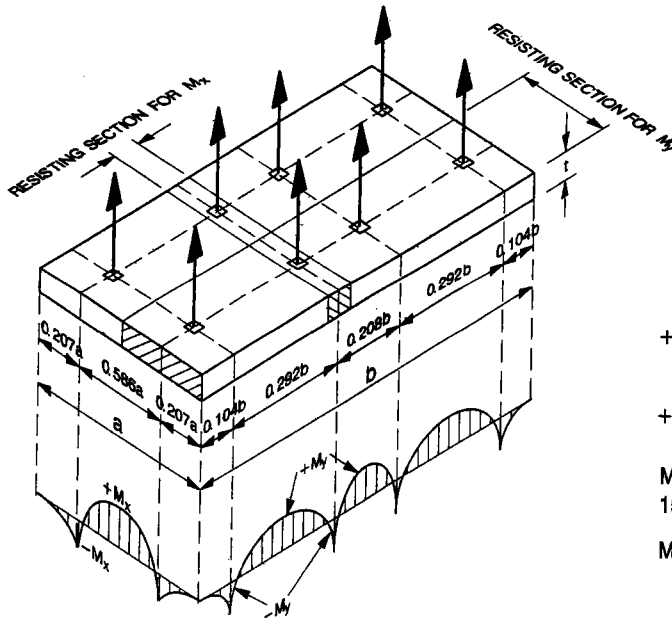
w = WEIGHT PER UNIT AREA

$$+M_x = -M_x = 0.0107wa^2b$$

$$+M_y = -M_y = 0.0107wab^2$$

$M_x$  RESISTED BY A SECTION OF WIDTH  $15t$  OR  $b/2$ , WHICHEVER IS LESS.

$M_y$  RESISTED BY A SECTION OF WIDTH  $a/2$ .



(B) FOUR POINT PICK-UP  
MAXIMUM MOMENTS

$$+M_x = -M_x = 0.0054wa^2b$$

$$+M_y = -M_y = 0.0027wab^2$$

$M_x$  RESISTED BY A SECTION OF WIDTH  $15t$  OR  $b/4$ , WHICHEVER IS LESS.

$M_y$  RESISTED BY A SECTION OF WIDTH  $a/2$ .

Figure 5.2.6 Stripping from a tilt table

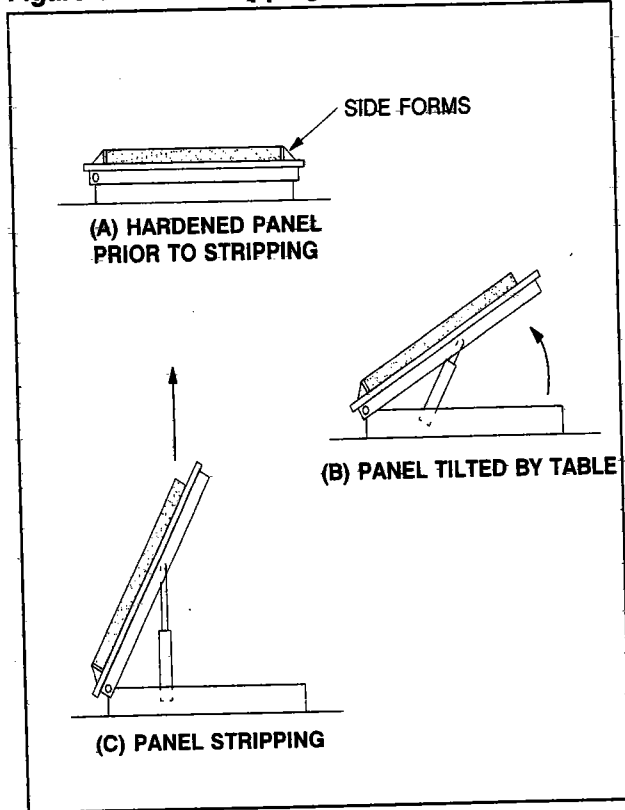


Figure 5.2.7 Force in lift lines

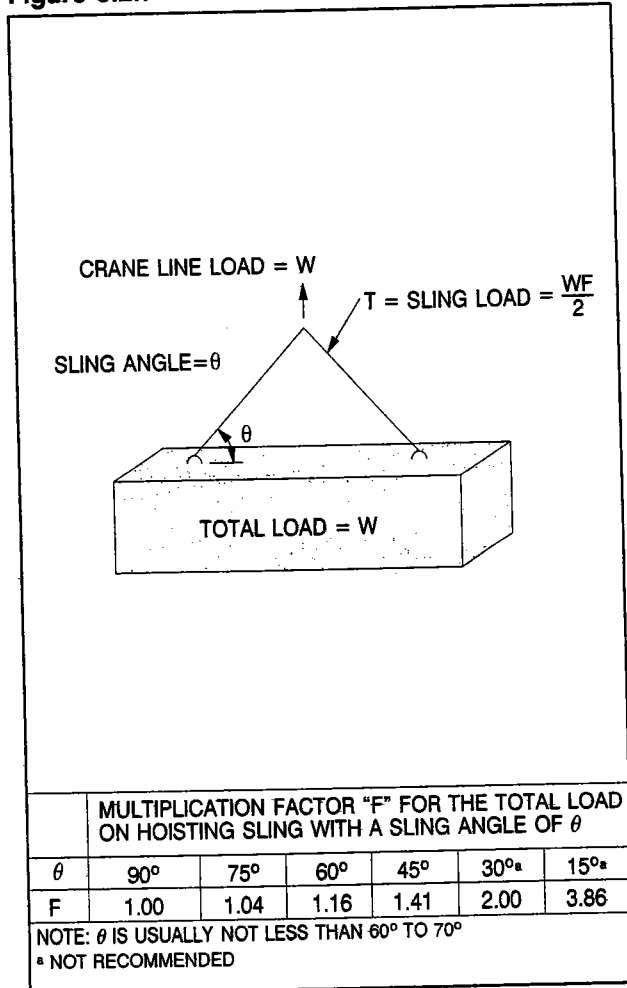
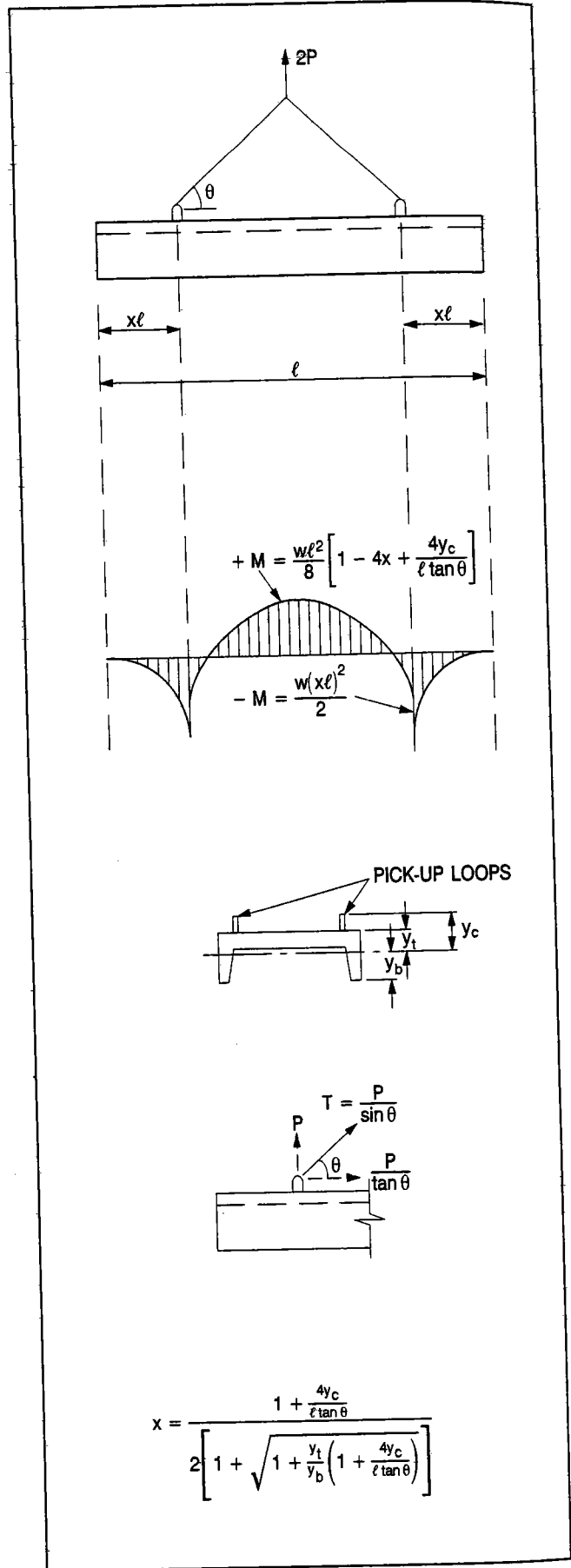
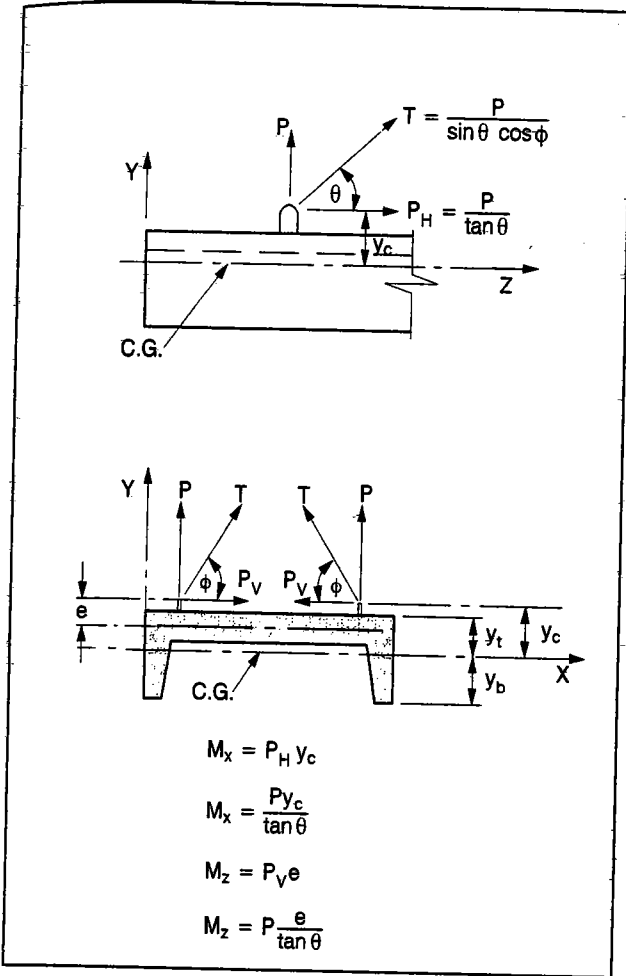


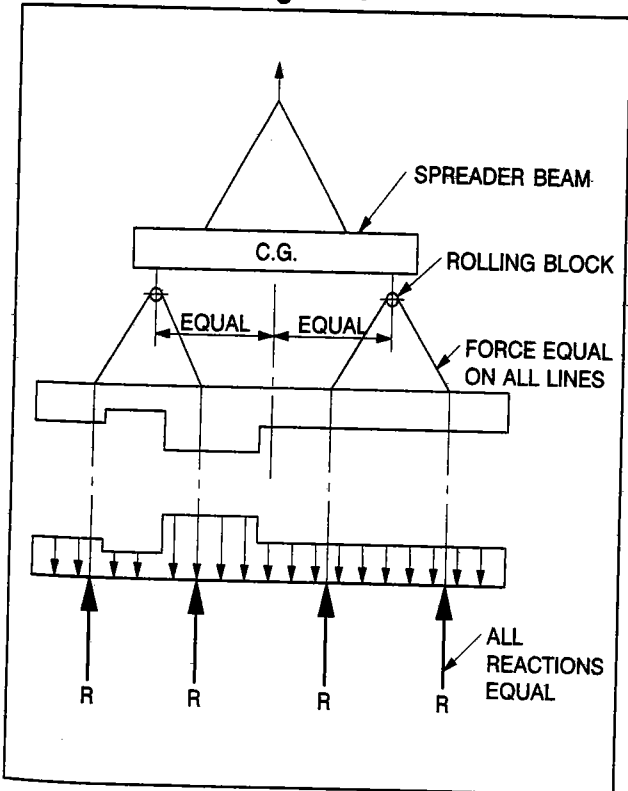
Figure 5.2.8 Pick-up points for equal stress of a ribbed member



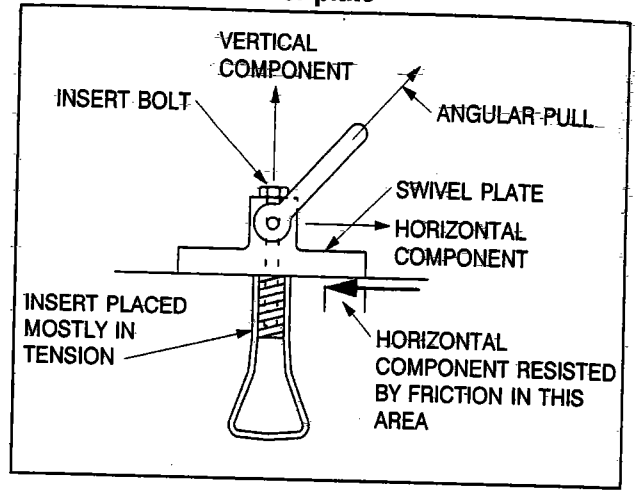
**Figure 5.2.9 Moments caused by eccentric lifting**



**Figure 5.2.10 Arrangement for equalizing lifting loads**



**Figure 5.2.11 Swivel plate**



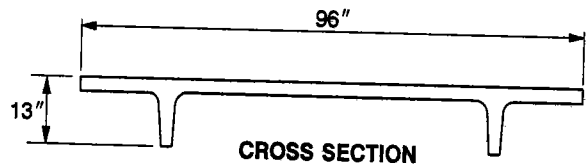
**Example 5.2.1 Stripping Forces**

*Given:*

A ribbed wall panel as shown below.

Span  $\ell = 40 \text{ ft} - 0 \text{ in.}$

$f'_{ci}$  at stripping = 3000 psi (normal weight).



*Problem:*

Determine stripping forces and corresponding stresses.

*Solution:*

Half section properties:

$$y_b = 10.19 \text{ in.}$$

$$y_t = 2.81 \text{ in.}$$

$$S_b = 156 \text{ in}^3$$

$$S_t = 565 \text{ in}^3$$

$$\text{wt.} = 192 \text{ plf}$$

$$\frac{y_t}{y_b} = 0.276$$

Stripping load:

Assume a load multiplier of 1.4 (Table 5.2.1)

$$w = 1.4(192) = 269 \text{ plf}$$

Case No. 1—Neglecting the moment due to eccentric pick-up points.

Pick-up location for equal tension on each face  
Figure 5.2.8, with  $y_c = 0$ :

$$x = \frac{1}{2 \left[ 1 + \sqrt{1 + \frac{y_t}{y_b}} \right]} = \frac{1}{2 \left( 1 + \sqrt{1.276} \right)}$$

$$= 0.235$$

$$-M = \frac{w(x\ell)^2}{2} = \frac{0.269[(0.235)40]^2}{2}$$

$$= -11.88 \text{ kip-ft.}$$

$$= 11,880 \text{ lb-ft.}$$

$$f_t = \frac{-M}{S_t} = \frac{-11,880(12)}{565} = -252 \text{ psi}$$

$$< 5\sqrt{3000} = 274 \text{ psi} \quad \text{OK}$$

Case No. 2—Accounting for moments due to eccentric pick-up points

For  $\theta = 45^\circ$

Assume:  $y_c = y_t + 3 \text{ in.} = 5.81 \text{ in.}$  (Figure 5.2.8)

$$\frac{4y_c}{\ell \tan \theta} = \frac{4(5.81)}{12(40)(\tan 45^\circ)} = 0.048$$

$$x = \frac{1 + \frac{4y_c}{\ell \tan \theta}}{2 \left[ 1 + \sqrt{1 + \frac{y_t}{y_b} \left( 1 + \frac{4y_c}{\ell \tan \theta} \right)} \right]}$$

$$= \frac{1 + 0.048}{2 \left[ 1 + \sqrt{1 + 0.276(1.048)} \right]} = 0.245$$

$$-M = \frac{0.269[(0.245)40]^2}{2} = -12.92 \text{ kip-ft}$$

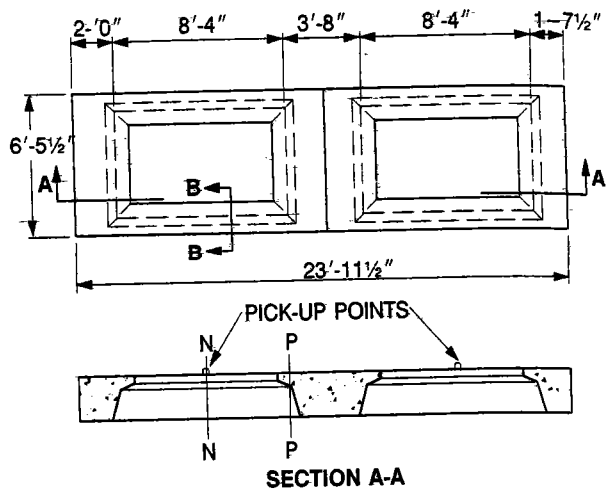
$$= 12,920 \text{ lb-ft.}$$

$$f_t = \frac{-12,920(12)}{565} = -274 \text{ psi} = 5\sqrt{3000} \text{ OK}$$

### Example 5.2.2 Locating Pick-Up Points

Given:

The window unit shown below is to be cast face down and stripped vertically.

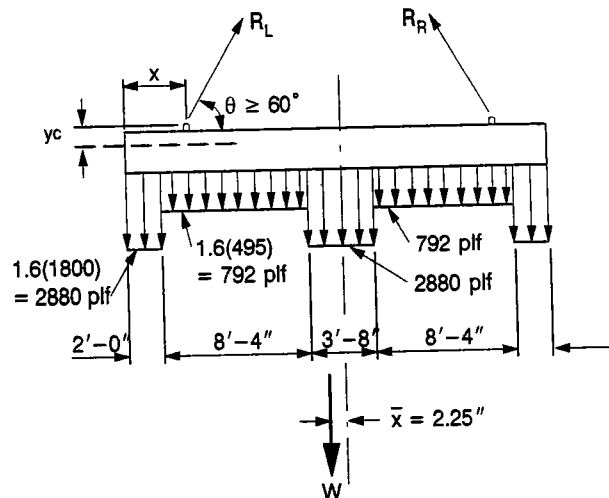


**Problem:**

Locate pick-up points to minimize tensile stresses in the concrete.

**Solution:**

Dead load of member—assume 1.6 multiplier (Table 5.2.1):



$$W = 16.67(792) + 7.292(2880) = 34,204 \text{ lb}$$

Lifting loops should be placed symmetrically about the center of gravity of the member.

Assume critical cracking stress will occur in the narrow sections of the unit (Section B-B):

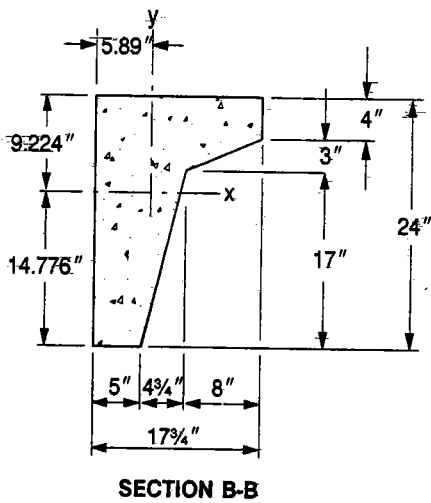
Section Properties (Section B-B)

$$A = 237.6 \text{ in}^2$$

$$I = 10,969 \text{ in}^4$$

$$y_t = 9.224 \text{ in.}$$

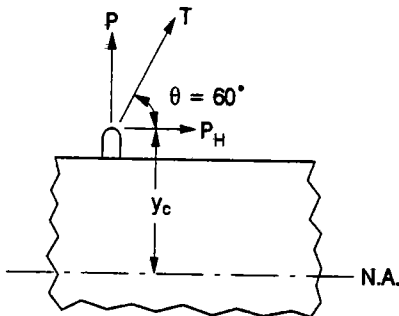
$$y_b = 14.776 \text{ in.}$$



For equal stresses on each face:

$$\frac{-My_t}{I} = \frac{+My_b}{I}$$

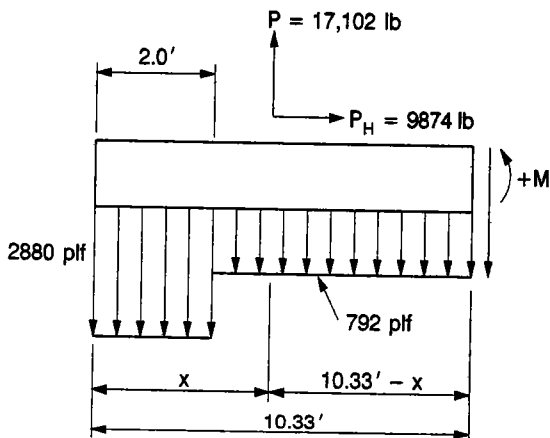
$$-M = \frac{y_b}{y_t} (+M) = \frac{14.776}{9.224} (+M) = 1.60(+M)$$



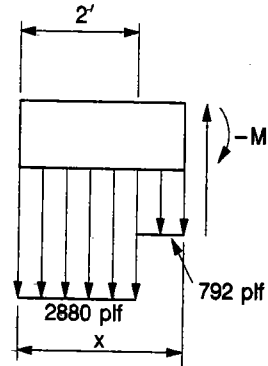
$$P_H = \frac{P}{\tan \theta} = \frac{34,204/2}{\tan 60^\circ} = 9874 \text{ lb}$$

$$y_c = y_t + 3 = 12.22 \text{ in.}$$

$$M_x = \frac{12.22(9874)}{12} = 10,055 \text{ lb-ft}$$



$$+M = 17,102(10.33 - x) - 792 \frac{(8.33)^2}{2} - 2880(2)9.33 + 10,055 = -17,102x + 105,500$$



$$-M = 2880(2)(x - 1) + 792 \frac{(x - 2)^2}{2} = 396x^2 + 4176x - 4176$$

$$396x^2 + 4176x - 4176$$

$$= 1.60(-17,102x + 105,500)$$

$$x^2 + 79.6x = 437$$

$$x = 5.15 \text{ ft}$$

$$\text{Use: } x = 5 \text{ ft}$$

$$+M = 105,500 - 17,102(5) = 19,900 \text{ lb-ft} = 239.9 \text{ kip-in.}$$

$$-M = 396(5)^2 + 4176(5) - 4176 = 26,604 \text{ ft-lb} = 319.3 \text{ kip-in.}$$

$$f_t = \frac{(-M)y_t}{I} = \frac{319,300(9.224)}{2(10,969)} = -134 \text{ psi}$$

$$f_b = \frac{(+M)y_b}{I} = \frac{239,900(14.776)}{2(10,969)} = 162 \text{ psi}$$

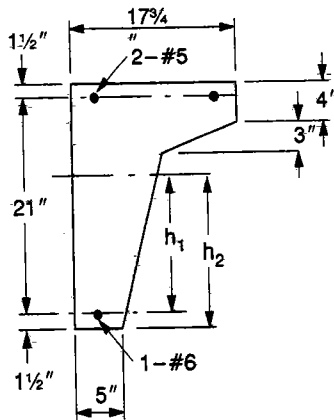
Using an allowable stress of  $5\sqrt{f'_c}$ , a stripping strength as low as 1050 psi would theoretically be permitted.

To illustrate a "controlled cracking" design allowing a crack width of 0.007 in., assume the service load moments on each narrow section are:

$$-M = 270 \text{ kip-in.}$$

$$+M = 165 \text{ kip-in.}$$

Referring to Sect. 4.2.2.1 and the section below to determine the maximum area of steel for crack control:



$$d = 22.5 \text{ in.}$$

For +M:

$$h_1 = 14.78 - 1.5 = 13.28 \text{ in.}$$

$$h_2 = 14.78 \text{ in.}$$

$$h_2/h_1 = 14.78/13.28 = 1.11$$

$$A \approx 5(2)(1.5) = 15 \text{ in}^2$$

$$d_c = 1.5 \text{ in.}$$

From Eq. 4.2.10 with  $w = 0.007 \text{ in.}$

$$f_s = \frac{wh_1}{(7.6 \times 10^{-5})h_2^3 \sqrt{d_c} A}$$

$$= \frac{0.007(13.28)}{(7.6 \times 10^{-5})(14.78)^3 \sqrt{1.5}(15)} = 29.3 \text{ ksi}$$

From Eq. 4.2.11:

$$A_s = \frac{+M}{0.9f_s d} = \frac{165}{0.9(29.3)(22.5)} = 0.28 \text{ in}^2$$

$$\rho_{s \text{ min}} = \frac{200}{f_y} = \frac{200}{60,000} = 0.00333$$

$$A_{s \text{ min}} = 0.0033(5)22.5 = 0.375 \text{ in}^2$$

Use 1 - #6 bar,  $A_s = 0.44 \text{ in}^2$

For -M:

$$h_2 = 9.22 \text{ in.}$$

$$h_1 = 9.22 - 1.5 = 7.72 \text{ in.}$$

$$h_2/h_1 = 9.22/7.72 = 1.19$$

For 2 bars,

$$A = 17.75(2)(1.5)/2 = 26.6 \text{ in}^2$$

$$f_s = 22.7 \text{ ksi}$$

$$A_s = \frac{-M}{0.9f_s d} = \frac{270}{0.9(22.7)(22.5)} = 0.59 \text{ in}^2$$

Use 2 - #5 bars,  $A_s = 0.62 \text{ in}^2$

Place 1 - #6 on bottom and 2 - #5 on top for full length of narrow sections.

## 5.2.9 Lateral Stability

Prestressed members generally are sufficiently stiff so that lateral buckling is precluded. However, during handling and transportation, support flexibility may result in lateral roll of the beam, thus producing lateral bending. This is of particular concern with long span bridge beams and spandrels in parking structures.

The equilibrium conditions for a hanging beam are shown in Figure 5.2.12. When a beam hangs from lifting points, it may roll about an axis through the lifting points. The safety and stability of long beams subject to roll is discussed in Refs. 5, 6, 7, and 8.

## 5.2.10 Storage

Wherever possible, an element should be stored on points of support located at or near those used for stripping and handling. Thus, the design for stripping and handling will usually control. Where points other than those used for stripping or handling are used for storage, the storage condition must be checked.

If support is provided at more than two points, and the design based on more than two supports, precautions must be taken so that the element does not bridge over one of the supports due to differential support settlement. Particular care must be taken for prestressed elements, with consideration made for the effect of prestressing. Designing for equal stresses on both faces will help to minimize deformations in storage.

Warpage in storage may be caused by a temperature or shrinkage differential between surfaces, creep and storage conditions. Warpage cannot be totally eliminated, although it can be minimized by providing blocking so that the panel remains plane. Where feasible, the member should be oriented in the yard so that the sun does not overheat one side. (See Sect. 3.3.2 for a discussion of thermal bowing.) Storing members so that flexure is resisted about the strong axis will minimize stresses and deformations.



Figure 5.2.12 Equilibrium of beam in tilted position

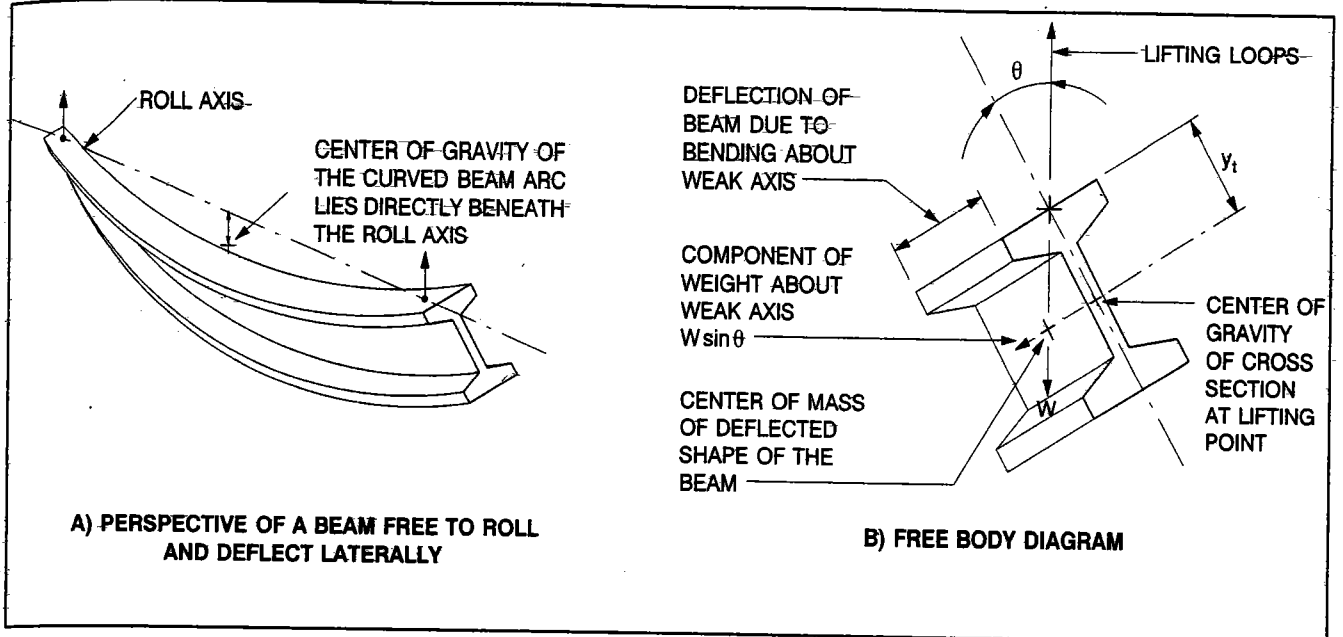
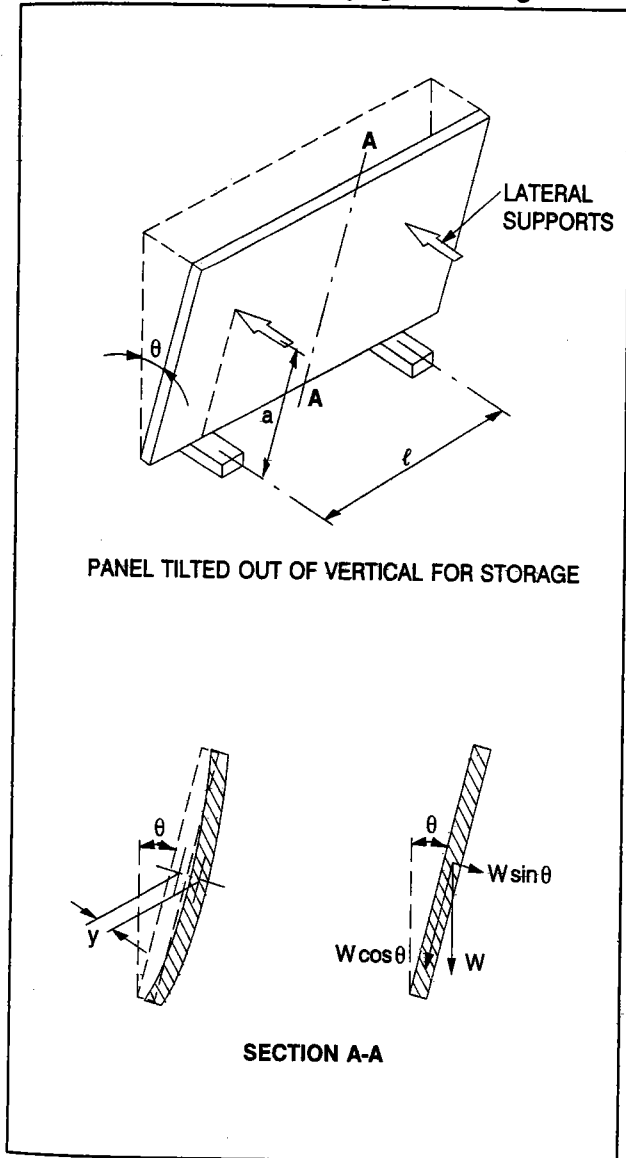


Figure 5.2.13 Panel warpage in storage



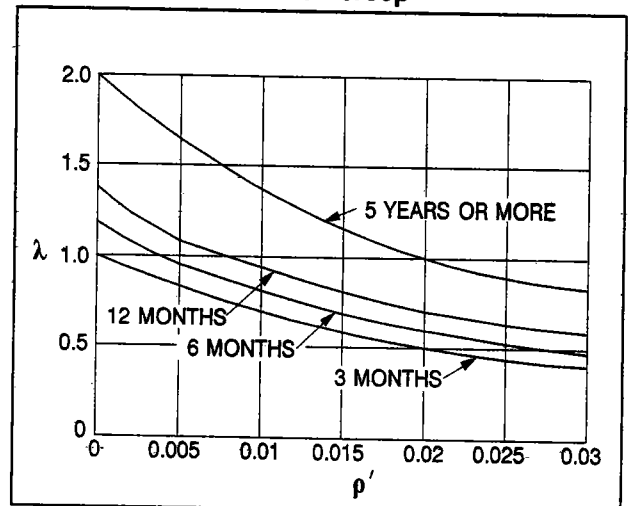
For the support conditions shown in Figure 5.2.13, warping can occur in both directions. By superposition, the total instantaneous deflection,  $y_{max}$ , at the maximum point can be estimated by:

$$y_{max} = \frac{1.875(w) \sin \theta}{E_{ci}} \left[ \frac{a^4}{I_c} + \frac{l^4}{I_b} \right] \quad (\text{Eq. 5.2.2})$$

where:

- $w$  = panel weight, psf
- $E_{ci}$  = modulus of elasticity of concrete at age other than final, psi
- $a$  = panel support height, in.
- $l$  = horiz. distance between supports, in.
- $I_c, I_b$  = moment of inertia of uncracked section in the respective directions for 1 in. width of panel, in<sup>4</sup>

Figure 5.2.14 Effect of compression reinforcement on creep



This instantaneous deflection should be modified by a factor to account for the time-dependent effects of creep and shrinkage. ACI-318-95 suggests the total deformation,  $y_t$ , at any time can be estimated as:

$$y_t = y_{max} (1 + \lambda) \quad \text{(Eq. 5.2.3)}$$

where:

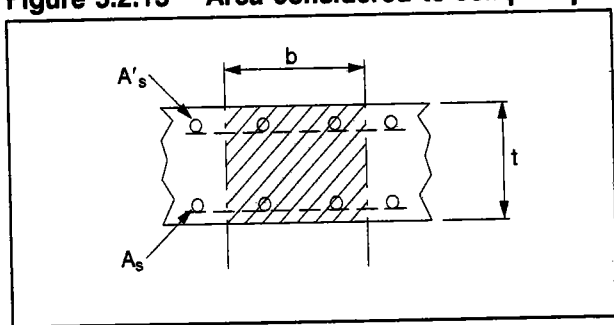
$y_t$  = time dependent displacement

$y_{max}$  = instantaneous displacement

$\lambda$  = amplification due to creep and shrinkage (Figure 5.2.14)

$\rho'$  = reinforcement ratio for nonprestressed compression reinforcement,  $A'_s/bt$  (Figure 5.2.15)

**Figure 5.2.15** Area considered to compute  $\rho'$



### 5.2.11 Transportation

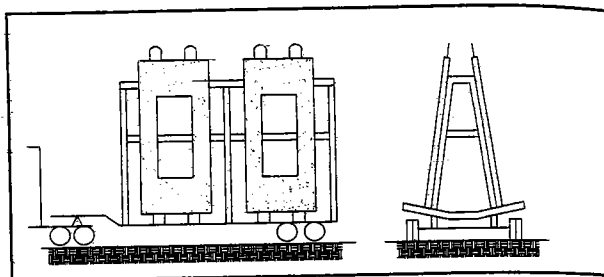
The method used for transporting precast concrete products can affect the structural design because of size and weight limitations and the dynamic effects imposed by road conditions.

Except for long prestressed deck members, most products are transported on either flatbed or low-boy trailers. These trailers deform during hauling. Thus, support at more than two points can be achieved only after considerable modification of the trailer, and even then results may be doubtful.

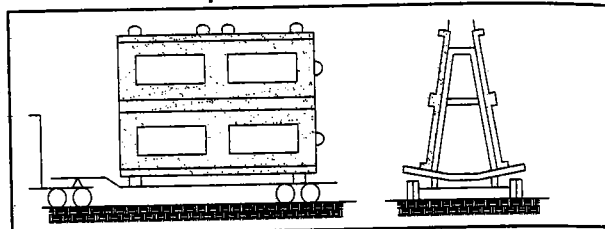
Size and weight limitations vary from one state to another, so a check of local regulations is necessary when large units are transported. Loads are further restricted on some secondary roads during spring thaws.

The common payload for standard trailers without special permits is 20 tons with width and height restricted to 8 ft and length to 40 ft. Low-boy trailers permit the height to be increased to about 10 to 12 ft. However, low-boys cost more to operate and have a shorter bed length. In some states, a total height (roadbed to top of load) of 13 ft 6 in. is allowed without special permit. This height may require special routing to avoid low overpasses and overhead wires.

**Figure 5.2.16** Transportation of single-story panels



**Figure 5.2.17** Transportation of multi-story panels



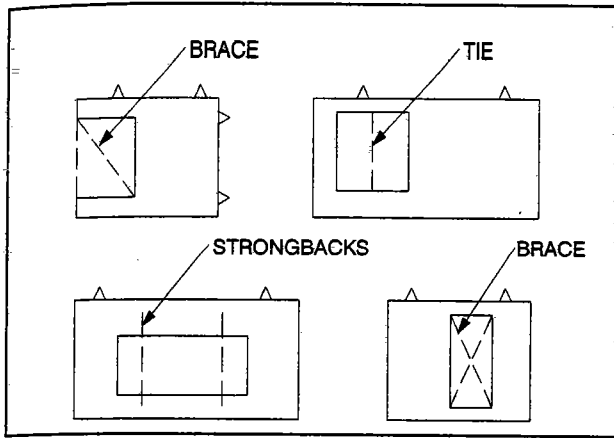
Maximum width with permit varies among states, and even among cities—from 10 to 14 ft. Some states allow lengths over 70 ft with only a simple permit, while others require, for any load over 55 ft, a special permit, escorts front and rear and travel limited to certain times of the day. In some states, weights of up to 100 tons are allowed with permit, while in other states there are very severe restrictions on loads over 25 tons.

These restrictions add to the cost of precast concrete units, and should be compared with savings realized by combining smaller units into one large unit. When possible, a precast unit, or several units combined, should approximate the usual payload of 20 tons. For example, an 11 ton unit may not be economical, because only one can be shipped per load, while two 10 ton units could be shipped on one load.

Erection is facilitated when members are transported in the same orientation they will have in the structure. For example, single-story wall panels can be transported on A-frames with the panels upright (Figure 5.2.16). A-frames also provide good lateral support and the desired two points of vertical support. Longer units can be transported on their sides to take advantage of the increased stiffness compared with flat shipment (Figure 5.2.17). In all cases, the panel support locations should be consistent with the panel design. Panels with large openings sometimes require strongbacks, braces or ties to keep stresses within the design values (Figure 5.2.18).

During transportation, units are usually supported with one or both ends cantilevered. For members not symmetrical with respect to the bending axis, the expressions given in Figure 5.2.19 can be used for determining the location of supports to give equal tensile stresses for positive and negative bending moments.

**Figure 5.2.18 Methods of temporary strengthening of panels with significant openings**



### 5.2.12 Erection

Precast concrete members frequently must be re-oriented from the position used to transport to that which it will be in the final construction. The analysis for this "tripping" (rotating) operation is similar to that used during other handling stages. Figure 5.2.21 shows maximum moments for several commonly used tripping techniques.

When using two crane lines the center of gravity must be between them in order to prevent a sudden shifting of the load while it is being rotated. To ensure that this is avoided, the stability condition shown in Figure 5.2.20 must be met. The capacities of lifting devices must be checked for the forces imposed during the tripping operation, since the directions vary.

#### Example 5.2.3 Flat Panel

This example illustrates the use of many of the recommendations in this section. It is intended to be illustrative and general only. Each plant will have its own preferred methods of handling.

**Given:**

A flat panel used as a non-load bearing facade on a two-story structure, as shown in Figure 5.2.22.

Wind Load-psf pressure or suction

$$f'_c = 5000 \text{ psi @ 28 days}$$

$$f'_{ci} = 2000 \text{ psi @ stripping}$$

Cracks in rear face permitted without width restriction. Crack width in exposed face limited to 0.007 in.

**Problem:**

Check critical stresses and economic considerations involved with stripping, handling and erection of precast flat panel.

**Solution:**

**Establish Handling Procedures:**

- Casting:** Face down. Use same mix for exposed aggregate surface (retarded) and smooth white side bands. Use gray concrete backup.
- Stripping:** Due to edge detail and inside crane headroom, panel cannot be turned on edge directly in mold, therefore strip flat and move to sand bed (or turning equipment) for turning.
- Storage:** Since panels will be stored for several months and storage yard is subject to settlement, thus negating possible four-point support, and since bowing must be avoided, store on edge.

**Determine Handling Multipliers (Table 5.2.1):**

- Stripping:** Exposed flat surface has deep exposure (heavy retarder); side rails removed prior to stripping; drafts on edge detail are good: use 1.2.  
Use strand loops in back of panel (plant practice).
- Yard handling:** Turning: use 1.2; transport to storage: use 1.2.
- Shipping:** Distance traveled is 150 miles and jobsite roadways are bumpy: use 1.7 (exceeds the value 1.5 recommended in Table 5.2.1 since travel conditions are considered rather severe and cracking is limited).
- Erection:** Use 1.5 (based on engineer's judgment instead of value from Table 5.2.1).

Handling devices: Use 4 (from Sect. 5.2.5).

**Section Properties (use 7 in. thick x 9 ft-11½ in. wide):**

$$A = 836 \text{ in}^2$$

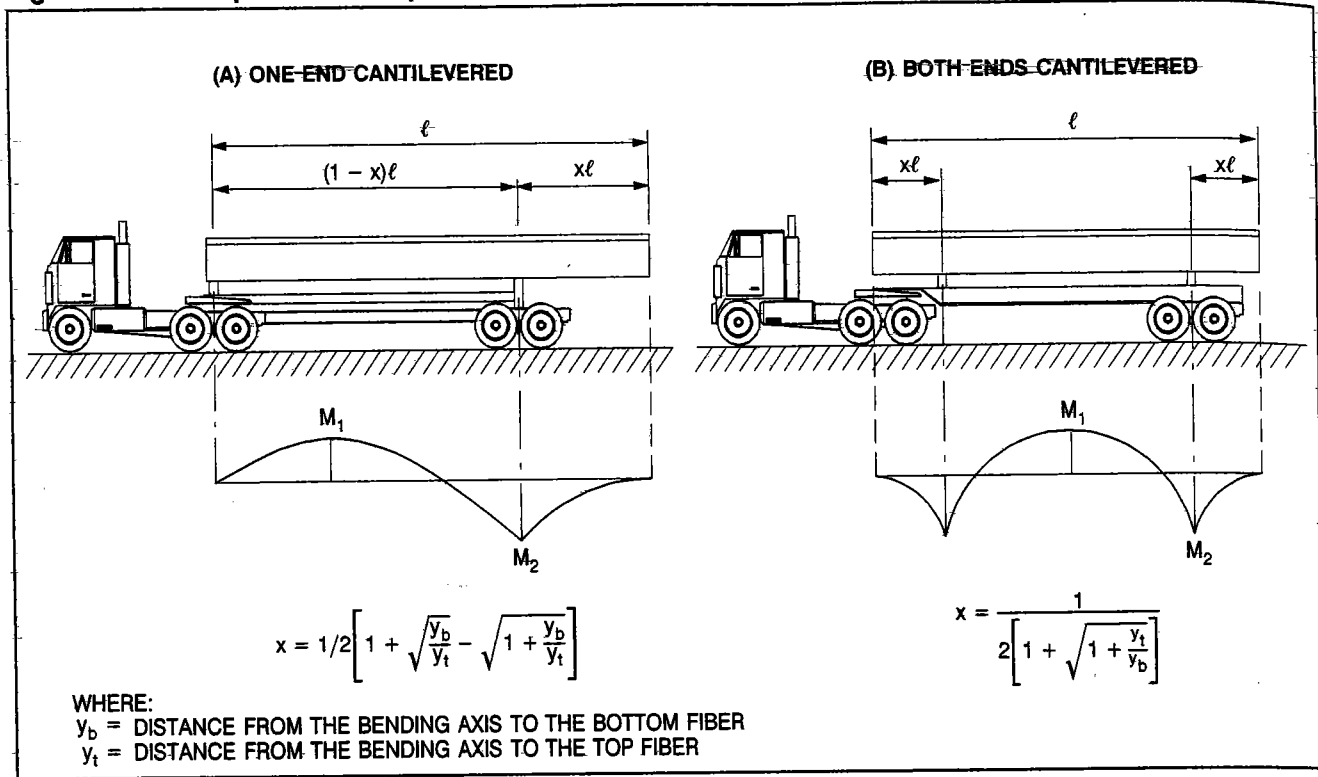
$$S_b = S_t = 976 \text{ in}^3$$

$$I = 3416 \text{ in}^4$$

Unit weight @ 150 pcf = 87 psf, or 870 plf

Total weight = 30.6 kips

Figure 5.2.19 Equations for equal tensile stresses top and bottom-unsymmetrical members



Establish Allowable Tensile Stresses:

@ stripping, yard handling and storage:

$$f_t = \frac{5\sqrt{2000}}{1000} = 0.224 \text{ ksi (from Sect. 5.2.4)}$$

@ shipping and erection:

$$f_t = \frac{5\sqrt{5000}}{1000} = 0.354 \text{ ksi}$$

Check Handling Stresses-Stripping:

a. Longitudinal bending Two point pick-up, Figure 5.2.5(A)

$$a = 10.0 \text{ ft}$$

$$b = 35.2 \text{ ft}$$

$$a/2 = 60 \text{ in.}$$

$$S = \frac{60(7)^2}{6} = 490 \text{ in}^3$$

$$M_y = 0.0107 wab^2 \\ = 0.0107(0.087)(10)(1.2)(35.2)^2(12) \\ = 166 \text{ kip-in.}$$

$$f_t = f_b = \frac{166}{490} = 0.339 > 0.224 \text{ ksi}$$

Therefore, 2-point stripping is not adequate

Four point pick-up, Figure 5.2.5(B):

$$M_y = 0.0027 wab^2 \\ = 0.0027(0.087)(10)(1.2)(35.2)^2(12) \\ = 41.9 \text{ kip-in.}$$

Additional moment due to lifting angle (Figure 5.2.9):

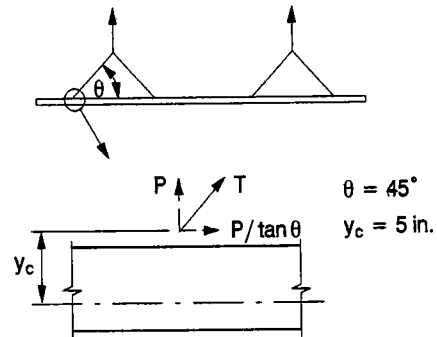


Figure 5.2.20 Stability during erection

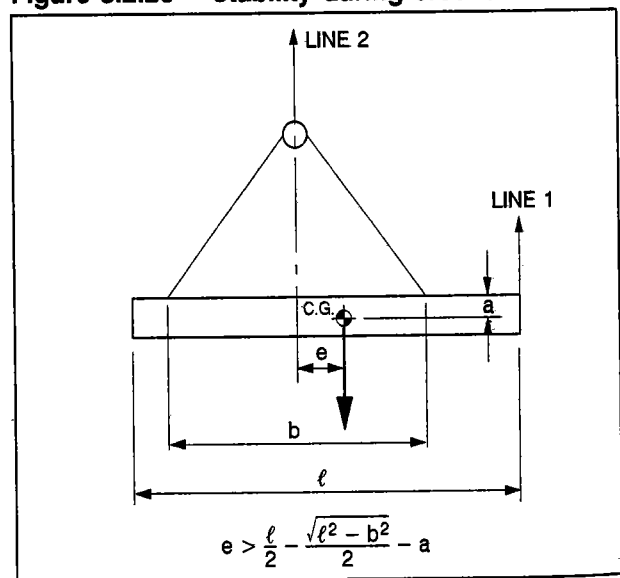
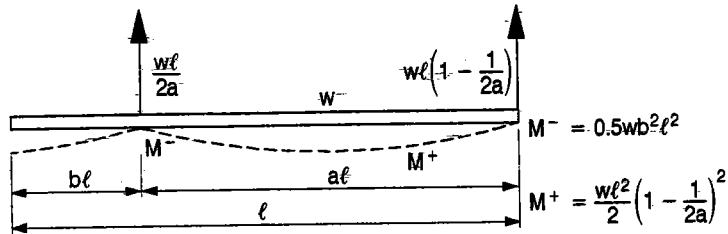


Figure 5.2.21 Typical tripping (rotating) positions for erection of wall panels<sup>a</sup>

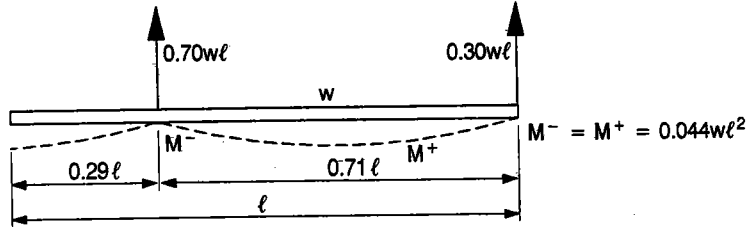
TWO POINT PICK FOR ROTATION:

GENERAL EQUATION



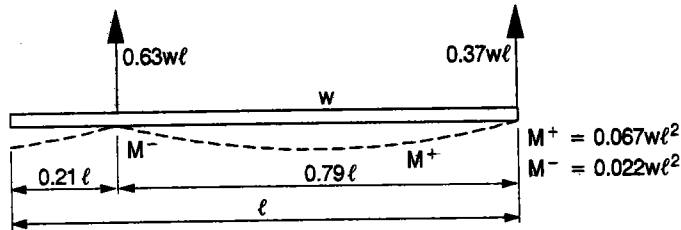
TWO POINT PICK FOR ROTATION:

EQUAL NEGATIVE AND POSITIVE BENDING MOMENTS



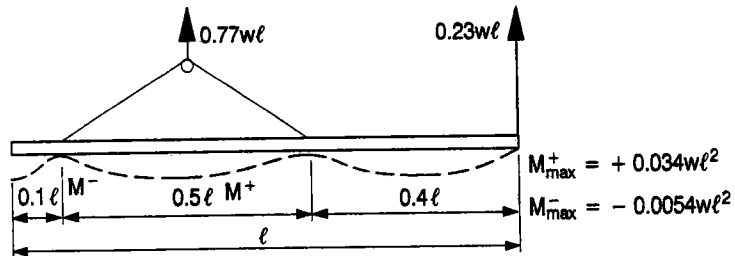
TWO POINT PICK FOR ROTATION:

LOWER PICK POINT AT TYPICAL TWO POINT PICK LOCATIONS

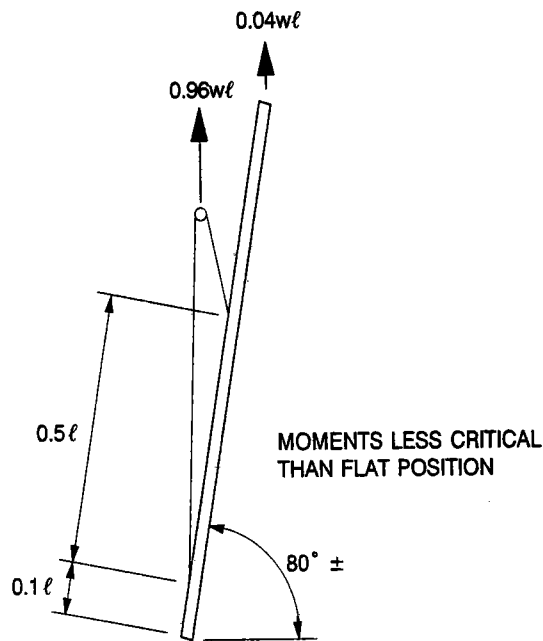


THREE POINT PICK FOR ROTATION:

AT TOP AND FIRST AND THIRD LOWER PICK LOCATIONS

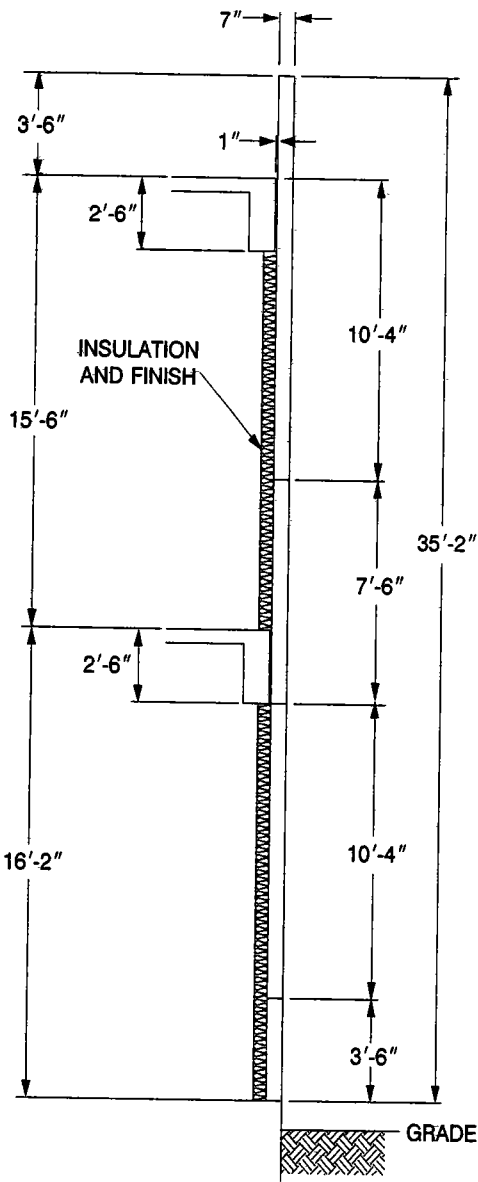


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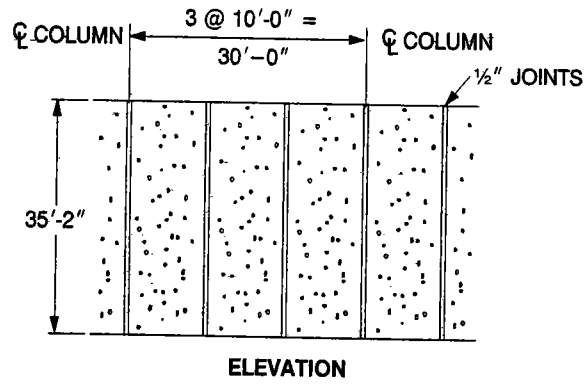


a. Dashed lines indicate deflected shapes.

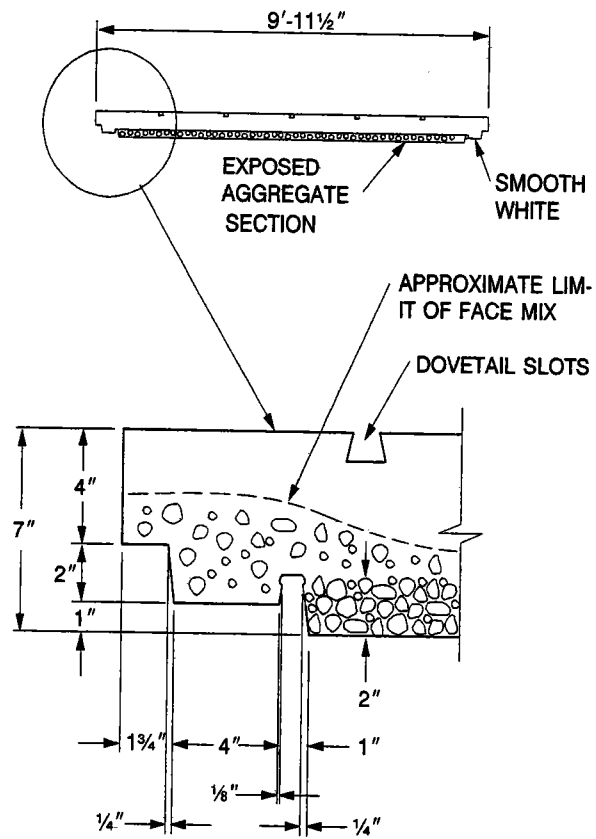
Figure 5.2.22 Illustrations for Example 5.2.3



WALL SECTION



ELEVATION



DETAIL

$$M_x = \frac{Py_c}{\tan \theta} = \left[ \frac{0.87(1.2)(35.2)}{4(2)} \right] \frac{5}{\tan 45^\circ}$$

$$M_x = 23 \text{ kip-in}$$

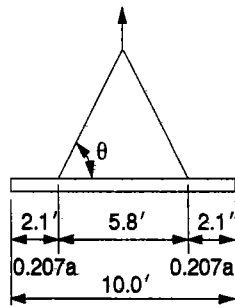
$$M_{\text{total}} = 41.9 + 23 = 64.9 \text{ kip-in}$$

$$f_t = f_b = 0.132 < 0.224 \text{ ksi} \quad \text{OK}$$

Use 4-point pick-up for stripping

Note: By inspection of support structure and 4-point pick-up stripping locations, it is determined that shifting lifting loops toward ends slightly will avoid interference between loops and edge beams thus avoiding a delay in erection while loops are burned off. Effect on stresses is minor.

**b. Transverse bending—beam strip properties**



$$\theta = 60.6^\circ$$

$$y_c = 5 \text{ in.}$$

$$15t = 105 \text{ in.}$$

$$b/4 = 105 \text{ in.}$$

$$S = 105(7)^2/6 = 857 \text{ in}^3$$

$$M_x = 0.0054(0.087)(1.2)(10)^2(12)(35.2)$$

$$= 23.8 \text{ kip-in}$$

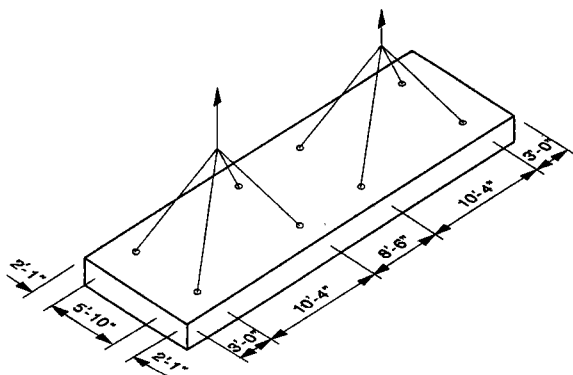
$$M_x(\text{sling angle}) = \left[ \frac{1.2(0.087)(10)(35.2)}{(4)(2)} \right] \frac{5}{\tan 60.6^\circ}$$

$$= 12.9 \text{ kip-in.}$$

$$\text{Total } M_x = 23.8 + 12.9 = 36.7 \text{ kip-in}$$

$$f_t = f_b = 36.7/857 = 0.043 \text{ ksi} < 0.224 \text{ ksi} \quad \text{OK}$$

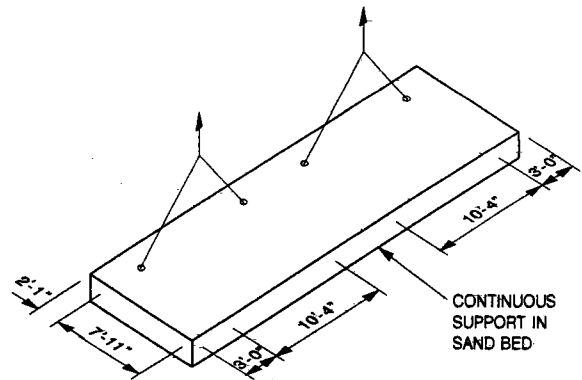
Final stripping loop locations:



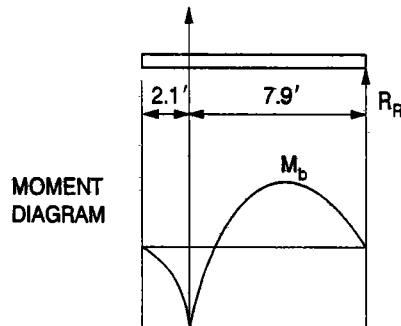
**Check Handling Stresses-Turning:**

Stresses for turning from edge to edge are excessive. Note also that edge detail may restrict this type of turning, due to excessive shear loading on insert cast into edge.

Therefore turn as follows:



Transverse moments:



$$w = 0.087(1.2)(35.2/4) = 0.92 \text{ kip/ft}$$

$$R_L = \frac{0.92(10)^2/2}{7.9} = 5.82 \text{ kips}$$

$$R_R = 0.92(10) - 5.82 = 3.38 \text{ kips}$$

$$M_a = 0.92(2.1)^2(12)/2 = 24.3 \text{ kip-in.}$$

$$M_b \text{ maximum at } 3.38/0.92 = 3.67 \text{ ft}$$

$$M_b = [3.38(3.67) - 0.92(3.67)^2/2]12$$

$$= 74.5 \text{ kip-in.}$$

Using same resisting section as for stripping:

$$f_t = 24.3/857 = 0.028 \text{ ksi} < 0.224$$

$$f_b = 74.5/857 = 0.087 \text{ ksi} < 0.224$$

Therefore, concrete should have strength of 2000 psi at stripping.

Longitudinal bending similar to stripping.

Use 4-point turning with one edge in sand bed.

**Check Handling Stresses-Shipping:**

The following factors were considered in determining shipping method:

**Alternatives:**

- (1) Ship flat:
  - strength with 2-point support
  - permits required in 3 states for each load (since panel weight of 30,600 lb restricts loads to one-panel each)
- (2) Ship vertical:
  - requires low-boy trailer with 35 ft well with maximum height of 3 ft which would restrict total height to 13.5 ft (6 in. support material)
- (3) Special frame:
  - fabricate special frame so panel could be set at about a 45° angle and be within non-permit restrictions of 13.5 ft high by 8.0 ft wide

**Other factors:**

- Total number of pieces—132
- Erection rate—10 pieces per day
- Drivers not permitted to drop loads on job after working hours (union regulations at job site).
- Permit loads on bridge restricted to traveling between 9:30 A.M. and 2:30 P.M.

To avoid disrupting normal production in plant, loading must be done in P.M. (same cranes used for stripping in A.M., yarding and loading).

These considerations led to the conclusion that 30 trailers would be necessary to properly supply the job. This can be demonstrated as follows with each group of trailers being 10 (A,B,C):

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
<b>Load</b>	A	B	C	A	B
<b>Ship</b>		A	B	C	A
<b>Erect</b>			A	B	C
<b>Return Trailer</b>			A	B	C

3 groups of 10 required = 30 trailers

**Reconsider alternatives:**

- (2) Vertical-30 low-boys not available
- (3) Special frames @ 45° with 1 panel per trailer  
Check panel bending about the weak axis.  
Bending in longitudinal direction:

$$w = 0.87(1.7)(\sin 45^\circ) = 1.05 \text{ kip/ft}$$

From Figure 5.2.5(A) for full panel width:

$$M_y = 2(0.0107)(1.05)(35.2)^2(12)$$

$$= 334 \text{ kip-in.}$$

$$f = 334/976 = 0.342 \text{ ksi} < 0.354 \text{ OK}$$

Since stress is high and a long panel traveling 150 miles is subject to possible dynamic forces, provide a 3rd frame for lateral support only, to avoid possible harmonic motion.

30(3) = 90 frames required

Cost estimated @ \$800 each or \$72,000

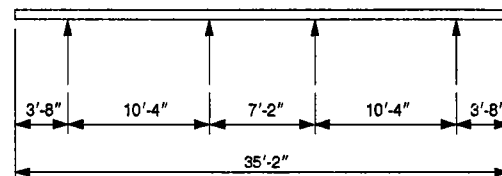
(1) Flat—cost of permits (check with appropriate authorities):

$$\$240 \times 132 \text{ loads:} = \$31,680$$

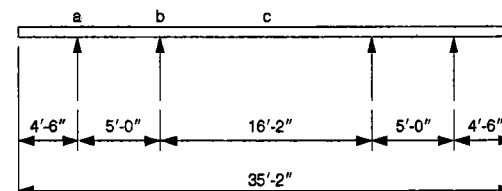
$$\text{possible saving:} = \$40,320$$

Provide proper support to achieve this saving. Two-point support is desirable since flexing of trailer normally will lower or raise any additional supports thus causing bridging and unanticipated stresses.

4-Point Support:



This is too far apart to consider for shipping since the trailer will deflect and cause 2 or 3 point support at times during transportation. Try adjusting support points so that 10 ft -4 in. is reduced to 5 ft -0 in. which is a practical limit to ensure 4 points will have support at all times during transportation.



A moment distribution of this condition results in moments as follows:

$$M_a = 0.0082wl^2 = 0.0082(0.87)(1.7)(35.2)^2(12)$$

$$= 180.3 \text{ kip-in.}$$

tension in back face



$$M_b = 0.014w\ell^2 = 307.8 \text{ kip-in.}$$

tension in back face

$$M_c = 0.0125w\ell^2 = 274.8 \text{ kip-in.}$$

tension in front face

Stresses:

$$f_a = \frac{180.3}{976} = 0.185 \text{ ksi} < 0.354 \text{ ksi OK}$$

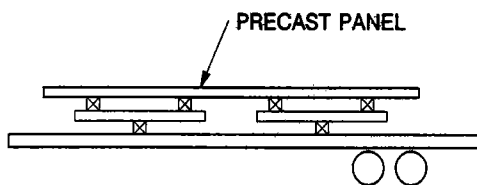
$$f_b = \frac{307.8}{976} = 0.315 \text{ ksi OK}$$

$$f_c = \frac{274.8}{976} = 0.281 \text{ ksi OK}$$

Ship with supports as shown.

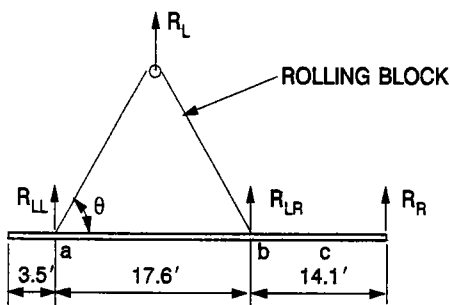
Note: Had stresses been excessive, supports could be shifted toward center of panel until cantilever condition is such that it produces a stress of 0.354 ksi.

An alternate solution provides 4-point support for the precast piece with 2 supports on the truck bed or as shown.



Check Handling Stresses—Erection:

Try 3-point pick as follows:



Longitudinal bending: with rolling block, reactions at lifting loops are equal.

$$w = 0.87(1.5) = 1.31 \text{ kip/ft}$$

Determine the critical stresses:

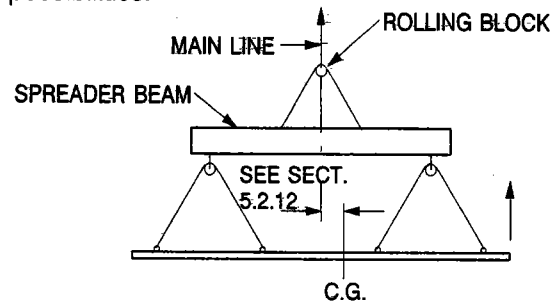
when flat (see Figure 5.2.21):

$$M = 0.034(1.31)(35.2)^2 \cdot 12$$

$$= 662 \text{ kip-in.}$$

$$f_{\max} = \frac{662}{976} = 0.678 \text{ ksi. too high}$$

Since this stress is too high, adjustments in the lift loop locations are required to avoid cracking the panel. The arrangement shown below is one of several possibilities.



Various trials will be required to establish the most suitable arrangement. Note, the main crane line (line 2, Figure 5.2.20) should be below the center of gravity of the piece to avoid uncontrolled rotation of the panel. Ensuring that crane line 1 requires a force to create rotation avoids this potential condition.

## 5.3 Erection Bracing

### 5.3.1 Introduction

This section deals with the temporary bracing which may be necessary to maintain structural stability of a precast structure during construction. When possible, the final connections should be used to provide at least part of the erection bracing, but additional bracing apparatus is sometimes required to resist all of the temporary loads. These temporary loads include wind, seismic, eccentric dead loads including construction loads, unbalanced conditions due to erection sequence and incomplete connections. Due to the low probability of design loads occurring during erection, engineering judgment should be used to establish a reasonable load.

Proper planning of the construction process is essential for efficient and safe erection. Sequence of erection must be established early, and the effects accounted for in the bracing analysis and the preparation of shop drawings.

The responsibility for the erection of precast concrete may vary as follows:

1. The precast concrete manufacturer supplies the product erected, either with his own forces, or by an independent erector.
2. The manufacturer is responsible only for supplying the product, F.O.B. plant or jobsite. Erection is done either by the general contractor or by an independent erector under a separate agreement.

3. The products are purchased by an independent erector who has a contract to furnish the complete precast concrete package.

Responsibility for stability during erection must be clearly understood. Design for erection conditions must be in accordance with all local, state and federal regulations. It is desirable that this design be directed or approved by a professional engineer. Erection drawings define the procedure on how to assemble the components into the final structure. The erection drawings should also address the stability of the structure during construction and include temporary connections. When necessary, special drawings may be required to include shoring, guying, bracing and specific erection sequences. Additional guidelines are available in Ref. 3. For large and/or complex projects, a pre-job conference prior to the preparation of erection drawings may be warranted, in order to discuss erection methods and to coordinate with other trades.

#### 5.3.1.1 Handling Equipment

The type of jobsite handling equipment selected may influence the erection sequence, and hence affect the temporary bracing requirements. Several types of erection equipment are available, including truck-mounted and crawler mobile cranes, hydraulic cranes, tower cranes, monorail systems, derricks and others. *The PCI Recommended Practice for Erection of Precast Concrete* [3] provides more information on the uses of each.

#### 5.3.1.2 Surveying and Layout

Before products are shipped to the jobsite, a field check of the project should be made to ensure that prior construction is suitable to accept the precast units. This check should include location, line and grade of bearing surfaces, notches, blockouts, anchor bolts, cast-in hardware, and dimensional deviations. Site conditions such as access ramps, overhead electrical lines, truck access, etc., should also be checked. Any discrepancies between actual conditions and those shown on drawings should be corrected before erection is started.

Surveys should be required before, during and after erection:

1. Before, so that the starting point is clearly established and any potential difficulties with the support structure are determined early.
2. During, to maintain alignment.

3. After, to ensure that the products have been erected within tolerances.

### 5.3.2 Loads

#### 1. Wind

Wind loads used for erection design should be based on local codes, tempered by engineering judgment. For example, in hurricane regions, the maximum code load is usually not used, since there is sufficient warning of a hurricane so that additional bracing can be installed. Note that it is possible that more surface area is exposed to wind pressure than when the structure is totally enclosed.

#### 2. Earthquake

In seismic regions, the degree to which earthquake loads are considered for construction design is a decision which should be made by the engineer designing the temporary bracing system, unless the subject is covered by local codes or project specifications. Often seismic loading is neglected unless the project is expected to be shut down in a temporary condition for an extended period of time.

#### 3. Construction Loads

This includes materials stored on floor members such as masonry, drywall or other finishing materials, and construction equipment such as buggies used for concrete placement. A value of 25 psf has been used without creating an excessive burden on the bracing requirements.

#### 4. Temporary Conditions

Figure 5.3.1 shows temporary loading conditions that affect stability and bracing design.

- a. Columns with eccentric loads from other framing members produce sidesway which means the columns lean out of plumb. Cable or other type of bracing can be used to keep the columns plumb. A similar condition can exist when cladding panels are erected on one side of a multi-story structure.
- b. Unbalanced loads due to partially complete erection may result in beam rotation. The erection drawings should address these conditions. Some solutions are:
  - Install wood wedges between flange of tee and top of beam.
  - Use connection to columns that prevent rotation.

- Erect tees on both sides of beam.
  - Prop tees to level below.
- c. Examples of rotations and deflections of framing members caused by cladding panels which may result in alignment problems and require connections that allow for realignment after all panels are erected.

### 5.3.3 Factors of Safety

Safety factors used for temporary loading conditions are a matter of engineering judgment, and should consider failure mode (brittle or ductile), predictability of loads, quality control of products and construction, opportunity for human error, and economics. The total factor of safety also depends on load factors and capacity reduction factors used in the design of the entire bracing system. These must be consistent with applicable code requirements. Suggested safety factors are shown in Table 5.3.1.

**Table 5.3.1 Suggested factors of safety for construction loads**

Bracing for wind loads .....	2
Bracing inserts cast into precast members .....	3
Reusable hardware .....	5
Lifting inserts.....	4

### 5.3.4 Bracing Equipment and Materials

For most one- and two-story high components that require bracing, steel pipe braces similar to those shown in Figure 5.3.2 are used. A wide range of bracing types are available from a number of suppliers, who should be consulted for dimensions and capacities. Pipe braces resist both tension and compression. When long braces are used in compression, it may be necessary to provide lateral restraint to the brace to prevent buckling.

Cable guys with turnbuckles are normally used for higher structures. Since wire rope used in cable guys can resist only tension, they are usually used in combination with other cable guys in an opposite direction. Compression struts, which may be the precast

concrete components, are needed to complete truss action of the bracing system.

A number of wire rope types are also available [4]. Typically, wire rope is constructed of three basic components: (1) wires that form the strands, (2) multi-wire strands laid helically around a core and (3) the core (see Figure 5.3.3).

The wire may be iron, stainless steel, monel, or bronze, but for construction uses it is nearly always high carbon steel. The core, which is the foundation for the wire rope, is made of either fiber or steel. The most commonly used cores are: fiber core (FC), independent wire rope core (IWRC), and wire strand core (WSC).

Rope is classified by the construction type. For example, a 6 x 7 FC consists of 6 strands of 7 wires each, wrapped around a fiber core. A 6 x 19 IWRC has 6-19-wire strands wrapped around an independent wire rope core. Strength of wire rope is dependent on the component materials. Grades include: traction steel (TX), mild plow steel (MPS), plow steel (PS), improved plow steel (IPS), and extra improved plow steel (XIPS).

Table 5.3.2 shows the properties of several commonly used wire rope sizes. It is recommended that the minimum size rope used for bracing be 1/2 in. diameter.

The elongation or "stretch" of wire ropes must be considered in designing bracing. Elongation comes from two sources: constructional stretch and elastic stretch. Constructional stretch is dependent on the classification and results primarily from a reduction in diameter as load is applied and the strands compact against each other. Approximate ranges of constructional stretch are shown in Table 5.3.2. Wire ropes may be pre-stretched to remove some of the constructional stretch.

Elastic stretch is caused by the deformation of the metal itself when load is applied. As with constructional stretch, a precise value is difficult to establish, but the following equation gives adequate results:

$$\text{Elastic stretch} = \frac{PL}{AE} \quad (\text{Eq. 5.3.1})$$

where:

- P = change in load
- L = length
- A = area of wire rope
- E = modulus of elasticity

Figure 5.3.1 Temporary loading conditions that affect stability

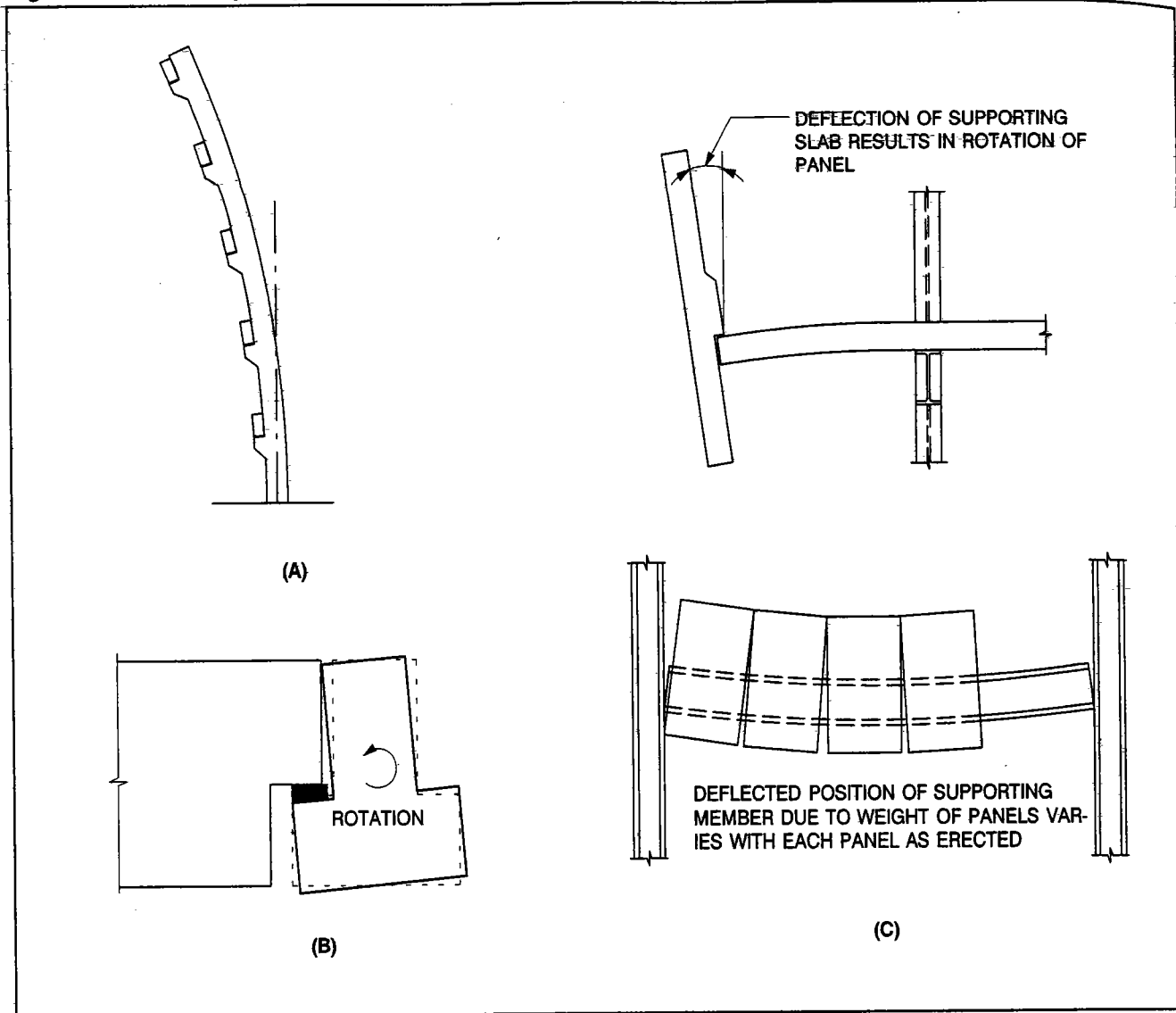
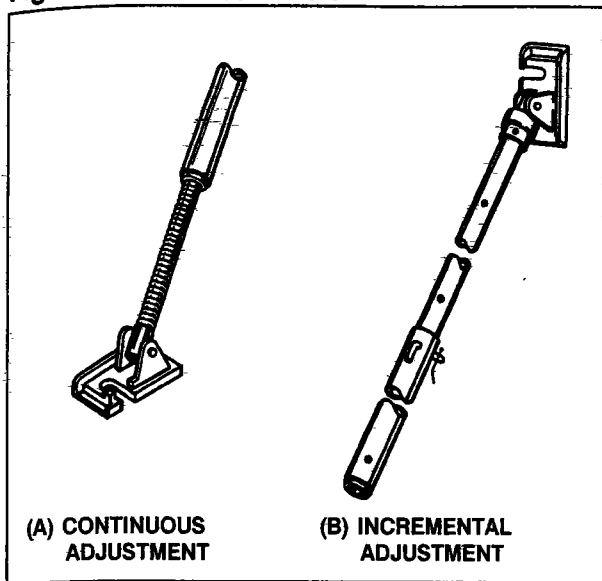


Table 5.3.2 Properties of wire rope

Nominal diameter in.	Fiber Core (FC) E = 10,000 ksi Constructional stretch: 0.5–0.75%		Wire Core (IWRC) E = 13,000 ksi Constructional stretch: 0.25–0.5%	
	Area, in <sup>2</sup>	Nominal strength (kips)	Area, in <sup>2</sup>	Nominal strength (kips)
1/2	0.096	20.6	0.113	22.2
5/8	0.150	31.8	0.176	34.2
3/4	0.288	45.4	0.254	48.8
7/8	0.294	61.4	0.345	66.0
1	0.384	79.4	0.451	85.4
1 1/8	0.486	99.6	0.571	107.0
1 1/4	0.600	122.0	0.705	131.2
1 3/8	0.726	146.2	0.853	157.2
1 1/2	0.864	172.4	1.015	185.4

Properties based on 6 x 7 classification, 6 x 19 classification approximately 4% higher.  
Based on "Improved Plow Steel." "Extra Improved Plow Steel" approximately 15% higher.

Figure 5.3.2 Typical pipe braces



$$\text{Total} = 6.3 + 3.5 = 9.8 \text{ in.}$$

Design so that stretch does not result in unacceptable movement of the braced structure, readjustment of the wire-rope tension may be necessary.

### 5.3.5 Erection Analysis

The following examples demonstrate a suggested procedure to ensure structural stability and safety during various stages of construction. Actual loads, factors of safety, equipment used, etc., must be evaluated for each project.

#### Example 5.3.2 Load Bearing Wall Panel Structure

Given:

18-story hotel with plan as shown in Figure 5.3.4.

Floor to floor—8 ft-8 in.

Floor system—8 in. hollow-core planks.

Wind load—15 psf. The code requires higher loads at upper levels, but the engineer has judged that for temporary conditions, 15 psf is adequate.

No expansion joint.

Final stability in the east-west direction depends on the stair and elevator walls at the ends, plus the exterior precast panels on the north and south walls (lines A and D). Diaphragm action of the floor distributes lateral loads to these shear walls.

Problem:

Determine sequence of erection and temporary bracing system.

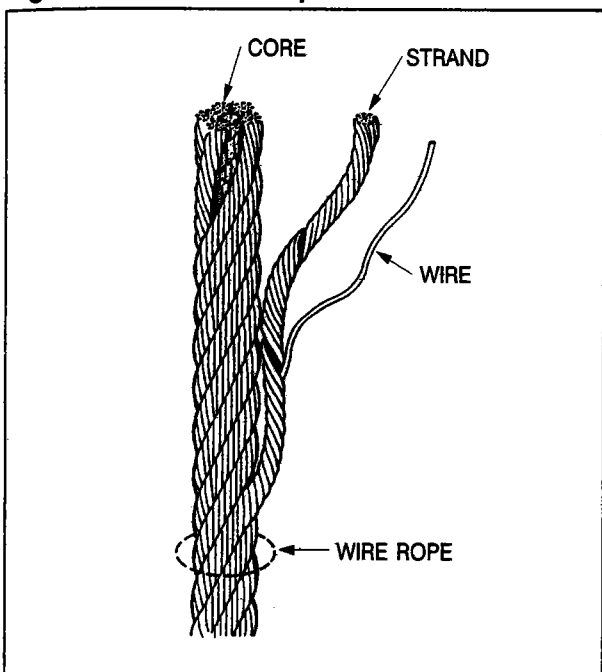
Solution:

After consultation between precaster and erector, it has been decided to erect the floors and load bearing walls through the sixth floor one floor at a time. Then a second crew and lighter crane will be used to erect the precast wall panels on lines A and D.

Erection of structural precast floors and walls will never be more than six levels ahead of the shear walls, lines A and D. Design tasks include:

1. Design single panel with two braces at upper level of any erection phase.
2. Determine diaphragm loads and check if elevator walls can resist these for six levels. If not, reduce the number of levels the floor erection can be ahead of the shear wall placement.

Figure 5.3.3 Wire rope



#### Example 5.3.1 Stretch of Wire Rope

Given:

A 70 ft long,  $\frac{3}{4}$  in. diameter, 6 x 7 FC wire rope resisting a tension force of 12 kips.

Problem:

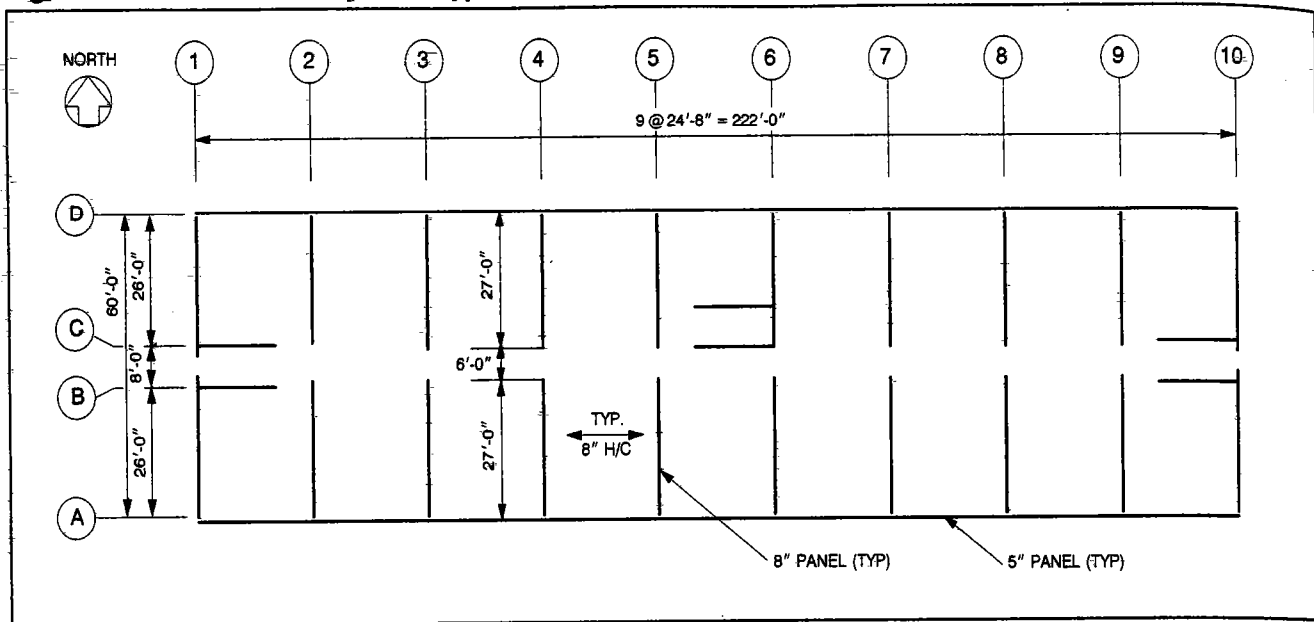
Determine the total stretch.

Solution:

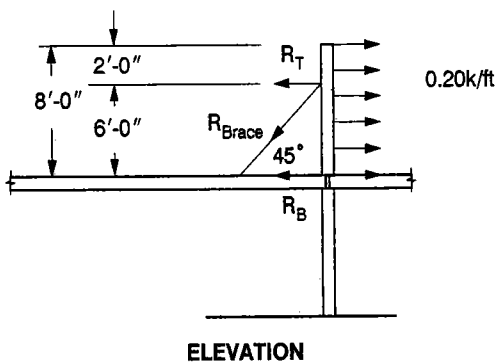
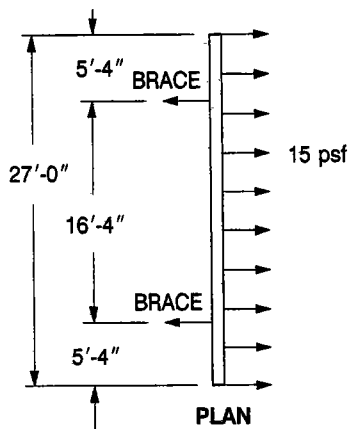
$$\text{Constructional stretch (use 0.75\%)} = 0.0075(70)(12) = 6.3 \text{ in.}$$

$$\text{Elastic stretch} = \frac{12(70)(12)}{0.288(10,000)} = 3.5 \text{ in.}$$

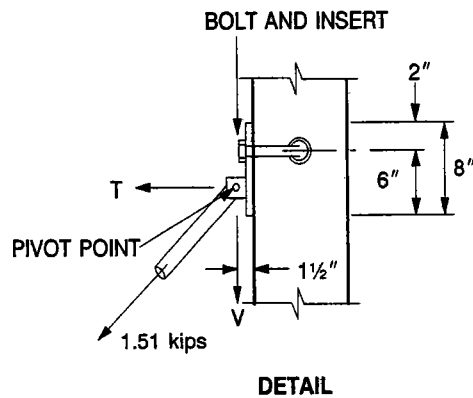
Figure 5.3.4 Schematic plan of typical floor—Example 5.3.2



**Design Single Panel:**



for the inserts in the panel and floor, and pressure for the brace. Forces on top connection:



$$V = 1.07 \text{ kips}$$

$$T \approx \frac{1.51}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1.07(1.5)}{6 - 1} = 1.39 \text{ kips}$$

Design of inserts and bolts is discussed in Chapter 6. Design of the connection at the bottom of the brace is similar. Expansion bolts in hollow-core plank must be placed to avoid the cores. Vertical tie connections between wall panels is usually adequate to take the wind shear at the base of the panel.

**Check Panel Section:**

Consider the horizontal span:

$$w = 0.015(8) = 0.12 \text{ kip/ft}$$

$$-M = wa^2/2 = 0.12(5.33)^2(12)/2 = 20.5 \text{ kip-in.}$$

$$+M = w\ell^2/8 - (-M) = 0.12(16.33)^2(12)/8 - 20.5 = 27.5 \text{ kip-in.}$$

$$S = bd^2/6 = 96(8)^2/6 = 1024 \text{ in}^3$$

$$f = 27.5/1024 = 0.027 \text{ ksi} < 5\sqrt{f'_c}$$

$$\text{Wind load per brace} = 0.015(27)/2 = 0.20 \text{ kip/ft}$$

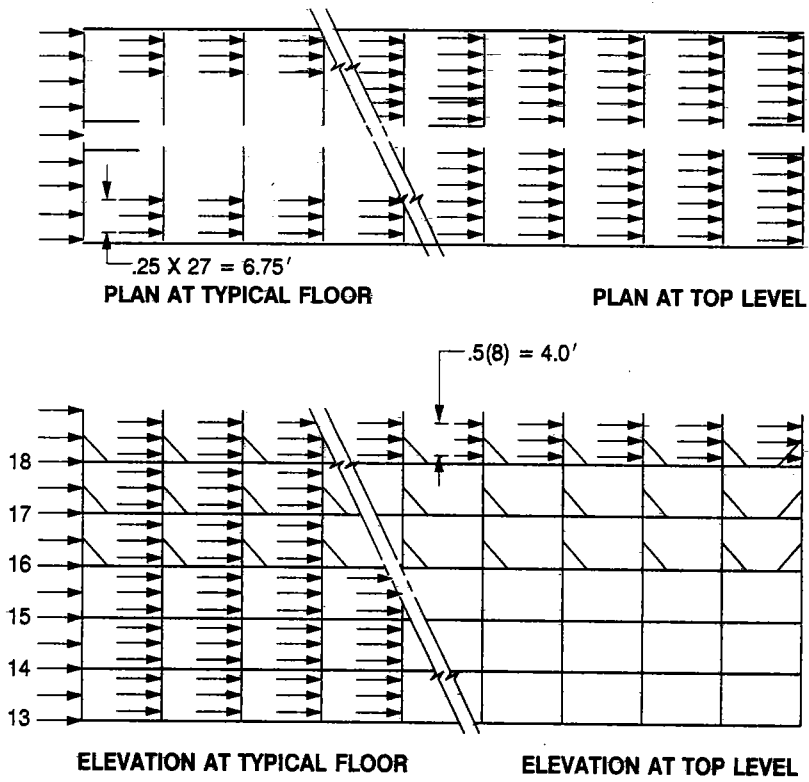
$$R_T = \frac{0.20(8^2/2)}{6} = 1.07 \text{ kips}$$

$$R_B = 0.20(8) - 1.07 = 0.53 \text{ kips}$$

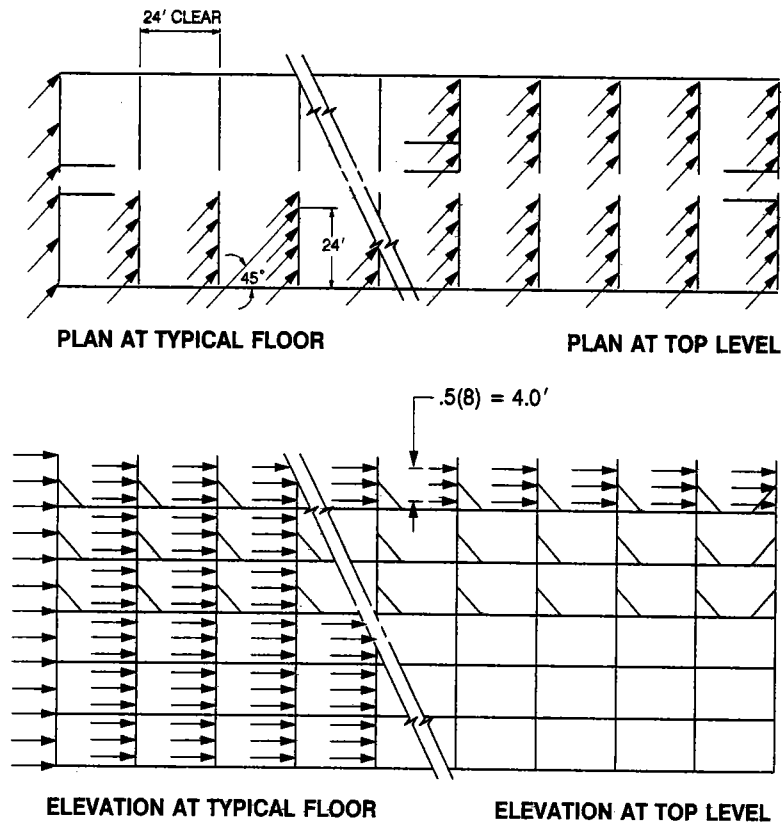
$$R_{\text{brace}} = 1.07\sqrt{2} = 1.51 \text{ kips}$$

These loads and reactions can act in either direction. Typically, critical directions would be suction

**Figure 5.3.5** Distribution of east-west wind load—Example 5.3.2



**Figure 5.3.6** Distribution of wind from 45° angle—Example 5.3.2



### Determine Diaphragm Loads:

Shielding of the wind from adjacent structures is not considered in building design, because of the possibility that the shield may eventually be razed. However wind shielding by adjacent panels during erection is more predictable, and may be used with judgment realizing that erection sequences can change.

Various wind directions must also be considered. For this structure, temporary loading from north or south wind is less critical than the final condition, so it can be neglected. Two possible wind directions will be considered:

1. Wind from east or west. Apply full wind to end wall, with the other walls assumed to be 50% shielded (some wind can flow over the tops of the walls), except at the ends. Assume full wind applied to 25% of the length of the interior panels as wind flows along the sides of the building (see Figure 5.3.5.).

At 18th level:

$$0.015(8)(60) + 0.015(4)(60)(9) = 39.6 \text{ kips}$$

At other levels:

$$0.015(8)(60) + 0.015(6.75)(2)(8)(9) = 21.7 \text{ kips}$$

2. Wind from any 45° angle. Apply full wind component to end wall with 50% shielding at upper level. Shielding of lower interior panels is determined from the geometry (see Figure 5.3.6).

At 18th level:

$$0.015(0.707)(8)(60) + 0.015(0.707)(4)(60)(9) = 28.0 \text{ kips}$$

At other levels:

$$0.015(0.707)(8)(60) + 0.015(0.707)(24)(8)(9) = 23.4 \text{ kips}$$

The above shielding effects are based on judgment, and will vary among structures and designers. Note that the resultant of loads for condition 1 acts at the center of the structure, while for condition 2 it acts eccentrically.

The design of a diaphragm and shear walls is discussed in Chapter 3, and connections in Chapter 6.

### Example 5.3.3 Single-Story Industrial Building

Given:

A single-story building with the plan shown schematically in Figure 5.3.7. Totally precast structure—columns, inverted tee beams, double tee roof, load bearing and non-load bearing double tee wall panels. Wind load = 10 psf

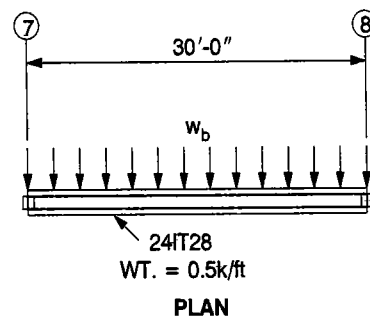
Final stability by exterior panels acting as shear walls.

No expansion joint.

Erection sequence: With a crane in the center bay, start at column line 8 and move toward line 1, erecting all three bays progressively.

Problem:

Determine temporary erection bracing systems.



Solution:

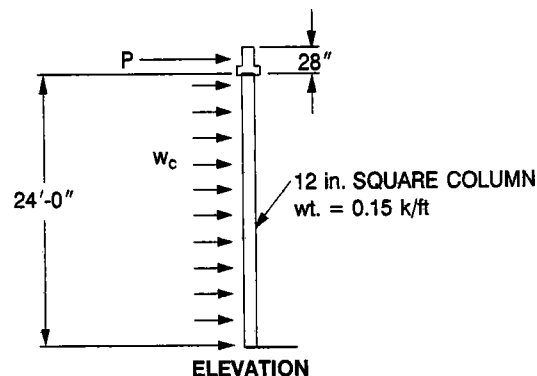
To demonstrate the thought process the designer should go through, the following temporary conditions will be considered:

1. Erect columns B8 and B7 with inverted tee beam between them and check as free standing on the base plate.

$$w_b = 0.01(2.33) = 0.023 \text{ kip/ft}$$

$$P = 0.023(30)/2 = 0.35 \text{ kips}$$

$$w_c = 0.01(1) = 0.01 \text{ kip/ft}$$

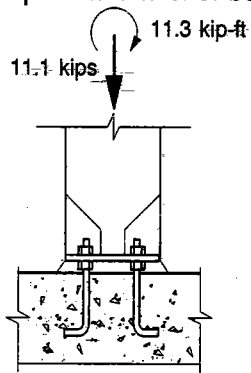


$$\text{Moment at column base} = 0.35(24) + 0.01(24)^2/2 = 11.3 \text{ kip-ft}$$

$$\text{D.L. at column base} = 0.5(30)/2 + 0.15(24) = 11.1 \text{ kips}$$

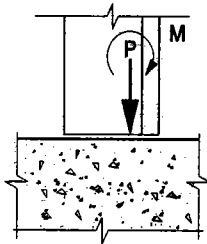


Design base plate and anchor bolts per Sect. 6.7.



2. Erect wall panels on line A from 7 to 8. There are two cases to consider:

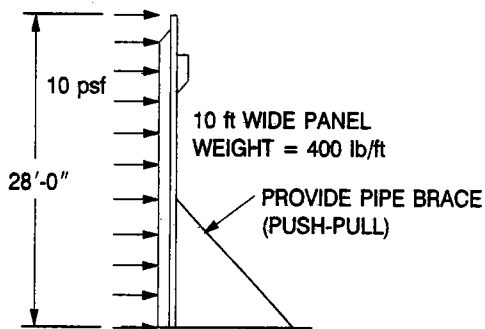
Case a: If the base of the wall has some moment resisting capacity, the base should be designed for:



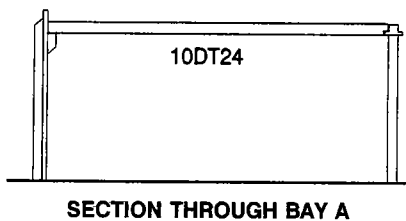
$$M = 0.01(10)(0.5)(28)^2/2 = 19.6 \text{ kip-ft/stem}$$

$$P = 0.4(28)/2 = 5.6 \text{ kips/stem}$$

Case b: If the wall panel has no moment resisting capacity, a brace must be provided, as shown in Example 5.3.2. Check the unsupported length of the brace to prevent buckling under compressive loads. Also check the horizontal reaction at the base of the panel.



3. Erect double tee roof members in bay A. Assuming the wall panel has moment resisting capacity at the base, two loading conditions must be checked:

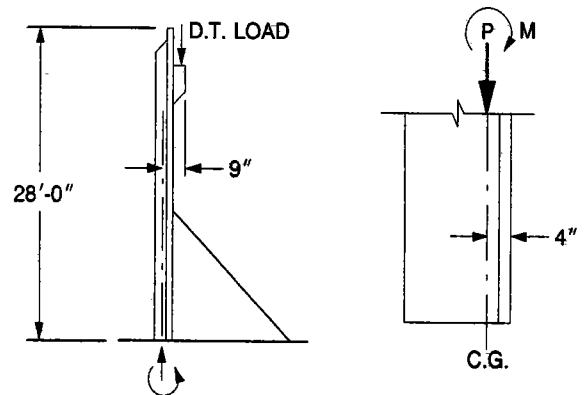


Case a: Dead Loads Only:

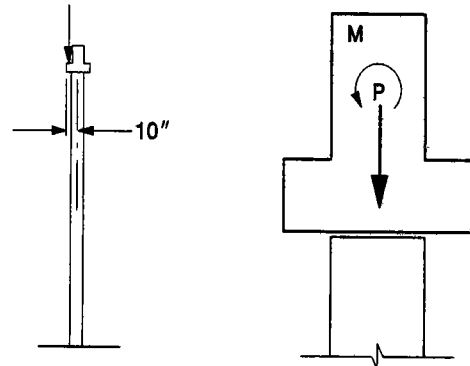
$$\text{Load from roof tee} = 0.047(5)(60/2) = 7.05 \text{ kips/stem}$$

$$M = 7.05(9/12) = 5.29 \text{ kip-ft}$$

$$P = 7.05 + 5.6 = 12.65 \text{ kips}$$



Check beam/column connection. This will be critical when all three roof tees in bay A are in place.



$$\text{Load from double tees} = 7.05 \text{ kips/stem}$$

$$\text{times 3 stems} = 21.2 \text{ kips}$$

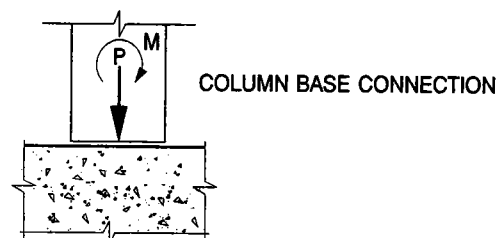
$$M = 21.2(10/12) = 17.7 \text{ kip-ft}$$

$$P = 21.2 + 0.5(30/2) = 28.7 \text{ kips}$$

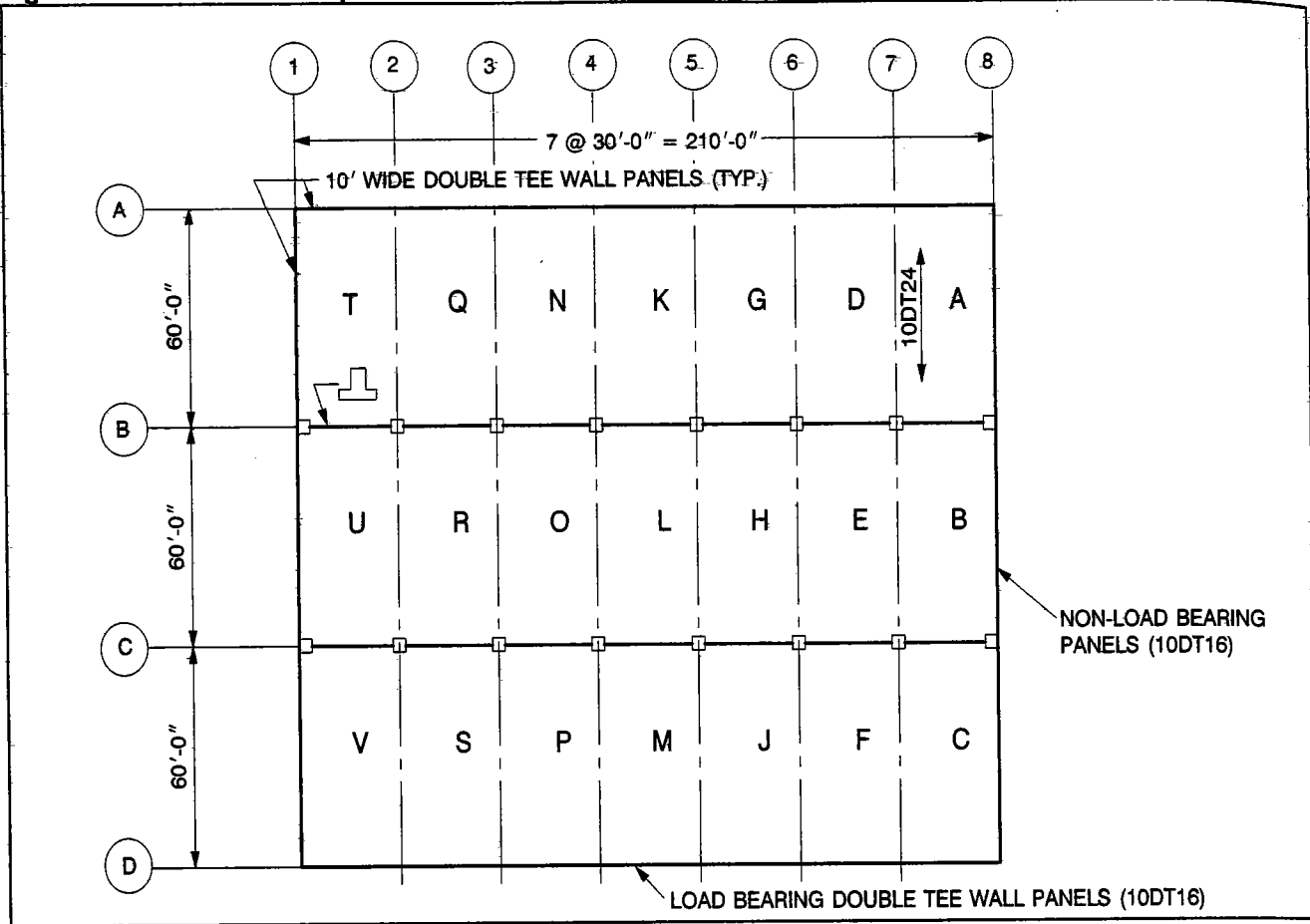
Check column base connection:

$$M = 17.7 \text{ kip-ft (from above)}$$

$$P = 35.7 + 0.15(24) = 39.3 \text{ kips}$$



**Figure 5.3.7 Schematic plan of structure of Example 5.3.3**



*Case b: Dead Load plus Wind Load:*

In this example, it is apparent that the loading for 1 and 2 above will be more critical than this condition.

The designer should always try to use the permanent connections for erection stability. In this example, the final connections between the wall and roof deck and the beam and roof deck will provide some degree of moment resistant capacity. This will reduce the moments on some of the connections considered above.

4. Erect wall panels on line 8 from A to B. (Note: If the crane reach is limited, these may be erected immediately after the first roof tee is placed.) These will be connected to the roof with permanent diaphragm transfer connections. This provides a rigid "box" which will provide stability to the remainder of the structure.
5. Continue erection working from the rigid box in bay A. It is unlikely that other temporary conditions will be more critical than those encountered in bay A. However, each should be considered and analyzed if appropriate.

**Example 5.3.4 Multi-Level Parking Structure**

*Given:*

A typical 8-story parking structure shown schematically in Figure 5.3.8.

Structural system—pretopped double tees on L-shaped and inverted tee interior beams and load bearing spandrel panels. Multi-level columns are spliced at level 4. No expansion joint.

Loads: Wind—10 psf. Construction loads—5 psf. This is lower than recommended in Sect. 5.3.2 because there are virtually no interior finishing materials, such as masonry or drywall in this construction.

Final stability will be provided by:

- Long direction: The ramped floors acting as a truss.
- Short direction: Shear walls as shown.

*Problem:*

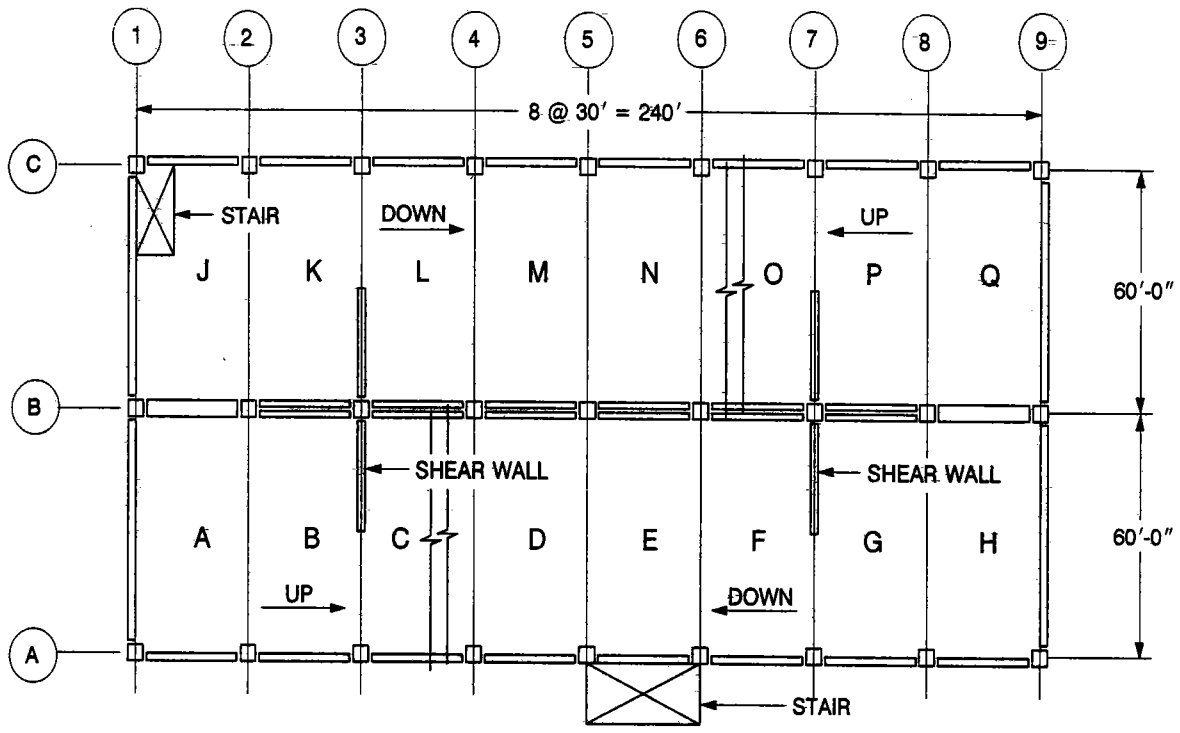
Outline critical design conditions during erection, and show a detailed erection sequence.

*Solution:*

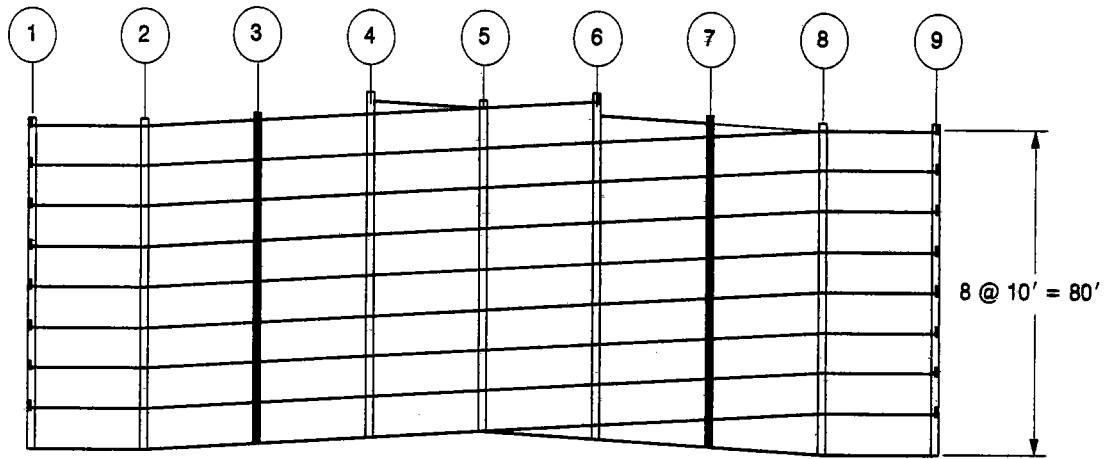
Outline of critical erection design conditions:

1. Free standing columns—design columns and base plates in accordance with Chapters 3, 4 and 6.

Figure 5.3.8 Parking structure of Example 5.3.4



TYPICAL FLOOR PLAN



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2. Determine bracing forces for wind loads from either direction.
3. Select wire rope sizes.
4. Determine forces on inserts used for bracing and select anchorages in accordance with Chapter 6.
5. Check column designs with temporary loading and bracing.
6. Check diaphragm design and determine which permanent connections must be made during erection. Determine need for temporary connections.
7. Check inverted tee beams and their connections for loading on one side only.

Sequence of erection: Start at column line 1 and, with crane in north bay, erect vertically and back out of structure at line 9 in the following sequence:

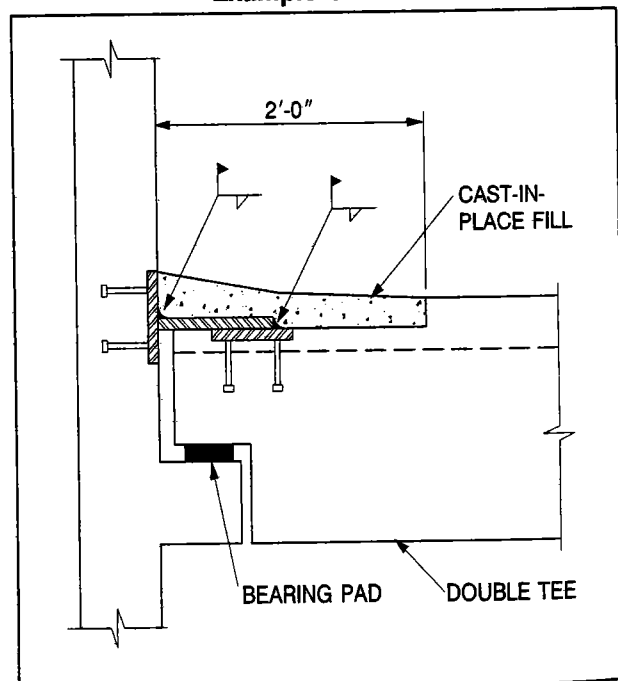
1. Erect columns A1, B1, A2 and B2-(lower tier). Check as free standing columns with 10 psf wind on surface.
2. Erect 3 levels in bay A.
3. Install X-bracing between A1 and B1. Check capacity required with full wind load on exposed surfaces.
4. Erect column A3 and shearwall.
5. Erect 3 levels in bay B.
6. Erect 4th level in bay A.
7. Install X-bracing at line B between B2 and shear wall. Check capacity required with full wind load on exposed surfaces.
8. Splice 2nd tier columns at A1, A2, A3, B1 and B2. Check capacity of welded splice with upper tier as free standing columns with 10 psf wind on surfaces.
9. Erect columns C1 and C2.
10. Erect 4 levels in bay J.
11. Install X-bracing from columns B1 to C1. Check capacity required with full load on exposed surfaces.
12. Erect columns A4 and B4.
13. Erect to 3rd level in bay C.
14. Install X-bracing between B3 and B4.
15. Erect bay A to 6th level.
16. Splice second tier columns at C1, C2 and B3.
17. Erect bay J to 6th level.
18. Erect bay A to roof.

19. Erect bay B to 6th level.
20. Erect column C3.
21. Erect bay K to 4th level.
22. Erect bay J to roof.
23. Erect columns A5 and B5.
24. Erect bay D to 3rd level.
25. Install X-bracing from A5 to B5. Check capacity required.
26. Erect bay C to 5th level.
27. Erect column C4.
28. Erect bay L to 4th level.
29. Splice second tier columns at C3, A4 and B4.
30. Erect bay K to 6th level.
31. Erect bay B to roof.
32. Continue in same sequence.

**Additional Notes:**

1. After each level is erected weld loose plate from spandrel to plate in double tee. (See Figure 5.3.9).
2. Install additional X-bracing on line B from 6 to 7 and 7 to 8 after framing is erected.
3. Install X-bracing on line 9 from A to B and B to C when framing is erected.
4. Install cables to upper tier columns as required to keep columns plumb.
5. Check upper tier columns as free standing with full wind load on exposed surfaces.
6. Maintain tightness of cables.

**Figure 5.3.9 Typical load-bearing spandrel Example 5.3.4**



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### 6.1 Notation

$a$	=	shear span	Cr	=	symbol for element Chromium
$a$	=	depth of equivalent rectangular compression stress block	Cu	=	symbol for element Copper
$a$	=	center of exterior cantilever bearing to center of Cazaly hanger strap	$C_{es}$	=	reduction coefficient for edge distance (see Eq. 6.5.4)
$A_b$	=	area of bar or stud	$C_u$	=	force vector in a keyed joint (see Sect. 6.13.1.4)
$A_c$	=	effective bearing area of slab in a horizontal joint	$d$	=	depth to centroid of reinforcement
$A_{cr}$	=	area of crack interface	$d$	=	depth of welds in weld groups (see Figure 6.15.9)
$A_f$	=	area of flexural reinforcement in a corbel	$d_b$	=	bar diameter
$A_{th}$	=	area of shear reinforcement parallel to flexural tension reinforcement in a corbel	$d_c$	=	distance from free edge of concrete to the centerline of nearest stud measured perpendicular to direction of load
$A_n$	=	area of reinforcement required to resist axial tension	$d_e$	=	distance from center of load to beam end
$A_o$	=	area of concrete failure surface	$d_e$	=	distance from edge of member to centerline of single stud or of back row of stud group in direction of load
$A_s$	=	area of reinforcement	$d_h$	=	head diameter of stud
$A_s$	=	cross-sectional area of Cazaly hanger steel strap	D	=	durometer (shore A hardness)
$A'_s$	=	area of vertical reinforcement near end of steel haunch	$e$	=	eccentricity of load
$A_{vf}$	=	area of shear-friction reinforcement	$e_i$	=	center of bolt to horizontal reaction
$A_w$	=	area of weld	$e_v$	=	eccentricity of vertical load
$A_1$	=	loaded area	$e_x, e_y$	=	eccentricity of load in x,y directions
$A_2$	=	maximum area of the portion of the support that is geometrically similar to and concentric with the loaded area	$f_{bu}$	=	factored bearing stress
$b$	=	dimension (see specific application)	$f'_c$	=	specified compressive strength of concrete
$b$	=	width of compression stress block	$f_r$	=	resultant stress on weld
$b$	=	center-to-center distance between the outermost studs in back row of a group	$f_u$	=	design compressive strength of wall or grout
$b$	=	width of welds in weld groups (see Figure 6.15.19)	$f_w$	=	design strength of weld (see Figure and Sect. 6.5.1.1)
$b$	=	width of hanger connection bar	$f_x$	=	combined shear and torsion stress in horizontal direction
$b_w$	=	net width of hollow-core slab on bearing wall	$f_y$	=	combined shear and torsion stress in vertical direction
$b_1$	=	member width in which a hanger connection is cast	$f_y$	=	yield strength of reinforcement or headed stud
$c$	=	concrete cover	$F_{exx}$	=	classification strength of weld metal
$C$	=	compressive force	$F_s$	=	factored friction force
$C$	=	strength factor for hollow-core slabs (see Sect. 6.13.2)	$\Sigma F$	=	greatest sum of factored anchor bolt forces on one side of the column
$C$	=	symbol for element Carbon	$F_y$	=	yield strength of structural steel
$C_w, C_1, C_c$	=	adjustment factors for stud groups	$F_u$	=	tensile strength of bare metal
			$g$	=	gage of angle
			$g$	=	gap between beam end and face of support element



$h$	=	total depth	$t_g$	=	grout thickness
$h$	=	wall thickness	$t_w$	=	effective throat thickness of weld
$I_p$	=	polar moment of inertia	$T$	=	tensile force
$I_{xx}, I_{yy}$	=	moment of inertia of weld segment with respect to its own axes	$V$	=	symbol for element Vanadium
$J_u$	=	force vector in a keyed joint (see Sect. 6.13.1.4)	$V_c$	=	nominal strength of section controlled by concrete
$k$	=	distance from back face of angle to web fillet toe	$V_n$	=	nominal bearing or shear strength of an element
$k$	=	grout strength factor (see Sect. 6.13.2)	$V_r$	=	nominal strength provided by reinforcement
$l_b$	=	bearing length	$V_u$	=	factored shear force
$l_d$	=	development length	$V_{ud}$	=	factored dead load force normal to the friction face
$l_{dh}$	=	development length for a bar with a standard hook	$V_y$	=	headed stud yield strength (shear)
$l_e$	=	embedment length	$w$	=	dimension (see specific application)
$l_l$	=	angle leg length	$w$	=	uniform load
$l_p$	=	bearing length of exterior cantilever in hanger connections	$W$	=	bearing strip width
$l_p$	=	projection of corbel	$x, y$	=	horizontal and vertical distance respectively, from c.g. of weld group to point under consideration
$l_w$	=	length of weld	$x, y$	=	overall dimensions (width and length) of a stud group
$Mo$	=	symbol for element Molybdenum	$x_c$	=	distance from centerline of bolt to face of column
$Mn$	=	symbol for element Manganese	$x_o$	=	base plate projection
$M_t$	=	torsional moment	$x_t$	=	distance from centerline of bolt to centerline of column reinforcement
$M_u$	=	factored moment	$\bar{x}, \bar{y}$	=	distance of weld to the center of gravity to the weld group
$n$	=	number of studs in a group	$x_1, y_1$	=	dimensions of flat bottom part of the truncated pyramid failure-stud groups
$n_s$	=	number of studs in back row of a group	$Z_s$	=	plastic section modulus of structural steel section
$Ni$	=	symbol for element Nickel	$\alpha$	=	hanger bar angle (see Figure 6.10.3)
$N_u$	=	factored horizontal or axial force	$\Delta$	=	design horizontal movement at end of member
$P$	=	applied load	$\lambda$	=	coefficient for use with lightweight concrete (see Sect. 5.2.4)
$P_c$	=	nominal tensile strength of concrete element	$\mu$	=	shear-friction coefficient
$P_s$	=	nominal tensile strength of steel element	$\mu_e$	=	effective shear-friction coefficient
$P_n$	=	nominal strength of joint	$\mu_s$	=	static coefficient of friction
$P_u$	=	applied factored load	$\phi$	=	strength reduction factor
$P_u$	=	factored tension load			
$P_x, P_y$	=	applied force in x, y direction			
$P_y$	=	headed stud yield strength (tension)			
$R_e$	=	reduction factor for load eccentricity			
$s$	=	width of Cazaly hanger strap			
$s$	=	spacing of reinforcing (see specific application)			
$S$	=	shape factor			
$S$	=	section modulus			
$S$	=	section modulus of weld groups (see Figure 6.15.9)			
$t$	=	thickness			

## 6.2 General

Design procedures presented in this chapter follow ACI 318-95 and other relevant national model building code requirements except where modified to reflect current industry practice (see also Sect. 10.5).

The design of connections is one of the most important considerations in the structural design of a precast concrete structure. There may be several successful solutions to each connection problem, and the design methods and examples included in this chapter are not the only acceptable ones. Information is included on the design of common precast concrete connections. It is intended for use by those with an understanding of engineering mechanics and structural design, and in no case should it replace good engineering judgment.

The purpose of a connection is to transfer load and/or provide stability. Within any one connection, there may be several load transfers; each one must be designed for adequate strength and appropriately detailed. The detailing should provide for a good fit between the selected materials and avoid interference between strand or reinforcing steel and the connection components, such as headed studs or deformed bar anchors. In the sections that follow, different methods of transferring load will be examined separately, then it will be shown how some of these are combined in typical connection situations. More complete information on some aspects of connection design can be found in Refs. 1 and 2 listed in Sect. 6.14.

### 6.3 Loads and Load Factors

With noted exceptions, such as bearing pads, the design methods in this chapter are based on strength design relationships, incorporating the load factors and strength reduction factors ( $\phi$ -factors) specified in ACI 318-95. Local codes may have more stringent requirements and must be checked.

In addition to gravity, wind and seismic loads, forces resulting from restraint of volume changes as well as those required for compatibility of deformations must be considered. Determination of these forces is covered in Chapter 3. For flexural members, it is recommended that bearing connections be designed for a minimum horizontal tensile force, acting parallel to the span, of 0.2 times the factored dead load transferred at the bearing unless a smaller value can be justified by using properly designed bearing pads (see Sect. 6.5.8).

To ensure that the overall safety of the connection is adequate, the use of an additional load factor in the range 1.0 to 1.33 has historically been used by the industry. The need and the magnitude of this additional load factor for a particular connection must depend on the Engineer's judgment and consideration of:

1. *Mode of Failure:* For failures which are typically precipitated by failure of concrete due to insufficient anchorage of connection reinforcement

and inserts, such as short studs it may be appropriate to use larger load factors.

2. *Consequences of Failure:* If failure of a connection is likely to produce catastrophic results, the connection should have a larger overall factor of safety.
3. *Sensitivity of Connection to Tolerances:* Production and erection tolerances as well as movements due to volume changes and applied loads produce changes in load transfer positions on the connection. Certain connections, for example corbels (see Sect. 6.8) and dapped ends (see Sect. 4.6.3), are more sensitive to load transfer positions than other connections, such as base plates. The magnitude of the additional load factor should be consistent with this sensitivity as well as the load transfer position considered in design. For example, if the most adverse combination of tolerances is used to establish the load transfer location, an additional load factor may be unnecessary.
4. *Requirements of Local Codes:* To prevent a connection from being the weak link in a precast concrete structure, some codes require larger load factors to be used in the analysis and design of the connections. When these factors are used, it is not necessary to use additional load factors.

### 6.4 Connection Design Criteria

Precast concrete connections must meet a variety of design and performance criteria, and not all connections are required to meet the same criteria.

*These criteria include:*

1. *Strength:* A connection must have the strength to transfer the forces to which it will be subjected during its lifetime, including those caused by volume change restraint and those required to maintain stability.
2. *Ductility:* This is the ability to undergo relatively large inelastic deformations without failure. In connections, ductility is achieved by designing and detailing so that steel devices yield prior to weld failure or concrete failure. Concrete typically fails in a brittle manner unless it is confined.
3. *Volume Change Accommodation:* Restraint of creep, shrinkage and temperature change strains can cause large stresses in precast

concrete members and their supports. These stresses must be considered in the design. It is usually far better if the connection allows some movement to take place, thus relieving the stresses.

4. **Durability:** When a connection is exposed to weather, or used in a corrosive environment, steel elements should be adequately covered by concrete, or be painted, epoxy coated or galvanized. Stainless steel is sometimes used.
5. **Fire Resistance:** Connections which could jeopardize the structure's stability if weakened by fire should be protected to the same degree as that required for the members that they connect.
6. **Constructability:** The following items should be reviewed when designing connections:
  - a. Standardize products or connections.
  - b. Avoid reinforcement and hardware congestion.
  - c. Check material and size availability.
  - d. Avoid penetration of forms, where possible.
  - e. Reduce post-stripping work.
  - f. Be aware of material sizes and limitations.
  - g. Consider clearances and tolerances.
  - h. Avoid non-standard production and erection tolerances.
  - i. Use standard hardware items and as few sizes as possible.
  - j. Use repetitious details.
  - k. Plan for the shortest possible hoist hook-up time.
  - l. Provide for field adjustment.
  - m. Provide accessibility.
  - n. Use connections that are not susceptible to damage in handling.

## 6.5 Connection Hardware and Load Transfer Devices

A wide variety of hardware including reinforcing bars, studs, coil inserts, structural steel shapes, bolts, threaded rods and other materials are used in connections. These devices provide load transfer to concrete via anchorage in the concrete by bond or by a shear cone resistance mechanism. It is preferable to have a steel material failure, typically defined by yielding, govern the connection strength because such failures are more predictable and ductile. Load transfer should be as direct as possible to reduce the complexity and increase the efficiency of the connection.

### 6.5.1 Reinforcing Bars

Reinforcing bars are usually anchored by bonding to the concrete. Very often, there is insufficient length available to anchor the bars by bond alone, and supplemental mechanical anchorage is required. This can be accomplished by hooks or welded cross-bars as shown in Figure 6.8.1. Load transfer between bars may be achieved by welding, lap splices or mechanical couplers. Required development lengths and standard hook dimensions are given in Chapter 11.

Reinforcing bars may be anchored by embedment in flexible metallic interlocking conduit using grout as shown in Figure 6.5.1. The conduit must have sufficient concrete around it as shown in Figure 6.5.1 for adequate confinement. This scheme can be used to transfer tension or compression forces and is convenient for certain connections, such as column to footing and column to column connections. Note that alternate systems are also available including a system which uses a plastic sleeve.

Figure 6.5.1 Anchorage in grouted conduit

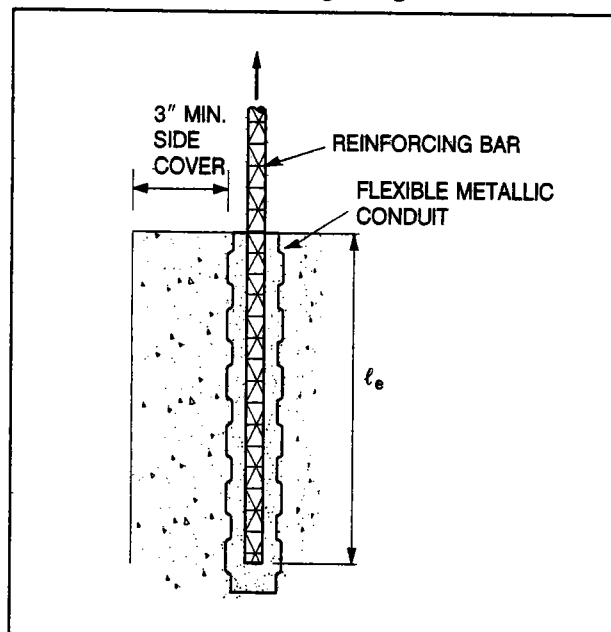


Table 6.5.1 Embedment in grout-filled conduit

Bar Size	Bar embedment length, $\ell_e^a$ in.
3	12
4	12
5	12
6	15
7	21
8	27

a. For grout strengths higher than 5000 psi, multiply table values by  $\sqrt{5000/f'_c}$ .

For No. 8 and smaller uncoated reinforcing bars ( $F_y = 60$  ksi), where the bar is forced into the grout-filled flexible conduit, the embedment lengths are given in Table 6.5.1.

The following limitations are recommended:

1. The minimum concrete side cover over the conduit should be 3 in.
2. The conduit should have a minimum thickness of 0.023 in. (24 gage) and there should be a minimum annular space of  $\frac{3}{8}$  in. around the bar.
3. The grout strength should not be less than the specified concrete strength or 5,000 psi.
4.  $\ell_e$  should not be less than 12 in.

### 6.5.1.1 Reinforcing Bar Welding

Welding is covered by ANSI/AWS D1.4-92, "Structural Welding Code—Reinforcing Steel," [3] and by ANSI/AWS D1.1-96, "Structural Welding Code—Steel," [4] by the American Welding Society. Weldability is defined by AWS as a function of the chemical composition of steel as shown in the mill report by the following formula:

$$\text{C.E.} = \%C + \frac{\%Mn}{6} + \frac{\%Cu}{40} + \frac{\%Ni}{20} \quad (\text{Eq. 6.5.1})$$

where:

C.E. = carbon equivalent

Three other elements, Cr, Mo and V usually appear only as trace elements, so they are often not included in the mill report. For reinforcing bars that are to be welded, the carbon equivalent should be requested with the order from the mill.

ANSI/AWS D1.4-92 indicates that most reinforcing bars can be welded. However, stringent preheat and other quality control measures are required for bars with high carbon equivalents. Except for welding shops with proven quality control procedures that meet ANSI/AWS D1.4-92, it is recommended that carbon equivalents be less than 0.45% for No. 7 and larger bars, and 0.55% for No. 6 and smaller bars.

Most reinforcing bars which meet ASTM A 615, Grade 60, will not meet the above chemistry specifications. A 615, Grade 40 bars may or may not meet the above specifications. Bars which meet ASTM A 706 are specially formulated to be weldable.

Figure 6.5.2 shows the most common welds used with reinforcing bars. Full penetration groove welds can be considered to have the same nominal strength as the bar when matching weld metal is used. The design strength of the other weld types can be calculated using the values from Figures 6.15.1 and 6.15.2. The total design strength of the weld is  $f_w \ell_w t_w$ .

where:

$f_w = \phi (0.6 F_{\text{exx}})$ , see Table 6.15.1 for values

$\phi = 0.75$

$F_{\text{exx}}$  = classification strength of weld metal

$\ell_w$  = length of weld

$t_w$  = effective throat thickness of weld (Figure 6.5.2)

Figures 6.15.3 through 6.15.5 show welding required to develop the full strength of reinforcing bars.

The welded cross-bar detail shown in Figure 6.5.2 is not included in ANSI/AWS D1.4. However, it has been used in numerous structures and verified by tests [5,6] and, when the diameter of the cross bar is at least the same size as the main bar, the full strength of the main bar has been shown to be developed.

Reinforcing bars should not be welded within 2 bar diameters of a bend to avoid potential crystallization.

ANSI/AWS D1.4 requires that tack welds be made using the same preheat and quality control requirements as permanent welds, and prohibits them unless authorized by the engineer.

See Sect. 1.3.4.3 for recommendations on welding galvanized or stainless steel.

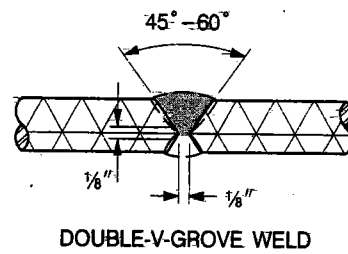
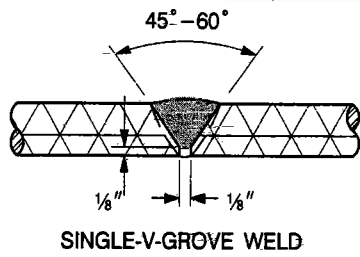
### 6.5.1.2 Reinforcing Bar Couplers

Proprietary bar coupling devices are available as an alternative to lap splices or welding. Manufacturers of these devices furnish design information and test data. Refs. 7 and 8 contain more detailed information.

### 6.5.2 Welded Headed Studs

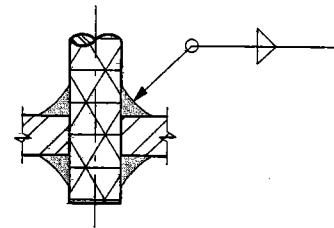
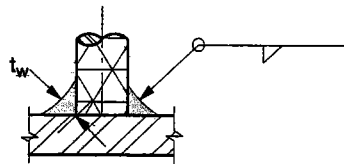
The design of welded headed studs is being influenced by new test data that has become available. A concrete capacity design approach has been proposed [22] based on a limited amount of data applicable to headed studs used in the precast concrete industry. While there have been no failures or serious problems reported that are attributable to the use of design methods published in previous editions of the *PCI Design Handbook*, to be responsive to new data, modifications in welded headed stud design have been made. Continuing research sponsored by PCI will provide additional information to improve the reli-

**Figure 6.5.2 Typical reinforcing bar welds**

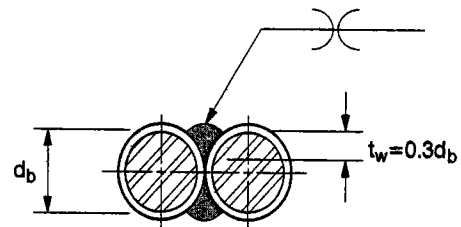
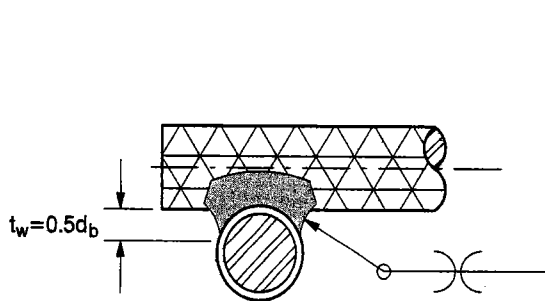


**FULL PENETRATION WELDS**

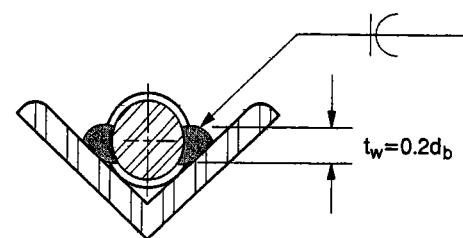
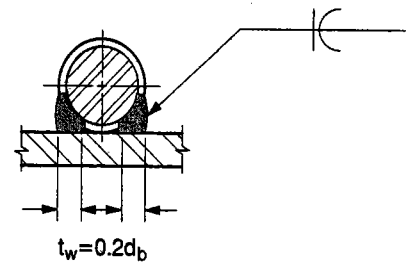
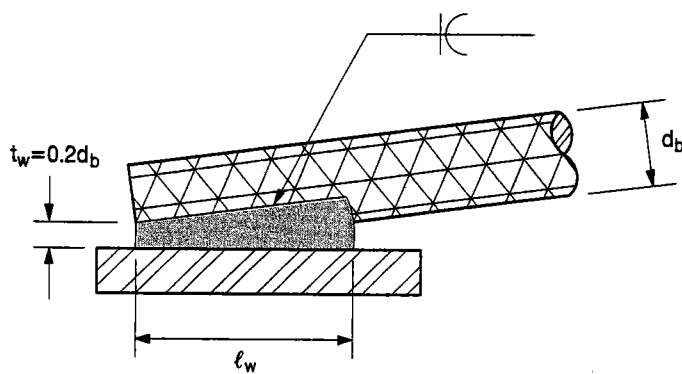
NOTE: AS SHOWN FOR #9 AND LARGER BARS. #8 AND SMALLER BARS REQUIRE APPROPRIATE BACKING. 3



**FILLET WELDS**



**FLARE-V-GROVE WELDS**



**FLARE-BEVEL-GROOVE WELDS**

ability of headed stud design. The design methods used here should be considered an interim step toward a final headed stud design procedure. It is recommended that this procedure be limited to headed studs with an embedment not greater than 8 in.

An important factor in the performance of headed studs when controlled by concrete capacity is the confinement of the failure area with reinforcement. In shear, design capacity is increased with such reinforcement. In tension, ductility can be provided. It is recommended that reinforcement be placed to cross failure planes around headed stud anchorages.

Welded headed studs are designed to resist direct tension, shear or a combination of the two. The design equations given below are applicable to studs which are welded to steel plates or other structural members, and embedded in unconfined concrete.

Where feasible, headed stud connections should be designed and detailed such that the connection failure is precipitated by failure (typically defined as yielding) of the stud material rather than failure of the surrounding concrete. The in-place strength should be taken as the smaller of the values based on concrete and steel.

### 6.5.2.1 Tension

The design tensile strength governed by concrete failure is [9]:

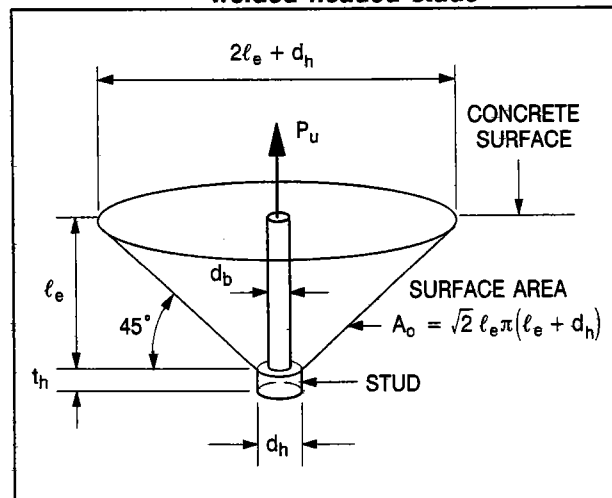
$$\phi P_c = \phi A_o (2.8\lambda \sqrt{f'_c}) \quad (\text{Eq. 6.5.2})$$

where:

$$\phi = 0.85$$

$A_o$  = area of the assumed failure surface which, for a single stud not located near a free edge, is taken to be that of a 45° truncated cone as shown in Figure 6.5.3.

**Figure 6.5.3 Shear cone development for welded headed studs**



Using the 45° cone area and  $\phi = 0.85$ , Eq. 6.5.2 may be written as:

$$\phi P_c = 10.7 l_e (l_e + d_h) \lambda \sqrt{f'_c} \quad (\text{Eq. 6.5.3})$$

Note: The stud length is often used in place of the actual embedment length,  $l_e$ , which is equal to the stud length minus the thickness of the head. This simplification is generally acceptable except in short studs. In short studs (length  $\leq 4$  in.), the use of actual embedment length is recommended. It should also be noted that short stud capacities are also sensitive to fabrication tolerances. Thus, use of a larger overall factor of safety may be appropriate for short studs. See Sect. 6.3.

For a stud located closer to a free edge than the embedment length,  $l_e$ , the design tensile strength given by Eq. 6.5.3, should be reduced by multiplying it by  $C_{es}$ :

$$C_{es} = \frac{d_e}{l_e} \leq 1.0 \quad (\text{Eq. 6.5.4})$$

where  $d_e$  is the distance measured from the stud axis to the free edge. If a stud is located in the corner of a concrete member, Eq. 6.5.4 should be applied twice, once for each edge distance. Figure 6.15.6 lists values based on Eqs. 6.5.3 and 6.5.4.

For a group of studs, the concrete failure surface may be along a truncated pyramid rather than separate shear cones, as shown in Figure 6.5.4.

For this case, the design tensile strength is:

$$\phi P_c = \phi \lambda \left(\frac{2}{3}\right) \sqrt{f'_c} (2.8A_{\text{slope}} + 4A_{\text{flat}}) \quad (\text{Eq. 6.5.5})$$

where:

$A_{\text{slope}}$  = sum of the areas of the sloping sides

$A_{\text{flat}}$  = area of the flat bottom of the truncated pyramid

**Figure 6.5.4 Truncated pyramid failure**

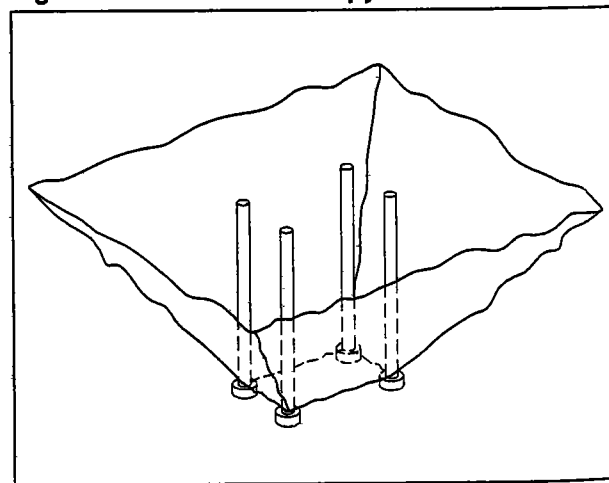
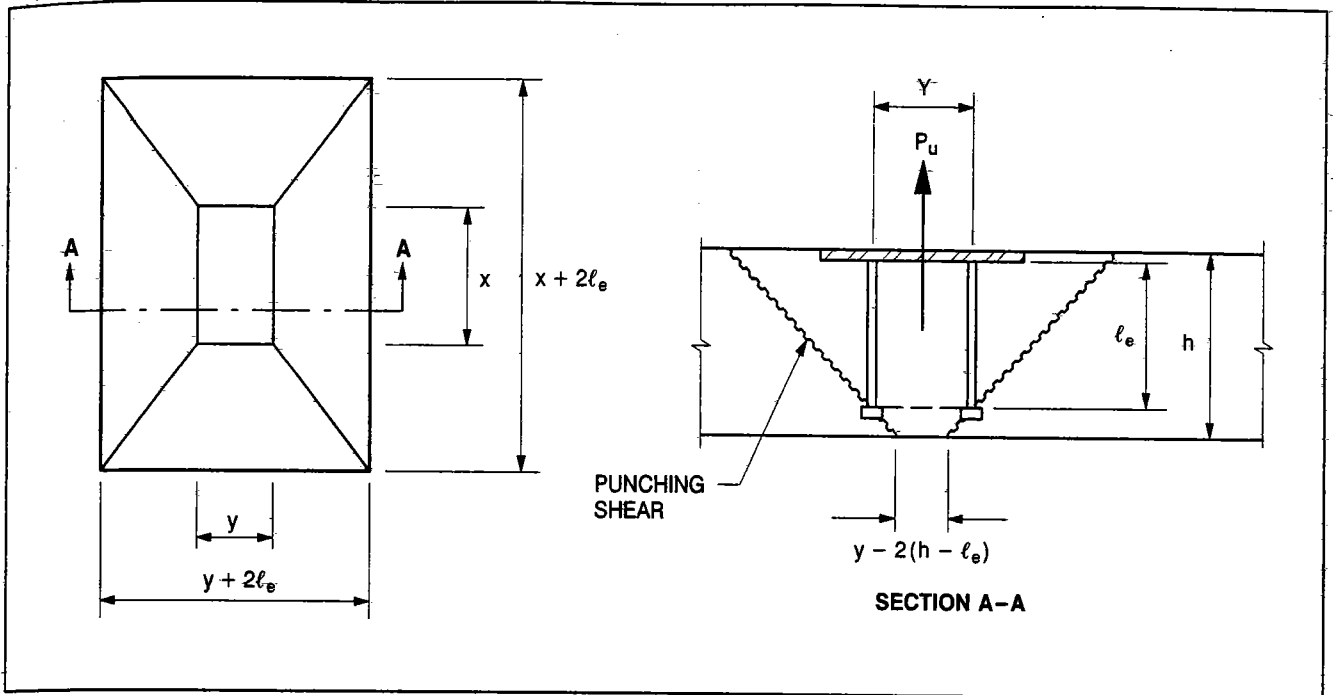


Figure 6.5.5 Pull-out surface areas for stud groups in thin sections



For stud groups in thin members, the failure surface may penetrate the thickness of the member as shown in Figure 6.5.5. This type of failure is likely when the thickness of the member is less than a certain minimum thickness,  $h_{min}$ , given in Figure 6.5.6 and listed in Figure 6.15.7B. The pull-out strength corresponding to  $h < h_{min}$  is then based on area of the sloping sides only.

Nominal pull-out strengths for both conditions (i.e.,  $h \geq h_{min}$  and  $h < h_{min}$ ) for different edge vicinity cases are given in Figure 6.5.6.

The design tensile strength per stud as governed by steel failure is:

$$\phi P_y = \phi A_b f_y = 45,000 A_b \quad (\text{Eq. 6.5.6})$$

where:

$$\phi = 0.9$$

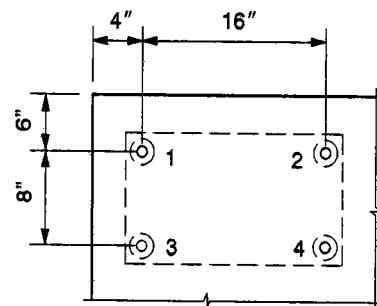
$$f_y = 50,000 \text{ psi}$$

Figure 6.15.6 lists the design strength values from the above equation.

### Example 6.5.1 Tension Strength of Stud Groups

Given:

A base plate with four headed studs embedded in a corner of a foundation slab.



4 - 3/4 in. diam. headed studs

embedment,  $\ell_e = 8$  in.

slab thickness,  $h = 10$  in.

$f'_c = 4000$  psi (normal weight)

**Problem:**

Determine the tension strength of the stud group.

**Solution:**

1. Check for edge effect:

For the given problem (see Figure 6.5.6)

$x = 16$  in.,  $y = 8$  in.,  $d_{e1} = 4$  in.,

$d_{e2} > \ell_e$ ,  $d_{e3} = 6$  in.,  $d_{e4} > \ell_e$

Thus the effects of vicinity to two edges apply (Case 4 in Figure 6.5.6).

2. Check for member thickness (see Figure 6.5.6 or Figure 6.15.7B):

$$h_{min} = (z + 2\ell_e)/2$$

where  $z$  is lesser of  $x$  and  $y$

$h_{min} = [8 + 2(8)]/2 = 12$  in. (Note: Same result can be read from Figure 6.15.7B).

Since  $h (= 10$  in.)  $< h_{min}$ , failure surface is likely to penetrate through the slab.

3. Calculate tension strength based on concrete for the studs as a group:

The applicable equation is given in Figure 6.5.6 (Case 4,  $h < h_{min}$ ):

$$\phi P_c = \phi 2.67 \lambda \sqrt{f'_c} [(x + \ell_e + d_{e1})(y + \ell_e + d_{e3}) - A_R]$$

where  $A_R = (x + 2\ell_e - 2h)(y + 2\ell_e - 2h)$

substituting given values:

$$x + \ell_e + d_{e1} = 16 + 8 + 4 = 28 \text{ in.}$$

$$y + \ell_e + d_{e3} = 8 + 8 + 6 = 22 \text{ in.}$$

$$A_R = [16 + 2(8) - 2(10)][8 + 2(8) - 2(10)] \\ = 12(4) = 48 \text{ in}^2$$

$$\phi P_c = 0.85(2.67)1.0 \sqrt{4000} \frac{28(22) - 48}{1000} \\ = 88.4 - 6.9 = 81.5 \text{ kips}$$

Alternatively, from Figure 6.15.7A (Case 4) and 6.15.7C:

For  $\ell_e = 8$  in.,  $x = 16$  in.,  $x_1 = 20$  in.,

$$y = 8 \text{ in.}$$

$$y_1 = 14 \text{ in., } h - \ell_e = 2 \text{ in.}$$

$$\phi P_{c1} = 99 \sqrt{\frac{4000}{5000}} = 88.5 \text{ kips}$$

$$\phi P_{c2} = 7.7 \sqrt{\frac{4000}{5000}} = 6.9 \text{ kips}$$

$$\text{Therefore, } \phi P_c = \phi P_{c1} - \phi P_{c2} = 88.5 - 6.9 \\ = 81.6 \text{ kips}$$

Note: Pull-out strength based on individual studs should also be checked.

4. Check capacity based on steel failure:

From Figure 6.15.6, for  $\frac{3}{4}$  in. diam. stud:

$$\phi P_y = 19.9 \text{ kips/stud}$$

$$\text{Total } \phi P_y = 4(19.9) = 79.6 \text{ kips} < 81.5$$

Tension strength of the group is 79.6 kips

### 6.5.2.2 Shear

The design shear strength governed by concrete failure is based on the concepts and results given in Refs. 9 and 10. Some modifications were made to im-

prove correlation with test data obtained under a PCI Research Fellowship, the results of which are reported in Ref. 23.

The design shear strength limited by concrete,  $\phi V_c$ , is calculated as follows:

$$\phi V_c = \phi V'_c C_w C_t C_c \quad (\text{Eq. 6.5.7})$$

where:

$\phi V'_c =$  design shear strength of a single stud in the back row (Eq. 6.5.8).

$C_w, C_t, C_c =$  adjustment factors for group width, member thickness and vicinity to member corner effects, respectively (see Figure 6.5.7). These quantities are given by Eqs. 6.5.9 through 6.5.11.

$$\phi V'_c = \phi 12.5 d_e^{1.5} \lambda \sqrt{f'_c} \quad (\text{Eq. 6.5.8})$$

where:

$$\phi = 0.85$$

$d_e =$  distance from free edge of concrete to back row of studs in direction of load

$$C_w = 1 + \frac{b}{3.5d_e} \leq n_s \quad (\text{Eq. 6.5.9})$$

where:

$b =$  center-to-center distance between the outer-most studs in the back row of the group

$n_s =$  number of studs in the back row

$$C_t = \frac{h}{1.3d_e} \leq 1.0 \quad (\text{Eq. 6.5.10})$$

where:

$h =$  thickness of the concrete member

$$C_c = 0.4 + 0.7 \frac{d_c}{d_e} \leq 1.0 \quad (\text{Eq. 6.5.11})$$

where:

$d_c =$  the distance, measured perpendicular to the direction of the load, from free edge of concrete to the center-line of the nearest stud.

The design shear strength as governed by steel is:

$$\phi V_y = \phi 0.9 f_y A_b n = 40,500 A_b n \quad (\text{Eq. 6.5.12})$$

where  $\phi = 0.9$ , or, in terms of stud diameter,  $d_b$ :

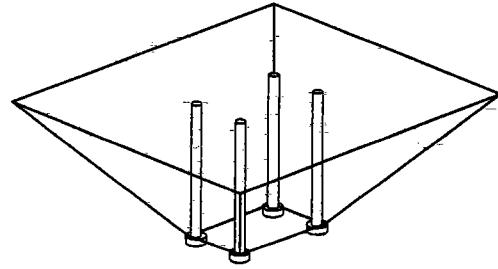
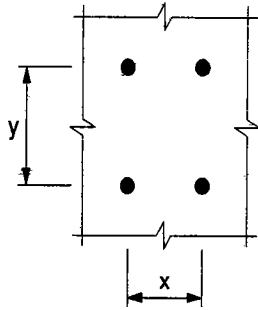
$$\phi V_y = (31,800 d_b^2) n \quad (\text{Eq. 6.5.12a})$$

Figure 6.15.8 gives values for  $\phi V'_c$  (Eq. 6.5.8) and  $\phi V_y$  (Eq. 6.5.12a).



Figure 6.5.6 Design tensile strength of stud groups

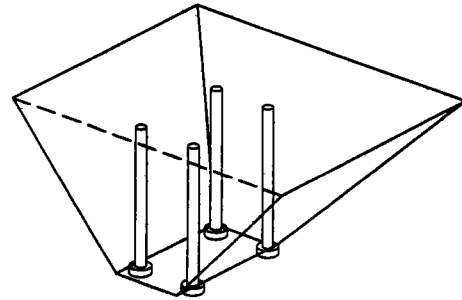
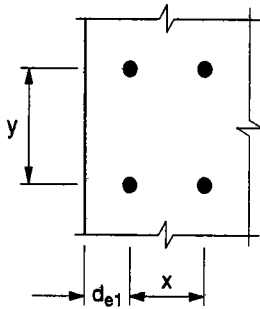
**CASE 1: NOT NEAR A FREE EDGE (\*)**



$$h \geq h_{\min}^{(**)} \quad \phi P_c = \phi 2.67 \lambda \sqrt{f'_c} (x + 2\ell_e)(y + 2\ell_e)$$

$$h < h_{\min} \quad \phi P_c = \phi 2.67 \lambda \sqrt{f'_c} [(x + 2\ell_e)(y + 2\ell_e) - A_R]^{(***)}$$

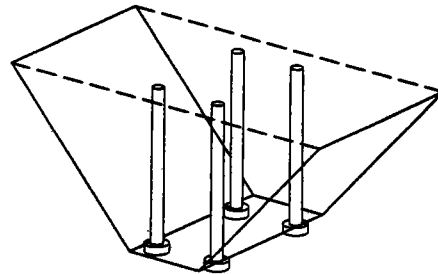
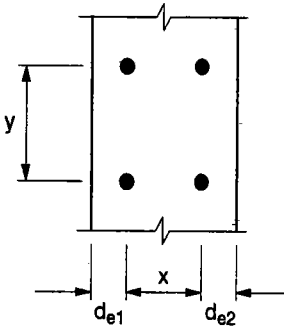
**CASE 2: FREE EDGE ON ONE SIDE**



$$h \geq h_{\min} \quad \phi P_c = \phi 2.67 \lambda \sqrt{f'_c} (x + \ell_e + d_{e1})(y + 2\ell_e)$$

$$h < h_{\min} \quad \phi P_c = \phi 2.67 \lambda \sqrt{f'_c} [(x + \ell_e + d_{e1})(y + 2\ell_e) - A_R]$$

**CASE 3: FREE EDGES ON 2 OPPOSITE SIDES**



$$h \geq h_{\min} \quad \phi P_c = \phi 2.67 \lambda \sqrt{f'_c} (x + d_{e1} + d_{e2})(y + 2\ell_e)$$

$$h < h_{\min} \quad \phi P_c = \phi 2.67 \lambda \sqrt{f'_c} [(x + d_{e1} + d_{e2})(y + 2\ell_e) - A_R]$$

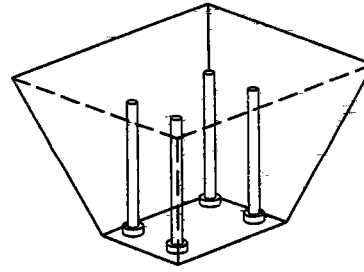
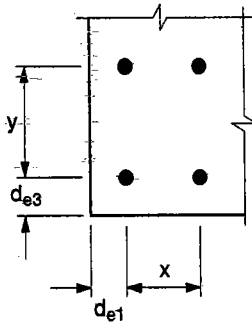
\* NEAR A FREE EDGE IMPLIES  $d_e < \ell_e$ .

\*\*  $h_{\min} = (z + 2\ell_e)/2$ , WHERE  $z$  IS LESSER OF  $x$  AND  $y$  (SEE Figure 6.15.7B)

\*\*\*  $A_R = (x + 2\ell_e - 2h)(y + 2\ell_e - 2h)$

Figure 6.5.6 Design tensile strength of stud groups (continued)

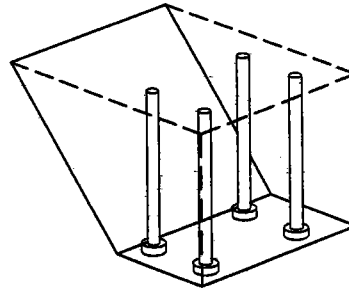
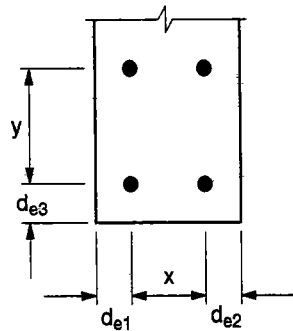
**CASE 4: FREE EDGES ON 2 ADJACENT SIDES**



$$h \geq h_{\min} \quad \phi P_c = \phi 2.67 \lambda \sqrt{f'_c} (x + l_e + d_{e1}) (y + l_e + d_{e3})$$

$$h < h_{\min} \quad \phi P_c = \phi 2.67 \lambda \sqrt{f'_c} [(x + l_e + d_{e1}) (y + l_e + d_{e3}) - A_R]$$

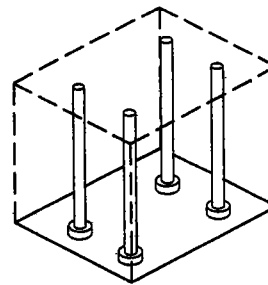
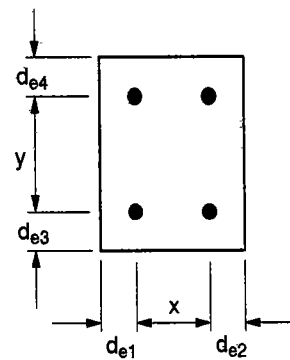
**CASE 5: FREE EDGES ON 3 SIDES**



$$h \geq h_{\min} \quad \phi P_c = \phi 2.67 \lambda \sqrt{f'_c} (x + d_{e1} + d_{e2}) (y + l_e + d_{e3})$$

$$h < h_{\min} \quad \phi P_c = \phi 2.67 \lambda \sqrt{f'_c} [(x + d_{e1} + d_{e2}) (y + l_e + d_{e3}) - A_R]$$

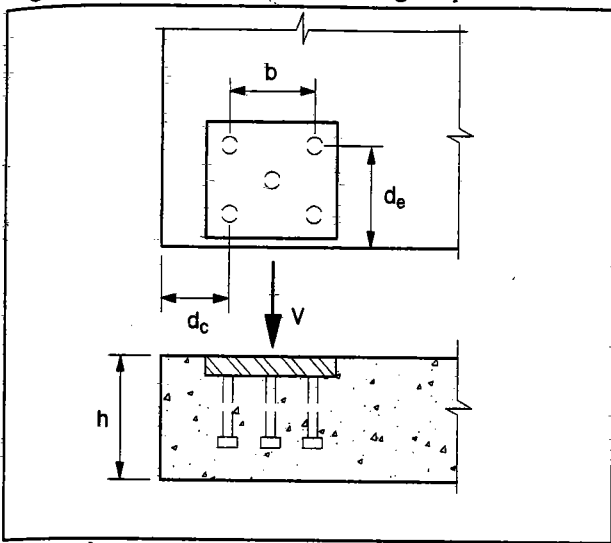
**CASE 6: FREE EDGES ON 4 SIDES**



$$h \geq h_{\min} \quad \phi P_c = \phi 2.67 \lambda \sqrt{f'_c} (x + d_{e1} + d_{e2}) (y + d_{e3} + d_{e4})$$

$$h < h_{\min} \quad \phi P_c = \phi 2.67 \lambda \sqrt{f'_c} [(x + d_{e1} + d_{e2}) (y + d_{e3} + d_{e4}) - A_R]$$

**Figure 6.5.7 Shear on stud group**

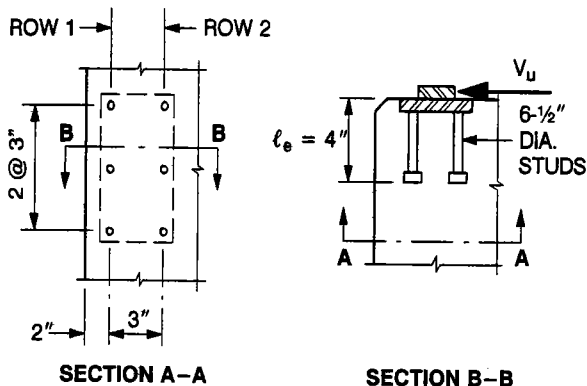


**Example 6.5.2 Shear Strength of Stud Groups**

**Given:**

A stud group in a column subject to the shear force shown.

$$f'_c = 5000 \text{ psi (normal weight)}$$



**Problem:**

Find the design shear strength.

**Solution:**

The design parameters are:

$$d_b = 0.5 \text{ in.}, b = 6 \text{ in.}, d_e = 5 \text{ in.}$$

$$n = 6, n_s = 3,$$

$$h > 1.3d_e,$$

No vicinity to corner.

From Eq. 6.5.8:

$$\phi V_c = 0.85(12.5)(5)^{1.5} \sqrt{5000} / 1000 = 8.4 \text{ kips}$$

(Note: Same value is obtained from Figure 6.15.8)

From Eq. 6.5.9: (width effect)

$$C_w = 1 + 6/[3.5(5)] = 1.34 < 3 \text{ OK}$$

From Eq. 6.5.10: (thickness-effect)

$$C_t = 1.0$$

From Eq. 6.5.11: (corner effect)

$$C_c = 1.0$$

From Eq. 6.5.7, the design shear strength based on concrete is:

$$\begin{aligned} \phi V_c &= (8.4)(1.34)(1.0)(1.0) \\ &= 11.3 \text{ kips} \end{aligned}$$

From Eq. 6.5.12a, the design shear strength based on steel is:

$$\begin{aligned} \phi V_y &= 31,800(0.5)^2(6)/1000 \\ &= 47.7 \text{ kips} > 11.3 \end{aligned}$$

(Note: A value of 8.0 kips per stud is given in Figure 6.15.8. For 6 studs,  $\phi V_y = 48$  kips)

Thus, design shear strength is governed by concrete failure.

$$\phi V_c = 11.3 \text{ kips}$$

### 6.5.2.3 Combined Shear and Tension

The design strength of studs under combined tension and shear should satisfy the following interaction equations:

$$\text{Concrete: } \frac{1}{\phi} \left[ \left( \frac{P_u}{P_c} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{V_u}{V_c} \right)^2 \right] \leq 1.0 \text{ (Eq. 6.5.13)}$$

where  $\phi = 0.85$

$$\text{Steel: } \frac{1}{\phi} \left[ \left( \frac{P_u}{P_s} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{V_u}{V_s} \right)^2 \right] \leq 1.0 \text{ (Eq. 6.5.14)}$$

where  $\phi = 0.9$

$P_u$  and  $V_u$  are the factored tension and shear loads.

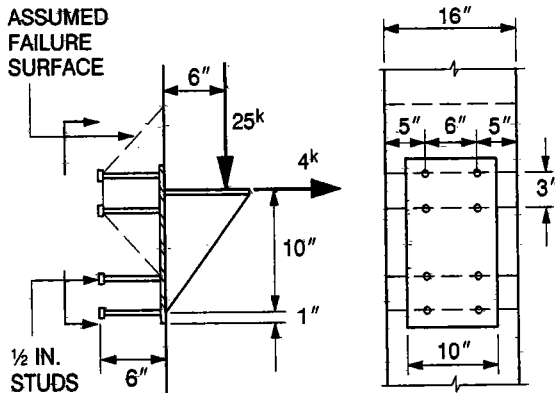
### 6.5.2.4 Plate Thickness

Thickness of plates to which studs are attached should be at least  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the diameter of the stud.

### Example 6.5.3 Design of Welded Headed Studs for Combined Loads

**Given:**

A plate with headed studs for attachment of a steel bracket to a column as shown in the figure below.



- $f'_c = 5000$  psi (normal weight),  $\lambda = 1.0$
- 6 - 1/2 in. diam. studs;  $A_b/\text{stud} = 0.196$  in<sup>2</sup>
- stud length = 6 in.
- $d_h = 1.0$  in.
- $f_y = 50,000$  psi
- $V_u = 25$  kips,  $N_u = 4$  kips  
(all load factors included)
- column size 16 in. x 16 in.

**Problem:**

Determine if the studs are adequate for the connection and design the bracket plate.\*

**Solution:**

Check studs

1. Strength based on concrete:
  - a. Tension (group of top four studs)
    - (1) Strength based on individual cones (Eqs. 6.5.3 and 6.5.4):

$$\begin{aligned} \phi P_c &= 10.7 \ell_e (\ell_e + d_n) \lambda \sqrt{f'_c} (d_e / \ell_3) / 1000 \\ &= 10.7(6)(6 + 1.0)(\sqrt{5000})(5/6) / 1000 \\ &= 26.5 \text{ kips/stud} \end{aligned}$$

(Note: The value obtained from Figure 6.15.6 is 25.0 kips. The small difference is due to the use of actual embedment length i.e. stud length minus the stud head thickness in Figure 6.15.6.)

For four studs:

$$\phi P_c = 4(26.5) = 106 \text{ kips}$$

- (2) Strength based on truncated pyramid failure:

$$h_{\min} = (3 + 2(6))/2 = 7.5 \text{ in.} < 16$$

Use Case 3 in Figure 6.5.6 corresponding to  $h > h_{\min}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \phi P_c &= \phi 2.67 \lambda \sqrt{f'_c} (x + d_{e1} + d_{e2})(y + 2\ell_e) \\ &= 0.85(2.67)(1.0)(\sqrt{5000})(6 + 5 + 5) \times \\ &\quad [3 + 2(6)] / 1000 \\ &= 38.5 \text{ kips} \end{aligned}$$

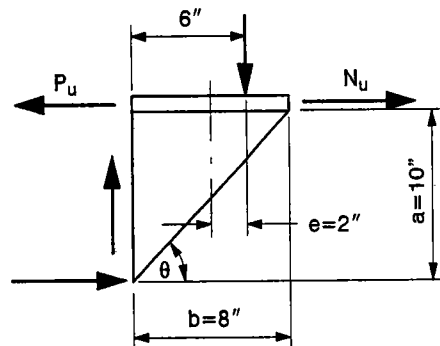
or,

$$P_c = 38.5 / 0.85 = 45.3 \text{ kips}$$

Note: Using Figure 6.15.7A—Case 3, for  $\ell_e = 6$  in. and  $x_1 = 16$  in.  $\phi P_c$  values of 36 kips and 41 kips are given for  $y_1 = 2$  in. and  $y_1 = 4$  in. respectively. An average value of 38.5 kips for  $y_1 = 3$  in. is thus obtained.

- (3) Required tension strength,  $P_u$  for group of top four studs:

With reference to the free-body diagram shown, the required tension strength is (see reference included in footnote on this page):



$$\begin{aligned} P_u &= V_u \cot \theta + N_u \\ &= 25(0.8) + 4 \\ &= 24 \text{ kips} < 38.5 \text{ OK} \end{aligned}$$

- b. Shear (all 8 studs)

Use  $d_e = 120$  in.

$$\begin{aligned} \phi V'_c &= 0.85(12.5)(120)^{1.5}(1.0)\sqrt{5000} / 1000 \\ &= 988 \text{ kips} \end{aligned}$$

$$C_w = 1 + \frac{6}{3.5(120)} = 1.014$$

$$C_t = \frac{16}{1.3(120)} = 0.1025$$

$$C_c = 0.4 + 0.7\left(\frac{5}{120}\right) = 0.429$$

\* Bracket plate may be designed using the plastic strength design method. See "Steel Structures—Design and Behavior," 3rd Edition, 1990, Charles G. Salmon and John E. Johnson, Harper and Row, New York.

$$\phi V_c = 988(1.014)(0.1025)(0.429)$$

$$= 44 \text{ kips}$$

$$V_c = 44/0.85$$

$$= 51.8 \text{ kips}$$

c. Combined tension and shear

Using Eq. 6.5.13

$$\frac{1}{\phi} \left[ \left( \frac{P_u}{P_c} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{V_u}{V_c} \right)^2 \right] \leq 1.0$$

$$\frac{1}{0.85} \left[ \left( \frac{35.0}{45.3} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{25.0}{51.8} \right)^2 \right] = 0.98 \leq 1.0 \text{ OK}$$

2. Strength based on steel:

a. Tension (group of top four studs)

Using Eq. 6.5.6:

$$\phi P_y = 45,000(0.196)/1000 = 8.8 \text{ kips/stud}$$

$$\text{For four studs, } \phi P_y = 4(8.8) = 35.2 \text{ kips}$$

$$P_y = 35.2/0.9 = 39 \text{ kips}$$

b. Shear (all 8 studs)

Using Eq. 6.5.12:

$$\phi V_y = 40,500(0.196)(8)/1000 = 63.5 \text{ kips}$$

$$V_y = 63.5/0.9 = 70.6 \text{ kips}$$

c. Combined tension and shear

Using Eq. 6.5.14:

$$\frac{1}{\phi} \left[ \left( \frac{P_u}{P_s} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{V_u}{V_s} \right)^2 \right] \leq 1.0$$

$$\frac{1}{0.9} \left[ \left( \frac{24}{39} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{25.0}{70.6} \right)^2 \right] = 0.71 < 1.0 \text{ OK}$$

Thus, studs are adequate for the connection.

### Bracket Plate Design

The plastic steel design method used here assures yielding of the plate prior to buckling of the plate. This method may also be used to size gusset plates of connection angles (Sect. 6.5.9).

The bracket plate thickness, "t" is taken as the greater of (see free-body diagram for nomenclature):

$$t = \frac{V_u}{\phi \left[ F_y \sin^2 \theta (\sqrt{4e^2 + b^2} - 2e) \right]}$$

and,

$$t = b \frac{\sqrt{F_y}}{\phi(125)}, \text{ for } 0.5 \leq \frac{b}{a} \leq 1.0$$

$$t = b \frac{\sqrt{F_y}}{\phi \left[ 125 \left( \frac{b}{a} \right) \right]}, \text{ for } 1.0 \leq \frac{b}{a} \leq 2.0$$

where:

$$\phi = 0.9$$

$F_y$  = yield strength of steel, ksi

substituting the given values:

$$t = \frac{25}{(0.9) \left[ (36) \left( \frac{10}{12.8} \right)^2 (\sqrt{4(2)^2 + (8)^2} - 2(2)) \right]} = 0.26 \text{ in.}$$

$$\frac{b}{a} = 0.8, t = \frac{8\sqrt{36}}{0.9(125)}$$

$$t = 0.43 \text{ in.} > 0.26$$

use  $\frac{7}{16}$  in. thick plate.

### 6.5.3 Deformed Bar Anchors

Deformed bar anchors are generally automatically welded to steel plates, similar to headed studs. They are anchored to the concrete by bond, and the development lengths are the same as for Grade 60 reinforcing bars per ACI 318-95, Sect. 12.2 (see Design Aid 11.2.8).

### 6.5.4 Bolts and Threaded Connectors

In most connections, bolts are shipped loose and threaded into inserts. Embedded inserts are designed for concrete strength similar to that for studs. Occasionally a precast concrete member will be cast with a threaded connector projecting from the face. This is usually undesirable because of possible damage during handling.

High strength bolts are used infrequently in precast concrete connections because it is questionable as to whether the bolt pretension can be maintained when tightened against concrete. When used, AISC recommendations [11,12] should be followed.

Figure 6.15.9 gives allowable working and design strengths for bolts in most commonly used threaded fasteners.

#### 6.5.4.1 High Strength Threaded Rods

Rods with threads and specially designed nuts and couplers are available with properties similar to Grade 60 reinforcing bars and post-tensioning bars. Design information is given in Chapter 11.

## 6.5.5 Specialty Inserts

Many specialty inserts are used in the precast concrete industry for both permanent connections and for lifting, handling and bracing conditions. Several of these inserts have become accepted as a standard in the industry due to their innovative nature, ease of use and unique solution for their particular application. The various threaded coil inserts for lifting and permanent connections and the slotted insert for lateral tie back connections are just a few of many examples. Designers should refer to the valuable technical resources provided by the manufacturers of such specialty products. Because of the proprietary nature of such inserts, manufacturers catalogs should be consulted for capacities and design information. Most companies will provide test data confirming their published information.

### Expansion Inserts

All expansion inserts are proprietary, and design values should be taken from manufacturers' catalogs. The Concrete Capacity Design Method discussed in Ref. 1 provides guidance for calculating these design values. Edge distances for expansion inserts are more critical than for cast-in inserts. Expanding the insert in the direction of the edge should be avoided (Figure 6.5.8).

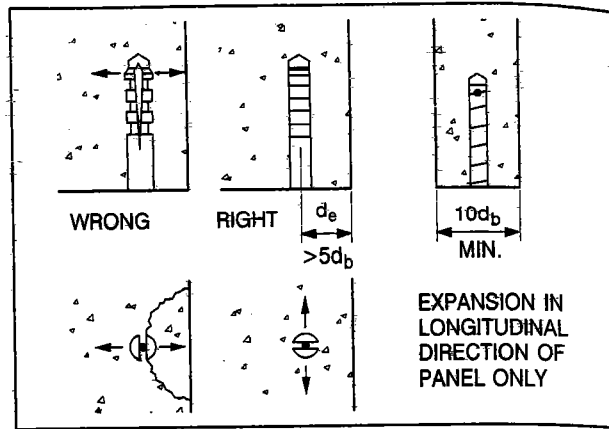
The performance of expansion inserts when subjected to stress reversal, vibrations or earthquake loading is not sufficiently known. Their use for these load conditions should be carefully considered by the designer.

Anchorage strength depends entirely on the lateral force (wedge action) on the concrete. Therefore, it is advisable to limit their use to connections with more shear than tension applied to them.

## 6.5.6 Structural Steel

Structural steel plates, angles, wide flange beams, channels, tubes, etc., are often used in connections (see Sect. 6.9). When designed using factored loads, the AISC LRFD Manual [12] is the appropriate design reference. For typical steel sections used in connections, plastic section properties and yield strengths with appropriate strength reduction factors are used. An ambiguity exists where AISC load factors are different from those used by ACI. While it may be appropriate to carry two sets of load factors through a design, it would also be very cumbersome. It is thus suggested that ACI load factors be used for connection design and the AISC provisions be used to determine the usable strength to be provided by the steel.

Figure 6.5.8 Expansion inserts



In basic terms, flexural strength of a steel section can be determined as:

$$\phi M_n = \phi F_y Z_s$$

$$\phi V_n = \phi (0.6 F_y) wh$$

where:

$$\phi = 0.9$$

w, h = steel section dimensions

$Z_s$  = plastic section modulus

The plastic section modulus can be calculated using Figure 6.15.12 or may be obtained from the AISC LRFD Manual [12]. For thin plates bent about their major axis, buckling provisions may govern the design.

### 6.5.6.1 Welding of Structural Steel

Nearly all structural steel used in precast concrete connections is ASTM A 36 steel. Thus, it is readily weldable with standard equipment [4].

For corrosion resistance, exposed components of connections are sometimes hot-dip galvanized. Welding of hot-dip galvanized steel requires special care [2,6], such as thorough removal of galvanizing material or following qualified welding procedures. Stainless steel is an alternative for exposed connection parts where corrosion protection is important. Stainless steel plates are weldable to other stainless steel or to low carbon steel. The general procedure for welding low carbon steels should be followed, taking into account the stainless steel characteristics that differ, such as higher thermal expansion and lower thermal conductivity. Ref. 6 contains information on weldability of stainless steel. Sect. 1.3.4.3 of this Handbook also contains a discussion of welding of stainless steel and galvanizing of A36 steel.

The design strength of welds for use with factored loads can be determined from the provisions of the AISC LRFD Manual [12]. The most commonly used

welds in connections are full penetration welds or fillet welds. Full penetration strength is typically taken as the strength of the base metal. A "matching" weld metal per AWS D1.1 must be used. Full penetration welds loaded in shear may also be governed by the weld metal where the design weld stress is to be limited to  $\phi(0.6 F_{\text{exx}})$  where  $\phi = 0.8$ . For fillet welds, as most commonly used in connections, the design strength may be limited by either the weld strength or the base metal strength. The weld design stress is limited to  $\phi(0.6 F_{\text{exx}})$  where  $\phi = 0.75$ . The base metal design stress is limited to  $\phi(0.6 F_u)$  where  $\phi = 0.75$  and  $F_u$  is the tensile strength of the base metal.

Partial penetration groove welds have various design strength limits. The most typical application of this weld is in lap splices of reinforcing bars as discussed in Sect. 6.5.1.1. When loaded in shear parallel to the weld axis, the limiting design stress is  $\phi(0.6 F_{\text{exx}})$  where  $\phi = 0.75$ . Figure 6.15.1 provides design strengths for fillet welds and partial penetration groove welds loaded in shear. Figure 6.15.2 gives strengths of 45° fillet welds.

### 6.5.6.2 Minimization of Cracking in Concrete Around Welded Connections

When welding is performed on components that are embedded in concrete, thermal expansion and distortion of the steel may destroy bond between the steel and concrete or induce cracking or spalling in the surrounding concrete.

The extent of cracking and distortion is dependent on the amount of heat generated during welding and the stiffness of the steel member. Heat may be reduced by: (1) use of low-heat welding rods of small size; (2) use of intermittent rather than continuous welds; or (3) using smaller welds in multiple passes.

Distortion can be minimized by using thicker steel sections. Providing a space around the metal on the surface with sealing foam or weatherstripping may also reduce potential for damage.

### 6.5.6.3 Weld Groups

Weld groups are more efficient than linear welds in resisting bending moments and torsion created by eccentric loads. Examples of this type of loading are shown in Figure 6.5.9. Design procedure is illustrated by Figure 6.5.10,

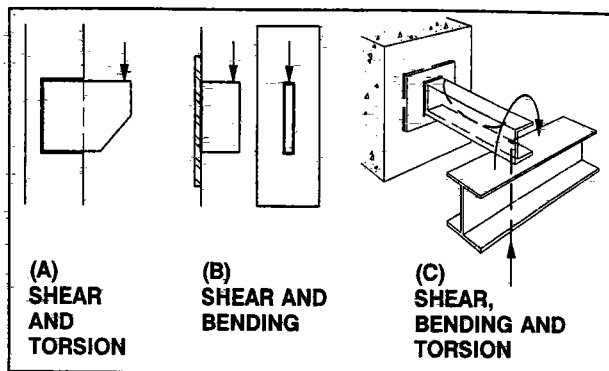
where:

$f_x$  = combined shear and torsion stress in horizontal direction

$$f_x = \frac{P_x}{A_w} + \frac{M_t y}{I_p}$$

$f_y$  = combined shear and torsion stress in vertical direction

Figure 6.5.9 Typical eccentric loadings and weld groups



$$f_y = \frac{P_y}{A_w} + \frac{M_t x}{I_p}$$

$$f_r = \text{resultant stress on the weld} \\ = \sqrt{(f_x)^2 + (f_y)^2}$$

$P_x$  = applied force in x direction

$P_y$  = applied force in y direction

$y$  = vertical distance from c.g. of weld group to point under investigation

$x$  = horizontal distance from c.g. of weld group to point under investigation

$I_p$  = polar moment of inertia  
 $= I_x + I_y = \sum I_{xx} + \sum A_w \bar{y}^2 + \sum I_{yy} + \sum A_w \bar{x}^2$

$M_t$  = torsional moment =  $P_x e_y + P_y e_x$

$t_w$  = effective throat thickness of weld

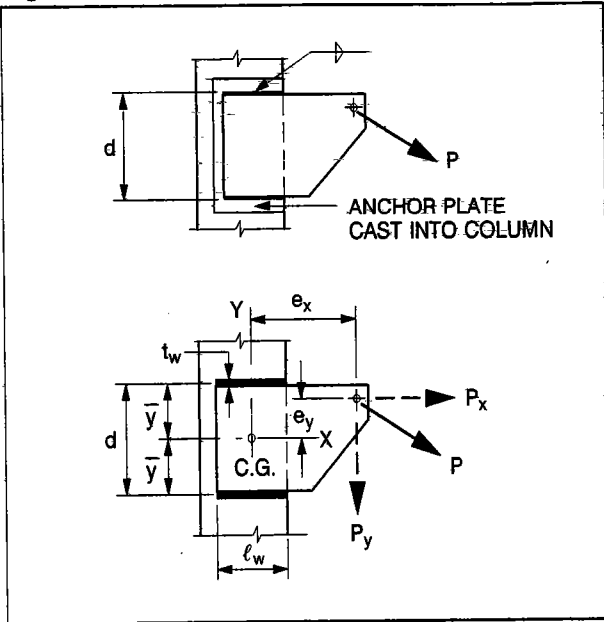
$A_w$  = area of weld = weld length x  $t_w$

$I_{xx}, I_{yy}$  = moment of inertia of weld segment with respect to its own axes

For computing nominal stresses the locations of the lines of weld are defined by edges along which the fillets are placed, rather than to the center of the effective throat. This makes little difference, since the throat dimension is usually small. By treating the welds as lines with  $t_w = 1$ , the physical properties of weld groups are simplified. The most commonly occurring weld groups are listed in Figure 6.15.19.

The equations given above and in Figure 6.15.19 are for elastic section properties, which is inconsistent, but conservative, when used with factored loads and design strength of weld material. When it is desirable to take maximum advantage of weld groups, the AISC LRFD Manual [12] should be used.

**Figure 6.5.10 Eccentric bracket connection**



Find c.g. of weld group:

$$\bar{x} = \frac{2(2)(1) + 14(0)}{14 + 2(2)} = 0.22 \text{ in.}$$

by symmetry,  $\bar{y} = 7$  in.

$$A_w = [2(2) + 14]t_w = 18t_w$$

$$\begin{aligned} I_p &= 2[t_w(2)^3/12 + 2t_w(0.78)^2] + 2(t_w)^3/12 \\ &\quad + 2(t_w)(72) + t_w(14)^3/12 + 14(t_w)^3/12 \\ &\quad + 14(t_w)(0.22)^2 \\ &= 429.1t_w + 1.50(t_w)^3 \end{aligned}$$

Since second term is small, it may be neglected. Alternatively, using Figure 6.15.19, case 5: (weld group treated as a line;  $t_w = 1$ )

$$b = 2 \text{ in.}$$

$$d = 14 \text{ in.}$$

$$\bar{x} = b^2/(2b + d) = 4(4 + 14) = 0.22 \text{ in.}$$

$$\begin{aligned} I_p &= \frac{8b^3 + 6bd^2 + d^3}{12} - \frac{b^4}{2b + d} \\ &= \frac{8(2)^3 + 6(2)(14)^2 + 14^3}{12} - \frac{2^4}{2(2) + 14} \\ &= 429.1 \text{ in}^3 \end{aligned}$$

$$e_x = 1 + 4 - 0.22 = 4.78 \text{ in.}$$

$$M_t = P_y e_x = 49.8(4.78) = 238 \text{ kip-in}$$

$$x = 2 - 0.22 = 1.78$$

$$\begin{aligned} f_y &= \frac{49.8}{18} + \frac{238(1.78)}{429.1} \\ &= 2.77 + 0.99 = 3.76 \text{ kips/in.} \end{aligned}$$

$$f_x = 0 + \frac{238(7)}{429.1} = 3.88 \text{ kips/in.}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f_r &= \sqrt{(3.88)^2 + (3.76)^2} \\ &= 5.40 \text{ kips/in.} \end{aligned}$$

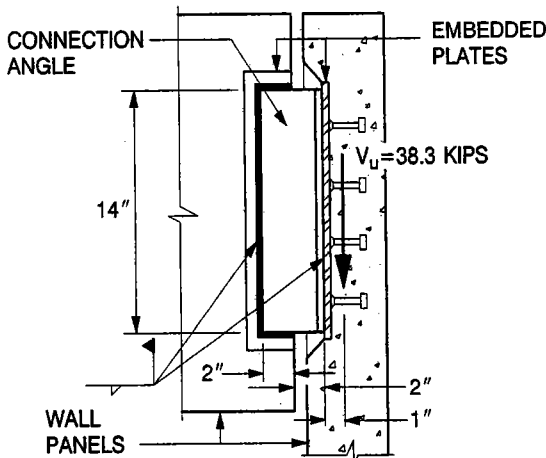
From Table 6.15.2, use 1/4 in. fillet weld (E70 electrode)

$$\text{Capacity} = 5.57 \text{ kips/in.} > 5.40$$

**Example 6.5.4 Design of a Weld Group**

Given:

Corner angle connection as shown



Angle size = 4 x 4 x 1/2 x 1'-2"

$F_y = 36$  ksi, E70 electrodes

Applied factored load = 38.3 kips

Problem:

Determine required weld size.

Solution:

Apply additional factor of 1.3 recognizing sensitivity of the connection.

$$V_u = P_y = 1.3(38.3) = 49.8 \text{ kips}$$

**6.5.7 Post-Tensioning Steel**

Post-tensioning is often used in the connections subjected to high tensile forces, such as those in moment-resisting frames. The post-tensioning is done using either 7-wire strand (ASTM A 416) or bars (ASTM A 722). The tensile strength of strand is either 250,000 or 270,000 psi, while for bars, it ranges from 150,000 to 160,000 psi.



In accounting for the effect of prestressing on connections due to post-tensioning, a reliable measurement of the prestressing force is necessary. Typically, 15 to 20 ft length of strand or bar is desirable for this purpose, although shorter lengths can be used where anchor set is well defined and considered in prestress loss calculations. Some designers discount the effect of prestressing when short tendons are used and consider only the ductility and the tensile strength aspects of post-tensioning steel.

### 6.5.8 Bearing Pads

Bearing pads are used to distribute concentrated loads and reactions over the bearing area and to allow limited horizontal and rotational movements to provide stress relief. Their use has proven beneficial and often may be necessary for satisfactory performance of precast concrete structures.

Several materials are commonly used for bearing pads:

1. AASHTO-grade chloroprene pads are made with 100 % chloroprene (neoprene) as the only elastomer and conform to the requirements of the AASHTO Standard Specifications for Highway Bridges (1996), Sect. 18. Inert fillers are used with the chloroprene and the resulting pad is black in color and of a smooth uniform texture. While allowable compressive stresses are somewhat lower than other pad types, these pads allow the greatest freedom in movement at the bearing. Note: chloroprene pads which do not meet the AASHTO Specifications are not recommended for use in precast concrete structures.
2. Pads reinforced with randomly oriented fibers have been used successfully for many years. These pads are usually black, and the short reinforcing fibers are clearly visible. Vertical load capacity is increased by the reinforcement, but capability of rotations and horizontal movement is somewhat less than chloroprene pads. Some random oriented fiber pads possess different properties in different directions in the plane of the pad. Therefore, unless proper planning and care is used in their installation, it may be prudent to specify those pads that have been tested to exhibit similar properties in different directions. There are no national standard specifications for this material. Manufacturers have developed appropriate design and performance documentation.
3. Cotton duck fabric reinforced pads are generally used where a higher compressive strength is desired. These pads are often yellow-orange

in color and are reinforced with closely spaced, horizontal layers of fabric, bonded in the elastomer. The horizontal reinforcement layers are easily observed at the edge of the pad. Sect. 18-10.2 of the AASHTO Standard Specifications for Bridges and Military Specification MIL-C-882D discuss this material.

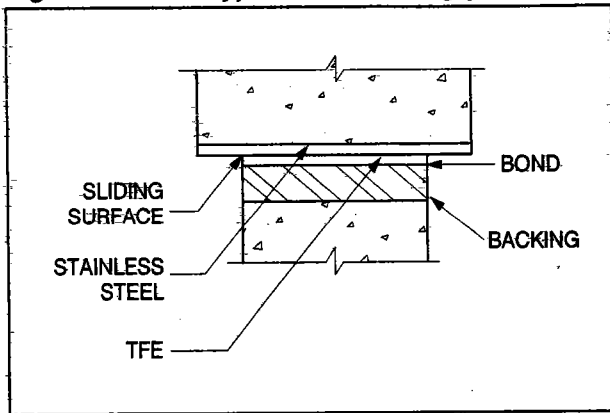
4. Chloroprene pads laminated with alternate layers of bonded steel or fiberglass are often used in bridges, but seldom in building construction. The above mentioned AASHTO Specifications cover these pads.
5. A multimonomer plastic bearing strip is manufactured expressly for bearing purposes. It is a commonly used material for the bearing support of hollow-core slabs, and is highly suitable for this application. It is also often used for bearing of architectural precast concrete cladding panels.
6. Tempered hardboard strips are also used with hollow-core slabs. These pads should be used with caution under moist conditions. In addition to progressive deterioration of the pad, staining of the precast concrete unit may occur.
7. TFE (trade name Teflon) coated materials are often used in bearing areas when large horizontal movements are anticipated, for example at "slip" joints or expansion joints. The TFE is normally reinforced by bonding to an appropriate backing material, such as steel. Figure 6.5.11 shows a typical bearing detail using TFE, and Figure 6.5.12 shows the range of friction coefficients that may be used for design. Typical allowable stress is about 1000 psi for virgin TFE and up to 2000 psi for filled material with reinforcing agents such as glass fibers.

#### 6.5.8.1 Design Recommendations

Bearing pads provide stress relief due to a combination of slippage and pad deformation. In elastomeric bearing pads (1 through 4 above), research [13] has shown that slippage is the more significant factor. This research has also shown that the ratio of shear to compressive stress on the pad reduces significantly under slow cyclic movements, such as those produced by temperature variations. Following are recommendations which, along with Figures 6.5.13 and 6.5.14, can be used to select bearing pads.

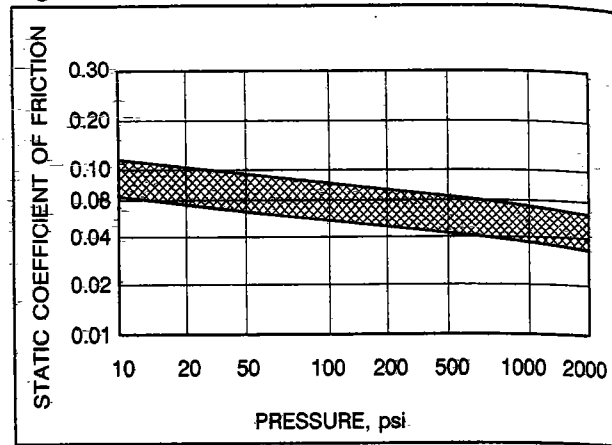
1. Use unfactored service loads for design.

Figure 6.5.11 Typical TFE bearing pad detail



2. At the suggested maximum uniform compressive stress, instantaneous vertical strains of 10 to 20% can be expected. This number may double if the bearing surfaces are not parallel. In addition, the time-dependent creep will typically increase the instantaneous strains by 25 to 100%, depending on the magnitude of sustained dead load.
3. For stability of the pad, the length and width of unreinforced pads should be at least five times the thickness.
4. A minimum thickness of  $\frac{3}{8}$  in. is recommended for all precast members except slabs.
5. Figure 6.5.14 may be used to estimate shear resistance of chloroprene, random fiber reinforced and cotton duck pads.
6. The portion of pad outside of the covered bearing surface as well as the portion which is not under load because of rotation of member should be ignored in calculating shape factors, pad stresses, stability and movements.
7. Shape factors,  $S$ , for unreinforced pads should be greater than 2 when used under tee stems, and greater than 3 under beams.
8. The sustained dead load compressive stress on unreinforced chloroprene pads should be limited to the range of 300 to 500 psi.
9. The volume change strains shown in Sect. 3.3.1 may be significantly reduced when calculating horizontal movement,  $\Delta$ , because of compensating creep and slip in the bearing pad.
10. Certain fiber reinforced bearing pads are reinforced in one direction only; for these types of pads orientation in the field may be critical.

Figure 6.5.12 TFE friction coefficients



### 6.5.9 Connection Angles

Connection angles used to support precast members can be designed by principles of mechanics as shown in Figure 6.5.15. In addition to the applied vertical and horizontal loads, the design should include all loads induced by restraint of relative movement between the precast member and the supporting member.

The minimum thickness of non-gusseted angles loaded in shear as shown in Figure 6.5.16 can be determined by:

$$t = \sqrt{\frac{4V_u e_v}{\phi F_y b_n}} \quad (\text{Eq. 6.5.15})$$

where:

$$\phi = 0.90$$

$$b_n = (\text{length of the angle}) - (\text{bolt hole diameter}) - \frac{1}{16} \text{ in.}$$

Design  $e_v$  is the specified  $e_v + \frac{1}{2}$  in.

Note: For welded angles, Figure 6.5.15 (c), design  $e_v$  in Eq. 6.5.16 may be taken equal to actual  $e_v$  minus  $k$ , where  $k$  is the distance from the back face of angle to web toe of fillet.

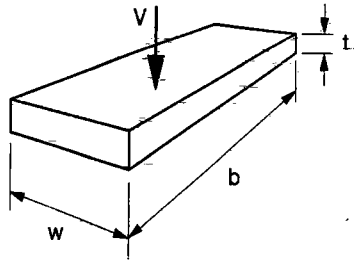
The tension on the bolt can be calculated by:

$$P_u = V_u \frac{e_v}{e_i} \quad (\text{Eq. 6.5.16})$$

For angles loaded axially, Figure 6.5.17, the minimum thickness of non-gusseted angles can be calculated by:

$$t = \sqrt{\frac{4N_u g}{\phi F_y b_n}} \quad (\text{Eq. 6.5.17})$$

Figure 6.5.13 Single layer bearing pads free to slip



$$\text{SHAPE FACTOR} = S = \frac{wb}{2(w+b)t}$$

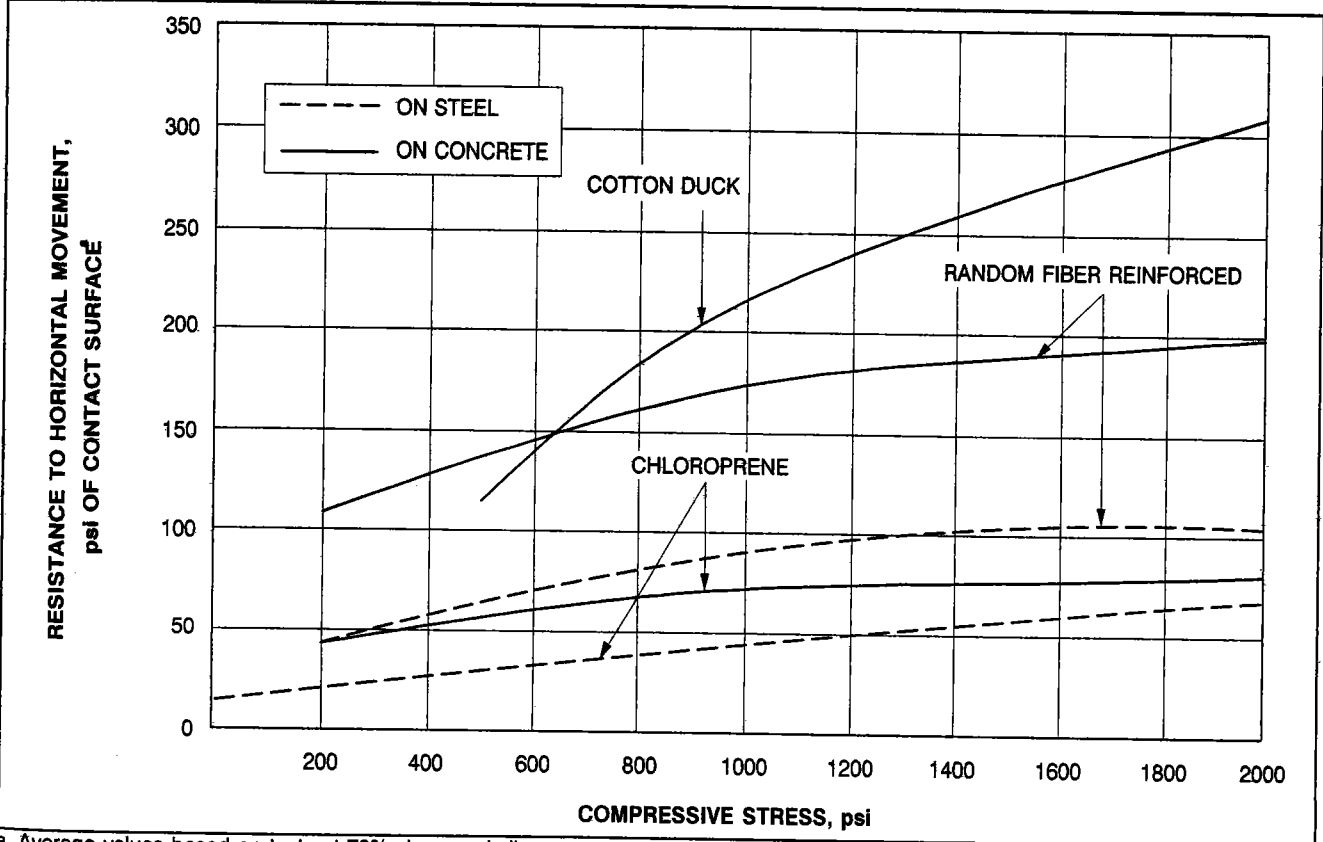
D = DUROMETER (SHORE A HARDNESS)

$\Delta$  = DESIGN HORIZONTAL MOVEMENT AT END OF MEMBER

PAD MATERIAL	ALLOWABLE <sup>a</sup> COMPRESSIVE STRESS (PSI)	SHORE A HARDNESS D	RECOMMENDED MINIMUM THICKNESS <sup>b</sup>	RECOMMENDED MAXIMUM ROTATION <sup>b</sup>
UNREINFORCED CHLOROPRENE OR RUBBER	$4DS \leq 800$	50 THROUGH 70	$1.4 \Delta$	$\frac{0.3t}{b \text{ or } w}$
RANDOM FIBER REINFORCED ELASTOMERIC	$1000 + 100S \leq 1500$	$80 \pm 10$	$1.4 \Delta$	$\frac{0.3t}{b \text{ or } w}$
COTTON DUCK FABRIC REINFORCED	$\leq 2500$ (UNIFORM) $\leq 4000$ (NONUNIFORM)	$90 \pm 10$	$2.0 \Delta$	$\frac{0.12t}{b \text{ or } w}$

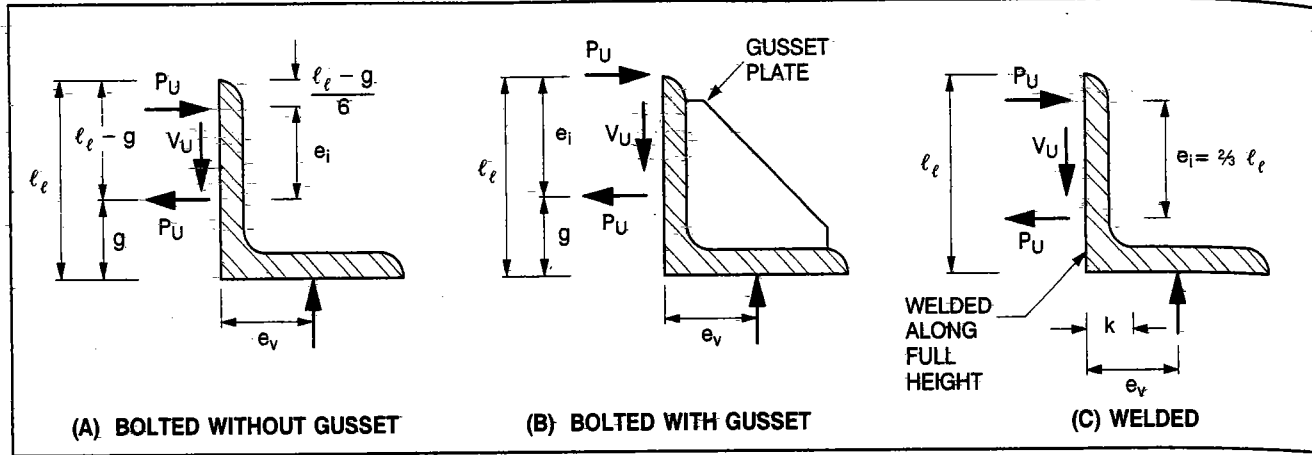
- a. Allowable compressive stresses may be increased based on test data supplied by the bearing pad manufacturer.  
 b. The values in the table are based on sliding criteria. If sliding is not critical or testing indicates more advantageous conditions, thinner pads may be used. The minimum thickness and maximum rotation values for the cotton duck pad account for the effects of creep.

Figure 6.5.14 Shear resistance of bearing pads



a. Average values based on tests at 70% shear and slippage strain.

**Figure 6.5.15 Design parameters for connection angles**



**Table 6.5.2 Minimum edge distance for punched, reamed or drilled holes, measured from center of hole, in.<sup>a</sup>**

Bolt diameter (in.)	At sheared edges	At rolled edges of plates, shapes or bars or gas-cut edges <sup>b</sup>
1/2	7/8	3/4
5/8	1 1/8	7/8
3/4	1 1/4	1
7/8	1 1/2 <sup>c</sup>	1 1/8
1	1 3/4 <sup>c</sup>	1 1/4
1 1/4	2 1/4	1 5/8

- a. When oversized or slotted holes are used, edge distances should be increased to provide the same distance from edge of hole to free edge as given by the tabulated edge distances.
- b. All edge distances in this column may be reduced 1/8 in. when the hole is at a point where stress does not exceed 25% of the maximum allowable stress in the element.
- c. These may be 1 1/4 in. at the ends of beam connection angles.

and the tension on the bolt can be calculated by:

$$P_u = N_u \left( 1 + \frac{g}{e_i} \right) \quad (\text{Eq. 6.5.18})$$

where:

$$\phi = 0.90$$

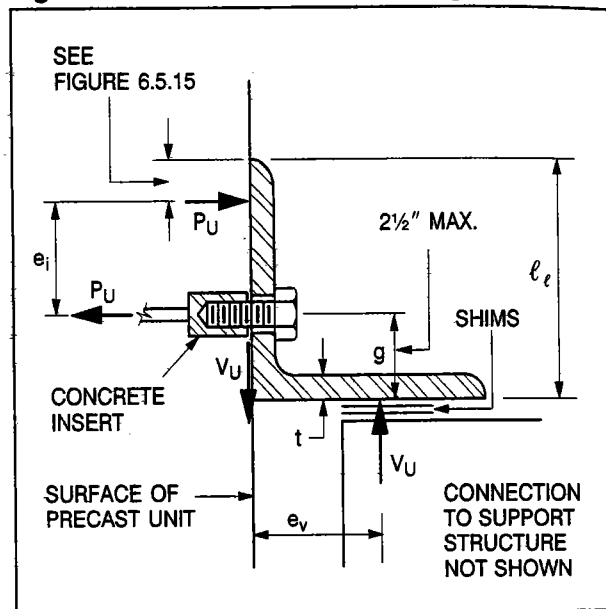
$g$  = gage of the angle (see Figure 6.5.15)

The minimum edge distance for bolt holes is shown in Table 6.5.2.

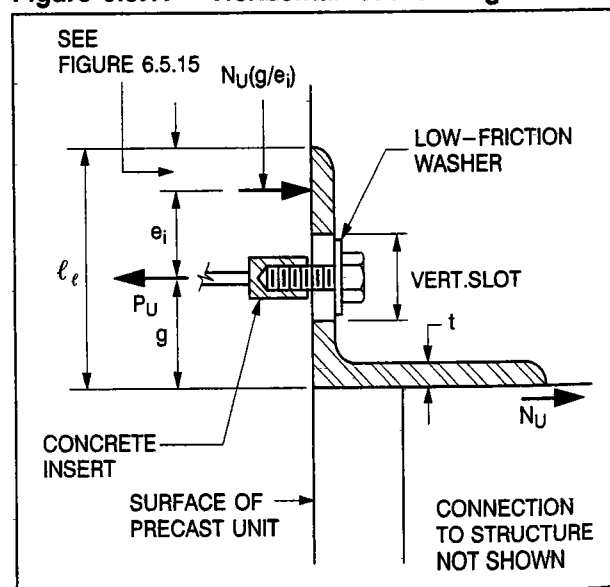
Tables 6.15.13 and 6.15.14 may be used for the design of connection angles.

For connections made by welding instead of bolting, the welds should be designed in accordance with Sect. 6.5.6.1.

**Figure 6.5.16 Vertical load on angle**



**Figure 6.5.17 Horizontal load on angle**



## 6.6 Friction

The static coefficients of friction shown in Table 6.6.1 are conservative values for use in determining the upper limit of volume change forces in members wherein the connections would allow insufficient movement for stress relief. Thus, the maximum force resulting from the frictional restraint of axial movements can be determined by:

$$F_s = \mu_s V_{ud} \quad (\text{Eq. 6.6.1})$$

where:

$F_s$  = factored friction force

$\mu_s$  = static coefficient of friction as given in Table 6.6.1

$V_{ud}$  = factored dead load force normal to the friction face

Friction may be depended upon to resist temporary construction loads as approved by the Engineer. In such cases, the coefficients of friction shown in Table 6.6.1 should be divided by 5.

Friction may also be depended upon to contribute to the resistance to design loads in specific situations where analysis and/or testing justifies its use. One such situation is the horizontal joints of precast wall panels which is illustrated in Ref. 2.

## 6.7 Column Base Plates

Column bases must be designed for both erection loads and loads which occur in service, the former often being more critical. Two commonly used base plate details are shown in Figure 6.7.1 although many other details are also used.

If in the analysis for erection loads or temporary construction loads, before grout is placed under the plate, all the anchor bolts are in compression, the base plate thickness required to satisfy bending is determined from:

$$t = \sqrt{\frac{(\Sigma F)4x_c}{\phi b F_y}} \quad (\text{Eq. 6.7.1})$$

where:

$$\phi = 0.90$$

$x_c, b$  = dim. as shown in Figure 6.7.1, in.

$F_y$  = yield strength of the base plate, psi

$\Sigma F$  = greatest sum of anchor bolt factored forces on one side of the column, lb

If the analysis indicates the anchor bolts on one or both sides of the column are in tension, the base plate thickness is determined by:

$$t = \sqrt{\frac{(\Sigma F)4x_t}{\phi b F_y}} \quad (\text{Eq. 6.7.2})$$

where:

$$\phi = 0.9$$

$x_t$  = dimension as shown in Figure 6.7.1, in.

**Table 6.6.1 Upper limits of static coefficients of friction of dry materials<sup>a</sup>**

Material	$\mu_s$
Elastomeric to steel or concrete	Figure 6.5.14
Concrete to Concrete	0.8
Concrete to steel	0.4
Steel to steel (not rusted)	0.25
TFE to stainless steel	Figure 6.5.12
Hardboard to concrete	0.5
Multimonomer plastic (non-skid) to concrete	1.2
Multimonomer plastic (smooth) to concrete	0.4

a. Reduce by 25% for wet conditions.

Under loads which occur at service, the base plate thickness may be controlled by bearing on the concrete or grout. In this case, the base plate thickness is determined by:

$$t = x_o \sqrt{\frac{2f_{bu}}{\phi F_y}} \quad (\text{Eq. 6.7.3})$$

where:

$$\phi = 0.9$$

$x_o$  = dimension as shown in Figure 6.7.1, in.

$f_{bu}$  = bearing stress on concrete or grout under factored loads  $\leq \phi(0.85)f'_c$ , where:  $\phi = 0.7$

Table 6.15.15 may be used for base plate design. Nominal base plate shearing stresses should not exceed  $0.9(0.6 F_y)$ .

The anchor bolt diameter is determined by the tension or compression on the stress area of the threaded portion of the bolt. Anchor bolts may be ASTM A 307 bolts or, more frequently, threaded rods of ASTM A 36 steel. The requirements for structural integrity (Sect. 3.10) must also be satisfied.

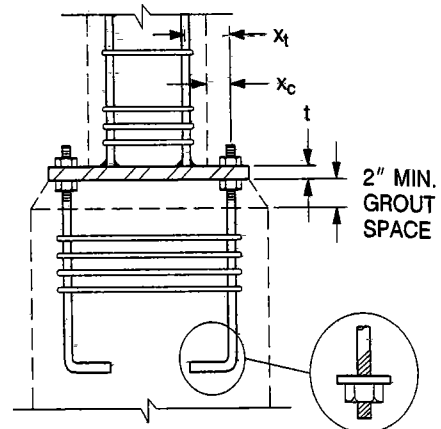
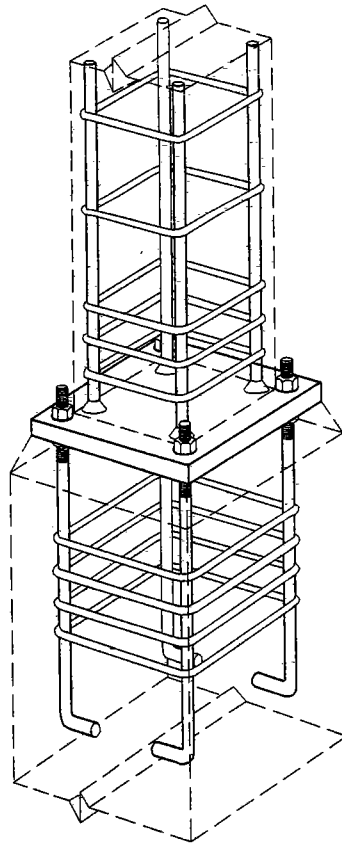
In most cases, both base plate and anchor bolt stresses can be significantly reduced by using properly placed shims during erection.

When the bolts are near a free edge, as in a pier or wall, the buckling of the bolts before grouting may be a consideration. Confinement reinforcement, as shown in Figure 6.7.1, should be provided in such cases. A minimum of four No. 3 ties at about 3 in. centers is recommended for confinement.

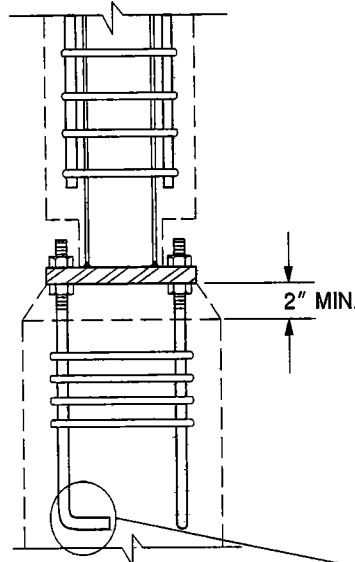
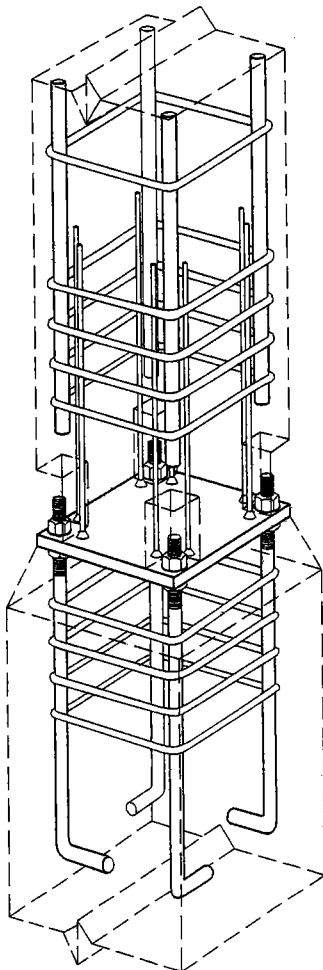
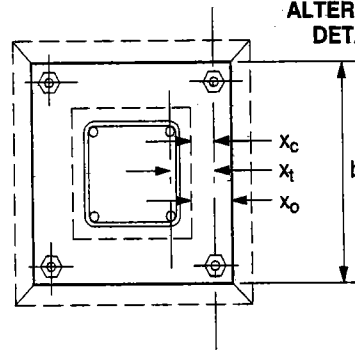
The in-place tension strength of the bolt should be taken as the lesser of the strengths calculated based on concrete failure and steel failure (typically yield). The calculation of concrete based strength will depend upon the type of anchor bolt used. For hooked or "L" shaped anchor bolts, the strength should be determined by adding the bond resistance of the bolt shank and the bearing resistance of the bolt head or the hook.

Figure 6.7.1 Column-base connections

**(A) BASE PLATE LARGER THAN COLUMN**

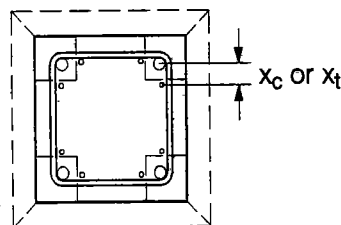


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**(B) FLUSH BASE PLATE**

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If necessary, the bearing area of the bolt head can be increased by welding a washer or steel plate. Nominal bond stress on smooth anchor bolts should not exceed 250 psi. The confined bearing stress on the hook or bolt head should not exceed  $\phi(0.85f'_c)\sqrt{A_2/A_1}$  in accordance with ACI 318-95, Sect. 10.17. Typically,  $\sqrt{A_2/A_1}$  will be larger than 2.0. In such cases, the limiting value for design bearing strength of  $0.7(0.85)(f'_c) 2.0 = 1.2(f'_c)$  may be used.

The bottom of the bolt should be a minimum of 4 in. above the bottom of the footing, and also above the footing reinforcement.

## 6.8 Concrete Brackets or Corbels

ACI 318-95 prescribes the design method for corbels, based on Refs. 14 and 15 and Sect. 4.3.6. The equations in this section follow those recommendations, and are subject to the following limitations (see Figures 6.8.1 and 6.8.2):

1.  $a/d \leq 1$
2.  $N_u \leq V_u$
3.  $\phi = 0.85$  for all calculations
4. Anchorage at the front face must be provided by welding or other positive means.
5. Concentrated loads on continuous corbels may be distributed as for beam ledges, Sect. 4.5.

The area of primary tension reinforcement,  $A_s$ , is the greater of  $A_f + A_n$  as calculated below, or  $\frac{2}{3}A_{vf} + A_n$  as calculated in Sect. 4.3.6;

$$A_f = \frac{V_u a + N_u (h - d)}{\phi f_y d} \quad (\text{Eq. 6.8.1})$$

$$A_n = \frac{N_u}{\phi f_y} \quad (\text{Eq. 6.8.2})$$

For convenience, the equations can be rewritten so that  $A_s$  shall be the greater of Eq. 6.8.3 and 6.8.4:

$$A_s = \frac{1}{\phi f_y} \left[ V_u \left( \frac{a}{d} \right) + N_u \left( \frac{h}{d} \right) \right] \quad (\text{Eq. 6.8.3})$$

$$A_s = \frac{1}{\phi f_y} \left[ \frac{2V_u}{3\mu_e} + N_u \right] \quad (\text{Eq. 6.8.4})$$

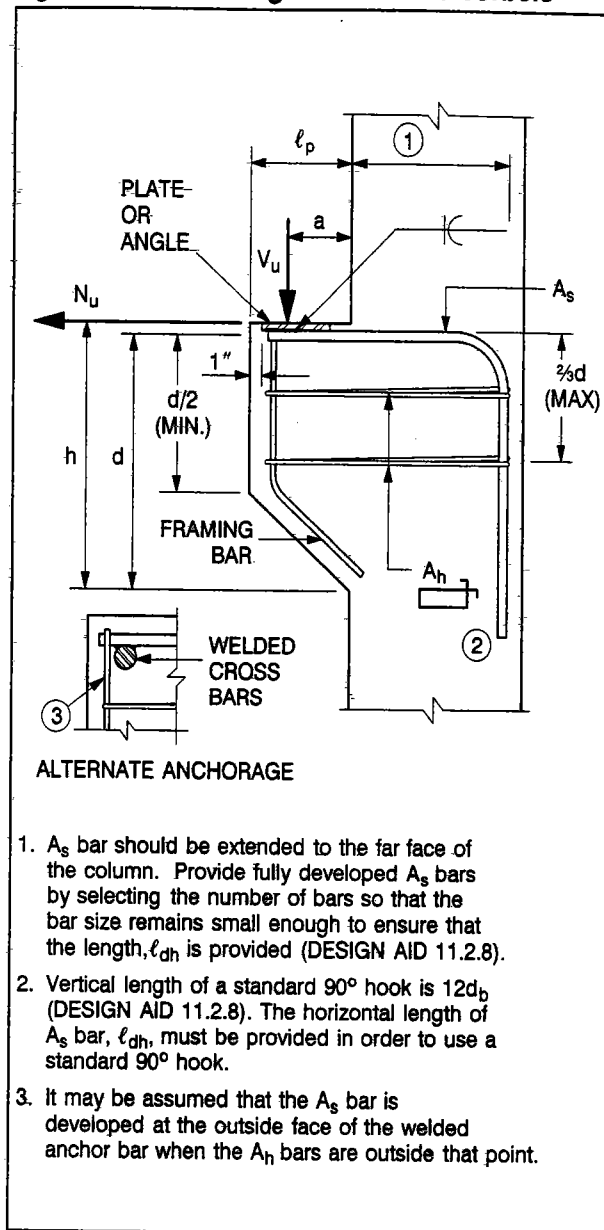
$$A_{s, \min} = 0.04(f'_c / f_y)bd \quad (\text{Eq. 6.8.5})$$

Where the corbel depth is larger than required by design, a reduced  $d$  may be used provided the same  $d$  is also used in Eq. 6.8.3 and 6.8.4.

$$A_h \geq 0.5(A_s - A_n) \quad (\text{Eq. 6.8.6})$$

$A_h$  should be distributed within the upper  $\frac{2}{3}d$ .

Figure 6.8.1 Design of concrete corbels



1.  $A_s$  bar should be extended to the far face of the column. Provide fully developed  $A_s$  bars by selecting the number of bars so that the bar size remains small enough to ensure that the length,  $\ell_{dh}$  is provided (DESIGN AID 11.2.8).
2. Vertical length of a standard  $90^\circ$  hook is  $12d_b$  (DESIGN AID 11.2.8). The horizontal length of  $A_s$  bar,  $\ell_{dh}$ , must be provided in order to use a standard  $90^\circ$  hook.
3. It may be assumed that the  $A_s$  bar is developed at the outside face of the welded anchor bar when the  $A_h$  bars are outside that point.

The shear strength of a corbel is limited by the maximum values given in Table 4.3.1.

### Example 6.8.1 Reinforced Concrete Corbel

Given:

A concrete corbel similar to that shown in Figure 6.8.1

$V_u = 80$  kips (includes all load factors)

$N_u = 15$  kips (includes all load factors)

$f_y =$  Grade 60 (weldable)

$f'_c = 5000$  psi (normal weight)

Bearing pad—12 in. x 6 in.

$b = 14$  in.

$\ell_p = 8$  in.

**Problem:**

Find corbel depth and reinforcement.

**Solution:**

- Try  $h = 14$  in.
- $d = 13$  in.
- $a = \frac{3}{4} \ell_p = 6$  in.

From Table 4.3.1:

$$\begin{aligned} \max V_n &= 1000 \lambda^2 A_{cr} \\ &= 1000(1)^2(14)(14)/1000 \\ &= 196 \text{ kips} \end{aligned}$$

$$\max V_u = 0.85(196) = 166.6 \text{ kips} > 80.0 \text{ OK}$$

By Eq. 6.8.3:

$$\begin{aligned} A_s &= \frac{1}{\phi f_y} \left[ V_u \left( \frac{a}{d} \right) + N_u \left( \frac{h}{d} \right) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{0.85(60)} \left[ 80 \left( \frac{6}{13} \right) + 15 \left( \frac{14}{13} \right) \right] \\ &= 1.04 \text{ in}^2 \end{aligned}$$

By Eq. 4.3.16:

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_e &= \frac{1000 \lambda b h \mu}{V_u} = \frac{1000(1)(14)(14)(1.4)}{80,000} \\ &= 3.43 > 3.4, \text{ Use } 3.4 \end{aligned}$$

By Eq. 6.8.4:

$$\begin{aligned} A_s &= \frac{1}{\phi f_y} \left[ \frac{2V_u}{3\mu_e} + N_u \right] = \frac{1}{0.85(60)} \left[ \frac{2(80)}{3(3.4)} + 15 \right] \\ &= 0.60 \text{ in}^2 < 1.04 \end{aligned}$$

By Eq. 6.8.5:

$$\begin{aligned} A_{s, \min} &= 0.04bd(f_c/f_y) = 0.04(14)(13)(5/60) \\ &= 0.61 \text{ in}^2 < 1.04 \end{aligned}$$

Provide 2-#7 bars = 1.20 in<sup>2</sup>

The  $A_s$  reinforcement could also be estimated from Table 6.15.16:

For:

- $b = 14$  in.
- $\ell_p = 8$  in.
- $h = 14$  in.

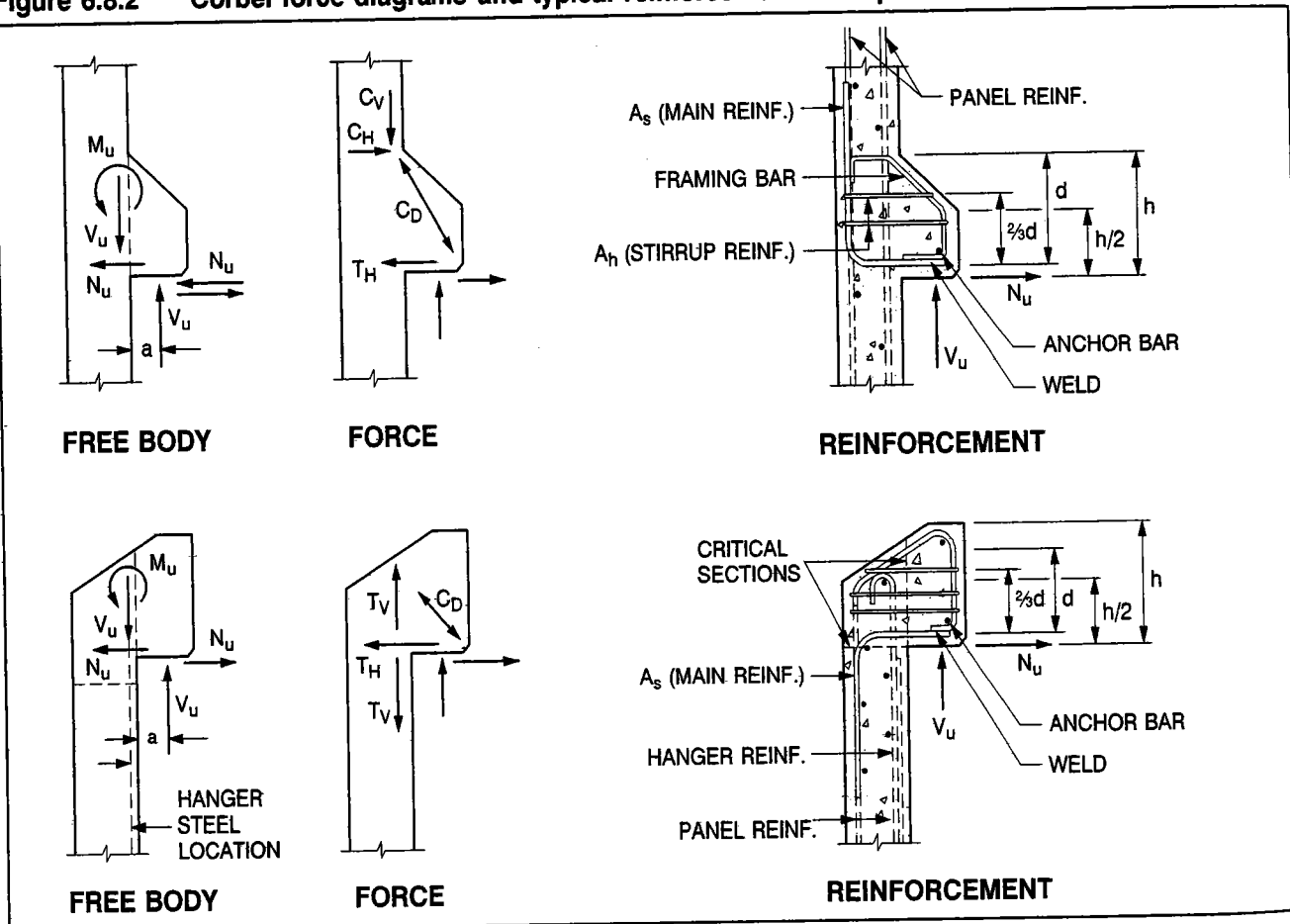
The corbel would have a strength of about 65 kips with 2-#6 bars and 89 kips with 2-#7 bars. Use 2-#7 bars for  $V_u = 80$  kips.

By Eq. 6.8.6:

$$\begin{aligned} A_h &= 0.5(A_s - A_n) = 0.5 \left[ 1.04 - \frac{15}{0.85(60)} \right] \\ &= 0.37 \text{ in}^2 \end{aligned}$$

Provide 2-#3 closed ties = 0.44 in<sup>2</sup>

**Figure 6.8.2 Corbel force diagrams and typical reinforcement—wall panels**





## 6.9 Structural Steel Haunches

Structural steel shapes, such as wide flange beams, double channels, tubes or vertical plates, often serve as haunches or brackets as illustrated in Figure 6.9.1. The concrete-based capacity of these members can be calculated by statics, using the assumptions shown in Figures 6.9.2 and 6.9.3 [16].

The nominal strength of the section is:

$$V_c = \frac{0.85f'_c b \ell_e}{1 + 3.6e/\ell_e} \quad (\text{Eq. 6.9.1})$$

where:

$V_c$  = nominal strength of the section controlled by concrete, lb

$e$  =  $a + \ell_e/2$ , in.

$a$  = shear span, in.

$\ell_e$  = embedment length, in.

$b$  = effective width of the compression block, in.

For the additional contribution of reinforcement welded to the embedded shape, and properly developed in the concrete, and with  $A'_s = A_s$ :

$$V_r = \frac{2A_s f_y}{1 + \frac{6e/\ell_e}{4.8s/\ell_e - 1}} \quad (\text{Eq. 6.9.2})$$

where:

$f_y$  = yield strength of reinforcement

Then  $V_n = (V_c + V_r)$ ; and  $V_u \leq \phi V_n$ , where  $\phi = 0.85$ .

Other notation for Eqs. 6.9.1 and 6.9.2 are shown in Figure 6.9.3.

The following assumptions and limitations are recommended:

1. In a column with closely spaced ties (spacing  $\leq 3$  in.) above and below the haunch, the effective width,  $b$ , can be assumed as the width of the confined region, i.e., outside to outside of ties, or 2.5 times the width of the steel section, whichever is less.
2. Thin-walled members, such as the tube shown in Figure 6.9.3, may require filling with concrete to prevent local buckling.
3. When the supplemental reinforcement,  $A_s$  and  $A'_s$ , is anchored both above and below the members, as in Figure 6.9.3, it can be counted twice.

4. The critical section for bending of the steel member is located a distance  $V_u/(0.85f'_c b)$  inward from the face of the column.

If the steel section projects from both sides, as in Figure 6.9.2(A), the eccentricity factor,  $e/\ell_e$  in Eq. 6.9.1 should be calculated from the total unbalanced live load. Conservatively,  $e/\ell_e$  may be taken equal to 0.5.

The design strength of the steel section can be determined by:

Flexural design strength:

$$\phi V_n = \frac{\phi Z_s F_y}{a + 0.5 V_u / (0.85f'_c b)} \quad (\text{Eq. 6.9.3})$$

Shear design strength:

$$\phi V_n = \phi(0.6F_y h t) \quad (\text{Eq. 6.9.4})$$

where:

$Z_s$  = plastic section modulus of the steel section

(see Table 6.15.12)

$F_y$  = yield strength of the steel

$h, t$  = depth and thickness of steel web, respectively

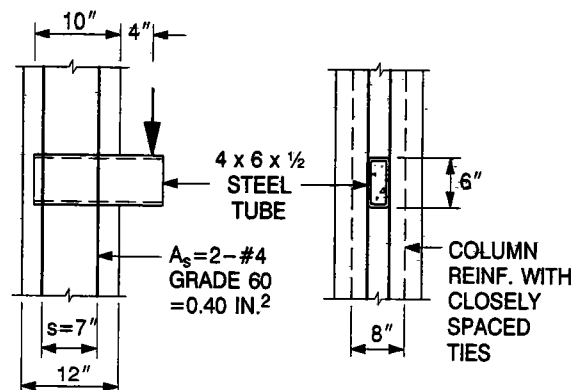
$\phi = 0.90$

Horizontal forces,  $N_u$ , are resisted by bond on the perimeter of the section. If the bond stress resulting from factored loads exceeds 250 psi, headed studs or reinforcing bars should be welded to the embedded steel section.

### Example 6.9.1 Design of Structural Steel Haunch

Given:

The structural steel haunch shown.



$$f'_c = 5000 \text{ psi}$$

$$f_y \text{ (reinforcement)} = 60,000 \text{ psi (weldable)}$$

$$F_y \text{ (structural steel)} = 46,000 \text{ psi}$$

**Problem:**

Find the design strength.

**Solution:**

Effective width,  $b$  = confined width (8 in.) or

$$b = 2.5w = 2.5(4) = 10 \text{ in.}$$

Use  $b = 8 \text{ in.}$

$$e = 4 + 10/2 = 9 \text{ in.}$$

$$V_c = \frac{0.85f'_c b \ell_e}{1 + 3.6e/\ell_e} = \frac{0.85(5)(8)(10)}{1 + 3.6(9)/(10)}$$

$$= 80.2 \text{ kips}$$

Since the  $A_s$  bars are anchored above and below, they can be counted twice.

$$A_s = 2 - \#4 = 2(2)(0.2) = 0.80 \text{ in}^2$$

$$V_r = \frac{2A_s f_y}{1 + \frac{6e/\ell_e}{4.8s/\ell_e - 1}} = \frac{2(0.80)(60)}{1 + \frac{6(9)/10}{4.8(7)/(10) - 1}}$$

$$= 29.2 \text{ kips}$$

$$\phi V_n = 0.85(80.2 + 29.2) = 93.0 \text{ kips}$$

Alternative using Tables 6.15.17 and 6.15.18:

For:

$$b = 8 \text{ in.}$$

$$a = 4 \text{ in.}$$

$$\ell_e = 10 \text{ in.}$$

Read  $\phi V_c = 68 \text{ kips}$

For  $A_s = 2 - \#4$ , anchored above and below

Read  $V_r = 28 \text{ kips}$

$$\phi V_n = \phi V_c + \phi V_r = 68 + 0.85(28)$$

$$= 92.0 \text{ kips}$$

Steel section shear capacity:

$$\phi V_n = \phi(0.6 F_y h t) = 0.9(0.6)(46)(6)(2)(0.5)$$

$$= 149 \text{ kips}$$

Steel section flexure capacity:

From AISC LRFD Manual [12]:

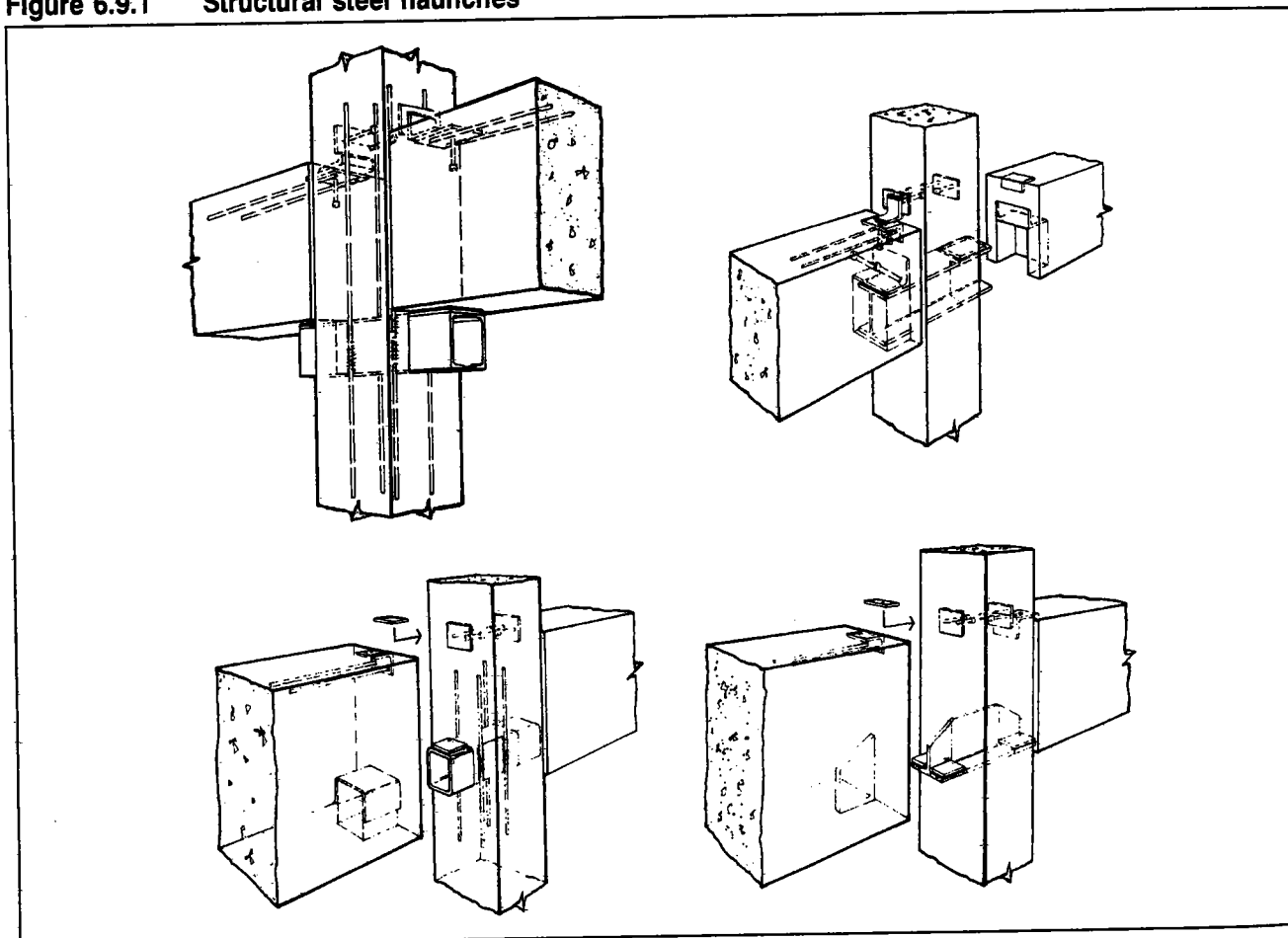
$$Z_s = 15.4$$

Assume  $V_u = 85 \text{ kips}$ ,

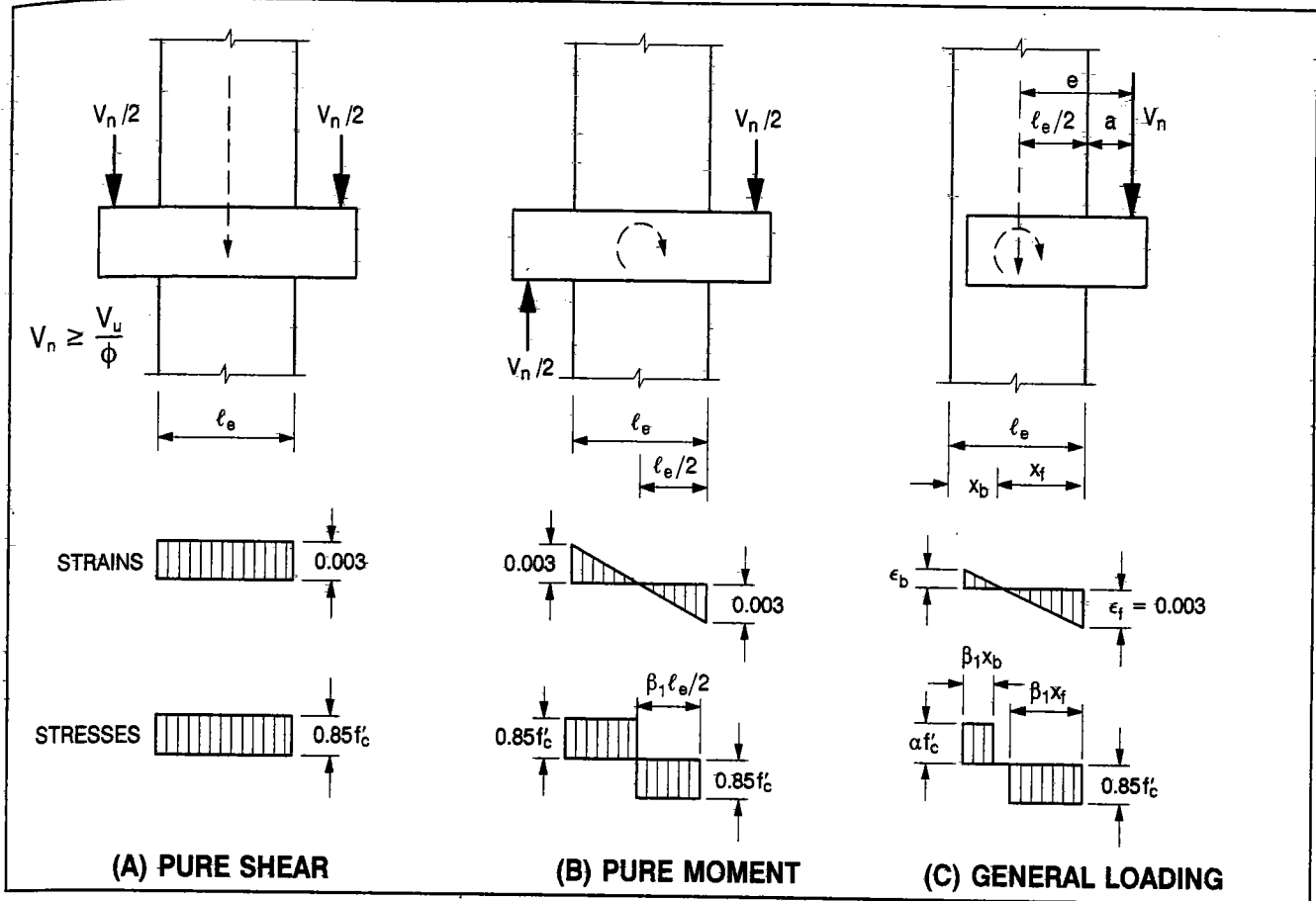
$$\phi V_n = \frac{\phi Z_s F_y}{a + 0.5 V_u / 0.85 f'_c b} = \frac{0.9(15.4)(46)}{4 + 1.25}$$

$$= 121.4 \text{ kips}$$

**Figure 6.9.1 Structural steel haunches**



**Figure 6.9.2 Stress-strain relationships**



**Figure 6.9.3 Assumptions and notation—steel haunch design**

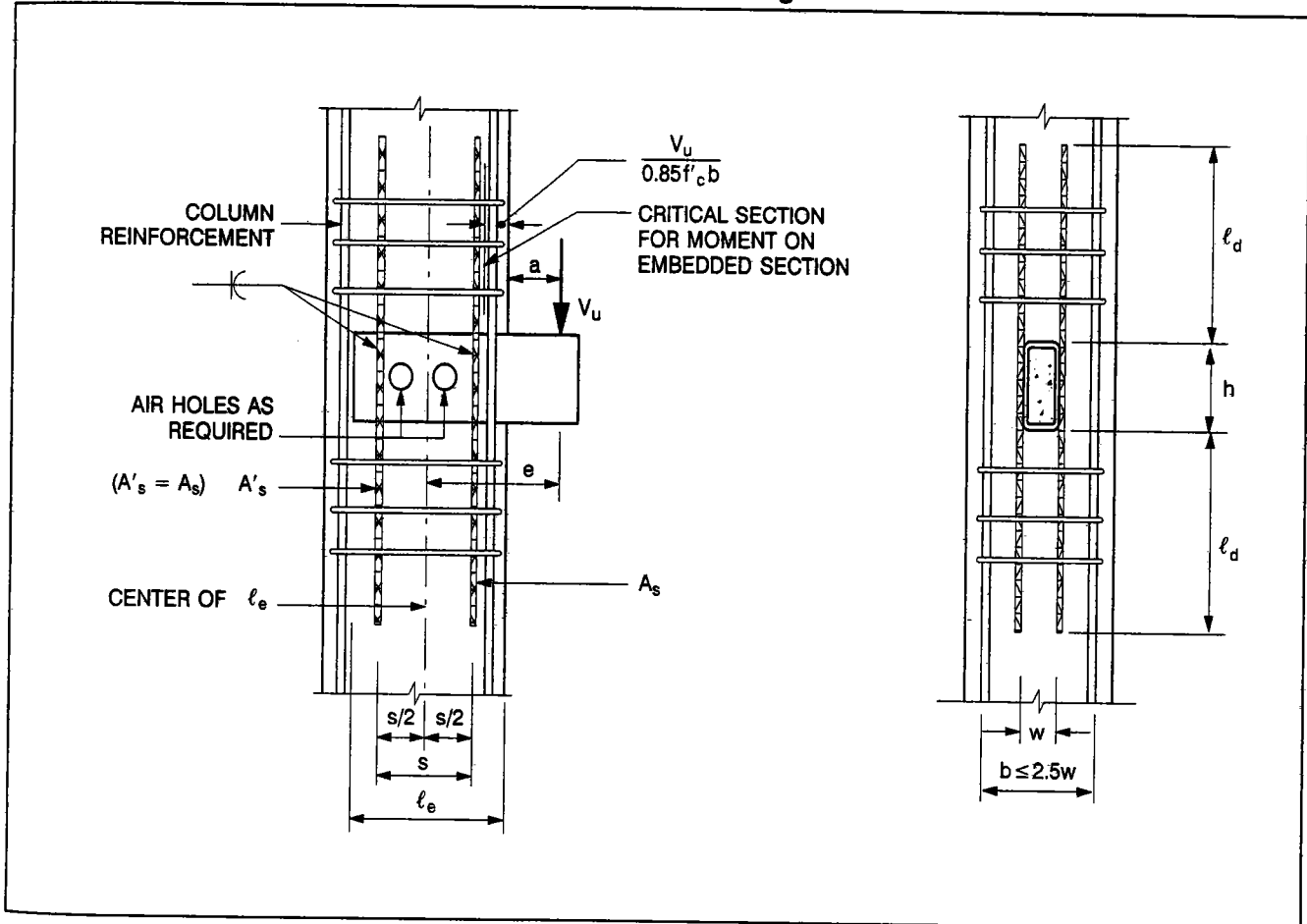
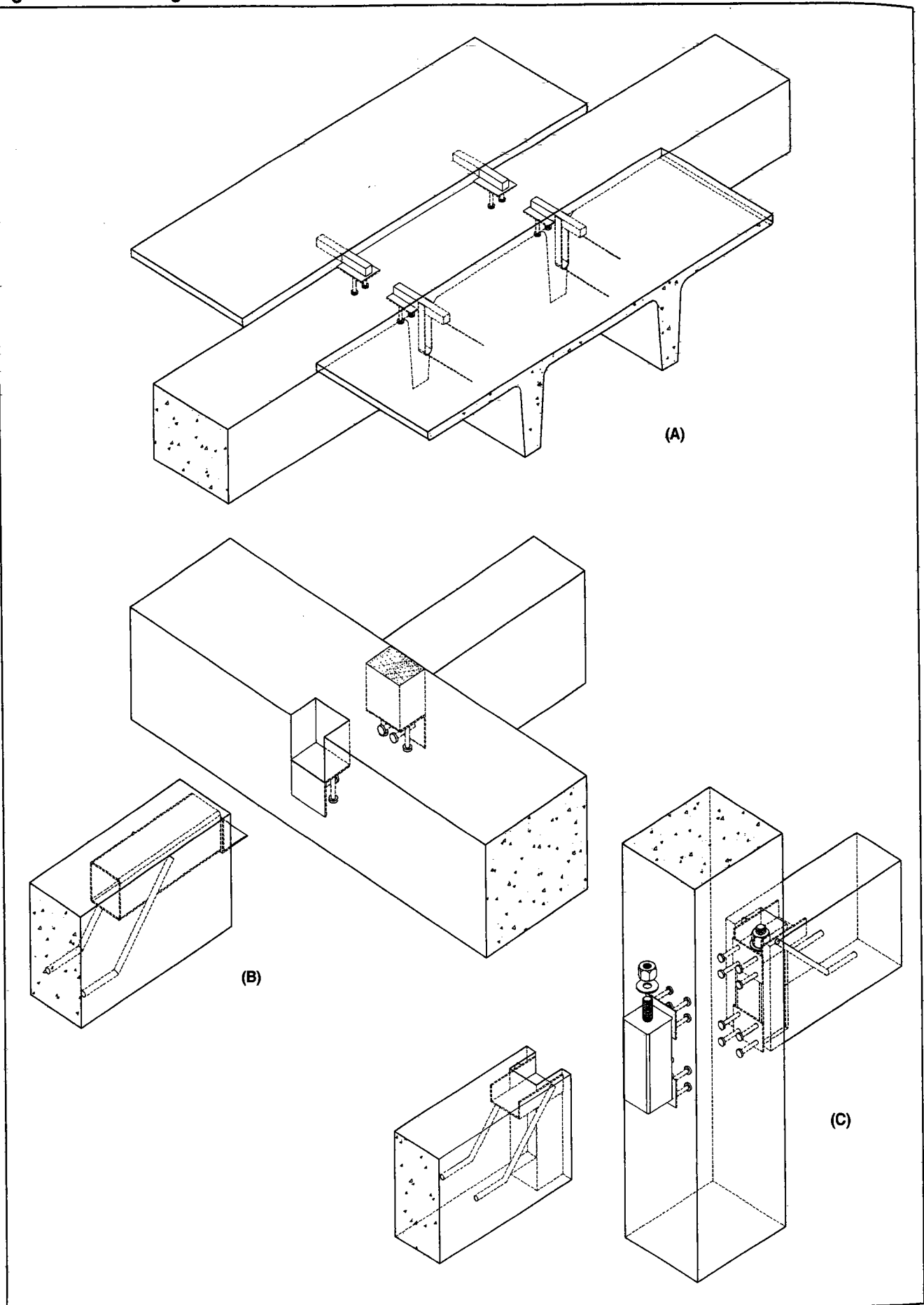


Figure 6.10.1 Hanger Connections



## 6.10 Hanger Connections

Hangers are similar to dapped ends, except that the extended or bearing end is steel instead of concrete. They are used when it is desired to keep the structural depth very shallow. Examples are shown in Figure 6.10.1. These connections typically have short bearings and may be particularly sensitive to tolerances and volume change movements. The need for accuracy in dimensioning and installation must be emphasized.

### 6.10.1 Cazaly Hanger [17]

The Cazaly hanger has three basic components, Figure 6.10.2(A). Design assumptions are as follows, Figure 6.10.2(B):

1. The cantilevered bar is usually proportioned so that the interior reaction from the concrete is  $0.33 V_u$ . The hanger strap should then be proportioned to yield under a tension of  $1.33 V_u$ .

$$A_s = \frac{1.33V_u}{\phi F_y} \quad (\text{Eq. 6.10.1})$$

where:

$F_y$  = yield strength of the strap material

$$\phi = 0.90$$

2.  $V_u$  may be assumed to be applied  $\ell_p/2$  from the face of the seat. The remaining part of the moment arm is the width of the joint,  $g$ , and the cover,  $c$ , from the end of the member to edge of the strap. Since moment is sensitive to this dimension, it is important that this dimension is kept as small as feasible and that the value used in analysis is not exceeded in the field. Most hangers in practice have exterior cantilever lengths,  $(\ell_p + g + c)$ , of 3 to 4 in.
3. The moment in the cantilevered bar is then given by:

$$M_u = V_u a = V_u (0.5\ell_p + g + c + 0.5s) \quad (\text{Eq. 6.10.2})$$

where:

$\ell_p$  = bearing length of the exterior cantilever

$$a = 0.5\ell_p + g + c + 0.5s$$

Other notation is shown in Figure 6.10.2(B).

The bar should be proportioned to carry this moment in combination with shear and tensile forces. Alternatively, if the bar is proportioned to take this moment at the yield stress, but using elastic section properties, (i.e.,  $M_u = \phi F_y bd^2/6$ ) the shear and tensile forces can usually be neglected.

4. The conservative and simplifying assumption that strap weld forces are concentrated at the strap centerline is implicit in the 0.5s factor in Eq. 6.10.2.
5. The bearing pressure creating the interior reaction may be calculated as in Sect. 4.6.1. Conservatively, if the width of the member in which the hanger is cast =  $b_1$ , then:

$$f_{bu} = 0.85\phi f'_c \sqrt{b_1/b} \leq 1.2f'_c \quad (\text{Eq. 6.10.3})$$

where:

$$\phi = 0.7$$

The bearing length,  $\ell_b$ , is then given by:

$$\ell_b = \frac{V_u/3}{bf_{bu}} \quad (\text{Eq. 6.10.4})$$

6. To maintain the conditions of equilibrium assumed, the interior cantilever must have a length:

$$3.0a = (1.5\ell_p + 3.0g + 3.0c + 1.5s)$$

7. The minimum total length of bar is then:

$$0.5\ell_p + a + 3.0a + 0.5\ell_b \quad (\text{Eq. 6.10.5}) \\ = (2.5\ell_p + 4.0g + 4.0c + 2.0s + 0.5\ell_b) \text{ in.}$$

8. Longitudinal dowels,  $A_n$ , are welded to the cantilevered bar to transmit the axial force,  $N_u$ :

$$A_n = \frac{N_u}{\phi f_y} \quad (\text{Eq. 6.10.6})$$

where:

$f_y$  = yield strength of the dowel

$$\phi = 0.90$$

9. The lower dowel area,  $A_{vf}$ , can be proportioned using effective shear-friction described in Sect. 4.3.6.

$$A_{vf} = \frac{1.33V_u}{\phi f_y \mu_e} \quad (\text{Eq. 6.10.7})$$

where:

$$\phi = 0.85$$

$f_y$  = yield strength of lower dowels, psi

$$\mu_e = \frac{1000\lambda b_1 h \mu}{V_u} \leq \text{values in Table 4.3.1} \quad (\text{Eq. 6.10.8})$$

The nominal shear strength ( $1.33V_u/\phi$ ) is limited by the values in Table 4.3.1.

### Example 6.10.1 Design of a Cazaly Hanger

Given:

Hanger similar to that shown in Figs. 6.10.1(A) and 6.10.2. (not exposed to earth or weather).

$$f'_c = 5000 \text{ psi (both member and support)}$$

$$f_y \text{ (reinforcing bars)} = 60 \text{ ksi}$$

$$F_y \text{ (structural steel)} = 36 \text{ ksi}$$

$$V_u = 24 \text{ kips (includes all load factors)}$$

$$N_u = 4 \text{ kips (includes all load factors)}$$

$$b_1 = 6 \text{ in.}$$

$$c = \frac{5}{8} \text{ in. (see Table 1.3.6)}$$

$$g = 1 \text{ in.}$$

$$\ell_p = 2 \text{ in.}$$

Problem:

Size the hanger components.

Solution:

By Eq. 6.10.1:

$$\begin{aligned} A_s \text{ (strap)} &= \frac{1.33V_u}{\phi F_y} \\ &= \frac{1.33(24)}{0.9(36)} = 0.99 \text{ in}^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Use } \frac{1}{4} \times 2 \text{ in. strap; } A_s = 0.25(2)(2) = 1.00 \text{ in}^2$$

(Note cover assumption is correct because  $A_s = 1.0 \text{ in}^2 < A_s$  of No. 11 bar).

Use  $\frac{3}{16}$  in. fillet weld;

Table 6.15.2, E70 electrode:

$$\ell_w = \frac{1.33(24)}{2(4.18)} = 3.82 \text{ in.}$$

Weld 2 in. across top, 1 in. down sides = 4.0 in.

$$a = 0.5(2) + 1 + \frac{5}{8} + 0.5(2) = 3.625 \text{ in.}$$

By Eq. 6.10.2:

$$M_u = V_u a = 24(3.625)$$

$$= 87 \text{ kip-in}$$

$$S_{\text{req'd}} = \frac{M_u}{\phi F_y} = \frac{87}{0.9(36)} = 2.69 \text{ in}^3 = \frac{bd^2}{6}$$

Try 2 in. wide bar:

$$d = \sqrt{\frac{6(2.69)}{2}} = 2.84 \text{ in. min.}$$

Use 2 x 3 in. bar (width x depth)

By Eqs. 6.10.3 and 6.10.4:

$$\begin{aligned} f_{bu} &= 0.85\phi f'_c \sqrt{b_1/b} = 0.85(0.7)(5) \sqrt{6/2} \\ &= 5.15 \text{ ksi} \end{aligned}$$

$$\ell_b = \frac{V_u/3}{f_{bu}(b)} = \frac{24/3}{5.15(2)} = 0.78 \text{ in.}$$

Min. interior cantilever

$$= 3(3.625) = 10.875 \text{ in.}$$

Min. total length (Eq. 6.10.5)

$$= 0.5(2) + 3.625 + 3(3.625) + 0.5(0.78)$$

$$= 15.89 \text{ in.}$$

Use bar 2 x 3 x 16 in.

By Eq. 6.10.6:

$$A_n = \frac{N_u}{\phi f_y} = \frac{4}{0.9(60)} = 0.07 \text{ in}^2$$

Use 1-#3 dowel

Try  $h = 16$  in.; by Eqs. 6.10.7 and 6.10.8:

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_e &= \frac{1000\lambda b_1 h \mu}{V_u} = \frac{1000(1.0)(6)(16)(1.4)(1.0)}{24,000} \\ &= 5.6 > 3.4 \end{aligned}$$

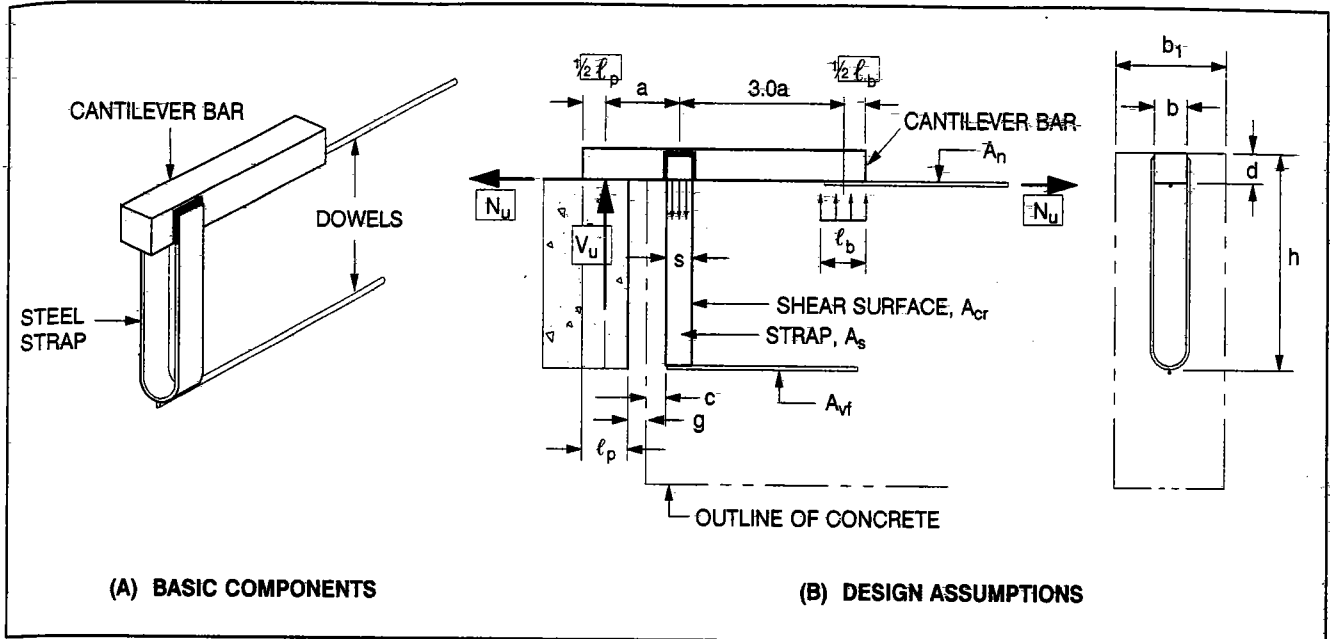
use  $\mu_e = 3.4$

$$A_{vf} = \frac{1.33V_u}{\phi f_y \mu_e} = \frac{1.33(24)}{0.85(60)(3.4)} = 0.18 \text{ in}^2$$

Use 1-#4 dowel.

Also check welding requirements.

Figure 6.10.2 Cazyly hanger



### 6.10.2 Loov Hanger [18]

The hanger illustrated in Figure 6.10.3 is designed using the following equations:

$$A_{sh} = \frac{V_u}{\phi f_y \cos \alpha} \quad (\text{Eq. 6.10.9})$$

where:

$$\phi = 0.85$$

$f_y$  = yield strength of  $A_{sh}$

$$A_n = \frac{N_u}{\phi f_y} \left( 1 + \frac{h - d}{d - a/2} \right) \quad (\text{Eq. 6.10.10})$$

where:

$$\phi = 0.90$$

$f_y$  = yield strength of  $A_n$

The steel bar is proportioned so that the bearing strength of the concrete is not exceeded, and to provide sufficient weld length to develop the diagonal bars. Bearing strength is discussed in Sect. 4.6.1. However, if the bar is at the top of the member as in Figure 6.10.3, there is no "geometrically similar" area larger than the edge of the bar, and:

$$f_{bu} = 0.85\phi f'_c = 0.6f'_c \quad (\text{Eq. 6.10.11})$$

where:

$$\phi = 0.7$$

The connection should be detailed so that the reaction, the center of compression and the center of the diagonal bars meet at a common point, as shown in Figure 6.10.3(B). The compressive force,  $C_u$ , is as-

sumed to act at a distance  $a/2$  from the top of the bearing plate. Thus:

$$a = \frac{C_u}{bf_{bu}} \quad (\text{Eq. 6.10.12})$$

where:

$$C_u = V_u \tan \alpha + \frac{N_u(h - d)}{d - a/2} \quad (\text{Eq. 6.10.13})$$

For most designs, the horizontal reinforcement,  $A_n$ , is placed very close to the bottom of the steel bar. Thus, the term  $(h - d)$  can be assumed equal to zero, simplifying Eqs. 6.10.10 and 6.10.13.

Tests have indicated a weakness in shear in the vicinity of the hangers, so it is recommended that stirrups in the beam end be designed to carry the total shear.

### Example 6.10.2 Design of a Loov Hanger

Given:

Hanger similar to that shown in Figure 6.10.3.

Design for same data as Example 6.10.1

$$\alpha = 30^\circ$$

Problem:

Size the hanger components.

Solution:

$$A_{sh} = \frac{V_u}{\phi f_y \cos \alpha} = \frac{24}{0.85(60) \cos 30^\circ} = 0.54 \text{ in}^2$$

Use 2-#5 bars

Minimum weld length, #5 bar, E70 electrode (Table 6.15.3) = 2½ in.

Detail  $A_n$  so it is near the bottom of the steel bar:

$$h - d \approx 0$$

$$A_n = \frac{N_u}{\phi f_y} = \frac{4}{0.9(60)} = 0.07 \text{ in}^2$$

Use 1-#3 dowel

By Eq. 6.10.11:

$$f_{bu} = 0.85\phi f'_c = 0.85(0.7)(5) = 2.98 \text{ ksi}$$

By Eq. 6.10.13:

$$C_u = V_u \tan \alpha = 24 \tan 30^\circ = 13.9 \text{ kips}$$

Assume  $b = 1 \text{ in.}$

$$a = \frac{C_u}{\phi f_{bu}} = \frac{13.9}{1(2.98)} = 4.65 \text{ in.}$$

$$a/2 = 2.33 \text{ in.}$$

Provide end bearing plate as shown:

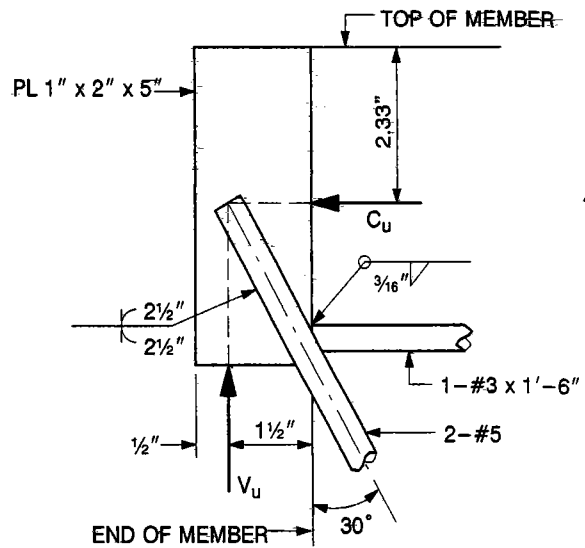


Figure 6.10.3 Loov hanger

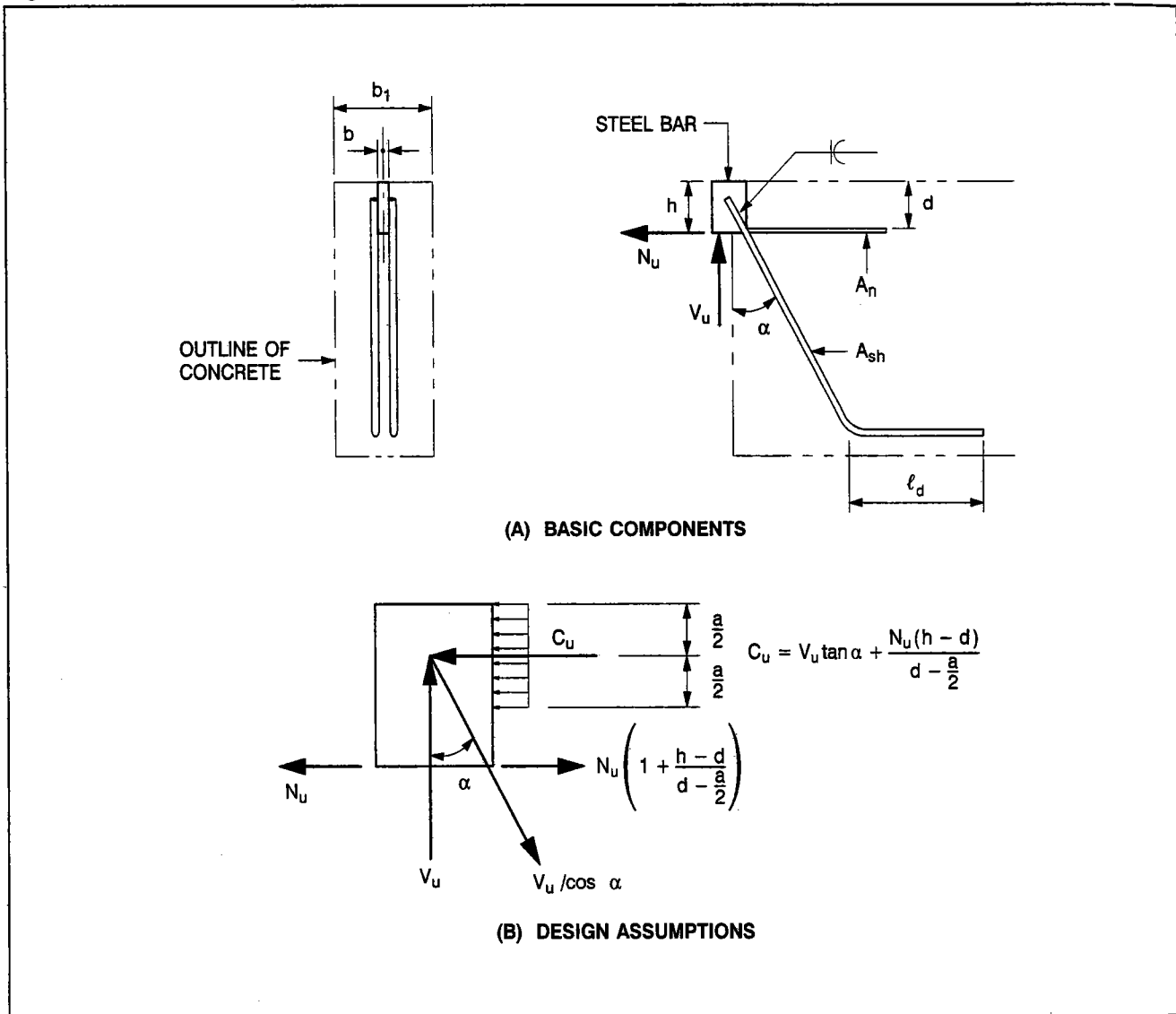
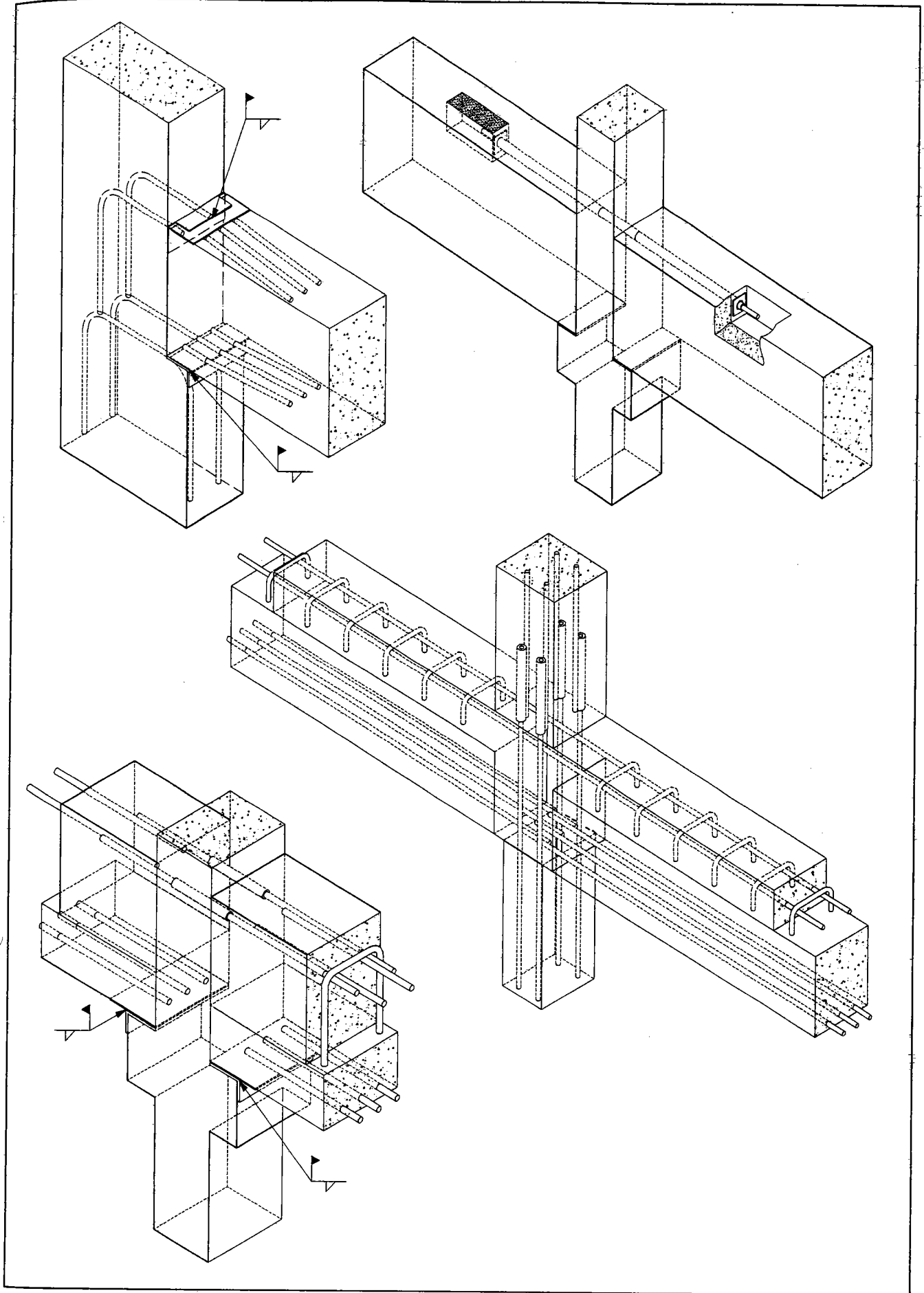




Figure 6.11.1 Moment connections



## 6.11 Moment Connections

When lateral stability of precast, prestressed concrete buildings is achieved by frame action or by a combination of shear wall and frame action, the connections to develop frame action must be designed for appropriate moment and shear transfer capabilities.

The tension force for the moment resistance within a connection can be provided by various types of inserts, such as headed studs and deformed bar anchors. These inserts must be properly anchored to preclude failure of the concrete and thus ensuring a ductile mode of failure. Post-tensioning can also be used to develop moment resistance at joints between interconnected members. Where a high degree of moment resistance and ductility are required, composite construction is frequently used to achieve connections that are similar to monolithic concrete joints in their behavior.

Achieving rigid connections can be costly. In most cases, it may not be desirable to build-in a high degree of fixity, since the restraint of volume changes could result in large forces in the connections and the members. It is therefore preferable that the design of moment-resisting connections be based on the concept that the desired moment resistance is achieved with some deformation/rotation at the connection. The deformation should be controlled to provide for the desired ductility.

A few examples of different types of moment-resisting connections are shown in Figure 6.11.1. Ref. 2 provides additional examples and also discusses relative degrees of fixity.

Moment-curvature analysis of precast and prestressed concrete members is readily done based on established analytical methods. PCI funded research [19], as well as other research in progress, are expected to lead to an adequate knowledge base on moment-resisting connections and enable formulation of improved analytical procedures.

## 6.12 Connection of Non-Load Bearing Wall Panels

The design of connections of non-load bearing architectural wall panels follows the same principles as structural connections, except the loads are generally lighter. Usually, the connections are detailed to minimize the volume change forces and, thus are primarily designed for the self-weight of the panel and for the lateral loads. Attention to details and proper protection of any exposed hardware are most important to ensure satisfactory performance of the connections for the service life of the structure.

A discussion of connection design fundamentals and production and erection considerations is given in Refs. 2 and 20 and a summary is included in Chapter 7 (Sect. 7.2). A few examples of typical details il-

lustrating the three primary categories of connections, namely bearing, tie-back and alignment connections, are shown in Figures 6.12.1 through 6.12.3.

## 6.13 Connection of Load Bearing Panels

Connections for load bearing wall panels are an essential part of the structural support system and the stability of the structure may depend upon them. In addition to the weight of the panels, the connections must resist and transfer dead, live, wind and earthquake loads, and effects of volume changes.

Erected load bearing walls may have both horizontal and/or vertical joints across which forces must be transferred. Figure 6.13.1 indicates, for separate cases, the principal applied forces and the resulting joint force systems. In buildings, superposition of forces and various combinations of panel and joint assemblies must be considered.

Distribution of lateral forces to shear walls depends largely on adequate connections of floors to walls. In addition to the transfer of vertical shear forces due to lateral loads, vertical joints may also be subject to shear forces induced by differential loads on adjacent panels. Joint and connection details of exterior bearing walls are especially critical since the floor elements are usually connected at this elevation and a waterproofing detail must be incorporated.

### 6.13.1 Vertical Joints

Vertical joints may be designed so that the wall panels form one structural unit or act as independent wall units.

#### 6.13.1.1 Hinge Connections

Hinge connections transfer compression, shear and tension forces but not moments. This is usually done at floor levels through floor diaphragms and tie beams. The vertical joint between wall panels usually is "open" so the panels resist lateral loads independently according to their relative rigidity (Figure 6.13.2). Sound and waterproofing details may also have to be considered.

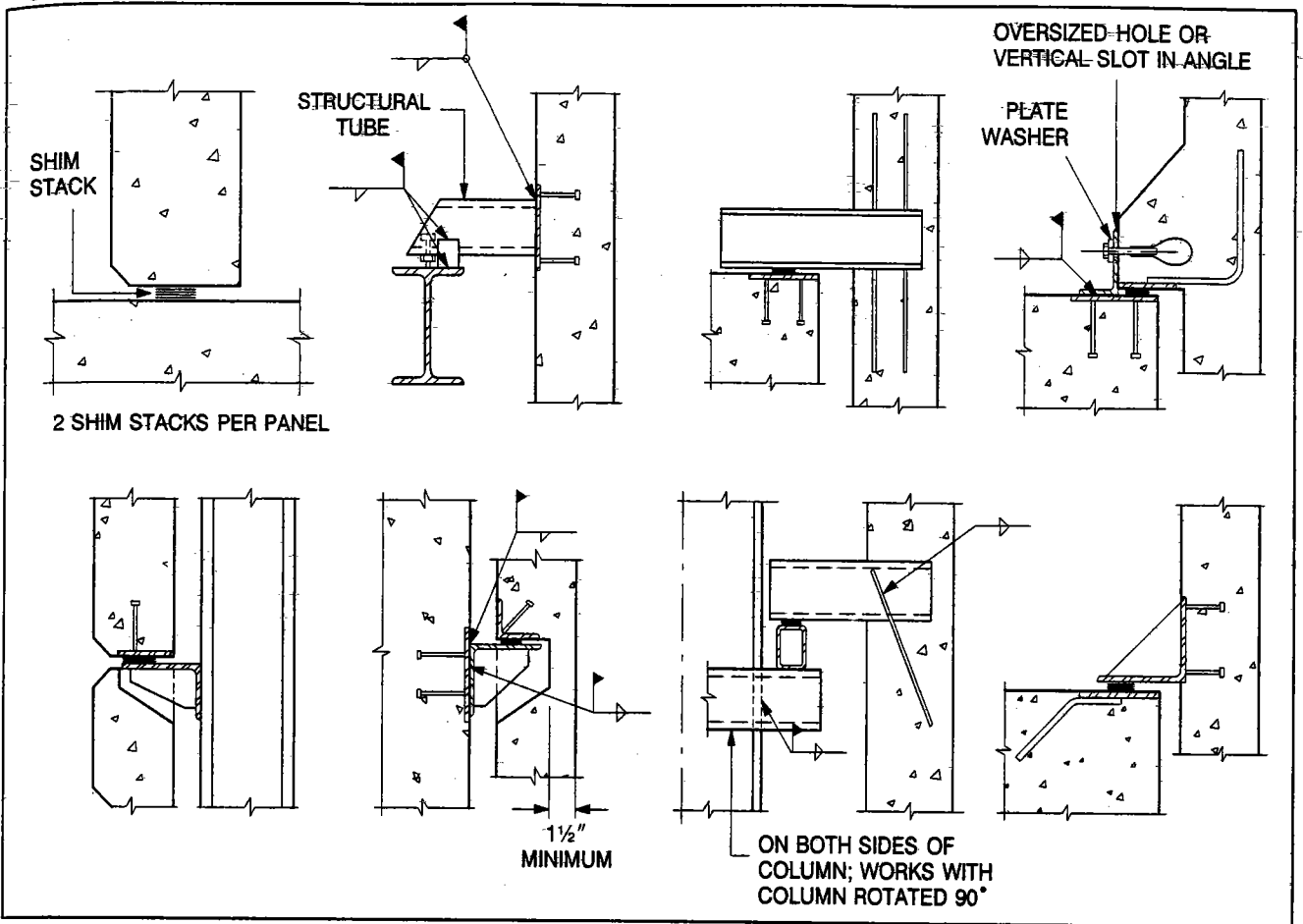
#### 6.13.1.2 Grooved Joint Connections

Grooved joints are continuous and usually filled with grout. The minimum groove dimension should be 1½ in. deep and 3 in. wide (Figure 6.13.3). The joint strength can be evaluated by shear-friction even if shrinkage, creep, and temperature movements have caused a crack at the wall-grout interface.

#### 6.13.1.3 Mechanical Connections

Mechanical connections consist of anchorage devices cast into the wall panels and steel sections (plates, angles, bars, etc.) crossing the joint. The strength is usually controlled by the capacity of the

**Figure 6.12.1 Bearing connections**



**Figure 6.12.2 Tie-back connections**

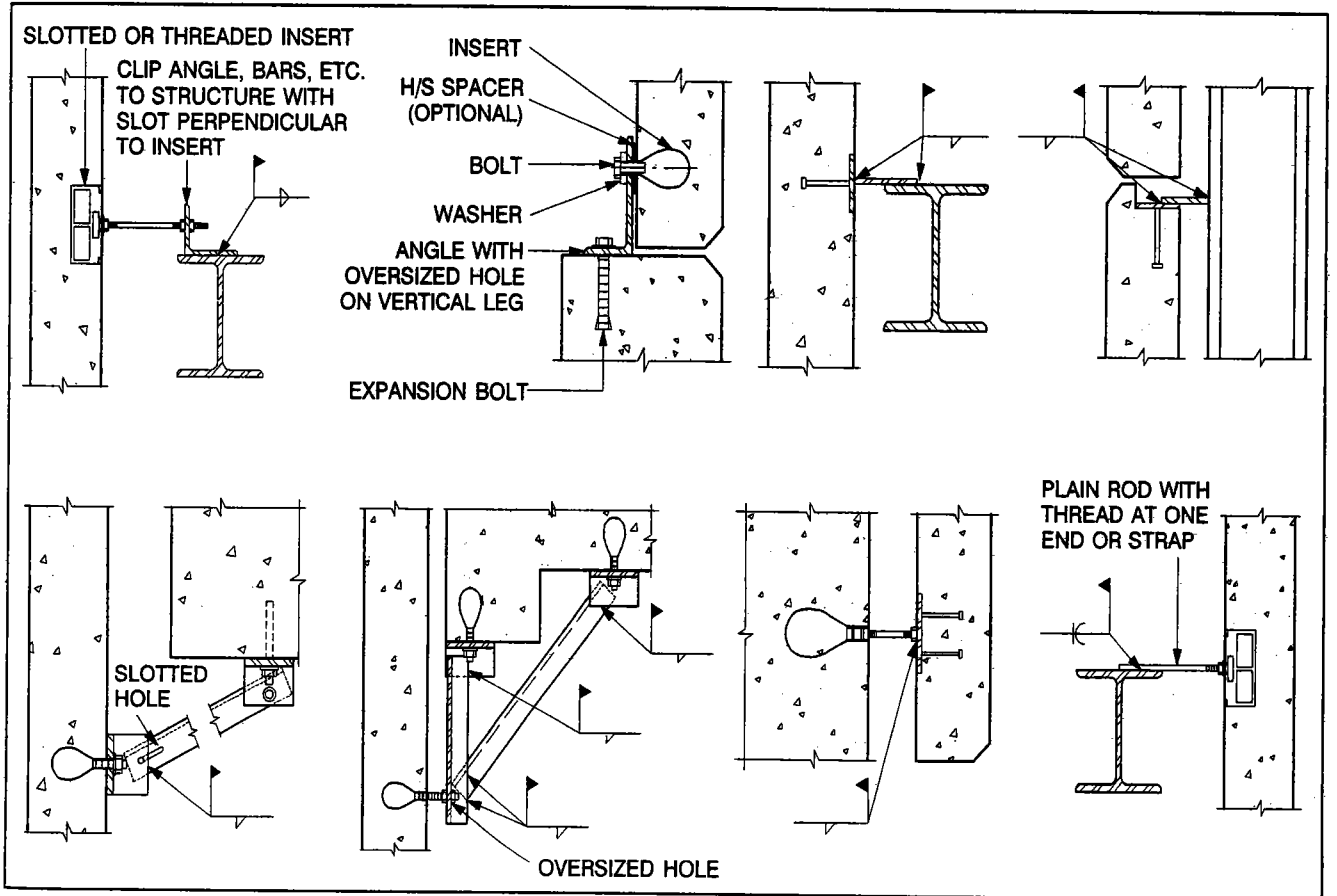


Figure 6.12.3 Alignment connections

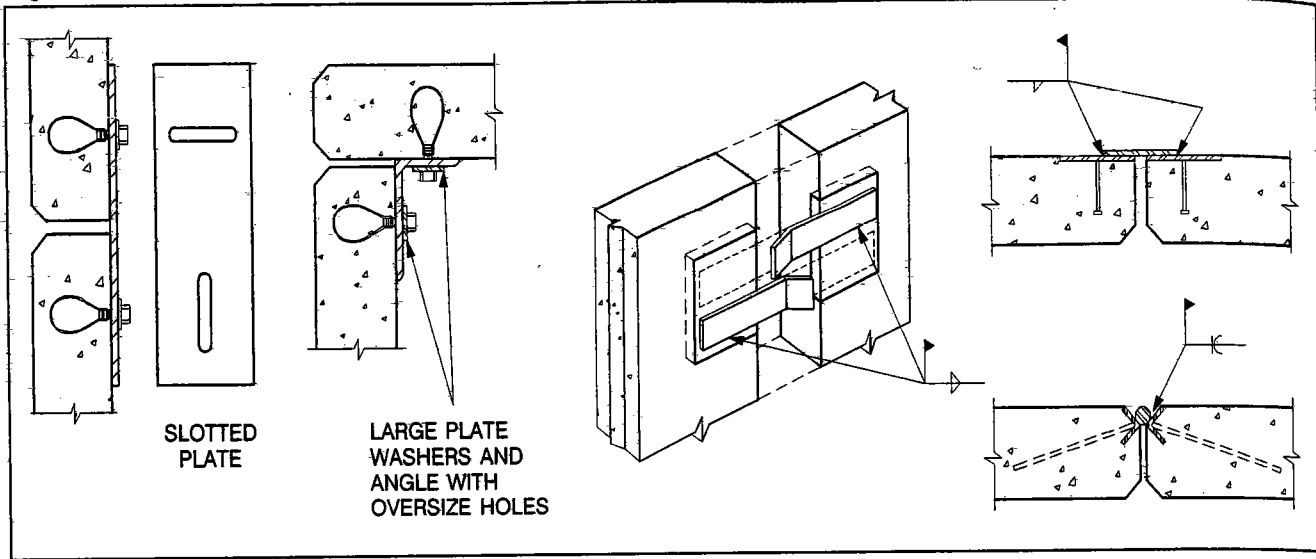
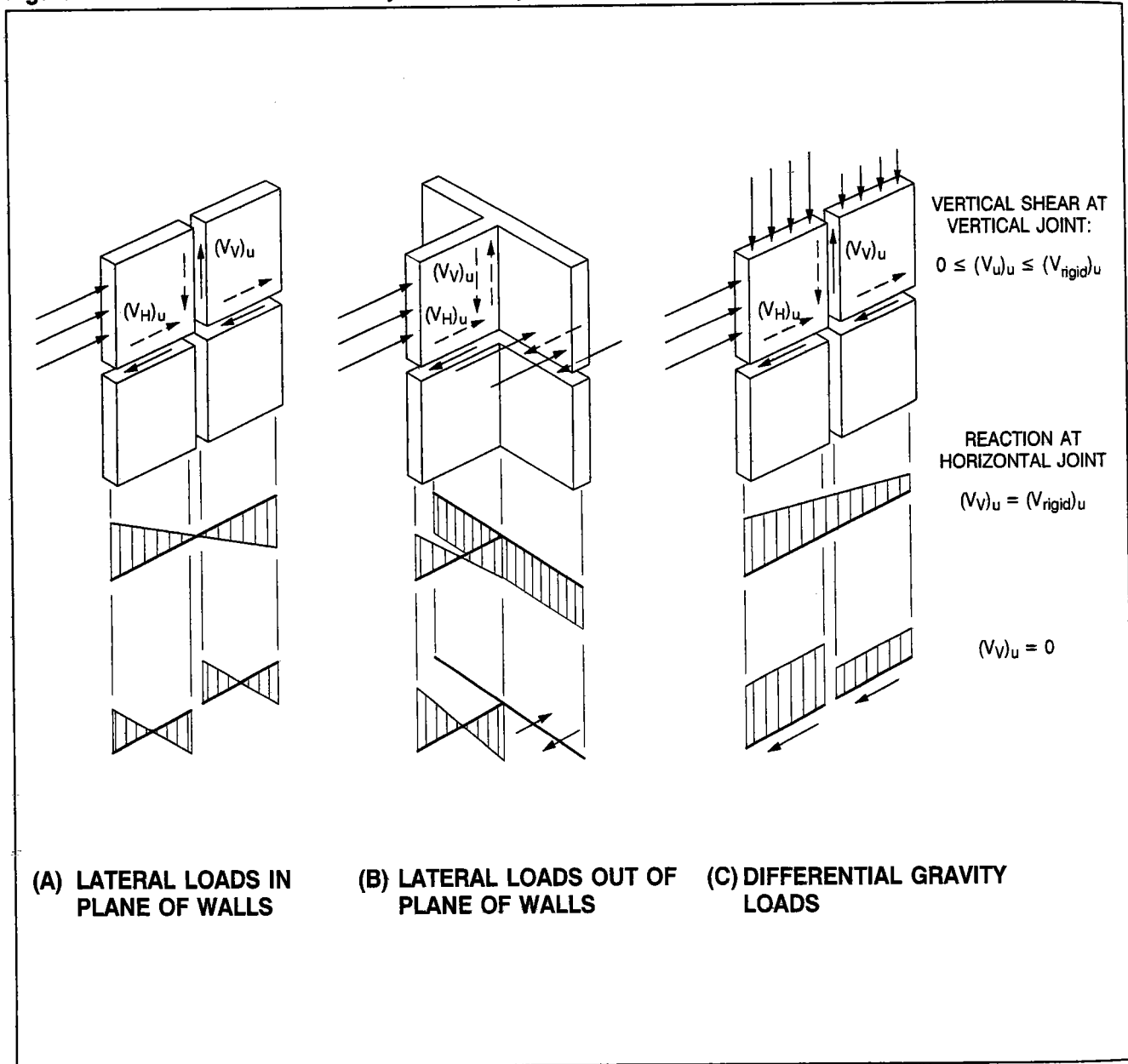


Figure 6.13.1 Exterior forces and joint force systems



cast-in anchorage (Figure 6.13.4); connection of the steel section to the anchorage device can be made by bolting, welding, or grouting.

Tie beam connections at floor levels may act with the mechanical connections. The relative participation in resisting applied forces depends on their force-deformation characteristics. The ultimate capacity is the sum of the strength of the tie beams and the mechanical connections.

Once the connection forces have been established, evaluation of connection strength is made according to strength of materials and the principles developed in other sections of this Handbook.

#### 6.13.1.4 Keyed Joint Connections

Keyed joints can either be reinforced or non-reinforced (Figure 6.13.5). Test results indicate similar deformation behavior, but also show that reinforced joints are stronger. Reinforcement is required in high seismic zones. As shown in Figure 6.13.5, the resistance can be limited by:

- (A) cracking of grout concrete parallel to joint,
- (B) diagonal cracks across joints,
- (C) crushing of key edges or joint concrete at key edges, or
- (D) slippage along contact area.

For (A) the shear-friction concept applies (Sect. 4.3.6). For (B), (C) and (D) the strength of the connection is usually a function of the compressive strength of the grout, the bond strength of the grout to the precast concrete, and the profile of the keys. As shown in Figure 6.13.6, the vertical shear force can be resolved into tension and compression components with  $\phi$  as the apparent friction coefficient and  $\alpha$  the angle of the key.

Depending on the number of keys per floor, the unit forces per key resulting from the vertical shear force  $V_u$  are:

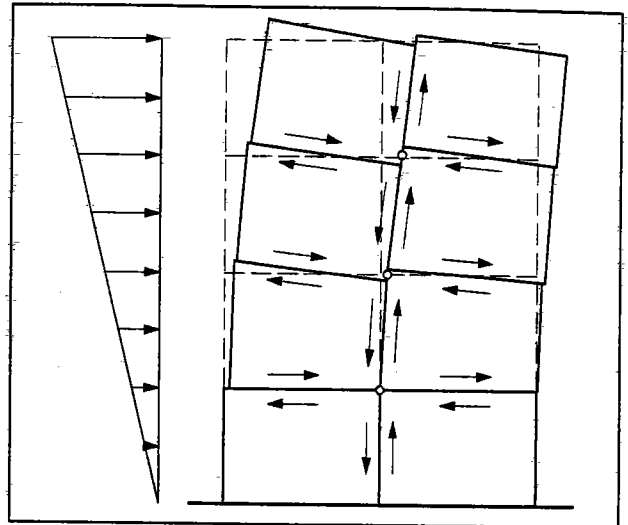
$$J_u = V_u \sin \alpha$$

$$C_u = V_u \cos \alpha$$

The joint force  $J_u$  is resisted by the shear-friction force  $R_u$  developed in the plane of  $J_u$ , with:

$$R_u = C_u \tan \phi$$

Figure 6.13.2 Wall to wall hinge connections at floor levels



Assuming a conservative value of  $\tan \phi = 0.60$ , a sliding along  $J_u$  will not occur if:

$$R_u > J_u$$

which is the case for  $\alpha \leq 30^\circ$ .

For  $\alpha > 30^\circ$  and  $R_u < J_u$ , a tension force  $T_u$  develops which must be absorbed by horizontal reinforcing of the joint. According to Figure 6.13.6:

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta T_u &= \frac{\Delta J_u}{\cos \alpha} = \frac{J_u - R_u}{\cos \alpha} = \frac{V_u(\sin \alpha - \cos \alpha \tan \phi)}{\cos \alpha} \\ &= V_u(\tan \alpha - \tan \phi) \quad (\text{Eq. 6.13.1}) \end{aligned}$$

The sum of the unit tension forces can be absorbed at each floor level by horizontal ties or by uniformly distributed horizontal reinforcing bars protruding from the wall.

Figure 6.13.3 Grooved joint connections

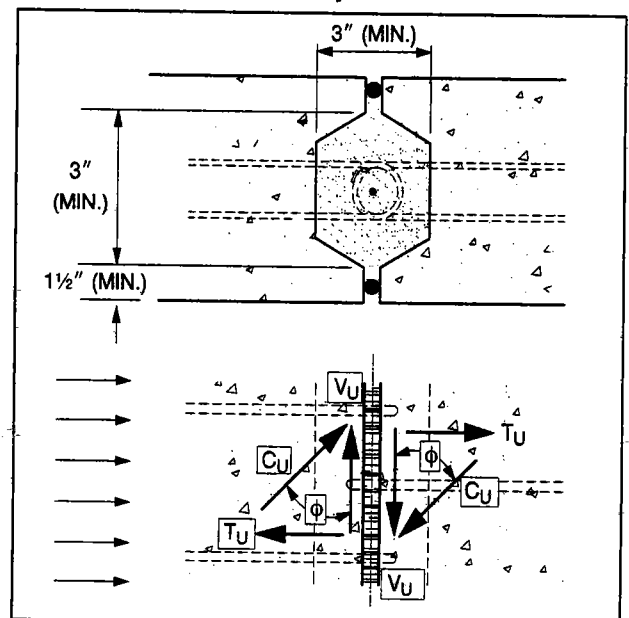


Figure 6.13.4 Mechanical connections

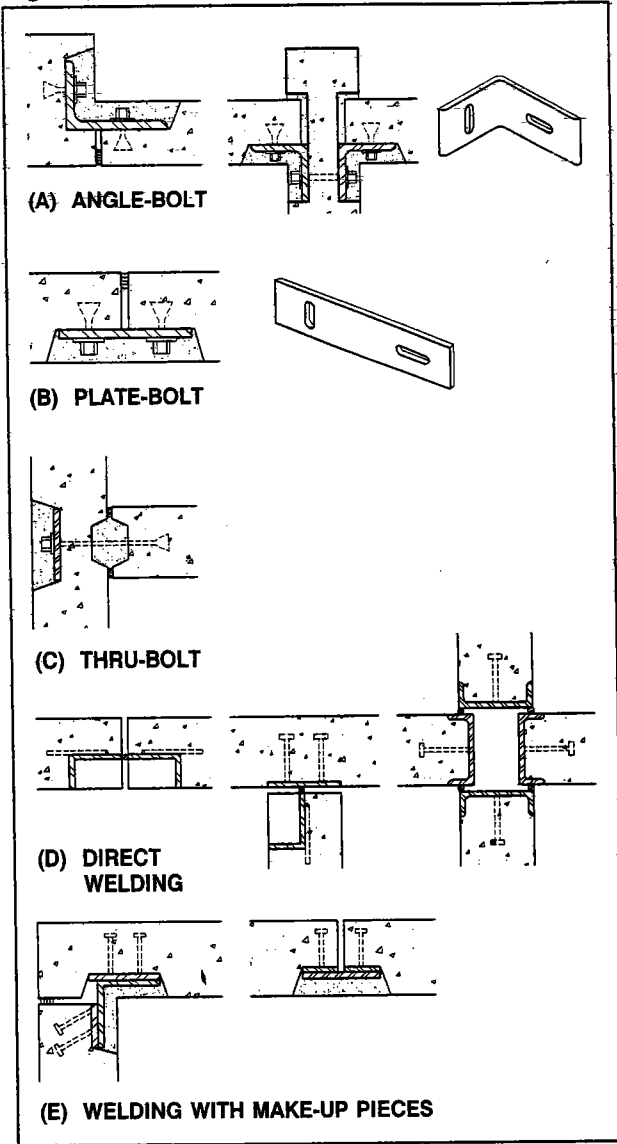
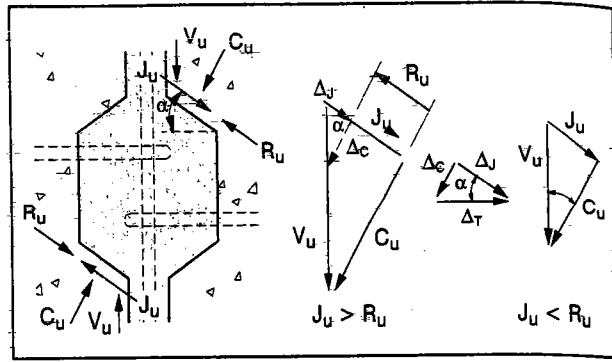


Figure 6.13.6 Keyed joint connection



### 6.13.2 Horizontal Joints

Horizontal joints in load bearing wall construction occur at floor levels and at the transition to foundation or transfer beams. The principal forces to be transferred are vertical and horizontal loads from panels above and from the diaphragm action of floor slabs. The resulting forces are listed below and shown in Figure 6.13.7:

- (a) normal to joint—compression or tension,  $P_{u-1}$ ;
- (b) horizontal to joint—horizontal shear,  $V_{u-H1}$ ;
- (c) vertical to joint at face—vertical shear,  $V_{u-H2}$ ; and
- (d) perpendicular to joint—compression or tension from floor diaphragm,  $T_{u-3}$ .

Because of the limited frame action that can be developed perpendicular to a wall, moment stresses in the joint are normally only of minor importance. A discussion of axial load transfer through horizontal joints is given in Ref. 21.

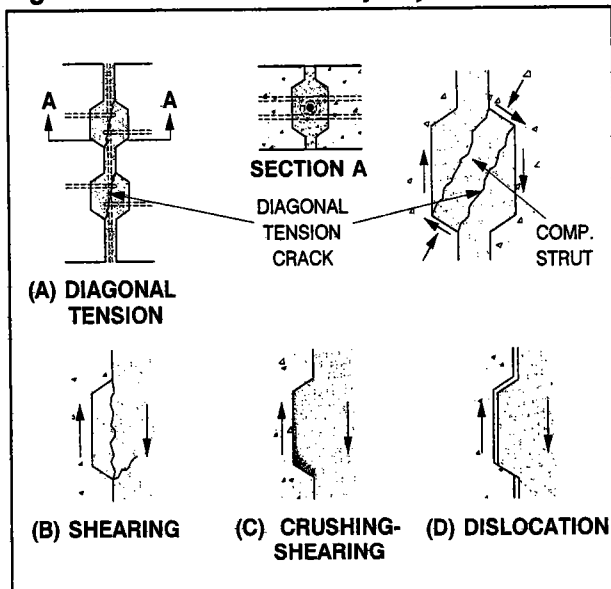
Figure 6.13.8 shows three details typical of multi-story load bearing wall buildings. With hollow core slabs used for floors, the most efficient detail is to build the slab ends into the wall. Depending on the butt joint size, the strength of the joint for transfer of vertical loads can be enhanced with the addition of grout in the butt joint, Figure 6.13.8(b), and in both the joint and cores, Figure 6.13.8(c). Grout fill in the cores increases the net slab width and provides confinement for a grout column.

The strength of the joint for vertical load transfer can be predicted using Eq. 6.13.2 for an ungrouted joint, Figure 6.13.8(A). For a grouted joint, Figure 6.13.8(B) or (C), the greater of Eq. 6.13.2 and Eq. 6.13.3 can be used. Both grouted and ungrouted joints can have slab cores either filled or not filled. Both equations include a capacity reduction term for load eccentric from the centerline of the joint. With single story walls braced at the top and bottom, this eccentricity will be negligible.

$$\phi P_n = \phi 0.85 A_c f'_c R_e \quad (\text{Eq. 6.13.2})$$

$$\phi P_n = \phi t_g \ell_f C R_e / k \quad (\text{Eq. 6.13.3})$$

Figure 6.13.5 Forces in keyed joint



where:

- $P_n$  = nominal strength of the joint
- $A_c$  = effective bearing area of slab in joint =  $2wb_w$
- $w$  = bearing strip width
- $b_w$  = net web width of hollow core slab when cores are not filled  
= unit width as solid slab when cores are filled
- $f'_c$  = design compressive strength of slab concrete or grout, whichever is less.
- $t_g$  = grout column thickness
- $\ell$  = width of slab being considered
- $f_u$  = design compressive strength of wall or grout, whichever is less, when walls are reinforced against splitting and slab cores are filled
- $f_u$  = 80% of design compressive strength of wall or design compressive strength of grout, whichever is less, when walls are not reinforced against splitting or slab cores are not filled
- $C$  = 1.0 when cores are not filled  
=  $1.4 \sqrt{2500/f'_c \text{ (grout)}} \geq 1.0$  when cores are filled
- $k$  =  $0.65 + \frac{(f'_c \text{ (grout)} - 2500)}{50,000}$
- $R_e$  = reduction factor for eccentricity of load  
=  $1 - 2e/h$
- $e$  = eccentricity of applied load measured from joint centerline
- $h$  = wall thickness
- $\phi$  = 0.7

**Example 6.13.1 Design of Grouted Horizontal Joint**

Given:

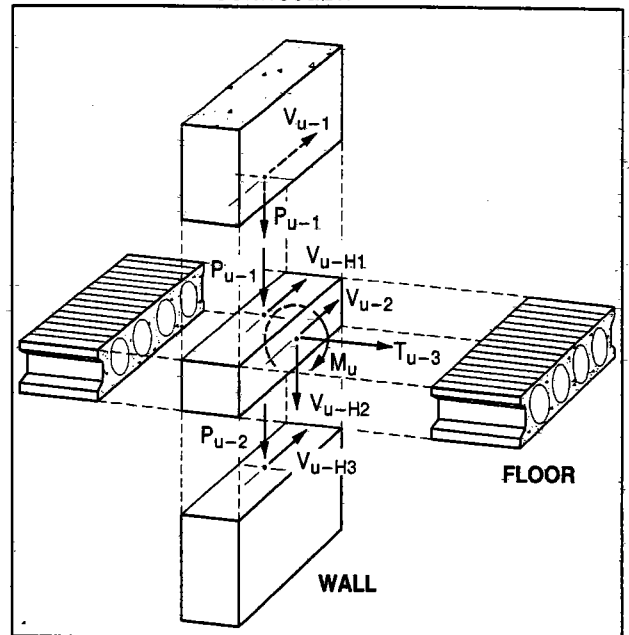
An 18-story bearing wall building has 8 in. precast concrete walls and 8 in. hollow-core floor and roof units. Floor slabs span 28 ft and bear on multimonomer plastic bearing strips.

$f'_c$  (precast concrete) = 5000 psi

Loads:

- Roof: DL = 15 psf; LL = 30 psf
- Floors: DL = 10 psf; LL = 40 psf
- Hollow-core = 60 psf
- Walls = 800 plf/story
- No LL reduction for example

**Figure 6.13.7 Typical interior horizontal connection**



Problem:

Find grouting requirements for interior joint.

Solution:

Loads:

Roof:  $w_u = 28[1.4(60+15) + 1.7(30)]/1000$   
= 4.37 klf

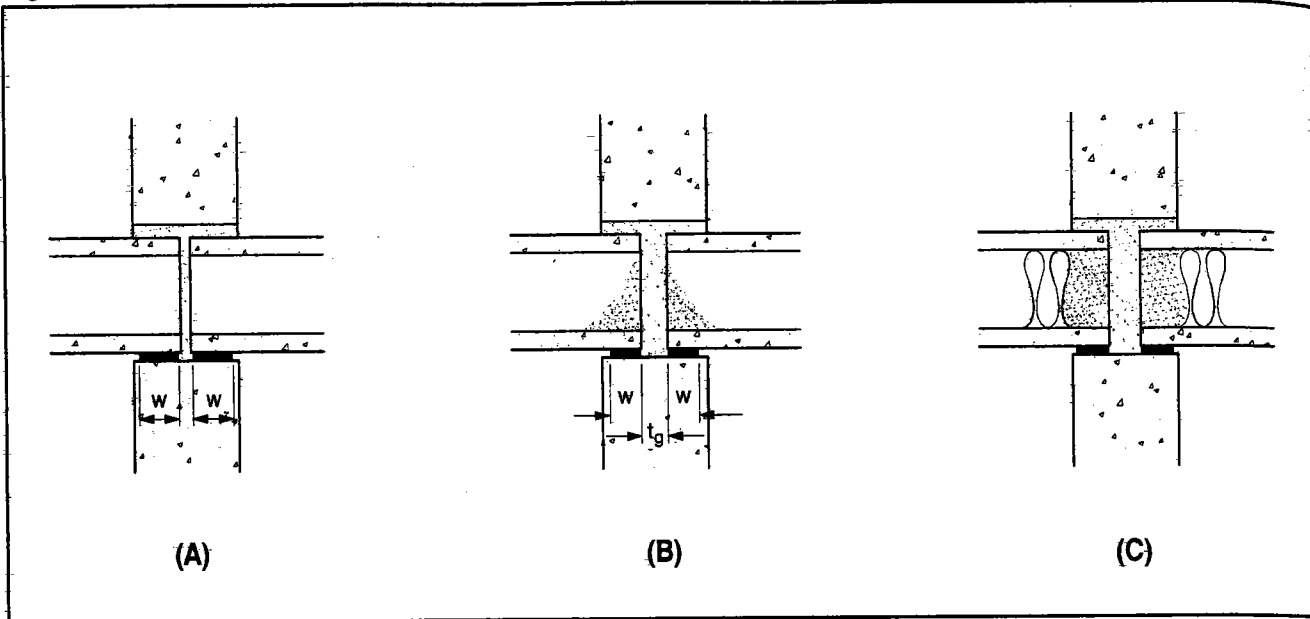
Floors:  $w_u = 28 [1.4 (60+10)+1.7(40)]/1000$   
= 4.65 klf

Walls:  $w_u = 1.4(800)/1000$   
= 1.12 klf/story

Accumulate loads above floor noted:

Floor	$w_u$	$\Sigma w_u$
18	4.37 + 1.12	5.49
17	4.65 + 1.12	11.26
16	5.77	17.03
15	5.77	22.80
14	5.77	28.57
13	5.77	34.34
12	5.77	40.11
11	5.77	45.88
10	5.77	51.65
9	5.77	57.42
8	5.77	63.19
7	5.77	68.96
6	5.77	74.73
5	5.77	80.50
4	5.77	86.27
3	5.77	92.04
2	5.77	97.81

Figure 6.13.8 Typical joints in a bearing-wall building



a) Evaluate strength of ungrouted joint: (Figure 6.13.8(A) Assume the ratio of web width to total width of the slabs = 0.3 and bearing strips width,  $w = 3$  in.

$$\begin{aligned}\phi P_n &= \phi 0.85 A_c f'_c R_e \\ &= 0.7(0.85)(2)(3)(0.3)(12)(5) \left(1 - \frac{2(0)}{8}\right) \\ &= 64.26 \text{ kip/ft}\end{aligned}$$

Adequate for floors 8 through roof.

b) Evaluate strength of grouted joint using 3000 psi grout for:

1. 2 in. butt joint with no filled cores

$$\begin{aligned}\phi P_n &= \phi 0.85 A_c f'_c R_e \\ &= 0.7(0.85)(2)(3)(0.3)(12)(5) \left(1 - \frac{2(0)}{8}\right) \\ &= 64.26 \text{ kip/ft}\end{aligned}$$

or  $\phi P_n = \phi t_g \ell f_u C R_e / k$

$$f_u = 3000 \text{ psi}$$

$$C = 1.0$$

$$k = 0.65 + (3000 - 2500)/50,000 = 0.66$$

$$\phi P_n = \frac{0.7(2)(12)(3)(1.0) \left(1 - \frac{2(0)}{8}\right)}{0.66}$$

$$= 76.4 \text{ k/ft} > 64.3$$

Therefore  $\phi P_n = 76.4$  kip/ft

2. ½ in. butt joint with cores filled

$$\begin{aligned}\phi P_n &= \phi 0.85 A_c f'_c R_e \\ &= 0.7(0.85)(2)(3)(12)(3) \left(1 - \frac{2(0)}{8}\right) \\ &= 129 \text{ kip/ft}\end{aligned}$$

or  $\phi P_n = \phi t_g \ell f_u C R_e / k$

$$f_u = 3000 \text{ psi}$$

$$C = 1.4 \sqrt{2500/3000} = 1.28$$

$$k = 0.66$$

$$\phi P_n = \frac{0.7(0.5)(12)(3)(1.28) \left(1 - \frac{2(0)}{8}\right)}{0.66}$$

$$= 24.4 \text{ kip/ft} < 129$$

Therefore  $\phi P_n = 129$  kip/ft

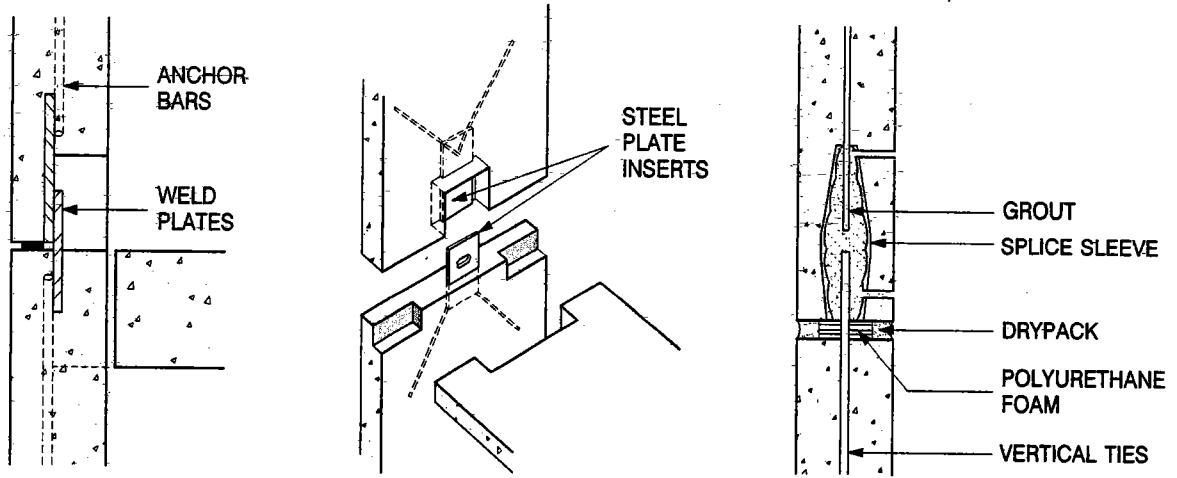
Use ½ in. butt joint with cores filled below 8th floor.

Typical examples of connections through horizontal joints are shown in Figure 6.13.9. Since forces are concentrated at a few points, they must be redistributed into the panels above and below. Connections should have more ductility and strength than the vertical tie fastened to it.

To satisfy structural integrity requirements, minimum tensile ties should be provided at the joints to resist the forces given in Sect. 3.10.

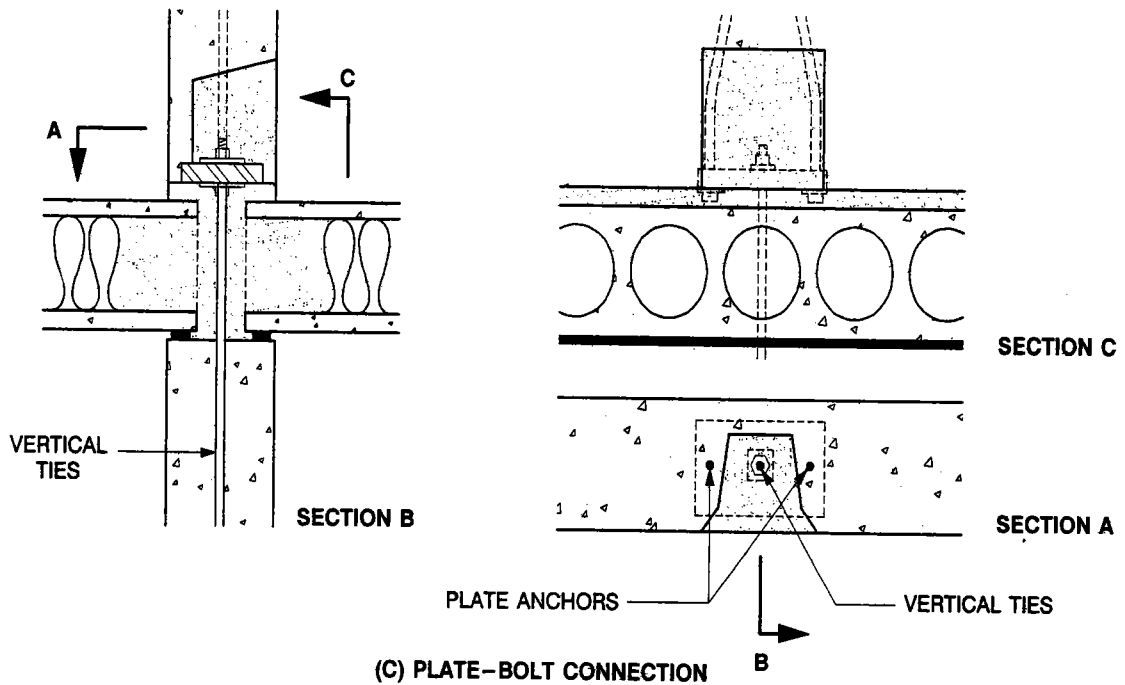


Figure 6.13.9 Connections through horizontal joints

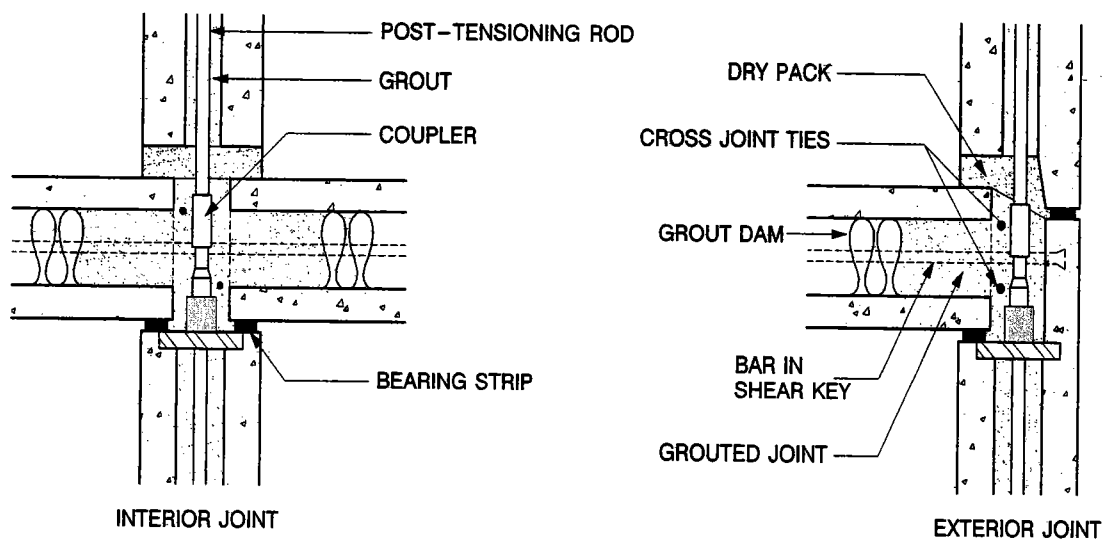


(A) WELD PLATES

(B) GROUTED SPLICE SLEEVE

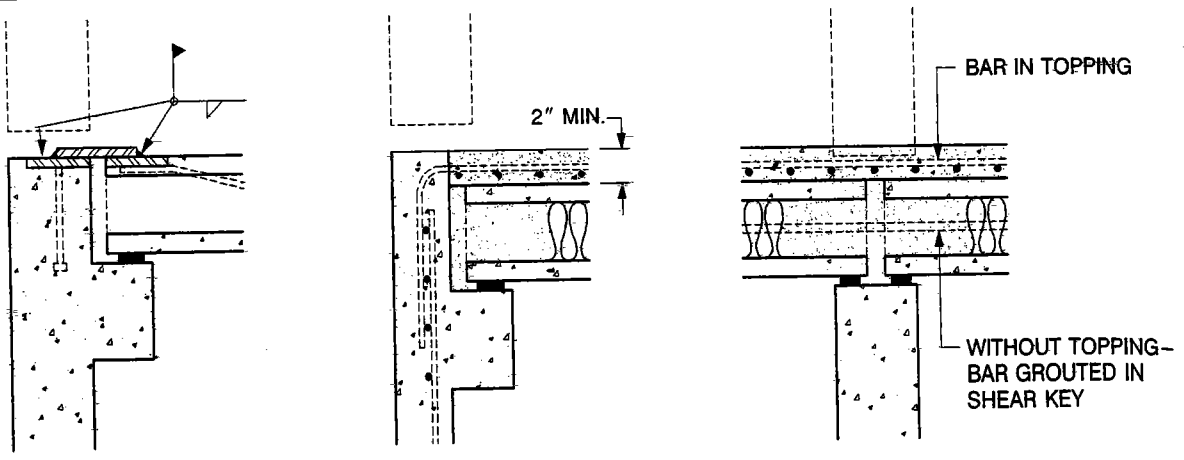


(C) PLATE-BOLT CONNECTION

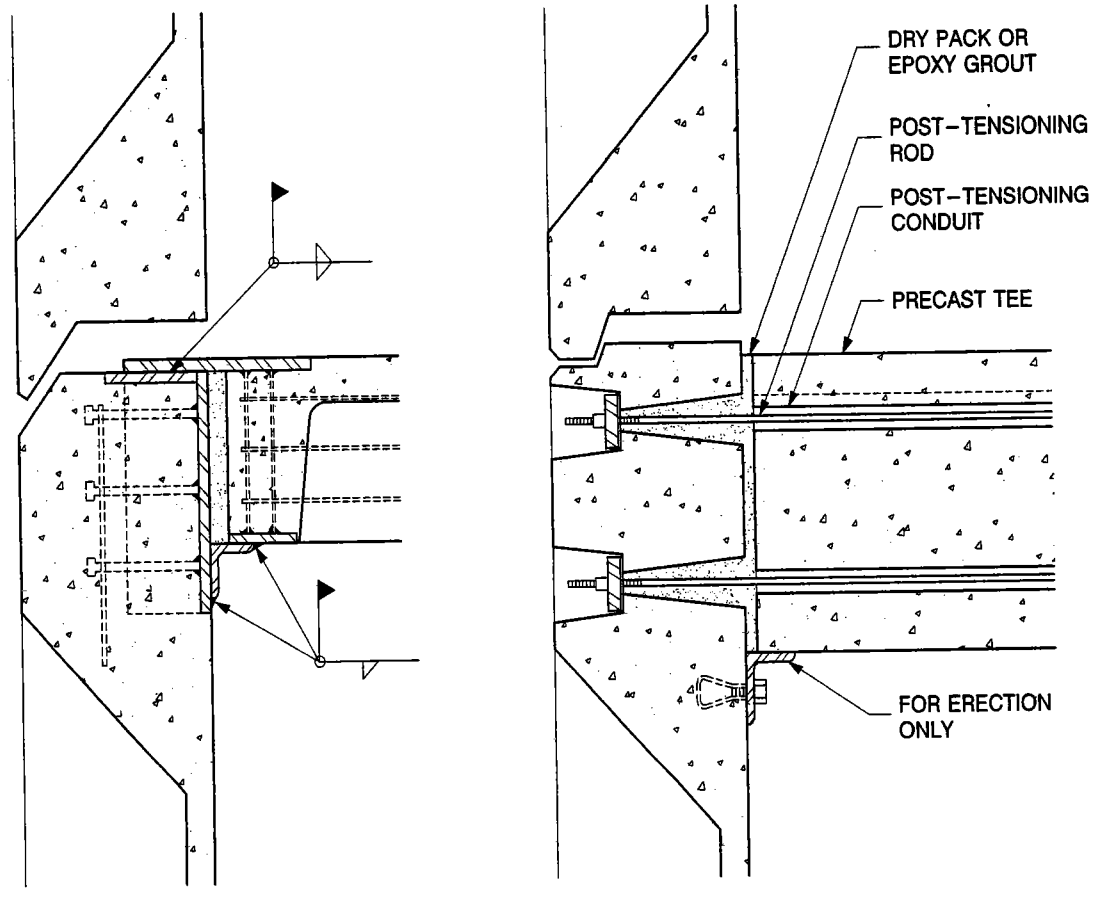
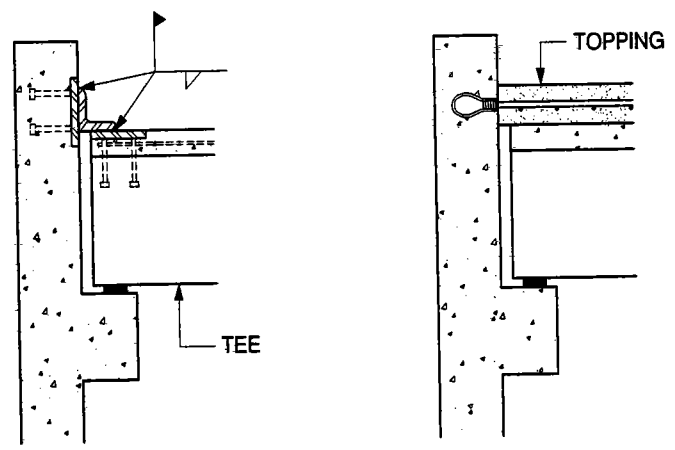


(D) POST-TENSIONED CONNECTION

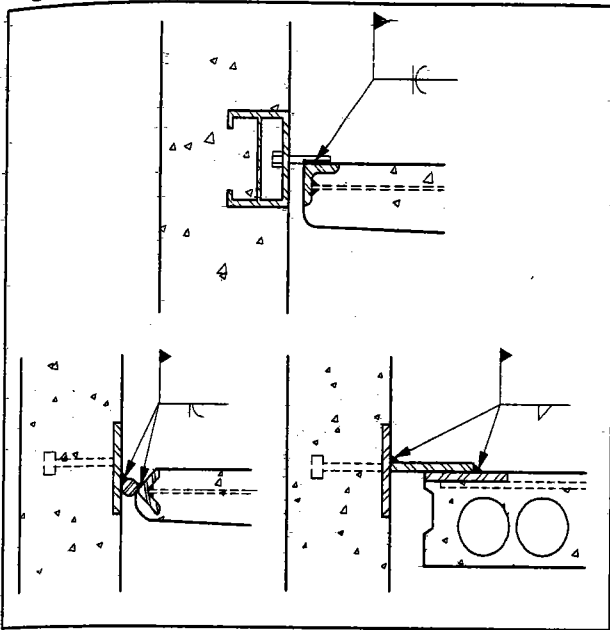
Figure 6.13.10 Floor to bearing wall connections



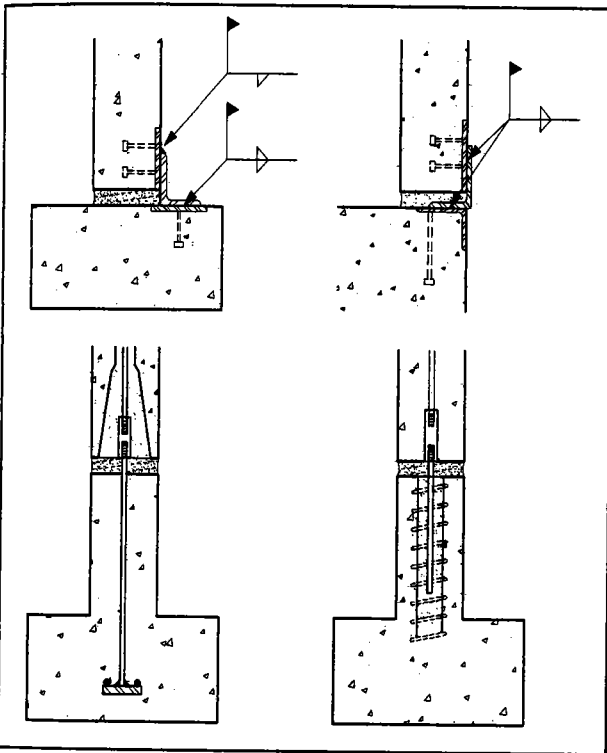
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**Figure 6.13.11 Floor to shear wall connections**



**Figure 6.13.12 Wall to foundation connections**



### 6.13.3 Typical Details

A few typical floor to wall and wall to foundation details are shown in Figures 6.13.10 through 6.13.12. For additional details, see Ref. 2.

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## 6.15 DESIGN AIDS

**Figure 6.15.1 Allowable and design stress for fillet and partial penetration welds<sup>a</sup>**

Electrode	Allowable <sup>b</sup> working stress (ksi)	Design <sup>c</sup> strength (ksi)
E60	18	27
E70	21	31.5
E80 <sup>d</sup>	24	36
E90 <sup>d</sup>	27	40.5
E100 <sup>d</sup>	30	45

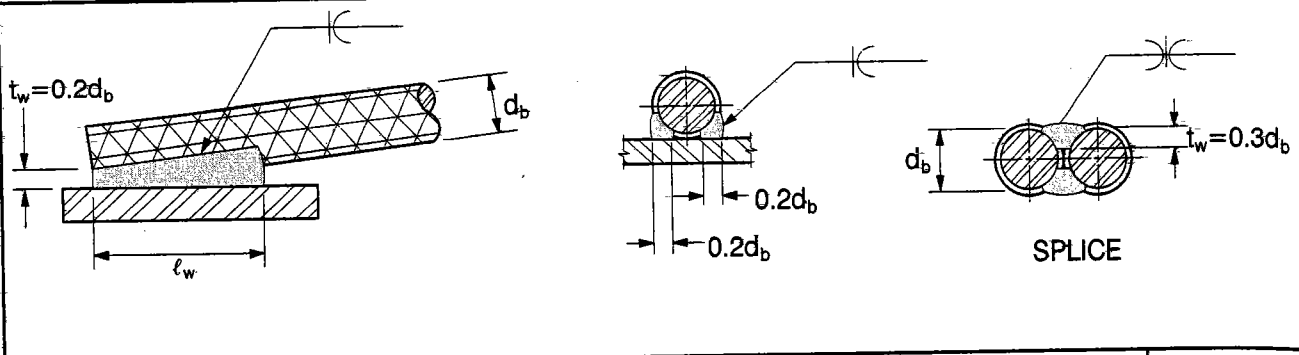
- a. For partial penetration welds loaded in shear parallel to the axis of the weld.
- b. Based on AISC Allowable Stress Design Manual of Steel Construction [11].
- c. Based on AISC Load and Resistance Factor Design Manual of Steel Construction [12]. Includes  $\phi = 0.75$
- d. Check yield strength of base metal for compatibility with selected electrode.

**Figure 6.15.2 Strength of fillet welds for building construction**

Fillet <sup>a</sup> weld size	E60 Electrode		E70 Electrode	
	Allowable stress design (k/in.)	Design <sup>b</sup> strength (k/in.)	Allowable stress design (k/in.)	Design <sup>b</sup> strength (k/in.)
1/8	1.59	2.39	1.86	2.78
3/16	2.39	3.58	2.78	4.18
1/4	3.18	4.77	3.71	5.57
5/16	3.98	5.96	4.64	6.96
3/8	4.77	7.16	5.57	8.35
7/16	5.57	8.35	6.50	9.74
1/2	6.36	9.54	7.42	11.14
9/16	7.16	10.74	8.35	12.53
5/8	7.95	11.93	9.28	13.92

- a. Assumes 45° fillet.
- b. Based on AISC Load and Resistance Factor Design Manual of Steel Construction [13]. Includes  $\phi = 0.75$

**Figure 6.15.3 Minimum length of weld to develop full strength of bar. Weld parallel to bar length**



Electrode	Plate thickness in. Bar size	Minimum length of weld, in. <sup>a</sup>					Min. splice length,
		1/4	5/16	3/8	7/16	1/2	
E70	3	1½	1½	1½	1½	1½	1
	4	2	2	2	2	2	1½
	5	2½	2½	2½	2½	2½	1¾
	6	3	3	3	3	3	2
	7	3¼	3¼	3¼	3¼	3¼	2¼
	8	3¾	3¾	3¾	3¾	3¾	2½
	9	4¾	4¾	4¾	4¾	4¾	3
E80	10	6	4¾	4¾	4¾	4¾	3¼
	11	7¼	5¾	5¼	5¼	5¼	3½
	3	1¼	1¼	1¼	1¼	1¼	1
	4	1¾	1¾	1¾	1¾	1¾	1¼
	5	2¼	2¼	2¾	2½	2½	1½
	6	2½	2½	2½	2½	2½	1¾
	7	3	3	3	3	3	2
E90	8	3½	3½	3½	3½	3½	2¼
	9	4¾	3¾	3¾	3¾	3¾	2½
	10	6	4¾	4¼	4¼	4¼	3
	11	7½	5¾	5¾	4¾	4¾	3¾
	3	1¼	1¼	1¼	1¼	1¼	1
	4	1½	1½	1½	1½	1½	1
	5	2	2	2	2	2	1¼
E90	6	2¼	2¼	2¼	2¼	2¼	1½
	7	3	2¾	2¾	2¾	2¾	1¾
	8	3¾	3	5	5	5	2
	9	4¾	3¾	3½	3½	3½	2¼
	10	6	4¾	4	3¾	3¾	2½
	11	7¼	5¾	5	4¼	4¼	2¾

a. Lengths below heavy line are governed by plate shear. Lengths above heavy line are governed by weld strength.  
Basis: bar  $f_y = 60$  ksi; plate  $F_y = 36$  ksi; shear on net section limited to  $0.75(0.6)(58)$  ksi.

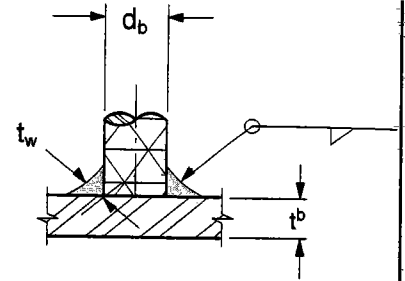
**Figure 6.15.4 Size of fillet weld required to develop full strength of bar**

BAR PERPENDICULAR  
TO PLATE, WELDED  
ONE SIDE

$$l_w = \pi \left( d_b + \frac{\text{WELD SIZE}}{2} \right)$$

PLATE  $F_y = 36$  ksi

$$\text{PLATE AREA} = \pi(d_b + 2 \times \text{WELD SIZE})$$



**Grade 40 Bar**

Bar Size	E70 Electrode		E80 Electrode <sup>c</sup>		E90 Electrode <sup>c</sup>	
	Nominal weld size <sup>a</sup> (in.)	Min. plate thickness <sup>b</sup> (in.)	Nominal weld size <sup>a</sup> (in.)	Min. plate thickness <sup>b</sup> (in.)	Nominal weld size <sup>a</sup> (in.)	Min. plate thickness <sup>b</sup> (in.)
3	3/16	1/4	3/16	1/4	3/16	1/4
4	1/4	1/4	3/16	1/4	3/16	1/4
5	1/4	1/4	1/4	1/4	1/4	1/4
6	5/16	1/4	5/16	1/4	1/4	1/4
7	3/8	1/4	5/16	1/4	5/16	1/4
8	7/16	1/4	3/8	1/4	5/16	1/4
9	7/16	1/4	7/16	1/4	3/8	1/4
10	1/2	5/16	7/16	5/16	7/16	5/16
11	9/16	5/16	1/2	3/8	7/16	3/8

**Grade 60 Bar**

3	1/4	1/4	3/16	1/4	3/16	1/4
4	5/16	1/4	1/4	1/4	1/4	1/4
5	3/8	1/4	5/16	1/4	5/16	1/4
6	7/16	1/4	3/8	1/4	3/8	1/4
7	1/2	1/4	7/16	5/16	7/16	5/16
8	9/16	5/16	1/2	5/16	7/16	5/16
9	5/8	5/16	9/16	3/8	1/2	3/8
10	11/16	3/8	5/8	3/8	9/16	7/16
11	3/4	7/16	11/16	7/16	5/8	7/16

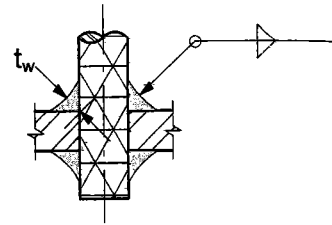
- a. A minimum of 3/16 in. weld size is suggested.
- b. Theoretical thickness for shear stress on base metal = 0.75(0.6)(58) ksi. A more practical thickness might be taken as 1/2 d<sub>b</sub> as used with headed studs. A minimum of 1/4 in. plate thickness is suggested.
- c. Check yield strength of base metal for compatibility with selected electrode.

Figure 6.15.5 Size of fillet weld required to develop full strength of bar

**BAR PERPENDICULAR TO PLATE,  
WELDED BOTH SIDES**

PLATE  $F_y = 36$  ksi

SEE FIG. 6.15.4 FOR OTHER INFORMATION



**Grade 40 Bar**

Bar Size	E70 Electrode		E80 Electrode <sup>c</sup>		E90 Electrode <sup>c</sup>	
	Nominal weld size <sup>a</sup> (in.)	Min. plate thickness <sup>b</sup> (in.)	Nominal weld size <sup>a</sup> (in.)	Min. plate thickness <sup>b</sup> (in.)	Nominal weld size <sup>a</sup> (in.)	Min. plate thickness <sup>b</sup> (in.)
3	3/16	1/4	3/16	1/4	3/16	1/4
4	3/16	1/4	3/16	1/4	3/16	1/4
5	3/16	1/4	3/16	1/4	3/16	1/4
6	3/16	1/4	3/16	1/4	3/16	1/4
7	3/16	1/4	3/16	1/4	3/16	1/4
8	1/4	5/16	3/16	5/16	3/16	5/16
9	1/4	5/16	1/4	5/16	3/16	3/8
10	5/16	3/8	1/4	3/8	1/4	3/8
11	5/16	7/16	5/16	3/8	1/4	7/16

**Grade 60 Bar**

3	3/16	1/4	3/16	1/4	3/16	1/4
4	3/16	1/4	3/16	1/4	3/16	1/4
5	3/16	1/4	3/16	1/4	3/16	1/4
6	1/4	5/16	1/4	5/16	3/16	5/16
7	5/16	5/16	1/4	3/8	1/4	3/8
8	5/16	3/8	5/16	3/8	1/4	7/16
9	3/8	7/16	5/16	7/16	5/16	7/16
10	3/8	1/2	3/8	1/2	5/16	1/2
11	7/16	1/2	3/8	9/16	3/8	9/16

a. A minimum of 3/16 in. weld size is suggested.

b. Theoretical thickness for shear stress on base metal =  $0.75(0.6)(58)$  ksi. A more practical thickness might be taken as  $1/2d_b$ , as used with headed studs. A minimum of 1/4 in. plate thickness is suggested.

c. Check yield strength of base metal for compatibility with selected electrode.



Figure 6-15.6 Dimensions and design tensile strength of welded headed studs (see Fig. 6.5.3)

Dimensions of headed studs													
Stud diameter, $d_b$ , in.		1/4	3/8	1/2	5/8	3/4	7/8						
Head diameter, $d_h$ , in.		1/2	3/4	1	1 1/4	1 1/4	1 3/8						
Head thickness, $t_h$ , in.		3/16	9/32	5/16	5/16	3/8	3/8						
Design tensile strength limited by concrete strength $\phi P_c$ (kips)—Eqs. 6.5.3 and 6.5.4													
Edge dist. $d_e^c$ (in.)	Stud length <sup>d</sup> (in.)	Normal weight concrete <sup>b</sup> ( $l=1.0$ )						Sand-lightweight concrete <sup>b</sup> ( $l=0.85$ )					
		Diameter, $d_b$ , in.						Diameter, $d_b$ , in.					
		1/4	3/8	1/2	5/8	3/4( <sup>f</sup> )	7/8( <sup>f</sup> )	1/4	3/8	1/2	5/8	3/4( <sup>f</sup> )	7/8( <sup>f</sup> )
2	3.0	5.0	5.2	5.5	5.9	5.8	6.0	4.2	4.4	4.7	5.0	4.9	5.1
	4.0	6.4	6.7	7.0	7.4	7.3	7.5	5.5	5.7	6.0	6.3	6.2	6.4
	5.0	7.9	8.2	8.5	8.9	8.8	9.0	6.8	7.0	7.2	7.5	7.5	7.6
	6.0	9.4	9.7	10.0	10.4	10.3	10.5	8.0	8.2	8.5	8.8	8.7	8.9
	7.0	10.9	11.2	11.5	11.9	11.8	12.0	9.3	9.5	9.8	10.1	10.0	10.2
3	3.0	7.0	7.1	7.4	7.9	7.6	7.9	5.9	6.0	6.3	6.7	6.5	6.7
	4.0	9.7	10.0	10.5	11.1	10.9	11.2	8.2	8.5	8.9	9.4	9.3	9.5
	5.0	11.9	12.3	12.8	13.3	13.2	13.5	10.1	10.4	10.8	11.3	11.2	11.4
	6.0	14.2	14.5	15.0	15.6	15.4	15.7	12.0	12.3	12.8	13.2	13.1	13.3
	7.0	16.4	16.8	17.2	17.8	17.7	17.9	13.9	14.2	14.7	15.1	15.0	15.3
4	3.0	7.0	7.1	7.4	7.9	7.6	7.9	5.9	6.0	6.3	6.7	6.5	6.7
	4.0	12.3	12.4	12.9	13.6	13.2	13.6	10.5	10.6	11.0	11.6	11.2	11.5
	5.0	15.9	16.4	17.0	17.8	17.6	17.9	13.5	13.9	14.5	15.1	14.9	15.3
	6.0	18.9	19.3	20.0	20.8	20.6	20.9	16.0	16.4	17.0	17.6	17.5	17.8
	7.0	21.9	22.3	23.0	23.7	23.8	23.9	18.6	19.0	19.5	20.2	20.0	20.3
5	3.0	7.0	7.1	7.4	7.9	7.6	7.9	5.9	6.0	6.3	6.7	6.5	6.7
	4.0	12.3	12.4	12.9	13.6	13.2	13.6	10.5	10.6	11.0	11.6	11.2	11.5
	5.0	19.1	19.3	19.9	20.8	20.3	20.7	16.3	16.4	16.9	17.7	17.3	17.6
	6.0	23.6	24.2	25.0	25.9	25.7	26.2	20.1	20.6	21.3	22.0	21.8	22.2
	7.0	27.3	27.9	28.7	29.7	29.4	29.9	23.2	23.7	24.4	25.2	25.0	25.4
6	3.0	7.0	7.1	7.4	7.9	7.6	7.9	5.9	6.0	6.3	6.7	6.5	6.7
	4.0	12.3	12.4	12.9	13.6	13.2	13.6	10.5	10.6	11.0	11.6	11.2	11.5
	5.0	19.1	19.3	19.9	20.8	20.3	20.7	16.3	16.4	16.9	17.7	17.3	17.6
	6.0	27.4	27.7	28.4	29.5	28.9	29.4	23.3	23.5	24.2	25.1	24.6	25.0
	7.0	32.8	33.5	34.5	35.6	35.3	35.9	27.9	28.5	29.3	30.3	30.0	30.5
7	3.0	7.0	7.1	7.4	7.9	7.6	7.9	5.9	6.0	6.3	6.7	6.5	6.7
	4.0	12.3	12.4	12.9	13.6	13.2	13.6	10.5	10.6	11.0	11.6	11.2	11.5
	5.0	19.1	19.3	19.9	20.8	20.3	20.7	16.3	16.4	16.9	17.7	17.3	17.6
	6.0	27.4	27.7	28.4	29.5	28.9	29.4	23.3	23.5	24.2	25.1	24.6	25.0
	7.0	37.3	37.5	38.4	39.7	39.0	39.6	31.7	31.9	32.7	33.7	33.2	33.7
8	3.0	7.0	7.1	7.4	7.9	7.6	7.9	5.9	6.0	6.3	6.7	6.5	6.7
	4.0	12.3	12.4	12.9	13.6	13.2	13.6	10.5	10.6	11.0	11.6	11.2	11.5
	5.0	19.1	19.3	19.9	20.8	20.3	20.7	16.3	16.4	16.9	17.7	17.3	17.6
	6.0	27.4	27.7	28.4	29.5	28.9	29.4	23.3	23.5	24.2	25.1	24.6	25.0
	7.0	37.3	37.5	38.4	39.7	39.0	39.6	31.7	31.9	32.7	33.7	33.2	33.7
8	3.0	7.0	7.1	7.4	7.9	7.6	7.9	5.9	6.0	6.3	6.7	6.5	6.7
	4.0	12.3	12.4	12.9	13.6	13.2	13.6	10.5	10.6	11.0	11.6	11.2	11.5
	5.0	19.1	19.3	19.9	20.8	20.3	20.7	16.3	16.4	16.9	17.7	17.3	17.6
	6.0	27.4	27.7	28.4	29.5	28.9	29.4	23.3	23.5	24.2	25.1	24.6	25.0
	7.0	37.3	37.5	38.4	39.7	39.0	39.6	31.7	31.9	32.7	33.7	33.2	33.7
8	3.0	7.0	7.1	7.4	7.9	7.6	7.9	5.9	6.0	6.3	6.7	6.5	6.7
	4.0	12.3	12.4	12.9	13.6	13.2	13.6	10.5	10.6	11.0	11.6	11.2	11.5
	5.0	19.1	19.3	19.9	20.8	20.3	20.7	16.3	16.4	16.9	17.7	17.3	17.6
	6.0	27.4	27.7	28.4	29.5	28.9	29.4	23.3	23.5	24.2	25.1	24.6	25.0
	7.0	37.3	37.5	38.4	39.7	39.0	39.6	31.7	31.9	32.7	33.7	33.2	33.7
8	3.0	7.0	7.1	7.4	7.9	7.6	7.9	5.9	6.0	6.3	6.7	6.5	6.7
	4.0	12.3	12.4	12.9	13.6	13.2	13.6	10.5	10.6	11.0	11.6	11.2	11.5
	5.0	19.1	19.3	19.9	20.8	20.3	20.7	16.3	16.4	16.9	17.7	17.3	17.6
	6.0	27.4	27.7	28.4	29.5	28.9	29.4	23.3	23.5	24.2	25.1	24.6	25.0
	7.0	37.3	37.5	38.4	39.7	39.0	39.6	31.7	31.9	32.7	33.7	33.2	33.7
8	3.0	7.0	7.1	7.4	7.9	7.6	7.9	5.9	6.0	6.3	6.7	6.5	6.7
	4.0	12.3	12.4	12.9	13.6	13.2	13.6	10.5	10.6	11.0	11.6	11.2	11.5
	5.0	19.1	19.3	19.9	20.8	20.3	20.7	16.3	16.4	16.9	17.7	17.3	17.6
	6.0	27.4	27.7	28.4	29.5	28.9	29.4	23.3	23.5	24.2	25.1	24.6	25.0
	7.0	37.3	37.5	38.4	39.7	39.0	39.6	31.7	31.9	32.7	33.7	33.2	33.7
8	3.0	7.0	7.1	7.4	7.9	7.6	7.9	5.9	6.0	6.3	6.7	6.5	6.7
	4.0	12.3	12.4	12.9	13.6	13.2	13.6	10.5	10.6	11.0	11.6	11.2	11.5
	5.0	19.1	19.3	19.9	20.8	20.3	20.7	16.3	16.4	16.9	17.7	17.3	17.6
	6.0	27.4	27.7	28.4	29.5	28.9	29.4	23.3	23.5	24.2	25.1	24.6	25.0
	7.0	37.3	37.5	38.4	39.7	39.0	39.6	31.7	31.9	32.7	33.7	33.2	33.7
8	3.0	7.0	7.1	7.4	7.9	7.6	7.9	5.9	6.0	6.3	6.7	6.5	6.7
	4.0	12.3	12.4	12.9	13.6	13.2	13.6	10.5	10.6	11.0	11.6	11.2	11.5
	5.0	19.1	19.3	19.9	20.8	20.3	20.7	16.3	16.4	16.9	17.7	17.3	17.6
	6.0	27.4	27.7	28.4	29.5	28.9	29.4	23.3	23.5	24.2	25.1	24.6	25.0
	7.0	37.3	37.5	38.4	39.7	39.0	39.6	31.7	31.9	32.7	33.7	33.2	33.7
8	3.0	7.0	7.1	7.4	7.9	7.6	7.9	5.9	6.0	6.3	6.7	6.5	6.7
	4.0	12.3	12.4	12.9	13.6	13.2	13.6	10.5	10.6	11.0	11.6	11.2	11.5
	5.0	19.1	19.3	19.9	20.8	20.3	20.7	16.3	16.4	16.9	17.7	17.3	17.6
	6.0	27.4	27.7	28.4	29.5	28.9	29.4	23.3	23.5	24.2	25.1	24.6	25.0
	7.0	37.3	37.5	38.4	39.7	39.0	39.6	31.7	31.9	32.7	33.7	33.2	33.7
8	3.0	7.0	7.1	7.4	7.9	7.6	7.9	5.9	6.0	6.3	6.7	6.5	6.7
	4.0	12.3	12.4	12.9	13.6	13.2	13.6	10.5	10.6	11.0	11.6	11.2	11.5
	5.0	19.1	19.3	19.9	20.8	20.3	20.7	16.3	16.4	16.9	17.7	17.3	17.6
	6.0	27.4	27.7	28.4	29.5	28.9	29.4	23.3	23.5	24.2	25.1	24.6	25.0
	7.0	37.3	37.5	38.4	39.7	39.0	39.6	31.7	31.9	32.7	33.7	33.2	33.7
8	3.0	7.0	7.1	7.4	7.9	7.6	7.9	5.9	6.0	6.3	6.7	6.5	6.7
	4.0	12.3	12.4	12.9	13.6	13.2	13.6	10.5	10.6	11.0	11.6	11.2	11.5
	5.0	19.1	19.3	19.9	20.8	20.3	20.7	16.3	16.4	16.9	17.7	17.3	17.6
	6.0	27.4	27.7	28.4	29.5	28.9	29.4	23.3	23.5	24.2	25.1	24.6	25.0
	7.0	37.3	37.5	38.4	39.7	39.0	39.6	31.7	31.9	32.7	33.7	33.2	33.7
8	3.0	7.0	7.1	7.4	7.9	7.6	7.9	5.9	6.0	6.3	6.7	6.5	6.7
	4.0	12.3	12.4	12.9	13.6	13.2	13.6	10.5	10.6	11.0	11.6	11.2	11.5
	5.0	19.1	19.3	19.9	20.8	20.3	20.7	16.3	16.4	16.9	17.7	17.3	17.6
	6.0	27.4	27.7	28.4	29.5	28.9	29.4	23.3	23.5	24.2	25.1	24.6	25.0
	7.0	37.3	37.5	38.4	39.7	39.0	39.6	31.7	31.9	32.7	33.7	33.2	33.7
8	3.0	7.0	7.1	7.4	7.9	7.6	7.9	5.9	6.0	6.3	6.7	6.5	6.7
	4.0												

### Figure 6.15.7 Design tensile strength of welded headed stud groups limited by concrete

The design tensile strength (Fig. 6.5.6, Cases 1 through 6) may be written as:

$$\phi P_c = \phi P_{c1} - \phi P_{c2}$$

where:

$\phi P_c$  = net design tensile strength

$\phi P_{c1}$  = design tensile strength for  $h \geq h_{\min}$  (Fig. 6.15.7A). Note:  $\phi P_{c2} = 0$  for  $h \geq h_{\min}$ .

$\phi P_{c2}$  = strength reduction when  $h < h_{\min}$  (Fig. 6.15.7C)

$h$  = member thickness

$h_{\min}$  = minimum member thickness to ensure truncated pyramid failure shown in Fig. 6.5.4 (Fig. 6.15.7B)

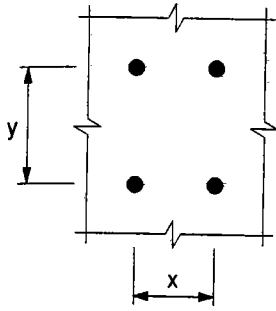
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Fig. 6.15.7A for values of  $\phi P_{c1}$

Fig. 6.15.7B for values of  $h_{\min}$

Fig. 6.15.7C for values of  $\phi P_{c2}$

Figure 6.15.7A Design tensile strength for  $h \geq h_{min}$ ,  $\phi P_{c1}$ —Case 1



x and y are the overall dimensions (width and length) of the stud group.

Case 1: Not near a free edge

$$\phi P_{c1} = \phi 2.67 \lambda \sqrt{f'_c} (x_1 + 2\ell_e)(y_1 + 2\ell_e)$$

$$\phi = 0.85$$

where:  $x_1$  and  $y_1$  are the dimensions of the flat bottom of the part of the truncated pyramid.

For Case 1:  $x_1 = x$ ,  $y_1 = y$

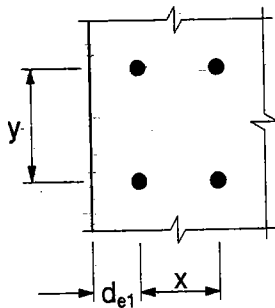
Note: Table values are based on

$\lambda = 1.0$  and  $f'_c = 5000$  psi;

for different material properties, multiply table values by  $\lambda \sqrt{f'_c} / 5000$

$\ell_e$ , in.	$y_1$ , in.	$x_1$ , in.	Design tensile strength, $\phi P_{c1}$ (kips)														
			2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	26	28	30
3	0		8	9	11	13	15	17	19	21	23	25	27	29	31	33	35
	2		10	13	15	18	21	23	25	28	31	33	36	39	41	43	46
	4		13	16	19	23	25	29	32	35	39	42	45	48	51	55	58
	6		15	19	23	27	31	35	39	42	46	50	54	58	61	65	69
	8		18	23	27	31	36	41	45	49	54	59	63	67	72	76	81
	10		21	25	31	36	41	46	51	57	61	67	72	77	82	87	92
	12		23	29	35	41	46	52	58	63	69	75	81	87	92	98	104
	14		25	32	39	45	51	58	64	71	77	83	90	96	103	109	115
	16		28	35	42	49	57	63	71	77	85	92	99	106	113	120	127
4	0		13	15	18	21	23	25	28	31	33	36	39	41	43	46	49
	2		16	19	23	25	29	32	35	35	42	45	48	51	55	58	61
	4		19	23	27	31	35	39	42	46	50	54	58	61	65	69	73
	6		25	27	31	36	41	45	49	54	59	63	67	72	76	81	85
	8		25	31	36	41	46	51	57	61	67	72	77	82	87	92	97
	10		29	35	41	46	52	58	63	69	75	81	87	92	98	104	109
	12		32	39	45	51	58	64	71	77	83	90	96	103	109	115	122
	14		35	42	49	57	63	71	77	85	92	99	106	113	120	127	134
	16		39	46	54	61	69	77	85	92	100	108	115	123	131	139	146
6	0		27	31	35	39	42	46	50	54	58	61	65	69	73	77	81
	2		31	36	41	45	49	54	59	63	67	72	76	81	85	90	94
	4		36	41	46	51	57	61	67	72	77	82	87	92	97	103	108
	6		41	46	52	58	63	69	75	81	87	92	98	104	109	115	121
	8		45	51	58	64	71	77	83	90	96	103	109	115	122	128	135
	10		49	57	63	71	77	85	92	99	106	113	120	127	134	141	148
	12		54	61	69	77	85	92	100	108	115	123	131	139	146	154	161
	14		59	67	75	83	92	100	109	117	125	133	142	150	159	167	175
	16		63	72	81	90	99	108	117	125	135	143	153	161	171	179	189
8	0		46	51	57	61	67	72	77	82	87	92	97	103	108	113	118
	2		52	58	63	69	75	81	87	92	98	104	109	115	121	127	133
	4		58	64	71	77	83	90	96	103	109	115	122	128	135	141	147
	6		63	71	77	85	92	99	106	113	120	127	134	141	148	155	162
	8		69	77	85	92	100	108	115	123	131	139	146	154	161	169	177
	10		75	83	92	100	109	117	125	133	142	150	159	167	175	183	192
	12		81	90	99	108	117	125	135	143	153	161	171	179	189	197	207
	14		87	96	106	115	125	135	144	154	163	173	183	192	202	211	221
	16		92	103	113	123	133	143	154	164	175	185	195	205	215	226	236

Figure 6.15.7A (continued) Design tensile strength for  $h \geq h_{min}$   $\phi P_{c1}$ —Case 2



x and y are the overall dimensions (width and length) of the stud group.

**Case 2: Free edge on one side**

$$\phi P_{c1} = \phi 2.67 \lambda \sqrt{f'_c} (x_1 + \ell_e)(y_1 + 2\ell_e)$$

$$\phi = 0.85$$

where:  $x_1$  and  $y_1$  are the dimensions of the flat bottom of the part of the truncated pyramid.

For Case 2:  $x_1 = x + d_{e1}$ ,  $y_1 = y$

Note: Table values are based on

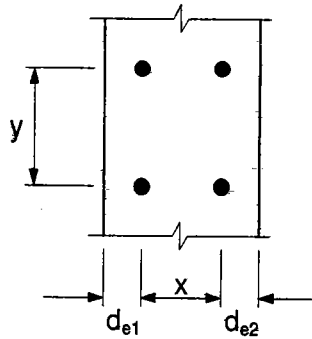
$$\lambda = 1.0 \text{ and } f'_c = 5000 \text{ psi;}$$

for different material properties, multiply table

values by  $\lambda \sqrt{f'_c} / 5000$

$\ell_e$ in.	$x_1, y_1$ in.	Design tensile strength, $\phi P_{c1}$ (kips)														
		2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	26	28	30
3	0	5	7	9	11	13	15	17	18	20	22	24	26	28	30	32
	2	7	9	11	14	17	19	22	25	27	29	32	35	37	40	42
	4	8	11	15	17	21	24	27	31	33	37	40	43	47	50	53
	6	9	13	17	21	25	29	33	37	41	44	48	52	56	59	63
	8	11	16	20	25	29	33	38	43	47	51	56	61	65	69	74
	10	13	18	23	28	33	39	43	49	54	59	64	69	75	79	85
	12	15	20	26	32	37	43	49	55	61	67	72	78	83	89	95
	14	16	23	29	35	42	48	55	61	67	74	80	87	93	99	106
	16	17	25	32	39	46	53	60	67	74	81	88	95	102	109	117
4	0	8	10	13	15	18	21	23	25	28	31	33	36	39	41	43
	2	9	13	16	19	23	25	29	32	35	39	42	45	48	51	55
	4	11	15	19	23	27	31	35	39	42	46	50	54	58	61	65
	6	13	18	23	27	31	36	41	45	49	54	59	63	67	72	76
	8	15	21	25	31	36	41	46	51	57	61	67	72	77	82	87
	10	17	23	29	35	41	46	52	58	63	69	75	81	87	92	98
	12	19	25	32	39	45	51	58	64	71	77	83	90	96	103	109
	14	21	28	35	42	49	57	63	71	77	85	92	99	106	113	120
	16	23	31	39	46	54	61	69	77	85	92	100	108	115	123	131
6	0	15	19	23	27	31	35	39	42	46	50	54	58	61	65	69
	2	18	23	27	31	36	41	45	49	54	59	63	67	72	76	81
	4	21	25	31	36	41	46	51	57	61	67	72	77	82	87	92
	6	23	29	35	41	46	52	58	63	69	75	81	87	92	98	104
	8	25	32	39	45	51	58	64	71	77	83	90	96	103	109	115
	10	28	35	42	49	57	63	71	77	85	92	99	106	113	120	127
	12	31	39	46	54	61	69	77	85	92	100	108	115	123	131	139
	14	33	42	50	59	67	75	83	92	100	109	117	125	133	142	150
	16	36	45	54	63	72	81	90	99	108	117	125	135	143	153	161
8	0	25	31	36	41	46	51	57	61	67	72	77	82	87	92	97
	2	29	35	41	46	52	58	63	69	75	81	87	92	98	104	109
	4	32	39	45	51	58	64	71	77	83	90	96	103	109	115	122
	6	35	42	49	57	63	71	77	85	92	99	106	113	120	127	134
	8	39	46	54	61	69	77	85	92	100	108	115	123	131	139	146
	10	42	50	59	67	75	83	92	100	109	117	125	133	142	150	159
	12	45	54	63	72	81	90	99	108	117	125	135	143	153	161	171
	14	48	58	67	77	87	96	106	115	125	135	144	154	163	173	183
	16	51	61	72	82	92	103	113	123	133	143	154	164	175	185	195

Figure 6.15.7A (continued) Design tensile strength for  $h \geq h_{min}$ ,  $\phi P_{c1}$ —Case 3



x and y are the overall dimensions (width and length) of the stud group.

**Case 3: Free edges on two opposite sides**

$$\phi P_{c1} = \phi 2.67 \lambda \sqrt{f'_c} (x_1)(y_1 + 2\ell_e)$$

$$\phi = 0.85$$

where:  $x_1$  and  $y_1$  are the dimensions of the flat bottom of the part of the truncated pyramid.

For Case 3:  $x_1 = x + d_{e1} + d_{e2}$   $y_1 = y$

Note: Table values are based on

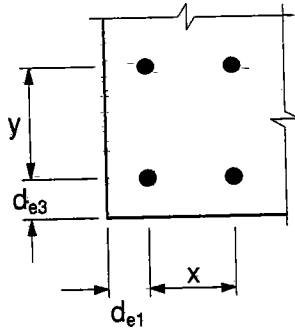
$\lambda = 1.0$  and  $f'_c = 5000$  psi;

for different material properties, multiply table

values by  $\lambda \sqrt{f'_c} / 5000$

$\ell_e$ in.	$y_1$ in.	$x_1$ in.	Design tensile strength, $\phi P_{c1}$ (kips)														
			2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	26	28	30
3	0		2	4	6	8	9	11	13	15	17	19	21	23	25	27	29
	2		3	5	8	10	13	15	18	21	23	25	28	31	33	36	39
	4		3	7	9	13	16	19	23	25	29	32	35	39	42	45	48
	6		4	8	11	15	19	23	27	31	35	39	42	46	50	54	58
	8		5	9	13	18	23	27	31	36	41	45	49	54	59	63	67
	10		5	10	15	21	25	31	36	41	46	51	57	61	67	72	77
	12		6	11	17	23	29	35	41	46	52	58	63	69	75	81	87
	14		7	13	19	25	32	39	45	51	58	64	71	77	83	90	96
	16		7	14	21	28	35	42	49	57	63	71	77	85	92	99	106
4	0		3	5	8	10	13	15	18	21	23	25	28	31	33	36	39
	2		3	7	9	13	16	19	23	25	29	32	35	39	42	45	48
	4		4	8	11	15	19	23	27	31	35	39	42	46	50	54	58
	6		5	9	13	18	23	27	31	36	41	45	49	54	59	63	67
	8		5	10	15	21	25	31	36	41	46	51	57	61	67	72	77
	10		6	11	17	23	29	35	41	46	52	58	63	69	75	81	87
	12		7	13	19	25	32	39	45	51	58	64	71	77	83	90	96
	14		7	14	21	28	35	42	49	57	63	71	77	85	92	99	106
	16		8	15	23	31	39	46	54	61	69	77	85	92	100	108	115
6	0		4	8	11	15	19	23	27	31	35	39	42	46	50	54	58
	2		5	9	13	18	23	27	31	36	41	45	49	54	59	63	67
	4		5	10	15	21	25	31	36	41	46	51	57	61	67	72	77
	6		6	11	17	23	29	35	41	46	52	58	63	69	75	81	87
	8		7	13	19	25	32	39	45	51	58	64	71	77	83	90	96
	10		7	14	21	28	35	42	49	57	63	71	77	85	92	99	106
	12		8	15	23	31	39	46	54	61	69	77	85	92	100	108	115
	14		9	17	25	33	42	50	59	67	75	83	92	100	109	117	125
	16		9	18	27	36	45	54	63	72	81	90	99	108	117	125	135
8	0		5	10	15	21	25	31	36	41	46	51	57	61	67	72	77
	2		6	11	17	23	29	35	41	46	52	58	63	69	75	81	87
	4		7	13	19	25	32	39	45	51	58	64	71	77	83	90	96
	6		7	14	21	28	35	42	49	57	63	71	77	85	92	99	106
	8		8	15	23	31	39	46	54	61	69	77	85	92	100	108	115
	10		9	17	25	33	42	50	59	67	75	83	92	100	109	117	125
	12		9	18	27	36	45	54	63	72	81	90	99	108	117	125	135
	14		9	19	29	39	48	58	67	77	87	96	106	115	125	135	144
	16		10	21	31	41	51	61	72	82	92	103	113	123	133	143	154

Figure 6.15.7A (continued) Design tensile strength for  $h \geq h_{min}$ ,  $\phi P_{c1}$ —Case 4



$x$  and  $y$  are the overall dimensions (width and length) of the stud group.

**Case 4: Free edges on two adjacent sides**

$$\phi P_{c1} = \phi 2.67 \lambda \sqrt{f'_c} (x_1 + \ell_e)(y_1 + \ell_e)$$

$$\phi = 0.85$$

where:  $x_1$  and  $y_1$  are the dimensions of the flat bottom of the part of the truncated pyramid.

$$\text{For Case 4: } x_1 = x + d_{e1} \quad y_1 = y + d_{e3}$$

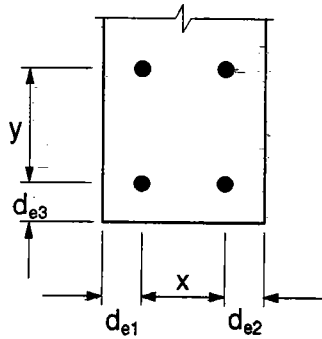
Note: Table values are based on

$$\lambda = 1.0 \text{ and } f'_c = 5000 \text{ psi;}$$

for different material properties, multiply table values by  $\lambda \sqrt{f'_c / 5000}$

$\ell_e$ in.	$x_1, y_1$ in.	Design tensile strength, $\phi P_{c1}$ (kips)														
		2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	26	28	30
3	0	3	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	14	16
	2	4	5	7	9	11	12	13	15	17	19	20	21	23	23	27
	4	5	8	10	13	15	17	19	21	23	26	28	30	33	33	37
	6	7	10	13	16	19	21	25	27	30	33	36	39	42	42	47
	8	9	13	16	19	23	27	30	33	37	41	44	47	51	51	58
	10	11	15	19	23	27	31	35	39	44	48	52	56	61	61	69
	12	12	17	21	27	31	36	41	46	51	55	60	65	70	70	79
	14	13	19	25	30	35	41	46	52	57	63	68	73	79	79	90
	16	15	21	27	33	39	46	52	58	64	70	76	82	88	88	101
4	0	4	5	7	8	9	10	11	13	14	15	17	18	19	21	22
	2	6	8	9	11	13	15	17	19	21	23	25	27	29	31	33
	4	8	10	13	15	18	21	23	25	28	31	33	36	39	41	43
	6	9	13	16	19	23	25	29	32	42	39	42	45	48	51	55
	8	11	15	19	23	27	31	35	39	42	46	50	54	58	61	65
	10	13	18	23	27	31	36	41	45	49	54	59	63	67	72	76
	12	15	21	25	31	36	35	46	51	57	61	67	72	77	82	87
	14	17	23	29	35	41	39	52	58	63	69	75	81	87	92	98
	16	19	25	32	39	45	51	58	64	71	77	83	90	96	103	109
6	0	8	9	11	13	15	17	19	21	23	25	27	29	31	33	35
	2	10	13	15	18	21	23	25	28	31	33	36	39	41	43	46
	4	13	16	19	23	25	29	32	35	39	42	38	48	51	55	58
	6	15	19	23	27	31	35	39	42	46	50	54	58	61	65	69
	8	18	23	27	31	36	41	45	49	54	59	63	67	72	76	81
	10	21	25	31	36	41	46	51	57	61	67	72	77	82	87	92
	12	23	29	35	41	46	52	58	63	69	75	81	87	92	98	104
	14	25	32	39	45	51	58	64	71	77	83	90	96	103	109	115
	16	28	35	42	49	57	63	71	77	85	92	99	106	113	120	127
8	0	13	15	18	21	23	25	28	31	33	36	39	41	43	46	49
	2	16	19	23	25	29	32	35	39	42	45	48	51	55	58	61
	4	19	23	27	31	35	39	42	46	50	54	58	61	65	69	73
	6	23	27	31	36	41	45	49	54	59	63	67	72	76	81	85
	8	25	31	36	41	46	51	57	55	67	72	77	82	87	92	97
	10	29	35	41	46	52	58	63	69	75	87	87	92	98	104	109
	12	32	39	45	51	58	64	71	77	83	92	96	103	109	115	122
	14	35	42	49	57	63	71	77	85	92	99	106	113	120	127	134
	16	39	46	54	61	69	77	85	92	100	108	115	123	131	139	146

Figure 6.15.7A (continued) Design tensile strength for  $h \geq h_{min}$ ,  $\phi P_{c1}$ —Case 5



x and y are the overall dimensions (width and length) of the stud group.

**Case 5: Free edges on three sides**

$$\phi P_{c1} = \phi 2.67 \lambda \sqrt{f'_c} (x_1)(y_1 + \ell_e)$$

$$\phi = 0.85$$

where:  $x_1$  and  $y_1$  are the dimensions of the flat bottom of the part of the truncated pyramid.

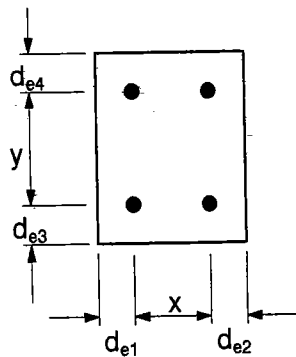
For Case 5:  $x_1 = x + d_{e1} + d_{e2}$   $y_1 = y + d_{e3}$

Note: Table values are based on  $\lambda = 1.0$  and  $f'_c = 5000$  psi;

for different material properties, multiply table values by  $\lambda \sqrt{f'_c / 5000}$

$\ell_e$ , in.	$x_1, y_1$ , in.	Design tensile strength, $\phi P_{c1}$ (kips)														
		2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	26	28	30
3	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	9	11	11	13	13	15
	2	1	3	5	7	8	9	11	13	15	16	17	19	21	23	24
	4	2	5	7	9	11	13	16	18	20	23	25	27	29	31	33
	6	3	6	9	11	15	17	20	23	26	29	32	35	37	41	43
	8	3	7	11	14	17	21	25	28	32	35	39	42	46	49	53
	10	4	9	13	17	21	25	29	33	37	42	46	50	54	59	63
	12	5	9	15	19	24	29	33	39	43	48	53	58	63	67	72
	14	5	11	17	22	27	33	38	43	49	55	60	65	71	76	82
	16	6	12	18	25	31	37	43	49	55	61	67	73	79	85	91
4	0	1	3	4	5	7	8	9	10	11	13	14	15	17	18	19
	2	2	4	6	8	9	11	13	15	17	19	21	23	25	27	29
	4	3	5	8	10	13	15	18	21	23	25	28	31	33	36	39
	6	3	7	9	13	16	19	23	25	29	32	35	39	42	45	48
	8	4	8	11	15	19	23	27	31	35	39	42	46	50	54	58
	10	5	9	13	18	23	27	31	36	41	45	49	54	59	63	67
	12	5	10	15	21	25	31	36	41	46	51	57	61	67	72	77
	14	6	11	17	23	29	35	41	46	52	58	63	69	75	81	87
	16	7	13	19	25	32	39	45	51	58	64	71	77	83	87	96
6	0	2	4	6	8	9	11	13	15	17	19	21	23	25	27	29
	2	3	5	8	10	13	15	18	21	23	25	28	31	33	36	39
	4	3	7	9	13	16	19	23	25	29	32	35	39	42	45	48
	6	4	8	11	15	19	23	27	31	35	39	42	46	50	54	58
	8	5	9	13	18	23	27	31	36	41	45	49	54	59	63	67
	10	5	10	15	21	25	31	36	41	46	51	57	61	67	72	77
	12	6	11	17	23	29	35	41	46	52	58	63	69	75	81	87
	14	7	13	19	25	32	39	45	51	58	64	71	77	83	90	96
	16	7	14	21	28	35	42	49	57	63	71	77	85	92	99	106
8	0	3	5	8	10	13	15	18	21	23	25	28	31	33	36	39
	2	3	7	9	13	16	19	23	25	29	32	35	39	42	45	48
	4	4	8	11	15	19	23	27	30	35	39	42	46	50	54	58
	6	5	9	13	18	23	27	31	36	41	45	49	54	59	63	67
	8	5	10	15	21	25	31	36	41	46	51	57	61	67	72	77
	10	6	11	17	23	29	35	41	46	52	58	63	69	75	81	87
	12	7	13	19	25	32	39	45	51	58	64	71	77	83	90	96
	14	7	14	21	28	35	42	49	57	63	71	77	85	92	99	106
	16	8	15	23	31	39	46	54	61	69	77	85	92	100	108	115

Figure 6.15.7A (continued) Design tensile strength for  $h \geq h_{min}$ ,  $\phi P_{c1}$ —Case 6



$x$  and  $y$  are the overall dimensions (width and length) of the stud group.

**Case 6: Free edges on four adjacent sides**

$$\phi P_{c1} = \phi 2.67 \lambda \sqrt{f'_c} (x_1)(y_1)$$

$$\phi = 0.85$$

where:  $x_1$  and  $y_1$  are the dimensions of the flat bottom of the part of the truncated pyramid.

$$\text{For Case 6: } x_1 = x + d_{e1} + d_{e2} \quad y_1 = y + d_{e3} + d_{e4}$$

Note: Table values are based on

$$\lambda = 1.0 \text{ and } f'_c = 5000 \text{ psi;}$$

for different material properties, multiply table

values by  $\lambda \sqrt{f'_c / 5000}$

$\ell_e$ in.	$x_1, y_1$ in.	Design tensile strength, $\phi P_{c1}$ (kips)														
		2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	26	28	30
3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	2	1	1	2	3	3	4	5	5	6	7	7	8	9	9	9
	4	1	3	4	5	7	8	9	10	11	13	14	15	17	18	19
	6	2	4	6	8	9	11	13	15	17	19	21	23	25	27	29
	8	3	5	8	10	13	15	18	21	23	25	29	31	33	36	39
	10	3	7	9	13	16	19	23	25	29	32	35	39	42	45	48
	12	4	8	11	15	19	23	27	31	35	39	42	46	50	54	58
	14	5	9	13	18	23	27	31	36	41	45	49	54	59	63	67
	16	5	10	15	21	25	31	36	41	46	51	57	61	67	72	77
4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	2	1	1	2	3	3	4	5	5	6	7	7	8	9	9	9
	4	1	3	4	5	7	8	9	10	11	13	14	15	17	18	19
	6	2	4	6	8	9	11	13	15	17	19	21	23	25	27	29
	8	3	5	8	10	13	15	18	21	23	25	28	31	33	36	39
	10	3	7	9	13	16	19	23	25	29	32	35	39	42	45	48
	12	4	8	11	15	19	23	27	31	35	39	42	46	50	54	58
	14	5	9	13	18	23	27	31	36	41	45	49	54	59	63	67
	16	5	10	15	21	25	31	36	41	46	51	57	61	67	72	77
6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	2	1	1	2	3	3	4	5	5	6	7	7	8	9	9	9
	4	1	3	4	5	7	8	9	10	11	13	14	15	17	18	19
	6	2	4	6	8	9	11	13	15	17	19	21	23	25	27	29
	8	3	5	8	10	13	15	18	21	23	25	28	31	33	36	39
	10	3	7	9	13	16	19	23	25	29	32	35	39	42	45	48
	12	4	8	11	15	19	23	27	31	35	39	42	46	50	54	58
	14	5	9	13	18	23	27	31	36	41	45	49	54	59	63	67
	16	5	10	15	21	25	31	36	41	46	51	57	61	67	72	77
8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	2	1	1	2	3	3	4	5	5	6	7	7	8	9	9	9
	4	1	3	4	5	7	8	9	10	11	13	14	15	17	18	19
	6	2	4	6	8	9	11	13	15	17	19	21	23	25	27	29
	8	3	5	8	10	13	15	18	21	23	25	28	31	33	36	39
	10	3	7	9	13	16	19	23	25	29	32	35	39	42	45	48
	12	4	8	11	15	19	23	27	31	35	39	42	46	50	54	58
	14	5	9	13	18	23	27	31	36	41	45	49	54	59	63	67
	16	5	10	15	21	25	31	36	41	46	51	57	61	67	72	77



Figure 6.15.7B Minimum member thickness for truncated pyramid failure—stud groups

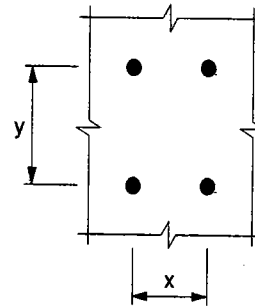
Minimum thickness (see Fig. 6.5.6)

$$h_{min} = (z + 2\ell_e)/2$$

where:

$z$  = lesser of  $x$  and  $y$

$\ell_e$  = embedment length



$\ell_e$ , in.	$y$ , in. / $x$ , in.	Minimum Thickness, $h_{min}$ (in.)								
		2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18
3	0	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
	2	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
	4	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
	6	4	5	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
	8	4	5	6	7	7	7	7	7	7
	10	4	5	6	7	8	8	8	8	8
4	0	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
	2	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
	4	5	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
	6	5	6	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
	8	5	6	7	8	8	8	8	8	8
	10	5	6	7	8	9	9	9	9	9
6	0	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
	2	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
	4	7	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8
	6	7	8	9	9	9	9	9	9	9
	8	7	8	9	10	10	10	10	10	10
	10	7	8	9	10	11	11	11	11	11
8	0	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8
	2	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9
	4	9	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
	6	9	10	11	11	11	11	11	11	11
	8	9	10	11	12	12	12	12	12	12
	10	9	10	11	12	13	13	13	13	13
10	0	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
	2	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11
	4	11	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12
	6	11	12	13	13	13	13	13	13	13
	8	11	12	13	14	14	14	14	14	14
	10	11	12	13	14	15	15	15	15	15
12	0	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12
	2	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13
	4	13	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14
	6	13	14	15	15	15	15	15	15	15
	8	13	14	15	16	16	16	16	16	16
	10	13	14	15	16	17	17	17	17	17
12	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	18	18	18

**Figure 6.15.7C Reduction in design tensile strength of stud groups for  $h < h_{min}$**

$$\phi P_{c2} = \phi 2.67 \lambda \sqrt{f_c} [x - 2(h - \ell_e)][y - 2(h - \ell_e)]$$

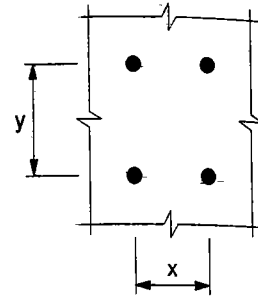
where  $\phi = 0.85$  :

$x$  and  $y$  = overall dimensions (width and length) of stud groups

$h$  = member thickness

$\ell_e$  = embedment length

Note: For  $h \geq h_{min}$ ,  $\phi P_{c2} = 0$ . See Fig. 6.157.B for  $h_{min}$  values



$\ell_e - h$ in.	$y$ , in.	Design tensile strength, $\phi P_{c2}$ (kips)														
		$x$ , in.	2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	26	28
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	4	0	1	1	2	3	3	4	5	5	6	7	7	8	9	9
	6	0	1	3	4	5	7	8	9	10	11	13	14	15	17	18
	8	0	2	4	6	8	9	11	13	15	17	19	21	23	25	27
	10	0	3	5	8	10	13	15	18	21	23	25	28	31	33	36
	12	0	3	7	9	13	16	19	23	25	29	32	35	39	42	45
	14	0	4	8	11	15	19	23	27	31	35	39	42	46	50	54
	16	0	5	9	13	18	23	27	31	36	41	45	49	54	59	63
2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	6	0	0	1	1	2	3	3	4	5	5	6	7	7	8	9
	8	0	0	1	3	4	5	7	8	9	10	11	13	14	15	17
	10	0	0	2	4	6	8	9	11	13	15	17	19	21	23	25
	12	0	0	3	5	8	10	13	15	18	21	23	25	28	31	33
	14	0	0	3	7	9	13	16	19	23	25	29	32	35	39	42
	16	0	0	4	8	11	15	19	23	27	31	35	39	42	46	50
3	0	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	2	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	4	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	8	0	0	0	1	1	2	3	3	4	5	5	6	7	7	8
	10	0	0	0	1	3	4	5	7	8	9	10	11	13	14	15
	12	0	0	0	2	4	6	8	9	11	13	15	17	19	21	23
	14	0	0	0	3	5	8	10	13	15	18	21	23	25	28	31
	16	0	0	0	3	7	9	13	16	19	23	25	29	32	35	39
4	0	8	5	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	2	6	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	4	4	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
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	14	0	0	0	0	2	4	6	8	9	11	13	15	17	19	21
	16	0	0	0	0	3	5	8	10	13	15	18	21	23	25	28
5	0	13	9	7	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	2	10	8	5	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	4	8	6	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	6	5	4	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	8	3	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	12	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	3	3	4	5	5	6	7
	14	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	4	5	7	8	9	10	11	13
	16	0	0	0	0	0	2	4	6	8	9	11	13	15	17	19

**Figure 6.15.8 Shear strength of welded-headed studs**

**I—Design shear strength limited by concrete:**

$$\phi V_c = \phi V_c' C_w C_t C_c \quad (\text{Eq. 6.5.7})$$

where:

$$\phi V_c' = \phi 12.5 d_e^{1.5} \lambda \sqrt{f_c'} \quad (\text{Eq. 6.5.8})$$

$$C_w = \left( 1 + \frac{b}{3.5 d_e} \right) \leq n_s$$

$$C_t = \frac{h}{1.3 d_e} \leq 1.0$$

$$C_c = \left[ 0.4 + 0.7 \left( \frac{d_c}{d_e} \right) \right] \leq 1.0$$

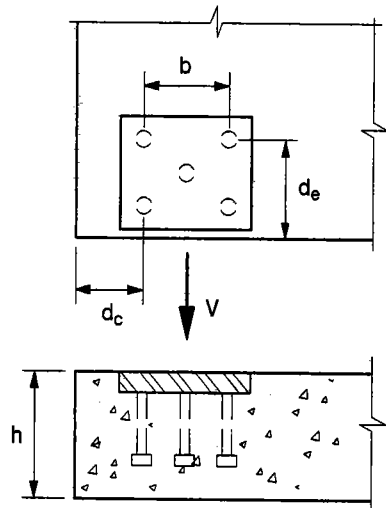
Table A gives values for  $\phi = 0.85$

Where:  $n_s$  = number of studs in back row; see figure for notation

**II—Design shear strength limited by steel:**

$$\phi V_y = (31,800 d_b^2) n \quad (\text{Eq. 6.5.12a})$$

Table B gives value for  $n = 1, \phi = 0.9$



**Table A— $\phi V_c'$ , kips**

$f_c'$ , psi	4000		5000		6000		7000		8000		
	$\lambda$	1.0	0.85	1.0	0.85	1.0	0.85	1.0	0.85	1.0	0.85
2	$d_e$ , in.	1.90	1.62	2.12	1.81	2.33	1.98	2.51	2.14	2.69	2.29
3		3.49	2.97	3.90	3.31	4.26	3.63	4.62	3.82	4.94	4.20
4		5.38	4.57	6.00	5.11	6.58	5.59	7.11	6.04	7.60	6.46
5		7.51	6.38	8.39	7.14	9.19	7.82	9.94	8.45	10.62	9.03
6		9.88	8.40	11.04	9.39	12.09	10.29	13.08	11.11	13.97	11.87
7		12.45	10.58	13.91	11.82	15.24	12.95	16.46	13.99	17.60	14.96
8		15.20	12.82	16.99	14.44	18.61	15.81	20.12	17.08	21.50	18.27
9		18.14	15.44	20.28	17.24	22.21	18.88	23.99	20.40	25.65	21.80
10		21.25	18.06	23.75	20.18	26.01	22.11	28.11	23.88	30.04	25.53
11		24.52	20.84	27.41	23.30	30.03	25.52	32.43	27.57	34.67	29.47
12		27.94	23.74	31.22	26.53	34.20	29.07	36.94	31.40	39.49	33.67

**Table B— $\phi V_y$ , kips**

Diameter, in.	1/4	3/8	1/2	5/8	3/4	7/8
$\phi V_y$	2.0	4.5	8.0	12.4	17.9	24.4

Figure 6.15.9 Allowable loads on bolts<sup>a</sup>

Bolt diam. (in.)	A <sub>s</sub> , in. <sup>2</sup> Nominal	A-36				A-307			
		Tension (kips)		Shear <sup>b</sup> kips		Tension (kips)		Shear <sup>b</sup> kips	
		Design	Service	Design	Service	Design	Service	Design	Service
1/2	0.196	6.4	3.7	3.3	2.0	6.6	3.9	3.2	2.0
5/8	0.307	10.0	5.9	5.2	3.0	10.4	6.1	5.0	3.1
3/4	0.442	14.4	8.4	7.5	4.4	14.9	8.8	7.2	4.4
7/8	0.601	19.6	11.5	10.2	6.0	20.3	12.0	9.7	6.0
1	0.785	25.6	15.0	13.3	7.8	26.5	15.7	12.7	7.9
1 1/4	1.227	40.0	23.4	20.8	12.1	41.4	24.5	19.9	12.3
1 1/2	1.767	57.6	33.7	30.0	17.5	59.7	35.3	28.6	17.7
2	3.142	102.4	60.0	53.4	31.1	106.2	62.8	50.9	31.4

- a. AISC Allowable Stress Design [12] or AISC Load and Resistance Factor Design [13]. See these manuals for shear-tension interaction.  
 b. For threads included in shear plane.

Figure 6.15.10 High strength coil bolt and coil threaded rod selection chart

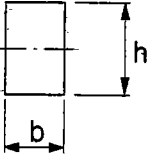
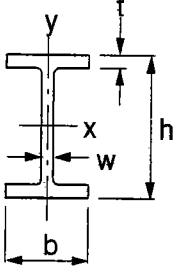
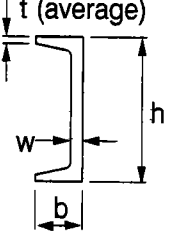
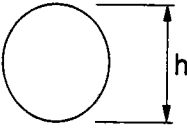
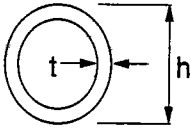
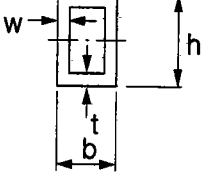
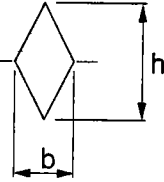
Coil Rod Dia. (in.)	Safe Working Load <sup>a</sup>		Minimum Root Area (in <sup>2</sup> )	Tonsile Stress (psi)	Yield Stress (psi)	Minimum Coil Penetration (in.)
	Tension (lb)	Shear (lb)				
1/2 <sup>b</sup>	9,000	6,000	0.1385	130,000	110,000	2
3/4 <sup>b</sup>	18,000	12,000	0.3079	117,000	100,000	2 1/4
1 <sup>b</sup>	38,000	25,300	0.5410	140,000	120,000	2 1/2
1 1/4 <sup>b</sup>	58,000	37,500	0.8161	123,000	105,000	2 1/2
1 1/2	88,000	45,300	1.3892	98,000	85,000	3

- a. Approximate factor of safety is 2 to 1.  
 b. Strength requirements similar to ASTM A 325.

Fig. 6.15.11 Capacity of wire used in concrete inserts

Leg wire diameter (in.)	Wire classification	Wire grade (ASTM)	Approximate minimum yield strength (lb)	Approximate minimum shear strength (lb)
0.218	Low carbon	1006 or 1008	2,400	1,850
0.223	Medium high carbon	1030	3,800	3,000
0.240	Low carbon	1006 or 1008	2,500	2,050
0.243	Medium high carbon	1038	6,000	4,650
0.262	Low carbon	1006 or 1008	3,200	2,750
0.306	Low carbon	1006 or 1008	3,300	2,800
0.306	Medium high carbon	1038	6,500	4,950
0.375	Medium low carbon	1018	7,300	6,350
0.440	Medium high carbon	1035 or 1038	13,500	10,650

Figure 6.15.12 Plastic section moduli and shape factors

SECTION	PLASTIC MODULUS, $Z_p$ , in. <sup>3</sup>	SHAPE FACTOR
	$\frac{bh^2}{4}$	1.5
	<p>x-x AXIS</p> $bt(h - t) + \frac{w}{4}(h - 2t)^2$	1.12 (APPROX.)
	<p>y-y AXIS</p> $\frac{b^2t}{2} + \frac{(h - 2t)w^2}{4}$	1.55 (APPROX.)
	$bt(h - t) + \frac{w(h - 2t)^2}{4}$	1.12 (APPROX.)
	$\frac{h^3}{6}$	1.70
	$\frac{h^3}{6} \left[ 1 - \left( 1 - \frac{2t}{h} \right)^3 \right]$ <p><math>th^2</math> for <math>t \ll h</math></p>	$\frac{16}{3\pi} \left[ \frac{1 - \left( 1 - \frac{2t}{h} \right)^3}{1 - \left( 1 - \frac{2t}{h} \right)^4} \right]$ <p>1.27 for <math>t \ll h</math></p>
 <p>SEE FOOT-NOTE</p>	$\frac{bh^2}{4} \left[ 1 - \left( 1 - \frac{2w}{b} \right) \left( 1 - \frac{2t}{h} \right)^2 \right]$	1.12 (APPROX.) FOR THIN WALLS
	$\frac{bh^2}{12}$	2

For TS shapes, refer to AISC-LRFD Manual<sup>13</sup> for  $Z_p$  values.

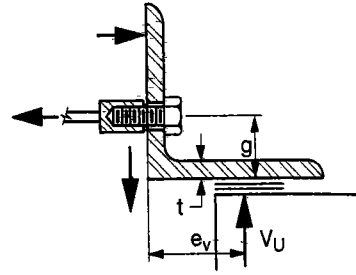
Figure 6.15.13 Shear strength of connection angles

$$t = \sqrt{\frac{4V_u e_v}{\phi F_y b_n}}, \text{ in.} \quad \text{Eq. 6.5.15}$$

$$\phi = 0.90$$

$b_n$  = net length of angle, in.

$F_y$  = yield strength of angle steel = 36,000 psi



$V_u = \phi V_n$ , lb. per inch of length

Angle thickness $t$	$e_v = 3/4''$	$e_v = 1''$	$e_v = 1\frac{1}{2}''$	$e_v = 2''$	$e_v = 2\frac{1}{2}''$
$5/16''$	1055	791	527	396	316
$3/8''$	1519	1139	759	570	456
$7/16''$	2067	1550	1034	775	620
$1/2''$	2700	2025	1350	1013	810
$9/16''$	3417	2563	1709	1281	1025
$5/8''$	4219	3164	2109	1582	1266

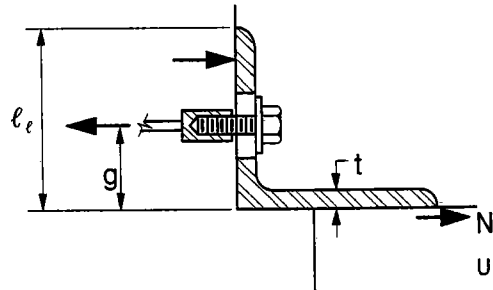
Fig. 6.15.14 Axial strength of connection angles

$$t = \sqrt{\frac{4N_u g}{\phi F_y b_n}} \quad \text{Eq. 6.5.17}$$

$$\phi = 0.90$$

$b_n$  = net length of angle, in.

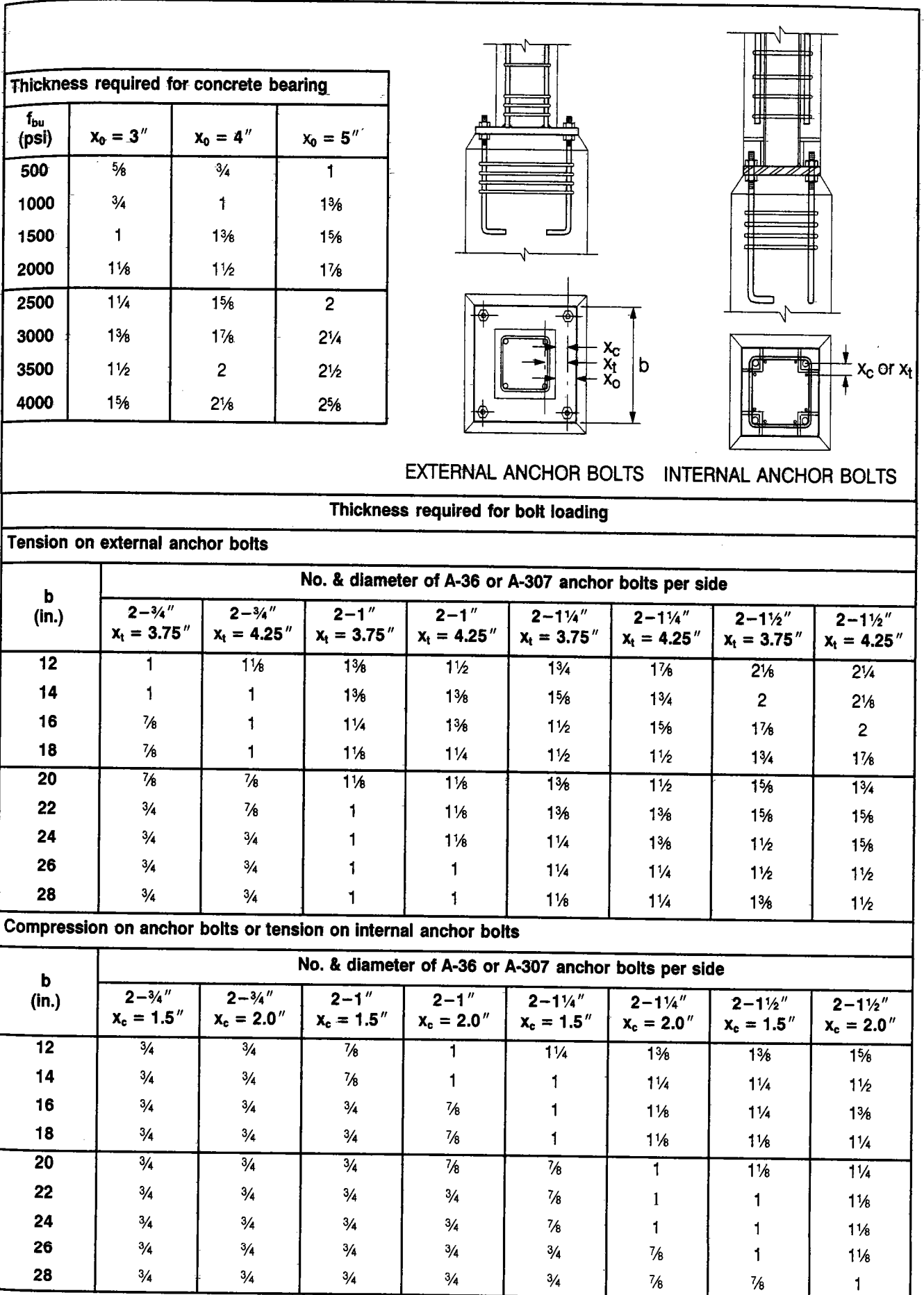
$F_y$  = yield strength of angle steel = 36,000 psi



$N_u = \phi N_n$ , lb. per inch of length

Angle thickness $t$	$l_e = 5''$ $g = 3''$	$l_e = 6''$ $g = 4''$	$l_e = 7''$ $g = 5''$	$l_e = 8''$ $g = 6''$
$5/16$	264	198		
$3/8$	380	285	228	
$7/16$	517	388	310	258
$1/2$	675	506	405	338
$9/16$	854	641	513	427
$5/8$	1055	791	633	527

Figure 6.15.15 Column base plate thickness requirements



**Figure 6.15.16 Design strength of concrete brackets, corbels or haunches**

Design strength by Eqs. 6.8.3 or 6.8.4

for following criteria:

$\phi V_n \leq \phi 1000 \lambda^2 b d$

$f_y = 60,000 \text{ psi}$

$N_u = 0.2 V_u$

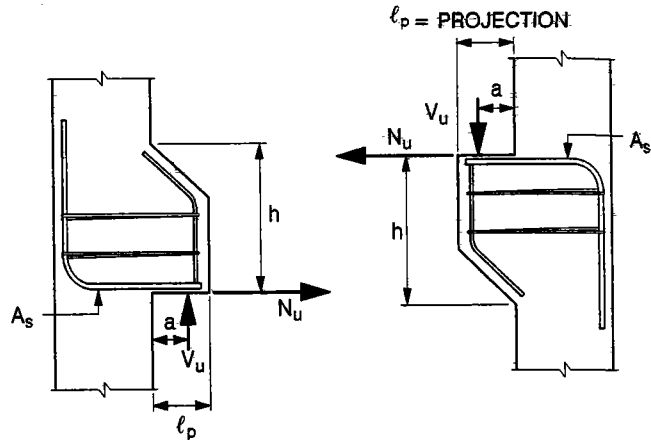
$b = \text{width of bearing, in.}$

$d = h - 1.25 \text{ (h in inches)}$

$\phi = 0.85$

$a = 3/4 \ell_p$

$\lambda = 1.0 \text{ (normal weight concrete)}$



(The design strength value listed in the table immediately above a blank entry corresponds to this limit. The blank entry(s) in a given column will have this same limiting value.)

**Values of  $\phi V_n$  (kips)**

$\ell_p$ (in.)		4								6								8							
b	$A_s$ \ h	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22
		6	2 - #4	14	23	29	35	40	44	47	48	17	22	27	31	35	38	41	0	18	22	26	29	32	35
2 - #5			24	34	45	55	59	62	65	24	34	42	49	55	60	65	67	28	34	40	45	50	55	59	62
2 - #6							65	75	81			45	55	65	75	81	84	34	45	55	65	72	79	84	87
2 - #7									85							85	96					75	85	96	106
8	2 - #4	14	23	29	35	40	44	0	0	17	22	27	31	35	0	0	0	18	22	26	29	0	0	0	0
	2 - #5	19	32	46	55	62	65	69	72	26	35	42	49	55	60	65	69	28	34	40	45	50	55	59	62
	2 - #6			60	73	82	86	90	32	46	60	70	79	86	90	94	40	49	58	65	72	79	84	90	
	2 - #7					87	100	109				73	87	100	109	114	60	73	87	98	107	114	118		
	2 - #8							114							114	128					100	114	128	139	
10	2 - #4	14	23	29	35	0	0	0	0	17	22	27	0	0	0	0	0	18	22	0	0	0	0	0	0
	2 - #5	23	35	46	55	62	69	74	77	26	35	42	49	55	60	65	0	28	34	40	45	50	55	0	0
	2 - #6		40	57	74	84	89	94	98	38	50	61	70	79	86	93	99	40	49	58	65	72	79	84	90
	2 - #7				91	108	114	119	40	57	74	91	107	114	119	124	54	67	78	89	98	107	115	122	
	2 - #8					125	140					108	125	140	146	57	74	91	108	125	140	146	152		
	2 - #9						142							142	159							142	159	175	
12	2 - #4	14	23	29	0	0	0	0	0	17	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	2 - #5	23	35	46	55	62	69	0	0	26	35	42	49	55	0	0	0	28	34	40	45	0	0	0	0
	2 - #6	28	48	66	79	90	96	100	105	38	50	61	70	79	86	93	99	40	49	58	65	72	79	84	90
	2 - #7			69	89	109	116	122	128	48	68	83	96	107	117	127	133	54	67	78	89	98	107	115	122
	2 - #8				110	130	144	151		69	89	10	130	144	151	157	69	88	103	116	128	140	150	160	
	2 - #9					150	171							150	171	181		89	110	130	150	171	181	188	
	3 - #4	22	34	44	53	60	66	0	0	25	33	40	47	52	0	0	0	27	33	38	44	0	0	0	0
	3 - #5	28	48	69	82	93	98	103	107	39	52	63	73	82	90	97	104	42	51	60	68	75	82	88	94
	3 - #6			89	110	123	130	136	48	69	89	105	118	129	136	141	60	74	87	98	108	118	127	135	
	3 - #7				130	150	164					110	130	150	164	171	69	89	110	130	148	161	171	177	
	3 - #8						171								171	191					150	171	191	209	
	3 - #9																							212	



Figure 6.15.16—Design strength of concrete brackets, corbels or haunches (continued)

		Values of $\phi V_n$ (kips)																								
$\ell_p$ (In.)		4								6								8								
b	$A_s$ h	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	
14	2-#4	14	23	29	0	0	0	0	0	17	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	2-#5	23	35	46	55	62	0	0	0	26	35	42	49	0	0	0	0	28	34	40	0	0	0	0	0	0
	2-#6	33	51	66	79	90	99	106	110	38	50	61	70	79	86	93	0	40	49	58	65	72	79	0	0	0
	2-#7		57	80	104	116	123	129	135	51	68	83	96	107	117	127	135	54	67	78	89	98	107	115	122	
	2-#8				128	145	153	160		57	80	104	125	140	153	160	166	71	88	103	116	128	140	150	160	
	2-#9					152	176	185					128	152	176	185	192	80	104	128	147	163	177	190	199	
	3-#4	22	34	44	53	60	0	0	0	25	33	40	47	0	0	0	0	27	33	38	0	0	0	0	0	0
	3-#5	33	53	69	82	93	103	109	113	39	52	63	73	82	90	97	0	42	51	60	68	75	82	0	0	0
	3-#6		57	80	104	123	131	137	143	56	75	91	105	118	129	140	149	60	74	87	98	108	118	127	135	
	3-#7				128	152	166	174		57	80	104	128	152	166	174	181	80	101	118	133	148	161	173	184	
	3-#8					176	199									176	199	213	104	128	152	176	199	213	222	
	3-#9																223								223	247
16	2-#6	33	51	66	79	90	99	107	0	38	50	61	70	79	86	0	0	40	49	58	65	72	0	0	0	0
	2-#7	37	65	90	107	122	129	136	141	51	68	83	96	107	117	127	135	54	67	78	89	98	107	115	122	
	2-#8			92	119	144	153	161	168	65	89	108	125	140	153	166	174	71	88	103	116	128	140	150	160	
	2-#9				146	173	186	194		92	119	146	173	186	194	202		90	111	130	147	163	177	190	202	
	3-#6				130	137	144	151		75	91	105	118	129	140	149		60	74	87	98	108	118	127	135	
	3-#7				146	166	175	183		92	119	143	161	175	183	190		82	101	118	133	148	161	173	184	
	3-#8					173	201	216				146	173	201	216	225		92	119	146	173	193	210	225	233	
	3-#9							228								228	255					201	228	255	269	
	4-#6				164	173	181					140	157	173	181	188		80	99	115	131	144	157	169	180	
	4-#7					201	219					146	173	201	219	228		92	119	146	173	197	214	228	236	
	4-#8							228								228	255					201	228	255	278	
	4-#9																282								282	
18	2-#6	33	51	66	79	90	99	0	0	38	50	61	70	79	0	0	0	40	49	58	65	0	0	0	0	
	2-#7	42	69	90	107	122	135	141	147	51	68	83	96	107	117	127	135	54	67	78	89	98	107	115	0	
	2-#8		73	103	134	151	116	168	175	67	89	108	125	140	153	166	177	71	88	103	116	128	140	150	160	
	2-#9				164	185	194	203		73	103	134	158	177	194	203	211	90	111	130	147	163	177	190	202	
	3-#6			99	118	135	143	151	157	56	75	91	105	118	129	140	149	60	74	87	98	108	118	127	135	
	3-#7			103	134	164	174	183	191	73	102	124	143	161	176	190	199	82	101	118	133	148	161	173	184	
	3-#8				195	216	226			103	134	164	195	216	226	235		103	131	154	174	193	210	225	240	
	3-#9							226	256							226	256	272	134	164	195	226	256	272	282	
	4-#6				162	172	181	189		100	121	140	157	173	186	196		80	99	115	131	144	157	169	180	
	4-#7				164	195	219	229		103	134	164	195	219	229	238		103	134	157	178	197	214	230	245	
	4-#8							226	256							226	256	281	164	195	226	256	281	291		
	4-#9																287								287	317
20	2-#6	33	51	66	79	90	0	0	0	38	50	61	70	0	0	0	0	40	49	58	0	0	0	0	0	
	2-#7	44	69	90	107	122	135	146	153	51	68	83	96	107	117	127	0	54	67	78	89	98	107	0	0	
	2-#8	47	81	115	140	157	166	174	182	67	89	108	125	140	153	166	177	71	88	103	116	128	140	150	160	
	2-#9				149	181	192	202	211	81	112	136	158	177	194	210	220	90	111	130	147	163	177	190	202	
	3-#6		76	99	118	135	149	156	163	56	75	91	105	118	129	140	0	60	74	87	98	108	118	0	0	
	3-#7		81	115	149	171	181	190	199	77	102	124	143	161	176	190	203	82	101	118	133	148	161	173	184	
	3-#8				183	213	225	235		81	115	149	183	210	225	235	245	107	131	154	174	193	210	225	240	
	3-#9							217	251	272						217	251	272	115	149	183	217	244	265	283	294
	4-#6				169	179	188	196		75	100	121	140	157	173	186	199	80	99	115	131	144	157	169	180	
	4-#7				183	216	228	238		81	115	149	183	214	228	238	248	109	134	157	178	197	214	230	245	
	4-#8							217	251	281						217	251	281	115	149	183	217	251	280	292	303
	4-#9								285								285	319							285	319

Figure 6.15.16 Design strength of concrete brackets, corbels or haunches (continued)

		Values of $\phi V_n$ (kips)																											
$-\ell_p$ (in.)		10								12								14											
b	h $A_s$	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	26	14	16	18	20	22	24	26	28				
6	2-#4	18	22	25	28	30	0	0	0	19	22	24	27	0	0	0	0	19	22	24	0	0	0	0	0				
	2-#5	29	34	39	43	47	51	55	58	30	34	38	42	45	48	52	55	30	34	37	40	44	47	49	52				
	2-#6	42	49	56	62	68	73	79	83	42	49	54	60	65	70	74	79	43	49	54	58	63	67	71	75				
	2-#7	45	55	65	75	85	96	106	109	55	65	74	82	88	95	101	107	59	66	73	79	85	91	97	102				
	2-#8								116			75	85	96	106	116	126	65	75	85	96	109	116	126	133				
	2-#9																								136				
8	2-#4	18	22	25	0	0	0	0	0	19	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
	2-#5	29	34	39	43	47	51	55	0	30	34	38	42	45	48	0	0	30	34	37	40	44	0	0	0				
	2-#6	42	49	56	62	68	73	79	83	42	49	54	60	65	70	74	79	43	49	54	58	63	67	71	75				
	2-#7	56	67	76	85	93	100	107	113	58	66	74	82	88	95	101	107	59	66	73	79	85	91	97	102				
	2-#8	60	73	87	100	114	128	139	144	73	87	97	106	116	124	132	140	77	86	95	104	112	119	126	133				
	2-#9							141	155			100	114	128	141	155	168	87	100	114	128	141	151	160	168				
10	2-#4	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
	2-#5	29	34	39	43	47	0	0	0	30	34	38	42	0	0	0	0	30	34	37	0	0	0	0	0				
	2-#6	42	49	56	62	68	73	79	83	42	49	54	60	65	70	74	79	43	49	54	58	63	67	71	0				
	2-#7	56	67	76	85	93	100	107	113	58	66	74	82	88	95	101	107	59	66	73	79	85	91	97	102				
	2-#8	74	87	99	110	121	131	140	148	76	87	97	106	116	124	132	140	77	86	95	104	112	119	126	133				
	2-#9		91	108	125	142	159	175	181	91	108	123	135	146	157	167	177	97	109	120	131	141	151	160	168				
12	2-#4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
	2-#5	29	34	39	0	0	0	0	0	30	34	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
	2-#6	42	49	56	62	68	73	79	0	42	49	54	60	65	70	0	0	43	49	54	58	63	0	0	0				
	2-#7	56	67	76	85	93	100	107	113	58	66	74	82	88	95	101	107	59	66	73	79	85	91	97	102				
	2-#8	74	87	99	110	121	131	140	148	76	87	97	106	116	124	132	140	77	86	95	104	112	119	126	133				
	2-#9	89	110	126	140	153	165	177	188	96	110	123	135	146	157	167	177	97	109	120	131	141	151	160	168				
	3-#4	28	33	37	0	0	0	0	0	28	32	0	0	0	0	0	0	29	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
	3-#5	43	51	58	65	71	77	82	0	44	51	57	62	68	73	0	0	45	51	56	61	65	0	0	0				
	3-#6	62	73	84	93	102	110	118	125	64	73	82	90	97	105	111	118	65	73	80	87	94	101	107	112				
	3-#7	85	100	114	127	139	150	160	170	87	99	111	122	133	142	152	160	88	99	109	119	128	137	145	153				
	3-#8	89	110	130	150	171	191	209	216	110	130	145	160	173	186	198	209	115	129	143	155	167	179	189	200				
	3-#9							212	232			150	171	191	212	232	252	130	150	171	191	212	226	240	253				
14	2-#4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
	2-#5	29	34	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
	2-#6	42	49	56	62	68	0	0	0	42	49	54	60	0	0	0	0	43	49	54	0	0	0	0	0				
	2-#7	56	67	76	85	93	100	107	113	58	66	74	82	88	95	101	0	59	66	73	79	85	91	0	0				
	2-#8	74	87	99	110	121	131	140	148	76	87	97	106	116	124	132	140	77	86	95	104	112	119	126	133				
	2-#9	93	110	126	140	153	165	177	188	96	110	123	135	146	157	167	177	97	109	120	131	141	151	160	168				
	3-#4	28	33	0	0	0	0	0	0	28	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
	3-#5	43	51	58	65	71	0	0	0	44	51	57	62	0	0	0	0	45	51	56	0	0	0	0	0				
	3-#6	62	73	84	93	102	110	118	125	64	73	82	90	97	105	111	118	65	73	80	87	94	101	107	112				
	3-#7	85	100	114	127	139	150	160	170	87	99	111	122	133	142	152	160	88	99	109	119	128	137	145	153				
	3-#8	104	128	149	166	181	196	210	222	113	130	145	160	173	186	198	209	115	129	143	155	167	179	189	200				
	3-#9							152	176	199	223	247	265	128	152	176	199	219	236	253	265	146	164	181	197	212	226	240	253
16	2-#6	42	49	56	62	0	0	0	0	42	49	54	0	0	0	0	0	43	49	0	0	0	0	0	0				
	2-#7	56	67	76	85	93	100	107	0	58	66	74	82	88	95	0	0	59	66	73	79	85	0	0	0				
	2-#8	74	87	99	110	121	131	140	148	76	87	97	106	116	124	132	140	77	86	95	104	112	119	126	133				
	2-#9	93	110	126	140	153	165	177	188	96	110	123	135	146	157	167	177	97	109	120	131	141	151	160	168				
	3-#6	62	73	84	93	102	110	118	125	64	73	82	90	97	105	111	0	65	73	80	87	94	101	0	0				
	3-#7	85	100	114	127	139	150	160	170	87	99	111	122	133	142	152	160	88	99	109	119	128	137	145	153				
	3-#8	110	130	149	166	181	196	210	222	113	130	145	160	173	186	198	209	115	129	143	155	167	179	189	200				
	3-#9	119	146	173	201	228	248	265	279	143	164	184	202	219	236	251	265	146	164	181	197	212	226	240	253				
	4-#6	83	98	112	124	136	147	157	167	85	97	109	120	130	140	149	157	86	97	107	117	126	134	142	150				
	4-#7	113	133	152	169	185	200	214	227	116	133	148	163	177	190	202	214	118	132	146	159	171	182	193	204				
	4-#8	119	143	173	201	228	255	278	288	146	173	194	213	231	248	264	279	154	173	190	207	223	238	253	266				
	4-#9							282	309			202	228	255	282	309	337	173	201	228	255	282	302	320	337				

Figure 6.15.16 Design strength of concrete brackets, corbels or haunches (continued)

		Values of $\phi V_n$ (kips)																								
$\ell_p$ (in.)		10								12								14								
b	$A_s$ h	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	26	14	16	18	20	22	24	26	28	
18	2-#6	42	49	56	0	0	0	0	0	42	49	0	0	0	0	0	0	43	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	2-#7	56	67	76	85	93	100	0	0	58	66	74	82	88	0	0	0	59	66	73	79	0	0	0	0	
	2-#8	74	87	99	110	121	131	140	148	76	87	97	106	116	124	132	140	77	86	95	104	102	119	126	0	
	2-#9	93	110	126	140	153	165	177	188	96	110	123	135	146	157	167	177	97	109	120	131	141	151	160	168	
	3-#6	62	73	84	93	102	110	118	0	64	73	82	90	97	105	0	0	65	73	80	87	94	0	0	0	
	3-#7	85	100	114	127	139	150	160	170	87	99	111	122	133	142	152	160	88	99	109	119	128	137	145	153	
	3-#8	111	130	149	166	181	196	210	222	113	130	145	160	173	186	198	209	115	129	143	155	167	179	189	200	
	3-#9	134	164	188	210	229	248	265	281	143	164	184	202	219	236	251	265	146	164	181	197	212	226	240	253	
	4-#6	83	98	112	124	136	147	157	167	85	97	109	120	130	140	149	157	86	97	107	117	126	134	142	150	
	4-#7	113	133	152	169	185	200	214	227	116	133	148	163	177	190	202	214	118	132	146	159	171	182	193	204	
	4-#8	134	164	195	221	242	261	279	296	151	173	194	213	231	248	264	279	154	173	190	207	223	238	253	266	
4-#9				226	256	287	317	348	164	195	226	256	287	314	334	353	194	218	241	262	282	302	320	337		
20	2-#6	42	49	0	0	0	0	0	0	42	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	2-#7	56	67	76	85	93	0	0	0	58	66	74	82	0	0	0	0	59	66	73	0	0	0	0	0	
	2-#8	74	87	99	110	121	131	140	0	76	87	97	106	116	124	0	0	77	86	95	104	112	0	0	0	
	2-#9	93	110	126	140	153	165	177	188	96	110	123	135	143	157	167	177	97	109	120	131	141	151	160	168	
	3-#6	62	73	84	93	102	0	0	0	64	73	82	90	0	0	0	0	65	73	80	0	0	0	0	0	
	3-#7	85	100	114	127	139	150	160	170	87	99	111	122	133	142	152	160	88	99	109	119	128	137	145	0	
	3-#8	111	130	149	166	181	196	210	222	113	130	145	160	173	186	198	209	115	129	143	155	167	179	189	200	
	3-#9	140	165	188	210	229	248	265	281	143	164	184	202	219	236	251	265	146	164	181	197	212	226	240	253	
	4-#6	83	98	112	124	136	147	157	167	85	97	109	120	130	140	149	157	86	97	107	117	126	134	142	0	
	4-#7	113	133	152	169	185	200	214	227	116	133	148	163	177	190	202	214	118	132	146	159	171	182	193	204	
	4-#8	148	174	198	221	242	261	279	296	151	173	194	213	231	248	264	279	154	173	190	207	223	238	253	266	
4-#9	149	183	217	251	285	319	350	362	183	217	245	270	292	314	334	353	194	218	241	262	282	302	320	337		
$\ell_p$ (in.)		4								6								8								
b	$A_s$ h	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	
22	2-#6	33	51	66	79	90	0	0	0	38	50	61	70	0	0	0	0	40	49	58	0	0	0	0	0	
	2-#7	44	69	90	107	122	135	146	0	51	68	83	96	107	117	0	0	54	67	78	89	98	0	0	0	
	2-#8	51	89	118	140	159	172	180	188	67	89	108	125	140	153	166	177	71	88	103	116	128	140	150	0	
	2-#9			126	164	188	199	210	219	84	112	136	158	177	194	210	224	90	111	130	147	163	177	190	202	
	3-#6	49	76	99	118	135	149	161	168	56	75	91	105	118	129	140	0	60	74	87	98	108	118	0	0	
	3-#7	51	89	126	161	177	188	197	206	77	102	124	143	161	176	190	203	82	101	118	133	148	161	173	184	
	3-#8			164	201	222	233	244	89	126	162	187	210	230	244	253	107	131	154	174	193	210	225	240		
	3-#9					238	269	282			164	201	238	269	282	294	126	164	195	220	244	265	285	303		
	4-#6				158	175	185	195	203	75	100	121	140	157	173	186	199	80	99	115	131	144	157	169	180	
	4-#7				164	201	224	236	247	89	126	164	191	214	235	247	257	109	134	157	178	197	214	230	245	
	4-#8					238	276	291				201	238	276	291	303	126	164	201	232	257	280	300	315		
4-#9						313						313	350					238	276	313	350	364				
24	2-#6	33	51	66	79	0	0	0	0	38	50	61	0	0	0	0	0	40	49	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	2-#7	44	69	90	107	122	135	0	0	51	68	83	96	107	0	0	0	54	67	78	89	0	0	0	0	
	2-#8	56	91	118	140	159	176	186	194	67	89	108	125	140	153	166	0	71	88	103	116	128	140	0	0	
	2-#9			97	138	177	194	206	216	226	84	112	136	158	177	194	210	224	90	111	130	147	163	177	190	202
	3-#6	49	76	99	118	135	149	161	0	56	75	91	105	118	129	0	0	60	74	87	98	108	0	0	0	
	3-#7	56	97	135	161	183	194	203	212	77	102	124	143	161	176	190	203	82	101	118	133	148	161	173	184	
	3-#8			138	179	216	229	241	252	97	133	162	187	210	230	248	262	107	131	154	174	193	210	225	240	
	3-#9					219	260	279	292			138	179	219	260	279	292	304	135	166	195	220	244	265	285	303
	4-#6				132	158	179	191	201	209	75	100	121	140	157	173	186	199	80	99	115	131	144	157	169	180
	4-#7				138	179	219	232	244	255	97	136	165	191	214	235	254	265	109	134	157	178	197	214	230	245
	4-#8					260	288	301				138	179	219	260	288	301	314	138	175	205	232	257	280	300	320
4-#9						301	342							301	342	362				179	219	260	301	342	362	376

Figure 6.15.16 Design strength of concrete brackets, corbels or haunches (continued)

		Values of $\phi V_n$ (kips)																											
$\ell_p$ (in.)		10								12								14											
b	h A <sub>s</sub>	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	26	14	16	18	20	22	24	26	28				
22	2-#6	42	49	0	0	0	0	0	0	42	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
	2-#7	56	67	76	85	0	0	0	0	58	66	74	0	0	0	0	0	59	66	0	0	0	0	0	0				
	2-#8	74	87	99	110	121	131	0	0	76	87	97	106	116	0	0	0	77	86	95	104	0	0	0	0				
	2-#9	93	110	126	140	153	165	177	188	96	110	123	135	146	157	167	177	97	109	120	131	141	151	160	0				
	3-#6	62	73	84	93	102	0	0	0	64	73	82	90	0	0	0	0	65	73	80	0	0	0	0	0				
	3-#7	85	100	114	127	139	150	160	170	87	99	111	122	133	142	152	0	88	99	109	119	128	137	0	0				
	3-#8	111	130	149	166	181	196	210	222	113	130	145	160	173	186	198	209	115	129	143	155	167	179	189	200				
	3-#9	140	165	188	210	229	248	265	281	143	164	184	202	219	236	251	265	146	164	181	197	212	226	240	253				
	4-#6	83	98	112	124	136	147	157	167	85	97	109	120	130	140	149	0	86	97	107	117	126	134	0	0				
	4-#7	113	133	152	169	185	200	214	227	116	133	148	163	177	190	202	214	118	132	146	159	171	182	193	204				
4-#8	148	174	198	221	242	261	279	296	151	173	194	213	231	248	264	279	154	173	190	207	223	238	253	266					
4-#9	164	201	238	276	306	331	354	375	191	219	245	270	292	314	334	353	194	218	241	262	282	302	320	337					
24	2-#6	42	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
	2-#7	56	67	76	0	0	0	0	0	58	66	0	0	0	0	0	0	59	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
	2-#8	74	87	99	110	121	0	0	0	76	87	97	106	0	0	0	0	77	86	95	0	0	0	0	0				
	2-#9	93	110	126	140	153	165	177	188	96	110	123	135	146	157	167	0	97	109	120	131	141	151	0	0				
	3-#6	62	73	84	93	0	0	0	0	64	73	82	0	0	0	0	0	65	73	0	0	0	0	0	0				
	3-#7	85	100	114	127	139	150	160	0	87	99	111	122	133	142	0	0	88	99	109	119	128	0	0	0				
	3-#8	111	130	149	166	181	196	210	222	113	130	145	160	173	186	198	209	115	129	143	155	167	179	189	200				
	3-#9	140	165	188	210	229	248	265	281	143	164	184	202	219	236	251	265	146	164	181	197	212	226	240	253				
	4-#6	83	98	112	124	136	147	157	0	85	97	109	120	130	140	0	0	86	97	107	117	126	0	0	0				
	4-#7	113	133	152	169	185	200	214	227	116	133	148	163	177	190	202	214	118	132	146	159	171	182	193	204				
4-#8	148	174	198	221	242	261	279	296	151	173	194	213	231	248	264	279	154	173	190	207	223	238	253	266					
4-#9	179	219	251	280	306	331	354	375	191	219	245	270	292	314	334	353	194	218	241	262	282	302	320	337					

**Figure 6.15.17 Design of structural steel haunches—concrete**

Values are for design strength of concrete by Eq. 6.9.1 for following criteria:

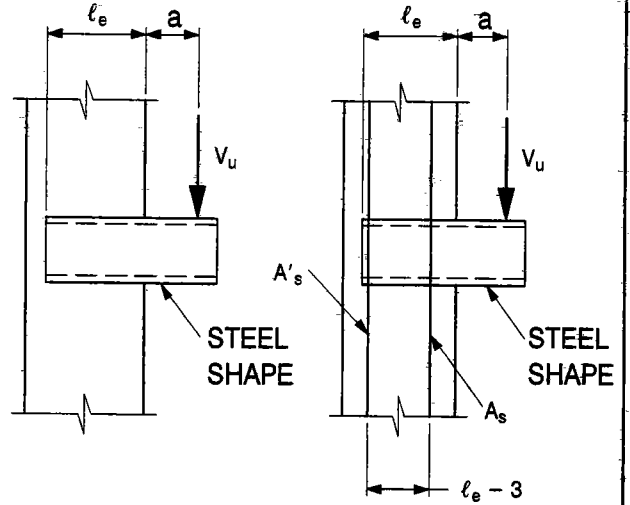
$$f'_c = 5000 \text{ psi, for other strengths multiply values by } f'_c / 5000$$

Adequacy of structural steel section should be checked

Additional design strength,  $\phi V_r$ , can be obtained with reinforcing bars – see Fig. 6.15.18.

$$V_u \leq \phi(V_c + V_r)$$

$$\phi = 0.85$$



**Values of  $\phi V_c$  (kips)**

Shear span a (in.)	Embedment $l_e$ (in.)	Effective width of section (in.)											
		6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
2	6	33	38	43	49	54	60	65	70	76	81	87	92
	8	47	55	62	70	78	86	94	102	109	117	125	133
	10	62	72	82	92	103	113	123	133	144	154	164	174
	12	76	89	102	115	128	140	153	166	179	191	204	217
	14	92	107	122	137	153	168	183	198	214	229	244	259
	16	107	124	142	160	178	196	213	231	249	267	284	302
	18	122	142	163	183	203	224	244	264	284	305	325	345
	20	137	160	183	206	229	252	274	297	320	343	366	389
4	6	25	29	33	38	42	46	50	54	58	63	67	71
	8	38	44	50	57	63	69	75	82	88	94	101	107
	10	51	60	68	77	85	94	102	111	119	128	136	145
	12	65	76	87	98	108	119	130	141	152	163	173	184
	14	79	92	106	119	132	145	159	182	185	198	211	225
	16	94	109	125	141	156	172	187	203	219	234	250	266
	18	108	126	145	163	181	199	217	235	253	271	289	307
	20	123	144	164	185	205	226	246	267	287	308	328	349
6	6	20	24	27	30	34	37	41	44	47	51	54	58
	8	32	37	42	47	53	58	63	68	74	79	84	89
	10	44	51	58	66	73	80	87	95	102	109	117	124
	12	57	66	75	85	94	104	113	123	132	141	151	160
	14	70	82	93	105	116	128	140	151	163	175	186	198
	16	84	97	111	125	139	153	167	181	195	209	223	237
	18	98	114	130	146	163	179	195	211	228	244	260	276
	20	112	130	149	168	186	205	223	242	261	279	298	317
8	6	17	20	23	26	29	31	34	37	40	43	46	48
	8	27	32	36	41	45	50	54	59	63	68	72	77
	10	38	45	51	57	64	70	76	83	89	95	102	108
	12	50	58	67	75	83	92	100	108	117	125	133	142
	14	62	73	83	94	104	115	125	135	146	156	167	177
	16	75	88	101	113	126	138	151	163	176	188	201	214
	18	89	103	118	133	148	163	177	192	207	222	236	251
	20	102	119	136	153	170	187	204	222	239	256	273	290
	22	116	135	155	174	193	213	232	251	271	290	309	329

**Figure 6.15.18 Design of structural steel haunches—reinforcement**

Values are for additional design strength of concrete obtained from reinforcement by Eq. 6.9.2 for following criteria:

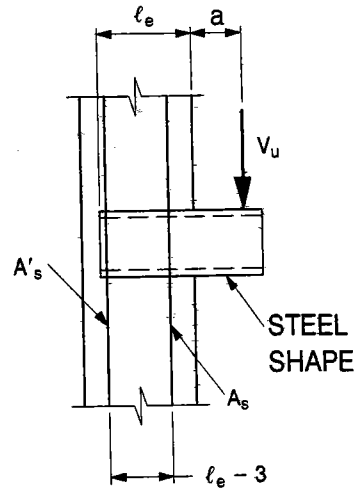
$$A_s = 2 \text{ bars welded to steel shape}$$

$$A'_s = A_s$$

Reinforcement anchored in only one direction.

When reinforcement,  $A_s$  and  $A'_s$  is anchored both above and below steel shape, it can be counted twice (values may be doubled).

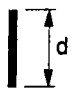
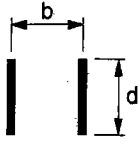
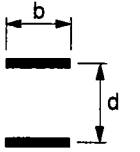
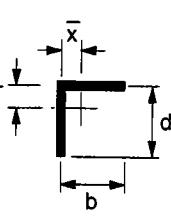
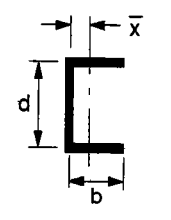
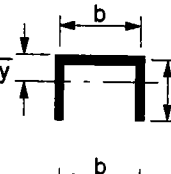
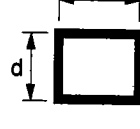
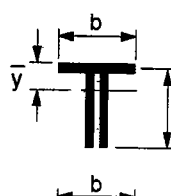
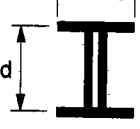
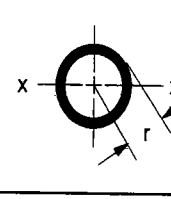
For design strength of concrete,  $\phi V_c$  — see Fig. 6.15.17.



**Values of  $V_r$  (kips)**

Shear span a (in.)	Embedment $l_e$ (in.)	Reinforcing bar size $f_y = 40$ ksi						Reinforcing bar size $f_y = 60$ ksi					
		#4	#5	#6	#7	#8	#9	#4	#5	#6	#7	#8	#9
2	6	7	11	15	21	27	35	10	16	23	32	41	52
	8	10	15	22	30	39	49	14	23	33	44	58	73
	10	11	15	25	35	45	57	17	26	38	52	68	86
	12	12	19	28	38	50	63	19	29	42	57	74	94
	14	13	21	30	40	53	66	20	31	44	60	79	100
	16	14	21	31	42	55	69	21	32	46	63	82	104
	18	14	22	32	43	57	72	21	33	48	65	85	107
	20	14	23	33	44	58	73	22	34	49	67	87	110
22	15	23	33	45	59	75	22	35	50	68	89	112	
4	6	5	8	12	16	21	27	8	12	18	24	31	40
	8	8	12	18	24	31	40	12	18	27	36	47	60
	10	10	15	21	29	38	48	14	22	32	44	57	73
	12	11	17	24	33	43	54	16	25	36	49	64	82
	14	12	18	26	36	47	59	17	27	39	53	70	88
	16	12	19	28	38	49	62	18	29	42	57	74	93
	18	13	20	29	39	51	65	19	30	43	59	77	98
	20	13	21	30	41	53	67	20	31	45	61	80	101
22	14	21	31	42	55	69	20	32	46	63	82	104	
6	6	4	7	10	13	17	21	6	10	14	19	25	32
	8	7	10	15	20	26	33	10	16	22	30	40	50
	10	8	13	19	25	33	42	12	19	28	38	50	63
	12	9	15	21	29	38	48	14	22	32	44	57	72
	14	10	16	23	32	42	53	16	24	35	48	63	79
	16	11	17	25	34	45	57	17	26	38	51	67	85
	18	12	18	27	36	47	60	18	28	40	54	71	89
	20	12	19	28	38	49	62	18	29	41	56	74	93
22	13	20	29	39	51	64	19	30	43	58	76	96	
8	6	4	6	8	11	14	18	5	8	12	16	21	27
	8	6	9	13	17	23	29	9	13	19	26	34	43
	10	7	11	16	22	29	37	11	17	25	34	44	55
	12	9	13	19	26	37	43	13	20	29	39	51	65
	14	9	15	21	29	38	48	14	22	32	43	57	72
	16	10	16	23	31	41	52	15	24	35	47	61	78
	18	11	17	24	33	43	55	16	25	37	50	65	83
	20	11	18	26	35	46	58	17	27	39	52	68	87
22	12	19	27	36	47	60	18	28	40	55	70	90	

Figure 6.15.19 Properties of weld groups treated as lines ( $t_w=1$ )

Section b = width; d = depth	Section modulus $I_x / \bar{y}$	Polar moment of inertia, $I_p$ , about center of gravity
1. 	$S = \frac{d^2}{6}$	$I_p = \frac{d^3}{12}$
2. 	$S = \frac{d^2}{3}$	$I_p = \frac{d(3b^2 + d^2)}{6}$
3. 	$S = bd$	$I_p = \frac{b(3d^2 + b^2)}{6}$
4.  $\bar{y} = \frac{d^2}{2(b+d)}$ $\bar{x} = \frac{b^2}{2(b+d)}$	$S_{top} = \frac{4bd + d^2}{6}$ $S_{bott} = \frac{d^2(4b + d)}{6(2b + d)}$	$I_p = \frac{(b+d)^4 - 6b^2d^2}{12(b+d)}$
5.  $\bar{x} = \frac{b^2}{2b+d}$	$S = bd + \frac{d^2}{6}$	$I_p = \frac{8b^3 + 6bd^2 + d^3}{12} - \frac{b^4}{2b+d}$
6.  $\bar{y} = \frac{d^2}{b+2d}$	$S_{top} = \frac{2bd + d^2}{3}$ $S_{bott} = \frac{d^2(2b + d)}{3(b + d)}$	$I_p = \frac{b^3 + 6b^2d + 8d^3}{12} - \frac{d^4}{2d + b}$
7. 	$S = bd + \frac{d^2}{3}$	$I_p = \frac{(b+d)^3}{6}$
8.  $\bar{y} = \frac{d^2}{b+2d}$	$S_{top} = \frac{2bd + d^2}{3}$ $S_{bott} = \frac{d^2(2b + d)}{3(b + d)}$	$I_p = \frac{b^3 + 8d^3}{12} - \frac{d^4}{b + 2d}$
9. 	$S = bd + \frac{d^2}{3}$	$I_p = \frac{b^3 + 3bd^2 + d^3}{6}$
10. 	$S = \pi r^2$	$I_p = 2\pi r^3$





# CHAPTER 7

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# SELECTED TOPICS FOR ARCHITECTURAL PRECAST CONCRETE

## 7.1 Introduction

Architectural precast concrete is produced in a wide variety of shapes and finishes. Shapes can vary from simple to complex; finish includes color, pattern and texture. The combination of finish and shape contribute to the architectural expression and finished appearance of the structure.

In addition to aesthetics, architectural precast concrete can serve a load bearing function, help stiffen the structure, and aid in meeting thermal and/or acoustical requirements.

This section now discusses in more detail the difference between non-load bearing and load bearing architectural panels. The main change is the increased discussion of the positive uses of load bearing architectural panels, either as shear walls or to support vertical loads from other members. The benefit is decreased cost of the project without affecting the appearance of the structure.

The successful and economical use of architectural precast concrete requires not only a clear understanding of the production and erection methods, but also a good knowledge of the structural limits of the product. This chapter provides a brief discussion of selected topics of relevance to the structural engineer. A more complete treatment of all aspects of architectural precast concrete is provided in Ref. 1.

Design Procedures presented in this chapter follow ACI 318-95 and other relevant national model building code requirements except where modified to reflect current industry practice (see Sect. 10.5).

### 7.1.1 Structural Analysis and Design

Architectural precast concrete construction can be considered in three parts:

1. The precast elements.
2. The support of the precast element, i.e., the beam, wall, column, foundation or any other part of the structure which provides vertical and horizontal support for the element.
3. The connection that joins the precast element to its support.

Other parts of this Handbook give detailed information and procedures for analyzing and designing architectural and structural precast concrete elements and structures. The following chapters or sections are also applicable to architectural precast concrete:

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| 1   | Materials                |
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| 10.5  | Standard Design Practice   |

Following is a brief summary of structural engineering considerations discussed in detail in the above listed sections:

The potential for element volume change requires consideration. Volume changes may be a result of:

1. Elastic and inelastic (creep) deformations.
2. Shrinkage.
3. Expansion, contraction and bowing resulting from temperature and moisture change.

Movement in the support system must also be considered. Movement can result from:

1. Elastic and inelastic deformation from gravity loads.
2. Horizontal displacement resulting from wind and earthquake.
3. Foundation movement.
4. Temperature change.
5. Shrinkage of concrete.

Provisions must be made to accommodate estimated movements.

The structural design of architectural precast concrete requires consideration of the following items:

1. Stresses caused by handling, transportation and erection.
2. Acceptable crack width and location.
3. Strain-gradients and restraint forces from thermal and moisture differentials through the panel thickness.
4. Localized wind forces, seismic events and the response of a precast element to these transient loads.
5. Forces transferred to the element and connections due to distortion of the structural frame.
6. Differential deflections between the precast element and the supporting structure.
7. Accommodation of tolerances allowed in the supporting structure.
8. Experience with various types of connections.

It should be recognized that loads and behavior cannot be established precisely, particularly for members exposed to the environment. This imprecision will generally not affect the safety of the member, provided that reasonable values have been established and the above factors considered.

### 7.1.2 Load Transfer—General Methods

The forces which must be considered in the design of architectural precast concrete components are:

1. Those caused by the precast member itself, e.g., self weight and earthquake forces.
2. Those caused by loads, such as wind, seismic, snow, floor live loads, soil or fluid pressure, or construction loads, that are externally applied to the element and transferred to the element by the behavior of the supporting structure.
3. Those that are a result of restraint of volume change or support system movement. They are generally concentrated at the connections.

All non-load bearing elements should be designed to accommodate movement freely and, whenever possible, with no redundant supports, except where necessary to restrain bowing. Relatively simple analyses provide the forces required for connection design. The calculations required for movement accommodation are more complex. The designer can use the sim-

plified methods discussed in Chapter 3, or computer analysis programs.

When redundant supports are necessary or when movement is to be resisted, the load-deformation characteristics of the element, connections and support system should be taken into account.

### 7.1.3 Application

The most common applications of architectural precast concrete in building construction are those in which the precast elements function as walls. Concrete is an ideal wall material, since it has excellent sound transmission characteristics, is fire resistant, and is durable. In addition, architectural precast concrete provides almost unlimited potential for economically achieving aesthetic design objectives. Architectural precast elements are capable of functioning as a wall without backing. Large elements provide the complete wall, and often are made with integral window openings.

Precast walls which are of sufficient mass to satisfy manufacturing, sound transmission, and fire resistance requirements are also capable of supporting significant loads. Thus, using precast concrete walls to carry loads is an economical alternative to the use of separate structural systems and wall materials.

In this Handbook, a distinction is made between non-load bearing and load bearing elements:

1. A non-load bearing (cladding) element is one which resists and transfers negligible load from other elements of the structure. It is generally used only to enclose space, but must be designed to resist wind, seismic forces generated from self weight, and forces required to transfer its weight to the structure which supports it.
2. A load bearing element resists and transfers loads applied from other elements in addition to the forces described above. Therefore, a load bearing member cannot be removed without affecting the strength or stability of the building.

Architectural precast concrete wall panels can be used as shear walls to resist and transfer horizontal loads. Precast panels can be attached to existing frames to improve lateral resistance, such as upgrading structures in seismic zones. In these cases, the connections between panels and other structural elements are the primary design consideration. Typically, connection flexibility is the limiting factor in the contribution of the panels to lateral load resistance of the entire structure. The lateral force load paths and the additional forces applied through panel connections to the supporting structural elements must also be considered in the design [19].

Architectural precast concrete elements can also be designed as beams to transfer gravity and lateral loads to supports. The beams may also participate in the transfer of lateral loads. For example, the beams may serve as struts between lateral load resisting elements, such as columns or shear walls, transferring the load as an axial force. In other cases, precast beams interact with columns to form a moment frame as a lateral load resisting system.

In composite construction, precast concrete elements may be used as forms for cast-in-place concrete (Sect. 7.3). This is especially suitable for combining architectural and structural functions in load bearing facades, or for improving ductility in locations of high seismic risk.

Suggested connection details for cladding elements are shown in Chapter 6.

#### 7.1.4 Analysis

In some cases, the structural design of a single precast element can be completed with very little consideration of other materials and elements in the structure. The weight of the element and the superimposed loads are simply transferred to supports, and the element can be considered independently of the structure.

Occasionally, however, it is necessary to consider the characteristics of other materials and elements within the structure. For example, neglecting the relative movement between two support points may lead to inaccurate estimates of connection forces.

In other cases, architectural precast elements may interact with other parts of the structure in the transfer of loads. The design of the interacting system and the individual precast elements must be based on analysis of the whole system.

The designer of a precast building can choose to transfer loads through architectural precast concrete elements or intentionally avoid significant load transfers through the precast elements. In the preliminary design phase, the structural engineer should therefore recognize that he is able to choose the structural characteristics rather than simply analyze a predetermined set of criteria.

#### 7.1.5 Design Objectives

Structural integrity and serviceability of the completed structure are the primary objectives. Deflections must be limited to acceptable levels, and distress that could result in instability of an individual element or of the complete structure must be prevented. The inherent stiffness of architectural precast concrete panels will significantly stiffen a structure, thereby reducing deflections and improving stability.

Economy is an important design objective. The total cost of a completed structure is the determining factor. What seems to be a relatively expensive precast element may result in the most economical building because of the reduction or elimination of other costs. The designer should attempt to optimize the structure by using precast panels to serve several functions, and take advantage of the economy gained by standardization.

Standardization reduces costs because fewer molds are required. Also, productivity in all phases of manufacture and erection is improved through repetition of familiar tasks; there is also less chance of error.

A very strict discipline is required of the designer to avoid a large number of non-standard units. Preliminary planning and budgeting should recognize the probability that the number of different units will increase as the design progresses. If non-standard units are unavoidable, costs can be minimized if they can be cast from a master mold with simple modifications for the special pieces, rather than requiring special molds [1].

The aesthetic design objectives for the structure should be a matter of concern to the structural engineer. A precast element or system may achieve all other design objectives but fall short of aesthetic objectives through treatment of the structural features.

### 7.2 Non-Load Bearing Panels—Connections

#### 7.2.1 Design Fundamentals

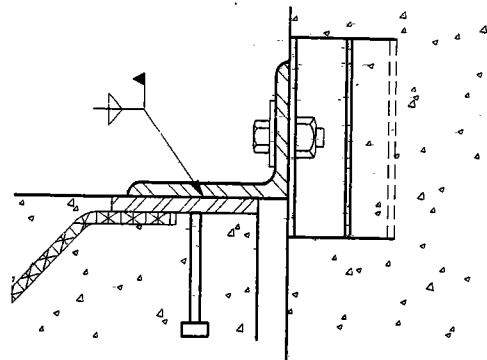
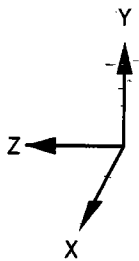
To assure the satisfactory performance of architectural precast concrete elements, it is important that connections be selected and arranged to transfer applied loads without producing unintended restraint. The design of connections follows the procedures given in Chapter 6.

The designer should provide simple load paths through the connections and ductility within the connections. This will reduce the sensitivity of the connection and the necessity to precisely calculate loads and forces from, for example, volume changes and frame distortions. The number of load transfer points should be kept to a practical minimum. It is recommended that no more than two connections per panel be used to transfer gravity loads. More than two results in a statically indeterminate system; since the stiffness of the panel and its support may be significantly different, and the elevation of supports different than assumed in the design, the reactions on an indeterminate system may not be accurately known. Furthermore, the fewer the connections the easier it is to provide for the various movements required to accommodate volume changes, drift, etc. Load transfer should be as direct as possible. Figure 7.2.1 shows examples of several load transfer mechanisms.

Figure 7.2.1 Connections illustrating number of force transfers

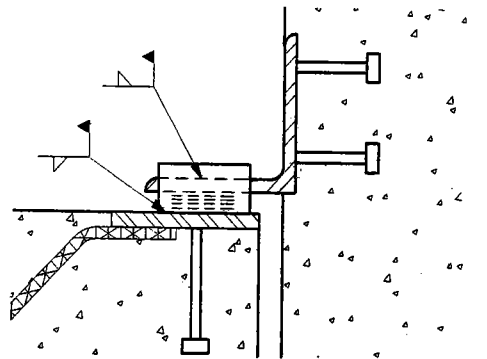
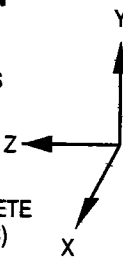
**(A) HORIZONTAL LOAD TRANSFER IN X AND Z DIRECTION**

- CONCRETE TO INSERT
- INSERT TO BOLT
- BOLT TO ANGLE
- ANGLE TO WELD
- WELD TO PLATE
- PLATE TO ANCHORS
- ANCHORS TO CONCRETE  
(7 FORCE TRANSFERS)



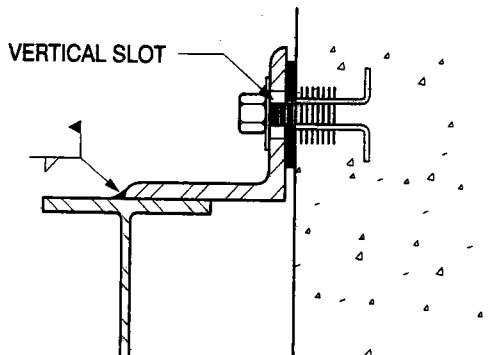
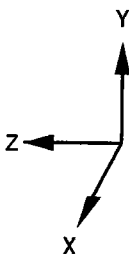
**(B) HORIZONTAL LOAD TRANSFER IN Z DIRECTION AND VERTICAL LOAD TRANSFER IN Y DIRECTION**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ CONCRETE TO STUDS</li> <li>▪ STUDS TO ANGLE</li> <li>▪ ANGLE TO WELD</li> <li>▪ WELD TO WING PLATE</li> <li>▪ WING PLATE TO WELD</li> <li>▪ WELD TO BRG PLATE</li> <li>▪ BRG PLATE TO ANCHORS</li> <li>▪ ANCHORS TO CONCRETE<br/>(8 FORCE TRANSFERS)</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ CONCRETE TO STUDS</li> <li>▪ STUDS TO ANGLE</li> <li>▪ ANGLE TO SHIMS</li> <li>▪ SHIMS TO PLATE</li> <li>▪ PLATE TO ANCHORS</li> <li>▪ ANCHORS TO CONCRETE<br/>(6 FORCE TRANSFERS)</li> </ul> |
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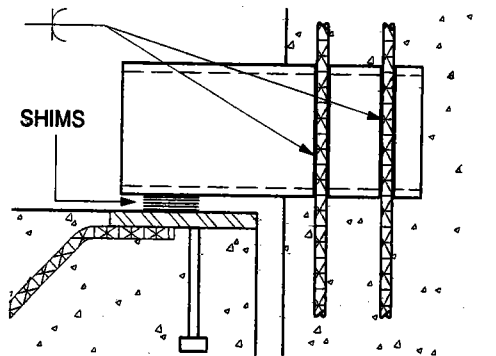
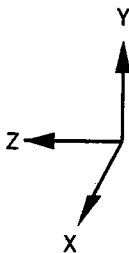
**(C) HORIZONTAL LOAD TRANSFER IN X OR Z DIRECTION**

- CONCRETE TO INSERT
- INSERT TO BOLT
- BOLT TO ANGLE
- ANGLE TO WELD
- WELD TO SUPPORT  
(5 FORCE TRANSFERS)



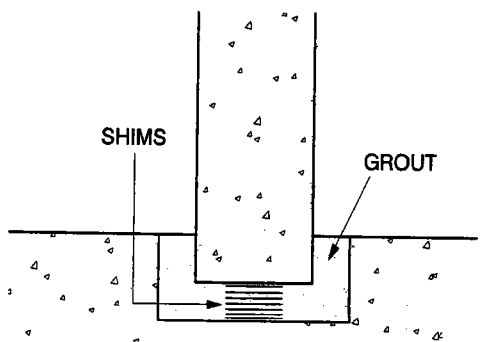
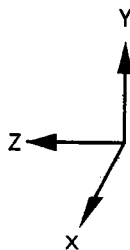
**(D) VERTICAL LOAD TRANSFER**

- CONCRETE TO REINFORCEMENT AND TUBE
- REINFORCEMENT TO WELDS
- WELDS TO TUBE
- TUBE TO SHIMS
- SHIMS TO BEARING PLATE
- BEARING PLATE TO ANCHORS
- ANCHORS TO CONCRETE  
(7 FORCE TRANSFERS)



**(E) HORIZONTAL LOAD TRANSFER IN X AND Z DIRECTION AND VERTICAL LOAD TRANSFER**

- CONCRETE TO GROUT AND SHIMS
- GROUT AND SHIMS TO SUPPORT  
(2 FORCE TRANSFERS)



Connections and assemblies should develop sufficient ductility to preclude brittle failures. For example, inserts in concrete should be attached to and/or hooked around reinforcing steel, provided with confinement reinforcement or otherwise be terminated to effectively transfer forces to the concrete and/or reinforcement. It is desirable that the pullout strength of concrete and strength of welds be greater than the tension or bending strength of the connection steel.

The design of the panel connection and the supporting frame are interdependent. For example, if a supporting spandrel beam lacks sufficient rotational stiffness, the precast connections should be designed to transmit the vertical loads to the shear center of the beam, or the supporting members should be braced to avoid torsional rotation.

Connection hardware must be permanently protected from the elements, or corrosion resistant materials used. For fire-rated structures, exposed connections should be protected as required to assure the proper rating for the entire assembly.

Adequate tolerances and clearances, as discussed in Chapter 8, are required.

In zones of seismic activity, present codes treat precast concrete walls subjected to lateral loads as non-ductile, with an appropriately high multiplier to establish design base shear. Continuity and ductility may be achieved by casting in place spandrel beams and columns using the wall panels as forms. The ductility of walls partially depends on the location of reinforcement. Ductile behavior is significantly improved if the continuous reinforcement is located at the ends of the walls. Thus, a usually inactive curtain wall can become a major lateral load (seismic) resisting element.

## 7.2.2 Production Considerations

Connections should allow economical production of the precast elements. The hardware should not interfere with concrete placement or cause finishing problems, nor require penetration through molds. The size of reinforcing bars should be limited, because large bars require anchorage lengths and hook sizes that may be impractical. Connection details with reinforcing bars crossing each other require careful dimensional checking to ensure sufficient cover.

Plates, angles or other steel shapes embedded in precast concrete must be securely attached to the forms to prevent their becoming misaligned or skewed.

Inserts must be placed accurately because their capacity depends on the depth of embedment, spacing and distance from free edges. They should be kept free of dirt and protected so that concrete does not enter during casting.

When possible, connections should be dimensioned to the nearest  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. The minimum shim space between elements of a connection should not be less than  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., with 1 in. preferred. It should be remembered that the real dimensions of reinforcing bars are approximately  $\frac{1}{8}$  in. greater than the nominal, because of the deformations. Prestressed panels require special form considerations to permit product movement at release.

## 7.2.3 Erection Considerations

Ease and speed of erection are heavily dependent on simplicity and ruggedness of assembly details. Field patching and finishing should be kept to a minimum. If possible, the details should allow erection to proceed in nearly all kinds of weather. The panels should be capable of being erected without temporary shoring. Ideally, it should be possible to complete the connection by working downhand from the top of the erected member or from a stable deck.

The maximum feasible adjustability should be provided in all directions, preferably at least 1 in. For example, the supporting beam may rotate or deflect under the weight of the precast panels, making it necessary to adjust the connections during erection. Significant support rotation and deflection are more common in structural steel than in concrete frames. The designer of the support system should verify that eccentrically loaded support beams are of sufficient stiffness to prevent excessive rotation.

Connections should be detailed so that hoisting equipment can be quickly released. It may be necessary to provide temporary connections that are released after final adjustments are made. Loading conditions during erection may be more critical than other phases, due to eccentricities, construction loads or impact.

When cast-in-place concrete, grout or drypack is required to complete a connection, the detail should provide for self-forming if possible. When not practical, the connection should allow for easy placement and removal of formwork. Temporary shoring may be required.

## 7.3 Precast Concrete Used as Forms

### 7.3.1 General

This section provides design and detailing information for structures in which architectural precast concrete is used as the formwork for cast-in-place structural concrete [3].

In most cases, the architectural precast concrete is considered solely as a form, serving only decorative

purposes after the cast-in-place concrete has achieved design strength. This is accomplished by providing open or compressible joints between abutting precast panels, and eliminating bond at the interface of the precast and cast-in-place concrete. When the architectural precast concrete unit is non-composite with the cast-in-place concrete, the reinforcing steel extending from the precast into the cast-in-place concrete need only be of sufficient strength to support the formwork unit.

In other cases, it may be desirable to detail the structure so that the precast and cast-in-place concrete act compositely, thus combining the strength of both. It is then necessary to provide shear transfer as for other composite assemblies. Sect. 4.3.5 describes design procedures.

### 7.3.2 Design Considerations

Following are recommendations for design of precast panels used as forms for cast-in-place concrete:

#### 7.3.2.1 Lateral Pressure of Fresh Concrete

With the following limitations, the formulas below may be used to determine the forces to be resisted by forms, ties, and bracing [4]:

1. Material is normal weight concrete, with a unit weight of 145 to 155 pcf.
2. Vibration is by internal means only; form vibrators, if used, will require a modification of the formulas.
3. The depth vibrated, or re-vibrated, does not exceed 4 ft below the concrete surface.
4. Retarding admixtures, if used, will require a modification of the formulas.
5. For heights greater than 18 ft, an interval of 2 hours should elapse after each 18 ft lift prior to continuation.
6. Slump is not greater than 4 in. at point of placement.

Columns, placement rate up to 25 ft/hr:

$$p = 150 + 9000R/T \quad (\text{Eq. 7.3.1})$$

(maximum 3000 psf or 150h, whichever is least)

Walls, placement rate less than 7 ft/hr:

$$p = 150 + 9000R/T \quad (\text{Eq. 7.3.2a})$$

(maximum 2000 psf or 150h, whichever is least)

Walls, placement rate 7 to 10 ft/hr:

$$p = 150 + 43,400/T + 2800R/T \quad (\text{Eq. 7.3.2b})$$

(maximum 2000 psf or 150h, whichever is least)

Walls, placement rate greater than 10 ft/hr:

$$p = 150h \quad (\text{Eq. 7.3.2c})$$

where:

$p$  = lateral pressure, psf

$R$  = placement rate, ft/hr

$T$  = temperature of concrete in forms, °F

$h$  = height of fresh concrete above point considered, ft

#### 7.3.2.2 Lateral Forces on Precast Concrete Forms

In addition to pressure induced by fresh concrete, the lateral forces on forms and bracing should be in accordance with the building code, but not less than:

1. Wind—15 psf applied to all exposed surfaces, unless local codes specifically permit less.
2. Columns—2% of the total dead load supported by the form, applied as a horizontal load to the top of the form.
3. Walls—100 lb per linear ft of wall, applied to the top of the wall form.

*Vertical Loads on Precast Concrete Forms.* The vertical load supported by precast concrete forms should consist of all superimposed dead loads, including an allowance for storage of construction materials, and a live load of not less than 25 psf.

*Formwork Accessories.* In the design of formwork accessories such as form ties and form anchors, a minimum safety factor of 2 based on the ultimate strength of the accessory is recommended except that yield point must not be exceeded.

#### 7.3.2.3 Design Assumptions

1. Forms are generally supported in a manner which will permit them to act as continuous beams. It is generally sufficiently accurate to assume that the form acts as a fixed beam between adjacent lateral supports. The engineer must judge whether to include deformation of the form supports in the analysis.
2. Partially open concrete shapes are often used to form columns. These U-shapes will develop internal stresses which are a function of the stiffness of the sides. Design assumptions are shown in Figure 7.3.1.
3. The internal stresses, produced by the temperature rise of the form as the cast-in-place concrete is placed, are usually neglected. Moments developed due to uniform temperature rise for U-shaped forms are shown in Figure 7.3.1.

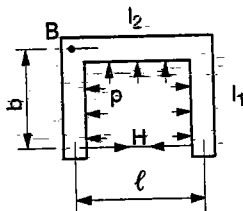
**Figure 7.3.1 Forces due to internal pressure on U-shaped forms**

$$k = \frac{l_2 b}{l_1 \ell}$$

$$N = 2k + 3$$

$$M_B = \frac{P}{4N}(\ell^2 + kb^2)$$

$$H = \frac{M_B}{b}$$



FOR THE CASE OF A UNIFORM TEMPERATURE RISE OF  $\Delta T$  AND WHERE:

E = MODULUS OF ELASTICITY  
C = COEFFICIENT OF THERMAL EXPANSION

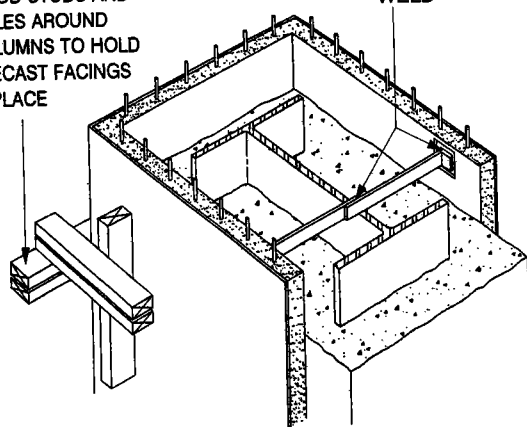
$$M_B = \frac{-3EI_2 C \Delta T}{bN}$$

$$H = \frac{M_B}{b}$$

**TYPICAL APPLICATION OF U-SHAPED FORM**

WOOD STUDS AND WALES AROUND COLUMNS TO HOLD PRECAST FACINGS IN PLACE

WELD



- The cross-sectional area of column form panels is usually neglected when determining either the immediate (elastic) or long-term (creep) column shortening. The thickness of panels is usually included when investigating the effect of various temperature changes across the column.

**Deflection.** Form deflection should generally be limited to  $1/360$  of the unsupported height or length. Deflection of beam forms, and warping of wall forms, may result from differential shrinkage of precast and cast-in-place concrete, as well as the dead load or lateral pressure of the cast-in-place concrete. Cambering of architectural precast forms to compensate for deflections is expensive and should be avoided.

**Crack control.** In order to minimize form cracking due to the pressures induced by fresh concrete, the design procedures for crack control in Chapters 4 and 5 should be followed. Where the member is long enough to develop bonded strand, pretensioning may be used in the precast form units.

**Composite design.** Interaction between precast forms and cast-in-place concrete can be achieved by providing for the transfer of shear forces at the interface. Effective composite behavior will significantly increase the strength of members and reduce deflections. Design methods and shear transfer requirements are discussed in Chapter 4.

When the precast and cast-in-place concrete are designed to act compositely, the form joints must be located away from points of high moment.

In compression members, axial loads will tend to be distributed initially to the precast and cast-in-place components in accordance with their individual axial stiffness. Over time, there will be some redistribution of load from the more highly stressed components to the other due to creep.

**7.3.3 Construction Considerations**

Realistic assumptions with regard to construction techniques are required. It must be determined (or specified) how the precast panels will be supported during concreting in order to design them.

Panel forms of concrete should be erected and temporarily braced to proper grade and alignment in such a way that the tolerances specified for the finished structure can be met. Temporary bracing for the panels generally consists of adjustable pipe bracing from panel to floor slab. Supports, braces, and form ties must be stiff enough so that their elastic deformation will not significantly affect the assumed load distribution. Form ties may be attached as shown in Figure 7.3.2, or welded to plates cast in the panels. Column forms may use column clamps or be wrapped with steel bands to aid in resisting hydrostatic pressure.

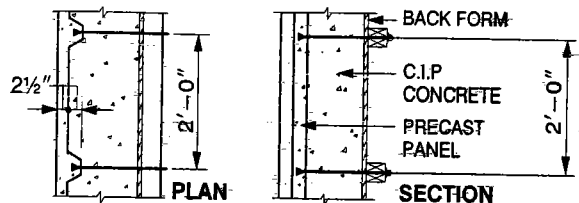
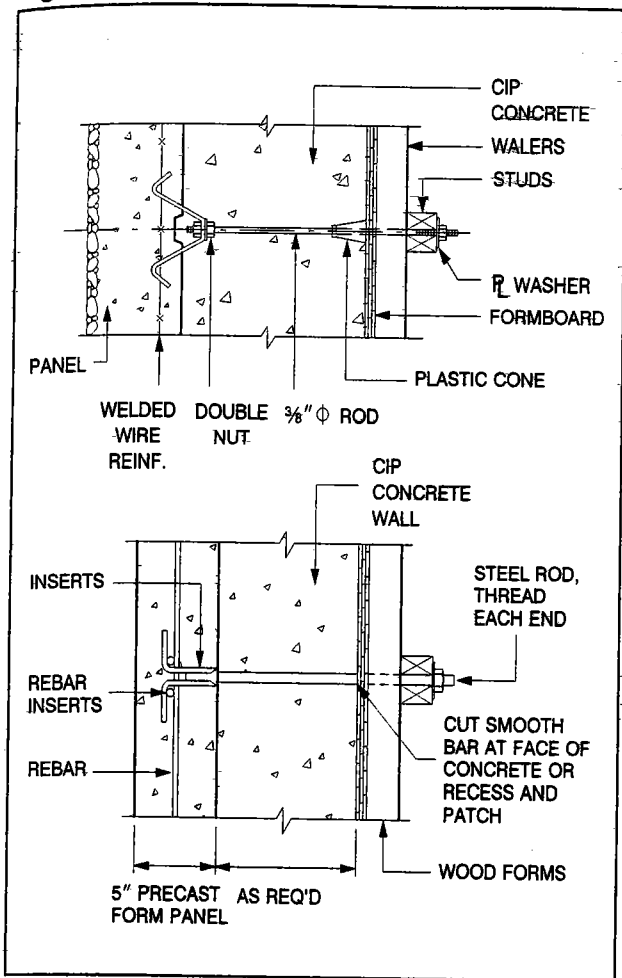
Attachments between the precast form and other elements, such as steel columns, must be detailed to provide the necessary field adjustments. Contact area between precast concrete and external braces, clamps or bands should be protected from staining and chipping.

Architectural precast concrete surfaces require tight joints so that concrete does not leak and mar decorative facings. Methods used to close joints include buttering on the inside with mortar (units may also be bedded on mortar when designed to accept load transfer through the joint), and gasketing with low density, closed cell neoprene rubber or other durable, permanent, resilient materials.

Where form panels are non-composite, the joint material should prevent load transfer. Where form panels are intended to act compositely with the cast-in-place concrete, the joint material must be mortar or other non-staining material of sufficient strength to transfer the intended loads. For joints exposed to the



**Figure 7.3.2 Typical form ties**



**Solution:**

Assume a 5 in. panel thickness is necessary to provide anchorage for the form ties. Either a 5 in. flat panel could be used or, as in this case, a ribbed section with a 5 in. rib depth. The rib spacing is set by the strength of the ties. Since the placement rate is less than 7 ft per hr:

$$p = 150 + 9000R/T = 150 + 9000(4)/90 = 550 \text{ psf, or a maximum of:}$$

$$p = 150(4) = 600 \text{ psf. Use 550 psf.}$$

**Check Flexure:**

Neglecting effect of ribs, assume the 2 1/2 in. panel acts as a fixed beam of 24 in. span:

$$M = pl^2/12 = 550(2)^2/12 = 183 \text{ lb-ft}$$

$$f = \frac{6M}{bt^2} = \frac{6(183)(12)}{12(2.5)^2} = 176 \text{ psi}$$

Maximum allowable tension to prevent cracking:

$$= 5\sqrt{5000} = 353 \text{ psi} > 176 \text{ OK}$$

Provide reinforcement to develop an ultimate moment capacity > 1.4M:

$$M_u = 1.4(183) = 256 \text{ lb-ft}$$

Try 6 x 6 -W4.0 x W4.0 in center of panel.

$$A_s = 0.08 \text{ in.}^2/\text{ft}$$

$$a = \frac{A_s f_y}{0.85 f'_c b} = \frac{0.08(60)}{0.85(5)(12)} = 0.09 \text{ in.}$$

$$d = 2.5/2 = 1.25 \text{ in.}$$

$$\phi M_n = \phi A_s f_y (d - a/2)$$

$$= 0.90(0.08)(60,000)(1.25 - 0.09/2)/12$$

$$= 434 \text{ lb-ft} > 256 \text{ OK}$$

**Check Shear:**

$$V_u = 1.4(550)2/2 = 770 \text{ lb}$$

$$\phi V_n = \phi 2\sqrt{f'_c} b_w d = 0.85(2)\sqrt{5000}(12)(1.25)$$

$$= 1803 \text{ lb} > 770 \text{ OK}$$

Also check for stripping and handling—see Ch. 5.

environment, mortar is usually raked back from the face, and the joint caulked.

Some precaution and special details may be required to take care of differential shrinkage or creep between cast-in-place concrete and precast concrete used as forms for columns or load bearing walls [3,17]. Stress relief may be simply handled in the design of the joints in the precast forms at the top and bottom of vertical structural components carrying axial loads.

Horizontal construction joints in the cast-in-place concrete are generally 3 in. below the top edge of the panels used as permanent forms rather than in line with horizontal form joints. This reduces the possibility of water leakage through the construction joints.

**Example 7.3.1 Precast Panel as a Wall Form**

**Given:**

The wall panel section shown below.

Panel concrete strength:  $f'_c = 5000 \text{ psi}$

CIP concrete placement rate: 4 ft per hr

Maximum height of CIP concrete: 4 ft

CIP concrete temperature: 90°F

**Problem:**

Determine panel reinforcement requirements for pressure of wet concrete.

### Example 7.3.2 Column Cover Acting as a Form

**Given:**

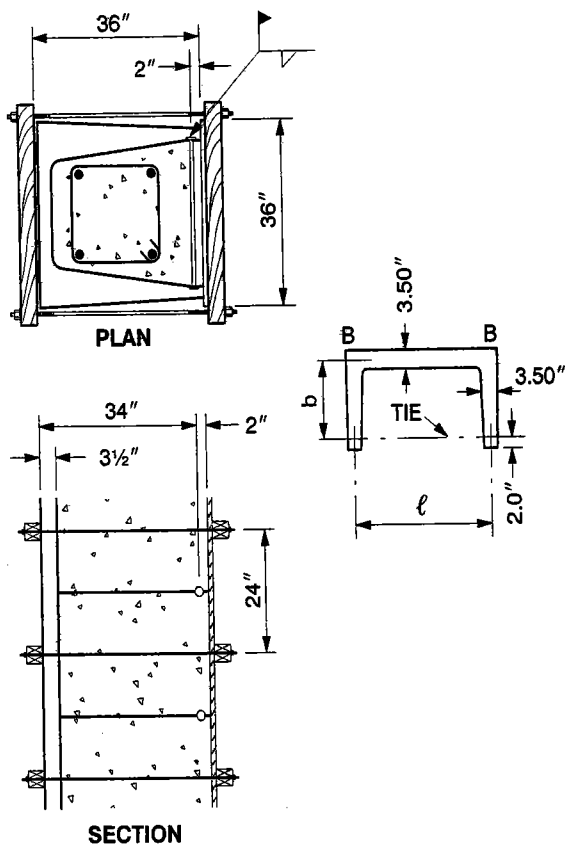
- The column shown on the next page.
- Precast concrete strength:  $f'_c = 5000$  psi
- CIP-concrete placement rate: 8 ft per hr
- Maximum height of CIP concrete: 6 ft
- CIP concrete temperature: 90°F

**Problem:**

Determine panel reinforcement and tie requirements.

**Solution:**

Design for pressure of wet concrete:



$$p = 150 + 9000R/T = 150 + 9000(8)/90 = 950 \text{ psf}$$

or a maximum of:

$$p = 150(6) = 900 \text{ psf} < 950. \text{ Use } 900 \text{ psf}$$

**Check Flexure:**

$$b = 36 - 2 - 3.50/2 = 32.25 \text{ in.} = 2.69 \text{ ft}$$

$$\ell = 36 - 3.50 = 32.50 \text{ in.} = 2.71 \text{ ft}$$

$$l_2 = l_1; k = l_2/l_1(b/\ell) = 0.99$$

$$N = 2k + 3 = 4.98$$

$$M_B = \frac{P}{4N}(\ell^2 + kb^2) = \frac{900}{4(4.98)}[(2.71)^2 + (0.99)(2.69)^2] = 653 \text{ lb-ft}$$

$$f = \frac{6M}{bt^2} = \frac{6(653)(12)}{12(3.5)^2}$$

$$= 321 \text{ psi} < 5\sqrt{5000} = 353 \text{ psi OK}$$

Provide reinf. to develop design strength  $> 1.4M$ :

$$M_u = 1.4(653) = 914 \text{ lb-ft}$$

Try W4 wire at 4 in. o.c.

$$A_s = 0.12 \text{ in.}^2/\text{ft}$$

$$a = \frac{A_s f_y}{0.85 f'_c b} = \frac{0.12(60)}{0.85(5)(12)} = 0.14 \text{ in.}$$

$$d = 3.50/2 = 1.75 \text{ in.}$$

$$\phi M_n = \phi A_s f_y (d - a/2)$$

$$= 0.90(0.12)(60,000)(1.75 - 0.14/2)/12$$

$$= 907 \text{ lb-ft} \approx 914 \text{ lb-ft say OK}$$

**Tie Force:**

$$H = M_B/b = 653/2.69 = 243 \text{ lb/ft}$$

If ties are spaced 2 ft o.c.,

$$\text{tie force} = 2(243) = 486 \text{ lb}$$

Use 3/16 x 1 in. A 36 steel strap. Weld to embedded plates.

**Check Shear:**

$$V_u = 1.4(900)(2.71/2) = 1707 \text{ lb}$$

$$\phi V_n = \phi 2 \sqrt{f'_c} b_w d = 0.85(2) \sqrt{5000}(12)(1.75) = 2524 \text{ lb} > 1707. \text{ OK}$$

Also check form for stripping and handling.

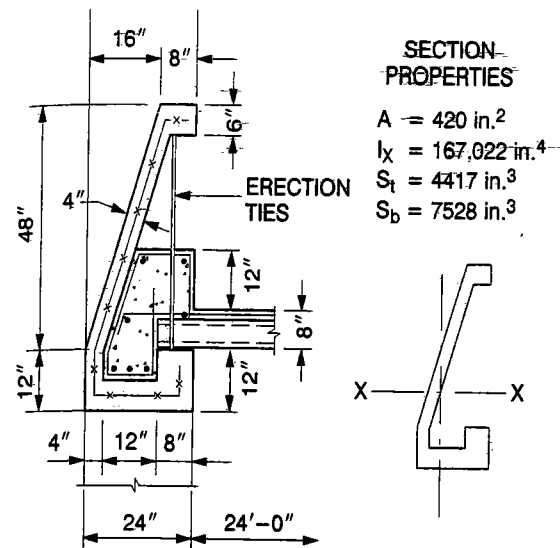
### Example 7.3.3 Precast Fascia as Form for Beam

**Given:**

Precast concrete fascia forming a beam supporting 24-ft span hollow-core floor as shown below. Beam is supported on 2 ft square columns at 20 ft on center.

**Problem:**

Check stresses of fascia panel during erection.



**Solution:**

**Loads:**

Hollow-core slabs:

$$0.055(24/2 + 8/12) = 0.70 \text{ kip/ft}$$

3 in. lightweight topping:  $0.03(24/2) = 0.36 \text{ kip/ft}$

CIP lightweight concrete beam:  $= 0.30 \text{ kip/ft}$

Precast concrete fascia:

area = 420 in<sup>2</sup>  $= 0.44 \text{ kip/ft}$

Total dead load  $= 1.80 \text{ kip/ft}$

Construction live load:  $0.025(24/2) = 0.30 \text{ kip/ft}$

Clear span = 20 - 2 = 18 ft

$$M_{de} = 1.80(18)^2/8 = 72.9 \text{ kip-ft}$$

$$M_{el} = 0.30(18)^2/8 = 12.2$$

Total = 85.1 kip-ft

**Stresses:**

$$f_t = 85,100(12)/4417 = 231 \text{ psi compression}$$

$$f_b = 85,100(12)/7528 = 136 \text{ psi} < 5\sqrt{5000} = 353 \text{ psi OK}$$

$$V_u = [1.4(1.80) + 1.7(0.3)](18/2) = 27.3 \text{ kips}$$

$b_w = 4 \text{ in.}, d = 57 \text{ in.}$

$$\phi V_n = \phi 2 \sqrt{f'_c} b_w d = 0.85(2) \sqrt{5000} (4)(57)/1000 = 27.4 \text{ kips} > 27.3 \text{ OK}$$

Also check for stripping and handling.

**7.4 Column Covers and Mullions**

The use of precast concrete panels as covers over steel or cast-in-place concrete columns and beams, and as mullions, is a common method of achieving architectural expression, special shapes, or fire rating [1].

Column covers are usually supported by the structural column or floor beam, and are themselves designed to transfer no vertical load other than their own weight. The vertical load of each length of column cover section is usually supported at one elevation, and tied back top and bottom for lateral load transfer and stability. In order to minimize erection costs and horizontal joints, it is desirable to make the cover or mullion as long as possible, subject to limitations imposed by weight and handling.

Mullions are vertical elements serving to separate glass areas. They generally resist only wind loads applied from the adjacent glass, and must be stiff enough to maintain deflections within the limitations imposed by the window manufacturer. Since mullions are often thin, they are sometimes prestressed to prevent cracking.

Column covers and mullions are usually major focal points in a structure, and aesthetic success requires that careful thought be given to all facets of design and erection. Following are some items which should be considered:

1. Since column covers and mullions are often isolated elements forming a long vertical line, any variation from a vertical plane is readily observable. This variation is usually the result of the tolerances allowed in the structural frames. To some degree these variations can be handled by precast connections with adjustability. The designer should plan a clearance of at least 1½ in. between the panel and structure. For steel columns, the designer should consider the clearances around splice plates and projecting bolts.
2. Provide support at only one elevation for vertical loads, and at additional locations for lateral loads and stability. When access is available, consider providing an intermediate connection for lateral support and restraint of bowing.
3. Column covers and mullions which project from the facade will be subjected to shearing wind loads. Connection design must account for these forces.
4. Members which are exposed to the environment will be subjected to temperature and humidity change. Horizontal joints between abutting precast column covers and mullions should be wide enough to permit length

changes and rotation from temperature gradients. The behavior of thin flexible members will be improved by prestressing.

5. Due to vertical loads and the effects of creep and shrinkage in cast-in-place concrete columns, structural columns will tend to shorten. The width of the horizontal joint between abutting precast covers should be sufficient to permit this shortening to occur freely.
6. The designer must envision the erection process. Column cover and mullion connections are often difficult to reach and, once made, difficult to adjust. This problem of access is compounded when all four sides of a column are covered for a height exceeding the length of a precast cover. Sometimes this problem can be solved by welding the lower piece to the column and anchoring the upper piece to the lower with dowels set in front, or by a mechanical device that does not require access.
7. Use of insulation on the interior face of the column cover reduces heat loss at these locations. Such insulation will also minimize temperature differentials between exterior columns and the interior of the structure.

Typical connection details are illustrated in Chapter 6, Figure 6.12.1 through Figure 6.12.3.

## 7.5 Veneered Panels

### 7.5.1 General

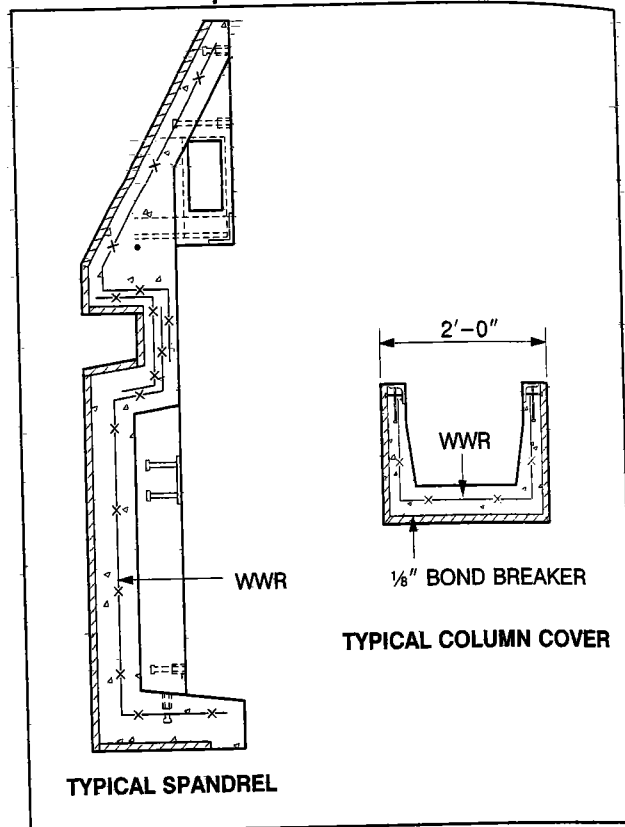
Precast concrete panels faced with brick, tile, terra cotta or natural stone combine the rich beauty of traditional materials with the strength, versatility, and economy of precast concrete. Some applications are shown in Figure 7.5.1.

Structural design of veneered precast concrete units is the same as for other precast concrete wall panels, except that consideration must be given to the veneer material and its attachment to the concrete. The physical properties of the facing material must be compared with the properties of the concrete backup. These properties include tensile, compressive and shear strength, modulus of elasticity, coefficient of thermal expansion, and volume change.

Because of the difference in material properties, veneered panels are somewhat more susceptible to bowing than homogeneous concrete panels. Bowing can be reduced using one or more of the following techniques:

1. Minimum thickness of 5 to 6 in. backup concrete, depending on panel length.
2. Use of prestressing in long, flat panels.

**Figure 7.5.1 Applications of veneer faced precast concrete**



3. Two layers of reinforcement when thickness allows.
4. Use of reinforcing trusses.
5. Concrete ribs formed on the back of the panel.
6. Intermediate tie-back connections to the supporting structure.
7. Use of bond breakers and flexible anchors with thin stone veneers.

Cracking in the veneer may occur if the bonding or anchoring details force the veneer pieces to follow the panel curvature. This is particularly critical where the face materials are large pieces (cut stone) and the differential movement between concrete and veneer is significant. A good mix design with a low water content, quality control, and prolonged curing will help reduce shrinkage.

### 7.5.2 Clay Products [18]

Clay products which are bonded directly to concrete include brick, tile, and architectural terra cotta (ceramic veneer). The clay product facing may cover the entire exposed panel surface or only part of the face, serving as an accent band.

#### 7.5.2.1 Clay Product Properties

Physical properties of brick vary considerably depending on the source and grade of brick. Table 7.5.1

shows the range of physical properties of clay products. Since clay products are subject to local variation, the designer should seek property values from suppliers that are being considered.

As the temperature or length of burning period is increased, clays burn to darker colors, and compressive strength and modulus of elasticity are increased. In general, the modulus of elasticity of brick increases with compressive strength up to approximately 5000 psi, after which, there is little change. The thermal expansions of individual clay units are not the same as the thermal expansion of clay product-faced precast concrete panels due to mortar joints.

**Table 7.5.1 Range of physical properties of clay products**

Type of unit	Compressive strength, psi	Modulus of elasticity, psi (10 <sup>6</sup> )	Tensile strength, psi <sup>a</sup>	Coefficient of thermal expansion in./in./°F
Brick	3,000-15,000	1.4-5.0	See note a	4.0 x 10 <sup>-6</sup>
Quarry Tile <sup>b</sup>	10,000-30,000	7.0	See note a	2.2-4.1 x 10 <sup>-6</sup>
Glazed Wall Tile <sup>b</sup>	8,000-22,000	1.4-5.0	See note a	4.0-4.7 x 10 <sup>-6</sup>
Terra Cotta	8,000-11,000	2.8-6.1	See note a	4.0 x 10 <sup>-6</sup>

- a. Usually approximated at 10% of the compressive strength.  
 b. See Ref. 5.

### 7.5.2.2 Clay Product Selection [7]

Clay product manufacturers or distributors should be consulted early in the design stage to determine available colors, textures, shapes, sizes, and size deviations as well as manufacturing capability for special shapes, sizes and tolerances. In addition to standard facing brick shapes and sizes (conforming to ASTM C 216, Type FBX), thin brick veneer units  $\frac{3}{8}$  to  $\frac{3}{4}$  in. thick are available in various sizes, colors and textures. Thin brick units should conform to Type TBX of ASTM C 1088.

When a preformed grid is used to position bricks for a precast concrete panel, a brick tolerance of  $\pm \frac{1}{16}$  in. is necessary. Tighter tolerances may be obtained by saw cutting each brick, which increases costs.

Thin brick should preferably be  $\frac{1}{2}$  to  $\frac{3}{4}$  in. thick to ensure proper location and secure fit in the template during casting operations.

Glazed and unglazed ceramic tile units should conform to American National Standards Institute (ANSI) A1371, which includes ASTM test procedures and provides a standardized system for evaluating a tile's key characteristics. Tiles are typically  $\frac{3}{8}$  to  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. thick with a 1½% tolerance on the length and width measurements. Within one shipment, the maximum tolerance is  $\pm \frac{1}{16}$  in. When several sizes or sources of

tile are used to produce a pattern on a panel, the tiles must be manufactured on a modular sizing system in order to have grout joints of the same width.

Architectural terra-cotta is a custom product and, within limitations, is produced in sizes for specific jobs. Typical thicknesses are 1¼ and 2¼ in. With dovetails spaced 5 in. on center, the 1¼ in. thickness can be provided in sizes up to 20 x 30 in. With dovetails spaced 7 in. on center, the 2¼ in. thickness can be provided in sizes up to 32 x 48 in. Other sizes used are 4 or 6 ft x 2 ft. Tolerances on length and width are a maximum of  $\pm \frac{1}{16}$  in. with a warpage tolerance on the exposed face (variation from a plane surface) of not more than 0.005 in. per in. of length.

### 7.5.2.3 Design Considerations

Clay products are bonded to backup concrete. The back side of clay product units should preferably have keyback or dovetail configurations or be grooved or ribbed to develop adequate bond.

Latex additives in the concrete or latex bonding materials provide high bond and high strength, but have limitations. They are water sensitive, losing as much as 50% of their strength when wet (although they regain that strength when dry). The lowered strength of the concrete is usually sufficient to sustain low shear stress like the weight of the clay product, but when differential movements cause additional stress, problems can occur.

Generally, clay products cast integrally with the concrete have bond strengths exceeding that obtained when laying units in the conventional manner in the field (clay product to mortar). It is necessary, in either case, to use care to avoid entrapped air or excess water-caused voids which could reduce the area of contact between the units and the concrete, thereby reducing bond.

Bond between the facing and the concrete varies depending on the absorption of the clay product. Low absorption will result in poor bond, as will high absorption due to the rapid loss of the mixing water preventing proper hydration of the cement and the development of good bond strength. Bricks with a water absorption by boiling (ASTM C 216) of about 6% to 9% provide good bonding potential. Bricks with an initial rate of absorption (suction) less than 30 g per min. per 30 in<sup>2</sup>, when tested in accordance with ASTM C 67, are not required to be wetted. With a higher rate of absorption they should be wetted prior to placement of the concrete, to reduce the amount of mix water absorbed, and thereby improve bond. Terra cotta units should be soaked in water for at least one hour and be damp at the time of concrete placement to reduce suction.

Clay bricks, when removed from the kiln after firing, will begin to permanently increase in size as a result of absorption of atmospheric moisture. The design coefficient of moisture expansion of clay bricks as recommended by the Brick Institute of America is 0.0005-in. per in. but is specified as 0.0003 by Ref. 6. A value of 0.0005 is typical for ceramic quarry tile. The environmental factors affecting moisture expansion of clay brick are:

1. Time of exposure. Expansion increases linearly with the logarithm of time. It is estimated that, as a percentage of total potential moisture expansion, 25% occurs within two weeks and 60% will have occurred approximately one year after the bricks have been fired.
2. Time of placement. Expansion subsequent to placement in a panel depends on the portion of total potential for expansion which has already occurred.
3. Temperature. The rate of expansion increases with increased temperature when moisture is present.
4. Humidity. The rate of expansion increases with an increase in relative humidity. Bricks exposed

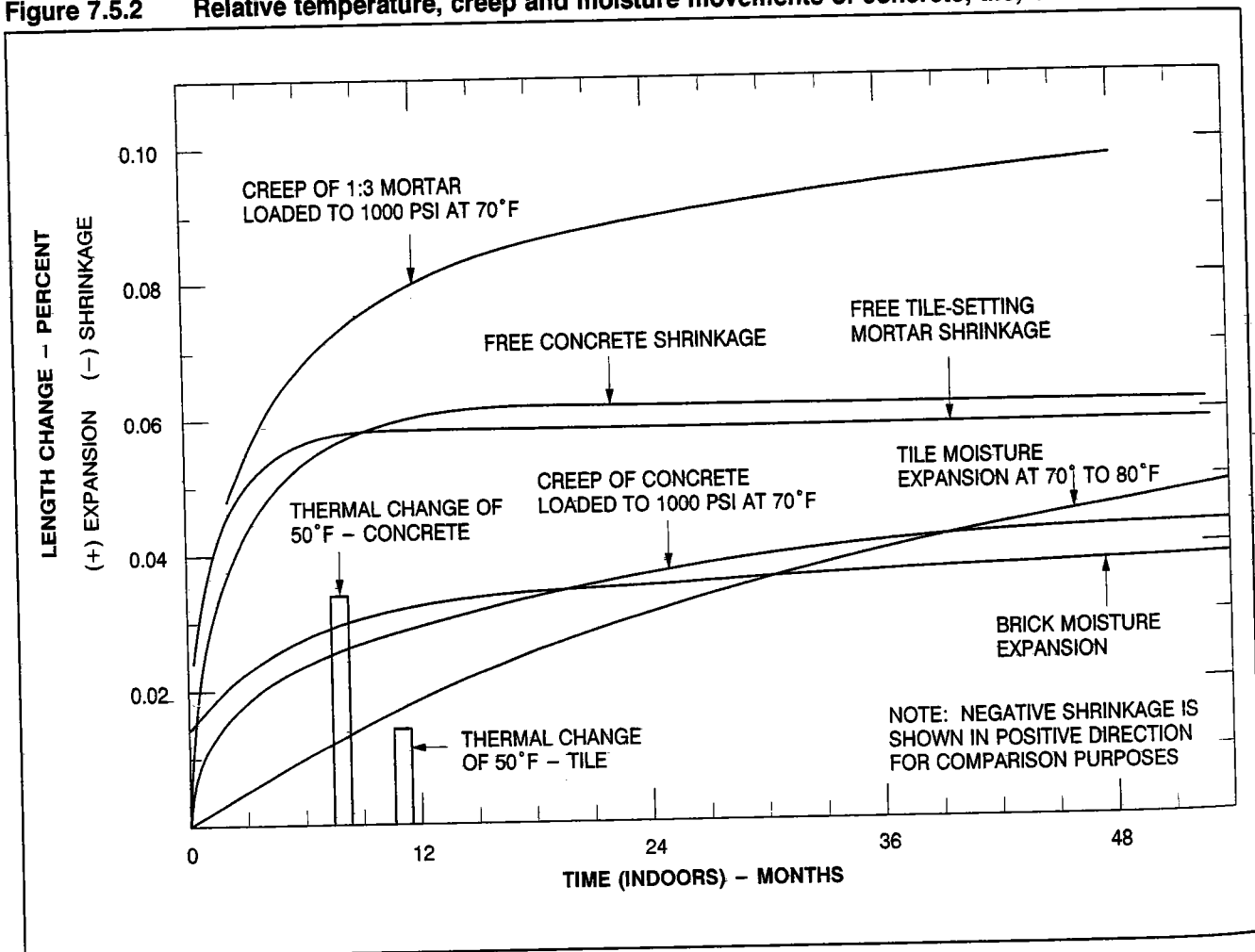
to a relative humidity of 70% have a moisture expansion two to four times as large as those exposed to RH of 50% over a 4-month interval. The 70% RH bricks also exhibit almost all of their expansion within the first twelve months of exposure, while the 50% RH bricks generally exhibit a gradual continuous moisture expansion.

Seasonal expansion and contraction of clay bricks will occur due to changes in the ambient air temperature. It is not uncommon for the exterior surface to reach temperatures of 165°F with dark colored brick, 145°F for medium color, or 120°F for light colored brick on a hot summer day when directly exposed to solar radiation. Surface temperatures as low as -30°F can be reached on a cold night.

The expansion of clay products can be absorbed by dimensional changes of the clay product and grout (mortar) or concrete due to:

1. Drying shrinkage of the grout.
2. Elastic deformation of the grout under stress.
3. Creep of the grout under stress.
4. Elastic deformation of the clay product under stress.

Figure 7.5.2 Relative temperature, creep and moisture movements of concrete, tile, brick and mortar



In general, strains imposed slowly and evenly will not cause problems. Consider the first 6 months to a year after panel production (see Figure 7.5.2). Tile expansion is small (rate of strain application is slow) but mortar shrinkage is nearly complete. The mortar or concrete creeps under load to relieve the tensile stress generated in the tile by the mortar or concrete shrinkage since the tile are relatively rigid. After this time period, the tile has years to accommodate the additional moisture expansion.

Failures occur when strain rates exceed creep relief rates. This can occur when:

1. Total shrinkage is higher than normal because overly rich concrete or mortar was used.
2. Sudden rise in temperature or drop in humidity causes shrinkage to proceed faster than creep relieves the stresses that are generated.
3. Bond between clay product and concrete was never adequately achieved.
4. Sudden temperature drop imposes a sudden differential strain because the clay product and mortar (or concrete) have different thermal coefficients of expansion.

The difference in creep characteristics between concrete and clay products, along with the differences in their respective modulus of elasticity, do not pose a problem to the production of small (less than 30 ft) panels when good quality clay products are used. Some producers have used larger panels after first conducting static load tests simulating differential creep.

Clay product faced precast panels may be designed as concrete members, neglecting for design purposes, the structural action of the face veneer. The thickness of the precast panel is reduced by the thickness of the veneer and design assumptions usually exclude consideration of differential shrinkage or differential thermal expansion. However, if the panel is to be prestressed, the effect of composite behavior and the resulting prestress eccentricity should be considered in design.

### 7.5.3 Natural Stone [8, 9, 10, 11]

Natural stone facings are used in various sizes, shapes and colors to provide an infinite number of pattern and color possibilities.

#### 7.5.3.1 Properties

The strength of natural stone depends on several factors: the size, rift and cleavage of crystals, the degree of cohesion, the interlocking geometry of crystals, and the nature of cementing materials present.

The properties of the stone will vary with the locality from which it is quarried. Sedimentary and metamorphic rocks such as limestone and marble will exhibit different strengths when measured parallel and perpendicular to their original bedding planes. Igneous rocks such as granite may exhibit relatively uniform strength characteristics on the various planes. In addition, the surface finish, freezing and thawing, and large temperature fluctuations will affect the strength and in turn influence the anchorage system.

Information on the durability of the specified stone should be obtained from the supplier or from observations of existing installations of that particular stone. This information should include such factors as tendency to warp, reaction to weathering forces, resistance to chemical pollutants, resistance to chemical reaction from adjacent materials, and reduction in strength from the effects of weathering.

Testing for mechanical properties should be done on stone with the same finish and thickness as will be used on the structure. An adequate number of test samples, usually 20, should be selected and statistical methods should be used to evaluate the properties and obtain design values. Also, modulus of rupture tests (ASTM C 99) are required to demonstrate compliance of the stone to minimum properties specified by ASTM for the particular stone type [limestone (ASTM C 568); marble (ASTM C 503); granite (ASTM C 615)].

The process used to obtain a thermal or flame finish on granite veneers reduces the effective thickness by about 1/8 in. and the flexural strength by 25 to 30 % [10,12]. Bushhammered and other similar surface finishes also reduce the effective thickness.

Thermal finishing of granite surfaces causes microfracturing, particularly of quartz and feldspars. These microcracks permit absorption of water to a depth of about 1/4 in. in the distress surface region of the stone which can result in degradation by cyclic freezing and a further reduction in bending strength.

All natural stone loses strength as a result of exposure to thermal cycling, (i.e., heating to 150°F and cooling to -10°F), and wet/dry cycling. The modulus of rupture of building stone can be affected by freezing and thawing of the stone. Flexural tests (ASTM C 880) should be conducted on the selected stone, at the thickness and surface finish to be used, in both the new condition and the condition after 50 cycles of laboratory freeze-thaw testing to determine the reduction in strength, if any. Suggested freeze-thaw test procedures include (1) dry cycling between 170°F and -10°F, and (2) freezing in water at -10°F and thawing in water at room temperature. Also, stones with high absorption should also be tested in a saturated condition as their flexural, shear and tensile properties may

be significantly lower when wet. An approximate indication of good durability is a saturated modulus of rupture of at least 70% of the dry modulus.

For most types of stone, temperature induced movements are theoretically reversible. However, certain stones, particularly uniform-textured, fine-grained, relatively pure marble, when subjected to a large number of thermal cycles, develop an irreversible expansion in the material amounting to as much as 20% of the total original thermal expansion. This residual growth is caused by slipping of individual calcite crystals with respect to each other [13,14]. Such growth, if not considered in the stone size, design of the anchors, or the stone veneer joints may result in curling or bowing of thin marble. For relatively thick marble veneers, the expansion effects are restrained or accommodated by the unaffected portion of the veneer. Tests should be performed to establish the minimum thickness required to obtain satisfactory serviceability.

Volume changes due to moisture changes in most stones are relatively small and not a critical item in design, except that bowing of the stone can occur. Moisture permeability of stone veneers is generally not a problem (see Table 7.5.2). However, as stone veneers become thinner, water may penetrate in greater amounts and at faster rates than normally expected, and damp appearing areas of moisture on the exterior surface of thin stone veneers may occur. These damp areas result when the rate of evaporation of water from the stone surface is slower than the rate at which the water moves to the surface.

### 7.5.3.2 Sizes

Stone veneers used for precast facing are usually thinner than those used for conventionally set stone with the maximum size generally determined by strength of stone. Table 7.5.3 summarizes typical dimensions. Veneers thinner than those listed can result in anchors being reflected on the exposed surface, excessive breakage or permeability problems.

The length and width of veneer materials should be sized to a tolerance of  $+0, -\frac{1}{8}$  in. since a plus tolerance can present problems on precast panels. This tolerance becomes important when trying to line up the false joints on one panel with the false joints on an adjacent panel, particularly when there are a large number of pieces of stone on a panel. Tolerance allowance for out-of-square is  $\pm\frac{1}{16}$  in. difference in length of the two diagonal measurements. Flatness tolerances for finished surfaces depend on the type of finish. For example, the granite industry tolerances vary from  $\frac{3}{64}$  in. for a polished surface to  $\frac{3}{16}$  in. for flame (thermal) finish when measured with a 4 ft straightedge [15]. Thickness variations are less important since concrete will provide a uniform back

face, except at corner butt joints. In such cases, the finished edges should be within  $\pm\frac{1}{16}$  in. of specified thickness. However, large thickness variations may lead to the stone being encased with concrete and thus being unable to move.

### 7.5.3.3 Anchorage of Stone Facing

It is recommended that there be no bonding between stone veneer and concrete backup in order to minimize bowing, cracking and staining of the veneer.

Even with concrete shrinkage kept to the lowest possible level, there may still be some interaction with the facing material either through bond or the mechanical anchors of the facing units. This interaction will be minimized if a bond-breaker is used between the facing material and the concrete. Connections of natural stone to the concrete should be made with mechanical anchors which can accommodate some relative in-plane movement, a necessity if bond-breakers are used. One exception is the limestone industry which uses rigid, rather than flexible connectors. See Ref. 1 for recommendations on bond breakers and anchorages.

The following methods have been used to break the bond between the veneer and concrete: (1) a liquid bondbreaker, of sufficient thickness to provide a low shear modulus, applied to the veneer back surface prior to placing the concrete; (2) a 6 mil polyethylene sheet; (3) a  $\frac{1}{8}$  in. polyethylene foam pad; and (4) a one component polyurethane coating. The use of a compressible bondbreaker is preferred in order to have movement capability with uneven stone surfaces, either on individual pieces or between stone pieces on a panel.

Mechanical anchors should be used to secure the veneer. The details of anchorage will depend on a number of things, including:

1. Shrinkage of concrete during curing.
2. Stresses imposed during handling and erection.
3. Thermal response caused by different coefficients of expansion and by thermal gradients (see Chapter 3).
4. Moisture expansion of veneer.
5. Service loads.

For those veneers rigidly attached or bonded to the backup, the differential shrinkage of the concrete and veneer will cause outward bowing in a simple span panel. The flat surfaces of some veneers, such as cut stone, reveal bowing more prominently than other finishes. Therefore, bowing may be a critical consideration even though the rigidity of the cut stone helps to resist bowing.



**Table 7.5.2 Permeability of commercial building stones [13], cu in./ft<sup>2</sup>/hr/½ in. thickness**

Stone-type	Pressure, psi		
	1.2	50	100
Granite	0.06–0.08	0.11	0.28
Limestone	0.36–2.24	4.2–44.8	0.9–109
Marble	0.06–0.35	1.3–16.8	0.9–28.0
Sandstone	4.2–174.0	51.2	221
Slate	0.006–0.008	0.08–0.11	0.11

**Table 7.5.3 Dimensional parameters of various stone materials**

Stone type	Minimum recommended thickness (in.)	Length range (ft)	Width range (ft)	Maximum area (ft <sup>2</sup> )
Marble	1.00	3–5	2–5	25
Travertine	1.25	2–5	1–4	16
Granite	1.25	3–7	1–5	30
Limestone	1.75	4–5	2–4	15

Stone veneer is supplied with holes predrilled in the back surface for the attachment of mechanical anchors. Preformed anchors fabricated from stainless steel, Type 304, are usually used. The number and location of anchors should be determined by shear and tension tests conducted on the anchors embedded in a stone/precast concrete test sample and the anticipated applied loads (both normal and transverse) to the panel. Anchor size and spacing in veneers of questionable strengths or with natural planes of weakness may require special analysis.

Four anchors are usually used per stone piece with a minimum of 2 recommended. The number of anchors has varied from 1 per 1½ ft<sup>2</sup> of stone to 1 per 6 ft<sup>2</sup> with 1 per 2 to 3 ft<sup>2</sup> being the most common [1]. Anchors should be 6 to 9 in. from an edge with not over 30 in. between anchors. The shear capacity of the spring clip (hairpin) anchors perpendicular to the anchor legs is greater than when they are parallel and depends on the strength of the stone. A typical marble veneer anchor detail with a toe-in spring clip (hairpin) is shown in Figure 7.5.3(A) and a typical granite veneer anchor detail is shown in Figure 7.5.3(B). The toe-out anchor in granite may have as much as 50% more tensile capacity than a toe-in anchor depending on the stone strength.

Depth of anchor holes should be approximately one-half the thickness of the veneer (minimum depth of ¾ in.), and are often drilled at an angle of 30° to 45° to the plane of the stone. Holes which are approxi-

mately 50% oversize have been used to allow for differential movement between the stone and the concrete. However, in most cases, holes ¼ to ⅛ in. larger than the anchor are common as excessive looseness in hole reduces holding power. Anchor holes should be within ± ⅜ in. of the specified hole spacing, particularly for the spring clip anchors.

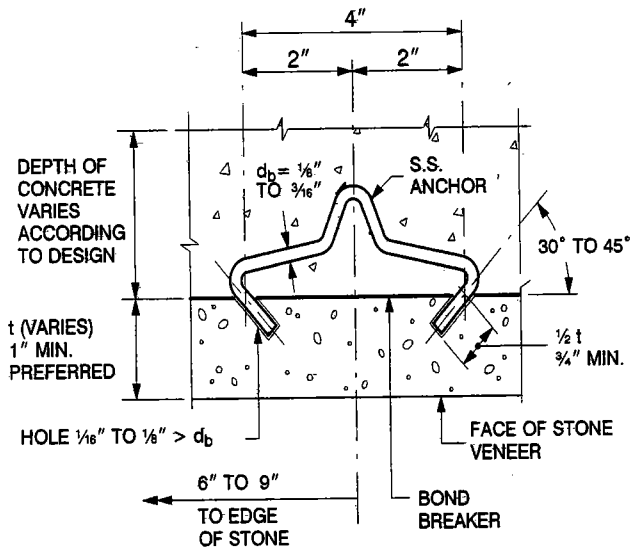
For other stone veneers, stainless steel dowels, smooth or threaded, are installed to a depth of ⅔ the stone thickness with a maximum depth of 2 in. at angles of 45° to 75° to the plane of the stone. Dowel size varies from ⅜ to ⅝ in. for most stones, except that it varies from ¼ to ⅝ in. for soft limestone and sandstone and depends on thickness and strength of stone. The dowel hole is usually ¼ to ⅛ in. larger in diameter than the anchor, see Figures 7.5.3(C) and 7.5.3(D).

Limestone has traditionally been bonded and anchored to the concrete, because it has the lowest coefficient of expansion. Limestone has also traditionally been used in thicknesses of 3 to 5 in. but it is now being used as thin as 1¼ in. When limestone is 2 in. or thinner, it is prudent to use a bondbreaker, along with mechanical anchors. Dowels and spring clip anchors have been used to anchor limestone. Typical dowel details for limestone veneers are shown in Figures 7.5.3(C) and 7.5.3(D). The dowels in Figure 7.5.3(C) should be inserted at angles alternately up and down to secure stone facing to backup concrete.

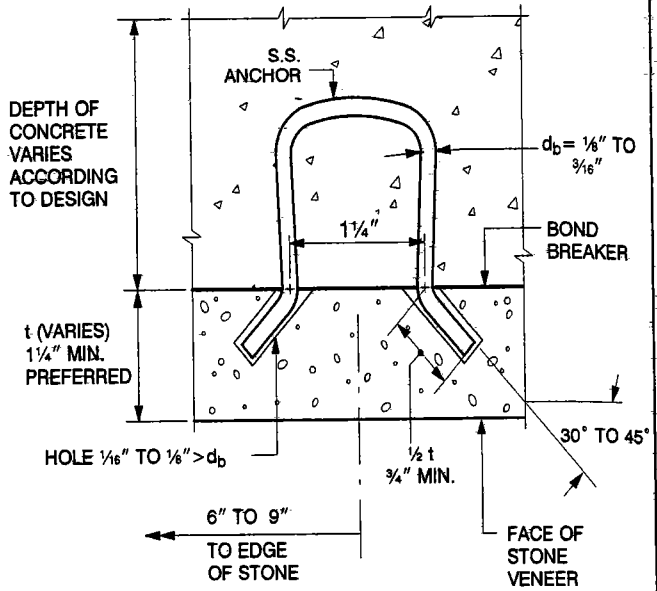
Some flexibility should be introduced with all anchors of stone veneer to precast concrete panels, e.g., by keeping the diameter of the anchors to a minimum, to allow for the inevitable relative movements which occur with temperature variations and concrete shrinkage. Unaccommodated relative movements can result in excessive stresses and eventual failure at an anchor location. Depending on the size of the project, consideration may be given to accelerated cyclic temperature tests to determine the effects on the anchors.

Some designers use epoxy to fill the spring clip anchor or dowel holes in order to eliminate intrusion of water into the holes and the possible dark, damp appearance of moisture on the exposed stone surface. The epoxy increases the shear capacity and rigidity of the anchor. The rigidity may be partially overcome by using ½ in. compressible rubber or elastomeric grommets or sleeves on the anchor at the back surface of the stone. Differential thermal expansion of the stone and epoxy may cause cracking of the stone veneer; this may be overcome by keeping the oversizing of the hole to a minimum, thereby reducing epoxy volume. It may be preferable to fill the anchor hole with an elastic, fast-curing silicone, which has been proven to be non-staining to light colored stones, or a low modulus polyurethane sealant.

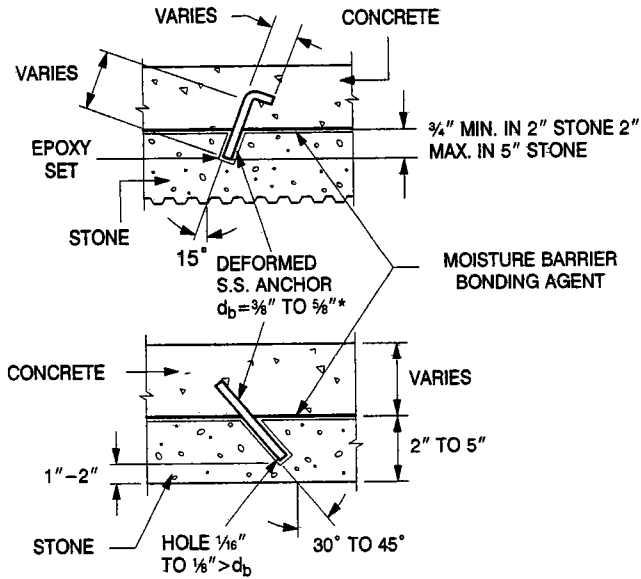
**Figure 7.5.3 Typical anchor details**



**(A) TYPICAL ANCHOR FOR MARBLE VENEER**

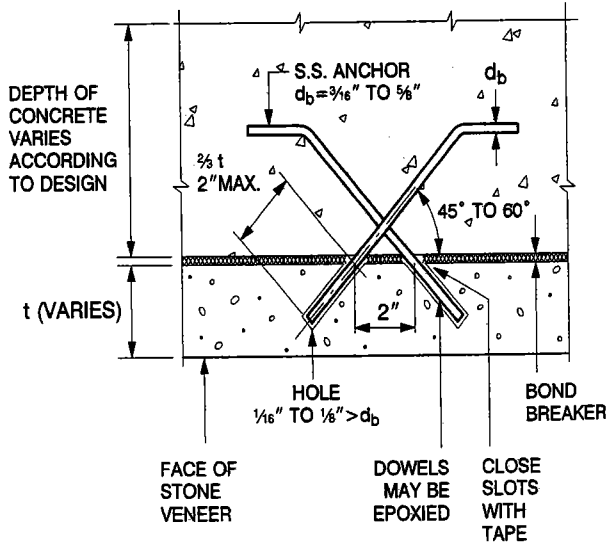


**(B) TYPICAL ANCHOR FOR GRANITE VENEER**



\* USE ANCHORS AT OPPOSING ANGLES

**(C) TYPICAL ANCHOR FOR LIMESTONE VENEER**



**(D) TYPICAL CROSS ANCHOR DOWEL FOR STONE VENEER**

The overall effect of either epoxy or sealant materials on the behavior of the entire veneer should be evaluated prior to their use. At best, the long-term service of epoxy is questionable, therefore, any increase in shear value should not be considered in calculating long-term anchor capacity.

Design of anchorage and size of the stone should be based on specific test values for the actual stone to be installed. Anchor test procedures have not been standardized. Test samples for anchor tests should be a typical panel section of about 1 ft<sup>2</sup> and approximate, as closely as possible, actual panel anchoring conditions. A bondbreaker should be placed between stone and concrete during sample manufacture to eliminate any bond between veneer and concrete surface. Each test sample should contain one anchor connecting stone to concrete backup and a minimum of 5 tests are needed to determine tensile (pull-out) and shear strength of each anchor. Depending on the size of the project it may be desirable to perform shear and tensile tests of the anchors at intervals during the fabrication period.

Safety factors are recommended by the stone trade associations and the suppliers of different kinds of building stones. Because of the expected variation in the physical properties of natural stones and the effects of weathering, recommended safety factors are larger than those used for manufactured building materials, such as steel and concrete. The minimum recommended safety factor, based on the average of the test results, is 3 for granite, 4 for anchorage components in granite [15], 8 for limestone veneers [16], and 5 for marble veneers [14]. If the range of test values exceeds the average by more than  $\pm 20\%$  then the safety factor should be applied to the lower bound value.

#### 7.5.3.4 Veneer Jointing

Joints between veneer pieces on a precast element should be a minimum of  $\frac{1}{4}$  in. The veneer pieces may be spaced with a non-staining, compressible spacing material, or a chemically neutral, resilient, non-removable gasket which will not adversely affect the sealant to be applied later. The gaskets are of a size and configuration that will provide a recess to receive the sealant and also prevent any backing concrete from entering the joint between the veneer units. Shore A hardness of the gasket should be less than 20.

When stone veneer is used as an accent or feature strip on precast concrete panels, a  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. space is left between the edge of the stone and the precast concrete to allow for differential movements of the materials. This space is then caulked as if it were a conventional joint.

Caulking should be of a type that will not stain the veneer material. In some projects, caulking may be installed more economically and satisfactorily at the same time as the caulking between precast elements.

#### 7.5.3.5 Samples

There is now a good background of experience in the production and erection of stone veneer-faced precast concrete panels. However, it is recommended that, for new and major applications, full scale mock-up units be manufactured to check out the feasibility of the production and erection process. Tests on sample panels should be made to confirm the suitability of the stone and anchors and the effects of bowing on the panel's performance. Tests on the behavior of the unit for anticipated temperature changes may be required. Mockups should be built to test wall, window and joint performance under the most severe wind and rain conditions. Acceptance criteria for the stone, as well as the anchorage, should be established in the project specifications.

### 7.6 Design Example—Window Wall Panel

This example illustrates the design of a 2-story high non-load bearing window wall with deep reveals. The project is a 4-story building with a structural steel frame and cast-in-place concrete floor slabs. Precast concrete window wall panels are supported at their lowest points, and tied back to the structure at the floor and roof levels. They transfer only horizontal loads to the steel frame. The vertical loads are transferred directly to the foundation (see Figure 7.6.1).

#### Given:

- Wind load = 15 psf, both during erection and in service conditions
- $f'_c = 5000$  psi at 28 days
- $f'_{ci} = 2000$  psi at stripping

#### Problem:

Exposed face to be designed "crack free" by limiting tensile stresses in the panel to  $5\sqrt{f'_{ci}}$  during handling and  $5\sqrt{f'_c}$  in service.

#### Solution:

##### Step 1:

Design panel for handling—see Chapter 5.

Each piece will be cast, stripped, stored, and shipped in the flat, face-down position.

**Determine Handling Multipliers (Table 5.2.1)**

Stripping: surface is not retarded, use 1.7

Yard handling: 1.2

Shipping: 1.5

Erection: 1.5

**Determine Allowable Tensile Stress in Exposed Face (Sect. 5.2.4)**

At stripping, yard handling and storage:

$$f_t = 5\sqrt{2000} = 224 \text{ psi}$$

At shipping and erection:

$$f_t = 5\sqrt{5000} = 353 \text{ psi}$$

**Check Handling Stresses**

Since all handling except erection is to be in the flat position, using the same lift points, it is apparent that stripping is the critical design condition. The loading and moment diagrams are shown in Figure 7.6.2.

When appearance or exposure to weather is not critical, cracking on the unexposed face during stripping and handling may be acceptable. Pick points were selected in this example to maintain an uncracked back face.

**Section properties at Section B-B:**

$$A = 202 \text{ in}^2 \quad I = 6044 \text{ in}^4$$

$$y_b = 8.00 \text{ in.} \quad S_b = 755 \text{ in}^3$$

$$y_t = 10.00 \text{ in.} \quad S_t = 604 \text{ in}^3$$

**Section properties at Section C-C:**

$$A = 520 \text{ in}^2 \quad I = 1801 \text{ in}^4$$

$$y_b = 2.85 \text{ in.} \quad S_b = 632 \text{ in}^3$$

$$y_t = 6.15 \text{ in.} \quad S_t = 293 \text{ in}^3$$

**Stress Summary:**

Location	Moments (kip-in)		Tensile Stress (psi)
	No multiplier	1.7 multiplier	
1	-29	-49	167 < 224
2	-49	-83	137 < 224
3	+45	+77	102 < 224
4	+41	+70	111 < 224
5	-69	-117	194 < 224
6	-32	-55	209 < 224

**Design Panel Reinforcement for Stripping**

Since the tensile stress is below  $5\sqrt{2000}$ , only minimum reinforcement is required.

At Section B-B:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{minimum } A_s &= 0.001 \text{ bt} = 0.001 (\text{area}) \\ &= 0.001(202) = 0.202 \text{ in}^2 \end{aligned}$$

At Section C-C:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{minimum } A_s &= 0.001 \text{ bt} = 0.001(96)(5) \\ &= 0.48 \text{ in}^2 \end{aligned}$$

**Transverse Bending**

By inspection, the section is very stiff in the transverse direction. Therefore, use minimum reinforcement as shown in the summary, Figure 7.6.3.

**Step 2:**

Design for condition during erection:

Overall construction sequence:

1. Erect structural steel frame.
2. Cast floor slabs.
3. Set precast concrete wall panels.

Precast concrete erection sequence:

1. Set bottom panel with lateral connections at points 1 and 3 only (Figure 7.6.1).
2. Make lateral connection at point 2.
3. Set upper panel with lateral connection at points 4 and 6 only.
4. Make lateral connection at point 5.

Wind load on panel:

$$w = 15(8) = 120 \text{ lb/ft} = 0.12 \text{ kip/ft}$$

**Determine Loads on Connections (see Figure 7.6.4)**

Before connection at point 2 is made:

- a. Due to eccentric panel weight (Detail B):  
Weight = 14 kips; e = 5 in.

$$R_1 = (-R_3) = \frac{14(5)}{21(12)} = 0.28 \text{ kips}$$

- b. Due to wind:

$$R_1 = R_3 = \frac{0.015(8)(22.67)}{2} = 1.36 \text{ kips}$$

- c. Load from upper panel on lower panel:  
With connection 2 made before setting the upper panel, the lateral loads at 1, 2 and 3 are indeterminate. To simplify, conservatively assume connection 2 has not been made.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Weight of upper panel} &= 13.3 \text{ kips} \\ e (\text{detail A}) &= 13 - 5 = 8 \text{ in.} \end{aligned}$$

$$R_1 = (-R_3) = \frac{13.3(8)}{21(12)} = 0.42 \text{ kips}$$

- d. Design loads (ACI 318-95, Sect. 9.2):  
Two connections per panel

$$\begin{aligned} U &= 1.4D + 1.7L \\ &= 1.4(0.28 + 0.42)/2 = 0.49 \text{ kips} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} U &= 0.75(1.4D + 1.7L + 1.7W) \\ &= 0.75[1.4(0.70) + 1.7(1.36)]/2 \\ &= 1.23 \text{ kips} \end{aligned}$$

Figure 7.6.1 Window wall panel example

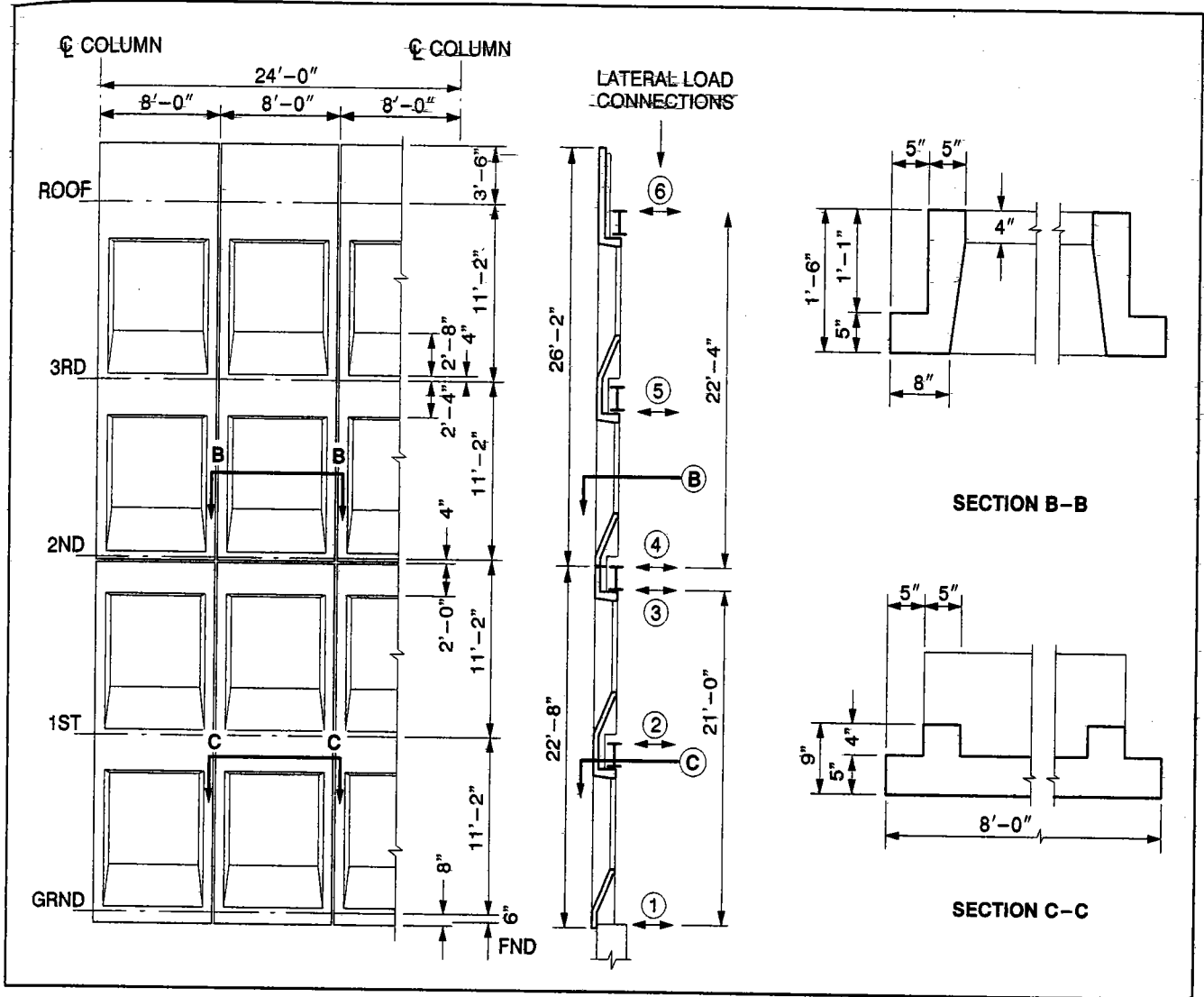
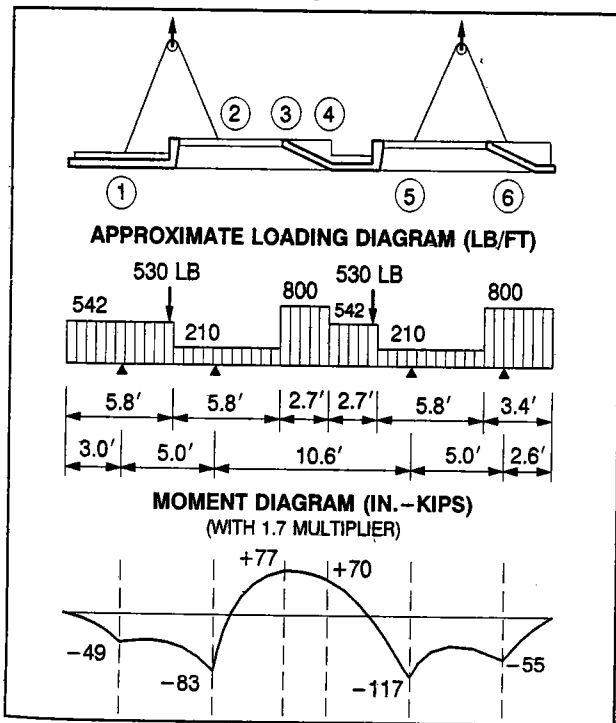


Figure 7.6.2 Loads and moments on panel at stripping



- e. Loads on upper panel connections:  
 An analysis similar to a through d on the upper panels shows that the maximum design load on the connection is 0.92 kips. For simplicity, design all connections for a lateral load of 1.23 kips. An additional load factor of 1.3 (see Sect. 6.3) is considered appropriate for this connection.  
 $1.3(1.23) = 1.60$  kips

**Check Panel Bending**

Before connection at point 2 is made:

$$M = wl^2/8 = 0.12(21.0)^2/8$$

$$= 6.62 \text{ kip-ft} = 79.4 \text{ kip-in.}$$

$$M_u = 0.75(1.7W) = 0.75(1.7)(79.4)$$

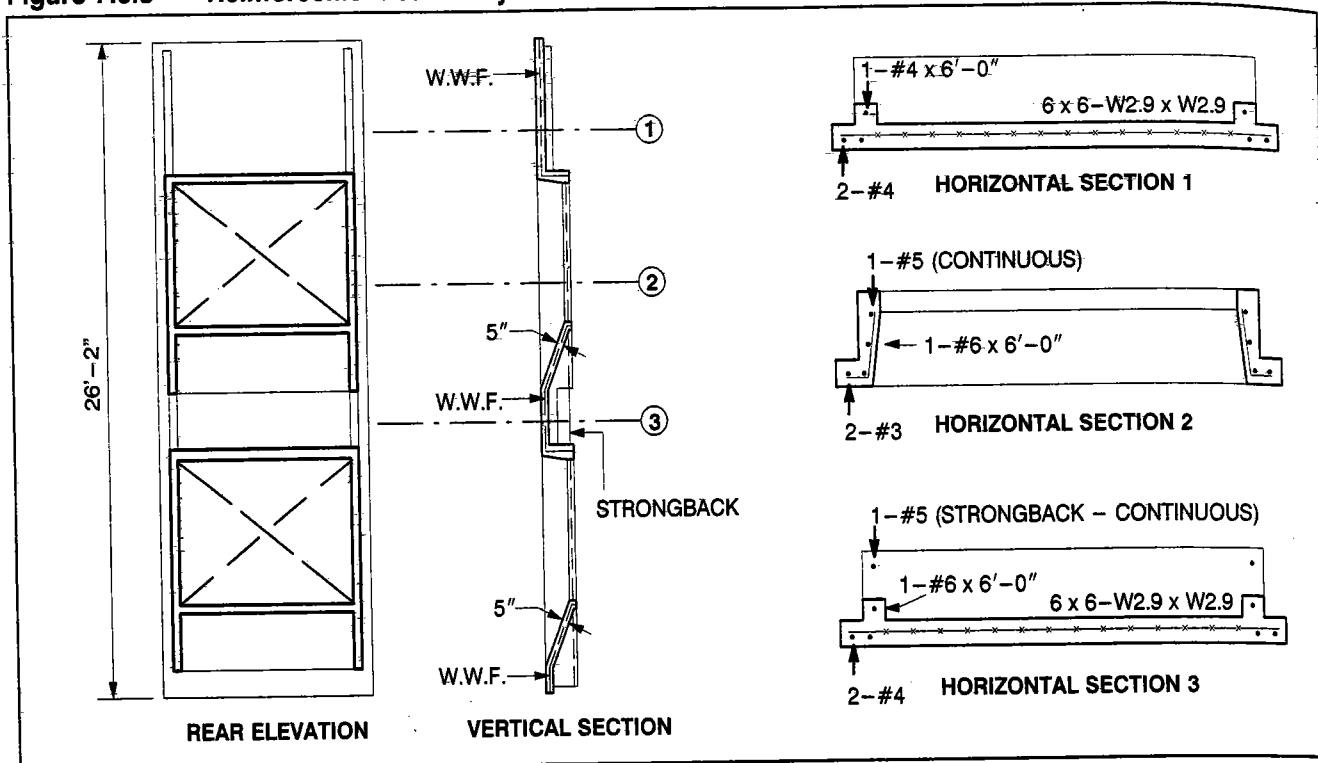
$$= 101 \text{ kip-in.}$$

This is less critical than condition at stripping.

**Connection Design (Figure 7.6.4)**

Assume the panel weight is transferred through shims at the second floor and foundation (Details A and B). The shims must be large enough to transfer load in plain concrete bearing (Sect. 6.8).

Figure 7.6.3 Reinforcement summary



Weight of upper panel = 13.3 kips  
 Weight of lower panel = 14.0 kips  
 27.3 kips  
 Use 1.3 connection load factor.  
 $V_u$  (each connection) =  $27.3(1.4)(1.3)/2$   
 = 24.8 kips

For more efficient erection, use same size shims throughout. Try 4 in. by 4 in. shims.

Foundation concrete  $f'_c = 3000$  psi.

Panel to panel shims:

$A_1 = A_2$  and  $C_r = 1.0$  with separate tieback connections (using Eq. 4.6.1)

$$\phi V_n = 0.7(0.85)(5)(4)(4) = 47.6 \text{ kips} > 24.8 \text{ kips OK}$$

Panel to foundation shims:

$$\sqrt{A_2/A_1} = \sqrt{\frac{10(10)}{4(4)}} = 2.5 \text{ Use } 2.0 \text{ max}$$

$$\phi V_n = 0.7(0.85)(3)(2)(4)(4) = 57.1 \text{ kips} > 24.8 \text{ OK}$$

Connection at point 1:

Angle and bolt design: Choose a 6 in. long angle and minimum  $\frac{5}{8}$  in. diameter bolts. Note: Smaller bolts are likely to be damaged during handling.

From Eq. 6.5.17, with  $g = 4$  in.;  $b = 6$  in.;

$$F_y = 36 \text{ ksi}$$

$$t = \sqrt{\frac{4N_u g}{\phi F_y b}} = \sqrt{\frac{4(1.60)(4)}{0.9(36)(6)}} = 0.36 \text{ in.}$$

Use  $6 \times 6 \times \frac{3}{8}$  angle 6 in. long.

From Table 6.20.9, the minimum  $\frac{5}{8}$  in. bolt is adequate:  $\phi T_n = 10 \text{ kips} > 1.6 \text{ kips}$ .

The bolt in the foundation resists both tension and shear:

Taking moments about the upper toe of the angle:  
 $3.5T_u = 2(1.60); T_u = 0.91 \text{ kips}$

The interaction equation, Eq. 6.5.14, is applicable:

From Fig. 6.15.9,  $P_s = 10.4 \text{ kips}; V_s = 5.0 \text{ kips}$

$$\frac{1}{\phi} \left[ \left( \frac{P_u}{P_s} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{V_u}{V_s} \right)^2 \right] = \frac{1}{0.9} \left[ \left( \frac{0.91}{10.4} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{1.60}{5.0} \right)^2 \right]$$

$$\frac{1}{0.9} (0.008 + 0.102) = 0.12 < 1.0 \text{ OK}$$

(Note: The connection at Point 4 would be similar to Point 1. See Chapter 6 for examples of these "clip angle" type connections.)

Connections at points 2, 3 and 5:

Determine angle thickness:

Try 5 in. long angle.

From Eq. 6.5.17 with  $g = 6$  in.;  $b = 5$  in.

$$t = \sqrt{\frac{4N_u g}{\phi F_y b}} = \sqrt{\frac{4(1.60)(6)}{0.9(36)(5)}} = 0.49 \text{ in.}$$

Use angle  $8 \times 4 \times \frac{1}{2} \times 5$  in. long.

Design weld to beam flange:

Refer to Sect. 6.5.6.

Try  $\frac{5}{16}$  in. weld by  $2\frac{1}{2}$  in. long each side of angle:

$$t_w = 0.707(0.31) = 0.22 \text{ in.}$$

Conservatively use elastic section properties.

From Fig. 6.15.19, Case 2:

$$S = d^2 t_w / 3 = (2.5)^2 0.22 / 3 = 0.46 \text{ in}^3$$

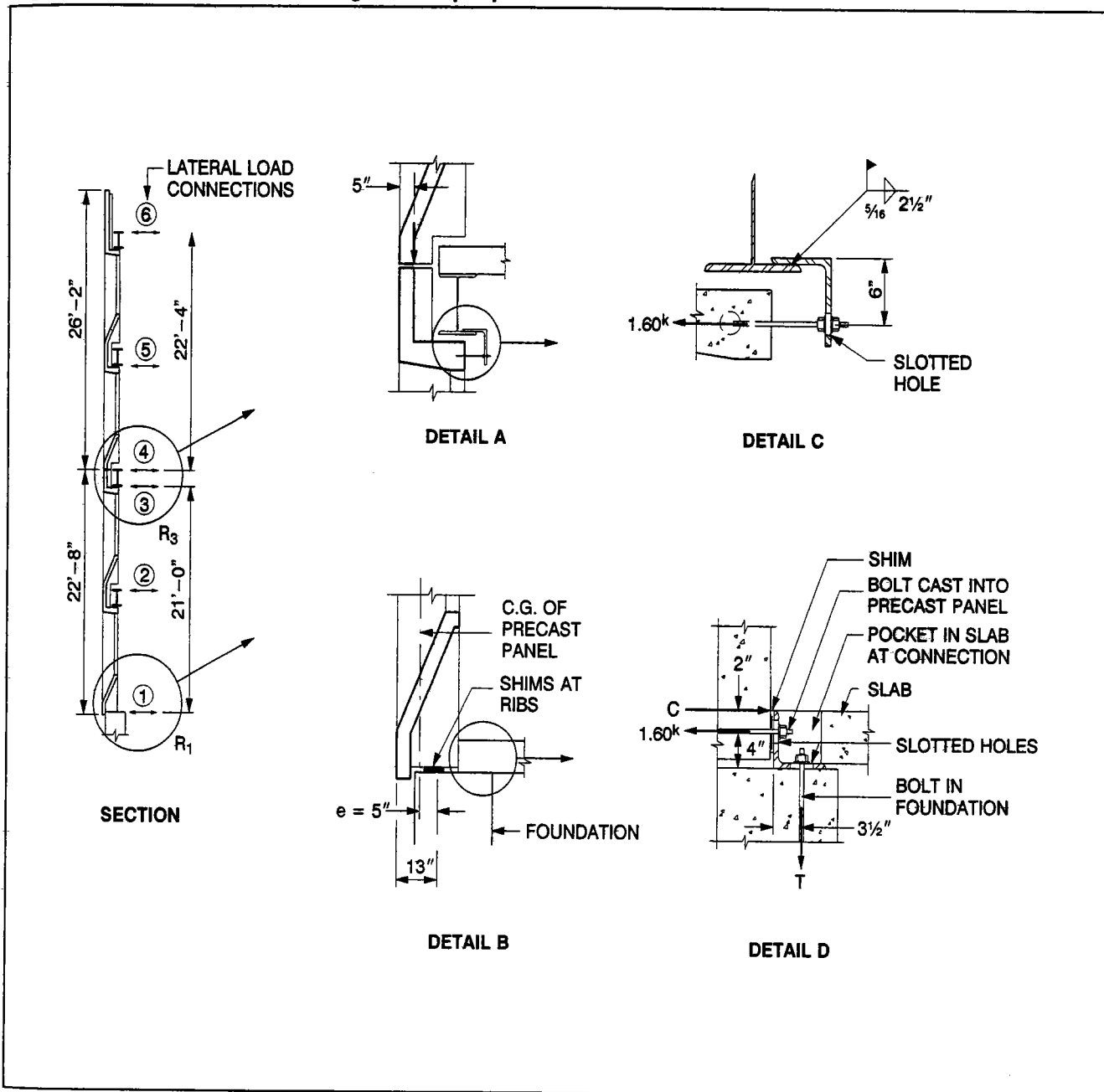
From Fig. 6.15.1:

E70 electrodes, allowable stress 31.5 ksi

$$f = \frac{P}{A} + \frac{M}{S} = \frac{1.60}{0.22(2.5)(2)} + \frac{1.60(6)}{0.46}$$

$$= 1.45 + 20.87 = 22.32 < 31.5 \quad \text{OK}$$

Figure 7.6.4 Connection design—example problem



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# TOLERANCES FOR PRECAST AND PRESTRESSED CONCRETE

## 8.1 General

The intent of this Chapter is to briefly present the subject of tolerances and to provide the designer with some of the most basic tolerances that should be considered during the layout and design of structures. This chapter is a cursory presentation of information that has been previously published by PCI and reviewed by the precast concrete industry. Because of this fact, other PCI documents (see Refs. 1–5), which discuss more fully the subject of tolerances, need to be specified in contract documents and referred to when attempting to resolve questions about tolerances.

### 8.1.1 Definitions

#### **Tolerance—**

- The permitted variation from a basic dimension or quantity, as in the length or width of a member.
- The range of variation permitted in maintaining a basic dimension, as in an alignment tolerance.
- A permitted variation from location or alignment.

**Product Tolerances—**Those variations in dimensions relating to individual precast concrete members.

**Erection Tolerances—**Those variations in dimensions required for acceptable matching of precast members after they are erected.

**Interfacing Tolerances—**Those variations in dimensions associated with other materials in contact with or in close proximity to precast concrete.

**Variation—**The difference between the actual and the basic dimension. Variations may be either negative (less) or positive (greater).

**Basic Dimension—**Those shown on contract drawings or described in specifications. Basic dimensions apply to size and location. May also be called “nominal” dimensions.

**Working Dimension—**The planned dimension of a member which considers both its basic dimension and joints or clearances. For example, a member with a basic width of (nominal) 8 ft-0 in. may have a working width of 7 ft-11 in. Product tolerances are applied to working dimensions.

**Actual Dimension—**The measured dimension of the member after casting. This may differ from the working dimension due to construction and material-induced variation.

**Alignment Face—**The face of a precast element which is to be set in alignment with the face of adjacent elements or features.

**Primary Control Surface—**A surface on a precast element which is dimensionally controlled dur-

ing erection. Clearance is generally allowed to vary so the primary control surface can be set within tolerance.

**Secondary Control Surfaces—**A surface on a precast element, the location of which is dependent on the locational tolerance of the primary control surface plus the product tolerances.

**Feature Tolerance—**The locational or dimensional tolerance of a feature, such as a corbel or a block-out, with respect to the overall member dimensions.

### 8.1.2 Purpose

Tolerances are normally established by economical and practical production, erection and interfacing considerations. Once established, they should be shown in the project documents, and used in design and detailing of components and connections. Architectural and structural concepts should be developed with the practical limitations of dimensional control in mind, as the tolerances will affect the dimensions of the completed structure.

Tolerances are required for the following reasons:

*Structural.* To ensure that structural design accounts for factors sensitive to variations in dimension. Examples include eccentric loadings, bearing areas, and locations of reinforcement and embedded items.

*Feasibility.* To ensure acceptable performance of joints and interfacing materials in the finished structure.

*Visual.* To ensure that the variations will be controllable and result in an acceptable looking structure.

*Economic.* To ensure ease and speed of production and erection.

*Legal.* To avoid encroaching on property lines and to establish a standard against which the work can be compared.

*Contractual.* To establish an acceptability range and also to establish responsibility for developing and maintaining specified tolerances.

### 8.1.3 Responsibility

While the responsibility for specifying and maintaining tolerances of the various elements may vary among projects, it is important that these responsibilities be clearly assigned. The conceptual design phase of a precast project is the place to begin consideration of dimensional control. The established tolerances or required performance should fall within generally accepted industry limits and should not be made more restrictive than necessary.

Once the tolerances have been specified, and connections which consider those tolerances have been designed, the production of the elements must be organized to assure tolerance compliance.

An organized quality control program which emphasizes dimensional control is necessary. Likewise, an erection quality assurance program which includes a clear definition of responsibilities will aid in assuring that the products are assembled in accordance with the specified erection tolerances.

Responsibility should include dimension verification and adjustment, when necessary, of both precast components and any interfacing structural elements.

#### 8.1.4 Tolerance Acceptability Range

Tolerances must be used as guidelines for acceptability and not limits for rejection. If specified tolerances are met, the member should be accepted. If not, the member may be accepted if it meets any of the following criteria:

1. Exceeding the tolerance does not affect the structural integrity or architectural performance of the member.
2. The member can be brought within tolerance by structurally and architecturally satisfactory means.
3. The total erected assembly can be modified to meet all structural and architectural requirements.

#### 8.1.5 Relationships Between Different Tolerances

A precast member is erected so that its primary control surface is in conformance with the established erection and interfacing tolerances. The secondary control surfaces are generally not directly positioned during erection, but are controlled by the product tolerances. Thus, if the primary control surfaces are within erection and interfacing tolerances, and the secondary surfaces are within product tolerances, the member is erected within tolerance. The result is that the tolerance limit for the secondary surface may be the sum of the product and erection tolerances.

Since tolerances for some features of a precast member may be additive, it must be clear to the erector which are the primary control surfaces. If both primary and secondary control surfaces must be controlled, provisions for adjustment should be included. The accumulated tolerance limits may have to be accommodated in the interface clearance. Surface and feature control requirements should be clearly outlined in the plans and specifications.

On occasion, the structure may not perform properly if the tolerances are allowed to accumulate. Which tolerance takes precedence is a question of economics. The costs associated with each of the three tolerances must be evaluated, recognizing unusual situations. This may include difficult erection requirements, connections which are tolerance sensitive, or production requirements which are set by the available equipment. Any special tolerance requirements should be clearly noted in the contract documents.

It is important for the designer of record to be aware of and take into consideration the tolerances of other building materials and systems used in the project [7,8,9].

## 8.2 Product Tolerances

### 8.2.1 General

Product tolerances are listed in the reports of the PCI Committee on Tolerances [1,2]. These reports contain more complete discussion of tolerances and should be referred to for more specific details, such as location tolerances for inserts, voids, haunches and corbels and for such things as warping tolerances and local smoothness requirements. The most recent Committee Report published in 1993 is a supplement to the original 1985 report and presents several additional products to the previous list of products discussed, such as prison cell modules and stadium risers. Tolerances are also presented more completely in the *Manual for Quality Control for Plants and Production of Precast and Prestressed Concrete Products* [3], the *Manual for Quality Control for Plants and Production of Architectural Precast Concrete Products* [4] and the *Recommended Practice for Erection of Precast Concrete* [5]. The products included are listed in Table 8.2.1. Discussion of the more critical tolerances are given in the following sections. The values shown have become the consensus standards of the precast concrete industry and these values are occasionally different from tolerances published by other organizations [8]. More restrictive tolerances may significantly increase costs, so should not be specified unless absolutely necessary.

### 8.2.2 Overall Dimensions

Tolerances for the overall dimensions of most common products are given in Table 8.2.1. Architectural precast concrete panels have plan dimension tolerances that vary with panel size from  $\pm 1/8$  in. for a dimension under 10 ft to  $\pm 1/4$  in. for a dimension of 20 to 40 ft. Overall thickness of wall panels are listed in Table 8.2.1 under depth tolerances.

**Table 8.2.1 Typical tolerances for precast, prestressed concrete products<sup>a</sup>**

Product Tolerances	Products
Length <sup>b</sup> —	
± ¼ in.	16,17,18
± ½ in.	6,7,8,9,13,15
± ¾ in.	3,5
± 1 in.	1,2,4,11,12,14
Width <sup>b</sup> —	
± ¼ in.	1,2,3,5,6,7,8,9,12,15,17,18
+ ⅜ in.	14
+ ⅝ in., - ¼ in.	4
± ⅝ in.	11,13
Depth—	
+ ¼ in., - ⅛ in.	10,18
± ¼ in.	1,2,3,5,6,7,8,9,12,14,15
+ ½ in., - ¼ in.	4
± ⅝ in.	11
± ½ in.	13
Flange Thickness—	
+ ¼ in., - ⅛ in.	1,2,8,10,12,15
± ¼ in.	3,4,13
Web Thickness—	
± ⅛ in.	1,8,10,12,15
± ¼ in.	2,3
+ ⅝ in., - ¼ in.	4
± ⅝ in.	5
Position of Tendons—	
± ¼ in.	1,2,3,4,5,6,8,9,11,12,14,15,18
± ⅝ in.	10
Camber, variation from design—	
± ¼ in. per 10 ft, ± ¾ in. max.	1,2,12,15
± ⅛ in. per ft, ± 1 in. max.	4
± ¾ in. max.	3
± ½ in. max.	5,15
Camber, differential—	
¼ in. per 10 ft, ¾ in. max.	1,2,5
± ¼ in. per 10 ft, ± ½ in. max.	15
Bearing Plates, position—	
± ½ in.	1,2,3,12
± ⅝ in.	4
Bearing Plates, tipping and flushness—	
± ⅛ in.	1,2,3,4,12,15

**Table 8.2.2 Erection tolerances for interface design**

Item	Recommended Tolerances (in.)
Variation in plan location (any column or beam, any location).	± ½
Variation in plan parallel to specified building lines. . . . .	¼ <sub>40</sub> per ft, any beam less than 20 ft or adjacent columns less than 20 ft apart ½, adjacent columns 20 ft or more apart
Difference in relative position of adjacent columns from specified relative position (at any deck level . . . . .)	½
Variation from plumb . . . . .	¼, any 10 ft of height 1, maximum for the entire height.
Variation in elevation of bearing surfaces from specified elevation (any column or beam, any location) . . . . .	± ½
Variation of top of spandrel from specified elevation (any location) . . . . .	± ½
Variation in elevation of bearing surfaces from lines parallel to specified grade lines. . . . .	¼ <sub>40</sub> per ft, any beam less than 20 ft or adjacent columns less than 20 ft apart ½, maximum any beam 20 ft or more in length or adjacent columns 20 ft or more apart
Variation from specified bearing length on support . . . . .	± ¾
Variation from specified bearing width on support . . . . .	± ½
Jog in alignment of matching edges . . . . .	½, maximum

a. For more details such as graphic descriptions of features to which tolerances apply and tolerances for sleeves, blockouts, inserts, plates, end squareness, surface smoothness, etc., see committee report [1].

b. See Sect. 8.2.2 for dimensional tolerances for architectural wall panels.

**Key:**

- 1 = double tee
- 2 = single tee
- 3 = building beam (rect. and ledger)
- 4 = I-beam

- 5 = box beam
- 6 = column
- 7 = hollow-core slab
- 8 = ribbed wall panel
- 9 = insulated wall panel
- 10 = architectural wall panel
- 11 = pile
- 12 = joist
- 13 = step unit
- 14 = sheet piling
- 15 = single riser bleacher slabs
- 16 = prison cell module—single
- 17 = prison cell module—double
- 18 = prestressed concrete panels for storage tanks

Top and bottom slabs (flanges) of box beams and hollow-core slabs are dependent on the position of cores. Flange thickness tolerances are not given for hollow-core slabs. Instead, measured flange areas cannot be less than 85% of the nominal calculated area.

The committee report emphasizes that the recommended tolerances are only guidelines. Different values may be applicable in some cases, and each project should be considered individually.

### 8.2.3 Sweep or Horizontal Alignment

Horizontal misalignment, or sweep, usually occurs as a result of form and member width tolerances. It can also result from prestressing with lateral eccentricity, which should be considered in the design. Joints should be dimensioned to accommodate such variations.

Sweep tolerances generally vary with length of unit, for example,  $\pm 1/8$  in. per 10 ft. The upper limit of sweep varies from  $\pm 3/8$  in. for wall panels and hollow-core slabs to  $\pm 3/4$  in. for joists usually used in composite construction.

### 8.2.4 Position of Strands

It is a common practice to use  $5/8$  in. diameter holes in end dividers (bulkheads or headers) for  $3/8$  to  $1/2$  in. diameter strands, since it is costly to switch end dividers for different strand diameters. Thus, better accuracy is achieved when using larger diameter strands.

Generally, individual strands must be positioned within  $\pm 1/4$  in. of design position and bundled strands within  $\pm 1/2$  in. Hollow-core slabs have greater individual strand tolerances as long as the center of gravity of the strand group is within  $\pm 1/4$  in. and a minimum cover of  $3/4$  in. is maintained.

### 8.2.5 Camber and Differential Camber

Design camber is generally based on camber at release of prestress; thus, camber measurements on products should be made as soon after stripping as possible. Differential camber refers to the final in-place condition of adjacent products.

It is important that cambers are measured at the same time of day, preferably in the early hours before the sun has begun to warm the members. Cambers for all units used in the same assembly should be checked at the same age.

If a significant variation in camber from calculated values is observed, the cause should be determined and the effect of the variation on the performance of the member evaluated. If differential cambers exceed recommended tolerances, additional effort is often

Table 8.2.3 Recommended clearances

Item	Recommended Minimum Clearance (in.)
Precast to precast	$1/2$ (1 preferred)
Precast to cast-in-place	1 (2 preferred)
Precast to steel	1 (2 preferred)
Precast column covers	$1 1/2$ (3 preferred for tall buildings)

required to erect the members in a manner which is satisfactory for the intended use.

The final installed differential between two adjacent cambered members erected in the field may be the combined result of member differential cambers, variations in support elevations, and any adjustments made to the members during erection.

For most flexural members, maximum camber variation from design camber is  $\pm 3/4$  in., and maximum differential camber between adjacent units of the same design is  $3/4$  in. This may be increased for joists used in composite construction. Recommendations for camber and differential camber of hollow-core slabs are not listed, because production variations between hollow-core systems result in different tolerances for each type.

### 8.2.6 Weld Plates

In general, it is easier to hold plates to closer tolerances at the bottom of the member (or against the side form) than with plates cast on top of the member. Bottom and side plates can be fastened to the form and hence are less susceptible to movement caused by vibration. This applies to position of weld plates as well as tipping and flushness.

The tolerance on weld plates is less restrictive than for bearing plates. The position tolerance is  $\pm 1$  in. for all products except for hollow-core slabs where the tolerance is  $\pm 2$  in.; tipping and flushness tolerance is  $\pm 1/4$  in.

### 8.2.7 Haunches of Columns and Wall Panels

The importance of corbel and haunch location tolerances depends on the connection at the base of the member. Since base connections usually allow some flexibility, it is more important to control dimensions from haunch to haunch in multilevel columns or walls than from haunch to end of member.

The haunch to-haunch tolerance is  $\pm 1/8$  in. Bearing surface squareness tolerance is  $\pm 1/8$  in. per 18 in. with a maximum of  $\pm 1/4$  in., except for architectural precast concrete panels, with a tolerance of  $\pm 1/8$  in., and columns, with a maximum of  $\pm 1/8$  in. in short direction and  $\pm 3/8$  in. in long direction.

### 8.2.8 Warping and Bowing

Warping and bowing tolerances affect panel edge matchup during erection, and the appearance of the erected members. They are especially critical with architectural panels.

Warping is a variation from plane in which the corners of the panel do not fall within the same plane. Warping tolerances are given in terms of corner variations, as shown in Figure 8.2.1. The allowable variation from the nearest adjacent corner is  $1/16$  in. per ft.

Bowing differs from warping in that two opposite edges of a panel may fall in the same plane, but the portion between is out of plane (Figure 8.2.2). Bowing tolerance is  $L/360$ , where L is the length of bow. Maximum tolerance on differential bowing between panels of the same design is  $1/2$  in.

The effects of differential temperature and moisture absorption between the inside and outside of a panel and the prestress eccentricity should be considered in design of the panel and its connections. Pre-erection storage conditions may also affect warping and bowing (see Sects. 3.3.2 and 5.2.10).

Thin panels are more likely to bow, and the tolerances should be more liberal. Table 8.2.4 gives thicknesses, related to panel dimensions, below which the warping and bowing tolerances given above may not apply. (Note: Table 8.2.4 is not intended to limit panel thickness.) For example, a panel that is 16 x 8 ft, and less than 6 in. thick, may require greater warping and bowing tolerance than indicated above.

Similarly, panels made from concrete with over  $3/4$  in. aggregate, panels using two significantly different concrete mixes, and veneered and insulated panels may require special consideration. In all cases, the local precaster should be consulted regarding overall economic and construction feasibility.

### 8.2.9 Smoothness

Local smoothness describes the condition where small areas of the surface may be out of plane, as shown in Figure 8.2.3. The tolerance for this type of variation is  $1/4$  in. per 10 ft for all products. The tolerance is usually checked with a 10 ft straight edge or the equivalent, as explained in Figure 8.2.3.

**Table 8.2.4 Panel thickness (in.) to maintain bowing and warping within suggested normal tolerances<sup>a,b</sup>**

Panel dimensions, ft	8	10	12	16	20	24	28	32
4	3	4	4	5	5	6	6	7
6	3	4	4	5	5	6	6	7
8	4	5	5	6	6	7	7	8
10	5	5	6	6	7	7	8	8

- Do not use this table for panel thickness selection.
- For ribbed panels, the overall thickness of ribs may be used for comparison with this table if the ribs are continuous from one end of the panel to the other.

### 8.2.10 Architectural Panels vs Structural Walls

When discussing tolerances, "architectural panel" refers to a class of tolerances specified, and not necessarily to the use of the member in the final structure. Architectural panels usually require more restrictive tolerances than structural members for aesthetic reasons.

Double tees, hollow-core slabs and solid slabs are often used for exterior facades, but are not classed as "architectural panels". Since the above listed products are manufactured the same whether they are architectural or structural products, the manufacturing accuracy for the product when used architecturally should not be expected to meet "architectural panel" tolerances. If more restrictive tolerances are required, they must be clearly indicated in the contract documents, and subsequently increased costs anticipated.

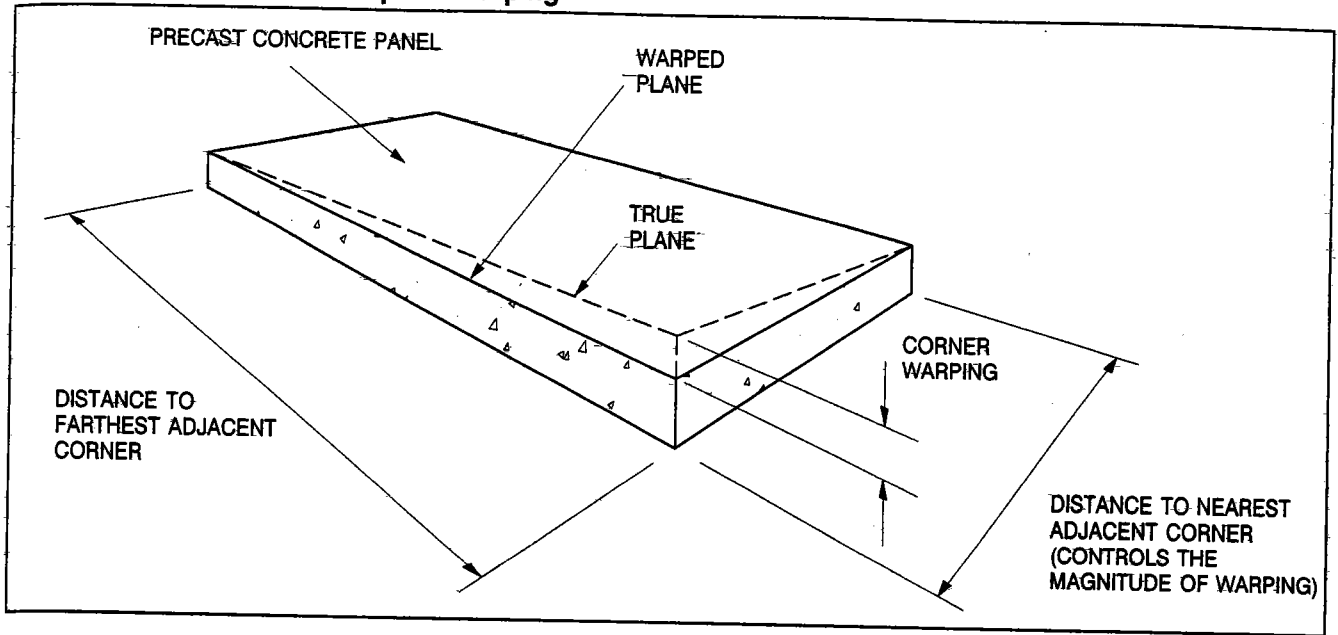
## 8.3 Erection Tolerances

### 8.3.1 General

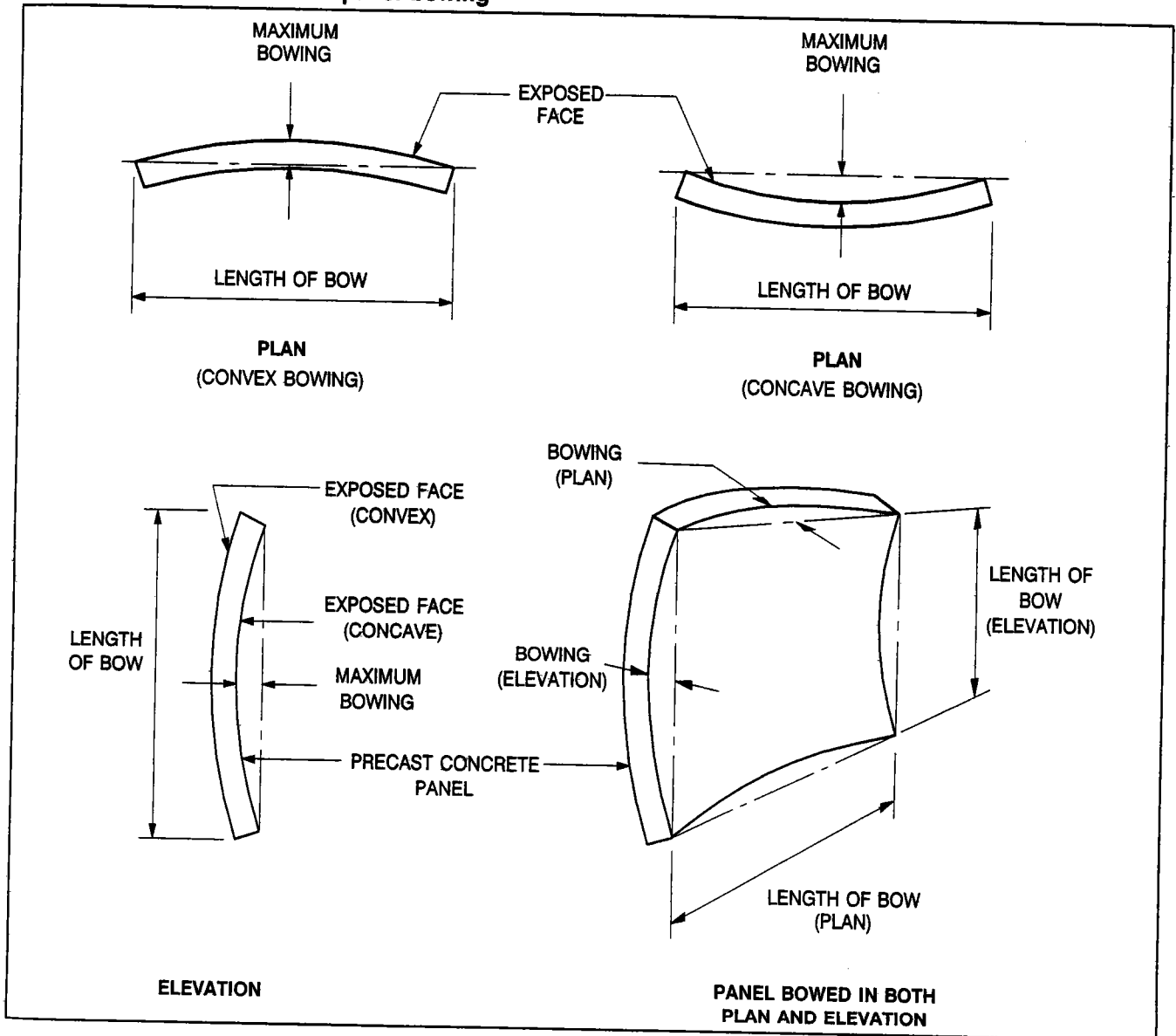
Erection tolerance values are those to which the primary control surfaces of the member should be set. The final location of other features and surfaces will be the result of the combination of the erection tolerances and the product tolerances given in Sect. 8.2.

Because erection is equipment and site dependent, there may be good reason to vary some of the recommended tolerances to account for unique project conditions. Combining liberal product tolerances with restrictive erection tolerances may place an unrealistic burden on the erector. Thus, the designer should review proposed tolerances with manufacturers and erectors prior to deciding on the final project tolerances.

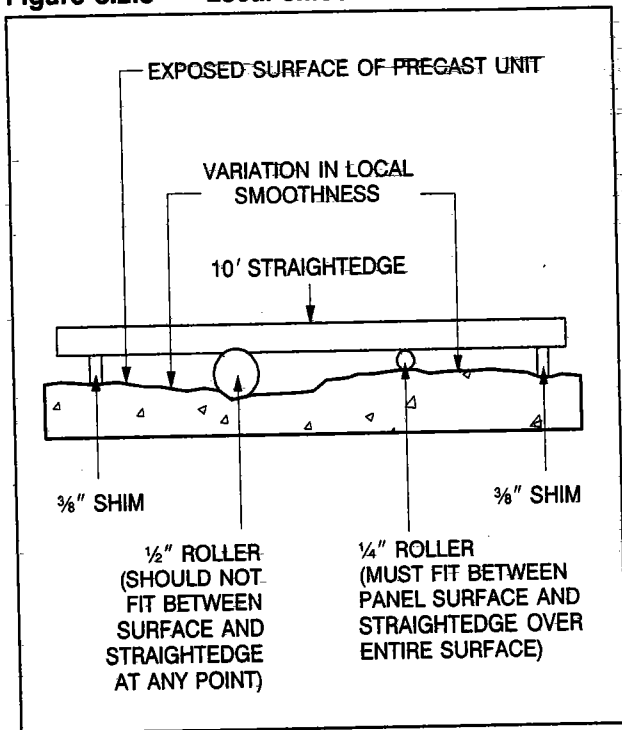
**Figure 8.2.1 Definition of panel warping**



**Figure 8.2.2 Definition of panel bowing**



**Figure 8.2.3 Local smoothness variation**



To minimize erection problems, the dimensions of the in-place structure should be checked prior to starting precast erection. After erection, and before other trades interface with the precast concrete members, it should be verified that the precast elements are erected within tolerances [5].

### 8.3.2 Recommended Erection Tolerances

Figures 8.3.1 to 8.3.5 show erection tolerances for:

- Precast element to precast element.
- Precast element to cast-in-place concrete.
- Precast element to masonry.
- Precast element to structural steel construction.

### 8.3.3 Mixed Building Systems

Mixed building systems combine precast and prestressed concrete with other materials, usually cast-in-place concrete, masonry or steel. Each industry has its own recommended erection tolerances which apply when its products are used exclusively. The compatibility of those tolerances with the precast tolerances should be checked and adjusted when necessary.

Example 8.4.2 shows one problem that can occur when erection tolerances are chosen for each system without considering the project as a whole.

## 8.3.4 Connections and Bearing

The details of connections must be considered when specifying erection tolerances. Space must be provided to make the connection under the most adverse combination of tolerances.

Bearing length is measured in the direction of the span, and bearing width is measured perpendicular to the span. Bearing length is often not the same as the length of the end of a member over the support, as shown in Figure 8.3.6. When they differ, it should be noted on erection drawings.

The Engineer may wish to specify a minimum bearing for various precast products. For further information, see Ref. 6.

## 8.4 Clearances

### 8.4.1 General

Clearance is the space between adjacent members and provides a buffer area where erection and production tolerance variations can be absorbed. The following items should be addressed when determining the appropriate clearance to provide in the design:

- Product tolerance.
- Type of member.
- Size of member.
- Location of member.
- Member movement.
- Function of member.
- Erection tolerance.
- Fireproofing of steel.
- Thickness of plates, bolt heads, and other projecting elements.

Of these factors, product tolerances and member movement are the most significant. As shown in the examples, it may not always be practical to account for all possible factors in the clearance provided.

### 8.4.2 Joint Clearance

Joints between architectural panels must accommodate variations in the panel dimensions and the erection tolerances for the panels. They must also provide a good visual line and sufficient width to allow for a proper sealant joint. Generally, the larger the panel, the wider the joints should be. For most situations, architectural panel joints should be designed to be not less than 3/4 in. wide. Tolerances in overall building width and length are normally accommodated in panel joints.



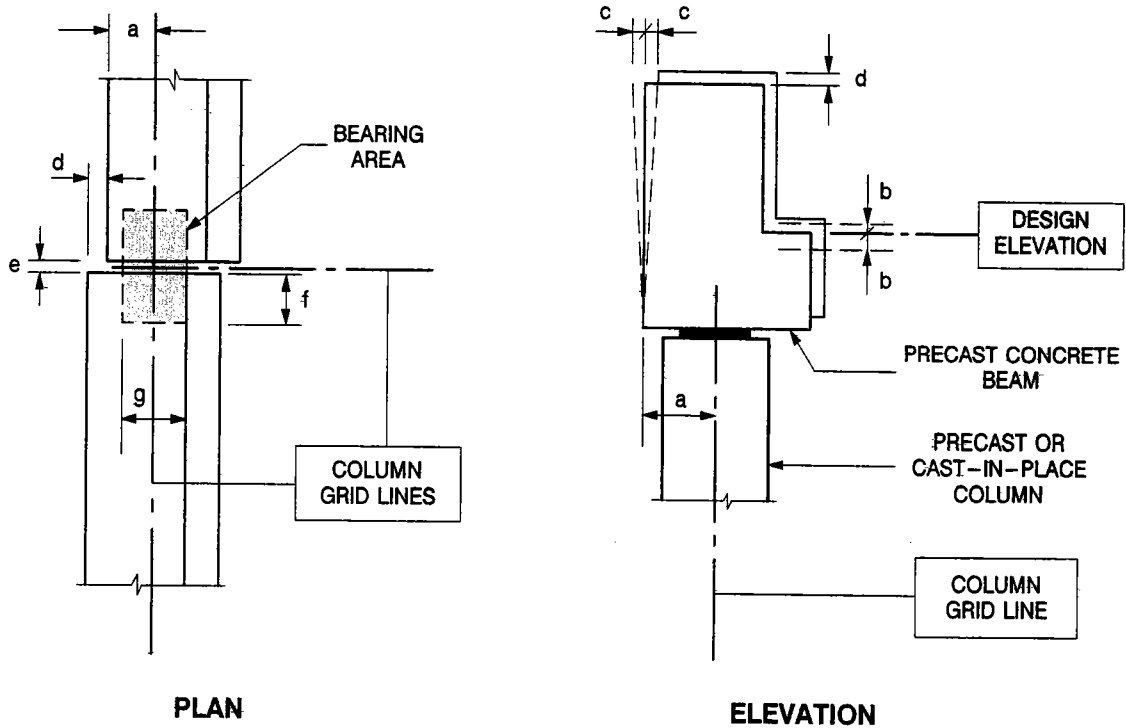
**Figure 8.3.1 Erection tolerances—beams and spandrels**

a	=	Plan location from building grid datum .....	± 1 in.
a <sub>1</sub>	=	Plan location from centerline of steel* .....	± 1 in.
b	=	Bearing elevation** from nominal elevation at support	
		Maximum low .....	½ in.
		Maximum high .....	¼ in.
c	=	Maximum plumb variation over height of element	
		Per 12 in. height .....	⅛ in.
		Maximum .....	½ in.
d	=	Maximum jog in alignment of matching edges	
		Architectural exposed edges .....	¼ in.
		Visually non-critical edges .....	½ in.
e	=	Joint width	
		Architectural exposed joints .....	± ¼ in.
		Hidden joints .....	± ¾ in.
		Exposed structural joint <i>not</i> visually critical .....	± ½ in.
f	=	Bearing length*** (span direction) .....	± ¾ in.
g	=	Bearing width*** .....	± ½ in.

\* For precast elements erected on a steel frame, this tolerance takes precedence over tolerance dimension "a".

\*\* Or member top elevation where member is part of a frame without bearings.

\*\*\* This is a setting tolerance and should not be confused with structural performance requirements set by the architect/engineer. The nominal bearing dimensions and the allowable variations in bearing length and width should be specified by the engineer and shown on the contract drawings.

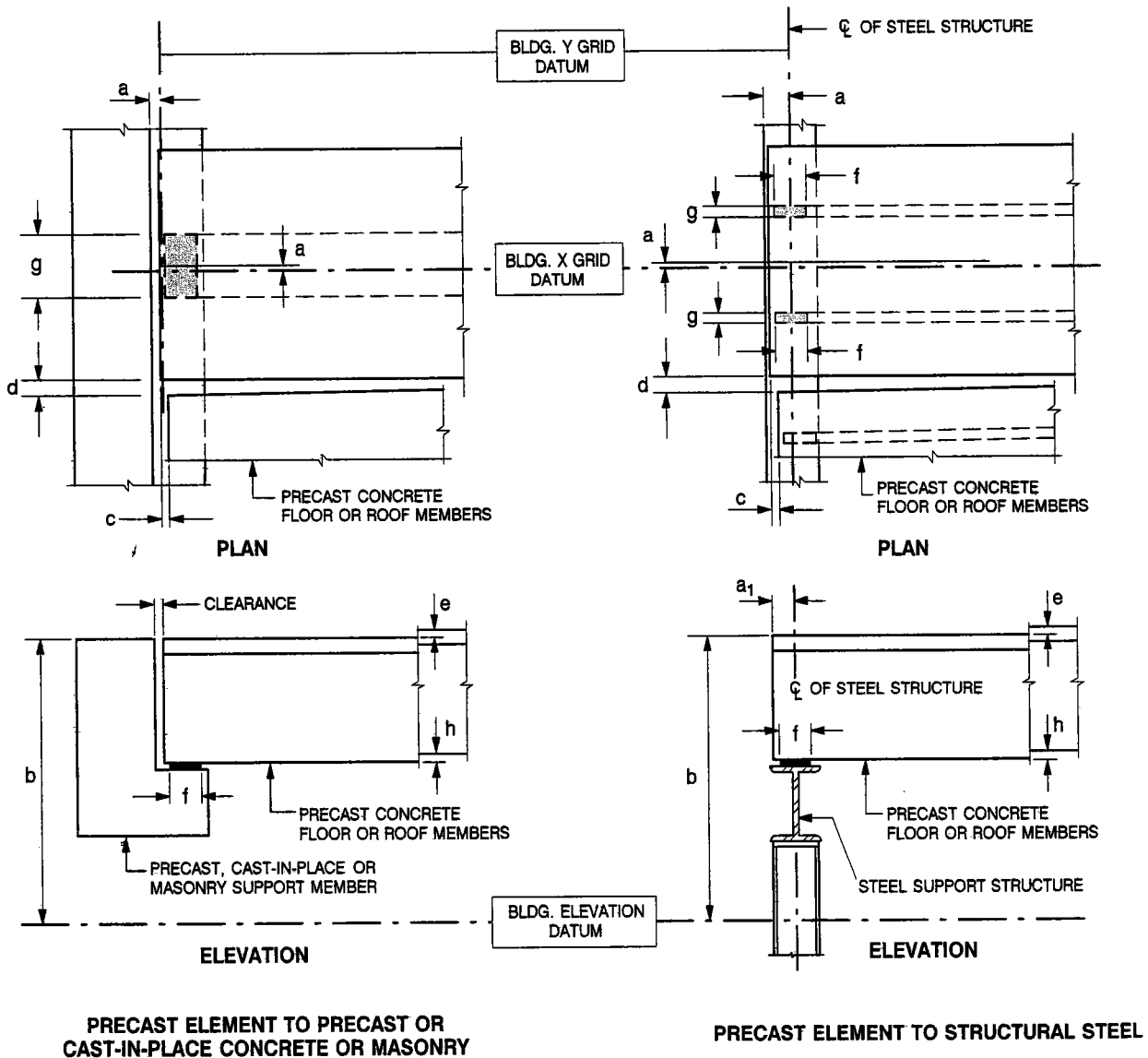


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**Figure 8.3.2 Erection tolerances—floor and roof members**

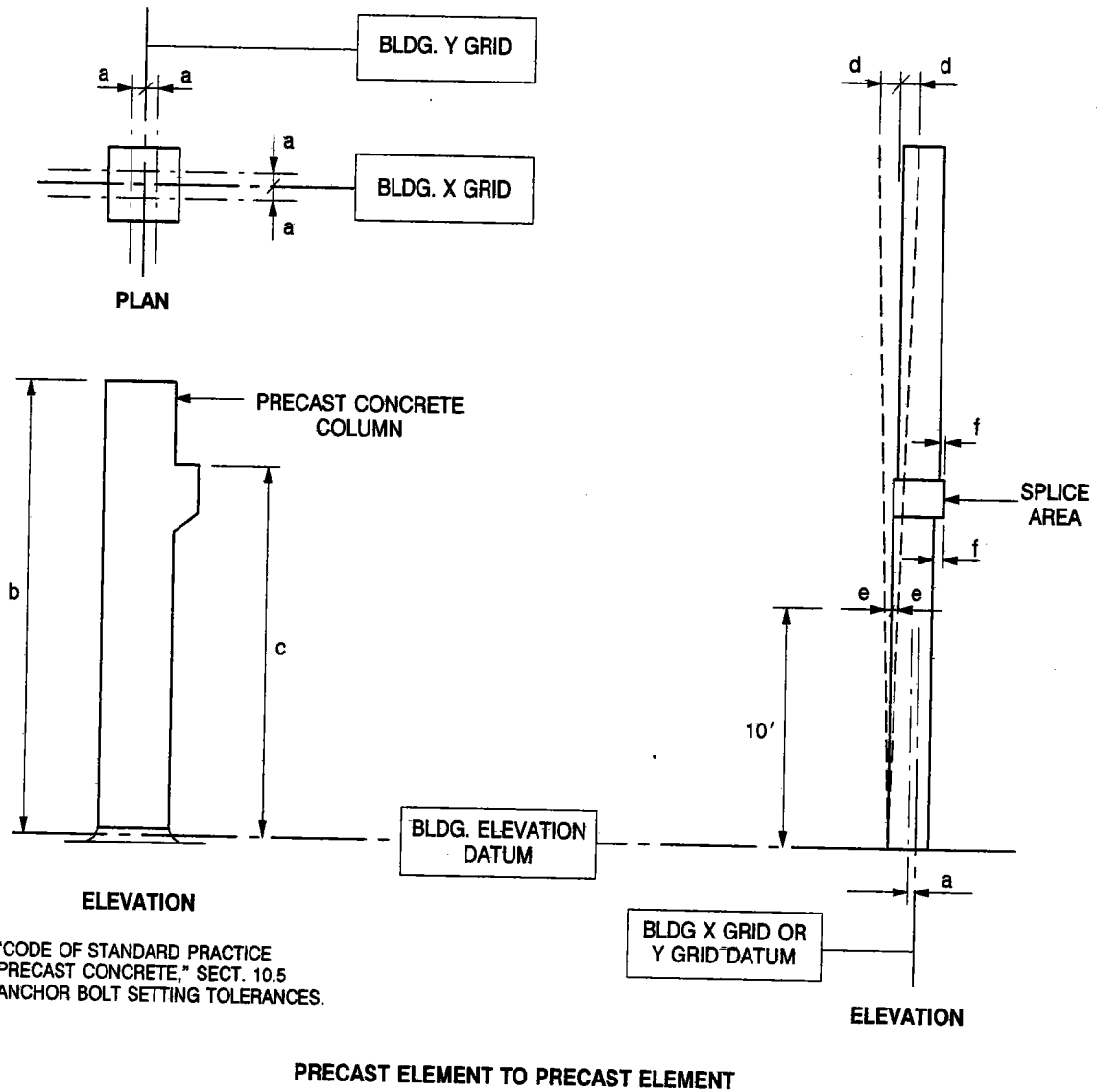
a	=	Plan location from building grid datum .....	± 1 in.
a <sub>1</sub>	=	Plan location from centerline of steel <sup>(1)</sup> .....	± 1 in.
b	=	Top elevation from nominal top elevation at member ends	
		Covered with topping .....	± ¾ in.
		Untopped floor .....	± ¼ in.
		Untopped roof .....	± ¾ in.
c	=	Maximum jog in alignment of matching edges (both topped and untopped construction) .....	1 in.
d	=	Joint width	
		0 to 40 ft member length .....	± ½ in.
		41 to 61 ft member length .....	± ¾ in.
		61 ft plus .....	± 1 in.
e	=	Differential top elevation as erected	
		Covered with topping .....	¾ in.
		Untopped floor .....	¼ in.
		Untopped roof .....	¾ in.
f	=	Bearing length <sup>(2)</sup> (span direction) .....	± ¾ in.
g	=	Bearing width <sup>(2)</sup> .....	± ½ in.
h	=	Differential bottom elevation of exposed hollow-core slabs <sup>(3)</sup> .....	¼ in.

- (1) For precast elements erected on a steel frame, this tolerance takes precedence over tolerance dimension "a".
- (2) This is a setting tolerance and should not be confused with structural performance requirements set by the architect/engineer. The nominal bearing dimensions and the allowable variations in bearing length and width should be specified by the engineer and shown on the contract drawings.
- (3) Untopped installation will require a larger tolerance.



**Figure 8.3.3 Erection tolerances—columns**

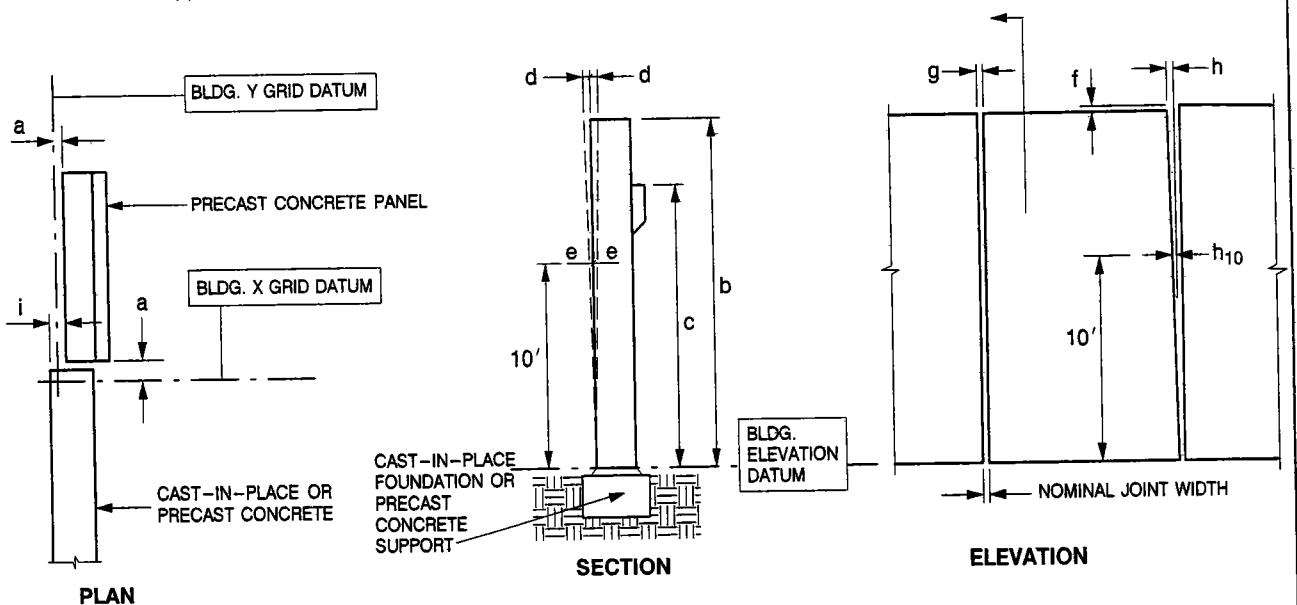
a =	Plan location from building grid datum	
	Structural applications .....	± ½ in.
	Architectural applications .....	± ¾ in.
b =	Top elevation from nominal top elevation	
	Maximum low .....	½ in.
	Maximum high .....	¼ in.
c =	Bearing haunch elevation from nominal elevation	
	Maximum low .....	½ in.
	Maximum high .....	¼ in.
d =	Maximum plumb variation over height of element (element in structure of maximum height of 100 ft) .....	1 in.
e =	Plumb in any 10 ft of element height .....	¼ in.
f =	Maximum jog in alignment of matching edges	
	Architectural exposed edges .....	¼ in.
	Visually non-critical edges .....	½ in.



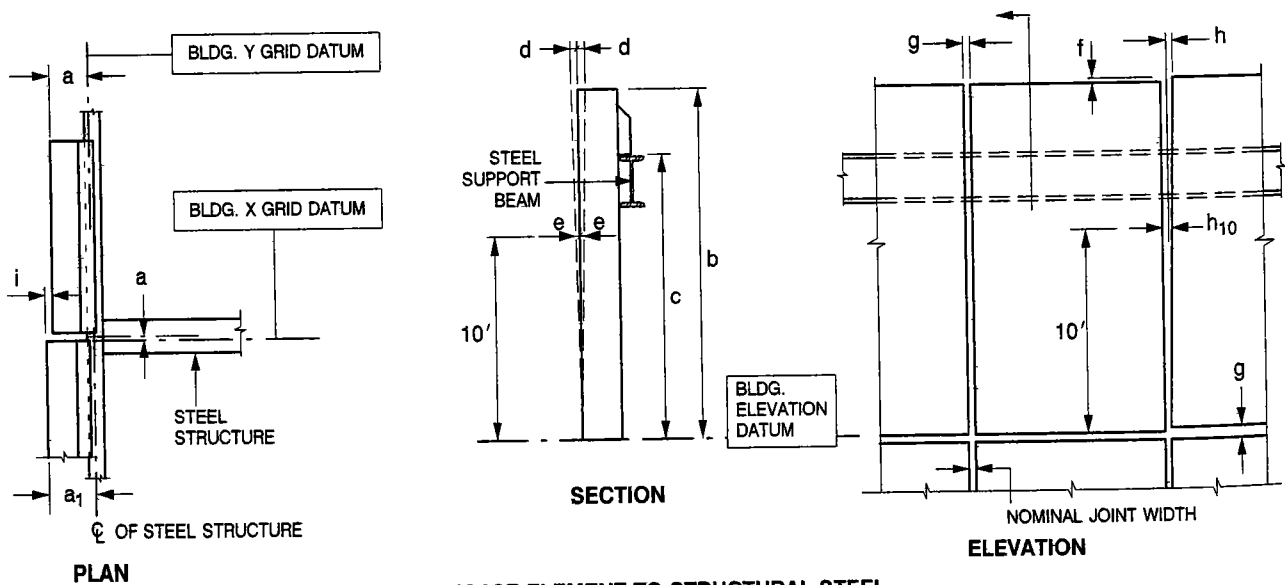
**Figure 8.3.4 Erection tolerances—structural wall panels**

a-	Plan location from building grid datum <sup>(1)</sup> .....	± ½ in.
a <sub>1</sub>	Plan location from centerline of steel <sup>(2)</sup> .....	± ½ in.
b.	Top elevation from nominal top elevation	
	Exposed individual panel .....	± ½ in.
	Nonexposed individual panel .....	± ¾ in.
	Exposed relative to adjacent panel .....	½ in.
	Nonexposed relative to adjacent panel .....	¾ in.
c	Bearing elevation from nominal elevation	
	Maximum low .....	½ in.
	Maximum high .....	¼ in.
d	Maximum plumb variation over height of structure or 100 ft whichever is less .....	1 in.
e	Plumb in any 10 ft of element height .....	¼ in.
f	Maximum jog in alignment of matching edges .....	½ in.
g	Joint width (governs over joint taper) .....	± ¾ in.
h	Joint taper over length of panel .....	½ in.
h <sub>10</sub>	Joint taper over 10 ft length .....	¾ in.
i	Maximum jog in alignment of matching faces	
	Exposed .....	¾ in.
	Nonexposed .....	¾ in.
j	Differential bowing, as erected, between adjacent members of the same design <sup>(3)</sup> .....	½ in.

- (1) For precast buildings in excess of 100 ft tall, tolerances "a" and "d" can increase at the rate of ¼ in. per story to a maximum of 2 in.
- (2) For precast concrete erected on a steel frame building, this tolerance takes precedence over tolerance on dimension "a".
- (3) Refer to Sect. 8.2.8 for description of bowing tolerance.



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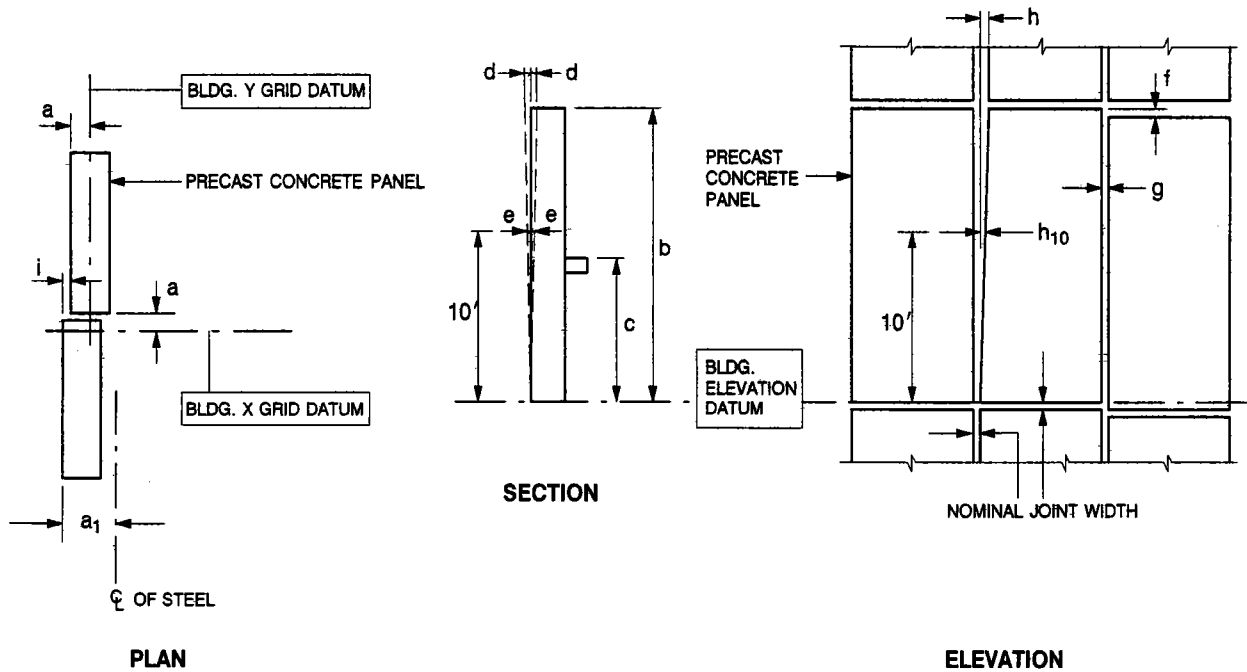


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**Figure 8.3.5 Erection tolerances—architectural wall panels**

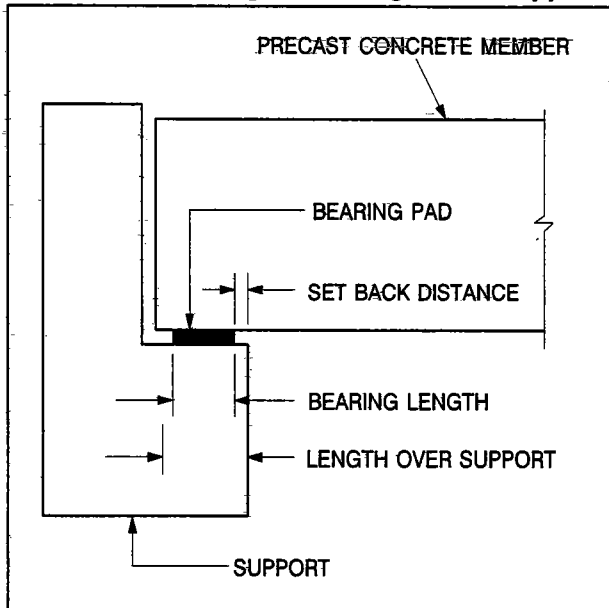
a	=	Plan location from building-grid datum <sup>(1)</sup> .....	± ½ in.
a <sub>1</sub>	=	Plan location from centerline of steel <sup>(2)</sup> .....	± ½ in.
b	=	Top-elevation from nominal top elevation	
		Exposed individual panel .....	± ¼ in.
		Nonexposed individual panel .....	± ½ in.
		Exposed relative to adjacent panel .....	¼ in.
		Nonexposed relative to adjacent panel .....	½ in.
c	=	Support elevation from nominal elevation	
		Maximum low .....	½ in.
		Maximum high .....	¼ in.
d	=	Maximum plumb variation over height of structure or 100 ft whichever is less <sup>(1)</sup> .....	1 in.
e	=	Plumb in any 10 ft of element height .....	¼ in.
f	=	Maximum jog in alignment of matching edges .....	¼ in.
g	=	Joint width (governs over joint taper) .....	± ¼ in.
h	=	Joint taper maximum .....	¾ in.
h <sub>10</sub>	=	Joint taper over 10 ft length .....	¼ in.
i	=	Maximum jog in alignment of matching faces .....	¼ in.
j	=	Differential bowing or camber as erected between adjacent members of the same design <sup>(3)</sup> .....	¼ in.

- (1) For precast buildings in excess of 100 ft tall, tolerances "a" and "d" can increase at the rate of ¼ in. per story to a maximum of 2 in.
- (2) For precast concrete erected on a steel frame building, this tolerance takes precedence over tolerance on dimension "a".
- (3) Refer to Sect. 8.2.8 for description of bowing tolerance.



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**Figure 8.3.6 Relationship between bearing length and length over support**



**8.4.3 Procedure for Determining Clearance**

Following is a systematic approach to selecting an appropriate clearance:

**Step 1:**

Determine the maximum size of the members involved (basic or nominal dimension plus additive tolerances). This should include not only the precast and prestressed members, but also other materials.

**Step 2:**

Add the minimum space required for member movement.

**Step 3:**

Check if this clearance allows the member to be erected within the erection and interfacing tolerances, such as plumbness, face alignment, etc. Adjust the clearance as required to meet all the needs.

**Step 4:**

Check if the member can physically be erected with this clearance. Consider the size and location of members in the structure and how connections will be made. Adjust the clearance as required.

**Step 5:**

Review the clearance to see whether increasing its dimensions will allow easier, more economical erection without adversely affecting aesthetics. Adjust the clearance as required.

**Step 6:**

Review structural considerations such as types of connections involved, sizes required, bearing area requirements, and other structural issues.

**Step 7:**

Check design to assure adequacy in the event that minimum member size should occur. Adjust clearance as required for minimum bearing and other structural considerations.

**Step 8:**

Select final clearance.

**8.4.4 Clearance Examples**

The following examples are given to show the thought process, and may not be the only correct solutions for the situations described.

**Example 8.4.1 Clearance Determination-Single Story Industrial Building**

**Given:**

A double tee roof member 60 ft long,  $\pm 1$  in. length tolerance, bearing on ribbed wall members 25 ft high, maximum plan variance  $\pm 1/2$  in., variation from plumb  $1/4$  in. per 10 ft, haunch depth 6 in. beyond face of panel, long term roof movement  $-1/4$  in. Refer to Figure 8.4.1.

**Problem:**

Find the minimum acceptable clearance.

**Solution:**

**Step 1: Determine Maximum Member Sizes**  
(refer to product tolerances)

- Maximum tee length ..... + 1 in.
- Wall thickness ..... +  $1/4$  in.
- Initial clearance chosen .....  $3/4$  in. per end

**Step 2: Member Movement**

Long term shrinkage and creep will increase the clearance so this movement can be neglected in the initial clearance determination, although it must be considered structurally.

- Required clearance adjustment  
as a result of member movement ..... 0
- Clearance chosen .....  $3/4$  in.

**Step 3: Other Erection Tolerances**

If the wall panel is set inward toward the building interior  $1/2$  in. and erected plumb, the clearance should be increased by  $1/2$  in. If the panel is erected out of plumb outward  $1/2$  in., no clearance adjustment is needed.

- Clearance adjustment required  
for erection tolerances ..... 0
- Clearance chosen .....  $3/4$  in.

**Step 4: Erection Considerations**

If all members are fabricated perfectly, then the joint clearance is  $\frac{3}{4}$  in. at either end ( $1\frac{1}{2}$  in. total). This is ample space for erection. If all members are at maximum size variance, maximum inward plan variance, and maximum inward variance from plumb, then the total clearance is zero. This is undesirable as it would require some rework during erection. A judgment should be made as to the likelihood of maximum product tolerances all occurring in one location. If the likelihood is low, the  $\frac{3}{4}$  in. clearance needs no adjustment, but, if the likelihood is high, the engi-

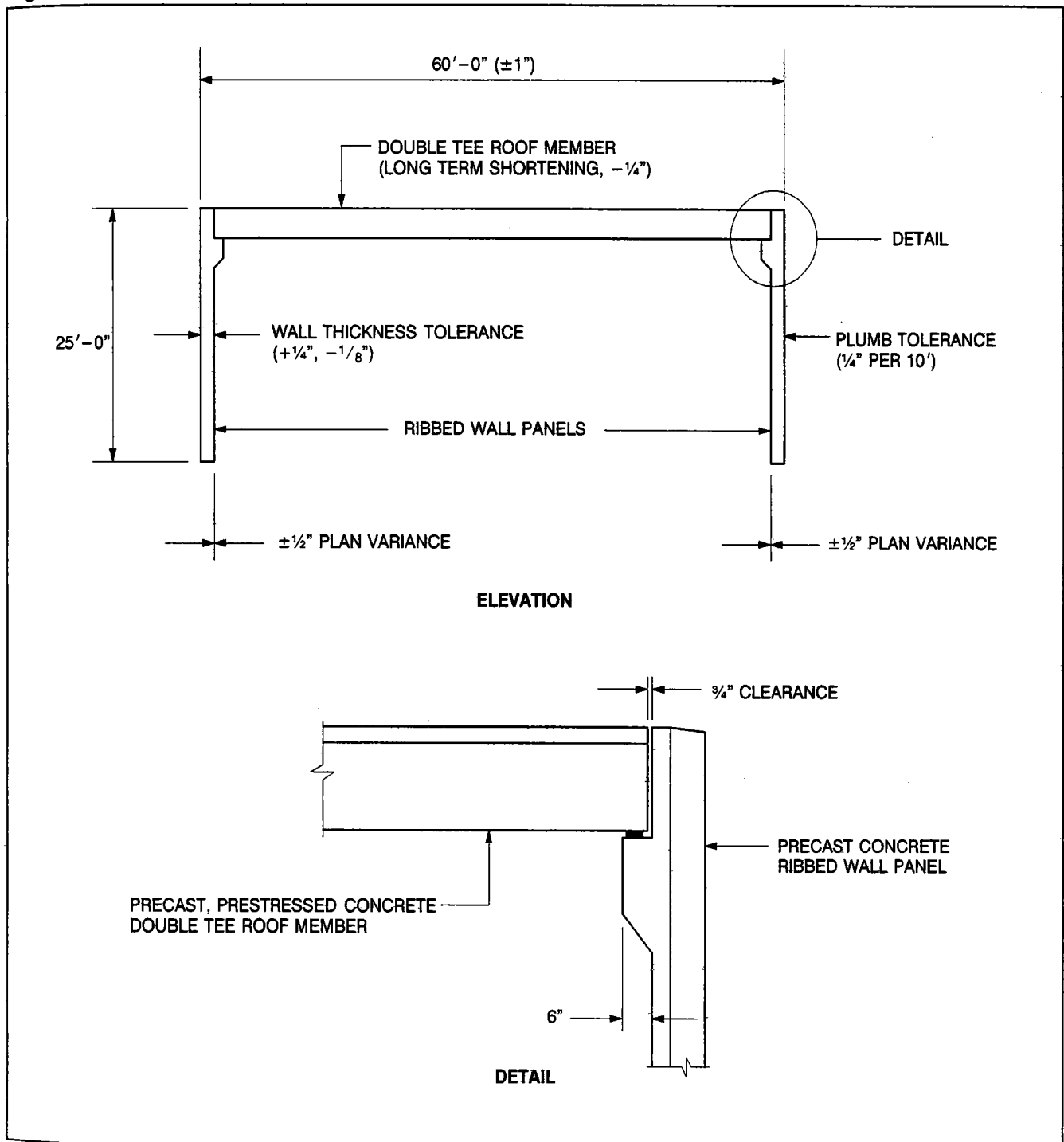
neer might increase the clearance to 1 in. In this instance, the likelihood has been judged low; therefore, no adjustment has been made.

Clearance chosen .....  $\frac{3}{4}$  in.

**Step 5: Economy**

In single-story construction, increasing the clearance beyond  $\frac{3}{4}$  in. is not likely to speed up erection as long as product tolerances remain within allowables. No adjustment is required for economic considerations.

**Figure 8.4.1 Clearance Example 8.4.1**



**Step 6: Review Structural Considerations**

Allowing a setback from the edge of the corbel, assumed in this instance to have been set by the engineer at 1 in., plus the clearance, the bearing is 4 in. and there should be space to allow member movement. The engineer judges this to be acceptable from a structural and architectural point of view and no adjustment is required for structural considerations.

**Step 7: Check for Minimum Member Sizes**

(refer to product tolerances)

- Tee length ..... -1 in. (1/2 in. each end)
- Wall thickness ..... -1/8 in.
- Bearing haunch ..... No change
- Clearance chosen ..... 3/4 in.
- Minimum bearing without setback ..... 4 5/8 in. (OK in this instance.)
- Wall plumbness would also be considered in an actual application.

**Step 8: Final Solution**

Minimum clearance used ..... 3/4 in. per end (Satisfies all conditions considered.)

(Note: For simplicity in this example, end rotation, flange skew, and global skew tolerances have not been considered. In an actual situation, these issues should also be considered.)

**Step 3: Other Erection Tolerances**

- Steel variance in plan, maximum ..... 2 in.
- Initial clearance ..... 3/4 in.
- Clearance chosen ..... 2 3/4 in.

**Step 4: Erection Considerations**

No adjustment required for erection considerations.

**Step 5: Economy**

- Clearance chosen ..... 2 3/4 in.
- Increasing clearance will not increase economy.
- No adjustment for economic considerations.

**Step 6: Structural Considerations**

- Clearance chosen ..... 2 3/4 in.
- Expensive connection but possible. No adjustment.

**Step 7: Check Minimum Member Sizes at 36th Story**  
(refer to product tolerances)

- Initial clearance ..... 2 3/4 in.
- Precast thickness ..... -1/8 in.
- Steel width ..... -3/16 in.
- Steel sweep ..... -1/4 in.
- Steel variance in plan minimum ..... -3 in.
- Clearance calculated ..... 6 5/16 in.

**Step 8: Final Solution**

A clearance of over 6 in. would require an extremely expensive connection for the precast panel, and would produce high torsional stresses in the steel supporting beams. The 6 in. clearance is not practical, although the 2 3/4 in. minimum initial clearance is still needed. Either the precast panels should be allowed to follow the steel frame or the tolerances for the exterior columns need to be made more stringent, such as the AISC requirements for elevator columns. The most economical will likely be for the panels to follow the steel frame.

- Minimum clearance used ..... 2 3/4 in.
- Allow panels to follow the steel frame.

**Example 8.4.2 Clearance Determination—High Rise Frame Structure**

**Given:**

A 36-story steel frame structure, precast concrete cladding, steel tolerances per AISC, member movement negligible. In this example, precast tolerance for variation in plan is ±1/4 in. Refer to Figure 8.4.2.

**Problem:**

Determine whether or not the panels can be erected plumb and determine the minimum acceptable clearance at the 36th story.

**Solution:**

**Step 1: Product Tolerances**

(refer to product tolerances)

- Precast cladding thickness ..... +1/4 in., -1/8 in.
- Steel width ..... +1/4 in., -3/16 in.
- Steel sweep (varies) ..... 1/4 in. assumption
- Initial clearance chosen ..... 3/4 in.

**Step 2: Member Movement**

For simplification, assume this can be neglected in this example.

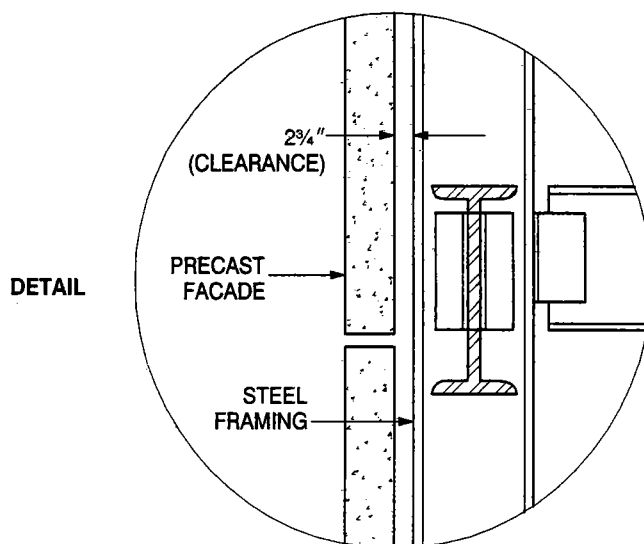
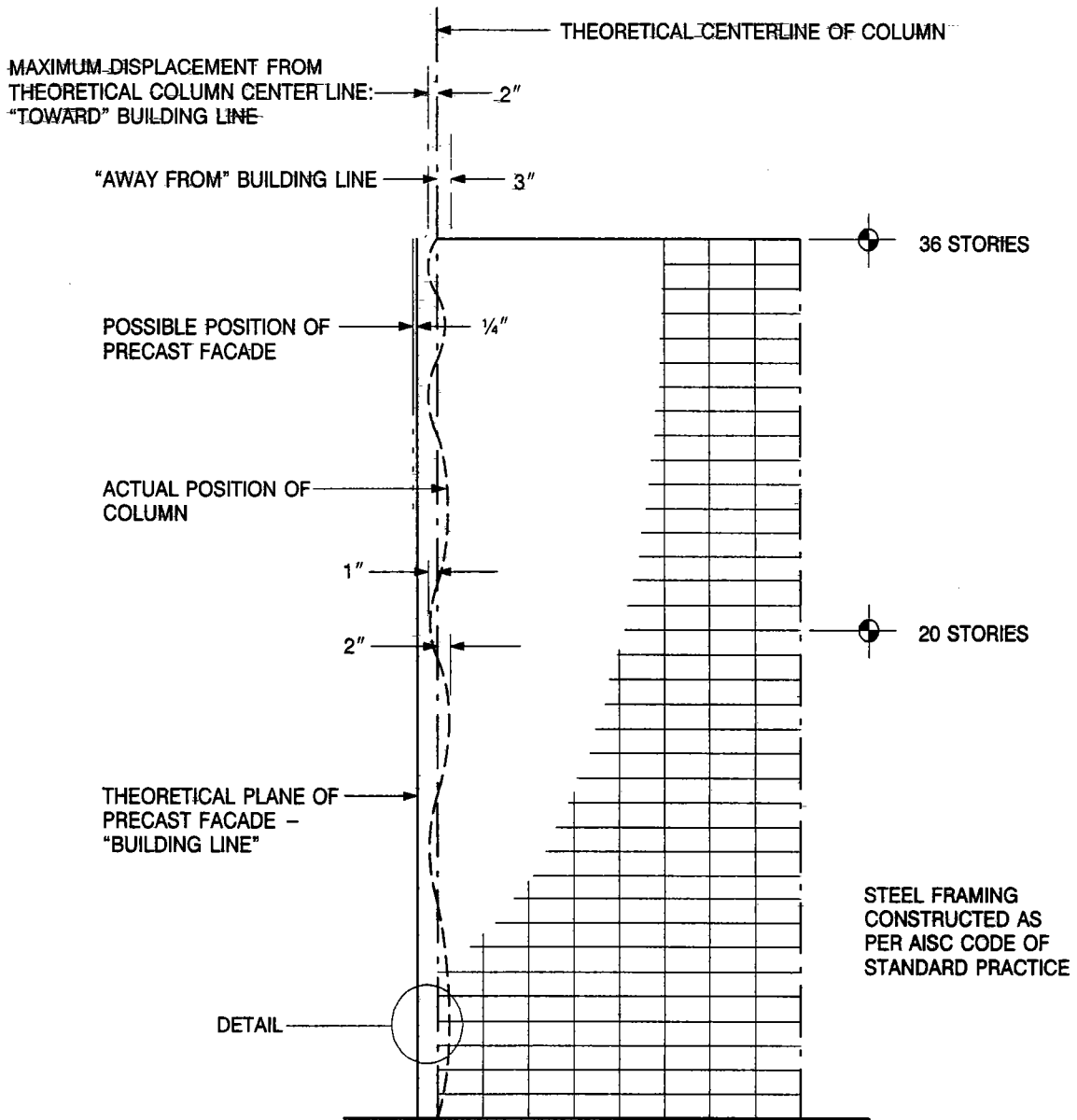
**8.5 Interfacing Tolerances**

**8.5.1 General**

In interfacing with other materials, the tolerances may be very system-dependent. For example, different brands of windows may have different tolerance requirements. If substitutions are made after the initial design is complete, the interface details must be reviewed for the new system.



Figure 8.4.2 Clearance Example 8.4.2



Following is a partial checklist for consideration in determining interfacing requirements:

- Structural requirements.
- Volume change.
- Weathering and corrosion protection.
- Waterproofing.
- Drainage.
- Architectural requirements.
- Dimensional considerations.
- Vibration considerations.
- Fire-rating requirements.
- Acoustical considerations.
- Economics.
- Manufacturing/erection considerations.

### 8.5.2 Interface Design Approach

The following approach is one method of organizing the task of designing the interface between two systems:

#### Step 1:

Define the interface between the two systems, show shape and location, and determine contractual responsibilities. For example, the precast panel furnished by the precaster, the window furnished and installed by the window manufacturer, and the sealant between the window and the precast concrete furnished and installed by the precast manufacturer.

#### Step 2:

Define the functional requirements of each interfacing system. For example, the building drain line must have a flow line which allows adequate drainage. This will place limits on where the line must penetrate precast units. Note whether this creates problems such as conflict with prestressing strands.

#### Step 3:

List the tolerances of each interfacing system. For example, determine from manufacturer's specifications what are the external tolerances on the door jamb. Determine from the precast concrete product tolerances what is the tolerance on a large panel door blockout. For the door installation, determine what is the floor surface tolerance in the area of the door.

#### Step 4:

Select the operational clearances required. For example, determine the magnitude of operational clearances which are needed to align the door to function properly. Then choose dimensions which include necessary clearances.

#### Step 5:

Check compatibility of the interface tolerances. Starting with the least precise system, check the tolerance requirements and compare against the mini-

um and maximum dimensions of the interfacing system. If interferences result, alter the nominal dimension of the appropriate system. For example, it is usually more economical to make a larger opening than to specify a non-standard window size.

#### Step 6:

Establish assembly and installation procedures for the interfacing systems to assure compatibility. Show the preferred adjustments to accommodate the tolerances of the systems. Specify such things as minimum bearing areas, minimum and maximum joint gaps, and other dimensions which will vary as a result of interface tolerances. Consider economic trade-offs such as in-plant work versus field work, and minor fit-up rework versus more restrictive tolerances.

#### Step 7:

Check the final project specifications as they relate to interfacing. Be aware of subsystem substitutions which might be made during the final bidding and procurement.

### 8.5.3 Characteristics of the Interface

The following list of questions will help to define the nature of the interface:

1. What specifically is to be interfaced?
2. How does the interface function?
3. Is there provision for adjustment upon installation?
4. How much adjustment can occur without rework?
5. What are the consequences of an interface tolerance mismatch?
  - Rework requirements (labor and material)
  - Rejection limits
6. What are the high material cost elements of the interface?
7. What are the high labor cost elements of the interface?
8. What are the normal tolerances associated with the system to interfaced?
9. Are the system interface tolerances simple planar tolerances or are they more complex and three dimensional?
10. Do all of the different products of this type have the same interface tolerance requirements?

11. Do you as the designer of the precast system have control over all the aspects of the interfaces involved? If not, what actions do you need to take to accommodate this fact?

Listed below are common characteristics of most systems of the type listed:

1. Windows and Doors

- No gravity load transfer through window element
- Compatible with air and moisture sealant system
- Open/close characteristics (swing or slide)
- Compatibility with door locking mechanisms

2. Mechanical Equipment

- Duct clearances for complex prefabricated ductwork
- Large diameter prefabricated pipe clearance requirements
- Deflections from forces associated with large diameter piping and valves
- Expansion/contraction allowances for hot/cold piping
- Vibration isolation/transfer considerations
- Acoustical shielding considerations
- Hazardous gas/fluid containment requirements

3. Electrical Equipment

- Multiple mating conduit runs
- Prefabricated cable trays
- Embedded conduits and outlet boxes
- Corrosion related to DC power
- Special insert placement requirements for isolation
- Location requirements for embedded grounding cables
- Shielding clearance requirements for special "clean" electrical lines

4. Elevators and Escalators

- Elevator guide location requirements
- Electrical conduit location requirements
- Elevator door mechanism clearances
- Special insert placement requirements

5. Architectural Cladding

- Joint tolerance for sealant system
- Flashing and reglet fit-up. (Lining up reglets from panel to panel is very difficult and often costly. Surface-mounted flashing should be considered.)
- Expansion and contraction provisions for dissimilar materials
- Effects of rotation, deflection, and differential thermal gradients

6. Structural Steel and Miscellaneous Steel

- Details to prevent rust staining of concrete
- Details to minimize potential for corrosion at field connections between steel and precast concrete
- Coordination of structural steel expansion/contraction provisions with those of the precast system
- Special provisions for weld plates or other attachment features for steel structures

7. Masonry

- Coordination of masonry expansion/contraction provisions with those of the precast system
- Detailing to ensure desired contact bearing between masonry and precast units
- Detailing to ensure desired transfer of load between masonry shear wall and precast frame

8. Roofing

- Roof camber, both upon erection and long-term, as it relates to roof drain placement
- Fit-up of prefabricated flashing
- Dimensional effects of added material during reroofing
- Coordination of structural control joint locations with roofing system expansion/contraction provisions
- Location of embedded HVAC unit supports

9. Waterproofing

- Location and dimensions of flashing reglets
- Location and shape of window gasket grooves
- Coordination of waterproofing system requirements with structural system expansion/provisions
- Special details around special penetrations

10. Interior Finishes

- Floors, Walls, and Ceilings
- Joints between precast members for direct carpet overlay
- Visual appearance of joints for exposed ceilings
- Fit-up details to assure good appearance of interior corners
- Appearance of cast-in-place to precast concrete interfaces

11. Interior Walls and Partitions

- Clearance for prefabricated cabinetry
- Interfacing of mating embedded conduit runs

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## 9.1 THERMAL PROPERTIES OF PRECAST CONCRETE

### 9.1.1 Notation

a	=	thermal conductance of an air space
Btu	=	British thermal unit
C	=	thermal conductance for the specified thickness, $\text{Btu}/(\text{hr})(\text{ft}^2)(^\circ\text{F})$
d	=	clear cover to ends of metal ties in sandwich panels
D	=	heating degree day (65°F base)
f	=	film or surface conductance
$H_c$	=	heat capacity
k	=	thermal conductivity, $(\text{Btu}\cdot\text{in.})/(\text{hr})(\text{ft}^2)(^\circ\text{F})$
$\ell$	=	thickness of a material, in.
m	=	width or diameter of metal ties in sandwich panels
M	=	permeance, perms
R	=	thermal resistance, $(\text{hr})(\text{ft}^2)(^\circ\text{F})/\text{Btu}$
$R_a$	=	thermal resistance of air space
$R_{fi}, R_{fo}$	=	thermal resistances of inside and outside surfaces
$R_t$	=	total thermal resistance
$R_{1,2,\dots,n}$	=	thermal resistance of material layers 1, 2, ..., n
$R_{\text{materials}}$	=	summation of thermal resistance of opaque material layers
R.H.	=	relative humidity, %
$t_i$	=	indoor temperature, °F
$t_o$	=	outdoor temperature, °F
$t_s$	=	dew-point temperature, room air, at design maximum relative humidity, °F
U	=	heat transmittance value [all heat and average transmittance values are $\text{Btu}/(\text{hr})(\text{ft}^2)(^\circ\text{F})$ ]
$U_{a,b,\dots,n}$	=	heat transmittance values of parallel conductance paths in sandwich panels
$U_o$	=	average heat transmittance value
W	=	width of Zone A in sandwich panels, Sect. 9.1.8
$\mu$	=	permeability, permeance of a unit thickness, given material, perm-in.

### 9.1.2 Definitions

**British thermal unit (Btu)**—Approximately the amount of heat to raise one pound of water from 59°F to 60°F.

**Degree day (D)**—A unit, based on temperature difference and time, used in estimating fuel consumption and specifying nominal heating load of a building in winter. For any one day, when the mean temperature is less than 65°F, there are as many degree days as there are degrees F difference in temperature between the mean temperature for the day and 65°F.

**Dew-point temperature ( $t_s$ )**—The temperature at which condensation of water vapor begins for a given humidity and pressure as the vapor temperature is reduced. The temperature corresponding to saturation (100% R.H.) for a given absolute humidity at constant pressure.

**Film or surface conductance (f)**—The time rate of heat exchange by radiation, conduction, and convection of a unit area of a surface with its surroundings. Its value is usually expressed in Btu per (hr)(sq ft of surface area)(°F temperature difference). Subscripts "i" and "o" are usually used to denote inside and outside surface conductances, respectively.

**Heat capacity ( $H_c$ )**—The amount of heat necessary to raise the temperature of a given mass one degree. Numerically, the mass multiplied by the specific heat.

**Heat transmittance (U)**—Overall coefficient of heat transmission or thermal transmittance (air-to-air); the time rate of heat flow usually expressed in Btu per (hr)(sq ft of surface area)(°F temperature difference between air on the inside and air on the outside of a wall, floor, roof, or ceiling). The term is applied to the usual combinations of materials and also single materials such as window glass, and includes the surface conductance on both sides. This term is frequently called the U-value.

**Perm**—A unit of permeance. A perm is 1 grain per (sq ft of area)(hr)(in. of mercury vapor pressure difference).

**Permeability, water vapor ( $\mu$ )**—The property of a substance which permits the passage of water vapor. It is equal to the permeance of 1 in. of a substance. Permeability is measured in perm-inches. The permeability of a material varies with barometric pressure, temperature and relative humidity conditions.

**Permeance (M)**—The water vapor permeance of any sheet or assembly is the ratio of the water vapor flow per unit area per hour to the vapor pressure difference between the two surfaces. Permeance is measured in perms. Two commonly used test methods are the Wet Cup and Dry Cup Tests. Specimens

are sealed over the tops of cups containing either water or desiccant, placed in a controlled atmosphere, usually at 50% R.H., and weight changes measured.

**Relative humidity (R.H.)**—The ratio of water vapor present in air to the water vapor present in saturated air at the same temperature and pressure.

**Thermal conductance (C)**—The time rate of heat flow expressed in Btu per (hr) (sq ft of area) ( $^{\circ}$ F average temperature difference between two surfaces). The term is applied to specific materials as used, either homogeneous or heterogeneous for the thickness of construction stated, not per in. of thickness.

**Thermal conductance of an air space (a)**—The time rate of heat flow through a unit area of an air space per unit temperature difference between the boundary surfaces. Its value is usually expressed in Btu per (hr)(sq ft of area)( $^{\circ}$ F).

**Thermal conductivity (k)**—The time rate of heat flow by conduction only through a unit thickness of a homogeneous material under steady-state conditions per unit area per unit temperature gradient in the direction perpendicular to the isothermal surface. Its unit is (Btu-in.) per (hr)(sq ft of area) ( $^{\circ}$ F).

**Thermal mass**—Characteristic of materials with mass heat capacity and surface area capable of affecting building heating and cooling loads by storing and releasing heat as the interior and/or exterior temperature and radiant conditions fluctuate.

**Thermal resistance (R)**—The reciprocal of a heat transmission coefficient, as expressed by U, C, f, or a. Its unit is ( $^{\circ}$ F)(hr)(sq ft of area) per Btu. For example, a wall with a U-value of 0.25 would have a resistance value of  $R = 1/U = 1/0.25 = 4.0$ .

### 9.1.3 General

Thermal codes and standards specify the heat transmission requirements for buildings in many different ways. Prescriptive standards specify U or R values for each building component, whereas with performance standards, two buildings are equivalent if they use the same amount of energy, regardless of the U or R values of the components. This allows the designer to choose conservation strategies that provide the required performance at the least cost.

In ASHRAE Standard 90.1-1989 [2], these two approaches are used to determine the maximum allowable  $U_{ow}$  or  $U_{or}$  for a wall or roof assembly:

1. Prescriptive Criteria (Sect. 8.5)—Table of Alternate Component Packages provides a limited number of complying combinations of building variables for a set of climate variable ranges. For most climate locations and building assemblies, the Prescriptive Criteria may be slightly more stringent than the System Performance Criteria.

2. System Performance Criteria (Sect 8.6)—mathematical models and computer programs based on these models provide a system approach (criteria and compliance values) to comply with the envelope requirements of the Standard. It provides more flexibility than the prescriptive approach, but it requires more analysis.

Precast and prestressed concrete construction, with its high thermal inertia and thermal storage properties, has an advantage over lightweight materials. Procedures to account for the benefits of heavier materials are presented in ASHRAE Standard 90.1-1989.

The trend is toward more insulation with little regard given to its total impact or energy used. Mass effects, glass area, air infiltration, ventilation, building orientation, exterior color, shading or reflections from adjacent structures, surrounding surfaces or vegetation, building aspect ratio, number of stories, wind direction and speed, all have an effect on insulation requirements.

This section is condensed from a more complete treatment given in Ref. 4. Except where noted, the information and design criteria are taken or derived from the ASHRAE Handbook [1], and from the ASHRAE Standard 90.1-1989 [2]. All design criteria are not given in this section, and the criteria may change as the ASHRAE Standard and Handbook are revised. Local codes and latest references must be used for specified values and procedures.

### 9.1.4 Thermal Properties of Materials, Surfaces, and Air Spaces

The thermal properties of materials and air spaces are based on steady state tests, which measure the heat that passes from the warm side to the cool side of the test specimen. The tests determine the conductivity, k, or, for non-homogeneous sections, compound sections and air spaces, the conductance, C, for the total thickness. The values of k and C do not include surface conductances,  $f_i$  and  $f_o$ .

The overall thermal resistance of wall, floor, and roof sections is the sum of the resistances, R (reciprocal of k, C,  $f_i$ , and  $f_o$ ). The R-values of construction materials are not influenced by the direction of heat flow, but the R-values of surfaces and air spaces differ depending on whether they are vertical, sloping, or horizontal. Also, the R-values of surfaces are affected by the velocity of air at the surfaces and by their reflective properties.



Tables 9.1.1 and 9.1.2 give the thermal resistances of surfaces and 3½ in. air space. Table 9.1.3 gives the thermal properties of most commonly used building materials. Only U-values are given for glass because the surface resistances and air space between panes account for nearly all of the U-value. Table 9.1.4 gives the thermal properties of various weight concretes and some standard precast, prestressed concrete products in the "normally dry" condition. Normally dry is the condition of concrete containing an equilibrium amount of free water after extended exposure to warm air at 35 to 50% R.H.

Thermal conductances and resistances of other building materials are usually reported for oven dry conditions. Normally dry concrete in combination with insulation generally provides about the same R-value as equally insulated oven dry concrete, but because of the moisture content, has the ability to store a greater amount of heat than oven dry concrete. However, higher moisture content in concrete causes higher thermal conductance.

### 9.1.5 — Computation of Thermal Transmittance Values

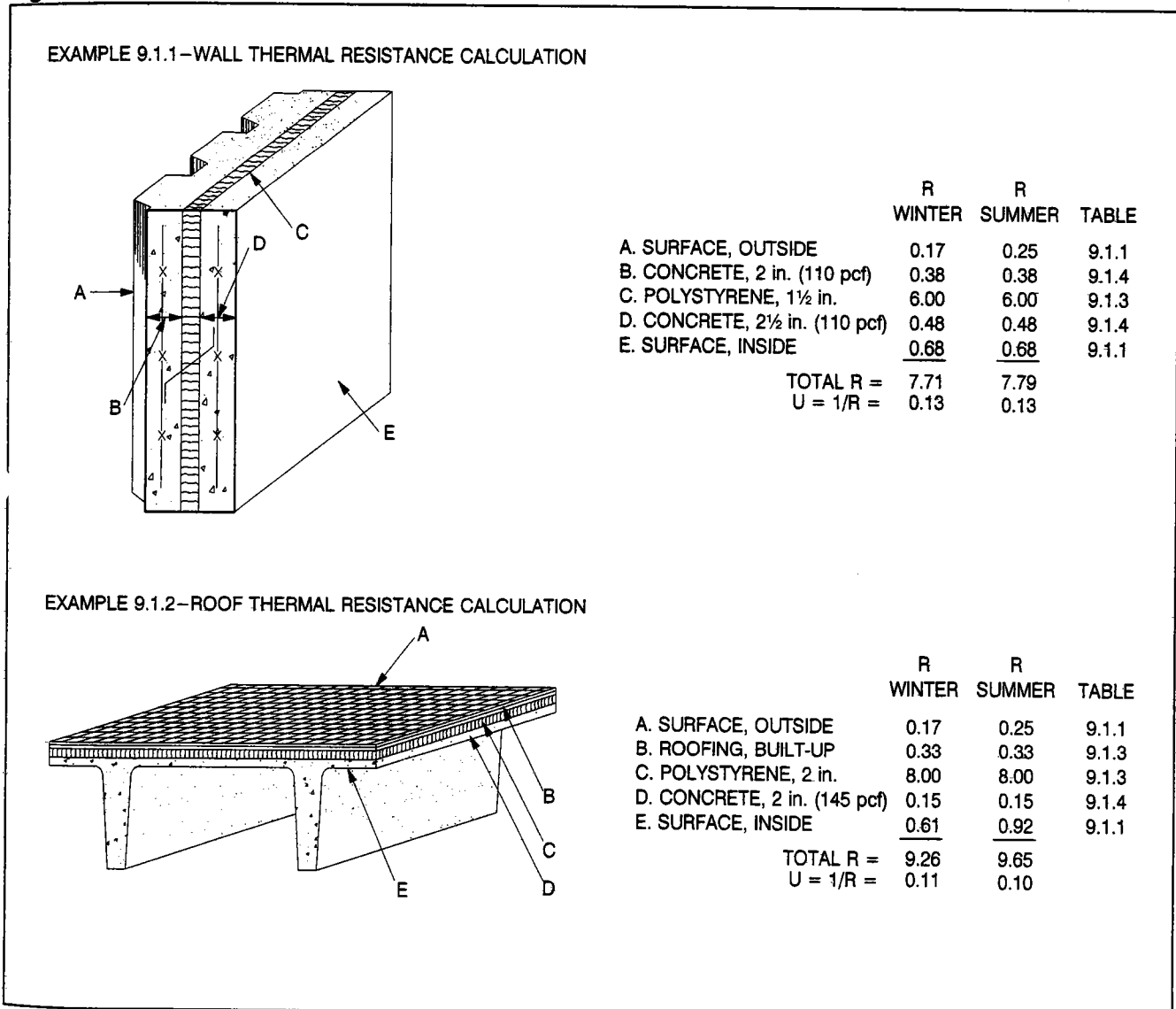
The heat transmittance (U-values) of a building wall, floor or roof is computed by adding together the R-values of the materials in the section, the surfaces ( $R_{fi}$  and  $R_{fo}$ ) and air spaces ( $R_a$ ) within the section. The reciprocal of the R's is the U-value:

$$U = \frac{1}{R_{fi} + R_{materials} + R_a + R_{fo}} \quad (\text{Eq. 9.1.1})$$

where  $R_{materials}$  is the sum of all opaque materials in the wall. A number of typical wall and roof U-values are given in Tables 9.1.5, 9.1.6, and 9.1.7.

Figure 9.1.1 shows the use of Tables 9.1.1 through 9.1.4 in calculating R- and U-values for wall and roof assemblies.

**Figure 9.1.1 Calculation of R- and U-values**



**Table 9.1.1 Thermal resistances,  $R_f$ , of surfaces**

Position of surface	Direction of heat flow	Still air, $R_{fi}$			Moving air, $R_{fo}$	
		Non-reflective surface	Reflective surface		Non-reflective surface	
			Aluminum painted paper	Bright aluminum foil	15 mph winter design	7½ mph summer design
Vertical	Horizontal	0.68	1.35	1.70	0.17	0.25
Horizontal	Up	0.61	1.10	1.32	0.17	0.25
	Down	0.92	2.70	4.55	0.17	0.25

**Table 9.1.2 Thermal resistances,  $R_a$ , of air spaces<sup>a</sup>**

Position of air space	Direction of heat flow	Air space		Non reflective surfaces	Reflective surfaces		
		Mean temp. °F	Temp. diff. °F		One side <sup>b</sup>	One side <sup>c</sup>	Both sides <sup>c</sup>
Vertical	Horizontal (walls)	Winter		1.01 0.91	2.32 1.89	3.40 2.55	3.69 2.67
		50	10				
		50	30				
	Horizontal (walls)	Summer		0.85	2.15	3.40	3.69
		90	10				
Horizontal	Up (roofs)	Winter		0.93 0.84	1.95 1.58	2.66 2.01	2.80 2.09
		50	10				
			50	30			
	Down (floors)	50	30	1.22	3.86	8.17	9.60
	Down (roofs)	Summer		1.00	3.41	8.19	10.07
		90	10				

a. For 3½ in. air space thickness. The values with the exception of those for reflective surfaces, heat flow down, will differ about 10% for air space thickness of ¼ in. to 16 in. Refer to the ASHRAE Handbook<sup>1</sup> for values of other thicknesses, reflective surfaces, heat flow down.

b. Aluminum painted paper

c. Bright aluminum foil

Table 9.1.3 Thermal properties of various building materials<sup>a,f</sup>

Material	Unit weight, pcf	Resistance, R		Transmittance, U	Specific heat, Btu/(lb)(°F)
		Per inch of thickness, 1/k	For thickness shown, 1/C		
Insulation, rigid					
Cellular glass	8.5	2.86			0.18
Glass fiber, organic bonded	4-9	4.00			0.23
Mineral fiber, resin binder	15	3.45			0.17
Mineral fiberboard, wet felted, roof insulation	16-17	2.94			—
Cement fiber slabs (shredded wood with magnesia oxysulfide binder)	22	1.75			0.31
Expanded polystyrene extruded smooth skin surface	1.8-3.5	5.00			0.29
Expanded polystyrene molded bead	1.0	3.85-4.17			—
Cellular polyurethane	1.5	6.25-5.56			0.38
Miscellaneous					
Acoustical tile (mineral fiberboard, wet felted)	18	2.86			0.19
Carpet, fibrous pad			2.08		0.34
Carpet, rubber pad			1.23		0.33
Floor tile, asphalt, rubber, vinyl			0.05		0.30
Gypsum board	50	0.88 <sup>b</sup>			0.26
Particle board	50	1.06			0.31
Plaster					
cement, sand agg.	116	0.20			0.20
gypsum, L.W. agg.	45	0.63 <sup>b</sup>			—
gypsum, sand agg.	105	0.18			0.20
Roofing, 3/8 in. built-up	70		0.33		0.35
Wood, hard	38-47	0.94-0.80			0.39
Wood, soft	24-41	1.00-0.89			0.33
Plywood	34	1.25			0.29
Glass doors and windows <sup>c</sup>					
Single, winter				1.11	
Single, summer				1.04	
Double, winter <sup>d</sup>				0.50	
Double, summer <sup>d</sup>				0.61	
Doors, metal <sup>e</sup>					
Insulated				0.40	

a. See Table 9.1.4 for all concretes, including insulating concrete for roof fill.

b. Average value.

c. Does not include correction for sash resistance. Refer to the ASHRAE Handbook for sash correction.

d. 1/4 in. air space; coating on either glass surface facing air space.

e. Urethane foam core without thermal break.

f. See manufacturers' data for specific values.

**Table 9.1.4 Thermal properties of concrete<sup>a</sup>**

Description	Concrete weight, pcf	Thickness, in.	Resistance, R		Specific heat, <sup>c</sup> Btu/(lb)(°F)
			Per inch of thickness, 1/k	For thickness shown, 1/C	
Concretes including normal weight, lightweight and lightweight insulation concretes	140		0.10-0.05		0.19
	120		0.18-0.09		
	100		0.27-0.17		
	80		0.40-0.29		
	60		0.63-0.56		
	40		1.08-0.90		
	30		1.33-1.10		
	20		1.59-1.20		
Normal weight tees <sup>b</sup> and solid slabs	145	2		0.15	0.19
		3		0.23	
		4		0.30	
		5		0.38	
		6		0.45	
		8		0.60	
Normal weight hollow-core slabs	145	6		1.07	0.19
		8		1.34	
		10		1.73	
		12		1.91	
Structural lightweight tees <sup>b</sup> and solid slabs	110	2		0.38	0.19
		3		0.57	
		4		0.76	
		5		0.95	
		6		1.14	
		8		1.52	
Structural lightweight hollow-core slabs	110	8		2.00	0.19
		12		2.59	

a. Based on normally dry concrete (see Chapter 4 of Ref. 3).

b. Thickness for tees is thickness of slab portion including topping, if used. The effect of the stems generally is not significant, therefore, their thickness and surface area may be disregarded.

c. The specific heat shown is the mean value from test data compiled in Ref. 4.

**Table 9.1.5 Wall U-values: prestressed tees, hollow-core slabs, solid and sandwich panels; winter and summer conditions<sup>a</sup>**

Concrete weight, pcf	Type of wall panel	Thickness, t, and resistance, R, of concrete		Winter $R_{to} = 0.17, R_{fi} = 0.68$					Summer $R_{to} = 0.25, R_{fi} = 0.68$				
		t	R	Insulation resistance, R									
				None	4	6	8	10	None	4	6	8	10
145	Solid walls, tees, <sup>b</sup> and sandwich panels	2	0.15	1.00	.20	.14	.11	.09	.93	.20	.14	.11	.09
		3	0.23	.93	.20	.14	.11	.09	.86	.19	.14	.11	.09
		4	0.30	.87	.19	.14	.11	.09	.81	.19	.14	.11	.09
		5	0.38	.81	.19	.14	.11	.09	.76	.19	.14	.11	.09
		6	0.45	.77	.19	.14	.11	.09	.72	.19	.14	.11	.09
		8	0.60	.69	.18	.13	.11	.09	.65	.18	.13	.10	.09
145	Hollow core slabs <sup>c</sup>	6(o)	1.07	.52	.17	.13	.10	.08	.50	.17	.13	.10	.08
		(f)	1.86	.37	.15	.11	.09	.08	.36	.15	.11	.09	.08
		8(o)	1.34	.46	.16	.12	.10	.08	.44	.16	.12	.10	.08
		(f)	3.14	.25	.13	.10	.08	.07	.25	.12	.10	.08	.07
		10(o)	1.73	.39	.15	.12	.09	.08	.38	.15	.12	.09	.08
		(f)	4.05	.20	.11	.09	.08	.07	.20	.11	.09	.08	.07
		12(o)	1.91	.36	.15	.11	.09	.08	.35	.15	.11	.09	.08
		(f)	5.01	.17	.10	.08	.07	.06	.17	.10	.08	.07	.06
110	Solid walls, tees, <sup>b</sup> and sandwich panels	2	0.38	.81	.19	.14	.11	.09	.76	.19	.14	.11	.09
		3	0.57	.70	.18	.13	.11	.09	.67	.18	.13	.11	.09
		4	0.76	.62	.18	.13	.10	.09	.59	.18	.13	.10	.09
		5	0.95	.56	.17	.13	.10	.09	.53	.17	.13	.10	.08
		6	1.14	.50	.17	.13	.10	.08	.48	.16	.12	.10	.08
		8	1.52	.42	.16	.12	.10	.08	.41	.16	.12	.10	.08
110	Hollow core slabs <sup>c</sup>	8(o)	2.00	.35	.15	.11	.09	.08	.34	.14	.11	.09	.08
		(f)	4.41	.19	.11	.09	.08	.07	.19	.11	.09	.07	.07
		12(o)	2.59	.29	.13	.11	.09	.07	.28	.13	.11	.09	.07
		(f)	6.85	.13	.09	.07	.06	.06	.13	.08	.07	.06	.06

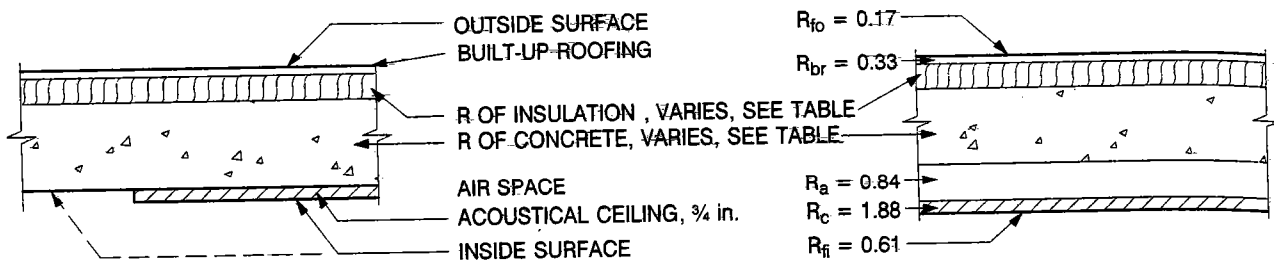
a. When insulations having other R-values are used, U-values can be interpolated with adequate accuracy, or U can be calculated as shown in Sect. 9.1.5. When a finish, air space or any other material layer is added, the new U-value is:

$$U = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{U \text{ from table}} + R \text{ of added finish, air space or material}}$$

b. Thickness for tees is thickness of slab portion. For sandwich panels, t is the sum of the thicknesses of the wythes.

c. For hollow panels (o) and (f) after thickness designates cores open or cores filled with insulation.

**Table 9.1.6 Roof U-values: concrete units with built-up roofing, winter conditions, heat flow upward\***



WITH OR WITHOUT ACOUSTICAL CEILING

SUSPENDED CEILING

Concrete weight, pcf	Prestressed concrete member	Thickness, t and resistance, R of concrete		With ceiling											
				Without ceiling				Applied direct				Suspended			
				Top insulation resistance, R											
				t	R	None	4	10	16	None	4	10	16	None	4
145	Solid slabs and tees <sup>b</sup>	2	0.15	.79	.19	.09	.06	.29	.13	.07	.05	.24	.12	.07	.05
		3	0.23	.75	.19	.09	.06	.29	.13	.07	.05	.23	.12	.07	.05
		4	0.30	.71	.18	.09	.06	.28	.13	.07	.05	.23	.12	.07	.05
		5	0.38	.67	.18	.09	.06	.27	.13	.07	.05	.22	.12	.07	.05
		6	0.45	.64	.18	.09	.06	.27	.13	.07	.05	.22	.12	.07	.05
		8	0.60	.58	.18	.09	.06	.26	.13	.07	.05	.21	.11	.07	.05
145	Hollow core slabs <sup>c</sup>	6(o)	1.07	.46	.16	.08	.06	.23	.12	.07	.05	.19	.11	.07	.05
		(f)	1.86	.34	.14	.08	.05	.20	.11	.07	.05	.17	.10	.06	.05
		8(o)	1.34	.41	.16	.08	.05	.22	.12	.07	.05	.18	.11	.06	.05
		(f)	3.14	.24	.12	.07	.05	.16	.10	.06	.04	.14	.09	.06	.04
		10(o)	1.73	.35	.15	.08	.05	.20	.11	.07	.05	.17	.10	.06	.05
		(f)	4.05	.19	.11	.07	.05	.14	.09	.06	.04	.12	.08	.06	.04
		12(o)	1.91	.33	.14	.08	.05	.19	.11	.07	.05	.17	.10	.06	.05
		(f)	5.01	.16	.10	.06	.05	.12	.08	.05	.04	.11	.08	.05	.04
110	Solid slabs and tees <sup>b</sup>	2	0.38	.67	.18	.09	.06	.27	.13	.07	.05	.22	.12	.07	.05
		3	0.57	.60	.18	.09	.06	.26	.13	.07	.05	.21	.12	.07	.05
		4	0.76	.53	.17	.08	.06	.25	.12	.07	.05	.21	.11	.07	.05
		5	0.95	.49	.17	.08	.06	.24	.12	.07	.05	.20	.11	.07	.05
		6	1.14	.44	.16	.08	.05	.23	.12	.07	.05	.19	.11	.07	.05
		8	1.52	.38	.15	.08	.05	.21	.11	.07	.05	.18	.10	.06	.05
110	Hollow core slabs <sup>c</sup>	8(o)	2.00	.32	.14	.08	.05	.19	.11	.07	.05	.16	.10	.06	.05
		(f)	4.41	.18	.11	.06	.05	.13	.09	.06	.04	.12	.08	.05	.04
		12(o)	2.59	.27	.13	.07	.05	.17	.10	.06	.05	.15	.09	.06	.04
		(f)	6.85	.13	.08	.06	.04	.10	.07	.05	.04	.09	.07	.05	.04

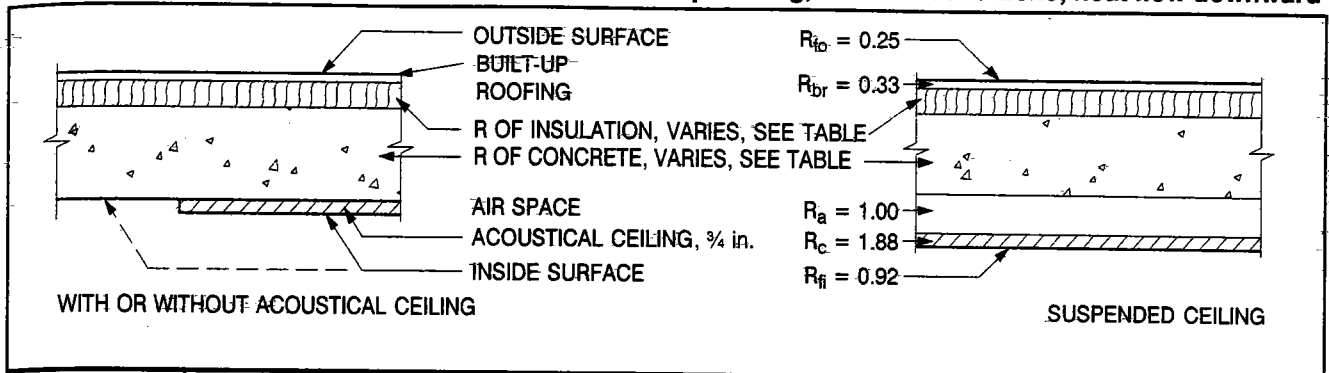
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$$U = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{U \text{ from table}} + R \text{ of added finish, air space or material}}$$

b. Thickness for tees is thickness of slab portion.

c. For hollow panels (o) and (f) after thickness designates cores open or cores filled with insulation.

**Table 9.1.7 Roof U-values: concrete units with built-up roofing, summer conditions, heat flow downward**



Concrete weight, pcf	Prestressed concrete member	Thickness, t and resistance, R of concrete		Without ceiling				With ceiling							
								Applied direct				Suspended			
				Top insulation resistance, R											
				t	R	None	4	10	16	None	4	10	16	None	4
145	Solid slabs and tees <sup>b</sup>	2	0.15	.61	.18	.09	.06	.26	.13	.07	.05	.21	.11	.07	.05
		3	0.23	.58	.17	.09	.06	.26	.13	.07	.05	.20	.11	.07	.05
		4	0.30	.56	.17	.08	.06	.25	.13	.07	.05	.20	.11	.07	.05
		5	0.38	.53	.17	.08	.06	.25	.12	.07	.05	.20	.11	.07	.05
		6	0.45	.51	.17	.08	.06	.24	.12	.07	.05	.20	.11	.07	.05
		8	0.60	.48	.16	.08	.06	.24	.12	.07	.05	.19	.11	.07	.05
145	Hollow core slabs <sup>c</sup>	6(o)	1.07	.39	.15	.08	.05	.21	.11	.07	.05	.17	.10	.06	.05
		(f)	1.86	.30	.14	.07	.05	.18	.11	.06	.05	.15	.10	.06	.04
		8(o)	1.34	.35	.15	.08	.05	.20	.11	.07	.05	.17	.10	.06	.05
		(f)	3.14	.22	.12	.07	.05	.15	.09	.06	.04	.13	.08	.06	.04
		10(o)	1.73	.31	.14	.08	.05	.19	.11	.07	.05	.16	.10	.06	.04
		(f)	4.05	.18	.10	.06	.05	.13	.09	.06	.04	.11	.08	.06	.04
		12(o)	1.91	.29	.13	.07	.05	.18	.10	.06	.05	.15	.09	.06	.04
		(f)	5.01	.15	.10	.06	.04	.12	.08	.05	.04	.10	.07	.05	.04
110	Solid slabs and tees <sup>b</sup>	2	0.38	.53	.17	.08	.06	.25	.12	.07	.05	.20	.11	.07	.05
		3	0.57	.48	.16	.08	.06	.24	.12	.07	.05	.19	.11	.07	.05
		4	0.76	.44	.16	.08	.05	.23	.12	.07	.05	.18	.11	.06	.05
		5	0.95	.41	.16	.08	.05	.22	.12	.07	.05	.18	.10	.06	.05
		6	1.14	.38	.15	.08	.05	.21	.11	.07	.05	.17	.10	.06	.05
		8	1.52	.33	.14	.08	.05	.19	.11	.07	.05	.16	.10	.06	.05
110	Hollow core slabs <sup>c</sup>	8(o)	2.00	.29	.13	.07	.05	.18	.10	.06	.05	.15	.09	.06	.04
		(f)	4.41	.17	.10	.06	.05	.12	.08	.06	.04	.11	.08	.05	.04
		12(o)	2.59	.24	.12	.07	.05	.16	.10	.06	.04	.14	.09	.06	.04

a. When insulations having other R-values are used, U-values can be interpolated with adequate accuracy, or U can be calculated as shown in Sect. 9.1.5. When a finish, air space or any other material layer is added, the new U-value is:

$$U = \frac{1}{U \text{ from table} + R \text{ of added finish, air space or material}}$$

b. Thickness for tees is thickness of slab portion.

c. For hollow panels (o) and (f) after thickness designates cores open or cores filled with insulation.

**Table 9.1.8 Design considerations for building with high available free heat<sup>a</sup>**

Climate Classification		Relative Importance of Design Considerations <sup>b</sup>						
		Thermal Mass	Increase Insulation	External Fins <sup>c</sup>	Surface Color		Daylighting	Reduce Infiltration
					Light	Dark		
<b>Winter</b>								
Long Heating Season (6000 degree days or more)	With sun <sup>d</sup> and wind <sup>e</sup>	1	2	2		2	1	3
	With sun without wind	1	2			2	1	3
	Without sun and wind		2			1		3
	Without sun with wind	1	2	2		1		3
Moderate Heating Season (3000-6000 degree days)	With sun and wind	2	2	1		1	2	2
	With sun without wind	2	2			1	2	2
	Without sun and wind	1	2					2
	Without sun with wind	1	2	1				2
Short Heating Season (3000 degree days or less)	With sun and wind	3	1				2	1
	With sun without wind	3	1				2	1
	Without sun and wind	2	1					1
	Without sun with wind	2	1					1
<b>Summer</b>								
Long Cooling Season (1500 hr @ 80°F)	Dry or humid	3		3	3		3	3
Moderate Cooling Season (600-1500 hr @ 80°F)	Dry or humid	3		2	2		2	3
Short Cooling Season (Less than 600 hr @ 80°F)	Dry or humid	2		1	1		1	2

- a. Includes office buildings, factories, and commercial buildings.
- b. Higher numbers indicate greater importance.
- c. Provide shading and protection from direct wind.

- d. With sun: Sunshine during at least 60% of daylight time.
- e. With wind: Average wind velocity over 9 mph.

**9.1.6 Thermal Storage Effects**

In years past, the U-factor was considered the most significant indication of heat gain, principally because laboratory tests have shown that thermal transmission is directly proportional to the U-factor during steady-state heat flow. However, the steady-state condition is rarely realized in actual practice.

External conditions (temperature, position of the sun, presence of shadows, etc.) vary throughout a 24 hr. day, and heat gain is not instantaneous through most solid materials, resulting in the phenomenon of time lag (thermal inertia). As temperatures rise on one side of a wall, heat begins to flow towards the cooler side. Before heat transfer can be achieved, the wall must undergo a temperature increase. The Btu's of thermal energy necessary to achieve this increase are directly proportional to the specific heat and density of the wall.

Due to its density, concrete has the capacity to absorb and store large quantities of heat. This thermal mass allows concrete to react very slowly to changes in outside temperature. This characteristic of thermal mass reduces peak heating and cooling loads and

delays the time at which these peak loads occur by several hours. This delay improves the performance of heating and cooling equipment, since the peak cooling loads are delayed until the evening hours, when the outside temperature has dropped.

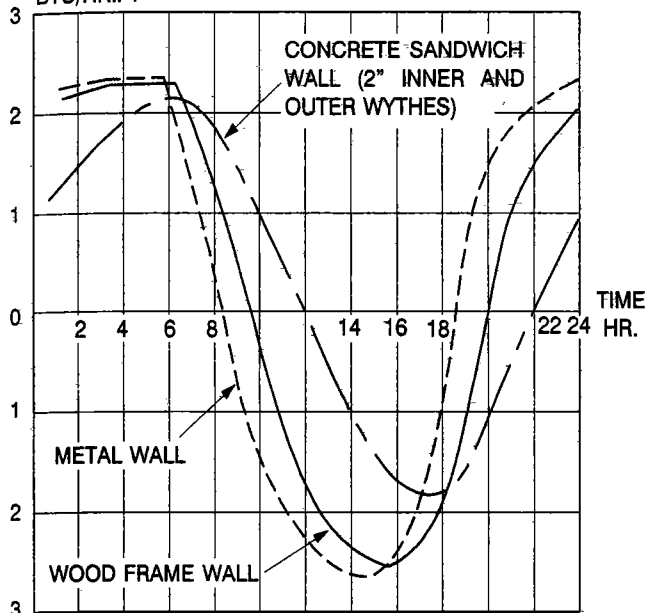
Energy use differences between light and heavy materials are illustrated in the hour-by-hour computer analyses shown in Figure 9.1.2.

Figure 9.1.2(A) compares the heat flow through three walls having the same U-value, but made of different materials. The concrete wall consisted of a layer of insulation sandwiched between inner and outer wythes of 2 in. concrete and weighed 48.3 psf. The metal wall, weighing 3.3 psf, had insulation sandwiched between an exterior metal panel and 1/2 in. drywall. The wood frame wall weighed 7.0 psf and had wood siding on the outside, insulation between 2 x 4 studs, and 1/2 in. drywall on the inside. The walls were exposed to simulated outside temperatures that represented a typical spring day in a moderate climate. The massive concrete wall had lower peak loads by about 13% for heating and 30% for cooling than the less massive walls.



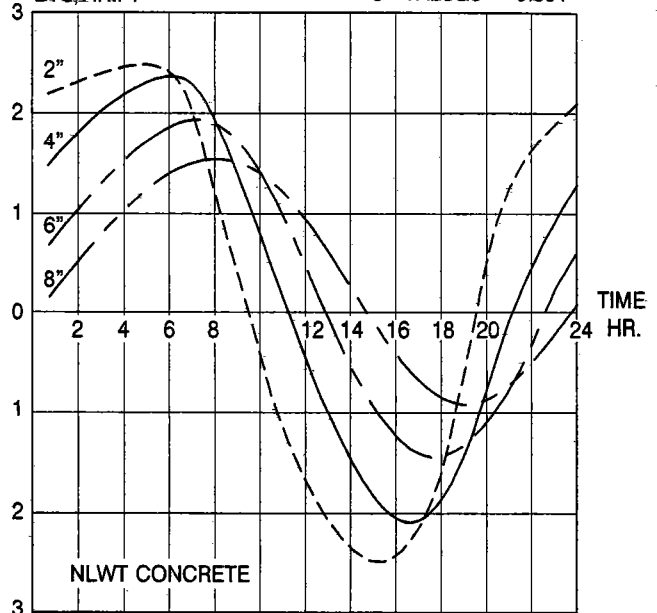
Figure 9.1.2 Heating and cooling load comparisons

HEATING LOAD, BTU/HR.FT<sup>2</sup> ALL WALLS HAVE U-VALUES = 0.091



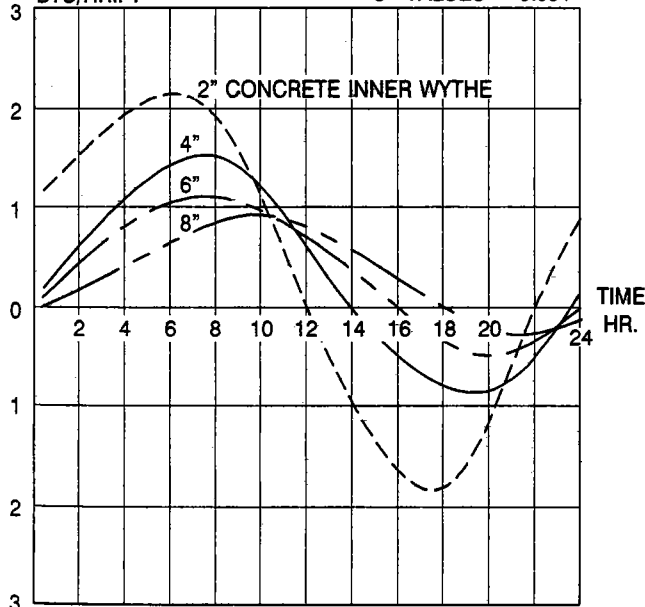
(A) WALLS

HEATING LOAD, BTU/HR.FT<sup>2</sup> ALL WALLS HAVE U-VALUES = 0.091



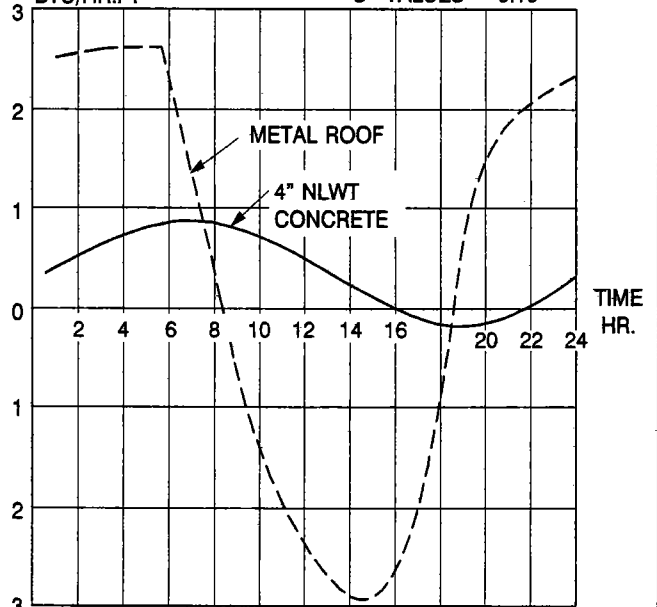
(B) CONCRETE WALLS

HEATING LOAD, BTU/HR.FT<sup>2</sup> ALL WALLS HAVE U-VALUES = 0.091



(C) CONCRETE SANDWICH WALLS

HEATING LOAD, BTU/HR.FT<sup>2</sup> BOTH ROOFS HAVE U-VALUES = 0.10



(D) ROOFS

**Table 9.1.9 Design considerations for building with low available-free heat<sup>a</sup>**

Climate Classification		Relative Importance of Design Considerations <sup>b</sup>					
		Thermal Mass	Increase Insulation	External Fins <sup>c</sup>	Surface Color		Reduce Infiltration
					Light	Dark	
<b>Winter</b>							
Long Heating Season (6000 degree days or more)	With sun <sup>d</sup> and wind <sup>e</sup>		3	2		3	3
	With sun without wind		3			3	3
	Without sun and wind		3			2	3
	Without sun with wind		3	2		2	3
Moderate Heating Season (3000-6000 degree days)	With sun and wind	1	2	1		2	3
	With sun without wind	1	2			2	3
	Without sun and wind		2			1	3
	Without sun with wind	1	2	1		1	3
Short Heating Season (3000 degree days or less)	With sun and wind	2	1			1	2
	With sun without wind	2	1			1	2
	Without sun and wind	1	1				2
	Without sun with wind	1	1				2
<b>Summer</b>							
Long Cooling Season (1500 hr @ 80°F)	Dry <sup>f</sup> or humid <sup>g</sup>	3		2	2		3
Moderate Cooling Season (600-1500 hr @ 80°F)	Dry	2		1	1		2
	Humid	2		1	1		3
Short Cooling Season (Less than 600 hr @ 80°F)	Dry or humid	1					1

- a. Includes low-rise residential buildings and some warehouses.
- b. Higher numbers indicate greater importance.
- c. Provide shading and protection from direct wind.
- d. With sun: Sunshine during at least 60% of daylight time.
- e. With wind: Average wind velocity over 9 mph.
- f. Dry: Daily average relative humidity less than 60% during summer.
- g. Humid: Daily average relative humidity greater than 60% during summer.

Normal weight concrete walls of various thicknesses that were exposed to the same simulated outside temperatures, are compared in Figure 9.1.2(B). The walls had a layer of insulation sandwiched between concrete on the outside and 1/2 in. drywall on the inside; U-values were the same. The figure shows that the more massive the wall the lower the peak loads and the more the peaks were delayed.

Figure 9.1.2(C) compares concrete sandwich panels having an outer wythe of 2 in., various thicknesses of insulation, and various thicknesses of inner wythes. All walls had U-values of 0.091 and were exposed to the same simulated outside temperatures. The figure shows that by increasing the thickness of the inner concrete wythes, peak loads were reduced and delayed.

A metal roof is compared to a concrete roof in Figure 9.1.2(D). Both roof systems had built-up roofing on rigid board insulation on the outside and acoustical tile on the inside. The concrete roof weighed 48.3

psf and the metal roof 1.5 psf. The roofs had identical U-values of 0.10 and were exposed to the same simulated outside temperatures. The figure shows that the concrete roof had lower peak loads by 68% for heating and by 94% for cooling, and peaks were delayed by about 1.8 hours for heating and about 4 hours for cooling.

Another factor affecting the behavior of thermal mass is the availability of so called "free heat". This includes heat generated inside the building by lights, equipment, appliances, and people. It also includes heat from the sun entering through windows. Generally, during the heating season, benefits of thermal mass increase with the availability of "free heat" as shown in Tables 9.1.8 and 9.1.9. Thus, office buildings which have high internal heat gains from lights, people, and large glass areas represent an ideal application for thermal mass designs. This is especially true if the glass has been located to take maximum advantage of the sun. Building codes and standards

now provide for the benefits of thermal mass. In increasing numbers, they are beginning to acknowledge the effect of the greater heat storage capacity in buildings having high thermal mass.

The rates of many utilities are structured so that lower peaks and delayed peaks can result in significant cost savings.

Other studies have shown that concrete buildings have lower average heating and cooling loads than lightweight buildings for a given insulation level. Thus, life-cycle costs will be lower, or less insulation can be used for equivalent performance.

### 9.1.7 Condensation Control

Moisture which condenses on the interior of a building is unsightly and can cause damage to the building or its contents. Even more undesirable is the condensation of moisture within a building wall or ceiling assembly where it is not readily noticed until damage has occurred. All air in buildings contains water vapor, with warm air carrying more moisture than cold air. In many buildings moisture is added to the air by industrial processes, cooking, laundering, or humidifiers. If the inside surface temperature of a wall, floor or ceiling is too cold, the air contacting this surface will be cooled below its dew-point temperature and leave its excess water on that surface. Condensation occurs on the surface with the lowest temperature.

Condensation on interior room surfaces can be controlled both by suitable construction and by precautions such as: (1) reducing the interior dew point temperature; (2) raising the temperatures of interior surfaces that are below the dew point, generally by use of insulation; and (3) using vapor retarders.

The interior air dew point temperature can be lowered by removing moisture from the air, either through ventilation or dehumidification. Adequate surface temperatures can be maintained during the winter by incorporating sufficient thermal insulation, using double glazing, circulating warm air over the surfaces or directly heating the surfaces, and by paying proper attention during design to the prevention of thermal bridging (see Sect. 9.1.8).

Infiltration and exfiltration are air leakage into and out of a building through cracks or joints between infill components and structural elements, interstices around windows and doors, through floors and walls and openings for building services. They are often a major source of energy loss in buildings.

Moisture can move into or across a wall assembly by means of vapor diffusion and air movement. If air, especially exfiltrating, hot, humid air, can leak into the enclosure, then this will be the major source of moisture. Air migration occurs from air pressure differentials independent of moisture pressure differentials.

Atmospheric air pressure differences between the inside and outside of a building envelope exist because of the action of wind, the density difference between outside cold heavy air and inside warm light air creating a "stack effect", and the operation of equipment such as fans. The pressure differences will tend to equalize, and the air will flow through holes or cracks in the building envelope carrying with it the water vapor it contains.

A thorough analysis of air leakage is very complex, involving many parameters, including wall construction, building height and orientation.

Many condensation-related problems in building enclosures are caused by exfiltration and subsequent condensation within the enclosure assembly. Condensation due to air movement is usually much greater than that due to vapor diffusion for most buildings. However, when air leakage is controlled or avoided, the contribution from vapor diffusion can still be significant. In a well designed wall, attention must therefore be paid to the control of air flow and vapor diffusion.

An air barrier and vapor retarder are both needed, and in many instances a single material can be used to provide both of these as well as other functions. The principal function of the air barrier is to stop outside air from entering the building through the walls, windows or roof, and inside air from exfiltrating through the building envelope to the outside. This applies whether the air is humid or dry, since air leakage can result in problems other than the deposition of moisture in cavities. Exfiltrating air carries away heating and cooling energy, while incoming air may bring in pollution as well as reduce the effectiveness of a rain screen wall system.

#### 9.1.7.1 Air Barriers

Materials and the method of assembly chosen to build an air barrier must meet several requirements if they are to perform the air leakage control function successfully.

1. There must be continuity throughout the building envelope. The low air permeability materials of the wall must be continuous with the low air barrier materials of the roof (e.g., the roofing membrane) and must be connected to the air barrier material of the window frame, etc.
2. Each membrane or assembly of materials intended to support a differential air pressure load must be designed and constructed to carry that load, inward or outward, or it must receive the necessary support from other elements of the wall. If the air barrier system is made of flexible materials, then it must be sup-

ported on both sides by materials capable of resisting the peak air pressure loads; or it must be made of self-supporting materials, such as board products adequately fastened to the structure. If an air pressure difference can not move air, it will act to displace the materials that prevent the air from flowing.

3. The air barrier system must be virtually air-impermeable. A value for maximum allowable air permeability has not yet been determined. However, materials such as polyethylene, gypsum board, precast concrete panels, metal sheeting or glass qualify as low air-permeable materials when joints are properly sealed, whereas concrete block, acoustic insulation, open cell polystyrene insulation or fiberboard would not qualify. The metal and glass curtain wall industry in the U.S. has adopted a value of 0.06 CFM/ft<sup>2</sup> at 1.57 lb/ft<sup>2</sup> as the maximum allowable air leakage rate for these types of wall construction.
4. The air barrier assembly must be durable in the same sense that the building is durable, and be made of materials that are known to have a long service life or be positioned so that it may be serviced from time to time.

In climates where the heating season dominates, it is strongly recommended that the visible interior surface of a building envelope be installed and treated as the primary air barrier and vapor retarder. Where floors and cross walls are of solid concrete, it is necessary to seal only the joints, as floors and walls themselves do not constitute air paths. Where hollow partitions, such as steel stud or hollow masonry units are used, the interior finish of the envelope should be first made continuous. Where this is impractical, polyethylene film should be installed across these junctions and later sealed to the interior finish material. An interior finish of gypsum wallboard or plaster painted with two coats of enamel paint will provide a satisfactory air barrier/vapor retarder in many instances if the floor/wall and ceiling/wall joints are tightly fitted and sealed with caulking.

A recent development is an air barrier and vapor retarder system consisting of panel joints sealed from the inside with a foam backer rod and sealant, plus a thermal fusible membrane (TFM) seal around the panel, covering the gap between the structure and the panel. Surfaces should be clean, as dry as possible, smooth, and free of foreign matter which may impede adhesion. The bond between concrete and membrane may be improved by priming the concrete before fusing the membrane to it.

While it is preferable that the air barrier system be placed on the warm side of an insulated assembly, where thermal stresses will be at a minimum, it is not

an-essential requirement. (This does not necessarily mean on the inside surface of the wall.) The position of the air barrier in a wall is more a matter of suitable construction practice and the type of materials to be used. However, if this barrier is positioned on the outside of the insulation, consideration must be given to its water vapor permeability in case it should also act as a barrier to vapor which is on its way out from inside the wall assembly. This situation may be prevented by choosing an air barrier material that is ten to twenty times more permeable to water vapor diffusion than the vapor barrier material.

In the case of construction assemblies which do not lend themselves to the sealing of interior surfaces, or where it is desirable to limit condensation to very small amounts, such as sandwich wall panel construction (which may have no air leaks through the panels themselves) or any air space which can ensure venting and drying out in summer, the use of a separate vapor retarder must be considered. In such cases, the insulation material itself, if it is a rigid closed-cell type, can be installed on a complete bed of adhesive applied to the interior of the inner wythe of the wall with joints fully sealed with adhesive to provide a barrier to both air and vapor movement.

While the discussion above has been concerned with the flat areas of walls, the joints between them may well present the most important design and construction problems. There are many kinds of joints and the following are considered the most critical: the roof/wall connection, the wall/foundation connection, soffit connections, corner details, and connections between different types of exterior wall systems, such as brick and precast concrete, or curtain wall and precast concrete.

#### 9.1.7.2 Vapor Retarders

Water vapor diffusion, another way in which indoor water can move through a building envelope to condense in the colder zones, occurs when water vapor molecules diffuse through solid interior materials at a rate dependent on the permeability of the materials, the vapor pressure and temperature differentials. Generally, the colder the outside temperature the greater the pressure of the water vapor in the warm inside air to reach the cooler, drier outside air.

The principal function of a vapor retarder made of low permeability materials is to stop or, more accurately, to retard the passage of moisture as it diffuses through the assembly of materials in a wall. Vapor diffusion control is simple to achieve and is primarily a function of the water vapor diffusion resistance of the chosen materials and their position within the building envelope assembly. The vapor retarder should be clearly identified by the designer and be clearly identifiable by the general contractor.

In temperate climates, vapor retarders should be applied on or near the warm side (inner surface) of assemblies. Vapor retarders may be structural, or in the form of thin sheets, or as coatings. Vapor retarders may also be positioned part way into the insulation but, to avoid condensation, they should be no further than the point at which the dew-point temperature is reached.

In climates with high humidities and high temperatures, especially where air-conditioning is virtually continuous, the ingress of moisture may be minimized by a vapor retarder system in the building envelope near the outer surface. For air-conditioned buildings in hot and humid climates without extended cold periods, it may be more economical to use only adequate air infiltration retarding systems rather than vapor retarders since the interior temperature is very rarely below the dew point of the outside air.

Where warm and cold sides may reverse, with resulting reversal of vapor flow, careful analysis of the condition is recommended rather than to ignore the problem and omit any vapor retarders. The designer should refer to the ASHRAE Handbook *Fundamentals* [1] or ASTM C 755, *Selection of Vapor Barriers for Thermal Insulation* [5]. In general, a vapor retarder should not be placed at both the inside and outside of wall assemblies.

High thermal conductance paths reaching inward from or near the colder surfaces may cause condensation within the construction. High conductance paths may occur at junctions of floors and walls, walls and ceilings, and walls and roofs; around wall or roof openings; at perimeters of slabs on the ground; and at connections.

Fittings installed in outer walls, such as electrical boxes without holes and conduits, should be completely sealed against moisture and air passage, and they should be installed on the warm side of unbroken vapor retarders or air barriers that are completely sealed.

### 9.1.7.3 Prevention of Condensation on Wall Surfaces

The U-value of a wall must be such that the surface temperature will not fall below the dew-point temperature of the room air in order to prevent condensation on the interior surface of a wall.

Figure 9.1.3 gives U-values for any combination of outside temperatures and inside relative humidities above which condensation will occur on the interior surfaces. For example, if a building were located in an area with an outdoor design temperature of 0°F and it was desired to maintain a relative humidity within the building of 25%, the wall must be designed so that all components have a U-value less than 0.78, otherwise

there will be a problem with condensation. In many designs the desire to conserve energy will dictate the use of lower U-values than those required to avoid the condensation problem.

The degree of wall heat transmission resistance that must be provided to avoid condensation may be determined from the following relationship:

$$R_t = R_{fi} \left( \frac{t_i - t_o}{t_i - t_s} \right) \quad (\text{Eq. 9.1.2})$$

Dew-point temperatures to the nearest °F for various values of  $t_i$  and relative humidity are shown in Table 9.1.10.

#### Example 9.1.1

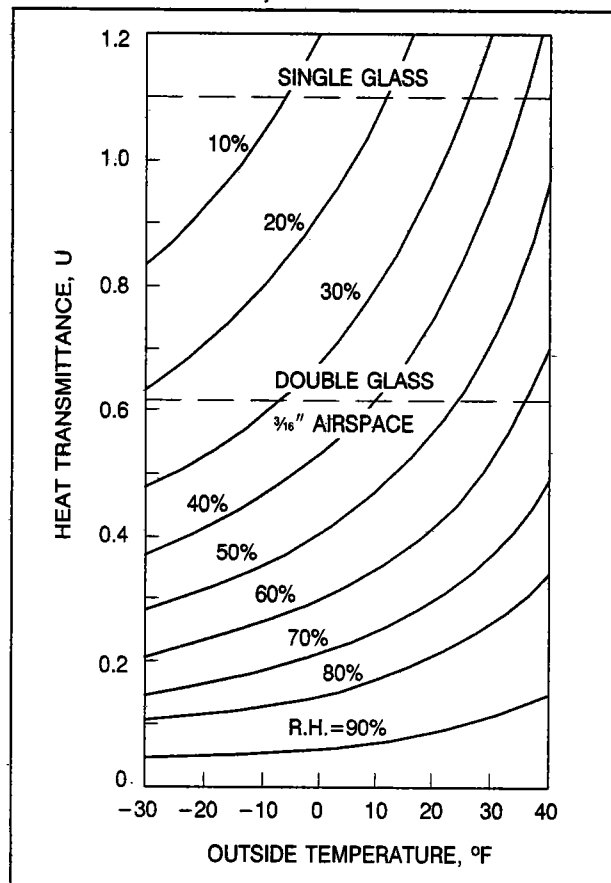
Determine  $R_t$  when the room temperature and relative humidity to be maintained are 70°F and 40%, and  $t_o$  during the heating season is -10°F.

From Table 9.1.10 the dew-point temperature  $t_s$  is 45°F, and from Table 9.1.1,  $R_{fi} = 0.68$ .

$$R_t = \frac{0.68 [70 - (-10)]}{[70 - 45]} = 2.18$$

$$U = 1/R_t = 0.46$$

**Figure 9.1.3** Relative humidity at which visible condensation occurs on inside surfaces. Inside temperature, 70°F



### 9.1.7.4 Condensation Prevention Within Wall Construction

Water vapor in air behaves as a gas and will diffuse through building materials at rates which depend on vapor permeabilities of materials and vapor pressure differentials. The colder the outside temperature the greater the pressure of the water vapor in the warm inside air to reach the cooler, drier outside air. Also, leakage of moisture laden air into an assembly through small cracks may be a greater problem than vapor diffusion. The passage of water vapor through material is in itself generally not harmful. Water vapor passage becomes harmful when the vapor flow path encounters a temperature below the dew-point. Condensation then results within the material.

Building materials have water vapor permeances from very low to very high (see Table 9.1.11). When properly used, low permeance materials keep moisture from entering a wall or roof assembly. Materials with higher permeance allow construction moisture and moisture which enters inadvertently or by design to escape.

When a material such as plaster or gypsum board has a permeance which is too high for the intended use, one or two coats of paint is frequently sufficient to lower the permeance to an acceptable level, or a vapor barrier can be used directly behind such products. Polyethylene sheet, aluminum foil and roofing materials are commonly used. Proprietary vapor barriers, usually combinations of foil and polyethylene or asphalt, are frequently used in freezer and cold storage construction.

Concrete is a relatively good vapor retarder, provided it remains crack free. Permeance is a function of the water-cementitious materials ratio of the concrete. A low ratio, such as that used in most precast concrete members, results in concrete with low permeance.

Where climatic conditions require insulation, a vapor retarder is generally necessary in order to prevent condensation. A closed cell insulation, if properly applied, will serve as its own vapor retarder. For other insulation materials a vapor retarder should be applied to the warm side of the insulation.

For a more complete treatment of the subject of condensation within wall or roof assemblies, see Refs. 1 and 4.

### 9.1.8 Thermal Bridges

Metal ties through walls or solid concrete paths through sandwich panels as described in Sect. 9.4 may cause localized cold spots. The most significant effect of these cold spots is condensation which may cause annoying or damaging wet streaks.

The effect of metal tie thermal bridges on the heat transmittance can be calculated with reasonable accuracy by the zone method described in Chapter 22 of Ref. 1. With the zone method, the panel is divided into Zone A, which contains the thermal bridge, and Zone B, where thermal bridges do not occur, as shown in Figure 9.1.4. The width of Zone A is calculated as  $W = m + 2d$ , where  $m$  is the width or diameter of the metal or other conductive bridge material, and  $d$  is the distance from the panel surface to the metal. After the width ( $W$ ) and area of Zone A are calculated, the heat transmissions of the zonal sections are determined and converted to area resistances, which are then added to obtain the total resistance ( $R_t$ ) of that portion of the panel. The resistance of Zone A is combined with that of Zone B to obtain the overall resistance and the gross transmission value  $U_o$ , where  $U_o$  is the overall weighted average heat transmission coefficient of the panel.

The net effect of metal ties is to increase the U-value by 10 or 15%, depending on type, size and spacing. For example, a wall as shown in Figure 9.1.4 would have a U-value of 0.13 if the effect of the ties is neglected. If the effect of  $\frac{1}{4}$  in. diameter ties at 16 in. on center is included,  $U = 0.16$ ; at 24 in. spacing,  $U = 0.15$ .

For sandwich panels with solid concrete paths, parallel heat flow paths of different conductances result. If there is no lateral heat flow between paths, each path is considered to extend from inside to outside, and transmittance of each path can be calculated using:

$$R = R_1 + R_2 + R_3 + R_4 + \dots + R_n \quad (\text{Eq. 9.1.3})$$

$$R_t = R_{fi} + R + R_{fo} \quad (\text{Eq. 9.1.4})$$

The average weighted transmittance is then:

$$U_o = a(U_a) + b(U_b) + \dots + n(U_n) \quad (\text{Eq. 9.1.5})$$

where  $a, b, \dots, n$  are respective fractions of a typical basic area composed of several different paths with transmittances  $U_a, U_b, \dots, U_n$ .

If heat flows laterally in any continuous layer, creating transverse isothermal planes, total average resistance  $R_{t(av)}$  is the sum of the resistances of the layers between these planes. This is a series combination of layers, of which one or more provides parallel paths. The calculated transmittance, assuming parallel heat flow only, is usually considerably lower than that calculated by assuming a combined series-parallel heat flow. The actual transmittance is a value

Table 9.1.10 Dew-point temperatures, <sup>a</sup> t<sub>d</sub>, °F

Dry-bulb or room-temperature, °F	Relative humidity (%)									
	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100
40	-7	6	14	19	24	28	31	34	37	40
45	-3	9	18	23	28	32	36	39	42	45
50	-1	13	21	27	32	37	41	44	47	50
55	5	17	26	32	37	41	45	49	52	55
60	7	21	30	36	42	46	50	54	57	60
65	11	24	33	40	46	51	55	59	62	65
70	14	27	38	45	51	56	60	63	67	70
75	17	32	42	49	55	60	64	69	72	75
80	21	36	46	54	60	65	69	73	77	80
85	23	40	50	58	64	70	74	78	82	85
90	27	44	55	63	69	74	79	83	85	90

a. Temperatures are based on barometric pressure of 29.92 in. Hg.

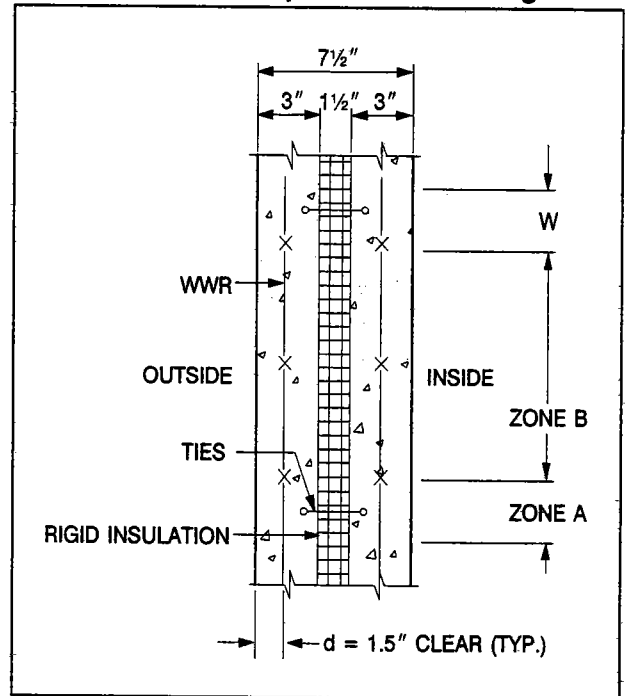
Table 9.1.11 Typical permeance (M) and permeability (μ) values<sup>a</sup>

Material	M perms	μ perm-in.
Concrete (1:2:4 mix) <sup>b</sup>	—	3.2
Wood (sugar pine)	—	0.4-5.4
Expanded polystyrene (extruded)	—	1.2
Expanded polystyrene (bead)	—	2.0-5.8
Paint—2 coats		
Asphalt paint on plywood	0.4	
Enamels on smooth plaster	0.5-1.5	
Various primers plus 1 coat flat oil paint on plaster	1.6-3.0	
Plaster on gypsum lath (with studs)	20.00	
Gypsum wallboard, 0.375 in.	50.00	
Polyethylene, 2 mil	0.16	
Polyethylene, 10 mil	0.03	
Aluminum foil, 0.35 mil	0.05	
Aluminum foil, 1 mil	0.00	
Built-up roofing (hot mopped)	0.00	
Duplex sheet, asphalt laminated aluminum foil one side	0.002	

a. ASHRAE Handbook [1].

b. Permeability for concrete varies depending on the concrete's water-cementitious materials ratio and other factors.

Figure 9.1.4 Example of thermal bridges



between the two calculated values. In the absence of test values for the combination, an intermediate value should be used; examination of the construction usually indicates whether the value used should be closer to the higher or lower calculated value. Generally, if the construction contains any layer in which lateral conduction is significantly higher than the transmittance through the wall, a value closer to the combined series-parallel calculation should be used. However, if there is no layer of high lateral conductance, a value closer to the calculation for parallel heat flow only should be used.

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## 9.2 ACOUSTICAL PROPERTIES OF PRECAST CONCRETE

### 9.2.1 Definitions

**Decibel (dB)**—a logarithmic unit measuring sound pressure or sound power. Zero on the decibel scale corresponds to a standardized reference pressure (20  $\mu$ Pa) or sound power ( $10^{-12}$  watt).

**Hertz (Hz)**—a measure of sound wave frequency, i.e., the number of complete vibration cycles per second.

**Sabin**—the unit of measure of sound absorption (ASTM C 423).

### 9.2.2 General

The basic purpose of architectural acoustics is to provide a satisfactory environment in which desired sounds are clearly heard by the intended listeners and unwanted sounds (noise) are isolated or absorbed.

Under most conditions, the architect/engineer can determine the acoustical needs of the space and then design the building to satisfy those needs. Good acoustical design utilizes both absorptive and reflective surfaces, sound barriers and vibration isolators. Some surfaces must reflect sound so that the loudness will be adequate in all areas where listeners are located. Other surfaces absorb sound to avoid echoes, sound distortion and long reverberation times. Sound is isolated from rooms where it is not wanted by selected wall and floor-ceiling constructions. Vibration generated by mechanical equipment must be isolated from the structural frame of the building.

Information is provided on the acoustical properties of some of the more common precast concrete products used in building construction. This information can be incorporated into the acoustical design of a building and/or can show compliance with local ordinances or other minimum acoustical requirements (see Sect. 9.2.10).

For buildings or occupancies that require more sophisticated acoustical analysis, such as churches, concert halls, recording studios, and the like, it may be desirable to use the services of a competent acoustical design consultant or specialist.

### 9.2.3 Approaching the Design Process

Criteria must be established before the acoustical design of a building can begin. Basically a satisfactory acoustical environment is one in which the character and magnitude of all sounds are compatible with the intended space function.

Although a reasonable objective, it is not always easy to express these intentions in quantitative terms.

In addition to the amplitude of sound, the properties such as spectral characteristics, continuity, reverberation and intelligibility must be specified.

People are highly adaptable to the sensations of heat, light, odor, sound, etc., with sensitivities varying widely. The human ear can detect a sound intensity of rustling leaves, 10 dB, and can tolerate, if even briefly, the powerful exhaust of a jet engine at 120 dB,  $10^{12}$  times the intensity of the rustling leaves sound.

### 9.2.4 Dealing with Sound Levels

The problems of sound insulation are usually considerably more complicated than those of sound absorption. The former involves reductions of sound level, which are of greater orders of magnitude than can be achieved by absorption. These large reductions of sound level from space to space can be achieved only by continuous, impervious barriers. If the problem also involves structureborne sound, it may be necessary to introduce resilient layers or discontinuities into the barrier.

Sound absorbing materials and sound insulating materials are used for different purposes. There is not much sound absorption from an 8 in. concrete wall; similarly, high sound insulation is not available from a porous lightweight material that may be applied to room surfaces. It is important to recognize that the basic mechanisms of sound absorption and sound insulation are quite different.

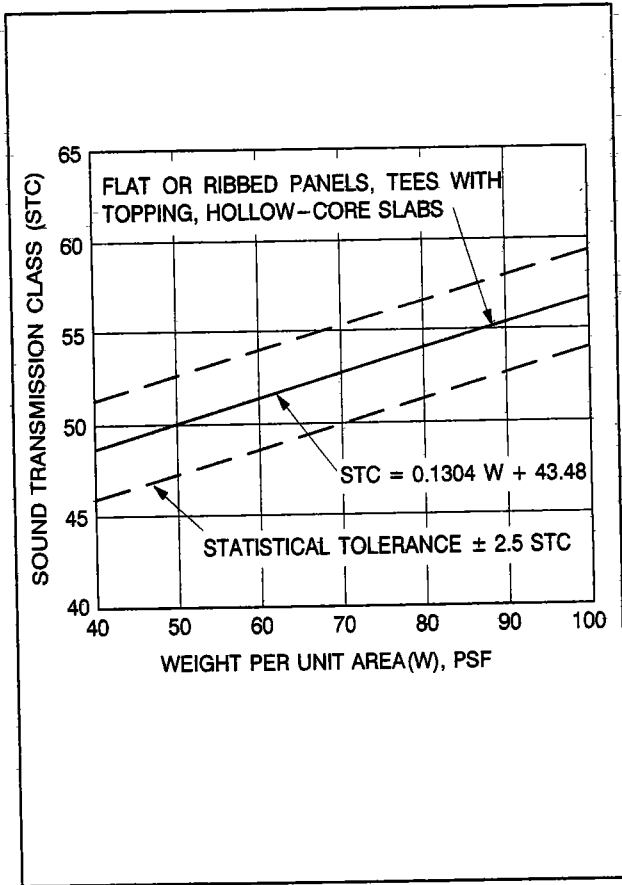
### 9.2.5 Sound Transmission Loss

Sound transmission loss measurements are made at a series of 16 contiguous one-third octave bands with center frequencies in the range of 125 to 4000 Hz. The testing procedure is ASTM Specification E 90, *Laboratory Measurement of Airborne Sound Transmission Loss of Building Partitions*. To simplify specification of desired performance characteristics, the single number Sound Transmission Class (STC) was developed.

Airborne sound reaching a wall, floor or ceiling produces vibration in the wall and is radiated with reduced intensity on the other side. Airborne sound transmission loss of walls and floor-ceiling assemblies is a function of its weight, stiffness and vibration damping characteristics.

Weight is concrete's greatest asset when it is used as a sound insulator. For sections of similar design, but different weights, the STC increases approximately 6 units for each doubling of weight as shown in Figure 9.2.1.

**Figure 9.2.1 Sound transmission class as a function of weight of floor or wall**



Precast concrete walls, floors and roofs usually do not need additional treatments in order to provide adequate sound insulation. If desired, greater sound insulation can be obtained by using a resiliently attached layer or layers of gypsum board or other building material. The increased transmission loss occurs because the energy flow path is now increased to include a dissipative air column and additional mass.

### 9.2.6 Impact Noise Reduction

Footsteps, dragged chairs, dropped objects, slammed doors, and plumbing generate impact noise. Even when airborne sounds are adequately controlled there can be severe impact noise problems.

The test method used to evaluate systems for impact sound insulation is described in ASTM E 492, *Laboratory Measurement of Impact Sound Transmission Using the Tapping Machine*. The impact sound pressure levels are measured in the 16 contiguous one-third octave bands with center frequencies in the range from 100 to 3150 Hz. For performance specification purposes the single number Impact Insulation Class (IIC) is used.

In general, thickness or unit weight of concrete does not greatly affect the transmission of impact sounds as shown in the following table:

Thickness, in.	Unit weight of concrete, pcf	IIC
5	79	23
	114	24
	144	24
10	79	28
	114	30
	144	31

Structural concrete floors in combination with resilient materials effectively control impact sound. One simple solution consists of good carpeting on resilient padding. So called resilient flooring materials, such as linoleum, rubber, asphalt, vinyl, etc., or parquet or strip wood floors are not entirely satisfactory when applied directly on concrete.

Impact sound also may be controlled by providing a discontinuity in the structure such as would be obtained by adding a resilient-mounted plaster or dry-wall suspended ceiling or a floating floor consisting of a second layer of concrete cast over resilient pads, insulation boards or mastic. The thickness of floating slabs is usually controlled by structural requirements, however, a thickness providing as little as 8 psf would be acoustically adequate in most instances.

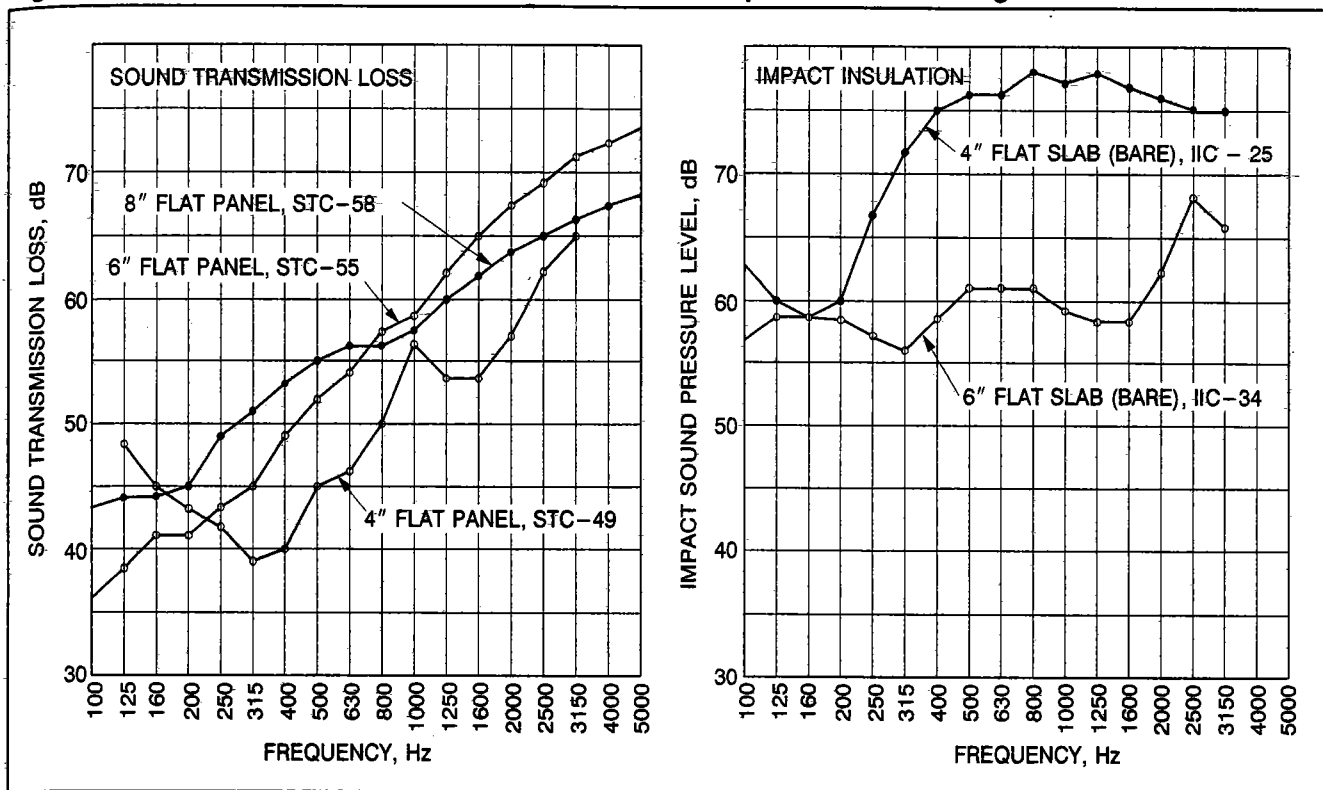
### 9.2.7 Acoustical Test Results

The acoustical test results of both airborne sound transmission loss and impact insulation of 4, 6, and 8 in. flat panels, a 14 in. double tee, and 6 and 8 in. hollow-core slabs are shown in Figures 9.2.2, 9.2.3, and 9.2.4.

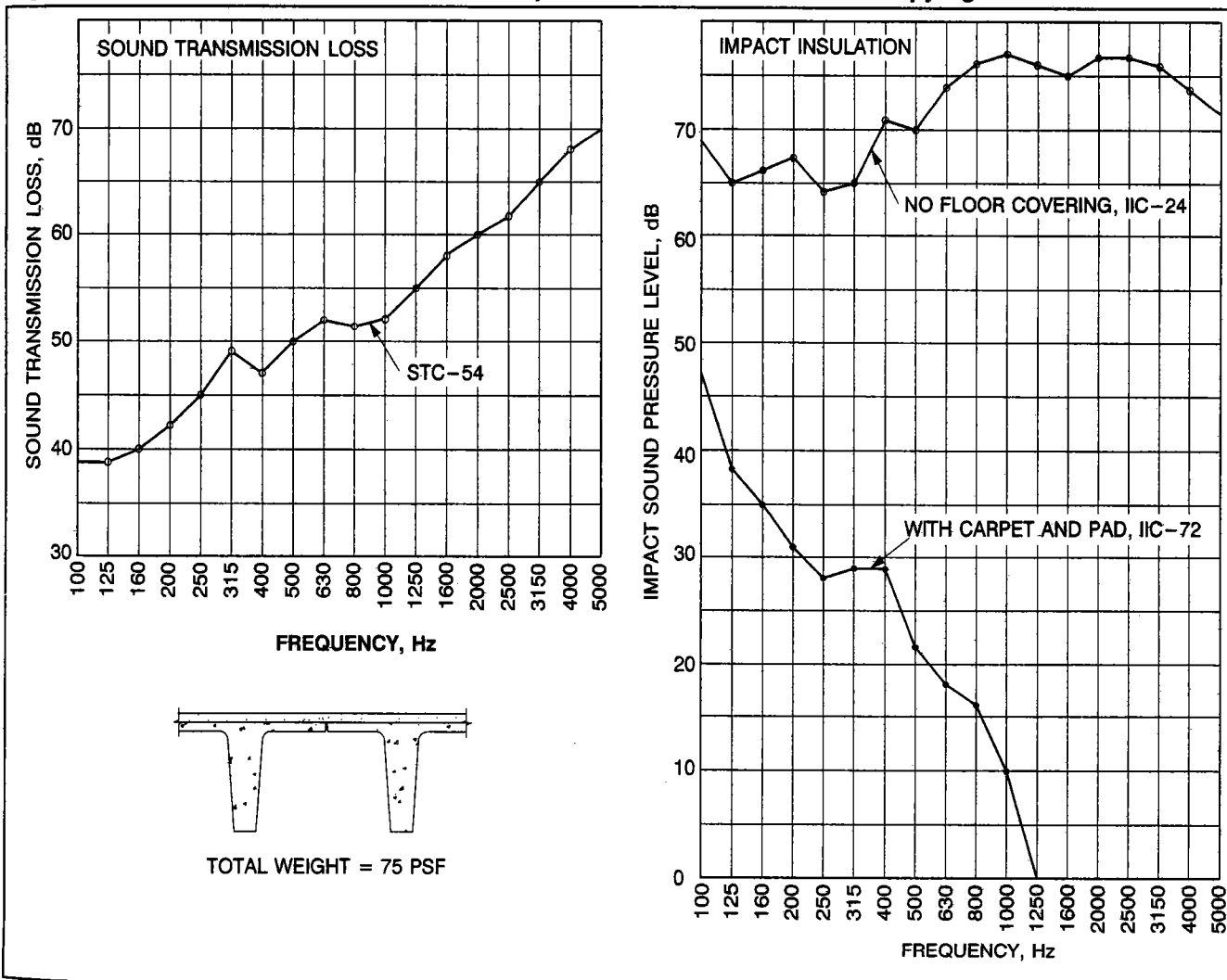
Table 9.2.1 presents the ratings for various precast concrete walls and floor-ceiling assemblies. The effects of various assembly treatments on sound transmission can also be predicted from results of previous tests as shown in Table 9.2.2. The improvements are additive, but in some cases the total effect may be slightly less than the sum.

Table 9.2.2 shows that a carpet and pad over a bare concrete slab will increase the impact noise reduction as much as 56 rating points. The overall efficiency varies according to the characteristics of the carpeting and padding such as resilience, thickness and weight.

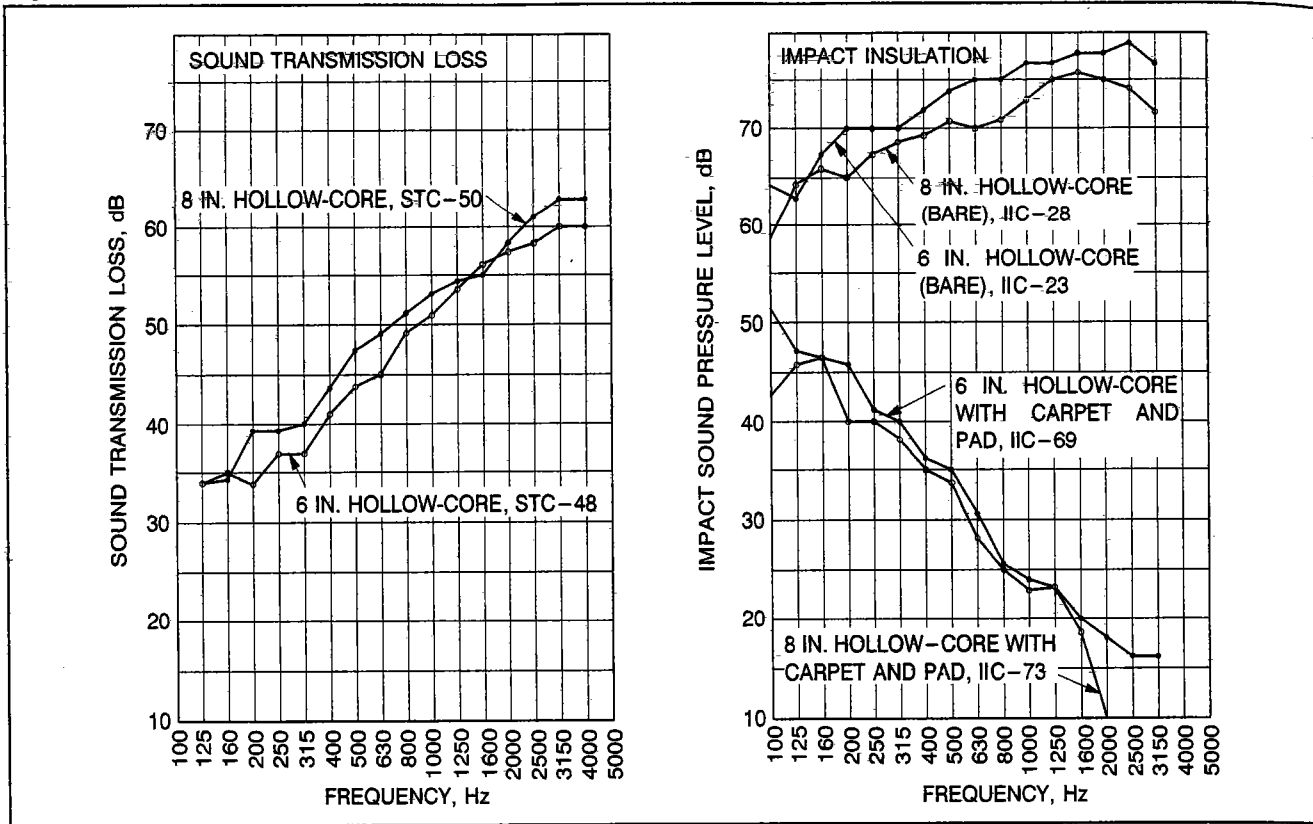
**Figure 9.2.2 Acoustical test data of solid flat-concrete panels—normal weight concrete**



**Figure 9.2.3 Acoustical test data of 14 in. precast double tees with 2 in. topping—normal wt. concrete**



**Figure 9.2.4 Acoustical test data of hollow-core panels—normal weight concrete**



**9.2.8 Absorption of Sound**

A sound wave always loses part of its energy as it is reflected by a surface. This loss of energy is termed sound absorption. It appears as a decrease in sound pressure of the reflected wave. The sound absorption coefficient is the fraction of energy incident to but not reflected per unit of surface area. Thus, an open window is the standard since 100% of the sound is "absorbed." Sound absorption can be specified at individual frequencies or as an average of absorption coefficients (NRC).

A dense non-porous concrete surface typically absorbs 1 to 2% of incident sound and has an NRC of 0.015. There are specially fabricated units with porous concrete surfaces which provide greater absorption. In the case where additional sound absorption of precast concrete is desired, a coating of acoustical material can be spray applied, acoustical tile can be applied with adhesive, or an acoustical ceiling can be suspended. Most of the spray applied fire retardant materials used to increase the fire resistance of precast concrete and other floor-ceiling systems can also be used to absorb sound. The NRC of the sprayed fiber types range from 0.25 to 0.75. Most cementitious types have an NRC from 0.25 to 0.50.

If an acoustical ceiling were added to Assembly 15 of Table 9.2.1 (as in Assembly 17), the sound entry

through a floor or roof would be reduced 5 dB. In addition, the acoustical ceiling would absorb a portion of the sound after entry and provide a few more decibels of quieting. Use of the following expression can be made to determine the intraroom noise or loudness reduction due to the absorption of sound.

$$NR = 10 \log \frac{A_o + A_a}{A_o} \quad (\text{Eq. 9.2.1})$$

where:

NR = sound pressure level reduction, dB

$A_o$  = original absorption, Sabins

$A_a$  = added absorption, Sabins

Values for  $A_o$  and  $A_a$  are the products of the absorption coefficients of the various room materials and their surface areas.

A plot of Eq. 9.2.1 is shown in Figure 9.2.5. For an absorption ratio of 5, the decibel reduction is 7 dB. Note that the decibel reduction is the same, regardless of the original sound pressure level (SPL) and depends only on the absorption ratio. This is due to the fact that the decibel scale is itself a scale of ratios, rather than difference in sound energy.

**Table 9.2.1 Airborne sound transmission loss (STC) and impact insulation class (IIC) ratings from tests of precast concrete assemblies**

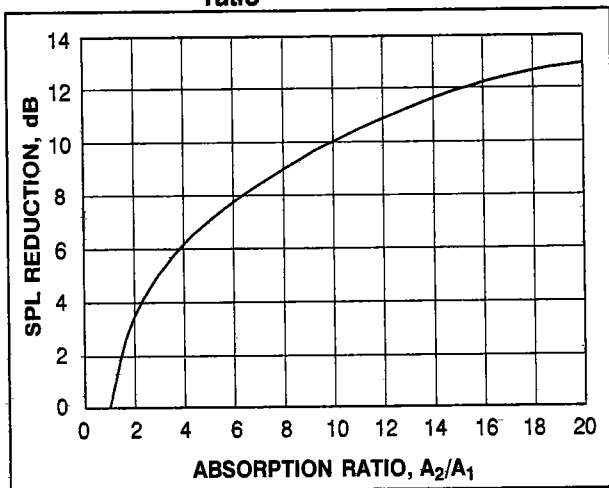
Assembly No.	Description	STC	IIC
<b>Wall Systems</b>			
1	4 in. flat panel, 54 psf	49	—
2	6 in. flat panel, 75 psf	55	—
3	Assembly 2 with "Z" furring channels, 1 in. insulation and ½ in. gypsum board, 75.5 psf	62	—
4	Assembly 2 with wood furring, 1½ in. insulation and ½ in. gypsum board, 73 psf	63	—
5	Assembly 2 with ½ in. space, 1½ in. metal stud row, 1½ in. insulation and ½ in. gypsum board	63 <sup>a</sup>	—
6	8 in. flat panel, 95 psf	58	—
7	14 in. prestressed tees with 4 in. flange, 75 psf	54	—
<b>Floor-Ceiling Systems</b>			
8	8 in. hollow-core prestressed units, 57 psf	50	28
9	Assembly 8 with carpet and pad, 58 psf	50	73
10	8 in. hollow-core prestressed units with ½ in. wood block flooring adhered directly, 58 psf	51	47
11	Assembly 10 except ½ in. wood block flooring adhered to ½ in. sound-deadening board underlayment adhered to concrete, 60 psf	52	55
12	Assembly 11 with acoustical ceiling, 62 psf	59	61
13	Assembly 8 with quarry tile, 1¼ in. reinforced mortar bed with 0.4 in. nylon and carbon black spinnerette matting, 76 psf	60	54
14	Assembly 13 with suspended ⅝ in. gypsum board ceiling with 3½ in. insulation, 78.8 psf	61	62
15	14 in. prestressed tees with 2 in. concrete topping, 75 psf	54	24
16	Assembly 15 with carpet and pad, 76 psf	54	72
17	Assembly 15 with resiliently suspended acoustical ceiling with 1½ in. mineral fiber blanket above, 77 psf	59	51
18	Assembly 17 with carpet and pad, 78 psf	59	82
19	4 in. flat slabs, 54 psf	49	25
20	5 in. flat slabs, 60 psf	52 <sup>a</sup>	24
21	5 in. flat slab concrete with carpet and pad, 61 psf	52 <sup>a</sup>	68
22	6 in. flat slabs, 75 psf	55	34
23	8 in. flat slabs, 95 psf	58	34 <sup>a</sup>
24	10 in. flat slabs, 120 psf	59 <sup>a</sup>	31
25	10 in. flat slab concrete with carpet and pad, 121 psf	59 <sup>a</sup>	74

a. Estimated values

**Table 9.2.2 Typical improvements for wall, floor, and ceiling treatments used with precast concrete elements**

Treatment	Increase in Ratings	
	Airborne (STC)	Impact (IIC)
Wall furring, ¼ in. insulation and ½ in. gypsum board attached to concrete wall	3	0
Separate metal stud system, 1½ in. insulation in stud cavity and ½ in. gypsum board attached to concrete wall	5 to 10	0
2 in. concrete topping (24 psf)	3	0
Carpet and pad	0	43 to 56
Vinyl tile	0	3
½ in. wood block adhered to concrete	0	20
½ in. wood block and resilient fiber underlayment adhered to concrete	4	26
Floating concrete floor on fiberboard	7	15
Wood floor, sleepers on concrete	5	15
Wood floor on fiberboard	10	20
Acoustical ceiling resiliently mounted	5	27
—if added to floor with carpet	5	10
Plaster or gypsum board ceiling resiliently mounted	10	8
—with insulation in space above ceiling	13	13
Plaster direct to concrete	0	0

**Figure 9.2.5 Relation of decibel reduction of reflected sound to absorption ratio**



**9.2.9 Acceptable Noise Criteria**

As a rule, a certain amount of continuous sound can be tolerated before it becomes noise. An “acceptable” level neither disturbs room occupants nor interferes with the communication of wanted sound.

The most widely accepted and used noise criteria today are expressed as either the Noise Criteria (NC) or the Room Criteria (RC). These criteria are based on test curves using different sound pressure levels

at varying frequencies. RC curves are modifications that take into account the human response to sound and the requirements for speech intelligibility.

A low background level obviously is necessary in rooms or areas where hearing the speakers and “catching” all the words are important. Conversely, higher ambient levels can persist in large business offices or factories where speech communication is limited to short distances. Often it is just as important to be interested in the minimum as in the maximum permissible levels of Table 9.2.3. In an office or residence, it is desirable to have a certain ambient sound level to ensure adequate acoustical privacy between spaces, thus minimizing the transmission loss requirements of unwanted sound (noise).

These undesirable sounds may be from an exterior source such as automobiles or aircraft, or they may be generated as speech in an adjacent classroom or music in an apartment. They may be direct impact-induced sound such as footfalls on the floor above, rain impact on a lightweight roof construction or vibrating mechanical equipment.

Solving the problem of sound insulation is a reduction process between the high unwanted noise source and the desired ambient level, using a proper balance between sound transmission loss and sound absorption.

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**Table 9.2.3 Suggested noise criteria range for steady background noise<sup>a</sup>**

Type of space	NC or RC curve
1. Private residences	25 to 30
2. Apartments	30 to 35
3. Hotels/motels	
a. Individual rooms or suites	30 to 35
b. Meeting/banquet rooms	30 to 35
c. Halls, corridors, lobbies	35 to 40
d. Service/support area	40 to 45
4. Offices	
a. Executive	25 to 30
b. Conference rooms	25 to 30
c. Private	30 to 35
d. Open-plan areas	35 to 40
e. Computer/business machine areas	40 to 45
f. Public circulation	40 to 45
5. Hospitals and clinics	
a. Private rooms	25 to 30
b. Wards	30 to 35
c. Operating rooms	25 to 30
d. Laboratories	30 to 35
e. Corridors	30 to 35
f. Public areas	35 to 40
6. Churches	25 to 30 <sup>b</sup>
7. Schools	
a. Lecture and classrooms	25 to 30
b. Open-plan classrooms	30 to 35 <sup>b</sup>
8. Libraries	30 to 35
9. Concert Halls	See note <sup>b</sup>
10. Legitimate theaters	See note <sup>b</sup>
11. Recording studios	See note <sup>b</sup>
12. Movie theaters	30 to 35

- a. Design goals, as determined from the curves, can be increased by 5 dB when dictated by budget constraints or when noise intrusion from other sources represents a limiting condition.
- b. An acoustical expert should be consulted for guidance on these critical spaces.

**9.2.10 Establishment of Noise Insulation Objectives**

Often acoustical control is specified as to the minimum insulation values of the dividing partition system. Municipal building codes, lending institutions

and the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) list both airborne STC and impact IIC values for different living environments. For example, the HUD recommendations [3] were given as:

Location	STC	IIC
Between living units	45	45
Between living units and public space	50	50

Other community ordinances are more specific, listing the sound insulation criteria with relation to particular ambient environments [4].

	Grade I Suburban	Grade II Residential Urban and Suburban	Grade III Urban
Ambient level	NC or RC 20-25	NC or RC 25-30	NC or RC 35+
Walls	STC 55	STC 52	STC 48
Floor-ceiling assemblies	STC 55 IIC 55	STC 52 IIC 55	STC 48 IIC 48

Once the objectives are established, the designer then should refer to available data, e.g., Figure 9.2.1 or Tables 9.2.1 and 9.2.2, and select the system which best meets these requirements. In this respect, concrete systems have superior properties and can with minimal effort comply with these criteria. When the insulation value has not been specified, selection of the necessary barrier can be determined analytically by (1) identifying exterior and/or interior noise sources, and (2) by establishing acceptable interior noise criteria.

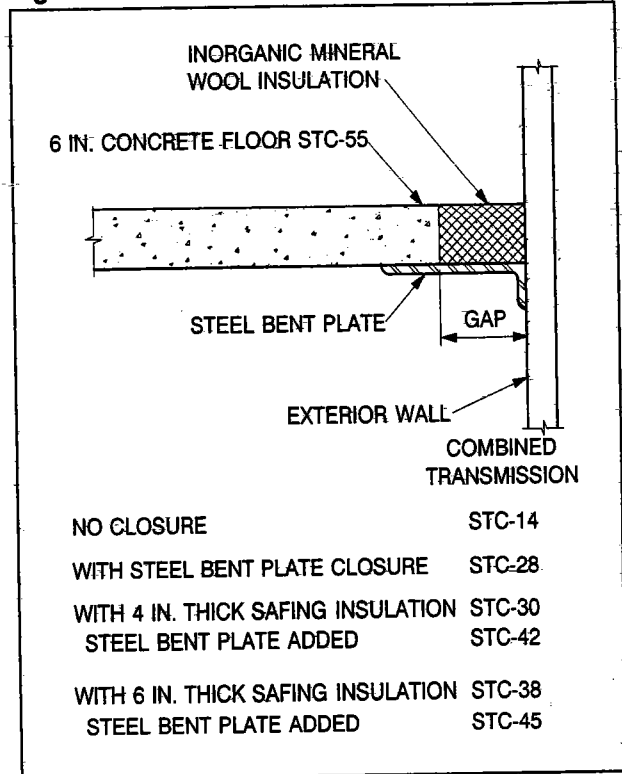
**9.2.11 Composite Wall Considerations**

An acoustically composite wall is made up of elements of varying acoustical properties. Doors and windows are often the weak link in an otherwise effective sound barrier. Minimal effects on sound transmission loss will be achieved in most cases by a proper selection of glass (plate vs. insulating) [5]. Mounting of the glass in its frame should be done with care to eliminate noise leaks and to reduce the glass plate vibrations.

Sound transmission loss of a door depends upon its material and construction, and the sealing between the door and the frame [6].

Acoustical design must consider the acoustical properties of doors, windows or other elements, the ratio of openings in the wall system, and the distances between openings. Installation procedures and materials must be specified to ensure desired thermal and acoustical seals.

**Figure 9.2.6 Effect of safing insulation seals**



### 9.2.12 Leaks and Flanking

The performance of a building section with an otherwise adequate STC can be seriously reduced by a relatively small hole or any other path which allows sound to bypass the acoustical barrier. All noise which reaches a space by paths other than through the primary barrier is called flanking. Common flanking paths (gaps) are openings around doors or windows, at electrical outlets, telephone and television connections, and pipe and duct penetrations. Suspended ceilings in rooms where walls do not extend from the ceiling to the roof or floor above allow sound to travel to adjacent rooms.

Anticipation and prevention of leaks begins at the design stage. Flanking paths at the perimeters of interior precast walls and floors are generally sealed during construction with grout or drypack. In addition, all openings around penetrations through walls or floors should be as small as possible and must be sealed airtight. The higher the STC of the barrier, the greater the effect of an unsealed opening.

Perimeter leakage more commonly occurs at the intersection between an exterior curtain wall and floor slab. It is of vital importance to seal this gap in order to retain the acoustical integrity of the system as well as provide the required fire stop between floors. One way to achieve this seal is to place a 4 pcf density mineral wool blanket between the floor slab and the exterior wall. Figure 9.2.6 demonstrates the acoustical isolation effects of this treatment.

In exterior walls, the proper application of sealant and backup materials in the joints between units will not allow sound to flank the wall.

Although not easily quantified, an inverse relationship exists between the performance of an element as a primary barrier and its propensity to transmit flanking sound. In other words, the probability of existing flanking paths in a concrete structure is much less than in one of a steel or wood frame.

In addition to using basic structural materials, flanking paths can be minimized by:

1. Interrupting the continuous flow of energy with dissimilar materials, e.g., expansion or control joints or dead airspace.
2. Increasing the resistance to energy flow with floating floor systems, full height and/or double partitions and suspended ceilings.

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## 9.3 FIRE RESISTANCE

### 9.3.1 Notation

Note: Subscript  $\theta$  indicates the property as affected by elevated temperatures.

$a$	=	depth of equivalent rectangular compression stress block
$A_{ps}$	=	area of uncoated prestressing steel
$A_s$	=	area of non-prestressed reinforcement
$A_s^-$	=	area of reinforcement in negative moment region
$b$	=	width of member
$d$	=	distance from centroid of prestressing steel to the extreme compression fiber
$f'_c$	=	compressive strength of concrete
$f_{ps}$	=	stress in the uncoated prestressing steel at nominal strength
$f_{pu}$	=	ultimate tensile strength of uncoated prestressing steel
$h$	=	total depth of a member
$\ell$	=	span length
$M_n$	=	nominal moment strength
$M_{n\theta}^+$	=	positive nominal moment strength at elevated temperatures
$M_{n\theta}^-$	=	negative nominal moment strength at elevated temperatures
$R$	=	fire endurance of an element or a composite assembly
$R_1, R_2, R_n$	=	fire endurance of individual courses
$s$	=	spacing of ribs in ribbed panels
$t$	=	minimum thickness of ribbed panels
$t_e$	=	equivalent thickness of ribbed panels
$u$	=	distance from prestressing steel to the fire exposed surface
$w$	=	uniform total load
$w_d$	=	uniform dead load
$w_\ell$	=	uniform live load
$x, x_0, x_1, x_2$	=	horizontal distances as shown in Figures 9.3.15, 9.3.16, and 9.3.17
$y_s$	=	distance from centroid of prestressing steel to the bottom surface
$\theta_s$	=	temperature of steel
$\phi$	=	strength reduction factor

### 9.3.2 Definitions

**Carbonate aggregate concrete**—concrete made with aggregates consisting mainly of calcium or magnesium carbonate, e.g., limestone or dolomite.

**Fire endurance**—a measure of the elapsed time during which a material or assembly continues to exhibit fire resistance under specified conditions of test and performance. As applied to elements of buildings it shall be measured by the methods and to the criteria defined in ASTM E 119. (Defined in ASTM E 176).

**Fire resistance**—the property of a material or assembly to withstand fire or to give protection from it. As applied to elements of buildings, it is characterized by the ability to confine a fire or to continue to perform a given structural function, or both. (Defined in ASTM E 176).

**Fire resistance rating** (sometimes called **fire rating**, **fire resistance classification**, or **hourly rating**)—a legal term defined in building codes, usually based on fire endurances. Fire resistance ratings are assigned by building codes or building officials for various types of construction and occupancies and are usually given in half-hour increments.

**Lightweight aggregate concrete**—concrete made with lightweight aggregate (expanded clay, shale, slag, or slate, or sintered fly ash) and having a 28 day air-dry unit weight of 85 to 105 pcf.

**Sand-lightweight concrete**—concrete made with a combination of lightweight aggregate (expanded clay, shale, slag, or slate, or sintered fly ash) and normal weight aggregate and having a 28 day air-dry unit weight of 105 to 120 pcf.

**Siliceous aggregate concrete**—concrete made with normal weight aggregates consisting mainly of silica or compounds other than calcium or magnesium carbonate.

### 9.3.3 Introduction

Precast and prestressed concrete members can be used to meet any degree of fire resistance that may be required by building codes, insurance companies, and other authorities. Fire resistance ratings of building assemblies can be determined from ASTM E 119 standard fire tests, code-approved empirical data, or by calculation procedures detailed in Sect. 9.3.7. The calculation method is based on engineering principles, taking into account the time-temperature condition of the standard fire test. This method, hereafter referred to as the Rational Design Method of determining fire resistance, was formulated as a result of extensive research sponsored in

part by the Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute (PCI) and conducted by the Portland Cement Association (PCA) and other laboratories.

Examples using the Rational Design Method are provided in Sect. 9.3.7 along with a brief explanation of the method's underlying principles. For additional examples, design charts, and an in-depth explanation of the method, refer to the PCI manual, MNL-124-89, *Design for Fire Resistance of Precast Prestressed Concrete* [1] as well as the CRSI manual, *Reinforced Concrete Fire Resistance* [2]. These references have for years been recognized by the model codes as acceptable resource documents for determining fire resistance ratings of concrete by other than prescriptive means.

High-strength concrete (compressive strengths up to 10,000 psi) will perform under fire conditions as described herein provided minimum cover and other dimensional requirements are adhered to [3].

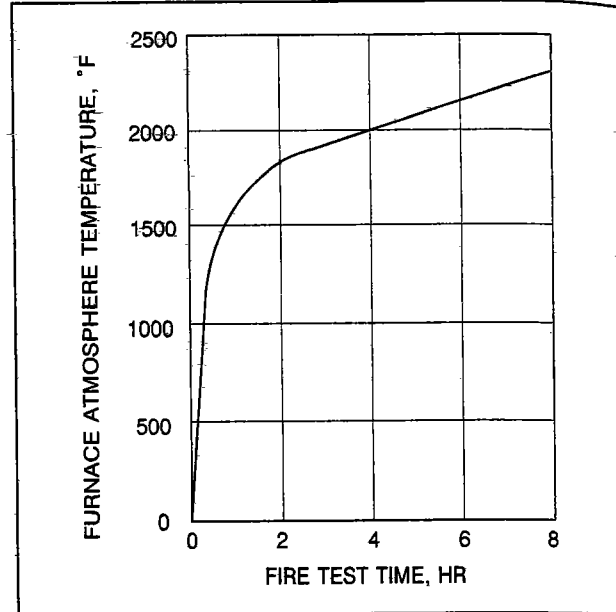
### 9.3.4 Standard Fire Tests

The fire resistance of building components is measured in standard fire tests defined by ASTM E 119, *Standard Test Methods for Fire Tests of Building Construction and Materials*. During these tests the building assembly, such as a portion of floors, walls, roofs or columns, is subjected to increasing temperatures that vary with time as shown in Figure 9.3.1. This time-temperature relationship is used as a standard to represent the combustion of about 10 lb of wood (with a heat potential of 8,000 Btu per lb) per ft<sup>2</sup> of exposed area per hour of test. Actually, the fuel consumption to maintain the standard time-temperature relationship during a fire test depends on the design of the furnace and on the test specimen. When fire tested, assemblies with exposed concrete members require considerably more fuel than other assemblies due to the favorable heat capacity. This fact is not recognized when evaluating fire resistance.

In addition to defining a standard time-temperature relationship, standard fire tests involve regulations concerning the size of the assemblies, the amount of applied load, the region of the assembly to be exposed to fire, and the end point criteria on which fire resistance (duration) is based.

ASTM E 119 specifies the minimum sizes of specimens to be exposed in fire tests, although much valuable data has been developed from tests on specimens smaller than the ASTM minimum sizes. For floors and roofs, at least 180 ft<sup>2</sup> must be exposed to fire from beneath, and neither dimension can be less than 12 ft. For tests of walls, either load bearing or non-load bearing, the minimum specified area is 100 ft<sup>2</sup> with neither dimension less than 9 ft. The minimum length for columns is specified to be 9 ft, while for beams it is 12 ft.

Figure 9.3.1 Standard time-temperature curve



During fire tests of floors, roofs, beams, load bearing walls, and columns, loads are applied which, along with the dead weight of the specimen, closely approximate the maximum loads required by the model codes. Tests which have been conducted on prestressed members were generally done with full loads, whereas other materials and members have been tested utilizing less than the maximum loads. This, in effect, limits those test results to the specific loading conditions.

Floor and roof specimens are exposed to fire from beneath, beams from the bottom and sides, walls from one side, and columns from all sides.

ASTM E 119 distinguishes between "restrained" and "unrestrained" assemblies and defines them as follows:

"Floor and roof assemblies and individual beams in buildings shall be considered restrained when the surrounding or supporting structure is capable of resisting substantial thermal expansion throughout the range of anticipated elevated temperatures. Constructions not complying with this definition are assumed to be free to rotate and expand and shall therefore be considered as unrestrained."

While the focus of this definition is mainly on the axial resistance of the supporting or surrounding structure to thermal expansion, the intent of "restraint" actually can be expanded for concrete members, as opposed to other materials, to include rotational restraint and continuity as well (see Sect. 9.3.7.2 on continuous members).

ASTM E 119 includes a guide for classifying types of construction as restrained or unrestrained and is reproduced in Table 9.3.1. The guide indicates that cast-in-place and most precast concrete constructions are considered to be restrained.

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**Table 9.3.1 Considerations of restraint for common construction<sup>a</sup>**

<b>I. Wall bearing:</b>	
—Single span and simply supported end spans of multiple bays: <sup>b</sup>	
1. Open-web steel joists or steel beams supporting concrete slab, precast units, or metal decking .....	unrestrained
2. Concrete slabs, precast units, or metal decking .....	unrestrained
Interior spans or multiple bays:	
1. Open-web steel joists, steel beams or metal decking supporting continuous concrete slab .....	restrained
2. Open-web steel joists, steel beams supporting precast units or metal decking .....	unrestrained
3. Cast-in-place concrete slab systems .....	restrained
4. Precast concrete where the potential thermal expansion is resisted by adjacent construction <sup>c</sup> .....	restrained
<b>II. Steel framing:</b>	
1. Steel beams welded, riveted, or bolted to the framing members .....	restrained
2. All types of cast-in-place floor and roof systems (such as beam-and-slabs, flat slabs, pan joists, and waffle slabs) where the floor or roof system is secured to the framing members .....	restrained
3. All types of prefabricated floor or roof systems where the structural members are secured to the framing members and the potential thermal expansion of the floor or roof system is resisted by the framing system or the adjoining floor or roof construction <sup>c</sup> .....	restrained
<b>III. Concrete framing:</b>	
1. Beams securely fastened to the framing members .....	restrained
2. All types of cast-in-place floor or roof systems (such as beam-and-slabs, flat slabs, pan joists, and waffle slabs) where the floor system is cast with the framing members .....	restrained
3. Interior and exterior spans of precast systems with cast-in-place joints resulting in restraint equivalent to that which would exist in condition III-1. ....	restrained
4. All types of prefabricated floor or roof systems where the structural members are secured to such systems and the potential thermal expansion of the floor or roof systems is resisted by the framing system or the adjoining floor or roof construction <sup>b</sup> .....	restrained
<b>IV. Wood construction:</b>	
All types .....	unrestrained

a. Source: ASTM E 119, "Standard Test Methods for Fire Tests of Building Construction and Materials", Table X3.1.  
 b. Floor and roof systems can be considered restrained when they are tied into walls with or without tie beams, the walls being designed and detailed to resist thermal thrust from the floor or the roof.  
 c. For example, resistance to potential thermal expansion is considered to be achieved when:  
 1. Continuous structural concrete topping is used;  
 2. The space between the ends of precast units or between the ends of units and the vertical face of supports is filled with concrete or mortar; or  
 3. The space between the ends of precast units and the vertical faces of supports, or between the ends of solid or hollow-core slab units does not exceed 0.25 % of the length for normal weight concrete members or 0.1 % of the length for structural lightweight concrete members.

**9.3.4.1 Fire Endurance, End Point Criteria, and Fire Rating**

The *Fire Resistance* of an assembly is measured by its fire endurance, defined as the period of time elapsed before a prescribed condition of failure or end point is reached during a standard fire test. A *Fire Rating* or *Classification* is a legal term for a fire endurance required by a building code authority.

End point criteria defined by ASTM E 119 include:

1. Load bearing specimens must sustain the applied loading. Collapse is an obvious end point (structural end point).
2. Holes, cracks, or fissures through which flames or gases hot enough to ignite cotton waste must not form (flame passage end point).

3. The temperature increase of the unexposed surface of floors, roofs, or walls must not exceed an average of 250°F or a maximum of 325°F at any one point (heat transmission end point).

Unrestrained assembly classifications can be derived from tests of restrained floor, roof, or beam specimens provided that the average temperature of the tension steel at any section must not exceed 800°F for cold-drawn prestressing steel or 1100°F for reinforcing bars.

Additional end point criteria for restrained specimens are:

1. Beams more than 4 ft on centers: the above steel temperatures must not be exceeded for classifications of 1 hr or less; for classifications longer than 1 hr, the above temperatures must not be exceeded for the first half of the classification period or 1 hr, whichever is longer.
2. Beams 4 ft or less on centers or slabs are not subjected to steel temperature limitations.

Walls and partitions must meet the same structural, flame passage, and heat transmission end points described above. In addition, they must withstand a hose stream test (simulating, in a specified manner, a fire fighter's hose stream).

### 9.3.5 Fire Tests of Prestressed Concrete Assemblies

The first fire test of a prestressed concrete assembly in America was conducted in 1953 and, since then, more than 150 prestressed concrete assemblies have been subjected to standard fire tests in America. Although many of the tests were conducted for the purpose of deriving specific fire ratings, most of the tests were performed in conjunction with broad research studies whose objectives have been to understand the behavior of prestressed concrete subjected to fire. The knowledge gained from these tests has resulted in the development of (1) lists of fire resistive prestressed concrete building components, and (2) procedures for determining the fire endurance of prestressed concrete members by calculation.

#### 9.3.5.1 Fire Tests of Flexural Elements

Reports of a number of tests sponsored by the Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute have been issued by Underwriters Laboratories, Inc. Most of the reports have been reprinted by the PCI, and the results of the tests are the basis for UL's listings and specifications for non-proprietary products such as

double tee and single tee floors and roofs, wet-cast hollow-core and solid slabs, and prestressed concrete beams.

The Portland Cement Association conducted many fire tests of prestressed concrete assemblies. PCA's unique furnaces have made it possible to study in-depth the effects of support conditions. Four series of tests dealt with simply supported slabs and beams; two series dealt with continuous slabs and beams; and one major series dealt with the effects of restrained thermal expansion on the behavior during fire of prestressed concrete floors and roofs. PCA has also conducted a number of miscellaneous fire tests of prestressed and reinforced concrete assemblies. Test results that have been published as Research and Development Bulletins are available from the PCA [4,5].

#### 9.3.5.2 Fire Tests of Walls and Columns

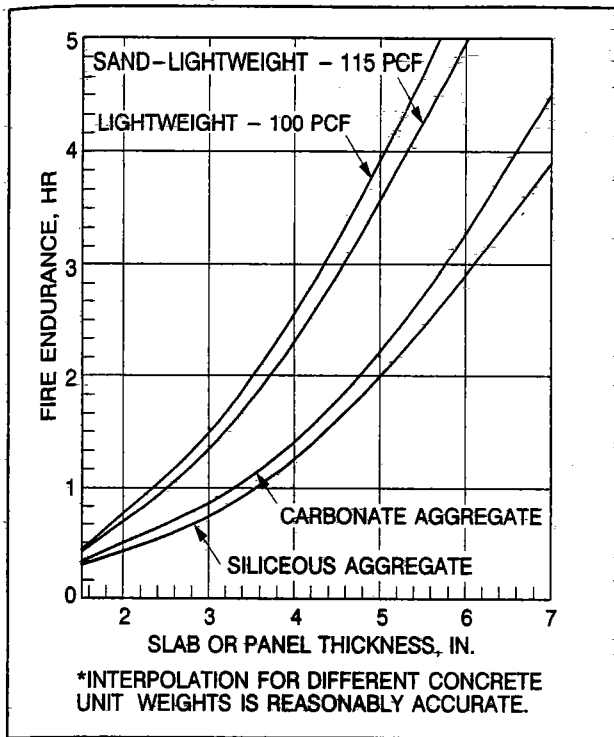
A test was conducted by Underwriters Laboratories, Inc., on a double tee wall assembly for research purposes in which fire was applied to the flat surface of the 1½ in. thick flange. A load of about 10 klf was applied at the top of the wall. The wall withstood a 2 hr fire and a subsequent hose stream test followed by a double load test without distress. Because the flange was only 1½ in. thick, the heat transmission requirement was exceeded for most of the test. By providing adequate flange thickness or insulation, the heat transmission requirement would have been met in addition to the structural requirement.

Fire tests of reinforced concrete columns have been conducted by the PCA and the National Research Council of Canada. While no tests have been conducted for prestressed concrete columns, results from these tests are considered to be equally applicable to prestressed concrete columns with adjustment made for the difference in thermal properties between mild reinforcing steel and prestressing strand as may be appropriate.

#### 9.3.6 Designing for Heat Transmission

As noted in Sect. 9.3.4, ASTM E 119 imposes heat transmission criteria for floor, roof, and wall assemblies. Thus, floors, roofs, or walls requiring a fire-resistance rating must satisfy the heat transmission requirements as well as the various structural criteria. The heat transmission fire endurance of a concrete assembly is essentially the same whether the assembly is tested as a floor (oriented horizontally) or as a wall (tested vertically). Because of this, and unless otherwise noted, the information, which follows is applicable to floors, roofs, or walls.

**Figure 9.3.2 Fire endurance (heat transmission) of concrete slabs or panels**



**9.3.6.1 Single Course Slabs or Wall Panels**

For concrete slabs or wall panels, the temperature rise of the unexposed surface depends mainly on the thickness and aggregate type of the concrete. Other less important factors include unit weight, moisture condition, air content, and maximum aggregate size. Within the usual ranges, water-cementitious materials ratio, strength, and age have only insignificant effects.

Figure 9.3.2 shows the fire endurance (heat transmission) of concrete slabs as influenced by aggregate types and thickness. For a hollow-core slab, this thickness may be obtained by dividing the net cross sectional area by its width. The curves represent air-entrained concrete made with air-dry aggregates having a nominal maximum size of 3/4 in. and fire tested when the concrete was at the standard moisture condition (75% R.H. at mid-depth). On the graph, concrete aggregates are designated as lightweight, sand-lightweight, carbonate, or siliceous. Lightweight aggregates include expanded clay, shale, and slate which produce concretes having unit weights of about 95 to 105 pcf without sand replacement. Lightweight concretes, in which sand is used as part or all of the fine aggregate and weigh no more than about 120 pcf, are designated as sand-lightweight. Carbonate aggregates include limestone and dolomite, i.e., those consisting mainly of calcium and/or magnesium carbonate. Siliceous aggregates include quartzite, granite, basalt, and most hard rocks other than limestone and dolomite.

**Table 9.3.2 Thickness of concrete slabs or wall panels faced with 5/8-in. Type X gypsum wallboard to provide fire endurance of 2 and 3 hr**

	Thickness (in.) of concrete panel for fire endurance of			
	With no air space		With 6-in. air space	
Aggregate	2 hr	3 hr	2 hr	3 hr
Sand-lightweight	2.0	3.0	1.2	2.4
Carbonate	2.3	3.7	1.3	2.7
Siliceous	2.5	3.9	1.3	2.8

**9.3.6.2 Floors, Roofs or Walls Faced with Gypsum Wallboard**

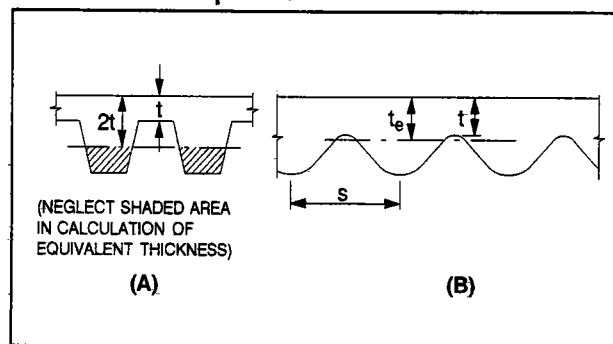
Table 9.3.2 shows the fire endurance of concrete slabs with 5/8-in. gypsum wallboard (Type X) for two cases: (1) a 6-in. air space between the wallboard and slab, and (2) no space between the wallboard and slab. Materials and techniques of attaching the wallboard should be similar to those used in the UL test on which the data are based.

**9.3.6.3 Ribbed Panels**

Heat transmission through a ribbed panel is influenced by the thinnest portion of the panel and by the panel's "equivalent thickness." Here, equivalent thickness is defined as the net cross-sectional area of the panel divided by the width of the cross-section. In calculating the net cross-sectional area of the panel, portions of ribs that project beyond twice the minimum thickness should be neglected, as shown in Figure 9.3.3(A).

The heat transmission fire endurance can be governed by either the thinnest section, or by the average thickness, or by a combination of the two. The following rule-of-thumb expressions appear to give a reasonable guide as to when the average thickness governs:

**Figure 9.3.3 Cross sections of ribbed wall panels**



If  $t \leq s/4$ , fire endurance  $R$  is governed by  $t$  and is equal to  $R_t$ .

If  $t \geq s/2$ , fire endurance  $R$  is governed by  $t_e$  and is equal to  $R_{t_e}$ .

If  $s/2 > t > s/4$ :

$$R = R_t + (4t/s - 1)(R_{t_e} - R_t) \quad (\text{Eq. 9.3.1})$$

where:

$t$  = minimum thickness

$t_e$  = equivalent thickness of panel

$s$  = rib spacing

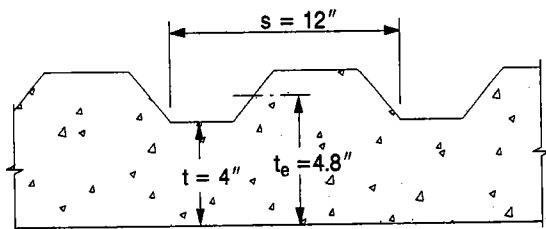
and where  $R$  is the fire endurance of a concrete panel and subscripts  $t$  and  $t_e$  relate the corresponding  $R$  values to concrete slab thicknesses  $t$  and  $t_e$ , respectively.

These expressions apply to ribbed and corrugated panels, but for panels with widely spaced grooves or rustications they give excessively low results. Consequently, engineering judgment must be used when applying the above expressions.

### Example 9.3.1 Fire Endurance of a Ribbed Panel

Given:

The section of a wall panel shown.



Problem:

Estimate the fire endurance if the minimum thickness is 4 in. and the equivalent thickness is 4.8 in. Assume that the panel is made of sand-lightweight concrete.

Solution:

See Figure 9.3.2.

$$t = 4 \text{ in.}, s/2 = 6 \text{ in.}, s/4 = 3 \text{ in.}$$

Therefore,  $s/2 > 4 > s/4$

$$R = R_t + (4t/s - 1)(R_{t_e} - R_t)$$

$R_t$  = fire endurance of 4 in. sand-lightweight panel = 135 min

$R_{t_e}$  = fire endurance of 4.8 in. sand-lightweight panel = 193 min

$$R = 135 + [4(4)/12 - 1][193 - 135] = 154 \text{ min}$$

### 9.3.6.4 Multi-Course Assemblies

Floors and roofs often consist of concrete base slabs with overlays or undercoatings of other types of concrete or insulating materials. In addition, roofs generally have built-up roofing.

If the fire endurance of the individual courses are known, the fire endurance of the composite assembly can be estimated from the formula:

$$R^{0.59} = R_1^{0.59} + R_2^{0.59} + \dots + R_n^{0.59} \quad (\text{Eq. 9.3.2})$$

where:

$R$  = fire endurance of the composite assembly in minutes

$R_1, R_2, R_n$  = fire endurances of the individual courses in minutes

Figure 9.3.4 gives  $R$ -values raised to the 0.59 power for insulating materials (in the table) and for concrete of various types and thicknesses (in the chart). Table 9.3.3 gives  $R$ -values which can be used in this equation for certain insulating materials. For heat transmission, three-ply built-up roofing contributes 10 min. to the fire endurance. Either set of data can be used in solving Eq. 9.3.2 as shown in the following example.

### Example 9.3.2 Fire Endurance of an Assembly

Problem:

Determine the fire endurance of a slab consisting of a 2 in. base slab of siliceous aggregate concrete with a 2½ in. topping of sand-lightweight concrete (115 pcf).

Solution:

From Figure 9.3.2, the fire endurances of a 2 in. thick slab of siliceous aggregate concrete and 2½ in. of sand-lightweight aggregate concrete are 25 min and 54 min, respectively.

$$R^{0.59} = (25)^{0.59} + (54)^{0.59}$$

$$R^{0.59} = 6.68 + 10.52 = 17.20$$

$$R = 124.2 = 124 \text{ min} = 2 \text{ hr } 4 \text{ min}$$

From Figure 9.3.4

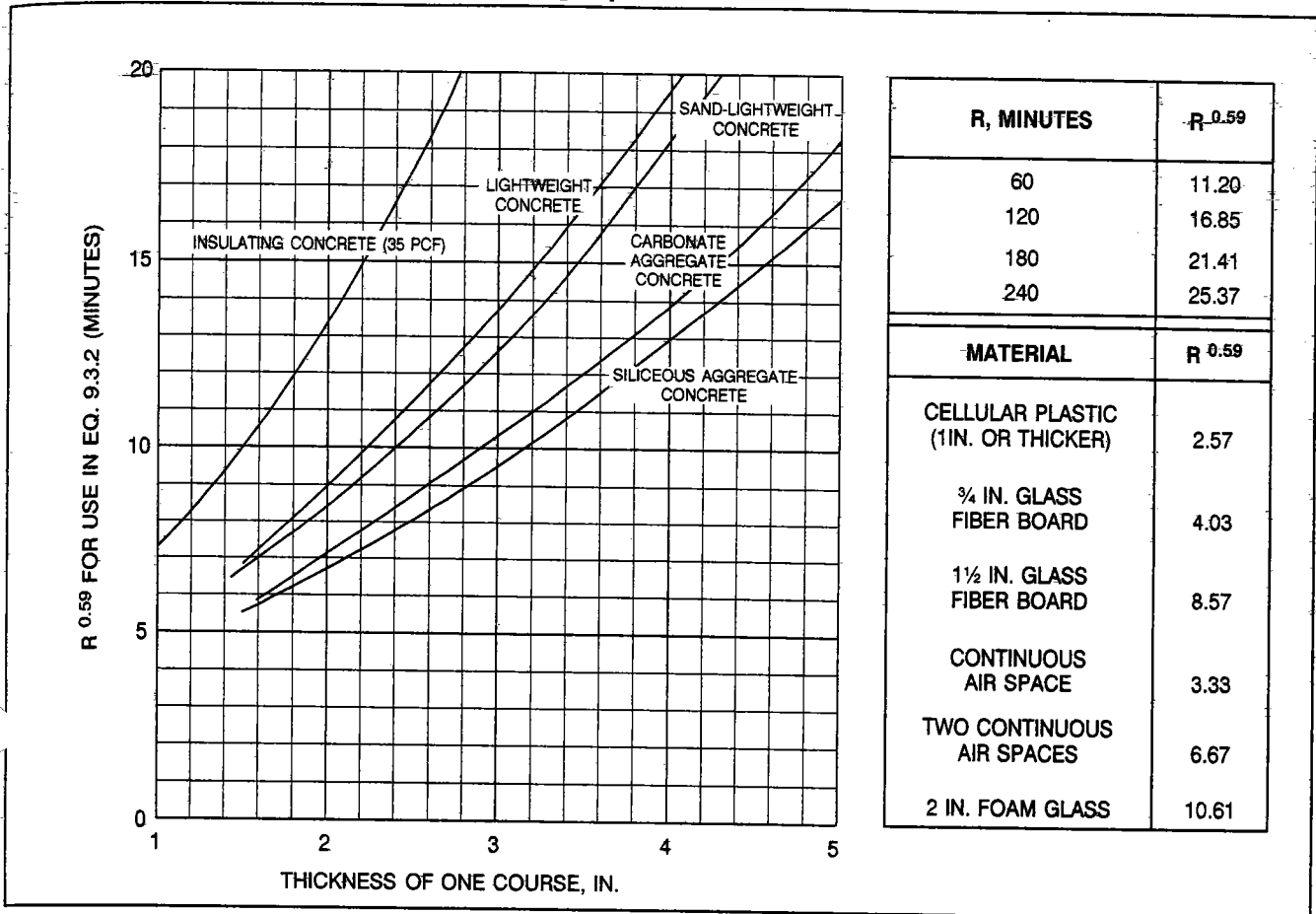
$$R^{0.59} = 6.7 + 10.4 = 17.1$$

By linear interpolation:

$$R = 120 + \frac{0.25}{4.56} (60) = 123.3$$

$$R = 123 \text{ min} = 2 \text{ hr } 3 \text{ min}$$

**Figure 9.3.4 Design aid for use in solving Eq. 9.3.2**



**Table 9.3.3 Values of R of various insulating materials for use in Eq. 9.3.2**

Roof insulation material	Thickness (in.)	R (min)
Cellular plastic	≥1	5
Glass fiber board	¾	11
Glass fiber board	1½	35
Foam glass	2	55
Mineral board	1	19
Mineral board	2	62
Mineral board	3	123

Note that some of these materials may be used only where combustible construction is permitted.

Eq. 9.3.2 has certain shortcomings in that it does not account for the location of the individual courses relative to the fired surface. Also, it is not possible to directly obtain the fire endurances of many insulating materials. Nevertheless, in a series of tests, the formula estimated the fire endurances within about 10% for most assemblies.

A report on two-course floors and roofs [6] gives results of many fire tests. The report also shows graphically the fire endurances of assemblies consisting of various thicknesses of two materials. Tables

9.3.4 through 9.3.6, which are based on test results, can be used to estimate the required thicknesses of two-course materials for various fire endurances.

### 9.3.6.5 Sandwich Panels

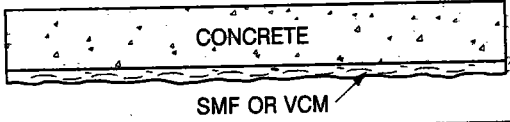
Some wall panels are made by sandwiching an insulating material between two face slabs of concrete. See Sect. 9.4.

Several building codes require that where non-combustible construction is specified, combustible elements in walls shall be limited to thermal and sound insulation having a flame spread classification of not more than 75 when the insulation is sandwiched between two layers of non-combustible material such as concrete.

When insulation is not installed in this manner, it is required to have a flame spread of not more than 25. Data on flame spread classification are available from insulation manufacturers.

A fire test was conducted of one such panel that consisted of a 2 in. base slab of carbonate aggregate concrete, a 1 in. layer of cellular polystyrene insulation, and a 2 in. face slab of carbonate aggregate concrete. The resulting fire endurance was 2 hr 00 min. From Eq. 9.3.2, the contribution of the 1 in. layer of polystyrene was calculated to be 5 min.

**Table 9.3.4** Thickness of spray-applied insulation on fire-exposed surface of concrete<sup>a</sup> slabs or panels to resist transfer of heat through the assemblies



Slab equivalent thickness (in.)	Type of insulation <sup>b</sup>	Thickness (in.) for fire-resistance rating of				
		1 hr	1½ hr	2 hr	3 hr	4 hr
		1½	SMF	½	¾	1½
2	SMF	¾	5/8	7/8	1¾	N.A.
2½	SMF	¼	½	5/8	1½	1½
3	SMF	¼	¼	½	7/8	1¾
4	SMF	0	0	¼	5/8	1
1½	VCM	½	¾	1½	1¾	N.A.
2	VCM	¾	5/8	7/8	1¾	1¾
2½	VCM	¼	½	¾	1¼	1½
3	VCM	¼	¾	5/8	7/8	1¾
4	VCM	0	0	¼	5/8	7/8

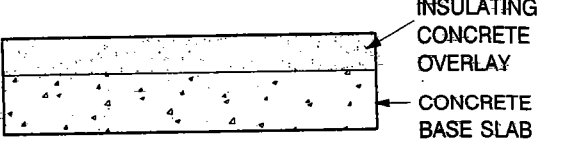
- a. Values shown are for siliceous aggregate concrete, and are conservative for other concretes.
- b. SMF = Sprayed mineral fiber consists of refined mineral fibers with inorganic binders and water added during the spraying operation. The density of the oven-dry material should be at least 13 pcf.
- VCM = Vermiculite cementitious material consists of expanded vermiculite with inorganic binders and water. The density of the oven-dry material should be at least 14 pcf.
- N.A. = Not applicable.

It is likely that the comparable R value for a 1 in. layer of cellular polyurethane would be somewhat greater than that for a 1 in. layer of cellular polystyrene, but test values are not available. Until more definitive data are obtained, it is suggested that 5 min. be used as the value for R for any layer of cellular plastic 1 in. or greater.

It should be noted that the cellular plastics melt and are consumed at about 400 to 600°F. Thus, additional thickness or changes in composition probably have only a minor effect on the fire endurance of sandwich panels. The danger of toxic fumes caused by the burning cellular plastics is practically eliminated when the plastics are completely encased within concrete sandwich panels [7].

Table 9.3.7 lists fire endurances of sandwich panels with either cellular plastic, glass fiber board, or insulating concrete used as the insulating material. The fire resistance values were obtained by use of Eq. 9.3.2.

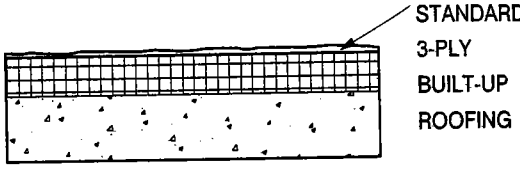
**Table 9.3.5** Thickness of two-course roof assemblies consisting of concrete<sup>a</sup> slabs with insulating concrete overlays<sup>b</sup>



Base slab thickness (in.)	Thickness of overlay (in.) for fire-resistance rating of				
	1 hr	1½ hr	2 hr	3 hr	4 hr
1½	1½	1½	1¾	2½	3½
2	1	1¾	1¾	2½	3
3	¾	¾	1¼	2	2½
4	0	0	5/8	1¾	2

- a. Values shown are for siliceous aggregate concrete, and are conservative for other concretes.
- b. Insulating concrete having a dry density less than 35 pcf.

**Table 9.3.6** Thickness of roof assemblies consisting of concrete<sup>a</sup> slabs with insulation and built-up roofing



Base slab thickness (in.)	Insulation <sup>b</sup>	Thickness of insulation (in.) for fire-resistance rating of				
		1 hr	1½ hr	2 hr	3 hr	4 hr
1½	MB	¾	1¼	1¾	2¾	N.A.
2	MB	½	1	1¾	2¼	2¾
3	MB	0	¾	¾	1¾	1¾
4	MB	0	0	¼	¾	1¼
1½	GFB	5/8	1¾	2	N.A.	N.A.
2	GFB	¼	7/8	1½	2¾	N.A.
3	GFB	0	¾	¾	1½	2½
4	GFB	0	0	¼	¾	1¼

- a. Values shown are for siliceous aggregate concrete, and are conservative for other concretes.
- b. MB = Mineral board insulation composed of spherical cellular beads of expanded aggregate and fibers formed into rigid flat rectangular units with an integral waterproofing treatment.
- GFB = Glass fiber board fibrous glass roof insulation consisting of inorganic glass fibers formed into rigid boards using a binder. The board has a top surface faced with glass fiber reinforced with asphalt and kraft.
- N.A. = Not applicable.



**Table 9.3.7 Fire endurance of precast concrete sandwich walls (calculated, based on Eq. 9.3.2)**

Outside and inside wythes	Insulation	Fire endurance hr:min.
1½ in. Sil	1 in. CP	1:23
1½ in. Carb	1 in. CP	1:23
1½ in. SLW	1 in. CP	1:45
2 in. Sil	1 in. CP	1:50
2 in. Carb	1 in. CP	2:00
2 in. SLW	1 in. CP	2:32
3 in. Sil	1 in. CP	3:07
1½ in. Sil	¾ in. GFB	1:39
2 in. Sil	¾ in. GFB	2:07
2 in. SLW	¾ in. GFB	2:52
1½ in. Sil	1½ in. GFB	2:35
2 in. Sil	1½ in. GFB	3:08
2 in. SLW	1½ in. GFB	4:00
1½ in. Sil	1 in. IC	2:12
1½ in. SLW	1 in. IC	2:39
2 in. Carb	1 in. IC	2:56
2 in. SLW	1 in. IC	3:33
1½ in. Sil	1½ in. IC	2:54
1½ in. SLW	1½ in. IC	3:24
2 in. Sil	2 in. IC	4:25
1½ in. SLW	2 in. IC	4:19

Note:

- Carb = carbonate aggregate concrete
- Sil = siliceous aggregate concrete
- SLW = sand-lightweight concrete (115 pcf maximum)
- CP = cellular plastic (polystyrene or polyurethane)
- IC = lightweight insulating concrete (35 pcf maximum)
- GFB = glass fiber board

### 9.3.6.6 Treatment of Joints Between Wall Panels

Joints between wall panels should be detailed so that passage of flame or hot gases is prevented, and transmission of heat does not exceed the limits specified in ASTM E 119. Concrete wall panels expand when heated, so the joints tend to close during fire exposure. Non-combustible materials that are flexible, such as ceramic fiber blankets, provide thermal, flame, and smoke barriers, and, when used in conjunction with caulking materials, they can provide the necessary weather-tightness while permitting normal volume change movements. Joints that do not move can be filled with mortar. For a more detailed discussion and additional information, refer to PCI MNL-124 [1].

Joints between wall panels are similar to openings. Most building codes do not require openings to

be protected against fire if the openings constitute only a small percentage of the wall area and if the spatial separation is greater than some minimum distance. In those cases, protection of joints would not be required.

In other cases, openings must be protected, but most codes permit a lesser degree of protection. For example, the Uniform Building Code requires that, when openings are permitted and must be protected, the "openings shall be protected by a fire assembly having a ¾-hour fire-protection rating." Where no openings are permitted, the fire resistance required for the wall should be provided at the joints.

Table 9.3.8 is based on results of fire tests of panels with butt joints [8]. The tabulated values apply to one-stage butt joints and are conservative for two-stage and ship-lap joints.

Joints between adjacent precast floor or roof elements may be ignored in calculating the slab thickness provided that a concrete topping at least 1½ in. thick is used. Where no concrete topping is used, joints should be grouted to a depth of at least one-third the slab thickness at the joint, or the joints made fire-resistive in a manner acceptable to the authority having jurisdiction.

### 9.3.7 Designing for Structural Integrity

It was noted above that many fire tests and related research studies have been directed toward an understanding of the structural behavior of prestressed concrete subjected to fire. The information gained from that work has led to the development of calculation procedures which can be used in lieu of fire tests. The purpose of this section is to present an introduction to these calculation procedures. Because the method of support is the most important factor affecting structural behavior of flexural elements during a fire, the discussion that follows deals with three conditions of support: simply supported members, continuous slabs and beams, and members in which restraint to thermal expansion occurs. For additional examples and more detailed information, refer to PCI MNL-124 [1].

The fire endurance of concrete walls as determined by fire tests is normally governed by the ASTM criteria for temperature rise of the unexposed surface rather than by structural behavior during fire tests. This is probably due to the low level of stresses, even in concrete bearing walls, and the fact that reinforcement generally does not perform a primary structural function. In most cases, the amount of cover protection for structural design exceeds that required for fire protection so there is, in effect, reserve structural fire endurance within the concrete wall.

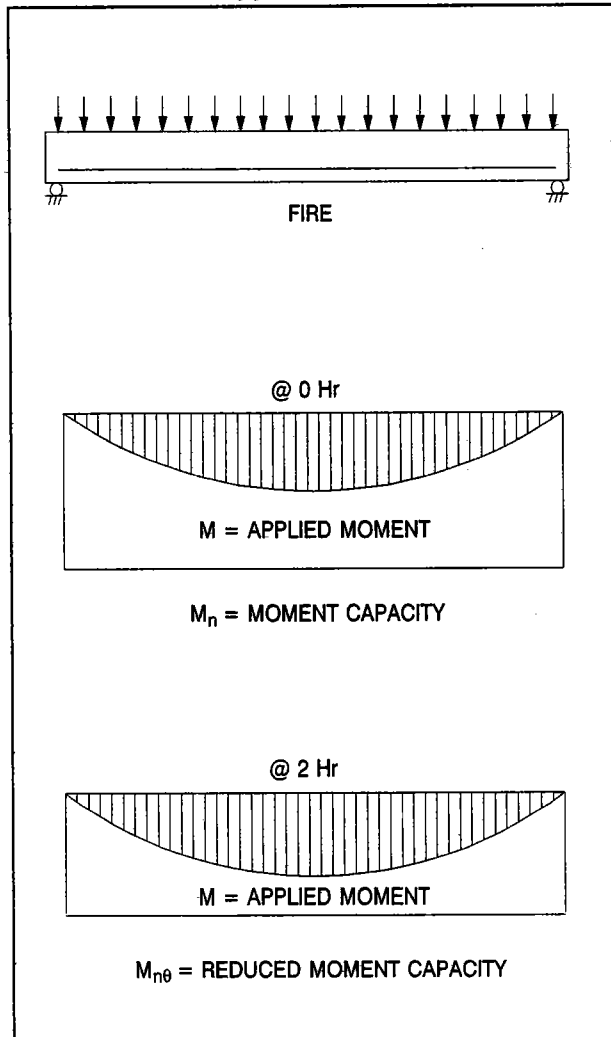
**Table 9.3.8 Protection of joints between wall panels utilizing ceramic fiber felt**

Panel equivalent thickness <sup>b</sup> (in.)	Thickness of ceramic fiber felt (in.) required for fire-resistance ratings and joint widths <sup>a</sup> shown							
	Joint width = 3/8 in.				Joint width = 1 in.			
	1 hr	2 hr	3 hr	4 hr	1 hr	2 hr	3 hr	4 hr
4	1/4	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	3/4	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
5	0	3/4	N.A.	N.A.	1/2	2 1/8	N.A.	N.A.
6	0	0	1 1/8	N.A.	1/4	1 1/4	3 1/2	N.A.
7	0	0	0	1	1/4	7/8	2	3 3/4

N.A. = Not applicable

- a. Interpolation may be used for joint width between 3/8 in. and 1 in. The tabulated values apply to one-stage butt joints and are conservative for two-stage and ship-lap joints
- b. Panel equivalent thicknesses are for carbonate concrete. For siliceous aggregate concrete change "4, 5, 6, and 7" to "4.3, 5.3, 6.5, and 7.5." For sand-lightweight concrete change "4, 5, 6, and 7" to "3.3, 4.1, 4.9, and 5.7."

**Figure 9.3.5 Moment diagrams for simply supported beam or slab**



**9.3.7.1 Simply Supported Members**

Assume that a simply supported prestressed concrete slab is exposed to fire from below, that the ends of the slab are free to rotate, and that expansion can occur without restriction. Also, assume that the reinforcement consists of straight uncoated strands located near the bottom of the slab. With the underside of the slab exposed to fire, the bottom will expand more than the top causing the slab to deflect downward; also, the strength of the steel and concrete near the bottom will decrease as the temperature rises. When the strength of the steel diminishes to less than that required to support the slab, flexural collapse will occur. In essence, the applied moment remains practically constant during the fire exposure, but the resisting moment capacity is reduced as the steel weakens.

Figure 9.3.5 illustrates the behavior of a simply supported slab exposed to fire from beneath, as described above. Because strands are parallel to the axis of the slab, the design moment strength is constant throughout the length:

$$\phi M_n = \phi A_{ps} f_{ps} (d - a/2) \tag{Eq. 9.3.3}$$

$f_{ps}$  can be determined from Figure 4.12.3 or Eq. 18-3 of ACI 318-95 [9].

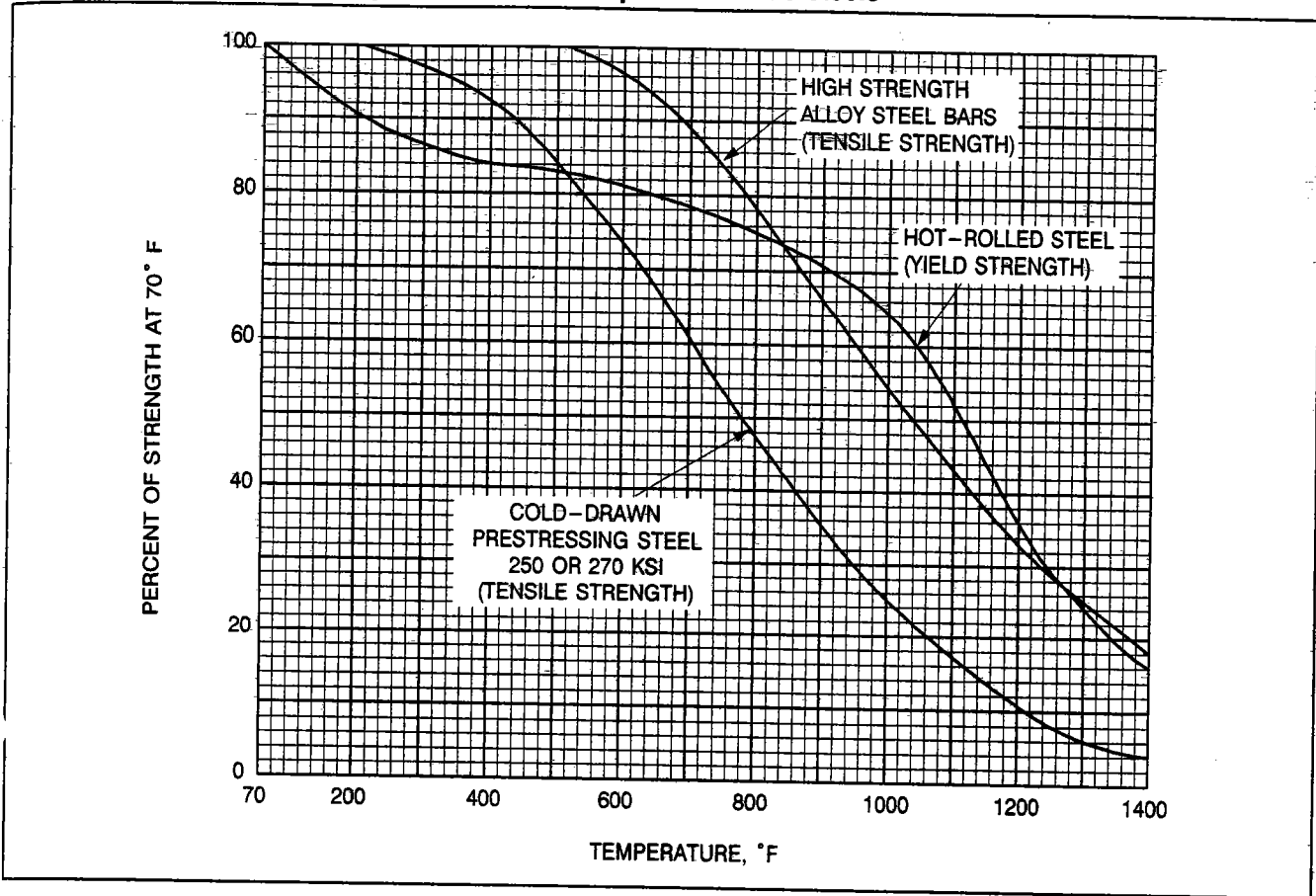
If the slab is uniformly loaded, the moment diagram will be parabolic with a maximum value at mid-span of:

$$M = \frac{w\ell^2}{8} \tag{Eq. 9.3.4}$$

where:

- w = dead plus live load per unit of length, k/in.
- $\ell$  = span length, in.

**Figure 9.3.6 Strength-temperature relationships for various steels**



**Figure 9.3.7 Compressive strength of concrete at high temperatures**

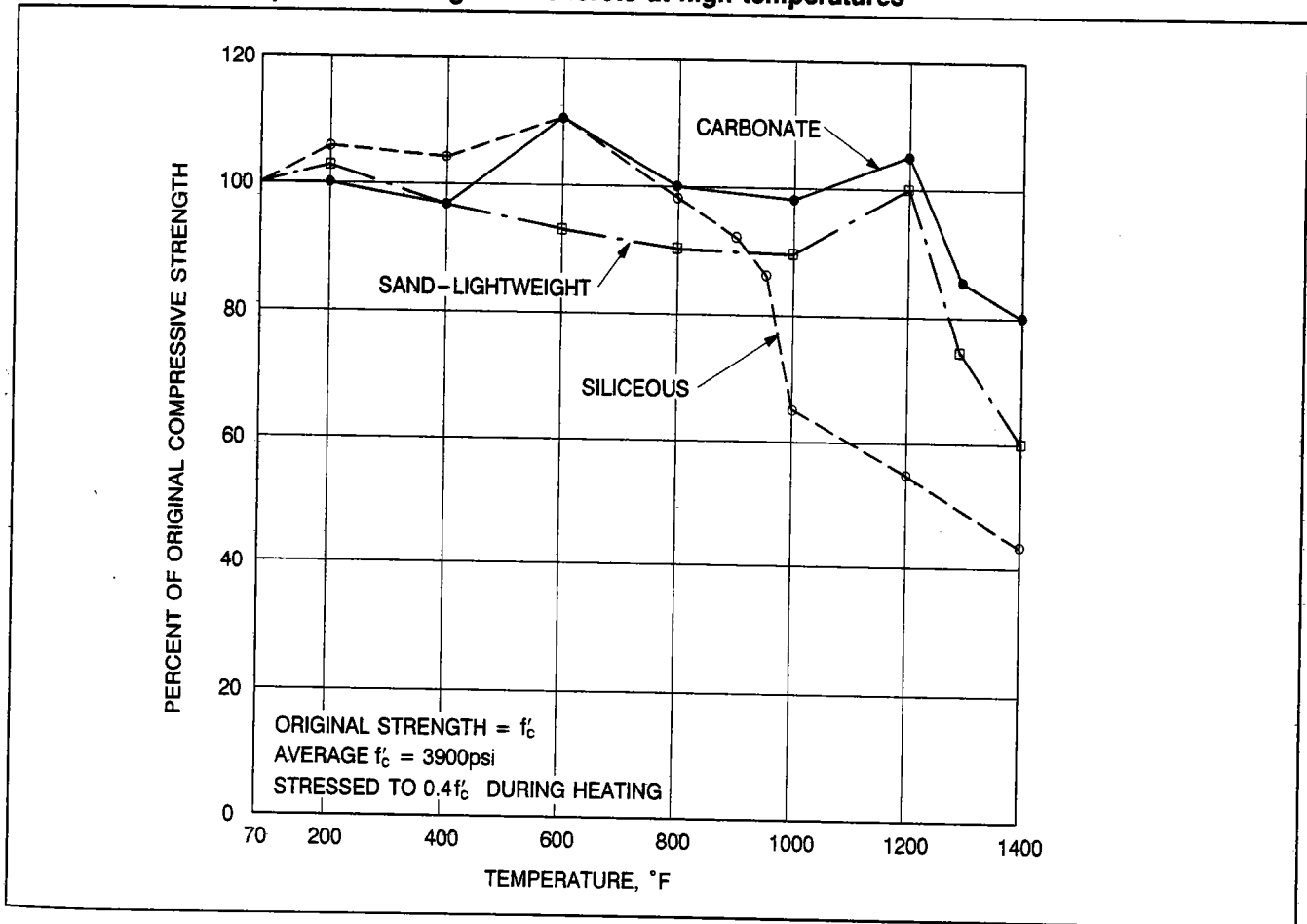


Figure 9.3.8 Temperature within concrete slabs or panels during fire tests—normal weight concrete

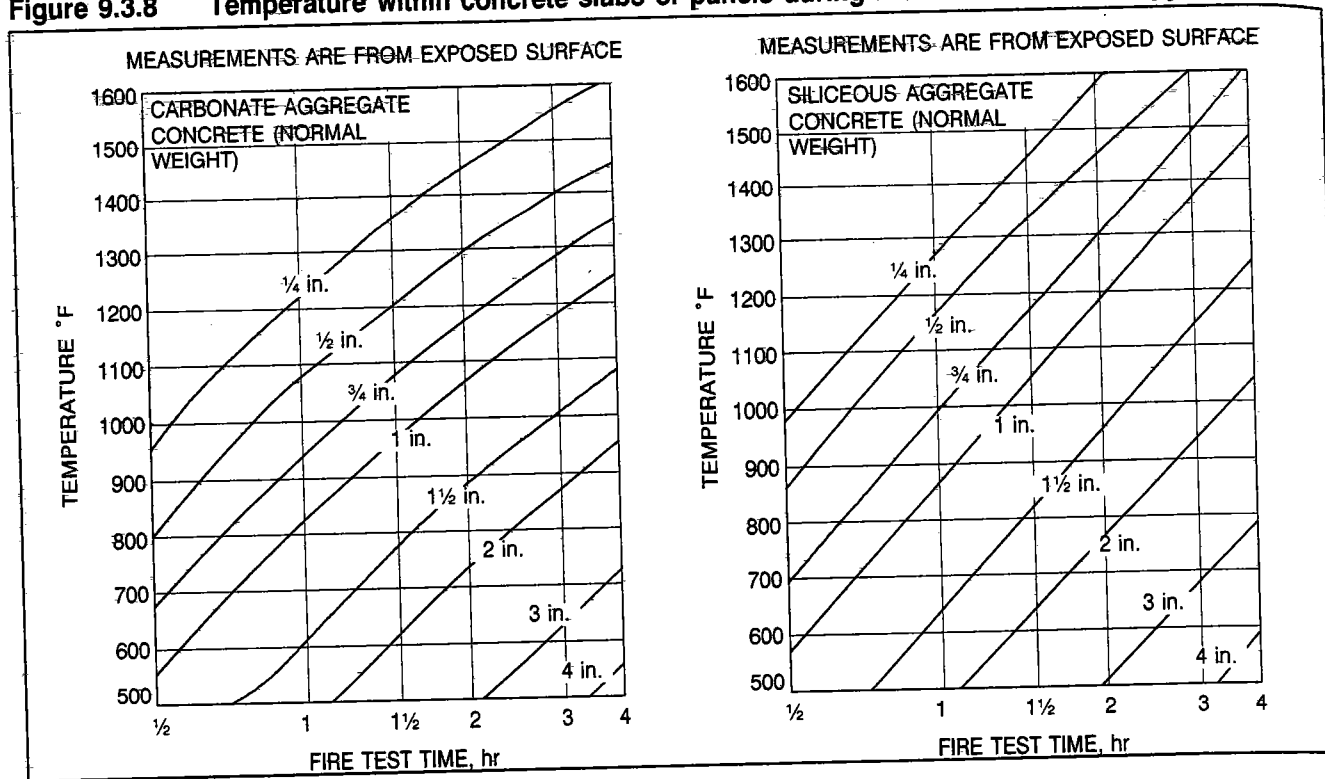
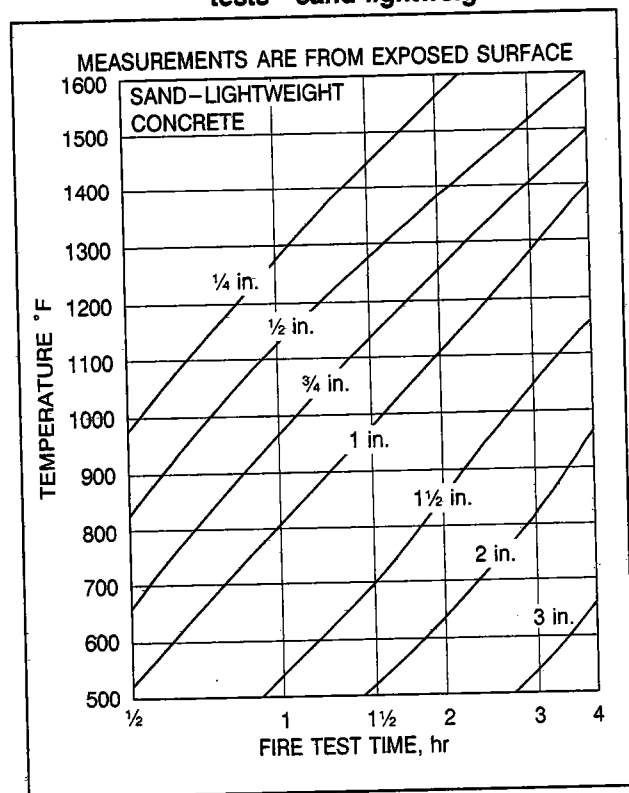


Figure 9.3.9 Temperatures within concrete slabs or panels during fire tests—sand-lightweight concrete



As the material strengths diminish with elevated temperatures, the retained nominal strength becomes:

$$M_{n\theta} = A_{ps} f_{ps\theta} (d - a_{\theta}/2) \quad (\text{Eq. 9.3.5})$$

in which  $\theta$  signifies the effects of high temperatures. Note that  $A_{ps}$  and  $d$  are not affected, but  $f_{ps}$  is reduced.

Similarly,  $a$  is reduced, but the concrete strength at the top of the slab,  $f'_c$ , is generally not reduced significantly because of its lower temperature.

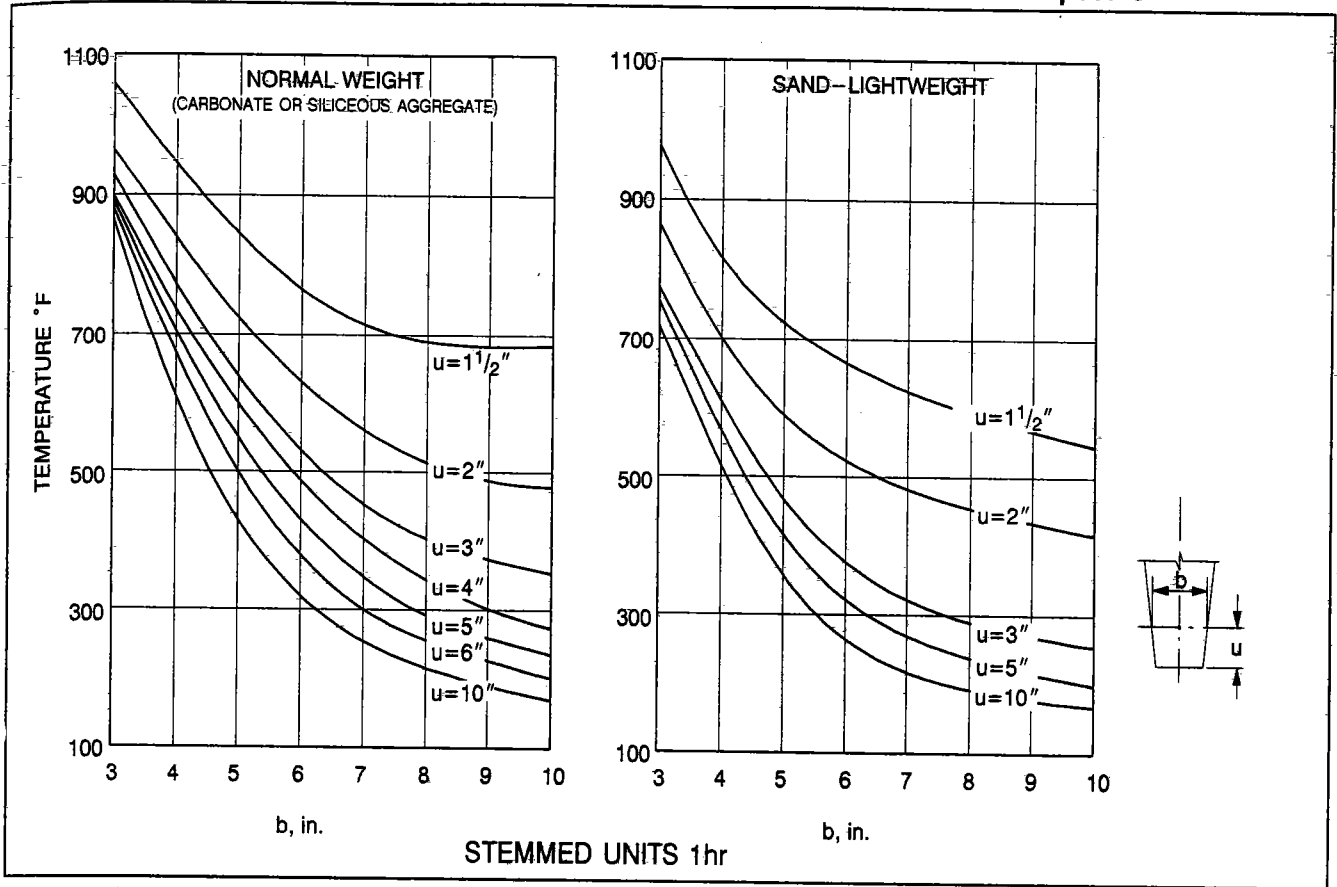
Flexural failure can be assumed to occur when  $M_{n\theta}$  is reduced to  $M$ . ACI load factors and strength reduction factors,  $\phi$ , are not applied because a safety factor is included in the required ratings [1]. From this expression, it can be seen that the fire endurance depends on the applied loading and on the strength-temperature characteristics of the steel.

In turn, the duration of the fire before the "critical" steel temperature is reached depends on the protection afforded to the reinforcement.

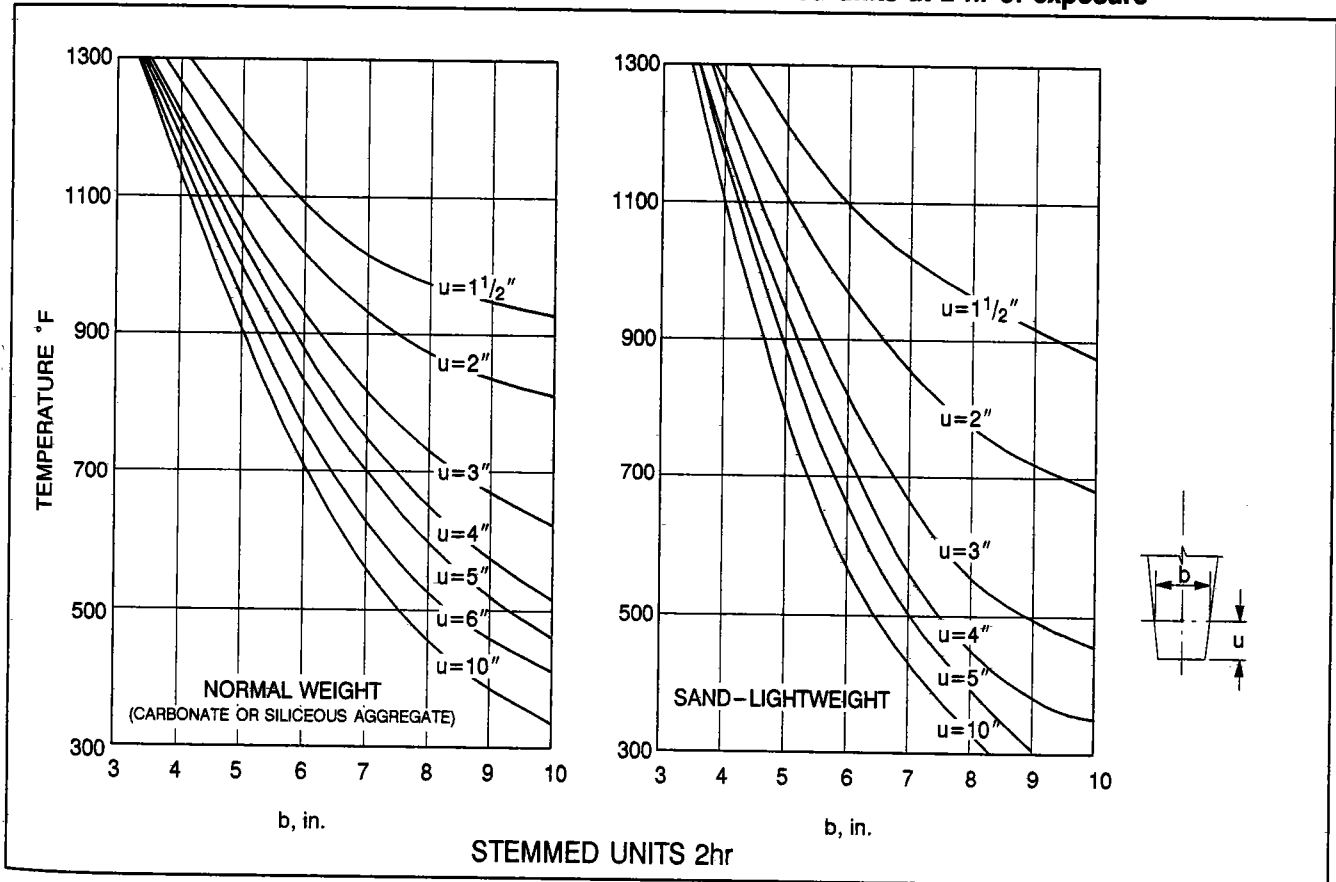
To solve problems involving the above equations, it is necessary to utilize data on the strength-temperature relationships for steel and concrete, and information on temperature distributions within concrete members during fire exposures. Figure 9.3.6 shows strengths of certain steels at elevated temperatures, and Figure 9.3.7 shows similar data for concrete.

Data on temperature distribution in concrete slabs during fire tests are shown in Figures 9.3.8 and 9.3.9. These figures can also be used for beams wider than about 10 in. An "effective  $u$ ,"  $\bar{u}$ , is used, which is the average of the distances between the centers of the individual strands or bars and the nearest fire-exposed surface. The values for corner strands or bars are reduced one-half to account for the exposure from two sides (see Example 9.3.4). The procedure does not apply to bundled bars or strands. Data on temperature distribution for stemmed members during fire tests are shown in Figures 9.3.10 through 9.3.13.

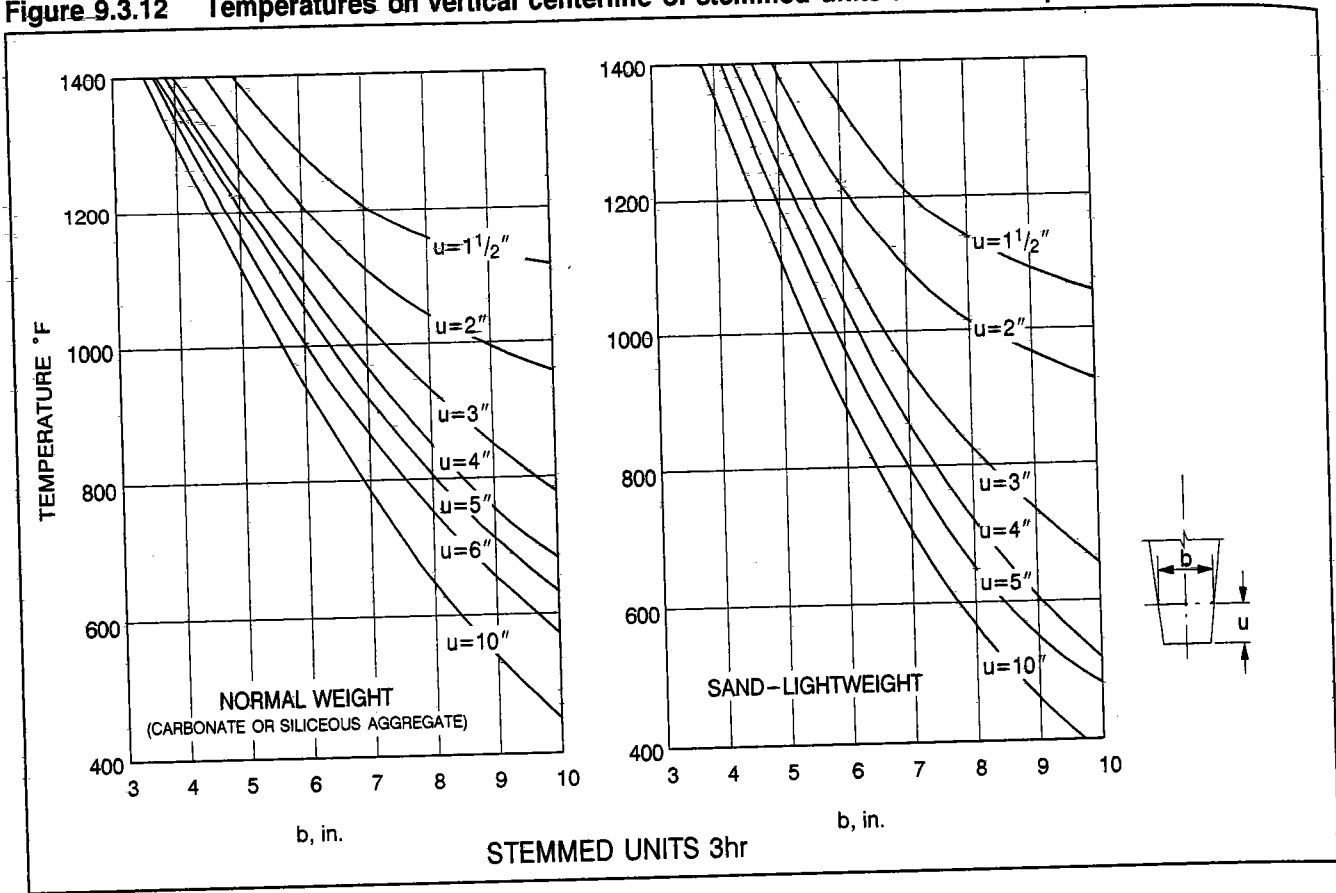
**Figure 9.3.10** Temperatures on vertical centerline of stemmed units at 1 hr of exposure



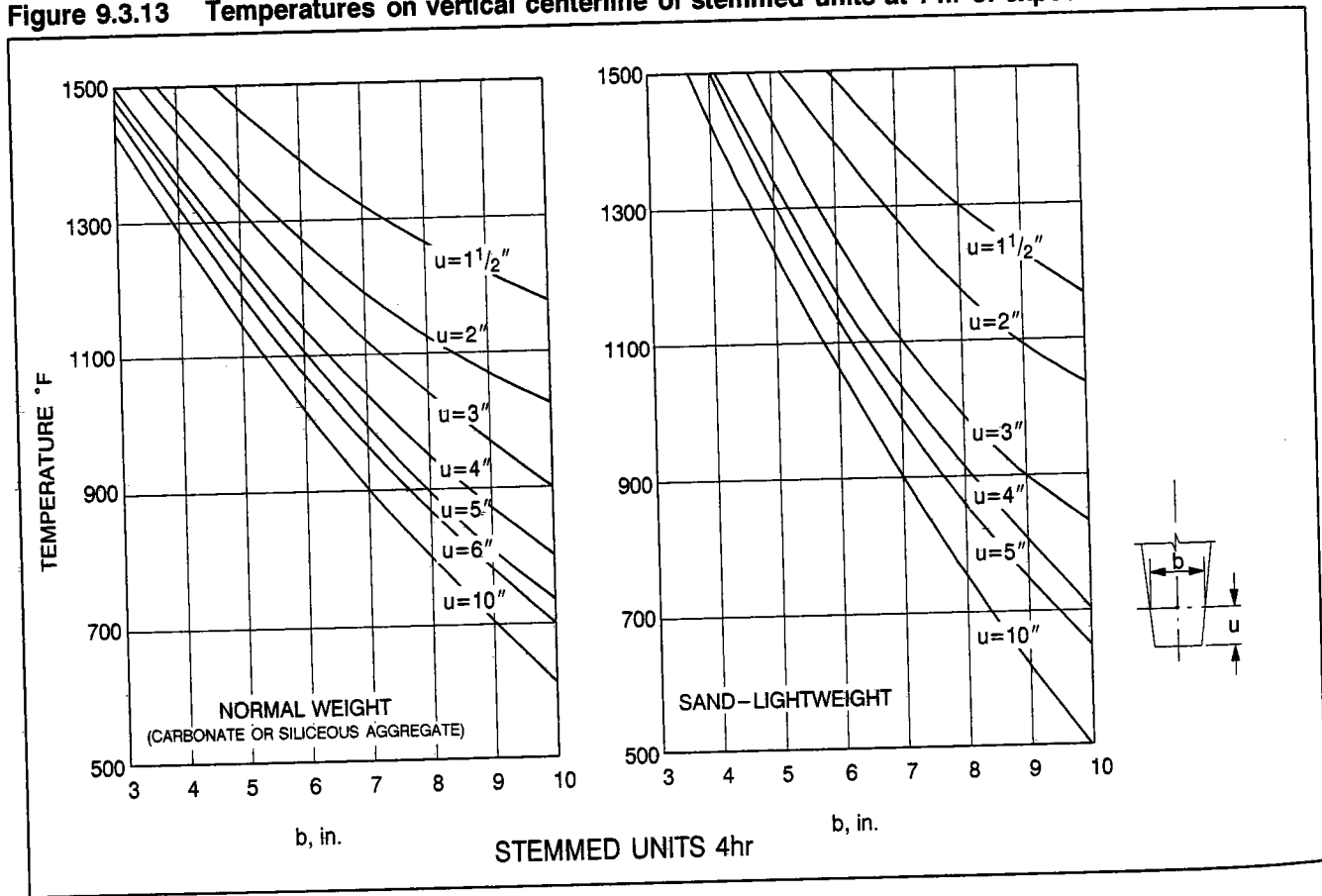
**Figure 9.3.11** Temperatures on vertical centerline of stemmed units at 2 hr of exposure



**Figure 9.3.12** Temperatures on vertical centerline of stemmed units at 3 hr of exposure



**Figure 9.3.13** Temperatures on vertical centerline of stemmed units at 4 hr of exposure



**Example 9.3.3 Calculation of Load Capacity of a Hollow-Core Slab with 3-Hour Fire Endurance**

*Given:*

An 8 in. deep hollow-core slab with a simply supported unrestrained span of 25 ft.

$$h = 8 \text{ in.}$$

$$u = 1.75 \text{ in.}$$

Eight ½ in. 270 ksi strands

$$A_{ps} = 8(0.153) = 1.224 \text{ in}^2$$

$$b = 48 \text{ in.}$$

$$d = 8 - 1.75 = 6.25 \text{ in.}$$

$$w_d = 60 \text{ psf}$$

Carbonate aggregate concrete

$$f'_c = 5000 \text{ psi}$$

$$l = 25 \text{ ft}$$

*Problem:*

Determine the maximum safe superimposed load that can be supported for a fire endurance of 3 hr.

*Solution:*

(a) Estimate strand temperature at 3 hr from Figure 9.3.8: At 3 hr, carbonate aggregate,

$$u = 1.75 \text{ in.}$$

$$\theta_s = 925^\circ\text{F}$$

(b) Determine  $f_{pu\theta}$  from Figure 9.3.6. For cold-drawn steel at 925°F

$$f_{pu\theta} = 0.33(f_{pu}) = 89.1 \text{ ksi}$$

(c) Determine  $M_{n\theta}$  and  $w$  from Figure 4.2.2.

$$f_{ps\theta} = 89.1 \left[ 1 - \frac{0.28(1.224)(89.1)}{0.8(48)(6.25)(5)} \right]$$

$$= 86.8 \text{ ksi}$$

$$a_\theta = \frac{A_{ps} f_{ps\theta}}{0.85 f'_c b} = \frac{1.224(86.8)}{0.85(5)(48)} = 0.52 \text{ in.}$$

$$M_{n\theta} = A_{ps} f_{ps\theta} (d - a_\theta/2)$$

$$= 1.224(86.8)(6.25 - 0.52/2)/12$$

$$= 53.0 \text{ kip-ft}$$

$$w = \frac{8M}{b\ell^2} = \frac{8(53.0)(1000)}{(4)(25)^2} = 169 \text{ psf}$$

$$w_\ell = w - w_d = 169 - 60 = 109 \text{ psf}$$

**Example 9.3.4 Calculation of Fire Endurance of a Rectangular Beam**

*Given:*

The 12RB24 shown in Figure 9.3.14.

Span = 30 ft

Dead load (including bm. wt.) = 1100 plf

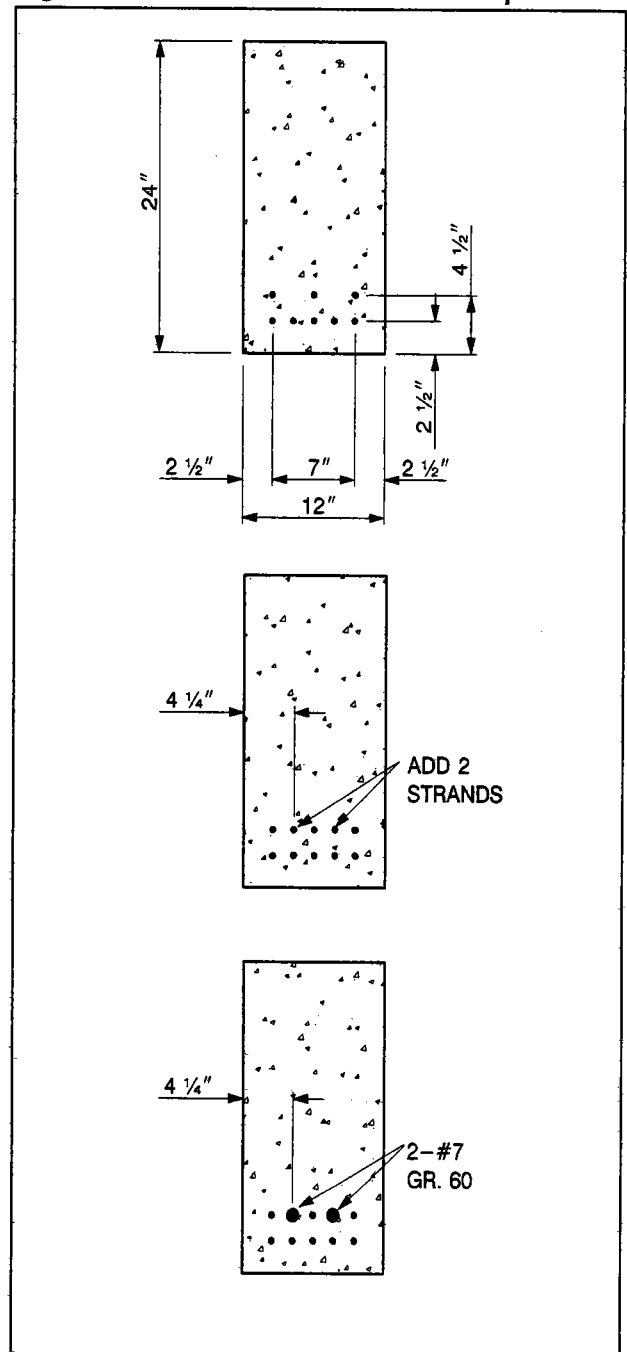
Live load = 1100 plf

Simple support, no restraint

Siliceous aggregate concrete,  $f'_c = 5000 \text{ psi}$

Stress-relieved ½ in. dia. strand,  $f_{ps} = 270 \text{ ksi}$

**Figure 9.3.14 Section views of Example 9.3.4**



**Problem:**

Determine the necessary reinforcement for a 4-hr fire endurance rating.

**Solution:**

Try 8 strands

$$A_{ps} = 8(0.153) = 1.224 \text{ in}^2$$

$$y_s = [5(2.5) + 3(4.5)]/8 = 3.25 \text{ in.}$$

$$d = 24 - 3.25 = 20.75 \text{ in.}$$

$$\bar{u} = [5(2.5) + 1(4.5) + 2(2.5)(0.5)]/8 = 2.44 \text{ in.}$$

From Figure 9.3.8, siliceous aggregate:  
at 4 hr, strand temp. = 920°F

From Figure 9.3.6:

$$f_{ps\theta} = 0.34(270) = 91.8 \text{ ksi}$$

From Figure 4.2.2:

$$f_{ps\theta} = 91.8 \left[ 1 - \frac{(0.4)(1.224)(91.8)}{(0.8)(12)(20.75)(5)} \right] = 87.7 \text{ ksi}$$

$$a_\theta = \frac{A_{ps} f_{ps\theta}}{0.85 f'_c b} = \frac{1.224(87.7)}{0.85(5)(12)}$$

$$= 2.10 \text{ in.}$$

$$M_{n\theta} = A_{ps} f_{ps\theta} (d - a_\theta/2) \\ = 1.224(87.7)(20.75 - 2.10/2) \\ = 2115 \text{ kip-in.} = 176 \text{ kip-ft}$$

Service load moment:

$$w = 2.20 \text{ kip/ft}$$

$$M = w\ell^2/8 = 2.20(30)^2/8$$

$$= 248 \text{ kip-ft} > 176 \text{ kip-ft}$$

Therefore, beam will not satisfy criteria for a 4-hr fire endurance.

**Solution No. 1:**

Try adding 2 additional strands at 4½ in. from bottom:

$$A_{ps} = 10(0.153) = 1.53 \text{ in}^2$$

$$y_s = [5(2.5) + 5(4.5)]/10 = 3.5 \text{ in.}$$

$$d = 24 - 3.5 = 20.5 \text{ in.}$$

$$\bar{u} = [5(2.5) + 1(4.5) + 2(4.25) + 2(2.5)(0.5)]/10 \\ = 2.80 \text{ in.}$$

From Figure 9.3.8:

$$\text{Strand temp.} = 840^\circ\text{F}$$

From Figure 9.3.6:

$$f_{ps\theta} = 0.42(270) = 113.4 \text{ ksi}$$

From Figure 4.2.2:

$$f_{ps\theta} = 113.4 \left[ 1 - \frac{(0.40)(1.53)(113.4)}{(0.8)(12)(20.5)(5)} \right] \\ = 105.4 \text{ ksi}$$

$$a_\theta = \frac{1.53(105.4)}{0.85(5)(12)} = 3.16 \text{ in.}$$

$$M_{n\theta} = 1.53(105.4)(20.5 - 3.16/2) \\ = 3051 \text{ kip-in.}$$

$$= 254 \text{ kip-ft} > 248 \text{ kip-ft} \quad \text{OK}$$

**Solution No. 2:**

Try adding 2-#7 bars at 4.5 in. from bottom:

$$A_s = 1.20 \text{ in}^2$$

$$d(\text{bars}) = 24 - 4.5 = 19.5 \text{ in.}$$

$$u(\text{bars}) = 4.25 \text{ in.}$$

From Figure 9.3.8:

$$\text{Bar temp. at 4 hr} = 500^\circ\text{F}$$

From Figure 9.3.6:

$$f_{y\theta} = 0.83 f_y = 49.8 \text{ ksi}$$

$$a_\theta = \frac{1.224(87.7) + 1.20(49.8)}{0.85(5)(12)} = 3.28 \text{ in.}$$

$$M_{n\theta} (\text{strand}) = 1.224(87.7)(20.75 - 3.28/2) \\ = 2051 \text{ kip-in.} = 171 \text{ kip-ft}$$

$$M_{n\theta} (\text{bars}) = 1.20(49.8)(19.5 - 3.28/2) \\ = 1067 \text{ kip-in.} = 89 \text{ kip-ft}$$

$$171 + 89 = 260 \text{ kip-ft} > 248 \text{ kip-ft} \quad \text{OK}$$

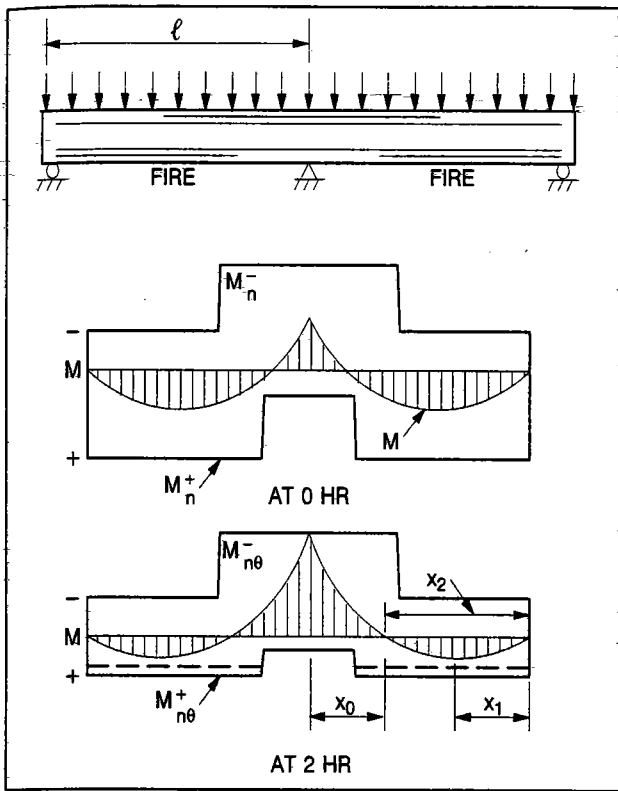
### 9.3.7.2 Continuous Members

Continuous members undergo changes in stresses when subjected to fire. These stresses result from temperature gradients within the structural members, or changes in strength of the materials at high temperatures, or both.

Figure 9.3.15 shows a two-span continuous beam whose underside is exposed to fire. The bottom of the beam becomes hotter than the top and tends to expand more than the top. This differential temperature effect causes the ends of the beam to tend to lift from their support thereby increasing the reaction at the interior support. This action results in a redistribution of moments, i.e., the negative moment at the interior support increases while the positive moments decrease.



**Figure 9.3.15** Moment diagram for a two-span continuous beam



During a fire, the negative moment reinforcement (Figure 9.3.15) remains cooler than the positive moment reinforcement because it is better protected from the fire. In addition, the redistribution that occurs is sufficient to cause yielding of the negative moment reinforcement. Thus, a relatively large increase in negative moment can be accommodated throughout the test. The resulting decrease in positive moment means that the positive moment reinforcement can be heated to a higher temperature before failure will occur. Therefore, the fire endurance of a continuous concrete beam is generally significantly longer than that of a simply supported beam having the same cover and the same applied loads.

It is possible to design the reinforcement in a continuous beam or slab for a particular fire endurance period. From Figure 9.3.15 the beam can be expected to collapse when the positive moment capacity,  $M_{n0}^+$  is reduced to the value of the maximum redistributed positive moment at a distance  $x_1$  from the outer support.

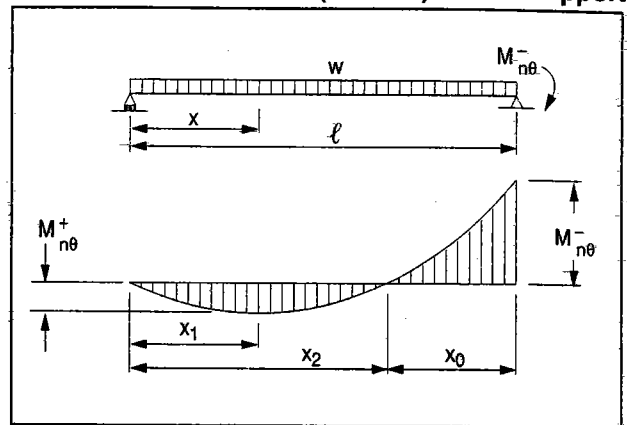
Figure 9.3.16 shows a uniformly loaded beam or slab continuous (or fixed) at one support and simply supported at the other. Also shown is the redistributed applied moment diagram at failure.

It can be shown that at the point of positive moment,  $x_1$ ,

$$x_1 = \frac{\ell}{2} - \frac{M_{n0}^-}{w\ell} \quad (\text{Eq. 9.3.6})$$

at  $x = x_2$ ,  $M_x = 0$  and  $x_2 = 2x_1$

**Figure 9.3.16** Uniformly loaded member continuous (or fixed) at one support



$$x_0 = \frac{2M_{n0}^-}{w\ell} \quad (\text{Eq. 9.3.7})$$

$$M_{n0}^- = \frac{w\ell^2}{2} \pm w\ell^2 \sqrt{\frac{2M_{n0}^+}{w\ell^2}} \quad (\text{Eq. 9.3.8})$$

In most cases, redistribution of moments occur early during the course of a fire and the negative moment reinforcement can be expected to yield before the negative moment capacity has been reduced by the effects of fire. In such cases, the length of  $x_0$  is increased, i.e., the inflection point moves toward the simple support. If the inflection point moves beyond the point where the bar stress cannot be developed in the negative moment reinforcement, sudden failure may result.

Figure 9.3.17 shows a symmetrical beam or slab in which the end moments are equal.

$$M_{n0}^- = \frac{w\ell^2}{8} - M_{n0}^+ \quad (\text{Eq. 9.3.9})$$

$$\frac{wx_2^2}{8} = M_{n0}^+ \quad (\text{Eq. 9.3.10})$$

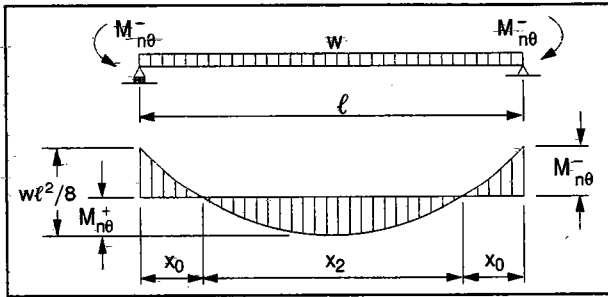
$$x_2 = \sqrt{\frac{8M_{n0}^+}{w}} \quad (\text{Eq. 9.3.11})$$

$$x_0 = \frac{1}{2}(\ell - x_2) = \frac{\ell}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{8M_{n0}^+}{w}} \quad (\text{Eq. 9.3.12})$$

To determine the maximum value of  $x_0$ , the value of  $w$  should be the minimum service load anticipated, and  $(w\ell^2/8 - M_n^-)$  should be substituted for  $M_{n0}^+$  in Eq. 9.3.12.

For any given fire endurance period, the value of  $M_{n0}^+$  can be calculated by the procedures given in Sect. 9.3.7. Then the value of  $M_n^-$  can be calculated by the use of Eqs. 9.3.8 or 9.3.9 and the necessary lengths of the negative moment reinforcement can be determined from Eqs. 9.3.7 or 9.3.12. Use of these equations is illustrated in Example 9.3.5.

**Figure 9.3.17 Uniformly loaded member continuous at supports**



The amount of moment redistribution that can occur is dependent on the amount of negative moment reinforcement. Tests have clearly demonstrated that in most cases the negative moment reinforcement will yield, so the negative moment capacity is reached early during a fire test, regardless of the applied loading. The designer must exercise care to ensure that a secondary type of failure will not occur. To avoid a compression failure in the negative moment region, the amount of negative moment reinforcement should be small enough so that  $\omega_\theta = A_s f_{y\theta} / b_\theta d_\theta f'_{c\theta}$  is less than 0.30, before and after reductions in  $f_y$ ,  $b$ ,  $d$  and  $f'_c$  are taken into account. Furthermore, the negative moment bars or welded wire reinforcement must be long enough to accommodate the complete redistributed moment and change in the inflection points. It should be noted that the worst condition occurs when the applied loading is smallest, such as the dead load plus partial or no live load. It is recommended that at least 20% of the maximum negative moment reinforcement extend throughout the span.

**Example 9.3.5 Fire Endurance for Hollow-Core Slab with Topping**

*Problem:*

Design a floor using hollow-core slabs and topping for 22 ft span for 4 hr fire endurance. Service loads = 175 psf dead (including structure) and 150 psf live. Use 4 ft wide, 10 in. deep slabs with 2 in. topping, carbonate aggregate concrete. Continuity can be achieved at both ends. Use  $f'_c$  (precast) = 5000 psi,  $f_{pu} = 250$  ksi, and  $f'_c$  (topping) = 3000 psi, sixteen  $\frac{3}{8}$  in., 250 ksi strands at  $u = 1.75$  in. Provide negative moment reinforcement needed for fire resistance.

*Solution:*

$$A_{ps} = 16(0.080) = 1.28 \text{ in}^2$$

$$u = 1.75 \text{ in.}$$

$$d = 12 - 1.75 = 10.25 \text{ in.}$$

From Figure 9.3.8,  $\theta_s = 1010^\circ\text{F}$

From Figure 9.3.6,  $f_{pu\theta} = 0.24f_{pu} = 60$  ksi

Use Fig. 4.12.2. Note that values for  $K'_u$  in Fig. 4.12.2 include  $\phi = 0.9$ . Since in the design for fire,  $\phi = 1.0$ , the value of  $K'_u$  must be divided by 0.9.

$$\omega_{p\theta} = \frac{16(0.080)(60)}{48(10.25)(3)} = 0.052$$

$$K'_u = 136/0.9 = 151$$

$$\begin{aligned} M_{n\theta} &= K'_u b d^2 / 12,000 \\ &= 151(48)(10.25)^2 / 12,000 \\ &= 63.5 \text{ kip-ft/unit} \\ &= 15.9 \text{ kip-ft/ft} \end{aligned}$$

For simply supported members:

$$M = 0.325(22)^2/8 = 19.7 \text{ kip-ft/ft}$$

$$\text{Req'd } M_{n\theta}^- = 19.7 - 15.9 = 3.8 \text{ kip-ft/ft}$$

Assume  $d - a_\theta/2 = 10.25$  in., and  $f_y = 60$  ksi

$$A_s^- = \frac{3.8(12)}{60(10.25)} = 0.074 \text{ in.}^2/\text{ft}$$

Use 20% of required  $A_s$  throughout span:

Try 6x6-W1.4 x W1.4 cont. plus 6x6-W2.9xW2.9 over supports

$$A_s^- = 0.029 + 0.058 = 0.087 \text{ in}^2/\text{ft}$$

Neglect concrete above 1400°F in negative moment region, i.e., from Figure 9.3.8, neglect bottom  $\frac{5}{8}$  in. Also, concrete within compressive zone will be about 1350 to 1400°F, so use  $f'_{c\theta} = 0.81f'_c$  (see Figure 9.3.7) = 4.05 ksi.

Check  $M_{n\theta}^-$ , assuming that the temperature of the negative steel does not rise above 200°F. If greater than 200°F, steel strength should be reduced according to Figure 9.3.6.

$$a_\theta = \frac{0.087(60)}{0.85(4.05)(12)} = 0.126 \text{ in.}$$

$$\begin{aligned} M_{n\theta}^- &= 0.087(60)(10.37 - 0.063)/12 \\ &= 4.48 \text{ kip-ft/ft} \end{aligned}$$

With dead load +  $\frac{1}{2}$  live load,  $w = 0.25$  ksf,  $M = 15.12$  kip-ft/ft, and  $M_{n\theta}^- = 4.71$  kip-ft/ft (calculated for room temperature)

$$M_{min}^+ = 15.12 - 4.71 = 10.41 \text{ kip-ft/ft}$$

From Eq. 9.3.12

$$\max x_0 = \frac{22}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{8(10.41)}{0.25}} = 1.87 \text{ ft}$$

Use 6 x 6-W1.4 x W1.4 continuous throughout plus 6 x 6-W2.9 x W2.9 for a distance of 3 ft from the support. Welded wire reinforcement must extend into walls which must be designed for the moment induced at the top.

### 9.3.7.3 Members Restrained Against Thermal Expansion

If a fire occurs beneath an interior portion of a large reinforced concrete slab, the heated portion will tend to expand and push against the surrounding part of the slab. In turn, the unheated part of the slab exerts compressive forces on the heated portion. The compressive force, or thrust, acts near the bottom of the slab when the fire test occurs but, as the fire progresses, the line of action of the thrust rises as the mechanical properties of the heated concrete changes. This thrust is generally great enough to increase the fire endurance significantly.

The effects of restraint to thermal expansion can be characterized as shown in Figure 9.3.18. The thermal thrust acts in a manner similar to an external prestressing force, which, in effect, increases the positive moment capacity.

The increase in bending moment capacity is similar to the effect of added reinforcement located along the line of action of the thrust. It can be assumed that the added reinforcement has a yield strength (force) equal to the thrust. By this approach, it is possible to determine the magnitude and location of the required thrust to provide a given fire endurance.

The above explanation is greatly simplified because in reality restraint is quite complex, and can be likened to the behavior of a flexural member subjected to an axial force. Interaction diagrams similar to those for columns can be constructed for a given cross-section at a particular stage of a fire, e.g., 2 hr of a standard fire exposure [4]. The guidelines in ASTM E 119 given for determining conditions of restraint are useful for preliminary design purposes. Most interior and many exterior bays of multi-bay floors or roofs can be considered to be restrained and the magnitude and location of the thrust are generally of academic interest only. In such cases, the fire endurance is governed by heat transmission rather than by structural considerations.

### 9.3.7.4 Shear Resistance

Many fire tests have been conducted on simply supported reinforced or prestressed concrete elements as well as on elements in which restraint to thermal expansion occurred. Shear failures did not occur in any of those tests.

It should be noted that when beams which are continuous over one support (e.g., such as that shown in Figure 9.3.15) are exposed to fire, both the moment and the shear at the interior support increase. Such a redistribution of moment and shear results in a severe stress condition. However, of the several fire tests of reinforced concrete beams in

which that condition was simulated, failure occurred only in one beam [5]. In that test, the shear reinforcement was inadequate, even for service load conditions without fire, as judged by the shear requirements of ACI 318-95. Thus, it appears from available test data that members which are designed for shear strength in accordance with ACI 318-95 will perform satisfactorily in fire situations, i.e., failure will not occur prematurely due to a shear failure.

### 9.3.8 Protection of Connections

Many types of connections in precast concrete construction are not vulnerable to the effects of fire, and consequently, require no special treatment. For example, gravity-type connections, such as the bearing between precast concrete panels and concrete footings or beams which support them, do not generally require special fire protection.

If the panels rest on elastomeric pads or other combustible materials, protection of the pads is not generally needed because deterioration of the pads will not cause collapse.

Connections that can be weakened by fire and thereby jeopardize the structure's load carrying capacity should be protected to the same degree as that required for the supported member. For example, an exposed steel bracket supporting a panel or spandrel beam will be weakened by fire and might fail causing the panel or beam to collapse. Such a bracket should be protected.

The amount of protection depends on (a) the stress-strength ratio in the steel at the time of the fire and (b) the intensity and duration of the fire. The thickness of protection materials required is greater as the stress level and fire severity increase.

Figure 9.3.18 Longitudinally restrained beam during fire exposure

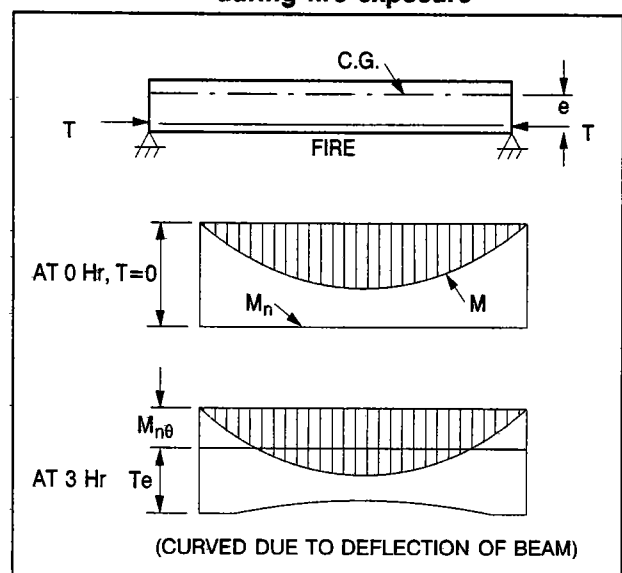


Figure 9.3.19 shows the thickness of various commonly used fire protection materials required for fire endurance up to 4 hr. The values shown are based on a critical steel temperature of 1000°F, i.e., a stress-strength ratio ( $f_s/f_y$ ) of about 65%. Values in Figure 9.3.19(B) are applicable to concrete or dry-pack mortar encasement of structural steel shapes used as brackets or lintels.

### 9.3.9 Precast Concrete Column Covers

Steel columns are often clad with precast concrete panels or covers for architectural reasons. Such covers also provide fire protection for the columns.

Figure 9.3.20 shows the relationship between the thickness of concrete column covers and fire endurance for various steel column sections. The fire endurance shown are based on an empirical relationship developed by Lie and Harmathy [10].

The above authors also found that the air space between the steel core and the column covers has only a minor effect on the fire endurance. An air space will probably increase the fire endurance but only by an insignificant amount.

Most precast concrete column covers are 3 in. or more in thickness, but some are as thin as 2½ in. From Figure 9.3.20, it can be seen that precast concrete column covers can qualify the column for fire endurance of at least 2½ hr, and usually more than 3 hr. For steel column sections other than those shown, including shapes other than wide flange beams, interpolation between the curves on the basis of weight per foot will generally give reasonable results.

For example, the fire endurance afforded by a 3 in.

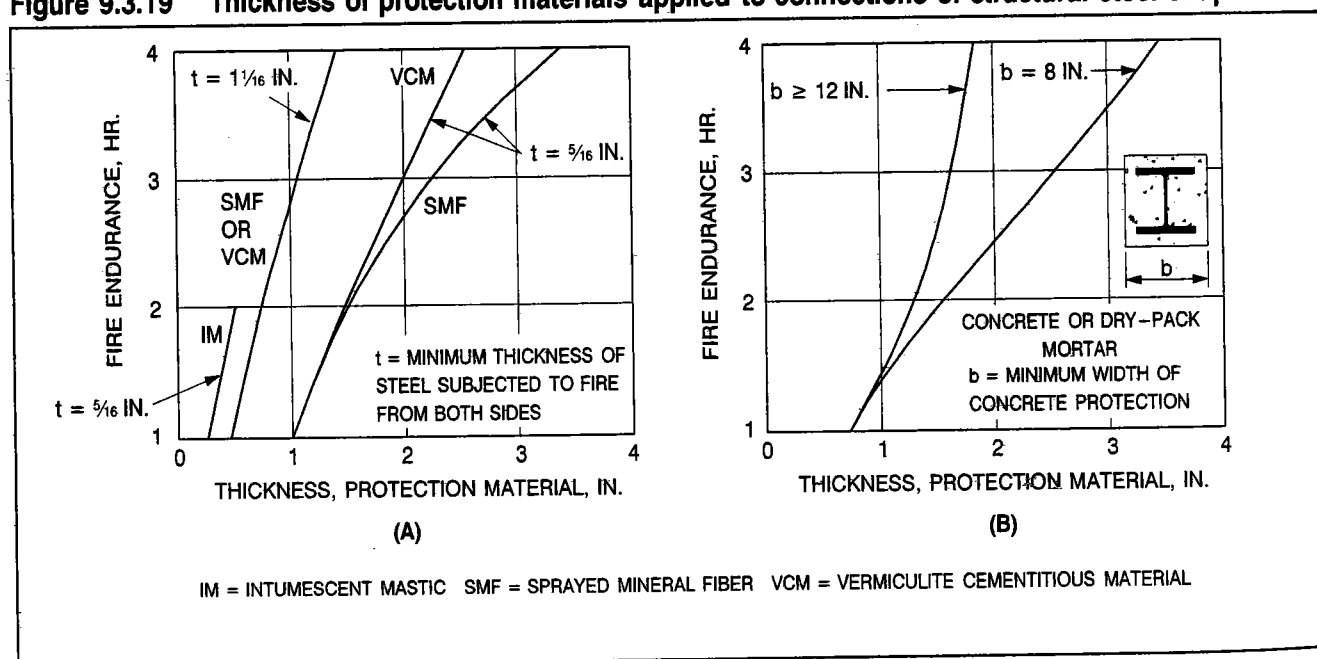
thick column cover of normal weight concrete for a 8 x 8 x ½ in. steel tube column will be about 3 hr 20 min (the weight of the section is 47.35 lb per ft).

Precast concrete column covers (Figure 9.3.21) are made in various shapes such as (A) four flat panels with butt or mitered joints that fit together to enclose the steel column, (B) four L-shaped units, (C) two L-shaped units, (D) two U-shaped units, and (E) and (F) U-shaped units and flat closure panels. Type (A) would probably be most vulnerable to bowing during fire exposure while Type (F) would probably be the least vulnerable. There are, of course, many combinations to accommodate isolated columns, corner columns, and column walls.

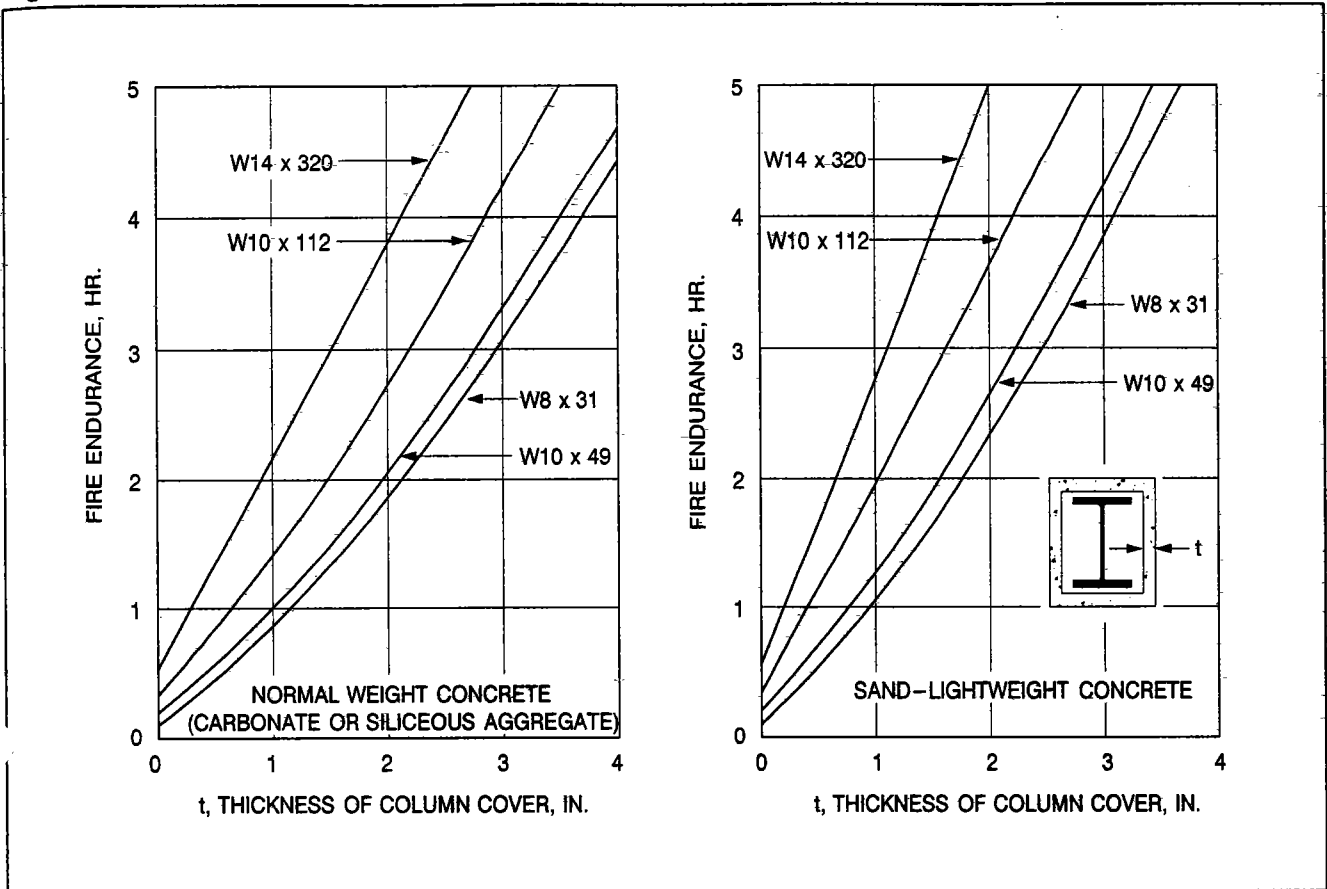
To be fully effective the column covers must remain in place without severe distortion. Many types of connections are used to hold the column covers in place. Some connections consist of bolted or welded clip angles attached to the tops and bottoms of the covers. Others consist of steel plates embedded in the covers that are welded to angles, plates, or other shapes which are, in turn, welded or bolted to the steel column. In any case, the connections are used primarily to position the column covers and as such are not highly stressed. As a result, temperature limits need not be applied to the steel in most column cover connections.

If restrained, either partially or fully, concrete panels tend to deflect or bow when exposed to fire. For example, for a steel column that is clad with four flat panels attached top and bottom, the column covers will tend to bulge at midheight thus tending to open gaps along the sides. The gap size decreases as the panel thickness increases.

Figure 9.3.19 Thickness of protection materials applied to connections of structural steel shapes



**Figure 9.3.20 Fire endurance of steel columns afforded protection by concrete column covers**



With L, C, or U-shaped panels, the gap size is further reduced. The gap size can be further minimized by connections at midheight. In some cases, ship-lap joints can be used to minimize the effects of joint openings.

Joints should be sealed in such a way to prevent passage of flame to the steel column. A non-combustible material such as sand-cement mortar or ceramic fiber blanket can be used to seal the joint.

Precast concrete column covers should be installed in such a manner that, if they are exposed to fire, they will not be restrained vertically. As the covers are heated they tend to expand. Connections should accommodate such expansion without subjecting the cover to additional loads.

Fire resistive compressible materials, such as mineral fiber safing, can be used to seal the tops or bases of the column covers, thus permitting the column covers to expand.

### 9.3.10 Code and Economic Considerations

An important aspect of dealing with fire resistance is to understand what the benefits are to the owner of a building in the proper selection of materials incorporated in his structure. These benefits fall into two areas: codes and economics.

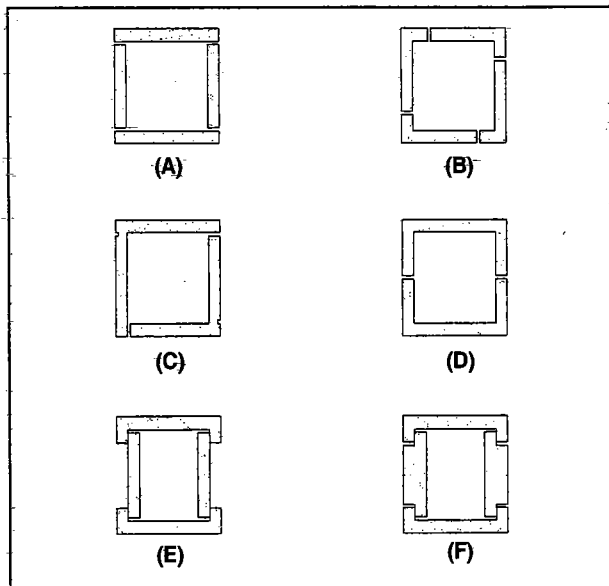
Building codes are laws that must be satisfied regardless of any other considerations and the manner

in which acceptance of code requirements is achieved is explained in the preceding pages. The designer, representing the owner, has no option in the code regulations, but does have a number of options in the materials and assemblies that meet these regulations, such as those included in this Handbook.

Economic benefits associated with increased fire resistance should be considered by the designer/owner team at the time decisions are made on the structural system. Proper consideration of fire resistive construction through a life-cycle cost analysis will provide the owner economic benefits over other types of construction in many areas, e.g., lower insurance costs, larger allowable gross area under certain types of building construction, fewer stairwells and exits, increased value for loan purposes, longer mortgage terms, and better resale value. To ensure an owner of the best return on his investment, a life-cycle cost analysis using fire resistive construction should be prepared.

Beyond the theoretical considerations is the history of excellent performance of prestressed concrete in actual fires. Structural integrity has been maintained, fires are contained in the area of origin, and, in many instances, repairs consist of "cosmetic" treatment only, leading to early re-occupancy of the structure.

**Figure 9.3.21 Types of precast concrete column covers**



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## 9.4 SANDWICH PANELS

### 9.4.1 General

Sandwich panels are composed of two concrete wythes separated by a layer of insulation. One of the concrete wythes may be a standard shape, as shown in Figure 9.4.1, or any architectural concrete section produced for a single project. In place, sandwich panels provide the dual function of transferring load and insulating the structure, and can provide the interior and exterior finished wall surfaces. They may be used only for cladding, or they may act as beams, bearing walls or shear walls.

### 9.4.2 Structural Design

The structural design of sandwich panels is the same as design of other wall panels once the section properties of the panel have been determined. Three different assumptions may be used for the properties, depending on the construction:

1. Non-composite for full life cycle of panel: The two concrete layers act independently (Figure 9.4.2(A)). The wythes are connected by ties and/or hangers which are flexible enough that they offer insignificant resistance to shrinkage and temperature movement. Positive steps may be taken to ensure that one wythe does not bond to the insulation. Typical techniques are by placing a sheet of polyethylene or reinforced paper over the insulation before the final concrete wythe is placed, by applying a retarder or form release agent to one side of the insulation, or by placing insulation in two layers (Figure 9.4.10). One wythe is usually assumed to be "structural" and all loads are carried by that wythe, both during handling and in service, although, when designing for wind loads and slenderness effects, the panel may in some cases be designed as in (3) below.

2. Composite for full life cycle of panel: The two wythes act as a fully composite unit for the full life of the structure (Figure 9.4.2(B)). In order to provide for composite behavior, positive measures must be taken to effect shear transfer between the wythes in the direction of panel span. This may be accomplished by rigid ties, longitudinal welded-wire trusses, or regions of solid concrete which join both wythes.
3. Composite during handling, but non-composite during service life: Composite action results largely because of early bond between insulation and adjacent wythes, in combination with flexible ties. The bond is considered unreliable for the long term, thus the panel is considered as non-composite for service life loads. Wind loads are distributed to each wythe in proportion to wythe stiffness. For effects of slenderness, the sum of the individual moments of inertia may be used.

For some machine-produced sandwich panels, tests and experience have demonstrated that a degree of composite action can be anticipated for the full life cycle. Manufacturer's recommendations for these panels should be followed.

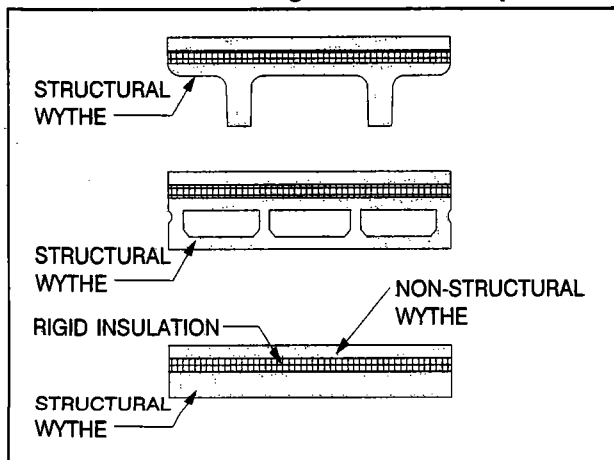
The choice of panel type must consider the following:

A composite panel will have a stiffness significantly greater than a non-composite panel or partially composite panel of the same thickness. Thus, a composite panel can span greater heights. However, because there will be a significantly greater temperature gradient across the thickness of a composite panel, this panel type can be expected to bow more.

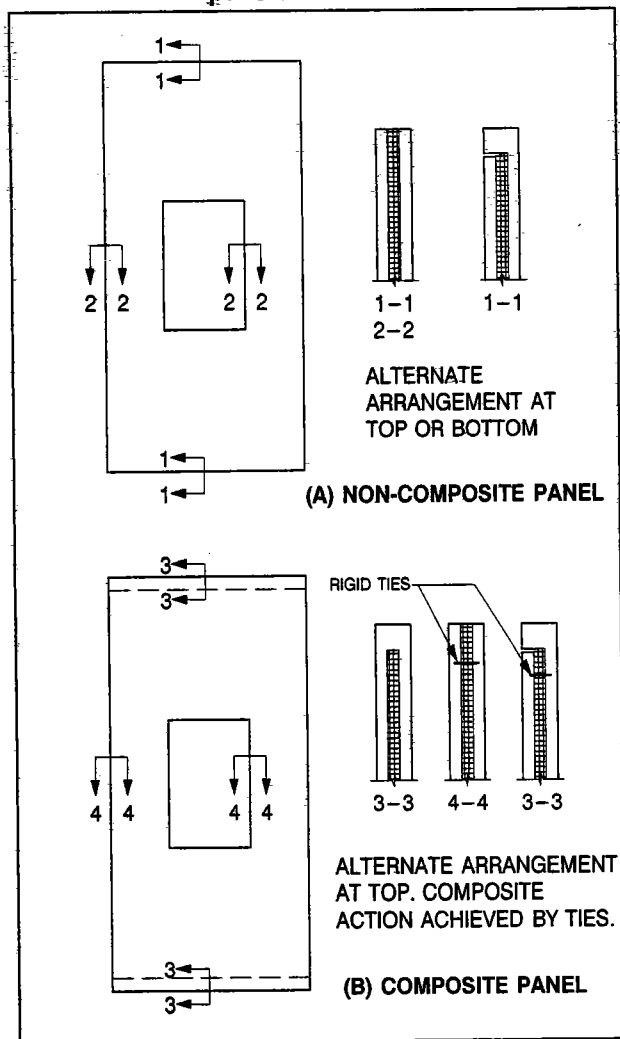
Panel size is limited only by stresses due to handling and service loads, and slenderness in load bearing panels, modified by the experience of the producer. Wythes should be no thinner than 2 in. or 3 times the maximum aggregate size. Panels with  $\frac{3}{4}$  in. aggregate and 2 in. thick wythes have been successfully used.

Lifting points should be chosen to limit stresses below the modulus of rupture during stripping and handling so that cracks do not occur. Prestressing in the long direction is particularly effective as a method of providing for virtually crack-free panels; cracking due to restrained shrinkage in the short direction of the panel usually need not be considered, provided the dimension in that direction does not exceed about 12 ft. Prestressing should be concentric within each wythe which is stressed. The designer may consider prestressing the non-structural exterior wythe to the same or higher prestress level as the structural wythe, in order to counteract panel bowing.

Figure 9.4.1 Typical precast concrete load bearing insulated wall panels



**Figure 9.4.2 Non-composite and composite panels**



Ref. 4 includes design examples for composite and non-composite sandwich panels used as cladding, bearing walls and shear walls. A design example for a semi-composite panel (design assumption 3, above) is also included.

**Example 9.4.1 Section Properties of Sandwich Panels**

**Given:**

The sandwich panel shown in Figure 9.4.3.

**Problem:**

Calculate the moment of inertia and section modulus if the section is (a) non-composite and (b) composite. Also find the load distribution for the non-composite case. Since the insulation is rigid, the lateral load applied to the non-composite panel will be resisted by each wythe in proportion to its stiffness.

**Solution:**

(a) The non-composite properties are as follows:

Interior (structural) wythe:

$$I_i = bd^3/12 = 12(4)^3/12 = 64 \text{ in}^4/\text{ft width}$$

$$S_i = I/c = 64/2 = 32 \text{ in}^3/\text{ft width}$$

Exterior (non-structural) wythe:

$$I_e = 12(2.5)^3/12 = 15.6 \text{ in}^4/\text{ft}$$

$$S_e = 15.6/1.25 = 12.5 \text{ in}^3/\text{ft}$$

Distribution:

$$I_i + I_e = 64 + 15.6 = 79.6 \text{ in}^4$$

Lateral load resisted by:

$$\text{Interior: } 64(100)/79.6 = 80\%$$

$$\text{Exterior: } 15.6(100)/79.6 = 20\%$$

(b) The composite properties are as follows:

	A	y	Ay	$\bar{y}$	$A\bar{y}^2$	I
Interior	48	2.00	96.0	1.63	127.5	64.0
Exterior	30	6.25	187.5	2.62	205.9	15.6
	78		283.5		333.4	79.6

$$y_b = 283.5/78 = 3.63 \text{ in.}$$

$$I_c = 333.4 + 79.6 = 413.0 \text{ in}^4/\text{ft width}$$

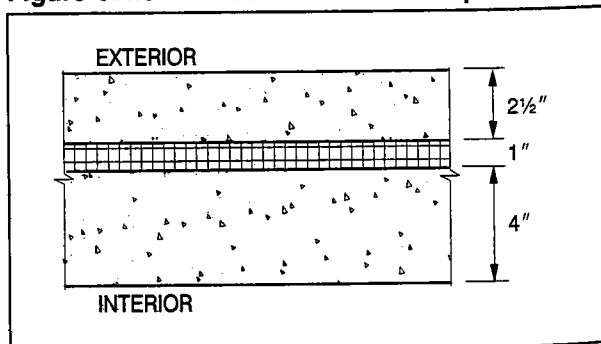
**9.4.3 Connections**

**9.4.3.1 Panel Connections**

Analysis and design of panel connections to resist normal and transverse wind and seismic shears as well as gravity and alignment loads are described in Chapters 3 and 6. Consideration must also be given to anticipated bowing, particularly of composite panels.

The effects of differential bowing between adjacent panels of similar span may be minimized by carefully aligning the panel during erection, and providing caulking on both the inside and outside of panel joints. Where adjacent panels are of significantly different stiffness, connections should be provided across the adjacent joint, to maintain alignment; such connections should be spaced not more than 15 ft on centers along the length of the common joint. The connection should provide for anticipated movement to prevent build-up of volumetric restraint forces.

**Figure 9.4.3 Illustration for Example 9.4.1**





When bowing does occur, it is generally outward. Chapter 3, Sect. 3.3.2, discusses the effects on connections. Recommendations stated there should be followed in order to prevent the opening of joints and the resultant possibility of caulk failure. Special attention should also be paid to panels which are hung from adjacent panels. If a hung panel is supported by full height panels which are supported on a foundation, the assembly of panels can move as a unit, without distress to the panel or joint sealant. However, if the hung panel is also rigidly attached to the structure, this restraint may result in differential bowing of the hung panel with respect to the adjacent long panels. A detail to permit the hung panel to move with the adjacent panels should be provided. Attention should be paid to the position of the connection near the bottom of a panel supported on a foundation, in order to minimize the possibility of spalling due to thermal bowing, Figure 9.4.4.

### 9.4.3.2 Wythe Connectors

When one wythe is non-structural, its weight must be transferred to the structural wythe. This may be accomplished by using shear connectors or solid concrete ribs at the top or bottom of the panel. If the panel is non-composite, the shear connector should be a single element or a closely spaced pair of elements placed as near the center of rigidity of the panel as possible. This permits the non-structural wythe to contract and expand with the least restraint.

Shear anchors may be bent reinforcing bars, sleeve anchors, expanded metal, fiber connectors, or welded wire trusses, as illustrated in Figure 9.4.5.

For ribbed panels, the shear connector is placed in the rib to assure proper embedment depth. In non-composite panels, it is preferable to have only one anchoring center. In a panel with two ribs, the shear connector can be positioned in either one of the ribs, and a flat anchor with the same vertical shear capacity is used in the other rib (Figure 9.4.6). Since the flat anchor has little or no horizontal shear capacity, restraint of the exterior wythe is minimized. In a multi-ribbed panel, the shear connector is placed as near the center of rigidity as is possible, and flat anchors are used in the other ribs.

To complete the connection, metal tension/compression ties passing through the insulation are spaced at regular intervals to prevent the wythes from separating. Functions of wythe connectors are shown in Figure 9.4.7. Typical tie details are shown in Figure 9.4.8, and arrangements and spacing in Figure 9.4.9. Wire tie connectors are usually 12 to 14 gauge, and preferably of stainless steel. Galvanized metal or plastic ties may also be acceptable. Ties of welded wire reinforcement and reinforcing bars are sometimes used. Shaped, crimped, or bent ties should be cold bent.

Tension/compression ties should be flexible enough so as not to resist temperature and shrinkage parallel to the panel surface, yet strong enough to resist a lifetime of stress reversals caused by temperature strains. Ties should be arranged, or coated, so that galvanic reaction between the tie and reinforcement will not occur.

The spacing of ties should be approximately 2 ft on centers, but not more than 4 ft, or at least 2 ties per 10 ft<sup>2</sup> of panel area.

Figure 9.4.4 Restraint at foundation

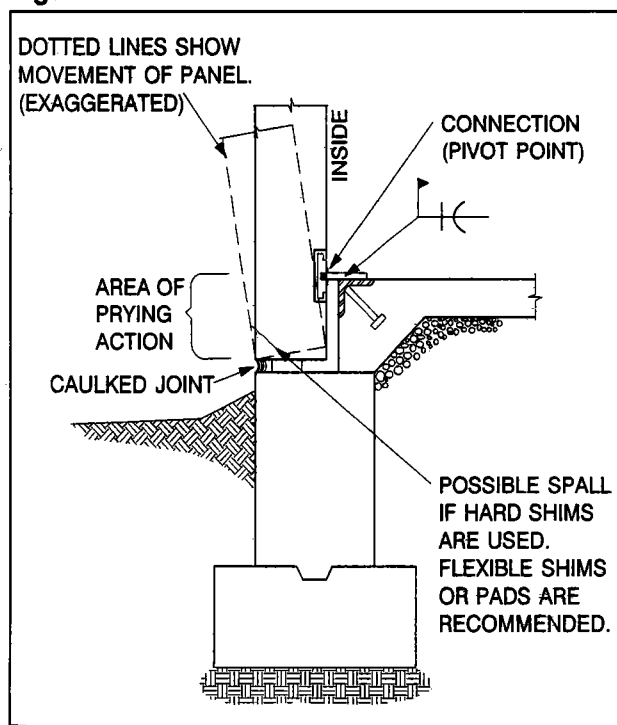
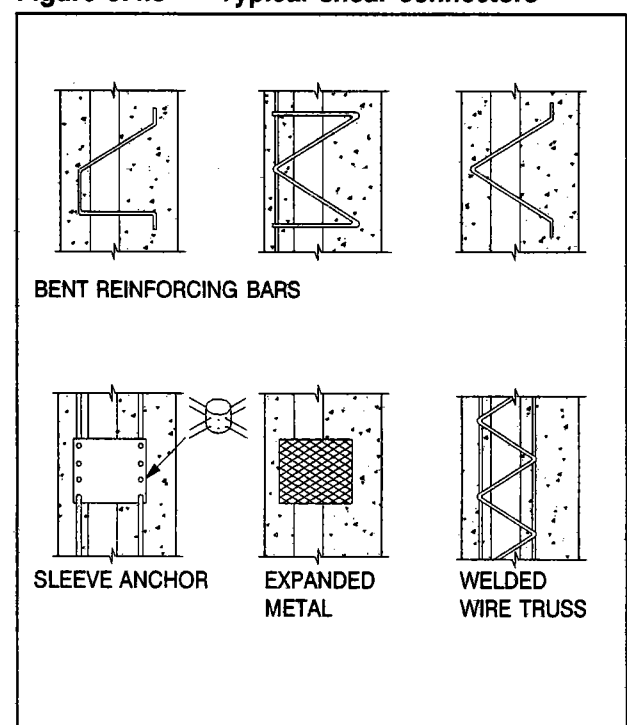
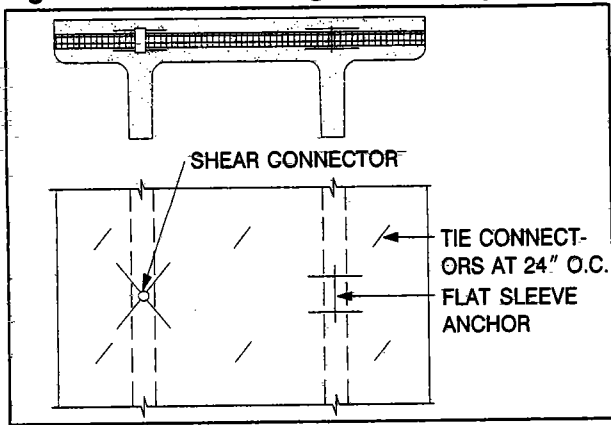


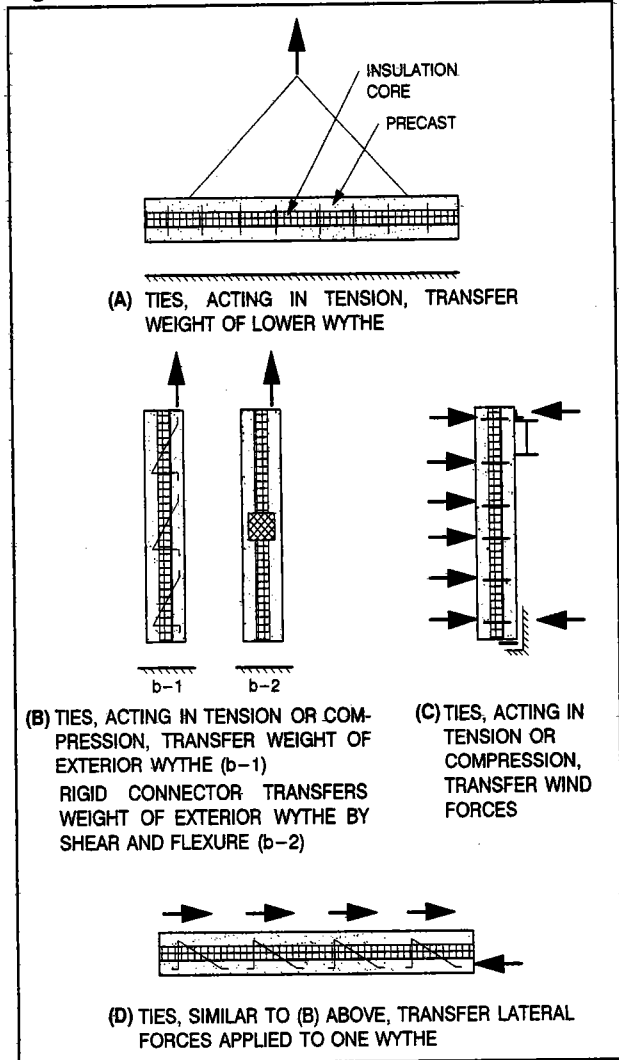
Figure 9.4.5 Typical shear connectors



**Figure 9.4.6 Anchorage for ribbed panels**



**Figure 9.4.7 Functional behavior of connectors**

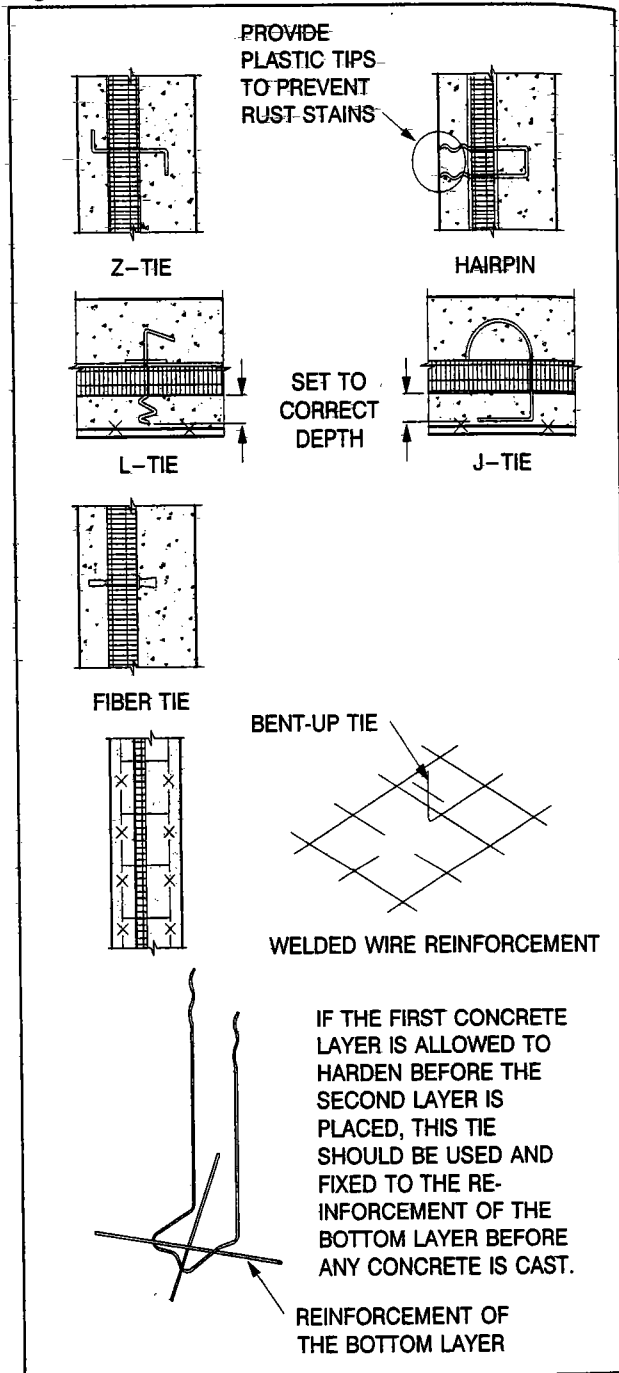


**9.4.4 Insulation**

Physical properties of insulation materials are listed in Table 9.4.1. Thermal properties are discussed in Sect. 9.1. The insulation should have low absorption or a water-repellent coating to minimize absorption of water from fresh concrete.

The thickness of insulation is determined as described in Sect. 9.1. A minimum of 1 in. is recommended. While there is no upper limit on the thickness, the deflection characteristics of the wythe connectors should be considered.

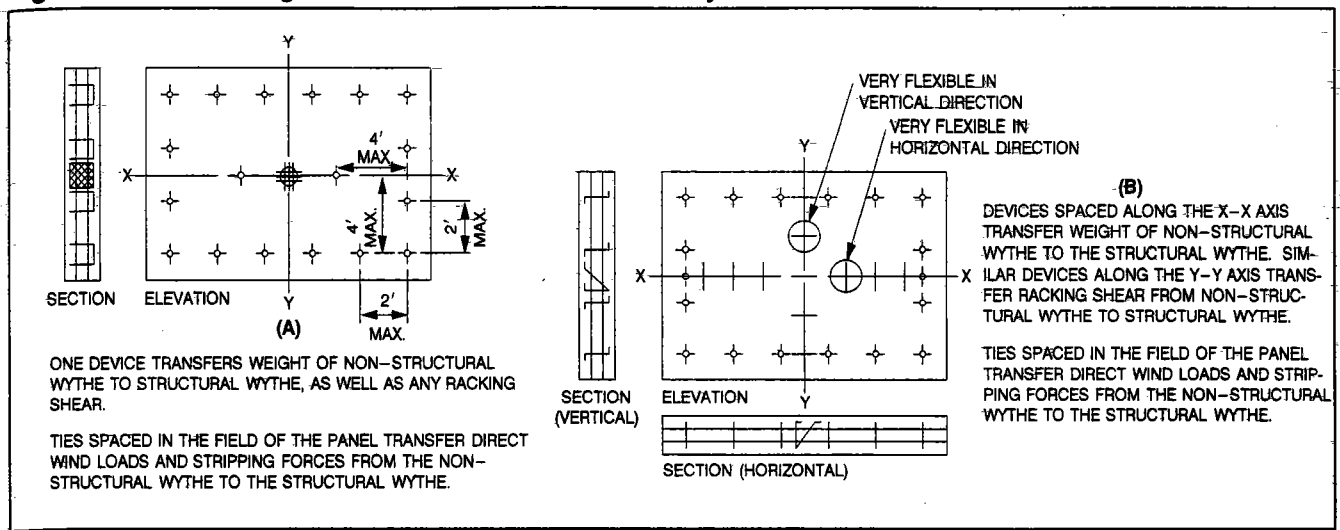
**Figure 9.4.8 Tension/compression ties**



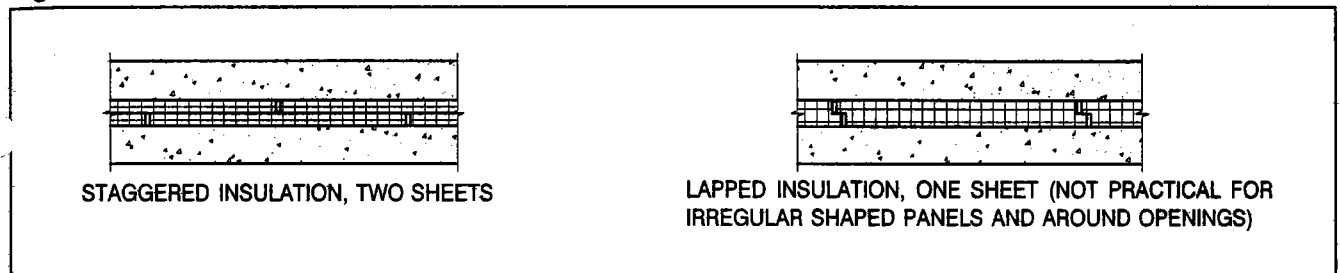
Openings in the insulation around connectors should be packed with insulation to avoid forming thermal bridges between wythes.

Using the maximum standard size of insulation sheets, consistent with the panel shape, is recommended. This will minimize joints and the resulting thermal links. Lapped abutting ends of single layer insulation, or staggered joints with double layer insulation, will effectively remove thermal links at joints (Figure 9.4.10). Insulation may expand when subject to curing temperatures greater than 150°F; proper precautions should be taken, such as leaving room for the insulation to expand where ribs and insulation are in contact.

**Figure 9.4.9 Arrangement of connectors between wythes**



**Figure 9.4.10 Preferred installation of insulation sheets**



**Table 9.4.1 Properties of insulation**

	Polystyrene						Polyisocyanurate		Phenolic	Cellular Glass
	Expanded			Extruded			Unfaced	Faced		
Density (pcf)	0.7-0.9	1.1-1.4	1.8	1.3-1.6	1.8-2.2	3.0	2.0-6.0	2.0-6.0	2.0-3.0	6.7-9.2
Water absorption (% volume)	< 4.0	< 3.0	< 2.0	< 0.3			< 3.0	1.0-2.0	< 3.0	< 0.5
Comp. strength (psi)	5-10	13-15	25	15-25	40-60	100	16-50	16	10-16	65
Tensile strength (psi)	18-25			25	50	105	45-140	500	60	50
Linear coeff. of expansion (in/in/°F) x 10 <sup>-6</sup>	25-40			25-40			30-60		10-20	1.6-4.6
Shear strength (psi)	20-35			—	35	50	20-100		12	50
Flexural strength (psi)	10-25	30-40	50	40-50	60-75	100	50-210	40-50	25	60
Thermal conductivity (Btu-in/hr/ft <sup>2</sup> /°F) at 75°F	0.32-0.28	0.26-0.25	0.23	0.20			0.18	0.10-0.15	0.16-0.23	0.35
Max. use temp.	165°F			165°F			250°F		300°F	900°F

#### 9.4.5 Thermal Bowing

Thermal bowing of exterior composite panels must be considered. Calculation of bow and the forces required to restrain it are discussed in Sect. 3.3.2. Differential movement between panels is seldom a problem, except at corners or where abrupt changes in the building occur. Crazeing or cracking is sometimes caused by bowing, but will be minimized if the recommendations of Sect. 9.4.2 are followed; such cracking is seldom of structural significance.

#### 9.4.6 Typical Details

As with all precast concrete construction, satisfactory performance depends on proper detailing. The typical wall panel connections and details shown in Chapter 6 are equally applicable to sandwich panels. Common details and connections for sandwich wall panels can be found in Ref. 4.

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## 9.5 QUALITY ASSURANCE AND CONTROL

### 9.5.1 Introduction

The successful use and application of precast and prestressed concrete demands a high level of attention to quality in design and production.

Each manufacturer (producer) must have in place a quality assurance program with the goals to assure structural integrity, ease of construction and the desired aesthetic appearance in the final structure. Further, the owner or architect/engineer must be satisfied that materials, methods, products and the producers' quality control meet the requirements of the project specifications. They can have this assurance by requiring by specification that the manufacturing facilities be certified by the Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute's Plant Certification Program (see Chapter 10, Guide Specifications).

In those instances when site-precasting is done, the same degree of quality should be expected by the owner or architect/engineer and rigorous inspections and/or quality assurance must be provided. These expectations can only be achieved if clearly written and included in the original project specifications.

### 9.5.2 Plant Certification

Producers registered under the PCI Plant Certification Program have demonstrated their capability to produce quality precast or prestressed concrete products as specified. These plants maintain a comprehensive quality system that is present in every aspect of their business. Each certified plant conducts a formal quality control program with an established quality control staff. The staff must meet the current requirements of the PCI Quality Control Personnel Certification Program [1]. Conformance to the nationally accepted requirements is determined by a minimum of two quality audits per year. All audits are unannounced and most are two days in length. The audits are conducted by specially trained personnel employed by a national structural consulting engineering firm engaged by PCI.

PCI Plant Certification identifies the general types of products in which the producer has demonstrated expertise. This is done through the program's Product Group & Category provisions. There are four

groups of products: A - architectural products; G - glass fiber reinforced concrete; B - bridges; and C - commercial (structural) products.

Product Group A has two categories: A1 for major, primary architectural panels and products; and AT for miscellaneous or trim elements.

Groups B and C each have four separate categories that identify the experience and equipment available at the certified plant. A description of groups and categories B1 through B4 and C1 through C4 may be found in PCI's *Commitment to Quality* [2] and are titled as follows:

- B1 Precast Bridge Products (non-prestressed)
- B2 Prestressed Miscellaneous Bridge Products
- B3 Prestressed Straight Strand Bridge Members
- B4 Prestressed Draped Strand Bridge Members
- C1 Precast Concrete Products (non-prestressed)
- C2 Prestressed Hollow-Core and Repetitive Products
- C3 Prestressed Straight Strand Structural Members
- C4 Prestressed Draped Strand Structural Members

Many producers have experience with applying fine architectural finishes to typical structural products. This certified architectural capability is identified with an "A" following the Group and Category designation (e.g., C3A for a spandrel panel for a parking structure made with straight strands and having a special architectural pattern and finish on the face). Therefore, Group and Category designations B1 through B4 and C1 through C4 may be modified with an "A" suffix.

Auditing criteria and grading are based on the industry's standards for quality and quality control. These standards are presented in the PCI's three quality control manuals, one for structural precast and prestressed concrete products [3], one for architectural precast products [4], and one for glass fiber reinforced concrete products [5]. Audits cover all phases of design and production including shop drawings, design, materials, production methods, product handling and storage, appearance, testing, record keeping, quality control, personnel training, and safety practices. Failure to maintain a production plant at or above required standards results in mandatory loss of certification. A current listing of plants holding certification is published a minimum of twice each year or may be obtained by calling PCI.

Care should be exercised in evaluating other certification programs. Criteria should include:

1. Unannounced audits are fundamental to the program.
2. The auditor should be recognized as experienced in the field of precast and prestressed concrete.
3. The auditor of a plant producing specialty products (prison cell units, railroad ties, bridge girders, etc.) and using special methods (prestressing, architectural precast concrete, glass fiber reinforced concrete, etc.) should have particular experience with that product or method.
4. The auditor should be independent and not hired by the precast concrete manufacturer.
5. The auditor should view the entire fabrication cycle.
6. The program should be executed by a single auditing agency that provides uniformity for all size companies throughout the United States.
7. The program and the auditing agency should be recognized by major public and private agencies and organizations.

### 9.5.3 PCI Quality Control Manuals

The three PCI manuals listed in Sect. 9.5.4 contain industry approved and nationally accepted requirements for quality and quality control for structural and architectural precast concrete products, as well as glass fiber reinforced concrete products. Any precast concrete quality assurance program should be

based on these manuals. They should also be used by any auditing agency for outside inspection of production facilities. They are the standards for the PCI Plant Certification Program and the basis for the detailed rating system whereby a plant may become certified.

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## 9.6 CONCRETE COATINGS AND JOINT SEALANTS

### 9.6.1 Coatings for Horizontal Deck Surfaces

Concrete surface sealers reduce moisture and salt (chloride) penetration, which is particularly important in parking structures. While these sealers can enhance the durability of any concrete topping, they do not substitute for basic durable concrete design, nor do they provide protection against penetration of moisture and chlorides through cracks. Research has shown that the performance of concrete sealers will vary, depending on the product and other variables. Products should be evaluated against the criteria established in the NCHRP 244 study [3]. Sealers may be classified into two groups: penetrants and surface sealers.

**Penetrants:** These are generally silanes or siloxanes. They penetrate the surface, reacting with cementitious materials and making the concrete hydrophobic. They do not have crack-bridging capabilities. These materials do not appreciably affect the appearance or characteristics of the surface to which they are applied. While generally more expensive than other types of sealers they are typically longer lasting and less subject to wear under traffic or deterioration from exposure to sun.

**Surface Sealers:** These are generally polymer resins such as urethanes, epoxies, acrylics, or other proprietary blends. They provide protection by penetrating the surface slightly, and/or by providing a tough film over the surface; these materials also do not bridge cracks. Surface sealers are generally less expensive than penetrants, and performance characteristics of many of these products compare favorably with the penetrating sealers, as demonstrated by the NCHRP 244 criteria. These sealers are more likely to be subject to wear under traffic, and may be more slippery than the bare concrete surface.

### 9.6.2 Clear Surface Sealers for Architectural Precast Panels

Clear surface coatings or sealers are sometimes used on precast concrete wall panels to improve weathering qualities or to reduce attack of the concrete surface by airborne pollutants. Because of the quality of concrete normally achieved in plant-cast precast concrete, even with very thin sections, sealers are not required for waterproofing. Because the results are uncertain, use of sealers in locations having little or no air pollution is not recommended.

A careful evaluation should be made before deciding on the type of sealer. This includes consultation with the local precasters. In the absence of near-identical experience, it is desirable to test sealers on reasonably sized samples of varying age to verify perfor-

mance over a suitable period of exposure or usage, based on prior experience under similar exposure conditions.

Sealers are usually applied to wall panels after erection to avoid problems with adhesion of joint sealants.

Any coating used should be guaranteed by the supplier or applicator not to stain, soil, or discolor the precast concrete finish. Also, some clear coatings may cause joint sealants to stain concrete. Consult manufacturers of both sealants and coatings or pre-test before applying the coating.

Sealers should be applied in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations. Generally, good airless spray equipment is used for uniformity and to prevent surface rundown. Two coats are usually required to provide a uniform coating, because the first coat is absorbed into the concrete. The second coat does not penetrate as much and provides a more uniform surface color. Care must be taken to keep sealers off glass surfaces.

### 9.6.3 Joint Sealants

Joint sealants include viscous liquids, mastics or pastes, and tapes, gaskets and foams. Generally, a sealant is any material placed in a joint for the purpose of preventing the passage of moisture, air, heat or dirt into or through the joint.

Successful performance of a wall system is often dependent on good joint details and sealant selection. Too often, because the sealant is a relatively minor part of the total structure, the responsibility for selection is left to the contractor or erector who does not fully understand the task it is to perform.

The selection of the proper sealant is confused by the method of supply. Most of the raw materials are manufactured by a few major chemical companies. These basic materials are then compounded with other ingredients by literally hundreds of sealant manufacturers. The quality of finished product varies widely because the expertise of the formulators varies widely.

Viscous liquid sealants are often used in pourable form and normally are used in horizontal joints. Mastics are applied with a gun and are compounded to prevent sagging or flowing when used in vertical joints. Tapes are most often used around glass. Elastomeric gaskets are used in joints which experience considerable movement. Foams are used as air seals or backup for more durable surface seals.

Specification of sealants is difficult because many of the numerous formulations are not covered by standard specifications, either for materials or instal-

lation. Many of the "standard" specifications are also out of date, and often standard-writing agencies have specifications that do not agree.

Proven performance is still the procedure that is often relied upon. Refs. 5 through 11 will aid in the design and selection of joint sealants. Ref. 7 is also a very valuable aid for the design and detailing of architectural precast panel joints.

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## 9.7 VIBRATION IN CONCRETE STRUCTURES

### 9.7.1 Human Response to Building Vibrations

When the resonant frequency of a floor system is close to the frequency imparted by the occupants, and the deflection of the system is significant, motion will be perceptible and perhaps annoying. Perception is related to the activity of the occupant: a person at rest or engaged in quiet work will tolerate less vibration than a person performing an active function, such as dancing or aerobics. However, if a floor system dissipates the imparted energy in a very short period of time, the magnitude of motion is generally not perceived as annoying. Thus, the damping characteristics of the system contribute to acceptability.

Vibration is generally stated as a fraction of gravity acceleration. In an office environment, investigators report annoyance when vibration exceeds 0.005g; in an active environment, such as aerobics, investigators [10] report the participants will accept vibrations in the order of 0.05g. Thus, a design procedure would first establish the limiting degree of vibration for a particular floor usage, and from that determine the necessary minimum stiffness (natural frequency). Finally, the natural frequency of the floor is calculated, and compared to the minimum acceptable natural frequency. Ref. 10 is the basis for this section. Additional information is given there.

Use of high-strength concrete will typically result in lighter members with the likelihood of more noticeable or annoying vibrations. When calculating natural frequencies for these types of members (Eq. 9.7.2), the equation for predicting the modulus of elasticity should be based on the recommendation of ACI Committee 363 (see Design Aid 11.2.2) or on test values.

#### 9.7.1.1 Minimum Natural Frequency

The minimum required stiffness of a floor system to offset a sense of disturbing vibration is a function of many variables, and not subject to exact calculation. A simplified method to estimate the minimum natural frequency of a floor system is given in Eq. 9.7.1 [10]:

$$f_o \geq f \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{1.3}{a_o/g}\right) \alpha \frac{w_p}{w}} \quad (\text{Eq. 9.7.1})$$

where:

- $a_o/g$  = acceleration limit, % gravity
- $f$  = forcing frequency, Hz
- $f_o$  = natural frequency of the structural system
- $w$  = total weight (DL + actual LL), psf

$w_p$  = actual LL, psf

$\alpha$  = dynamic load factor

$g$  = acceleration constant, 386 in./sec.<sup>2</sup>

#### 9.7.1.2 Natural Frequency

The natural frequency of a floor system will be a combination of the natural frequency of the framing members, including slab, beam and girders. For a precast beam supported on rigid supports, the natural frequency may be calculated as:

$$f_o = K \sqrt{\frac{gEI}{W\ell^3}} \quad (\text{Eq. 9.7.2})$$

where:

$g$  = 386 in./sec<sup>2</sup>

$E$  = modulus of elasticity, psi

$I$  = moment of inertia of beam, in.<sup>4</sup> (Use effective moment of inertia if beam is cracked when supporting W).

$\ell$  = span, in.

$W$  = total supported weight on beam, lb

$K$  = 1.57 for simple beam, 0.56 for fixed end cantilever, and 3.50 for a fixed end beam.

#### Example 9.7.1 Gymnasium Floor

An 8DT24+2 is to be used as a gymnasium floor and is supported on block walls. The design span is 50 ft. There are no adjacent quiet areas, so the acceleration fraction limit will be taken as 0.05 (see Table 9.7.1). The weight of the active participants is taken as 5 psf, and the floor system weighs 77 psf. The forcing frequency is estimated as 2.75. From Table 9.7.2, the dynamic load factor for the first harmonic is 1.5. From Eq. 9.7.1, the resonant frequency should be greater than:

$$f_o = 2.75 \sqrt{1 + \frac{(1.3)(1.5)(5)}{(0.05)(82)}} = 5.05 \text{ Hz}$$

From Eq. 9.7.2

$$f_o = 1.57 \sqrt{\frac{(386)(4.3 \times 10^6)(27,720)}{(82)(8)(50)[50(12)]^3}} = 4.00 \text{ Hz}$$

Since this is less than the required minimum natural frequency, the floor system is not acceptable. Possible solutions include increasing the depth of the floor, blocking the double tee flanges, or reducing the span.

**Example 9.7.2 Stadium Seats**

The precast stadium seat shown in Figure 9.7.1 is a diagram of an actual unit used in a major sport stadium in service since 1990. The span is 43 ft. Investigate its acceptability with respect to vibration.

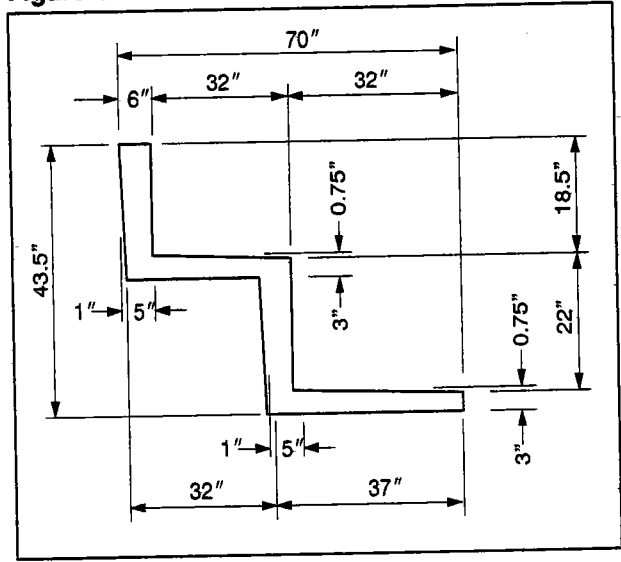
According to Ref. 10, the maximum forcing frequency for the first harmonic in a stadium can be assumed as 3 Hz with an associated dynamic load factor of 0.25. A study of the sections used on three major stadiums constructed since 1990 indicates that these criteria when used with Eq. 9.7.1, result in conservatively high required stiffness. The same is true for the criteria suggested for the second harmonic. In those cases, the calculated natural frequencies of individual units varied from 2.8 (for the longest units in the farthest reaches of angled bays) to 3.5 (for units within rectangular bays). It should be noted that even though the longer individual units in angled bays have lower natural frequencies, resonance in these areas is less likely because of the dynamic interference due to different lengths and thus frequencies of individual units.

No spectator discomfort has been reported in any of these projects. In general, it has been found that for precast, prestressed seating units designed for a 100 psf live load and a maximum tensile stress of  $12\sqrt{f'_c}$ , the vibrations are not annoying to the occupants.

Based on the above observations, it is recommended that the minimum fundamental natural frequency in the range of 2.8 to 3.5 (specific value based on the location of the unit) be used as an acceptance criteria for stadium seats.

For the example, assume an actual live load of 30 psf, or 160 lb/ft (i.e. that portion of the design live load causing vibration). The weight of the stadium seat is 474 lb/ft.

**Figure 9.7.1 Stadium seat for Example 9.7.2**



**Table 9.7.1 Recommended acceleration limits for vibrations due to rhythmic activities**

Occupancies affected by the vibrations	Acceleration limits % gravity
Office and residential	0.4 to 0.7
Dancing and weightlifting	1.5 to 2.5
Rhythmic activity only	4 to 7

**Table 9.7.2 Recommended dynamic load factors for aerobics [11]**

Harmonic	Forcing frequency, Hz	Dynamic load factor, •
1	2-2.75	1.5
2	4-5.5	0.6
3	6-8.25	0.1

$$W = (474 + 160)43 = 27,262 \text{ lb}$$

$$I_{\min} = 12,422 \text{ in}^4 \text{ (not cracked when supporting } W)$$

$$E = 4.3 \times 10^6 \text{ psi}$$

$$g = 386 \text{ in./sec}^2$$

$$f_o = K \sqrt{\frac{gEI}{Wl^3}}$$

$$= 1.57 \sqrt{\frac{386(4.3 \times 10^6)(12,422)}{27,262(43 \times 12)^3}}$$

$$= 3.68 > 3.5$$

Thus the section is acceptable.

**9.7.2 Vibration Isolation for Mechanical Equipment**

Vibration produced by equipment with unbalanced operating or starting forces can usually be isolated from the structure by mounting on a heavy concrete slab placed on resilient supports. This type of slab, called an inertia block, provides a low center of gravity to compensate for thrusts such as those generated by large fans.

For equipment with less unbalanced weight, a "housekeeping" slab is sometimes used below the resilient mounts to provide a rigid support for the mounts and to keep them above the floor so they are easier to clean and inspect. This slab may also be mounted on pads of precompressed glass fiber or neoprene.

The natural frequency of the total load on resilient mounts must be well below the frequency generated by the equipment. The required weight of an inertia block depends on the total weight of the machine and

the unbalanced force. For a long-stroke compressor, five to seven times its weight might be needed. For high pressure fans, one to five times the fan weight is usually sufficient.

A floor supporting resiliently mounted equipment must be stiffer than the isolation system. If the static deflection of the floor approaches the static deflection of the mounts, the floor becomes a part of the vibrating system, and little vibration isolation is achieved. In general, the floor deflection should be limited to about 15% of the deflection of the mounts.

Simplified theory shows that for 90% vibration isolation, a single resilient supported mass (isolator) should have a natural frequency of about  $\frac{1}{3}$  the driving frequency of the equipment. The natural frequency of this mass can be calculated by [9]:

$$f_n = 188 \sqrt{1/\Delta_i} \quad (\text{Eq. 9.7.3})$$

where:

$f_n$  = natural frequency of the isolator, CPM

$\Delta_i$  = static deflection of the isolator, in.

From the above, the required static deflection of an isolator can be determined as follows:

$$f_n = f_d/3 = 188 \sqrt{1/\Delta_i} \quad \text{or}$$

$$\Delta_i = (564/f_d)^2 \quad (\text{Eq. 9.7.4})$$

and:

$$\Delta_f \leq 0.15 \Delta_i \quad (\text{Eq. 9.7.5})$$

where:

$f_d$  = driving frequency of the equipment, CPM

$\Delta_f$  = static deflection of the floor system caused by the weight of the equipment, including inertia block, at the location of the equipment, in.

### Example 9.7.3 Vibration Isolation

Given:

A piece of mechanical equipment has a driving frequency of 800 CPM.

Problem:

Determine the approximate minimum deflection of the isolator and the maximum deflection of the floor system that should be allowed.

Solution:

From Eq. 9.7.4:

$$\text{Isolator, } \Delta_i = (564/800)^2 = 0.50 \text{ in.}$$

From Eq. 9.7.5:

$$\text{Floor, } \Delta_f = 0.15(0.50) = 0.07 \text{ in.}$$

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## 9.8 CRACKING, REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE

### 9.8.1 Cracking

Minor cracking may occur in precast concrete without being detrimental, and it is impractical to impose specifications that prohibit all cracking. (Note: In other sections, the term "crack-free" design is used. This refers to a design in which concrete tension is kept within limits, and should not be construed as being a guarantee that there will be no cracking.) However, in addition to being unsightly, cracks are potential locations of concrete deterioration, and should be avoided if possible. Prestressing and proper handling procedures are two of the best methods of keeping cracks to a minimum. To evaluate the acceptability of a crack, the cause and service conditions of the precast unit should be determined.

Crazing, i.e., fine, random (commonly called "hair-line") cracks, may occur in the cement film on the surface of concrete. The primary cause is the shrinkage of the surface with respect to the mass of the unit. Crazing has no structural significance and does not significantly affect durability, but may be visually accentuated if dirt settles in these minute cracks. Crazing should not be cause for rejection.

Tension cracks are sometimes caused by temporary loads during production, transportation, or erection of these products (see Chapter 5). These cracks may extend through to the reinforcement. If the crack width is narrow, the structural adequacy of the casting will remain unimpaired, as long as corrosion of the reinforcement is prevented. See Sect. 4.2.2.1 for recommended limits on crack width. The acceptability of cracks wider than recommended maximums should be governed by the function of the unit. Most can be effectively repaired and sealed.

Long-term volume changes can also cause cracking after the member is in place in the building, if the connections provide enough restraint to the member (see Sect. 3.3). Internal causes, such as corrosion of reinforcement or cement-aggregate reactivity, can also lead to long-term cracking and should be considered when materials are selected.

### 9.8.2 Repair and Maintenance

Products which are damaged prior to or during placement in the structure can usually be repaired, but major repairs should not be made until it is determined that the unit will be structurally sound. If repair is required for the restoration of structural integrity, cracks may be pressure injected with a low viscosity epoxy.

Patching of architectural panels is an art requiring expert craftsmanship and careful selection and mixing of materials [10].

Concrete surfaces normally require little maintenance, except for those that are subject to harsh environments, such as parking structures in northern climates. Routine inspection and maintenance can do much to extend the life of such buildings [8,9].

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## 9.9 PRECAST SEGMENTAL CONSTRUCTION

### 9.9.1 General

Segmental construction is a method of construction in which primary load carrying members are composed of individual segments post-tensioned together. This allows precast concrete to be used for long horizontal or vertical spans within size limitations imposed by manufacturing, transportation, and handling equipment. With proper planning and element selection, a large re-use of forms is possible, with the resulting economy.

The method is best known for a number of landmark bridges [1,10], but has also been used in the construction of airport control towers, storage tanks for various solids and liquids, including natural gas, a long-span exterior Vierendeel truss on a high-rise building, an Olympic stadium and other non-bridge structures [2-9].

Segmental construction requires that the designer give special consideration to:

1. Size and weight of the precast elements.
2. Configuration and behavior of the joints between elements.
3. Construction sequence, and the loads and deflections imposed at various stages.
4. The effect of normal tolerances and deviations upon the joints.

### 9.9.2 Joints

Joints may be either "open", to permit completion by a field placed grout, or "closed", where the joint is either dry or bonded by a thin layer of adhesive (Figure 9.9.1).

#### 9.9.2.1 Open Joints

The individual segments are separated by an amount sufficient to place (usually by pressure) a grout mix, but not more than about 2 in. Prior to placing the segments, the joint surface is thoroughly cleaned and wire brushed or sand-blasted.

The perimeter of the joint is sealed with a gasket which is compressed by use of "come-alongs" or by a small amount of prestress. Gaskets are also provided around the post-tensioning elements to prevent leakage into the ducts, blocking passage of the tendons. Vents are provided at the top to permit escape of entrapped air during grouting. Prior to filling the joint, the surfaces should be thoroughly wetted, or coated with a bonding agent. Grout strength should be at least equal to that of the precast segments, but not less than 4000 psi.

After grouting, vents are closed and pressure increased to assure full grout intrusion. After a few days, the vent is reopened, and filled with grout as required.

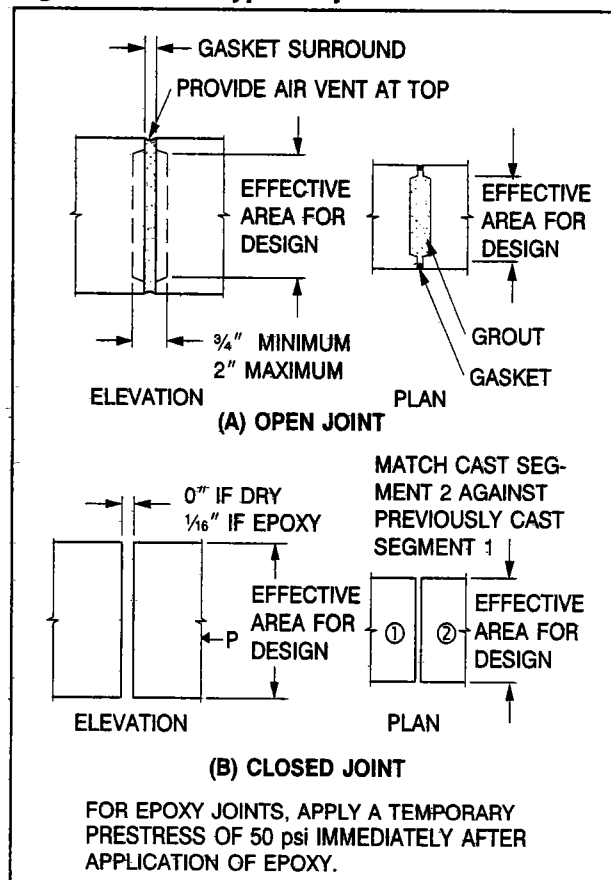
#### 9.9.2.2 Closed Joints

If a closed joint is used, the segment is usually "match-cast", i.e., each segment is cast against its previously cast neighbor. A bond breaker is applied to the joint during casting. Thus, the connecting surfaces fit each other accurately, so that little or no filling material is needed at the joint. The sharpness of line of the assembled construction depends mainly on the accuracy of the manufacture of the segments.

Match cast segments are usually joined by coating the abutting surfaces with a thin layer of epoxy adhesive, and then using the post-tensioning to draw the elements together and hold them in position. In some structures, dry joints have been used successfully, in which case, the compression provided by the post-tensioning is relied upon for weatherproofing, as well as for transfer of forces.

Surface preparation of closed joints is extremely important. They should be sound and clean, free from all traces of form release agents, curing compounds, laitance, oil, dirt and loose concrete.

Figure 9.9.1 Types of joints



A small piece of foreign material in a joint, or imperfect alignment will frequently cause the concrete to spall around the edges of the contact area of a closed joint. Thus, care in joint preparation and segment alignment cannot be over-emphasized.

### 9.9.3 Design

Analysis of precast segmental structures usually assumes monolithic behavior of the members under service loads, except that if dry joints are used, tension is not permitted between segments. Some designers also prefer to not allow tension in grouted joints, unless tests have indicated otherwise.

The behavior during construction is of particular importance in segmental structures. Stresses which may be caused by settlement and shortening of scaffolding, temperature changes, elastic shortening from post-tensioning and other construction related stresses and movements may need to be considered in the design.

Shear stresses across joints are resisted by epoxy adhesives or grout, sometimes in combination with shear keys. In dry joints, shear stresses are resisted by friction (and shear keys if present), with the post-tensioning providing the normal force. In the absence of test data, the coefficient of friction may be assumed to be 0.8 (Sect. 6.6).

Individual segments are designed for handling and erection stresses (Chapter 5). They may be pre-tensioned or reinforced with mild steel, depending on size and manufacturing procedure.

### 9.9.4 Post-Tensioning

Information on various post-tensioning systems and their applications is given in the *PTI Post-Tensioning Manual* [11]. Nearly any type of bonded system can be used.

#### 9.9.4.1 Tendon and Duct Placement

In addition to the design parameters for in-service conditions, the tendon layout must consider the sequence of construction and the changes in load conditions during the various construction stages.

Ducts for the tendons are placed in the segments prior to concrete placement. In some cases, tendons are installed in the ducts before the segment is erected, or even before concrete is placed, and subsequently coupled at each joint. In others, the tendons are placed after the segments are erected, either full length of the member or in shorter lengths, again coupled at the joints. Special attention must be

given to the alignment of the ducts, especially at the joints. They must be large enough in diameter to adequately place the tendon, allowing some tolerance in alignment, and receive the grout placed subsequent to stressing. Special attention must be given to the corrosion protection of the post-tensioning steel, if it is to be unbonded at any stage of construction. Also, drains should be installed in the ducts at low points of the tendon profile.

Post-tensioning tendons crossing joints should be approximately perpendicular to the joint surface in the smaller dimension of the segment, e.g., flange or web thickness, but may be inclined to the direction of the larger dimension (e.g., depth). This is to minimize any unbalanced shearing force which could lead to dislocation of edges at the joints.

#### 9.9.4.2 Couplers

Couplers are designed to develop the full strength of the tendons they connect. Adjacent to the coupler, the tendons should be straight, or have very minor curvature for a minimum length of 12 times the diameter of the coupler. Adequate provisions must be made to ensure that the couplers can move during prestressing.

#### 9.9.4.3 Bearing Areas

Prestress force is transferred to the joined segments through bearing plates or other anchorage devices. This causes high load concentrations at the bearing areas, usually requiring vertical and horizontal reinforcement in several locations:

1. Under end surfaces, not more than  $3/4$  in. deep, to control possible surface cracking around anchorage.
2. Internally, to prevent splitting between individual anchors. Size and location of this area and the magnitude of splitting (bursting) force depends on the type of anchorage and the force in the post-tensioning tendon.
3. Internally, to prevent splitting between groups of anchors.
4. Adjacent to joint surfaces, to decrease the possibility of damage to segments during post-tensioning or handling.

Grouting of the ducts is provided for corrosion protection and to develop bond between the prestressing steel and the surrounding concrete. Grouting procedures should follow the *Recommended Practice for Grouting of Post-Tensioned Prestressed Concrete*, contained in Ref. 11.

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## 9.10 COORDINATION WITH MECHANICAL, ELECTRICAL AND OTHER SUB-SYSTEMS

### 9.10.1 Introduction

Prestressed concrete is used in a wide variety of buildings, and its integration with lighting, mechanical, plumbing, and other services is of importance to the designer. Because of increased environmental demands, the ratio of costs for mechanical and electrical installations to total building cost has increased substantially in recent years. This section is intended to provide the designer with the necessary perspective to economically satisfy mechanical and electrical requirements, and to describe some standard methods of providing for the installation of other sub-systems.

### 9.10.2 Lighting and Power Distribution

For many applications, the designer can take advantage of the fire resistance, reflective qualities and appearance of prestressed concrete by leaving the columns, beams, and ceiling structure exposed. To achieve uniform lighting free from distracting shadows, the lighting system should parallel the stems of tee members.

By using a reflective paint and properly spaced high-output florescent lamps installed in a continuous strip, the designer can achieve a high level of illumination at a minimum cost. In special areas, lighting troffers can be enclosed with diffuser panels fastened to the bottom of the tee stems providing a flush ceiling (see Figure 9.10.1). By using reflective paints, these precast concrete lighting channels can be made as efficient as conventional florescent fixtures.

### 9.10.3 Electrified Floors

The increasing use of office machines, computer networks, telephones, and other communication systems stresses the need for adequate and flexible means of supplying electricity and communication service. Since a cast-in-place topping is usually placed on prestressed floor members, conduit runs and floor outlets can be readily buried within this topping. Burying conduits in toppings of parking structures is not recommended because of the possibility of conduit corrosion. With shallow height electrical systems, a comprehensive system can be provided in a reasonably thin topping. The total height of conduits for these comprehensive electrical systems is as little as 1½ in. Most systems can easily be included in a 2 to 4 in. thick slab. Voids in hollow-core slabs can also be used as electrical raceways (see Figure 9.10.2).

When the system is placed in a structural composite slab, the effect of ducts and conduits must be carefully examined and their location coordinated with reinforcing steel. Tests on slabs with buried ductwork have shown that structural strength is not normally impaired by the voids.

Because of the high load-carrying capacity of prestressed concrete members, it is possible to locate high-voltage substations, with heavy transformers, near the areas of consumption with little or no additional expense. For extra safety, distribution feeds can also be run within those channels created by stemmed members. Such measures also aid the economy of the structure by reducing the overall story height and minimizing maintenance expenses.

### 9.10.4 Ductwork

The designer may also utilize the space within stemmed members or the holes inside hollow-core slabs for distribution ducts for heating, air-conditioning, or exhaust systems. In stemmed members three sides of the duct are provided by the bottom of the flange and the sides of the stems. The bottom of the duct is completed by attaching a metal panel to the tee stems in the same fashion as the lighting diffusers (see Figure 9.10.1).

Connections can be made by several means, among them powder-activated fasteners, cast-in inserts or reglets. Field installed devices generally offer the best economy and ensure placement in the exact location where the connecting devices will be required. Inserts should only be cast-in when they can be located in the design stage of the job, well in advance of casting the precast members.

With hollow-core slabs, additional duct work can be eliminated. These members have oval, round, or rectangular voids of varying size which can provide ducts or raceways for the various systems. Openings core drilled in the field can provide access and distribution. The voids in the slabs are aligned and connected to provide continuity of the system. Openings can also be provided in intermediate supporting beams such as inverted tees, to allow duct continuity.

If high velocity air movement is utilized, the enclosed space becomes a long plenum chamber with uniform pressure throughout its length. Diffusers are installed in the ceiling to distribute the air. Branch runs, when required, can be standard ducts installed along the column lines.

When ceilings are required, proper selection of precast components can result in shallow ceiling spaces to accommodate required ducts, piping and lighting fixtures.



Figure 9.10.1 Metal panels attached at the bottoms of the stems create ducts, and diffuser panels provide a flush ceiling

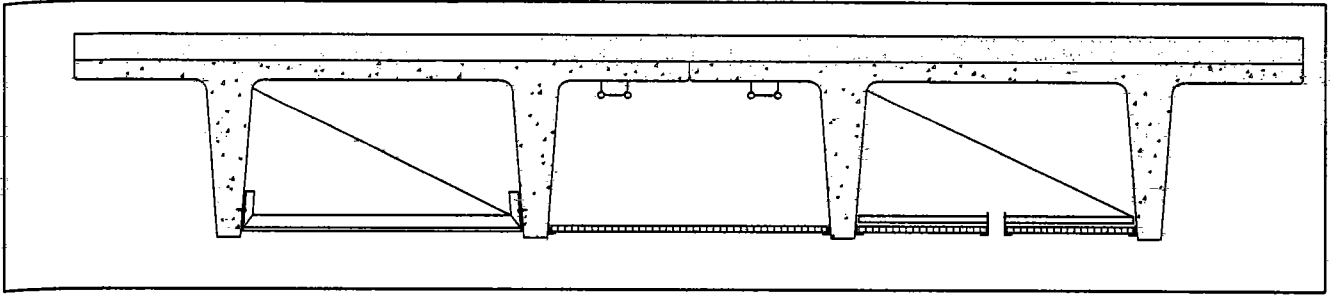


Figure 9.10.2 Under floor electrical ducts can be embedded within a concrete topping

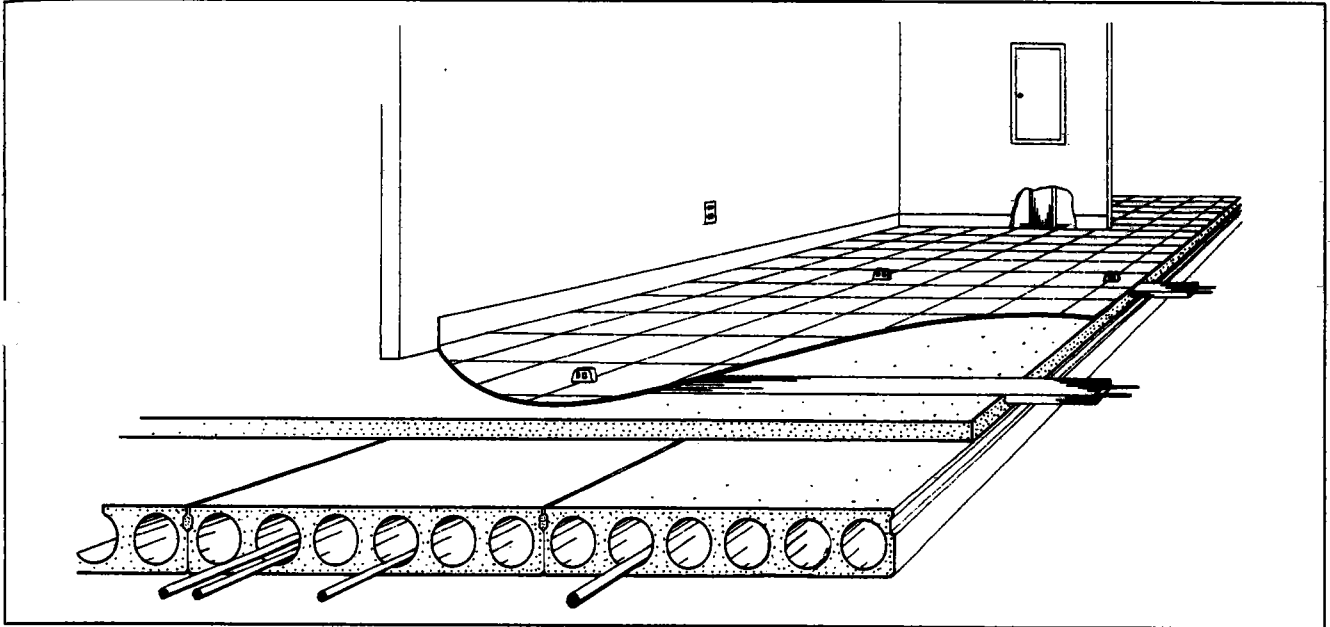
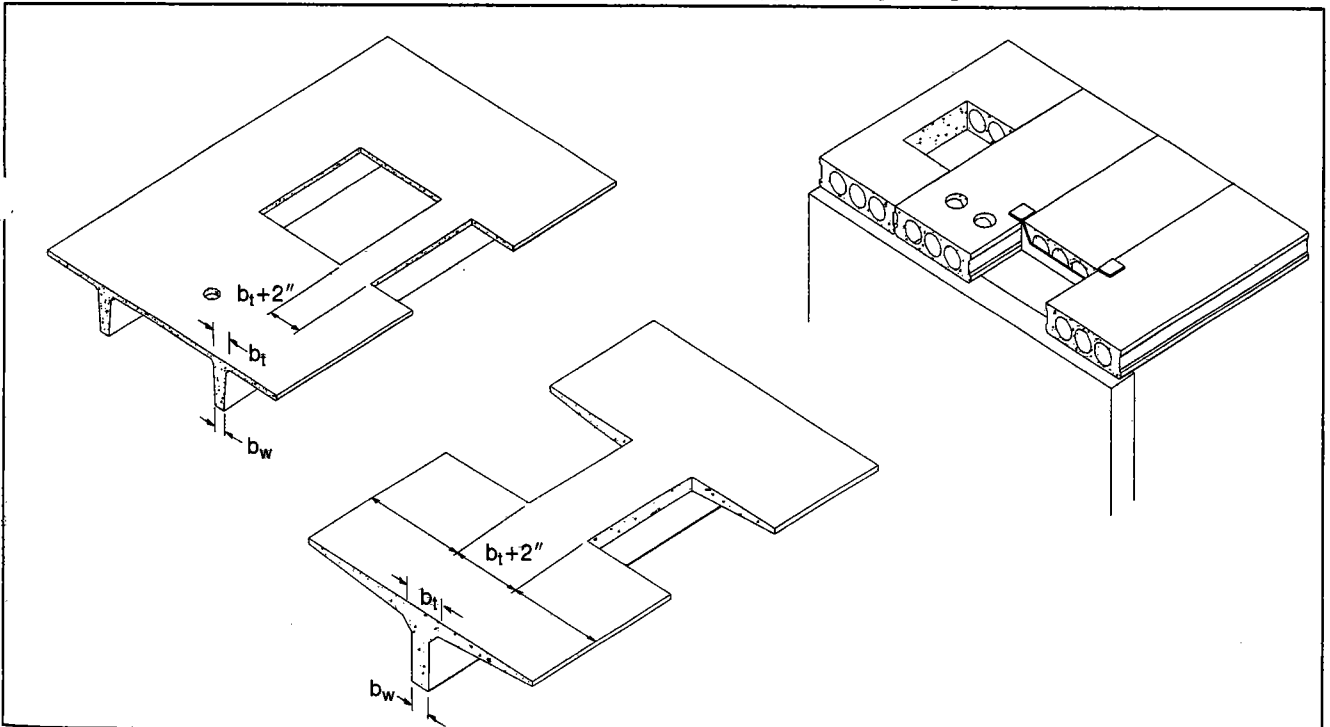


Figure 9.10.3 Large openings in floors and roofs are made during manufacture of the units; small openings are field drilled. Some common types of openings are shown here.



Branch ducts of moderate size can also be accommodated by providing block-outs in the stems of tees or beams. To achieve best economy and performance in prestressed concrete members, particularly stemmed members, such block-outs should be repeated in size and location to handle all conditions demanded by mechanical, electrical or plumbing runs. While this may lead to slightly larger openings in some cases, the end result will probably be more economical. It should also be noted that sufficient tolerance should be allowed in sizing the openings to provide the necessary field assembly considerations (see Chapter 8).

Prestressed concrete box girders have been used to serve a triple function as air conditioning distribution ducts, conduit for utility lines and structural supporting members for the roof deck units. Conditioned air can be distributed within the void area of the girders and then introduced into the building work areas through holes cast into the sides and bottoms of the box girders. The system is balanced by plugging selected holes.

Vertical supply and return air trunks can be carried in the exterior walls, with only small ducts needed to branch out into the ceiling space. In some cases the exterior wall cavities are replaced with three or four sided precast boxes stacked to provide vertical runs for the mechanical and electrical systems. These stacked boxes can also be used as columns or lateral bracing elements for the structure.

In some cases it may be required to provide openings through floor and roof units. Large openings are usually made by blockouts in the forms during the manufacture; smaller ones (up to about 8 in.) are usually field drilled. When field drilling, care must be taken not to cut prestressing strand. Openings in flanges of stemmed members should be limited to the "flat" portion of the flange, that is, beyond 1 in. of the edge of the stem on double tees. Angle headers are often used for framing large openings in hollow-core floor or roof systems (see Figure 9.10.3).

### 9.10.5 Other Sub-Systems

Suspended ceilings, crane rails, and other sub-systems can be easily accommodated with standard manufactured hardware items and embedded plates as shown in Figure 9.10.4.

Architectural precast wall panels can be adapted to combine with pre-assembled window or door units. Door or window frames properly braced to prevent bowing during concrete placement, can be cast in the panels and then the glazing or doors can be installed prior to or after delivery to the job site. If the glazing or doors are properly protected, they can also be cast into the panel at the plant. When casting in aluminum window frames, particular attention should be made to properly coat the aluminum so that it will

not react with the concrete. It should be noted that repetition is one of the real keys to economy in a precast concrete wall assembly. Windows and doors should be located in identical places for all panels wherever possible.

Insulated wall panels can be produced by embedding an insulating material such as expanded polyurethane between layers of concrete. These "sandwich panels" are described in detail in Sect. 9.4. Sandwich panels are normally cast on flat beds or tilting tables. The inside surface of the concrete panel can be given a factory troweled finish followed by minor touch up work. The interior face is completed by painting, or by wall papering to achieve a finished wall. The formed surface of the panel can also be treated in a similar manner when used as the interior face.

### 9.10.6 Systems Building

As more and more complete systems buildings are built with precast and prestressed concrete, and as interest in this method of construction increases, we can expect that more of the building sub-systems will be prefabricated and pre-coordinated with the structure.

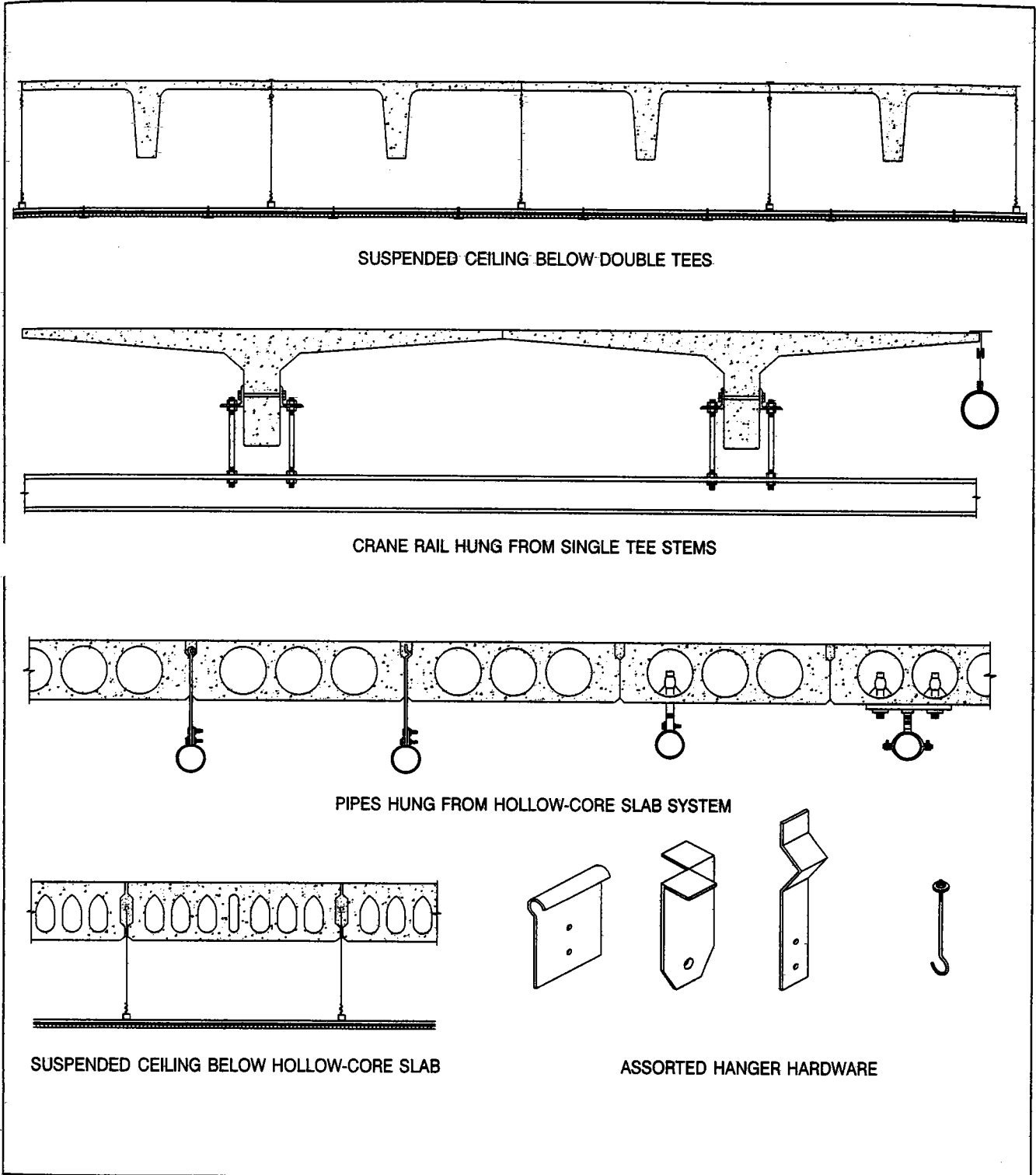
This leads to the conclusion that those parts of the structure that require the most labor skills should logically be prefabricated prior to installation in the field. The prefabricated components can be pre-assemblies of basic plumbing systems or electrical/mechanical systems plus lighting.

For housing systems, electrical conduits and boxes can be cast in the precast wall panels. This process requires coordination with the electrical contractor; and savings on job-site labor and time are possible. The metal or plastic conduit is usually pre-bent to the desired shape and delivered to the casting bed already connected to the electrical boxes. It is essential that all joints and connections be thoroughly sealed and the boxes enclosed prior to casting in order to prevent the system from becoming clogged. The wires are usually pulled through at the job site. Television antennae and telephone conduits have also been cast-in using the same procedure.

To reduce on-site labor, prefabricated bathroom units or combination bathroom/kitchen modules have been developed (see Figure 9.10.5). Such units include bathroom fixtures, kitchen cabinets and sinks, as well as wall, ceiling, and floor surfaces.

Plumbing units are often connected and assembled prior to delivery to the job sites. These bathroom/kitchen modules can be molded plastic units or fabricated from drywall components. To eliminate a double floor, the module can be plant built on the structural member or the walls of the unit can be designed strong enough for all fixtures to be wall hung.

**Figure 9.10.4 Methods of attaching suspended ceilings, crane rails, and other sub-systems**

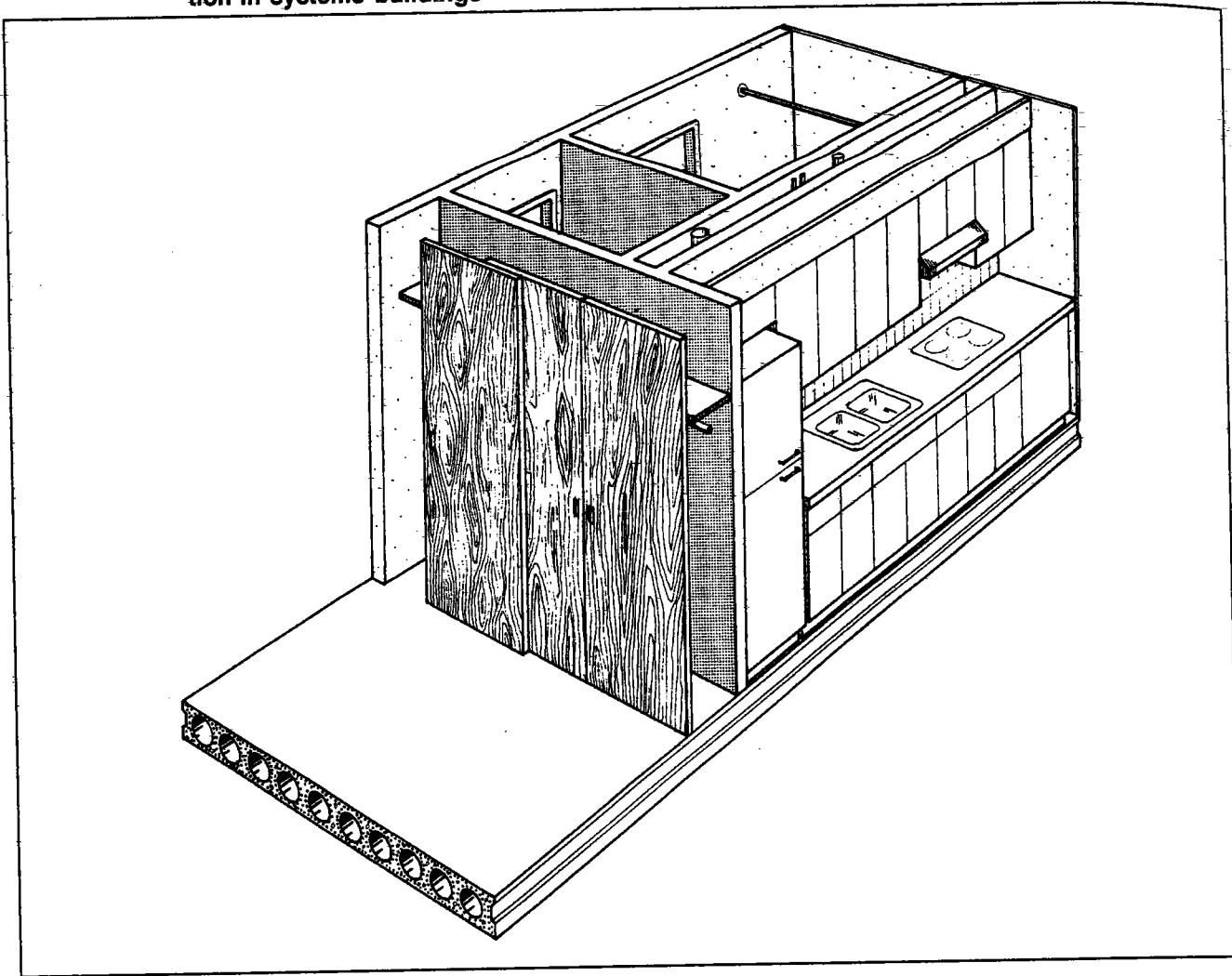


In the latter case, the units are placed directly on a precast floor and, in multi-story construction, are located in a stack fashion with one bathroom directly over the one below. A block-out for a chase is provided in the precast floor and connections are made from each unit to the next to provide a vertical plumbing stack. Prefabricated wet-wall plumbing systems, as shown in Figure 9.10.6, incorporate pre-assembled piping systems using snap-on or no-hub connections made up of a variety of materials. These units only require a block-out in the prestressed floor-

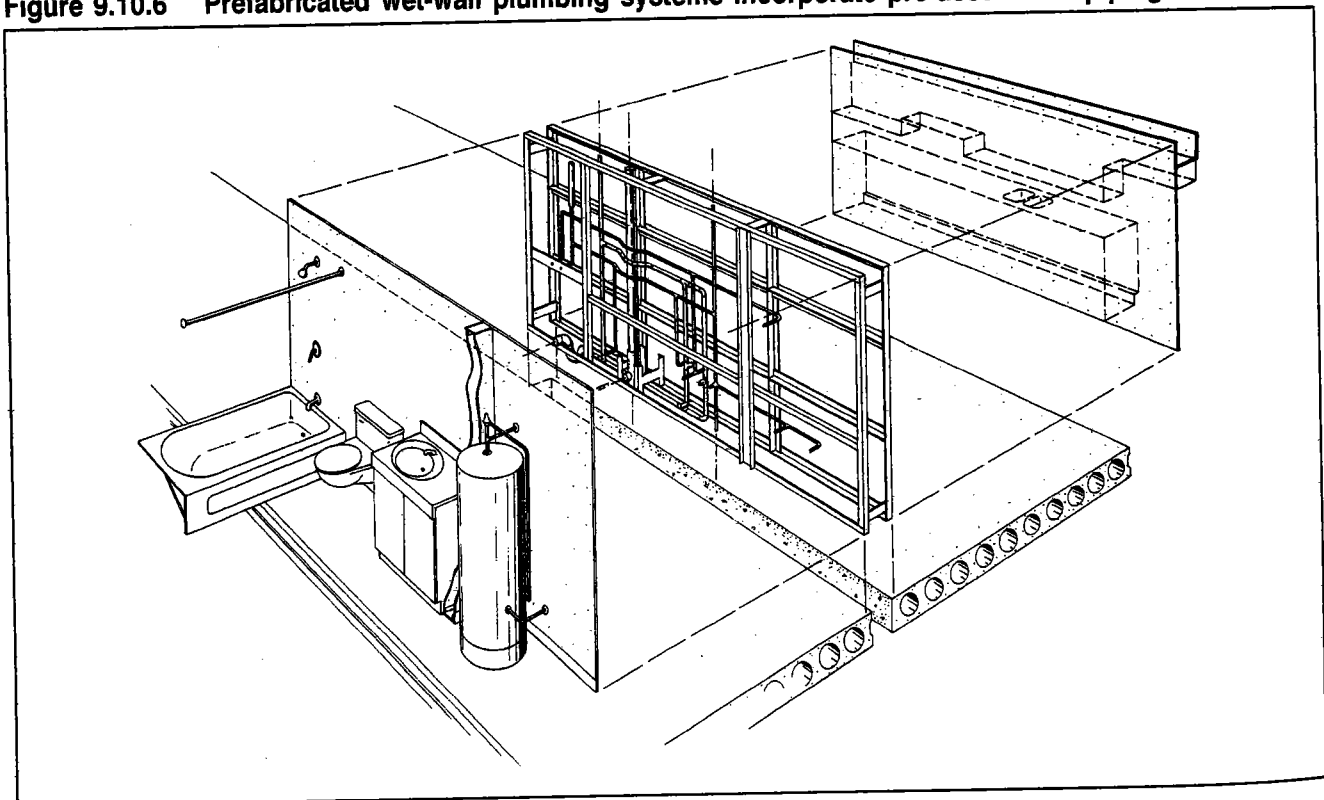
ing units and are also arranged in a stack fashion. Best economy results when bathrooms are backed up to each other, since a common vertical run can service two bathrooms.

Some core modules not only feature bath and kitchen components, but also HVAC components which are all packaged in one unit. These modules can also be easily accommodated in prestressed structural systems by placing them directly on the prestressed members with shimming and grouting as required.

**Figure 9.10.5** Kitchen/bathroom modules can be pre-assembled on precast slabs ready for installation in systems buildings



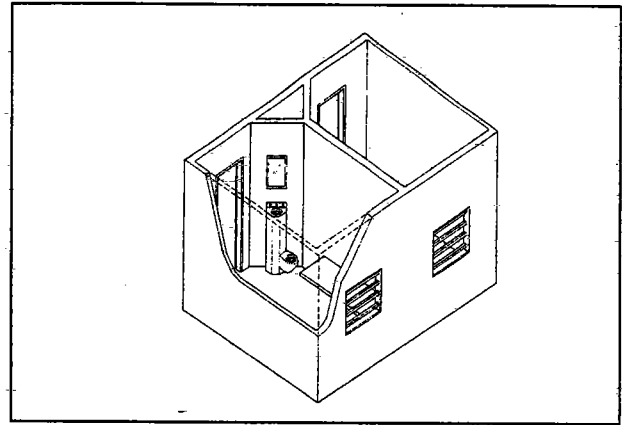
**Figure 9.10.6** Prefabricated wet-wall plumbing systems incorporate pre-assembled piping



### 9.10.7 Prison Cell Box Module

Prisons represent a building type that makes maximum use of the systems building and subsystems coordination concepts. Modular precast concrete boxes, typically multi-cell units, generally consist of cell walls, chase walls and a floor or ceiling (see Figure 9.10.7). All components of each cell — windows, beds, mirrors, desks, air vents, light fixtures, sinks, water closets and doors — are completely installed in each module at the manufacturer's plant. Erection at the site is rapid and field work is greatly reduced leading to a safe, functional, and economical prison facility in the shortest time of construction.

Figure 9.10.7 Precast concrete modular 2-cell box unit for prison construction





# CHAPTER 10

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## 10.1 GUIDE SPECIFICATION FOR PRECAST, PRESTRESSED CONCRETE

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### GUIDE SPECIFICATIONS

### NOTES TO SPECIFIERS

#### 1. GENERAL

##### 1.01 Description

###### A. Work included:

1. These specifications cover precast and precast, prestressed structural concrete construction, including product design not shown on contract drawings, manufacture, transportation, erection, and other related items such as anchorage, bearing pads, storage and protection of precast concrete.

*1.01.A This Section is to be in Division 3 of Construction Specifications Institute format. Verify that plans clearly differentiate between this work and architectural precast concrete if both are on the same job. One may need to list items such as beams, purlins, girders, lintels, columns, slab or deck members, etc. Some items such as prestressed wall panels could be included in either this or the Specification for Architectural Precast Concrete, depending on the desired finish and tolerance expectation.*

###### B. Related work specified elsewhere:

1. Cast-in-place concrete: Section \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Architectural precast concrete: Section \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Post-tensioning: Section \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Masonry bearing walls: Section \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Structural steel: Section \_\_\_\_\_.
6. Miscellaneous steel: Section \_\_\_\_\_.
7. Waterproofing: Section \_\_\_\_\_.
8. Flashing and sheet metal: Section \_\_\_\_\_.
9. Sealants and caulking: Section \_\_\_\_\_.
10. Painting: Section \_\_\_\_\_.
11. Openings for other trades: Section \_\_\_\_\_.



- C. ~~Work installed but furnished by others:~~
1. Receivers or reglets for flashing:  
Section \_\_\_\_\_.
  2. Elevator guides: Section \_\_\_\_\_.
  3. Inserts for ties to masonry or stonework:  
Section \_\_\_\_\_.
  4. Sleeves and imbedded items for plumbing,  
heating or electrical distribution: Section  
\_\_\_\_\_.

### 1.02 Quality Assurance

#### A. Manufacturer qualifications:

The precast concrete manufacturing plant shall be certified by the Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute Plant Certification Program. Manufacturer shall be certified at the time of bidding. Certification shall be in the following product groups and categories: \_\_\_\_\_

*1.02.A Groups and categories: (B1, B2, B3, or B4), (C1, C2, C3, or C4). See Sect. 9.5 for definitions. Affix the suffix A to the product group and category, e.g., C3A, if the structural product requires the application of an architectural finish produced by a manufacturer with special architectural qualifications. Structural precast products must meet the requirements of PCI Manual, MNL-116. These products should not be expected to meet the requirements of MNL-117 for architectural precast concrete products. However, structural products may have the application of architectural finishes included in the provisions of MNL-116. Manufacturers that have certified architectural qualifications to apply these finishes have the suffix A added to their certification listing.*

#### B. Erector qualifications:

Regularly engaged for at least \_\_\_\_\_ years in the erection of precast structural concrete similar to the requirements of this project.

*1.02.B Usually 2 to 5 years.*

#### C. Welder qualifications:

In accordance with AWS D1.1.

*1.02.C Certified within the past year.*

#### D. Testing:

In general compliance with testing provisions in MNL-116, *Manual for Quality Control for Plants and Production of Precast and Prestressed Concrete Products*.

#### E. Requirements of regulatory agencies:

All local codes plus the following specifications, standards and codes are a part of these specifications:

*1.02.E Always include the specific year edition of the specifications, codes and standards used in the design of the project and made part of the specifications.*

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1. ACI 318—Building Code Requirements for Structural Concrete.
2. AWS D1.1—Structural Welding Code—Steel.
3. AWS D1.4—Structural Welding Code—Reinforcing Steel.
4. ASTM Specifications—As referred to in Sect. 2. Products, of this Specification.
5. AASHTO—Standard Specifications for Highway Bridges.
6. CRSI—Manual of Standard Practice.

~~For projects in Canada, standards from the Canadian Standards Association should be listed in addition to, or in place of the U.S. Standards. Fire ratings are generally a code requirement. When required, fire-rated products should be clearly identified on the design drawings.~~

### 1.03 Submittals

#### A. Shop drawings:

##### 1. Erection drawings:

- a. Member piece marks and completely dimensioned size and shape of each member.
- b. Plans and/or elevations locating and defining all products furnished by manufacturer.
- c. Sections and details showing connections, cast-in items and their relation to the structure.
- d. Relationship to adjacent material.
- e. Joints and openings between members and between members and structure.
- f. Description of all loose, cast-in and field hardware.
- g. Field installed anchor location drawings.
- h. Erection sequences, when required to satisfy stability, and handling requirements.
- i. All dead, live and other applicable loads used in the design.

*1.03.A.1.d Details, dimensional tolerances and related information of other trades affecting precast concrete work should be furnished to the precast concrete manufacturer.*

*1.03.A.1.h If the sequence of erection is critical to the structural stability of the structure, or for access to connections at certain locations, it should be noted on the contract plans and specified.*

2. Production drawings:
  - a. Elevation view of each member.
  - b. Sections and details to indicate quantities and position of reinforcing steel, anchors, inserts, etc.
  - c. Handling devices.
  - d. Dimensions and finishes.
  - e. Prestress for strand.
  - f. Concrete strengths.
  - g. Estimated cambers.
  - h. Methods for storage and transportation.

B. Product design criteria:

1. Loadings for design:
  - a. Initial handling and erection stress limits.
  - b. All dead and live loads as specified on the contract drawings.
  - c. All other loads specified for member, where applicable.
2. As directed on the contract drawings, design calculations of products shall be performed by a registered engineer experienced in precast, prestressed concrete design and submitted for approval upon request.
3. Design shall be in accordance with applicable codes, ACI 318 or AASHTO Standard Specifications for Highway Bridges.

C. Permissible design deviations:

1. Design deviations will be permitted only after the architect/engineer's written approval of the manufacturer's proposed design supported by complete design calculations and drawings.
2. Design deviations shall provide an installation equivalent to the basic intent without incurring additional cost to the owner.

*1.03.A.2 Production drawings are normally submitted only upon request.*

*1.03.B and C The contract drawings normally will be prepared using a local precast, prestressed concrete manufacturer's design data and load tables. Dimensional changes that would not materially affect architectural and structural properties or details are usually permissible.*

*Most precast, prestressed concrete is cast in continuous steel forms, therefore connection devices on the formed surfaces must be contained within the member since penetration of the form is impractical. Camber will generally occur in prestressed concrete members having eccentricity of the stressing force. If camber considerations are important, check with local prestressed concrete manufacturer to secure estimates of the amount of camber and of camber movement with time and temperature change. Architectural details must recognize the existence of camber and camber movement in connection with:*

1. *Closures to interior non-load bearing partitions.*
2. *Closures parallel to prestressed concrete members (whether masonry, windows, curtain walls or others) must be properly detailed for appearance.*
3. *Floor slabs receiving cast-in-place topping. The elevation of top of floor and amount of concrete topping must allow for camber of prestressed concrete members.*

*Designing for cambers less than obtained under normal design practices is possible, but this usually requires the addition of tendons or non-prestressed steel reinforcement and price should be checked with the local manufacturer.*

*As the exact cross section of precast, prestressed concrete members might vary somewhat from producer to producer, permissible deviations in member shape from that shown on the contract drawings might enable more manufacturers to quote on the project. Manufacturing procedures also vary between plants and permissible modifications to connection details, inserts, etc., will allow the manufacturer to use devices he can best adapt to his manufacturing procedure.*

*Be sure that loads shown on the contract drawings are easily interpreted. For instance, on members which are to receive concrete topping, be sure to state whether all superimposed dead and live loads on precast, prestressed members do or do not include the weight of the concrete topping.*

*It is best to list the live load, superimposed dead load, topping weight, and weight of the member, all as separate loads. Where there are two different live loads (e.g., roof level of a parking structure) indicate how they are to be combined.*

D. Test reports:

Reports of tests on concrete and other materials upon request.

**1.04 Product Delivery, Storage, and Handling**

A. Delivery and handling:

1. Precast concrete members shall be lifted and supported during manufacturing, stockpiling, transporting and erection operations only at the lifting or supporting points, as shown on the shop drawings, and with suitable lifting devices. Lifting inserts shall have a minimum safety factor of 4. Reusable lifting hardware and rigging shall have a minimum safety factor of 5.
2. Transportation, site handling, and erection shall be performed with acceptable equipment and methods, and by qualified personnel.

B. Storage:

1. Store all units off ground.
2. Place stored units so that identification marks are discernible.
3. Separate stacked members by battens across full width of each bearing point.

4. Stack so that lifting devices are accessible and undamaged.
5. Do not use upper member of stacked tier as storage area for shorter member or heavy equipment.

## 2. PRODUCTS

### 2.01 Materials

#### A. Portland cement:

1. ASTM C 150—Type I or III.

#### B. Other cementitious materials:

1. Fly ash or natural pozzolans: ASTM C 618.
2. Ground granulated blast furnace slag: ASTM C 989.
3. Silica fume: ASTM C 1240.

#### C. Admixtures:

1. Air-entraining admixtures: ASTM C 260.
2. Water reducing, retarding, accelerating, high range water reducing admixtures: ASTM C 494 or C 1017.
3. Calcium chloride or admixtures containing chlorides shall not be used.

#### D. Aggregates:

1. ASTM C 33 or C 330.

#### E. Water:

Potable (see ACI 318).

#### F. Reinforcing steel:

##### 1. Bars:

- a. Deformed billet-steel: ASTM A 615.
- b. Deformed low-alloy steel: ASTM A 706.
- c. Galvanized reinforcing bars: ASTM A 767.
- d. Epoxy coated reinforcing bars: ASTM A 775.

##### 2. Wire:

- a. Plain: ASTM A 82.
- b. Deformed: ASTM A 496.

*2.01 Delete or add materials that may be required for the particular job.*

*2.01.B Selection and use of these cementitious materials in the concrete mix should be left to the precast concrete manufacturer subject to approval by the architect/engineer. The use of fly ash and/or silica fume may affect the color of the finished concrete.*

*2.01.C.3 Admixtures containing any chloride, other than impurities from admixture ingredients, are not to be used in prestressed concrete.*

*2.01.F.1 When welding of bars is required, weldability must be established to conform to AWS D1.4. Bending of bars and bar details should conform to CRSI Manual of Standard Practice.*

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### 3. Welded wire reinforcement:

- a. Welded plain steel: ASTM A 185.
- b. Welded deformed steel: ASTM A 497.

### 4. Coatings:

- a. Epoxy bars: ASTM A 775.
- b. Galvanized bars: ASTM A 767.
- c. Epoxy welded wire reinforcement:  
ASTM A 884.

### G. Strand:

- 1. Uncoated, 7-wire strand:  
ASTM A 416—Grade 250 or 270.

### H. Anchors and inserts:

#### 1. Materials:

- a. Structural steel: ASTM A 36.
- b. Malleable iron castings: ASTM A 47.
- c. Stainless steel: ASTM A 666, Type 304.
- d. Carbon steel plate: ASTM A 283.
- e. Bolts: ASTM A 307 or A 325.
- f. Welded headed studs:  
AWS D1.1—Type B.
- g. Deformed bar anchors: ASTM A 496 or  
A 706.

*2.01.H.1.b Usually specified by type and manufacturer.*

#### 2. Finish:

- a. Shop primer: Manufacturer's standards.
- b. Hot dipped galvanized: ASTM A 123.
- c. Zinc-rich coating: DOD-P-21035, self  
curing, one component, sacrificial.
- d. Cadmium coating: ASTM B 766.

*2.01.H.2.c For galvanized repair use high zinc-dust content paint with dry film containing not less than 94% zinc dust by weight and complying with DOD-P-21035A or SSPC paint 20.*

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## NOTES TO SPECIFIERS

### I. Grout:

1. Cement grout: Portland cement, sand, and water sufficient for placement and hydration.
2. Non-shrink grout: Premixed, packaged ferrous or non-ferrous aggregate shrink-resistant grout.
3. Epoxy-resin grout: Two-component mineral-filled epoxy-resin: ASTM C 881 or FS MMM-A-001993.

### J. Bearing pads:

1. Chloroprene (Neoprene): Conform to Division II, Sect. 18 of AASHTO Standard Specifications for Highway Bridges.
2. Random oriented fiber reinforced: Shall support a compressive stress of 3000 psi with no cracking, splitting or delaminating in the internal portions of the pad.
3. Duck layer reinforced: Conform to Division II, Sect. 18.10.2 of AASHTO Standard Specifications for Highway Bridges or Military Specification MIL-C-882D.
4. Plastic: Multimonomer plastic strips shall be non-leaching and support construction loads with no visible overall expansion.
5. Tetrafluoroethylene (TFE): Reinforced with glass fibers and applied to stainless or structural steel plates.

2.01.1 Indicate required strengths on contract drawings.

2.01.1.2 Non-ferrous grouts with a gypsum base should not be exposed to moisture. Ferrous grouts should not be used where possible staining would be undesirable. Non-shrink grouts are normally not used or required in the keyed joints between hollow-core floor and roof systems or hollow-core wall panels.

2.01.1.3 Check with local suppliers to determine availability and types of epoxy-resin grouts.

2.01.J.1 AASHTO grade pads utilize 100 % chloroprene as the elastomer. Less expensive commercial grade pads are available, but are not recommended.

2.01.J.2 Standard guide specifications are not available for random oriented, fiber reinforced pads. Proof testing of a sample from each group of 200 pads is suggested. Normal service load stresses are 1500 psi, so the 3000 psi test load provides a factor of 2 over service load stress. The shape factor for the test specimens should not be less than 2. If adequate test data are provided by the pad supplier, further proof testing may not be required.

2.01.J.4 Plastic pads are widely used with concrete plank. Compression stress in use is not normally over a few hundred psi and proof testing is not considered necessary. No standard guide specifications are available.

2.01.J.5 ASTM D 2116 applies only to basic TFE resin molding and extrusion material in powder or pellet form. Physical and mechanical properties must be specified by naming manufacturer or other methods.

**2.02 Concrete Mixes**

- A. 28-day compressive strength: Minimum of \_\_\_\_\_ psi.
- B. Release strength: Minimum of \_\_\_\_\_ psi.

*2.02.A and B Verify with local manufacturer. 5000 psi for prestressed products is normal practice, with release strength of 3500 psi. High strength concrete is generally concrete of strength greater than 8000 psi. Although conventional strength tests are taken at 28 days, high strength concretes may be evaluated for strength at 56 or 90 days. Testing of high strength concrete shall be with 4 × 8 in. cylinders. Cubes are not appropriate for high strength concrete testing.*

**2.03 Manufacture**

- A. Manufacturing procedures shall be in general compliance with PCI MNL-116.
- B. Manufacturing tolerances shall comply with PCI MNL-116.
- C. Finishes:

1. Standard underside: Resulting from casting against approved forms using good industry practice in cleaning of forms, design of concrete mix, placing and curing. Small surface holes caused by air bubbles, normal color variations, normal form joint marks, and minor chips and spalls shall be tolerated, but no major or unsightly imperfections, honeycomb, or other defects shall be permitted.

*2.03.C.1 Other formed finishes that may be specified are:*

*Commercial Finish. Concrete may be produced in forms that impart a texture to the concrete (e.g., plywood or lumber). Fins and large protrusion shall be removed and large holes shall be filled. All faces shall have true, well-defined surfaces. Any exposed ragged edges shall be corrected by rubbing or grinding.*

*Grade B Finish. All air pockets and holes over 1/4 in. in diameter shall be filled with a sand-cement paste. All form offsets or fins over 1/8 in. shall be ground smooth.*

*Grade A Finish. In addition to the requirements for Grade B Finish, all exposed surfaces shall be coated with a neat cement paste using an acceptable float. After thin pastecoat has dried, the surface shall be rubbed vigorously with burlap to remove loose particles. These requirements are not applicable to extruded products using zero-slump concrete in their process.*

2. Standard top: Result of vibrating screed and additional hand finishing at projections. Normal color variations, minor indentations, minor chips and spalls shall be permitted. No major imperfections, honeycomb, or defects shall be permitted.

*2.03.C.2 Other unformed finishes that may be specified are smooth, hard trowel finish, or scarified surface finish, using a rake or wire brush, for greater bond, if required, with composite topping.*

3. Vertical ends: When exposed to view, strands shall be recessed a minimum of 1/2 in., the holes filled with grout and the ends of the member shall receive sacked finish.

*2.03.C.3 When not exposed to view, normal plant practice is to cut strands flush and coat the ends of the member with bitumastic.*



4. ~~Special finish~~: If required, listed as follows:

~~2.03.C.4 Special finishes (e.g., sandblasted or bushhammered), if required, should be described in this section of the specifications and noted on the contract drawings, pointing out which members require special finish. Such finishes will involve additional cost and consultation with the manufacturer is recommended. A sample of such finishes should be made available for review prior to bidding.~~

D. Openings:

Primarily on thin sections, the manufacturer shall provide for those openings 10 in. round or square or larger as shown on the structural drawings. Other openings shall be located and field drilled or cut by the trade requiring them after the precast, prestressed concrete products have been erected. Openings shall be approved by the architect/engineer before drilling or cutting.

2.03.D This paragraph requires other trades to field drill holes needed for their work, and such trades should be alerted to this requirement through proper notation in their sections of the specifications. Some manufacturers prefer to install openings smaller than 10 in. which is acceptable if their locations are properly identified on the contract drawings.

E. Patching:

Shall be acceptable providing the structural adequacy of the product and the appearance are not impaired.

F. Fasteners:

Manufacturer shall cast in structural inserts, bolts and plates as detailed or required by the contract drawings.

2.03.F Exclude this requirement from extruded products.

### 3. EXECUTION

#### 3.01 Erection

A. Site access:

General contractor shall be responsible for providing suitable access to the building, proper drainage and firm, level bearing for the hauling and erection equipment to operate under their own power.

B. Preparation:

General contractor shall be responsible for:

1. Providing true, level bearing surfaces on all field placed bearing walls and other field placed supporting members.
2. Placement and accurate alignment of anchor bolts, plates or dowels in column footings, grade beams and other field placed supporting members.
3. All shoring required for composite beams and slabs.

3.01.B Construction tolerances for cast-in-place concrete, masonry, etc., should be specified in those sections of the specifications.

**C. Installation:**

Installation of precast, prestressed concrete shall be performed by the manufacturer or a competent erector. Members shall be lifted by means of suitable lifting devices at points provided by the manufacturer. Temporary shoring and bracing, if necessary, shall comply with manufacturer's recommendations.

**D. Alignment:**

Members shall be properly aligned and leveled as required by the approved shop drawings. Variations between adjacent members shall be reasonably leveled out by jacking, loading, or any other feasible method as recommended by the manufacturer and acceptable to the architect/engineer.

*3.01.D The following erection tolerance may be specified if other requirements do not control: Individual pieces are considered plumb, level and aligned if the error does not exceed 1:500 excluding structural deformations caused by loads.*

**3.02 Field Welding**

- A. Field welding is to be done by certified welders using equipment and materials compatible with the base material.

**3.03 Attachments**

- A. Subject to approval of the architect/engineer, precast, prestressed concrete products may be drilled or "shot" provided no contact is made with the prestressing steel. Should spalling occur, the repair of the spall shall be the responsibility of the trade doing the drilling or the shooting.

**3.04 Inspection and Acceptance**

- A. Final inspection and acceptance of erected precast, prestressed concrete shall be made by the architect/engineer within a reasonable time after the work is completed.

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### GUIDE SPECIFICATIONS

### NOTES TO SPECIFIERS

#### 1. GENERAL

##### 1.01 Description

##### A. Work included:

1. The specifications establish general criteria for materials, production, erection and evaluation of precast concrete as required for subsequent related sections of these specifications. The work to be performed shall include all labor, material, equipment, related services, and supervision required for the manufacture and erection of the architectural precast concrete units shown on the contract drawings and schedules.

*1.01.A Local standard practice may indicate that responsibility for erection may not be included.*

##### B. Related work specified elsewhere:

1. Concrete reinforcement: Section \_\_\_\_\_.

*1.01.B.1 Architectural precast concrete reinforcing steel requirements are different from cast-in-place reinforcement and should be specified in this section.*

2. Cast-in-place concrete: Section \_\_\_\_\_.

*1.01.B.2 For placement of anchorage devices in cast-in-place concrete for precast concrete panels.*

3. Precast, prestressed concrete:  
Section \_\_\_\_\_.

*1.01.B.3 For precast floor and roof slabs, beams, columns and other structural elements. Some items, such as prestressed wall panels on industrial buildings, could be included in either specification, depending on the desired finish and tolerance expectation.*

4. Structural steel framing: Section \_\_\_\_\_.

*1.01.B.4 For steel supporting structure, attachment of anchorage devices on steel for precast concrete panels, and sometimes loose anchors.*

5. Water repellent coatings: Section \_\_\_\_\_.

*1.01.B.5 For exposed face of panels. Delete when specified in this section.*

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6. Insulation: Section \_\_\_\_\_
7. Flashing and sheet metal: Section \_\_\_\_\_
8. Sealants and caulking: Section \_\_\_\_\_
9. Painting: Section \_\_\_\_\_
10. Glass and glazing: Section \_\_\_\_\_
11. Glazing accessories: Section \_\_\_\_\_
- C. Work installed but furnished by others:
1. Counterflashing receivers or reglets:  
Section \_\_\_\_\_
  2. Inserts or attachments for \_\_\_\_\_:  
Section \_\_\_\_\_
- D. Testing agency provided by owner.

### 1.02 Quality Assurance

- A. Manufacturer qualifications:  
The precast concrete manufacturing plant shall be certified by the Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute Plant Certification Program. Manufacturer shall be certified at the time of bidding. Certification shall be in the following product groups and categories: \_\_\_\_\_
- \*\*OR\*\*
- Acceptable manufacturers:
1. \_\_\_\_\_
  2. \_\_\_\_\_
- B. Erector qualifications:  
Regularly engaged for at least \_\_\_\_\_ years in erection of architectural precast concrete units similar to those required on this project.
- C. Welder qualifications:  
In accordance with AWS D1.1.

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*1.01.B.6 For insulation that is job-applied to precast concrete panels. Insulation-cast in precast concrete panels during manufacture should be specified in this section.*

*1.01.B.7 For counterflashing inserts and receivers, unless included in this section.*

*1.01.B.8 For panel joint caulking and sealing.*

*1.01.B.9 For field touch-up painting. Delete when specified in this section.*

*1.01.B.10 For glazing of precast concrete panels in plant. Delete when specified in this section.*

*1.01.B.11 For reglets used with structural glazing gaskets. Delete when specified in this section.*

*1.01.C Delete when furnished by precast concrete manufacturer. Add additional items as may be required for the particular project.*

*1.01.C.2 May include inserts/attachments for window or door frames, window washing equipment, etc.*

*1.01.D Delete when testing agency is provided by precast concrete manufacturer or general contractor. Coordinate with appropriate section of Division 1, General Conditions.*

*1.02.A Groups and categories: (A1), (AT), (G). See Sect. 9.5 for definitions. It is recommended that the architect approve individual precast concrete manufacturers who meet the Quality Assurance Specification at least ten days prior to the bid date, or identify approved manufacturers in the specification. It is not appropriate to specify structural products with architectural finishes in this section.*

*1.02.B Usually 2 to 5 years.*

*1.02.C Certified within the past year. Delete when welding is not required.*

## D. Testing:

In general compliance with testing provisions in MNL-117, *Manual for Quality Control for Plants and Production of Architectural Precast Concrete Products*.

## E. Testing agency:

1. Not less than \_\_\_\_\_ years experience in performing concrete tests of type specified in this section.
2. Capable of performing testing in accordance with ASTM E 329.
3. Inspected by Cement and Concrete Reference Laboratory of the National Institute of Standards and Technology.

*1.02.E Delete when provided by owner.*

*1.02.E.1 Usually 2 to 5 years.*

## F. Requirements of regulatory agencies:

Manufacture and installation of architectural precast concrete to meet requirements of \_\_\_\_\_.

*1.02.F Local building code or other governing code relating to precast concrete. For projects in Canada, standards from the Canadian Standards Association should be listed in addition to or in place of the U.S. standards.*

## G. Allowable tolerances:

1. Manufacture and install wall panels so that each panel after erection complies with the dimensional tolerances listed in MNL-117.

*1.02.G Dimensional tolerances apply to both manufacturing and after manufacturing. The tolerances listed in PCI MNL-117 are also listed in Chapter 8 of this Handbook. Most manufacturers can meet closer tolerances, if required, but closer tolerances normally increase costs. The normal tolerances of the support system should also be recognized.*

## H. Job mockup:

1. After standard samples are accepted for color and texture, submit full-scale unit meeting design requirements.
2. Mockup to be standard of quality for architectural precast concrete work, when accepted by architect/engineer.
3. Incorporate mockup into work in a location reviewed by architect/engineer after keeping mockup in plant \_\_\_\_\_ for checking purpose.

*1.02.H.1 Full-scale samples or inspection of the first production unit are normally required, especially when a new design concept or new manufacturing process or other unusual circumstance indicates that proper evaluation cannot otherwise be made. It is difficult to assess appearance from small samples.*

*1.02.H.2 Use to determine range of acceptability with respect to color and texture variations, surface defects and overall appearance. Mockup should also serve as testing areas for remedial work. It should also be stated in the contract documents who the accepting authority will be.*

*1.02.H.3 Delete when mockup is not to be included in work. State how long unit should be kept. Mockup is normally incorporated in the building, at least for production units.*

## 1. Source quality control:

1. Quality control and inspection procedures to comply with applicable sections of MNL-117.
2. Water absorption test on unit shall be conducted in accordance with MNL-117.

*1.02.1.2 Water absorption test is an early indication of weather staining (rather than durability). Verify the water absorption of the proposed face mix. For average exposures and based upon normal weight concrete (150 lbs per cubic ft), water absorption should not exceed 5% to 6% by weight. In order to establish comparable absorption figures for all materials, the current trend is to specify absorption percentages by volume. The stated limits for absorption would, in volumetric terms, correspond to 12% to 14% for average exposures and 8% to 10% for special conditions.*

## 1.03 Submittals

## A. Samples:

1. Submit samples representative of finished exposed face showing typical range of color and texture prior to commencement of production.
2. Sample size: Approximately 12 in. x 12 in. and of appropriate thickness, representative of the proposed finished product.

*1.03.A Number of samples and submittal procedures should be specified in Division 1. All approved samples should be initialed by the architect. Pre-bid samples should be submitted a minimum of 10 days prior to bid date.*

*1.03.A1 If the back face of a precast concrete unit is to be exposed, samples of the workmanship, color, and texture of the backing should be shown as well as the facing.*

## B. Shop drawings:

## 1. Erection drawings:

- a. Member piece marks and completely dimensioned size and shape of each member.
- b. Plans and/or elevations locating and defining all products furnished by manufacturer.
- c. Sections and details showing connections, cast-in items and their relation to the structure.
- d. Relationship to adjacent material.

*1.03.B State the number of copies required for approval or whether reproduces are required. Current practice usually calls for two prints and one reproducible of shop drawings to be submitted for approval. General contractor should expedite submittal with architect/engineer to conform with allotted shop drawing approval time shown on the precast concrete supplier's order acknowledgment. When erection drawings contain all information sufficient for design approval, production drawings, except for shape drawings, need not be submitted for approval, except in special cases. However, record copies are frequently requested. Guidelines for the preparation of drawings are given in the PCI Drafting Handbook—Precast and Prestressed Concrete, Second Edition, MNL-119-90.*

*1.03.B.1.d Details, dimensional tolerances and related information of other trades affecting precast concrete work should be furnished to precast concrete manufacturer.*

- e. Joints and openings between members and between members and structure.
  - f. Description of all loose, cast-in and field hardware.
  - g. Location, dimensional tolerances, and details of anchorage devices that are embedded in or attached to structure or other construction.
  - h. Erection sequences, when required to satisfy stability, and handling requirements.
  - i. All dead, live and other applicable loads used in the design.
2. Production drawings:
- a. Member shapes (elevations and sections) and dimensions.
  - b. Sections and details to indicate quantities and position of reinforcing steel, anchors, inserts, etc.
  - c. Handling devices.
  - d. Finishes.
  - e. Joint and connection details.
  - f. Methods for storage and transportation.

3. Shape drawings:

For members with complex configurations, complete dimensions and details that also define mold shape.

C. Design calculations:

Submit, on request, structural design calculations performed by a registered engineer experienced in the design of architectural precast concrete.

D. Design modifications:

- 1. Submit design modifications necessary to meet performance requirements and field coordination.
- 2. Variations in details or materials shall not adversely affect the appearance, durability or strength of units.
- 3. Maintain general design concept without altering size of members, profiles and alignment.

*1.03.B.1.g Drawings normally prepared by precast concrete manufacturer and provided to general contractor for work by other trades.*

*1.03.B.1.h If the sequence of erection is critical to the structural stability of the structure, or for access to connections at certain locations, it should be noted on the contract plans and specified.*

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### E. Test reports:

Submit, on request, reports on materials, compressive strength tests on concrete and water absorption tests on units.

### 1.04 Product Delivery, Storage, and Handling

#### A. Delivery and handling:

1. Deliver all architectural precast concrete units to project site in such quantities and at such times to ensure continuity of erection.
2. Handle and transport units in a position consistent with their shape and design in order to avoid stresses which would cause cracking or damage.
3. Lift or support units only at the points shown on the shop drawings.
4. Place non-staining resilient spacers of even thickness between each unit.
5. Support units during shipment on non-staining shock-absorbing material.
6. Do not place units directly on ground.

#### B. Storage at jobsite:

1. Store and protect units to prevent contact with soil, staining, and physical damage.
2. Store units, unless otherwise specified, with non-staining, resilient supports located in same positions as when transported.
3. Store units on firm, level, and smooth surfaces.
4. Place stored units so that identification marks are discernible, and so that product can be inspected.

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*1.03.E The number and/or frequency of each type of test should be clearly stated in the specifications by listing the required testing or by reference to applicable standards, such as PCI MNL-117. Schedule of required tests, number of copies of test reports, and how distributed are included in Testing Laboratory Services, Section \_\_\_\_\_.*

*1.04.A Erector should coordinate arrival of precast concrete units and provide for possible storage and for erection in a safe manner within the agreed schedule and with due consideration for other trades. Handling procedures, including type and location of fastenings, should normally be left to the precaster, but the fastening devices should be located and identified on shop drawings.*

*1.04.B The ideal sequence of precast concrete erection is the unloading of units directly to their proper location on the structure without storing on the jobsite. If on-site storage is an absolute necessity to enable the erector to operate at the speed required to meet the established schedule, leaving the precast concrete units on the trailer eliminates extra handling or possible damage caused by improper on-site storage techniques.*



**2. PRODUCTS****2.01 Materials****A. Concrete:**

1. Portland cement:
  - a. ASTM C 150, type \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ color.
  - b. For exposed surfaces use same brand, type, and source of supply throughout.
2. Cementitious materials:
  - a. Fly ash or natural pozzolans: ASTM C 618.
  - b. Ground granulated blast furnace slag: ASTM C 989.
  - c. Silica fume: ASTM C 1240.
3. Air entraining agent: ASTM C 260.
4. Water reducing, retarding, accelerating, high range water reducing admixtures: ASTM C 494 or C 1017.

5. Coloring agent:
  - a. Synthetic mineral oxide.
  - b. Harmless to concrete set and strength.
  - c. Stable at high temperature.
  - d. Sunlight- and alkali-fast.

6. Face mix aggregates:
  - a. Provide fine and coarse aggregates for each type of exposed finish from a single source (pit or quarry) for entire job. They shall be clean, hard, strong, durable, and inert, free of staining or deleterious material.
  - b. ASTM C 33 or C 330.

*2.01.A.1.a Type: [I(General use)], [III(High early strength)]. Color: (gray), (white), (buff). Gray is generally used for non-exposed backup concrete. Finish requirements will determine color selected for face mix.*

*2.01.A.1.b To minimize color variation. Specify source of supply when color shade is important.*

*2.01.A.2 Selection and use of these cementitious materials in the concrete mix should be left to the precast concrete manufacturer subject to approval by the architect/engineer. The use of fly ash and/or silica fume may affect the color of the finished concrete.*

*2.01.A.3 Delete if air entrainment is not required.*

*2.01.A.4 Delete if water reducing, retarding, or accelerating admixtures are not required. Calcium chloride, or admixtures containing significant amounts of calcium chloride, should not be allowed. The selection of the particular admixture(s) should be left to the precast concrete manufacturer subject to approval by the architect/engineer.*

*2.01.A.5 Investigate use of naturally colored fine aggregate in lieu of coloring agent. Delete if coloring agent is not required.*

*2.01.A.5.b Consider effects upon concrete prior to final selection.*

*2.01.A.6.a Approve or select the size, color and quality of aggregate to be used. Base choice on visual inspection of concrete sample and on assessment of certified test reports. Use same type and source of supply to minimize color variation. Fine aggregate is not always from same source as coarse aggregate.*

*2.01.A.6.b Grading requirements are generally waived or modified.*

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c. Material and color: \_\_\_\_\_.

d. Maximum size and gradation: \_\_\_\_\_.

7. Backup concrete aggregates:

a. ASTM C 33 or C 330.

8. Water: Free from deleterious matter that may interfere with the color, setting or strength of the concrete.

B. Reinforcing steel:

1. Materials:

a. Bars:

(1) Deformed steel:

ASTM A 615, grade 60.

(2) Weldable deformed steel:

ASTM A 706.

(3) Galvanized reinforcing bars:

ASTM A 767.

(4) Epoxy coated reinforcing bars:

ASTM A 775.

b. Welded wire reinforcement:

(1) Welded plain steel:

ASTM A 185.

(2) Welded deformed steel:

ASTM A 497.

(3) Epoxy coated welded wire fabric:

ASTM A 884.

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2.01.A.6.c Specify type of stone desired such as crushed marble, quartz, limestone, granite, or locally available gravel as well as color. Some lightweight aggregates, limestones, and marbles may not be acceptable as facing aggregates. Omit where sample is to be matched.

2.01.A.6.d State required sieve analysis. Omit where sample is to be matched.

2.01.A.7 Delete when architectural requirements dictate that face mix be used throughout the unit.

2.01.A.8 Potable water is ordinarily acceptable.

2.01.B.1 Grades of reinforcing steel are determined by the structural design of the precast concrete units. Panels are normally designed as crack-free sections or with controlled cracking, thus the benefit of higher grade steel is not utilized.

2.01.B.1.a State uncoated, galvanized or epoxy coated. Use galvanizing or epoxy coating only where corrosive environment or severe exposure conditions justify extra cost. Availability of galvanized or epoxy coated bars should be verified.

2.01.B.1.a(2) Availability should be checked. When not available, establish weldability in accordance with AWS D1.4.

2.01.B.1.a(3) Damage to the coating as a result of bending should be repaired with zinc-rich paint.

2.01.B.1.a(4) Damage to the coating as a result of mishandling or field cutting should be repaired with epoxy paint.

2.01.B.1.b Should be sheets, not rolls. State uncoated, galvanized or epoxy coated. Use galvanizing or epoxy coating only where corrosive environment or exposure conditions justify extra cost.

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- c. Fabricated steel bar or rod mats:  
ASTM A 184.
- d. Prestressing strand:  
ASTM A 416, grade \_\_\_\_\_.

*2.01.B.1.d Occasionally used in long and/or thin panels. Grades 250 or 270.*

### C. Cast-in anchors:

*2.01.C Loose attachment hardware usually specified under Miscellaneous Metals.*

#### 1. Materials:

- a. Structural steel: ASTM A 36.
- b. Stainless steel:  
ASTM A 666, type 304, grade \_\_\_\_\_.
- c. Carbon steel plate:  
ASTM A 283, grade \_\_\_\_\_.
- d. Malleable iron castings:  
ASTM A 47, grade \_\_\_\_\_.
- e. Carbon steel castings:  
ASTM A 27, grade 60-30.
- f. Bolts: ASTM A 307 or A 325.
- g. Welded headed studs:  
ASTM A 108.
- h. Deformed bar anchors:  
ASTM A 496 or A 706.

*2.01.C.1.a For carbon steel connection assemblies.*

*2.01.C.1.b Stainless steel anchors for use only when resistance to staining merits extra cost. (A), (B).*

*2.01.C.1.c (A), (B), (C), (D).*

*2.01.C.1.d Usually specified by type and manufacturer. Grades 32510 or 35018.*

*2.01.C.1.e For cast steel clamps.*

*2.01.C.1.f For low-carbon steel bolts, nuts and washers.*

#### 2. Finish:

- a. Shop primer: FS TT-P-86, oil base paint, type I, or SSPC-Paint 14, or manufacturer's standard.
- b. Hot-dipped galvanized:  
ASTM A 123, electroplated or metalized.
- c. Cadmium coating: ASTM B 766.
- d. Zinc rich coating: DOD-P-21035, self curing, one component, sacrificial.

*2.01.C.2.a For exposed carbon steel anchors.*

*2.01.C.2.b For exposed carbon steel anchors where corrosive environment justifies the additional cost. Field welding should generally not be permitted on galvanized elements, unless the galvanizing is removed.*

*2.01.C.2.c Particularly appropriate for threaded fasteners.*

*2.01.C.2.d For galvanized repair use high zinc-dust content paint with dry film containing not less than 94% zinc dust by weight and complying with DOD-P-21035A or SSPC paint 20.*

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D. Receivers for flashing: 28 ga. formed \_\_\_\_\_, or polyvinyl-chloride extrusions.

E. Sandwich panel insulation: \_\_\_\_\_.

F. Grout:

1. Cement grout: Portland cement, sand, and water sufficient for placement and hydration.
2. Non-shrink grout: Premixed, packaged ferrous or non-ferrous aggregate shrink-resistant grout.
3. Epoxy-resin grout: Two-component mineral-filled epoxy-resin: ASTM C 881 or FS MMM-A-001993.

G. Bearing Pads:

1. Chloroprene (Neoprene): Conform to Division II, Sect. 18 of AASHTO Standard Specifications for Highway Bridges.
2. Random oriented fiber reinforced: Shall support a compressive stress of 3000 psi with no cracking, splitting or delaminating in the internal portions of the pad.
3. Duck layer reinforced: Conform to Division II, Sect. 18.10.2 of AASHTO Standard Specifications for Highway Bridges or Military Specification MIL-C-882D.
4. Plastic: Multimonomer plastic strips shall be non-leaching and support construction loads with no visible overall expansion.

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2.01.D ~~(stainless steel), (copper), (zinc).~~ Coordinate with flashing specification to avoid dissimilar metals. Delete when included in flashing and sheet metal section. Specify whether precaster or others furnish.

2.01.E Specify type of insulation such as foamed plastic (polystyrene and polyisocyanurate), glasses (foamed glass and fiberglass), foamed or cellular lightweight concretes, or lightweight mineral aggregate concretes. Thickness of sandwich panel insulation governed by wall U-value requirements.

2.01.F Indicate required strengths on contract drawings.

2.01.F.2 Grout permanently exposed to view should be non-oxidizing (non-ferrous).

2.01.F.3 Check with local suppliers to determine availability and types of epoxy-resin grouts.

2.01.G.1 AASHTO grade pads having a minimum durometer hardness of 50 and utilizing 100 % chloroprene as the elastomer. Less expensive commercial grade pads are available, but are not recommended.

2.01.G.2 Standard guide specifications are not available for random oriented, fiber reinforced pads. Proof testing of a sample from each group of 200 pads is suggested. Normal service load stresses are 1500 psi, so the 3000 psi test load provides a factor of 2 over service stress. The shape factor for the test specimens should not be less than 2. If adequate test data are provided by the pad supplier, further proof testing may not be required.

2.0.1.G.4 Compression stress in use is not normally over a few hundred psi and proof testing is not considered necessary. No standard guide specifications are available.

5. Tetrafluoroethylene (TFE): Reinforced with glass fibers and applied to stainless or structural steel plates:

2.0.1.G.5—ASTM D 2116 applies only to basic TFE resin molding and extrusion material in powder or pellet form. Physical and mechanical properties must be specified by naming manufacturer or other methods.

## 2.02 Concrete Mixes

### A. Concrete properties:

1. Water-cementitious materials ratio: Maximum 40 lbs. of water to 100 lbs. of cementitious materials.
2. Air entrainment: Amount produced by adding dosage of air entraining agent that will provide  $19\% \pm 3\%$  of entrained air in standard 1:4 sand mortar as tested according to ASTM C 185; or minimum 3%, maximum 6%.
3. Coloring agent: Not more than 10% of cementitious materials weight.
4. 28-day compressive strength: Minimum of 5000 psi when tested by 6 x 12 or 4 x 8 in. cylinders; or minimum 6250 psi when tested on 4 in. cubes.

2.02.A The backup concrete and the surface finish concrete can be of one mix design, depending upon resultant finish, or the surface finish (face mix) concrete can be separate from the backup concrete. Clearly indicate specific requirements for each face of the product or allow manufacturer's option.

2.02.A.1 Keep to a minimum consistent with strength and durability requirements and placement needs.

2.02.A.2 Gradation characteristics of most facing mix concrete will not allow use of a given percentage of air. PCI recommends a range of air entraining be stated in preference to specified percentage.

2.02.A.3 Amount used should not have any detrimental effects on concrete qualities. Delete if coloring agent is not required.

2.02.A.4 Vary strength to match requirements. Strength requirements for facing mixes and backup mixes may differ. Also the strength at time of removal from the molds should be stated if critical to the engineering design of the units. The strength level of the concrete should be considered satisfactory if the average of each set of any three consecutive cylinder strength tests equals or exceeds the specified strength and no individual test falls below the specified value by more than 500 psi.

### B. Face mix:

1. Minimum thickness of face mix after consolidation shall be at least one in. or a minimum of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  times the maximum size of aggregates used, whichever is larger.
2. Water-cementitious materials and cementitious materials-aggregate ratios of face and backup mixes shall be similar.

2.02.B Delete if separate face mix is not used.

2.02.B.1 Minimum thickness should be sufficient to prevent bleeding through of the backup mix and should be at least equal to specified minimum cover of reinforcement.

2.02.B.2 Similar behavior with respect to shrinkage is necessary in order to avoid undue bowing and warping.

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- C. Design mixes to achieve required strengths shall be prepared by independent testing facility or qualified personnel at precast concrete manufacturer's plant.

### 2.03 Fabrication

- A. Manufacturing procedures shall be in general compliance with PCI MNL-117.

B. Finishes:

1. Exposed face to match approved sample or mockup panel.

**\*\*OR\*\***

1. Smooth finish:

- a. As cast using flat, smooth, non-porous molds.

**\*\*OR\*\***

1. Smooth finish:

- a. As cast using fluted, sculptured, board finish or textured form liners.

**\*\*OR\*\***

1. Textured finish:

- a. Achieve finish on face surface of precast concrete units by form liners applied to inside of forms.
- b. Distressed finish by breaking off portion of face of each flute.
- c. Achieve uniformity of cleavage by alternately striking opposite sides of flute.

**\*\*OR\*\***

1. Exposed aggregate finish:

- a. Apply even coat of retardant to face of mold.
- b. Remove units from molds after concrete hardens.

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*2.02.C Proportion mixes by either laboratory trial batch or field experience methods using materials to be employed on the project for each type of concrete required. Tests will be necessary on all mixes including face, backup, and standard, which may be used in production of units. Water content should remain as constant as possible during manufacture.*

*2.03.B Finishing techniques used in individual plants may vary considerably from one part of the continent to another, and between individual plants. Many plants have developed specific techniques supported by skilled operators or special facilities.*

*2.03.B.1 Preferable to match sample rather than specify method of exposure.*

*2.03.B.1.a Difficult to obtain uniform finish.*

*2.03.B.1.a Many standard shapes of plastic form liners are readily available.*

*2.03.B.1.b Delete if distressed finish is not desired.*

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- c. Expose coarse aggregate by washing and brushing or lightly sandblasting away surface mortar.
- d. Expose aggregate to produce a \_\_\_\_\_ exposure.

**\*\*OR\*\***

1. Exposed aggregate finish:

- a. Immerse unit in tank of acid solution.  
**\*\*OR\*\***
- a. Pressure spray with acid and hot water solution.  
**\*\*OR\*\***
- a. Treat surface of unit with brushes which have been immersed in acid solution.  
**\*\*\*\***
- b. Protect hardware, connections and insulation from acid attack.
- c. Expose aggregate to produce a \_\_\_\_\_ exposure.  
**\*\*OR\*\***

1. Exposed aggregate finish:

- a. Use power or hand tools to remove mortar and fracture aggregates at the surface of units (bushhammer).  
**\*\*OR\*\***

1. Exposed aggregate finish:

- a. Hand place large facing aggregate, fieldstone or cobblestones in sand bed over mold bottom.
- b. Produce mortar joints by keeping cast concrete  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. to 1 in. from face of unit.  
**\*\*OR\*\***

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*2.03.B.1.d (light) (medium) (deep). Finishes obtained vary from light etch to heavy exposure, but must relate to the size of aggregates. Matrix can be removed to a maximum depth of one-third the average diameter of coarse aggregate but not more than one-half the diameter of smallest sized coarse aggregate.*

*2.03.B.1.a Use reasonably acid resistant aggregates such as quartz or granite.*

*2.03.B.1.c (light) (medium) (deep).*

*2.03.B.1.a Use with softer aggregates such as dolomite and marble.*

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### 1. Sandblasted finish:

- a. Sandblast away cementitious materials-sand matrix to produce a \_\_\_\_\_ exposure.

**\*\*OR\*\***

### 1. Honed or polished finish:

- a. Polish surface by continuous mechanical abrasion with fine grit, followed by special treatment which includes filling of all surface holes and rubbing.

**\*\*OR\*\***

### 1. Veneer faced finish:

- a. Cast concrete over tile, brick, terra cotta or natural stone placed in the bottom of the mold.
  - b. Connection of natural stone face material to concrete shall be by mechanical means.  
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2. \_\_\_\_\_ back surfaces of precast concrete units after striking surfaces flush to form finish lines.

### C. Cover:

1. Provide at least  $\frac{3}{4}$  in. cover for reinforcing steel.
2. Do not use metal chairs, with or without coating, in the finished face.
3. Provide embedded anchors, inserts, plates, angles and other cast-in items with sufficient anchorage and embedment for design requirements.

2.03.B.1.a (light) (medium) (deep). Exposure of aggregate by sandblasting can vary from  $\frac{1}{16}$  in. or less to over  $\frac{3}{8}$  in. Remove matrix to a maximum depth of one-third the average diameter of coarse aggregate but not more than one-half the diameter of smallest sized coarse aggregate. Depth of sandblasting should be adjusted to suit the aggregate hardness and size.

2.03.B.1 Honing and polishing of concrete are techniques which require highly skilled personnel. Use with aggregates such as marble, onyx, and granite.

2.03.B.1.a Full scale mockup units with natural stone in actual production sizes, along with casting and curing of the units under realistic production conditions are essential for each new or major application or configuration of the natural stones.

2.03.B.1.b Provide a complete bondbreaker between the natural stone face material and the concrete. Ceramic tile, brick and terra cotta are bonded to the concrete.

2.03.B.2 (Smooth float finish), (Smooth steel trowel), (Light broom), (Stippled finish). Use for exposed back surfaces of units.

2.03.C.1 Increase cover requirements when units are exposed to corrosive environment or severe exposure conditions. For exposed aggregate surfaces, the  $\frac{3}{4}$  in. cover should be from bottom of aggregate reveal to surface of steel.

2.03.C.2 If possible, reinforcing steel cages should be supported from the back of the panel, because spacers of any kind are likely to mar the finished surface of the panel. For smooth cast facing, stainless steel chairs may be permitted. The wires should be soft stainless steel and clippings should be completely removed from the mold.



## D. Molds:

1. Use rigid molds to maintain units within specified tolerances conforming to the shape, lines and dimensions shown on the approved shop drawings.
2. Construct molds to withstand vibration method selected.

*2.03.D.2 Molds for architectural precast concrete should be built to provide proper appearance, dimensional control and tightness. They should be sufficiently rigid to withstand pressures developed by plastic concrete, as well as the forces caused by consolidation. Unless otherwise agreed in the contract documents, the molds are the property of the precast concrete manufacturer.*

## E. Concreting:

1. Convey concrete from the mixer to place of final deposit by methods which will prevent separation, segregation or loss of material.
2. Consolidate all concrete in the mold by high frequency vibration, either internal or external or a combination of both, to eliminate unintentional cold joints, honeycomb and to minimize entrapped air on vertical surfaces.

*2.03.E.2 The prime objective is to consolidate the concrete thoroughly, producing a dense, uniform product with fine surfaces, free of imperfections. Bonding between backup and face mix should be ensured if backup concrete is cast before the face mix has attained its initial set.*

## F. Curing:

1. Precast concrete units shall be cured until the compressive strength is high enough to ensure that stripping does not have an effect on the performance or appearance of the final product.

*2.03.F A wide variation exists in acceptable curing methods, ranging from no curing in some warm humid areas, to carefully controlled moisture-pressure-temperature curing. Consult with local panel manufacturers to avoid unrealistic curing requirements.*

*2.03.F.1 Stripping strength, which could be as low as 2000 psi, should be set by the plant based on the characteristics of the product and plant facilities. It is the responsibility of the precaster to verify and document the fact that final design strength has been reached.*

## G. Panel identification:

1. Mark each precast panel to correspond to identification mark on shop drawings for panel location.
2. Mark each precast panel with date cast.

## H. Acceptance:

Architectural precast units which do not meet the color and texture range or the dimensional tolerances may be rejected at the option of the architect, if they cannot be satisfactorily corrected.

*2.03.H It should be stated in the contract documents who the accepting authority will be—contractor, architect, engineer of record, owner or jobsite inspector.*

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### 2.04 Concrete Testing

- A. Make one compression test at 28 days for each day's production of each type of concrete.
- B. Specimens:
1. Provide two test specimens for each compression test.
  2. Obtain concrete for specimens from actual production batch.
  3. 6 in. x 12 in. or 4 in. x 8 in. concrete test cylinder, ASTM C 31.  
\*\*OR\*\*  
3. \_\_\_\_\_ sized concrete cube, \_\_\_\_\_  
  
\*\*\*\*
  4. Cure specimens using the same methods used for the precast concrete units until the units are stripped, then moist cure specimens until tested.
- C. Keep quality control records available for the architect upon request for two years after final acceptance.

## 3. EXECUTION

### 3.01 Inspection

- A. Before erecting architectural precast concrete, the general contractor shall verify that structure and anchorage inserts required to support panels are within tolerances.
- B. Determine field conditions by actual measurements.

*2.04.A This test should be only a part of an in-plant quality control program.*

*2.04.B.1 One test specimen may be used to check the stripping strength.*

*2.04.B.3 Specify size. Cube specimens are usually 4 in. units, but 2 in. or 6 in. units are sometimes required. Larger specimens give more accurate test results than smaller ones. Source: (molded individually), (sawed from slab).*

*2.04.C These records should include mix designs, test reports, inspection reports, member identification numbers along with date cast, shipping records and erection reports.*

*3.0.1.B Any discrepancies between design dimensions and field dimensions which could adversely affect installation in accordance with the contract documents should be brought to the general contractor's attention. If such conditions exist, installation should not proceed until they are corrected or until design requirements are modified. Beginning of installation can mean acceptance of existing conditions.*

**3.02 Erection**

- A. Clear, well-drained unloading areas and road access around and in the structure (where appropriate) shall be provided and maintained by the general contractor to a degree that the hauling and erection equipment for the architectural precast concrete products are able to operate under their own power.
- B. General contractor shall erect adequate barricades, warning lights or signs to safeguard traffic in the immediate area of hoisting and handling operations.
- C. Set precast units level, plumb, square and true within the allowable tolerances. General contractor shall be responsible for providing lines, center and grades in sufficient detail to allow installation. General contractor shall verify that bearing surfaces comply with specifications and, if not in compliance, shall make necessary corrections prior to start of erection.
- D. Provide temporary supports and bracing as required to maintain position, stability and alignment as units are being permanently connected.
- E. Tolerances for location of precast units shall be in accordance with Chapter 8 of this Handbook.
- F. Set non-load bearing units dry without mortar, attaining specified joint dimension with steel or plastic spacing shims.
- G. Fasten precast units in place by bolting or welding, or both, completing drypacked joints, grouting sleeves and pockets, and/or placing cast-in-place concrete joints as indicated on approved erection drawings.
- H. Temporary lifting and handling devices cast into the precast concrete units shall be completely removed or, if protectively treated, left in place unless they interfere with the work of any other trade.

*3.02.A General contractor should coordinate delivery and erection of precast concrete products with other jobsite operations.*

*3.02.C Controlled reference lines should be used because the characteristics of precast concrete make a surface elevation difficult to define. Where thickness is not of exact concern, lines used in erection should be controlled from exposed exterior precast concrete surfaces.*

*3.02.F Shims should be near the back of the unit to prevent their causing a spall on face of unit when shim is loaded. The selection of the width and depth of field-molded sealants, for the computed movement in a joint, should be based on the maximum allowable strain in the sealant.*

*3.02.G The erector should protect units from damage caused by field welding or cutting operations and provide non-combustible shields as necessary during these operations. Structural welds should be made in accordance with the erection drawings which should clearly specify type, extent, sequence and location of welds. Adjustments or changes in connections, which could involve additional stresses in the products or connections, should not be permitted without approval by the architect/engineer. Precast concrete units should be erected in the sequence indicated on the approved erection drawings.*

**3.03 Repair**

- A. Repair exposed exterior surface to match color and texture of surrounding concrete and to minimize shrinkage.
- B. Adhere large patch to hardened concrete with bonding agent.

**3.04 Cleaning**

- A. After installation and joint treatment \_\_\_\_\_ shall clean soiled precast concrete surfaces with detergent and water, using fiber brush and sponge, and rinse thoroughly with clean water in accordance with precast concrete manufacturer's recommendation.

**\*\*OR\*\***

- A. After installation and joint treatment: Clean precast concrete panels with \_\_\_\_\_.

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- B. Use acid solution only to clean particularly stubborn stains after more conservative methods have been tried unsuccessfully.
- C. Use extreme care to prevent damage to precast concrete surfaces and to adjacent materials.
- D. Rinse thoroughly with clean water immediately after using cleaner.

*3.03.A Repair is normally accomplished prior to final cleaning and caulking. It is recommended that the precaster execute all repairs or approve the methods proposed for such repairs by other qualified personnel. The precaster should be compensated for repairs of any damage for which he is not responsible. Repairs should be acceptable providing the structural adequacy of the product and the appearance are not impaired. All repairs and remedial work should be documented and kept in job record files.*

*3.03.B Bonding agent should not be used with small patches because of the greater likelihood of discoloring the patch.*

*3.04.A State whether erector or precaster should do cleaning under the responsibility of general contractor. Use cleaning materials or processes which will not change the character of exposed concrete finishes.*

*3.04.A (acid-free commercial cleaners), (steam cleaning), (water blasting), (sandblasting). Select cleaners with a non-chloride base. Use sandblasting only for units with original sandblasted finish. Ensure that materials of other trades are protected when cleaning panels.*

**3.05 Protection**

- A. All work and materials of other trades shall be adequately protected by the erector at all times.
- B. A fire extinguisher, of an approved type and in operating condition, shall be located within reach of all burning and welding operations at all times.
- C. The erector shall be responsible for any chipping, spalling, cracking or other damage to the units after delivery to the jobsite unless damage is caused in site storage by others. After installation is completed, any further damage shall be the responsibility of the general contractor.

*3.05.C After erection of any portion of precast concrete work to proper alignment and appearance, the general contractor should make provisions to protect all precast concrete from damage and staining.*

## 10.3 CODE OF STANDARD PRACTICE FOR PRECAST CONCRETE

The precast/prestressed concrete industry has grown rapidly and certain practices relating to the design, manufacture and erection of precast concrete have become standard in many areas of North America. This "Code of Standard Practice" is a compilation of these practices, and others deemed worthy of consideration, in the form of recommendations for the guidance of those involved with the use of structural and architectural precast concrete.

The goal of this Code is to build a better understanding by suggesting standards which more clearly define procedures and responsibilities, thus resulting in fewer problems for everyone involved in the planning, preparation and completion of any project.

As the precast/prestressed concrete industry continues to evolve, and it becomes apparent that additional practices have become standard in the industry or that current standards require modification, it is the intent of the Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute to enlarge and revise this Code.

### 1. DEFINITIONS OF PRECAST CONCRETE

#### 1.1 Structural Precast Concrete

Structural precast concrete usually includes beams, tees, joists, purlins, girders, lintels, columns, posts, piers, piles, slab or deck members, and wall panels. In order to avoid misunderstandings, it is important that the contract documents for each project list all the elements that are considered to be structural precast concrete. Some structural members may be left exposed in the structure to establish an aesthetic appearance. High quality, attractive architectural treatments may be provided on the surfaces of these structural elements, and they should be specially listed in the contract documents.

#### 1.2 Architectural Precast Concrete

Architectural precast concrete is characterized by a higher standard of uniformity of appearance with respect to surface details, color and texture. Typical architectural precast elements fall into two groups: major primary elements including wall panels, window wall panels, and column covers; other elements are decorative pieces and trim units including copings, mullions, sills and appurtenances such as benches and bollards. In order to avoid misunderstandings, it is important that the contract documents for each project list all the elements that are considered to be architectural precast concrete.

### 1.3 Prestressed Concrete

Both structural and architectural precast concrete may be prestressed or non-prestressed. All structural precast concrete products referred to herein which are prestressed are specifically referred to as prestressed concrete.

## 2. SAMPLES, MOCKUPS, AND QUALIFICATION OF MANUFACTURERS

### 2.1 Samples and Mockups

Samples, mockups, etc., are rarely required for structural prestressed concrete. If samples are required, they should be described in the contract documents and the samples should be manufactured in accordance with Sect. 3.2, *Architectural Precast Concrete, Second Edition*.\*

### 2.2 Qualification of Manufacturer

Manufacture, transportation, erection and testing should be accomplished by a company, firm, corporation, or similar organization specializing in providing precast products and services normally associated with structural or architectural precast concrete construction.

The manufacturer should be certified in the PCI Plant Certification Program. Because plant certification identifies the types of products for which the manufacturer has demonstrated capability and experience, project specifications should require the appropriate group and category defined in Sect. 9.5. In addition, for special and unique projects, the manufacturer may be required to list similar and comparable work successfully completed.

Standards of performance are given in the latest editions of the PCI manuals for quality control, MNL-116, MNL-117 and MNL-130.\*

## 3. CONTRACT DOCUMENTS AND DESIGN RESPONSIBILITY

### 3.1 Contract Documents

Prior to initiation of the engineering-drafting function, the manufacturer should have the following contract documents at his disposal:

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\* Available from Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute.

1. Architectural drawings.
2. Structural drawings.
3. Electrical, mechanical and plumbing drawings (if pertinent).
4. Specifications (complete with addenda):

Other pertinent drawings may also be desirable, such as approved shop drawings from other trades, roofing requirements and alternates.

### 3.2 Design Responsibilities

It is the responsibility of the owner\* to keep the manufacturer supplied with up-to-date documents and written information. The manufacturer should not be held responsible for problems arising from the use of outdated or obsolete contract documents. If updated documents are furnished, it may also be necessary to modify the contract.

The contract documents should clearly define the following:

1. Items designed and/or furnished by the manufacturer.
2. Size, location and function of all openings, blockouts, and cast-in items.
3. Production and erection schedule requirements and restrictions.
4. Design intent including connections and reinforcement.†
5. Allowable tolerances. Normal field tolerances should be recommended by the manufacturer.
6. Dimension, material and quantity requirements.
7. General and supplemental general conditions.

\*The owner of the proposed structure or his designated representatives, who may be the architect, engineer, general contractor, public authority or others contracting with the precast manufacturer.

†When the manufacturer accepts design responsibility, the area or amount of responsibility must be clearly defined in the contract documents. The engineer or architect of record must be identified and it is understood that all designs are submitted through him for his approval and acceptance. The manufacturer's responsibility can be limited to member design only or it may include the entire structure. When the manufacturer is responsible for product design only, all loads which are to be applied to precast members, including forces developed by restraint, should be provided to the manufacturer by the owner unless otherwise agreed.

8. Any other special requirements and conditions.

Other design responsibility relationships are described in Sect. 10.4.

## 4. SHOP DRAWINGS

Shop drawings consist of erection and production drawings. Different areas of the country may use different terminology.

### 4.1 Erection Drawings

The information provided in the contract documents is used by the manufacturer to prepare erection drawings for approval and field use. They contain:

1. Plans and/or elevations locating and dimensioning all members furnished by the manufacturer.
2. Sections and details showing connections, finishes, openings, blockouts and cast-in items and their relationship to the structure.
3. Description of all loose and cast-in hardware including designation of who furnishes it.
4. Drawings showing location of anchors installed in the field.
5. Erection sequences when required to satisfy stability and handling requirements.

### 4.2 Production Drawings

The contract documents are also used to prepare production drawings for manufacturing showing all dimensions together with locations and quantities for all cast-in materials (reinforcement, inserts, etc.) and completely defining all finish requirements.

Normal practices for the preparation of drawings for precast concrete are described in the *PCI Drafting Handbook—Precast and Prestressed Concrete, Second Edition*.

### 4.3 Discrepancies

When discrepancies or omissions are discovered on the contract documents, the manufacturer has the responsibility to check with the design and construction team to resolve the problem. If this is not possible, the following procedures are normally followed:

1. Contract terms govern over specifications and drawings.

2. Specifications govern over drawings.
3. Structural drawings govern over architectural drawings.
4. Written dimensions govern over scale dimensions.
5. Sections govern over plans or elevations.
6. Details govern over sections.

Graphic verification should be requested for any unclear condition.

#### 4.4 Approvals

Completed erection drawings, usually in reproducible form, should be submitted for approval. The exact sequence is dictated by construction schedules and erection sequences, and is determined when the contract is awarded.

Preferably, production drawings should not be started prior to receipt of "approved" or "approved as noted" erection drawings. Production drawings should be submitted for approval only when so requested.\*

Corrections should be noted on the reproducible erection drawings and copies made for distribution.

The following approval interpretations are normal practice:†

1. **Approved**—The approvers‡ have completely checked and verified the drawings for conformance with contract documents and all expected loading conditions. Such approval should not relieve the manufacturer from responsibility for his design when that responsibility is placed upon him by the contract. The manufacturer may then proceed with production drawings and production without resubmitting. Erection drawings may then be released for field use and plant use.
2. **Approved as Noted**—Same as above except that noted changes should be made and corrected erection drawings issued. Production

\*When production drawings are the only drawings showing reinforcement, representative drawings should be submitted for approval.

†When production drawings are submitted, the same applies.

‡The contract should state who has approval authority.

drawings and production may be started after noted changes have been made.

3. **Not Approved**—Drawings must be corrected and resubmitted. Production drawings can not be completed correctly or submitted until "approved" or "approved as noted" erection drawings are returned.

#### 5. MATERIALS

The relevant ASTM Standards that apply to materials for a project should be listed in the contract documents together with any special requirements that are not included in the ASTM Standards.

**Note:** Additional information regarding material specifications can be found in Sect. 10.1, "Guide Specification for Precast, Prestressed Concrete," and Sect. 10.2, "Guide Specification for Architectural Precast Concrete."

#### 6. TESTS AND INSPECTIONS

##### 6.1 Tests of Materials

Manufacturers are required to keep test records in accordance with the PCI manuals for quality control (MNL-116, MNL-117 and MNL-130). The contract documents may require the precast concrete manufacturer to make these records available for inspection by the owner's representative upon his request.

When the manufacturer is required to submit copies of test records to the owner and/or required to perform or have performed tests not required by the PCI manuals for quality control, these special testing requirements should be clearly described in the contract documents along with the responsibility for payment.

When high-strength concrete is specified, special testing procedures may be required. These include the use of 4 x 8 in. cylinders, high-strength capping materials, a stiff testing machine, more frequent testing and later test ages. Special attention should be given to all deliveries of concrete constituent materials to ensure that they meet the specifications. Small variations in the properties of these materials can result in changes in the measured concrete strengths.



## 6.2 Inspections

On certain projects the owner may require inspection of precast concrete products in the manufacturer's yard by persons other than the manufacturer's own quality control personnel. Such inspections are normally made at the owner's expense. The contract documents should describe how, when and by whom the inspections are to be made, the responsibility of the inspection agency, and who is to pay for them. Alternatively, the owner may accept plant certification in lieu of outside inspection, such as provided in the PCI Plant Certification Program.

## 6.3 Fire Rated Products

If the manufacturer is expected to provide a fire rated product and/or Underwriters Laboratories (U.L.) labels, these requirements should be clearly stated in the contract documents.

## 7. FINISHES

Finishes of precast concrete products, both structural and architectural, are probably the cause of more misunderstandings between the various members of the building team than any other question concerning product quality.

It is therefore extremely important that the contract documents describe clearly and completely the required finishes for all surfaces of all members, and that the erection drawings also include this information. When finish is not specified, the standard finish described in "*Guide Specification for Precast, Prestressed Concrete*" should normally be furnished.

For descriptions of the usual finishes for structural precast concrete, see Sect. 10.1 "*Guide Specification for Precast, Prestressed Concrete*," and for architectural precast concrete, see Sect. 3.5, "*Architectural Precast Concrete, Second Edition*". Where special or critical requirements exist or where large expanses of exposed precast concrete will occur on a project, samples are essential and, if required, should be so stated and described in the contract documents.

## 8. DELIVERY OF MATERIALS

### 8.1 Manner of Delivery

The manufacturer should deliver the precast concrete to the erector\* in a manner to facilitate the speed of erection of the building or as mutually

\*The erector may be either the manufacturer or a subcontractor engaged by the manufacturer, or the general contractor.

agreed upon between the owner, manufacturer and erector. Special requirements of the owner for the delivery of materials or the mode of transport, should be stated in the contract documents.

### 8.2 Marking and Shipping of Materials

The precast concrete members should be separately marked in accordance with approved drawings in such a manner as to distinguish varying pieces and to facilitate erection of the structure. Any members which require a sequential erection should be properly marked.

The owner should give the manufacturer sufficient time to fabricate and ship any special plates, bolts, anchorage devices, etc., contractually agreed to be furnished by the manufacturer.

### 8.3 Precautions During Delivery

Special protection or precautions beyond that required in MNL-116, MNL-117 and MNL-130 should not be expected unless stated in the bid invitation or specifications. The manufacturer is not responsible for the product, including loose material, after delivery to the site unless required by the contract documents.

### 8.4 Access to Jobsite

Free and easy access to the delivery site should be provided to the manufacturer, including backfilling and compacting, drainage and snow removal, so that delivery trucks can operate under their own power.

### 8.5 Unloading Time Allowance

Delivery of product includes a reasonable unloading time allowance. Any delay beyond a reasonable time is normally paid for by the party which is responsible for the delay.

## 9. ERECTION

### 9.1 Special Erection Requirements

When the owner requires a particular method or sequence of erection for his own needs during erection, this information should be stated in the contract documents. In the absence of such stated restrictions, the erector will proceed using the most efficient and economically safe method and sequence available to him, consistent with the contract documents.

## 9.2 Tolerances

Some variation is to be expected in the overall dimensions of any building or other structure. It is common practice for the manufacturer and erector to work within the tolerances recommended by the American Concrete Institute and the Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute.

The owner, by whatever agencies he may elect, immediately upon completion of the erection, should determine if the work is plumb, level, aligned and properly fastened. Discrepancies should immediately be brought to the attention of the erector so that proper corrective action can be taken.

The work of the manufacturer and erector is complete once the precast product has been properly plumbed, leveled and aligned within the established tolerances. Acceptance for this work should be secured from the authorized representative of the general contractor (see Sect. 11.2).

## 9.3 Foundations, Piers, Abutments and Other Bearing Surfaces

The invitation to bid should state the anticipated time when all foundations, piers, abutments and other bearing surfaces will be ready and accessible to the erector.

## 9.4 Building Lines and Bench Marks

The precast erector should be furnished all building lines and bench marks at the site of the structure.

## 9.5 Anchor Bolts and Bearing Plates

9.5.1 The precast manufacturer normally furnishes but does not install anchor bolts, plates, etc. that are to be installed in cast-in-place concrete or masonry for connection with precast members. However, if this is to be the responsibility of the precast manufacturer, it should be so defined in the specifications. It is important that such items be installed true to line and grade, and that installation be completed in time to avoid delays or interference with the precast concrete erection.

9.5.2 Anchor bolts and foundation bolts are set by the owner in accordance with an approved drawing. They must not vary from the dimensions shown on the erection drawings by more than the following:

1.  $\frac{1}{8}$  in. center to center of any two bolts within an anchor bolt group, where an anchor bolt group is defined as the set of anchor bolts which receive a single fabricated shipping piece.
2.  $\frac{1}{4}$  in. center to center of adjacent anchor bolt groups.

3. Maximum accumulation of  $\frac{1}{4}$  in. per hundred ft along the established column line of multiple anchor bolt groups, but not to exceed a total of 1 in., where the established column line is the actual field line most representative of the centers of the as-built anchor bolt groups along a line of columns.

4.  $\frac{1}{4}$  in. from the center of any anchor bolt group to the established column line through that group.

5. The tolerances of items 2, 3 and 4 apply to offset dimensions shown on the plans, measured parallel and perpendicular to the grid lines.

9.5.3 Erectors should check both line and grade in sufficient time before erection is scheduled to permit any necessary corrections. Proposed corrections should be submitted to the owner for approval. Corrections should be made by the general contractor before erection begins.

## 9.6 Utilities

Water and electricity should be furnished by the owner for erection and grouting operations.

## 9.7 Working Space

The owner should furnish adequate, properly drained, graded, and convenient working space for the erector and access for his equipment necessary to assemble the structure. The owner should provide adequate storage space for the precast concrete products to enable the erector to operate at the speed required to meet the established schedule. Unusual hazards such as high voltage lines, buried utilities, or areas of restricted access should be stated in the invitation to bid.

## 9.8 Materials of Other Trades

Other building materials or work of other trades should not be built up above the bearing of the precast concrete until after erection of the precast concrete members.

## 9.9 Correction of Errors

Corrections of minor misfits are considered a part of erection even if the precast concrete is not erected by the manufacturer. Any error in manufacturing which prevents proper connection or fitting should be immediately reported to the manufacturer and the owner so that corrective action can be taken. The manufacturer should approve any alterations or corrections to the product.

## 9.10 Field Assembly

The size of precast concrete pieces may be limited by transportation requirements for weight and clearance dimensions. Unless agreed upon between the manufacturer and owner, the manufacturer should provide for such field connections that will meet required loads and forces without altering the function or appearance of the structure.

The manufacturer furnishes those items embedded in the precast members, and generally furnishes all loose materials for temporary and permanent connection of precast members. Temporary guys, braces, falsework, shims, and cribbing are the property of the erector and are removed only by the erector or with the erector's approval upon completion of the erection of the structure, unless otherwise agreed.

## 9.11 Blockouts, Cuts and Alterations

Neither the manufacturer nor the erector is responsible for the blockouts, cuts or alterations by or for other trades unless so specified in the contract documents. Whenever such additional work is required, all information regarding size, location and number of alterations is furnished by the owner prior to preparation of the precast production and erection drawings.

The general contractor is responsible for warning other trades against cutting of precast concrete members without prior approval of the engineer of record.

## 9.12 Temporary Floors and Access

The manufacturer or erector is not required to furnish temporary flooring for access unless so specified in the contract documents.

## 9.13 Painting, Caulking and Closure Panels

Painting, caulking and placing of closure panels between stems of flanged concrete members are services not ordinarily supplied by the manufacturer or erector. If any of these services are required of the manufacturer, it should be stated in the contract agreement.

## 9.14 Patching

A certain amount of patching of product is to be expected to repair minor spalls and chips. Patching should meet the finish requirements of the project and color should be reasonably matched. Responsi-

bility for accomplishing this work should be resolved between the manufacturer and erector.

## 9.15 Safety

Safety procedures for the erection of the precast concrete members is the responsibility of the erector and must be in accordance with all local, state or Federal rules and regulations which have jurisdiction in the area where the work is to be performed, but not less than required in ANSI Standard A10.9, *Safety Requirements for Concrete Construction and Masonry Work*.\*

## 9.16 Security Measures

Security protection at the jobsite should be the responsibility of the general contractor.

## 10 INTERFACE WITH OTHER TRADES

Coordination of the requirements for other trades to be included in the precast concrete members should be the responsibility of the owner unless clearly defined otherwise in the contract documents.

The PCI manuals for quality control (MNL-116, MNL-117 and MNL-130) specify manufacturing tolerances for precast concrete members. Interfaces with other materials and trades must take these tolerances into account. Unusual requirements or allowances for interfacing should be stated in the contract documents.

## 11 WARRANTY AND ACCEPTANCE

### 11.1 Warranties

Warranties of product and workmanship have become a widely accepted practice in this industry, as in most others. Warranties given by the precast concrete manufacturer and erector should indicate that their product and work meet the specifications for the project.

In no case should the warranty of the manufacturer and erector be in excess of the warranty required by the specifications. Warranties should in all instances include a time limit and it is recommended that this should not exceed one year.

In order to protect the interests of all parties concerned, warranties should also state that any devi-

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\*American National Standards Institute, New York, New York.

## FIELD INSPECTION REPORT

Project # \_\_\_\_\_

On this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ of  
Company Field Superintendent

\_\_\_\_\_ and  
Precast Manufacturer

\_\_\_\_\_ of  
General Contractor Superintendent

\_\_\_\_\_ General Contractor

have inspected \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ portion of building being inspected

All of the work performed by the above indicated company in the above described portion of the project has been performed to the satisfaction of the above named General Contractor's Superintendent with the exception of the following:

\_\_\_\_\_

The General Contractor's Superintendent hereby releases the Precast Manufacturer of its responsibility to perform any other work in the above described portion of the project except as detailed herein.

The Precast Manufacturer in turn hereby releases the above described portion of the project to the General Contractor.

\_\_\_\_\_ Precaster's Superintendent

\_\_\_\_\_ Gen'l. Contr. Superintendent

Final inspection and acceptance of erected precast and prestressed concrete should be made by the architect/engineer within a reasonable time after the work is completed.

## 12. CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION

### 12.1 General Statement

Contract agreements may vary widely from area to area, but the objective should be the same in all instances. The contract agreement should be written to protect the interests of all parties concerned and, at the same time, be specific enough in content to avoid misunderstandings once the project begins.

Information relative to invoicing, payment, bonding and other data pertinent to a project or material sale should be specifically provided for in the major provisions of the contract documents or in the special

ations in the designed use of the product, modifications of the product by the owner and/or contractor or changes in other products used in conjunction with the precast concrete will cause said warranty to become null and void.

Warranty may be included as a part of the conditions of the contract agreement, or it may be presented in letter form as requested by the owner. A sample warranty follows:

Manufacturer warrants that all materials furnished have been manufactured in accordance with the specifications for this project. Manufacturer further warrants that if erection of said material is to be performed by those subject to his control and direction, work will be completed in accordance with the same specifications.

In no event shall manufacturer be held responsible for any damages, liability or costs of any kind or nature occasioned by or arising out of the actions or omissions of others, or for work, including design, done by others; or for material manufactured, supplied or installed by others; or for inadequate construction of foundations, bearing walls, or other units to which materials furnished by the precast manufacturer are attached or affixed.

This warranty ceases to be in effect beyond the date of \_\_\_\_\_. Should any defect develop during the contract warranty period, which can be directly attributed to defect in quality of product or workmanship, precast manufacturer shall, upon written notice, correct defects or replace products without expense to owner and/or contractor.

COMPANY NAME

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

### 11.2 Acceptance

Manufacturer should request approval and acceptance for all materials furnished and all work completed by him periodically and in a timely manner as deemed necessary in order to adequately protect the interests of everyone involved in the project. The size and nature of the project will dictate the proper intervals for securing approval and acceptance. Periodic approval in writing should be considered when it appears that such action will minimize possible problems which would seriously affect the progress of the project. A sample acceptance form follows:

terms and conditions applicable to all contractual agreements between manufacturer and owner.

The intent of this section is to recommend those matters which ought to be considered, but not necessarily the form in which they should be expressed. The final statement of policies should be the result of careful consideration of all pertinent factors as well as of the normal practices in the area.

## 12.2 Retentions

Although retentions have been used for many years as a means of ensuring a satisfactory job performance, it is apparent that they directly contribute to the cost of construction, frequently lead to disputes, and often result in job delays. In view of the unfavorable consequences of retentions and possible abuse, it is recommended that the following procedure be followed:

1. Wherever possible, retentions should be eliminated and bonding should be used as the single, best source of protection. This should apply to prime contractors and subcontractors equally.
2. Where there are no bonding requirements, the retention percentage should be as low as possible. It is recommended that this be not more than 5 % of the work invoiced.
3. The percentage level of any retention should be the same for subcontractors as for prime contractors on a job.
4. Release of retained funds and final payment, as well as computing the point of reduction of the retention, should be done on a line item basis, that is, each contractor or subcontractor's work considered as a separate item and the retention reduced by 50 % upon substantial completion and the balance released within 30 days after final completion of that work.
5. Retained funds should be held in an escrow account with interest accruing to the benefit of the party to whom the funds are due.
6. When materials are furnished FOB plant or job-site, it is recommended that there be no retentions.

## 12.3 Contract Agreement

1. Contract agreement should fully describe the project involved, including job location, project name, name of owner/developer, architect or

other design professionals and all reference numbers identifying job relation information such as plans, specifications, addenda, bid number, etc.

2. Contract agreement should fully describe the materials to be furnished and/or all work to be completed by the seller.
3. All exclusions should be stated to avoid the possibility of any misunderstanding.
4. Price quoted should be stated to eliminate any possibility of misunderstanding.
5. Reference should be made to the terms and conditions governing the proposed contract agreement. The terms and conditions may best be stated on the reverse side of the contract form. Special terms or conditions should be stated in sufficient detail to avoid the possibility of misunderstanding.
6. The terms of payment should be specifically detailed so there is no doubt as to intent. Special care should be exercised where the terms of payment will differ from those normally in effect or where they deviate from the general terms and conditions appearing on the reverse side of the contract form.
7. A statement of policy should be made with reference to the inclusion or exclusion of taxes in the stated price.
8. The proposal form stating the full intent and conditions under which the project will be performed may contain an acceptance clause to be signed by the purchaser. At such time as said acceptance clause is signed, the proposal form then becomes the contract agreement.
9. Seller should clearly state the limits of time within which an accepted proposal will be recognized as a binding contract.
10. A statement indicating the classification of labor to perform the work in the field is advisable to eliminate later dispute over jurisdiction of work performed.

## 12.4 Terms and Conditions

The terms and conditions stated on the proposal contract agreement should include, but are not necessarily limited to, the following:

1. **Lien Laws**—Where the lien laws of a state specifically require advance notice of intent, it is advisable to include the required statement in the general terms and conditions.
2. **Specifications**—Seller should make a specific declaration of material and/or work specifications, but normally this should not be in excess of the specifications required by the contract agreement.
3. **Contract Control**—A statement should be made indicating that the agreement when duly signed by both parties supersedes and invalidates any verbal agreement and can only be modified in writing with the approval of those signing the original agreement.
4. **Terms of Payment**—Terms of payment should be specifically stated either on the face of the contract or in the general terms and conditions. Mode and frequency of invoicing should be so stated, indicating time within which payment is expected.
5. **Late Payment Charges**—The contract may provide for legal interest charges for late payments not made in accordance with contract terms, and if this is desired, it should be stated in the general terms and conditions. A statement indicating seller is entitled to reasonable attorney's fees and related costs should collection proceedings be necessary may also be included.
6. **Overtime Work**—Prices quoted in the proposal should be based on an 8-hour day and a 5-day week under prevailing labor regulations. Provisions should be included in the contract agreement to provide for recovery of overtime costs plus a reasonable markup when the seller is requested to provide such service.
7. **Financial Responsibility**—General terms and conditions may indicate the right of the seller to suspend or terminate material delivery and/or work on a project if there is a reasonable doubt of the ability of the purchaser to fulfill his financial responsibility.
8. **Payment for Inventory**
  - a. It has become common practice to include in the contract terms and conditions provisions for the invoicing and payment of all materials stored at the plant or jobsite

when deliveries or placement of said materials are delayed for more than a stipulated time beyond the originally scheduled date because of purchaser's inability either to accept delivery of materials or to provide proper job access.

- b. Under certain conditions, it may be necessary to purchase special materials or to produce components well in advance of job requirements to ensure timely deliveries. When job requirements are of such a nature, it is advisable to include provisions for payment of such raw and finished inventories stored in seller's plant or on jobsites on a current basis.
9. **Payment for Suspended or Discontinued Projects**—The terms and conditions should provide that in the event of a discontinued or suspended project, seller shall be entitled to payment for all material purchased and/or manufactured including costs, overhead and profit, and not previously billed, as well as reasonable engineering and other costs incurred.
10. **Job Extras**—Requests for job extras should be confirmed in writing. Invoicing should be presented immediately following completion of the extra work with payment subject to the terms and conditions of the contract agreement, or as otherwise stated in the change order.
11. **Claims for Shortages, Damages or Delays**—Seller should, upon immediate notification in writing on the face of the delivery ticket of rejected material or shortage, acknowledge and furnish replacement material at no cost to purchaser. It is normal practice that the seller should not be responsible for any loss, damage, detention or delay caused by fire, accident, labor dispute, civil or military authority, insurrection, riot, flood or by occurrences beyond his control.
12. **Back Charges**—Back charges should not be binding on the seller, unless the condition is promptly reported in writing, and opportunity is given seller to inspect and correct the problem.
13. **Permits, Fees and Licenses**—Costs of permits, fees, licenses and other similar expenses are normally assumed by the purchaser.
14. **Bonds**—Cost of bonds is normally assumed by the purchaser.

15. **Taxes**—Federal, state, county or municipal occupation or similar taxes which may be imposed are normally paid by the purchaser and, in the case of sales taxes, through the seller. For tax exempt projects, purchaser issues to the seller a tax-exempt certificate when the purchase agreement is finalized.
16. **Insurance**—Seller shall carry Workmen's Compensation, Public Liability, Property Damage and Auto Insurance and certificates of insurance will be furnished to purchaser upon request. Additional coverage required over and above that provided by the seller is normally paid by the purchaser.
17. **Services**—Heat, water, light, electricity, toilet, telephone, watchmen and general services of a similar nature are normally the responsibility of the purchaser unless specifically stated otherwise in the contract agreement.
18. **Safety Equipment**—The purchaser is normally responsible for necessary barricades, guard rails and warning lights for the protection of vehicular and pedestrian traffic and responsible for furnishing, installing and maintaining all safety appliances and devices required on the project under U.S. Department of Labor, *Safety and Health Standards for Construction Industry* (OSHA 2207), as well as all other safety regulations imposed by other agencies having jurisdiction over the project.
19. **Warranty**—Seller should provide specific information relative to warranties given, including limitations, exclusions and methods of settlement. Warranties should not be in excess of warranty required by the specific project.
20. **Title**—Contract should provide for proper identification of title to material furnished. It is normal practice for title and risk of loss or damage to the product furnished to pass to the purchaser at the point of delivery, except in cases of FOB plant, in which event title to and risk of loss or damage to the product normally should pass to purchaser at plant pickup.
21. **Shop Drawing Approval**—Seller should prepare and submit to purchaser for approval all shop drawings\* necessary to describe the work to be completed. Shop drawing approval should constitute final agreement to quantity and general description of material to be supplied. No work should be done upon material to be furnished by seller until approved shop drawings are in his possession.
22. **Delivery**—Delivery times or schedules set forth in contract agreements should be computed from the date of delivery to the seller of approved shop drawings. Where materials are specified to be delivered FOB to jobsite, the purchaser should provide labor, cranes or other equipment to remove the materials from the trucks and should pay seller for truck expense for time at the jobsite in excess of a specified time for each truck. On shipments to be delivered by trucks, delivery should be made as near to the construction site as the truck can travel under its own power. In the event delivery is required beyond the curb line, the purchaser should assume full liability for damages to sidewalks, driveways or other properties and should secure in advance all necessary permits or licenses to effect such deliveries.
23. **Builder's Risk Insurance**—Purchaser should provide Builder's Risk Insurance without cost to seller, protecting seller's work, materials and equipment at the site from loss or damage caused by fire or the standard perils of extended coverage, including vandalism and malicious acts.
24. **Erection**—Purchaser should ensure that the proposed project will be accessible to all necessary equipment including cranes and trucks, and that the operation of this equipment will not be impeded by construction materials, water, presence of wires, pipes, poles, fences or framings. Purchaser should further indemnify and save harmless the seller and his respective representatives, including subcontractors, vendors, assigns and successors from any and all liability, fine, penalty or other charge, cost or expense and defend any action or claim brought against seller for any failures by purchaser to provide suitable access for work to be performed. Seller also reserves the right to discontinue the work for failure of purchaser to provide suitable access and the purchaser should be responsible for all expenses and costs incurred.
25. **Exclusions of Work to be Performed**—Unless otherwise stated in the contract, all shoring, forming, framing, cutting holes, openings for mechanical trades and other modifications

\*See Sect. 4 for definition of shop drawings.

of seller's products should not be performed by the seller nor are they included in the contract price. Seller should not be held responsible for modifications made by others to his product unless said modifications are previously approved by him.

- 26. Sequence of Erection**—Sequence of erection, when required to satisfy stability of the structure, should be as agreed upon between seller and purchaser and expressly stated in the contract agreement. Purchaser should have ready all foundations, bearing walls or other units to which seller's material is to be affixed, connected or placed, prior to start of erection. Purchaser should be responsible for the accuracy of all job dimensions, bench marks, and true and level bearing surfaces. Claims or expenses arising from the purchaser's neglect to fulfill this responsibility should be assumed by the purchaser.
- 27. Arbitration**—In view of the difficulties and misunderstandings which may occur due to mis-

interpretation of contractual documents, it is recommended that the seller stipulate that all claims, disputes and other matters in question, arising out of or related to the contract, be decided by arbitration in accordance with the Construction Industry Rules of the American Arbitration Association then obtaining, or some other rules acceptable to both parties. The location for such arbitration should be stipulated.

- 28. Contract Form**—Contract documents should stipulate policy governing acceptance of proposal on other than the seller's form. In the event purchaser does not accept the seller's proposal and/or contract agreement, but requires the execution of a contract on his own form, it is advisable that seller stipulate in writing on the contract agreement that the contract will be fulfilled according to his proposal originally submitted. All identifying information such as proposal number, dates, etc. should be included so there can be no question of the document referred to.



## 10.4 RECOMMENDATIONS ON RESPONSIBILITY FOR DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF PRECAST CONCRETE STRUCTURES

### 1. INTRODUCTION

Design and construction of structures is a complex process. Defining the scope of work and the responsibilities of the parties involved in this process, by contract, is necessary to achieve a safe, high quality structure.

Besides the Owner, the parties involved in the design and construction of precast concrete structures or other structures containing precast concrete members may include the Engineer, Architect, Construction Manager, General Contractor, Manufacturer, Precast Engineer, Erector and Inspector. These and other terms related to precast concrete construction are defined in Sect. 2.0.

### 2. TERMINOLOGY

Terms used in engineering practice and the construction industry may have meanings that differ somewhat from ordinary dictionary definitions. The following definitions are commonly understood in precast concrete construction.

**Approval (Shop Drawings or Submittals)**—Action with respect to shop drawings, samples and other data which the General Contractor is required to submit, but only for conformance with the design requirements and compliance with the information given in the contract documents. Such action does not extend to means, methods, techniques, sequences or procedures of construction, or to safety precautions and programs incident thereto, unless specifically required in the contract documents.

**Authority**—The power, conferred or implied by contract, to exercise effective direction and control over an activity for which a party has responsibility.

**Connection**—A structural assembly or component that transfers forces from one precast member to another, or from one precast member to another type of structural member.

**Contract Documents**—The design drawings and specifications, as well as general and supplementary conditions and addenda, that define the construction and the terms and conditions for performing the work. These documents are incorporated by reference into the contract.

**Contractor**—A person or firm that enters into an agreement to construct all or part of a project.

**Construction Manager**—A person or firm engaged by the Owner to manage and administer the construction.

**Design (as a transitive verb)**—The process of utilizing the principles of structural mechanics and materials science to determine the geometry, composition, and arrangement of members and their connections in order to establish the composition and configuration of a structure.

**Design (as a noun)**—The product of the design process, as usually expressed by design drawings and specifications.

**Design Drawings**—Graphic diagrams with dimensions and accompanying notes that describe the structure.

**Detail (as a transitive verb)**—The process of utilizing the principles of geometry and the art of graphics to develop the dimensions of structural components.

**Detail (as a noun)**—The product of the detailing process, shown on either design or shop drawings, such as the graphic depiction of a connection.

**Engineer/Architect**—A person or firm engaged by the Owner or the Owner's representative to design the structure and/or to provide services during the construction process. In some cases the Engineer may be a Subcontractor to the Architect, or vice versa. The Engineer of Record is usually an individual employed by the Engineer or Architect.

**Engineer of Record (EOR)**—The registered professional engineer (or architect) who is responsible for developing the design drawings and specifications in such a manner as to meet the applicable requirements of governing state laws and of local building authorities. The EOR is commonly identified by the professional engineer's seal on the design drawings and specifications.

**Erector**—Usually the Subcontractor who erects the precast concrete components at the site. The General Contractor may also be the Erector.

**General Contractor**—A person or firm engaged by the Owner to construct all or part of the project. The General Contractor supervises the work of its Subcontractors and coordinates the work with other Contractors.

**Inspector**—The person or firm retained by the Owner or the Owner's representative to observe and report on compliance of the construction with the contract documents.

**Manufacturer (Producer, Precaster, Fabricator)**—The firm that manufactures the precast concrete components.

**Owner**—The public body or authority, corporation, association, firm or person for whom the structure is designed and constructed.

**Precast Concrete**—Concrete cast elsewhere than in its final position. Includes prestressed and non-prestressed components used in structural or nonstructural applications.

**Precast Engineer**—The person or firm who designs precast members for specified loads and who may also direct the preparation of the shop drawings. The Precast Engineer may be employed by the Manufacturer or be an independent person or firm to whom the Manufacturer subcontracts the work.

**Responsibility**—Accountability for providing the services and/or for performing the work required by contract.

**Shop Drawings**—Graphic diagrams of precast members and their connecting hardware, developed from information in the contract documents. They show information needed for both field assembly (erection) and manufacture (production) of the precast concrete. Shop drawings for precast concrete may be separated into erection and production drawings. Erection drawings typically describe the location and assembly details of each precast member at the construction site. Connection hardware is detailed on erection drawings and may be shown on production drawings. Production drawings contain all information necessary for the manufacturer to cast the member.

**Specifications**—Written requirements for materials and workmanship that complement the design drawings.

**Subcontractor**—A person or firm contracting to perform all or part of another's contract.

### 3. DESIGN PRACTICES

Practices vary throughout North America with respect to design of structures using precast concrete members. However, it is of fundamental importance that every aspect of the design be in accordance with the requirements of all state laws governing the practice of engineering and/or architecture, and also meet all requirements of local regulatory authorities.

This generally requires that a registered professional engineer or architect accept responsibility as the Engineer of Record (EOR) for ensuring that these requirements are met. The EOR seals the contract documents. These documents constitute the structural design and are customarily submitted to regulatory authorities for a building permit. In addition, the EOR ordinarily approves shop drawings. The EOR may also have other ongoing responsibilities during construction to satisfy local authorities.

Structures are usually designed by an engineering firm that is retained by or on behalf of the Owner. A person within the firm is selected to prepare and/or to supervise the preparation of the contract documents. This person normally is registered to practice engineering in the state where the structure will be built and becomes the EOR when the design drawings and specifications are approved by the local regulatory authority. An individual in private practice may also be retained by an Owner to prepare the design and become the EOR. The design drawings and the specifications become a part of the contract documents used by contractors to construct the structure.

A critical function of the contract documents is to clearly define responsibility among involved design professionals. The contract drawings, at a minimum, should include all of the items listed in Sect. 10.3, Subsection 3.2.

Procedures that allow consideration of alternative construction schemes are sometimes included in the contract documents. If a fully developed design is included in the contract documents, a contractor proposing an alternate for some part of the structure is expected to consider the effect of the alternate on all other parts of the structure, and to provide all necessary design changes. It is common to require that an alternate design be prepared under the direction of an engineer registered to practice in the state where the structure will be built. However, the EOR still has the responsibility to review and accept the alternate and to submit the alternate to the regulatory authorities.

Owners may also directly seek proposals from General Contractors who are willing to prepare the design. The General Contractor may use an employed registered professional engineer who is the EOR, or subcontract the design to a firm or individual who becomes the EOR. In some instances, a Manufacturer may be the General Contractor. Since the Owner will already have a contract with the selected General Contractor, any additional contracts will be between the General Contractor and Subcontractors. Under this arrangement, the Owner often retains an engineering consultant to review the proposals and the design related work of the selected General Contractor.

Normally the Manufacturer is a Subcontractor to the General Contractor. Most Manufacturers are willing to accept responsibility for component design of the members that they produce, provided that sufficient information is contained in the contract documents. This design work is commonly done by a Precast Engineer. The Manufacturer may also accept responsibility for design of the connections when the forces acting on the connections are defined by the EOR. At the time of bidding, if there is insufficient information in the contract documents to fully cover all the reinforcement requirements, the Manufacturer customarily assumes that industry minimum standards are acceptable.

Manufacturers usually have standard designs that fit common applications for their products and that are sufficient for design purposes. Manufacturers may design, produce and deliver a "structural frame" or a "structural shell" rather than a building ready for occupancy. In this case the Manufacturer may subcontract for parts of the work, such as the cast-in-place concrete or the precast erection.

Local regulatory authorities may approve design documents for starting construction without final design of the precast members. The design can be performed and submitted at a later time, often in conjunction with preparation of shop drawings. The EOR, if not employed by the Manufacturer, may require that a registered engineer seal the documents that depict the component design of the precast members. This does not relieve the EOR of responsibility to approve or accept the design as meeting the requirements of the contract documents, state laws and local authorities. However, some states accept designs made by these persons, relieving the EOR of some responsibility. For example, these persons have been called Delegated Engineers in the state of Florida.

#### 4. RECOMMENDATIONS

The Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute is keenly aware of the competitiveness in the marketplace for building systems. It believes precast concrete products provide a high quality structure. Along with quality, it is essential that a structure be both safe and serviceable, i.e., have structural integrity and perform as intended. Because the construction process involves many parties, it is essential that work assignments and responsibilities be clearly defined in the contractual arrangements. The Institute offers the following comments and recommendations towards achieving quality and integrity in precast concrete structures.

#### 4.1 To the Owner

At the outset, the Owner must decide whether to enter into a contract with an Engineer or Architect to design and prepare contract documents for the structure which subsequently can be used to obtain bids by a General Contractor, or with a General Contractor (or Manufacturer willing to assume that responsibility) to both design and build the structure. These two arrangements may be summarized as follows:

1. Owner retains an Engineer or Architect who will be the EOR:
  - a. To design and prepare contract documents sufficient for construction without further design by the General Contractor or Sub-contractors.
  - b. To prepare contract documents sufficient for construction with further design by the General Contractor or Subcontractor.
2. Owner contracts with a General Contractor for design and construction.

Under either arrangement, the Institute believes that the best control of structural integrity will be achieved when the EOR is given responsibility and authority for the entire structural design, including the connections, for review and approval of shop drawings, and for inspection during construction and acceptance of the finished construction. Under Arrangement 1b, the contract documents must establish the loadings and identify the criteria for design to be used by the Contractor. Design work by any Contractor should be submitted to and approved by the EOR. The EOR may require the design and shop drawings to be sealed by a registered professional engineer as a demonstration of qualifications. Under Arrangement 2, where the EOR will be engaged or employed by the Contractor, it may be desirable for the Owner to retain another Engineer or Architect for consultation on design criteria and verification that the design intent is achieved.

The Owner should consider the experience and qualifications of both the Engineer or Architect and the General Contractor with precast construction similar to that for the intended project. If the Owner plans to have an active role in the project, it is essential this role and lines of communication with the other parties be clearly expressed in written documents pertaining to the project. The Owner must allow sufficient time in the various phases of the construction process to achieve quality.

Changes initiated after the start of construction invariably add cost to the structure. A thorough review

by the Owner after the design is completed, before construction is started, is essential.

The Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute conducts a formal and rigorous Plant Certification Program. This program is recognized in the master specifications of the American Institute of Architects. It is also recommended and recognized in standard specifications by numerous federal, state and local government agencies. PCI is recognized by the Council of American Building Officials (CABO) as a Quality Assurance Inspection Agency. CABO includes the three national building codes. The Owner or Engineer/Architect should require that PCI Plant Certification be written into the project specifications.

#### **4.2 To the EOR (Engineer/Architect)**

As discussed in Sect. 3, the role of the EOR (Engineer/Architect) varies significantly depending on whether this party is retained by the Owner or by other parties. If retained by the Owner, the EOR's lines of communication among the parties involved in the project should be established by written documents. Prebid and preconstruction conferences should be held, during which lines of communication and responsibilities are reviewed and the design requirements are discussed.

If retained or employed by the General Contractor or Manufacturer, the EOR must remain cognizant of the professional responsibility to satisfy state laws and local regulatory authorities. Procedures should be established to allow the EOR to discharge these responsibilities without restriction by other parties involved in the construction.

Review and approval of shop drawings by the EOR is essential to ensure the design intent is achieved. Timeliness of review may be crucial to the Manufacturer. The EOR should establish the schedule and define the responsibilities of the various parties involved in preparing shop drawings. These parties should accept that the approval of the EOR does not relieve them of their responsibilities.

The EOR should make clear whether the contract documents, specifications or drawings prevail in the event of conflicts. It is recommended that they prevail in the order given above.

Where the design involves a non-self-supporting precast concrete frame, the contract documents should indicate which party is responsible for the design of the construction bracing and how long such bracing needs to remain in place.

Where erection procedures require special design and calculations, the contract documents should specify that a registered engineer perform these services. The EOR's review of this work should be limited to its effect on the integrity of the completed structure.

Interfaces between precast components and other construction materials require special attention. The EOR is responsible for considering these interface conditions during the design of the structure.

#### **4.3 To the General Contractor**

When the construction of a building that was independently designed for the Owner is undertaken, the General Contractor's responsibility is to build the structure in accordance with the contract documents. When design responsibility is accepted by the General Contractor, the professional nature of this function must be recognized and allowed to be achieved in a manner that does not compromise integrity or impair quality.

The responsibilities of the Manufacturer must be clearly defined. It must be understood that all design is submitted through the EOR for approval or acceptance. The Manufacturer's responsibility is usually limited to product design and preparation of shop drawings. However, it may include the design of the entire structure if agreed to by the Manufacturer.

When the Manufacturer is responsible only for product design, all loads which are applied to the precast members, including forces developed by restraint, must be provided by the EOR. The Manufacturer should be given responsibility and authority for properly implementing the design drawings, properly furnishing materials and workmanship, maintaining the specified fabrication and erection tolerances, and for fit and erectibility of the structure.

The Manufacturer must be given all of the drawings and specifications that convey the full requirements for the precast members. Drawings are commonly divided into architectural, structural, electrical and mechanical groupings depending on the size and scope of the project. Other pertinent drawings may also be desirable, such as approved shop drawings from other trades, roofing requirements, alternates, etc.

Timely review and approval of shop drawings and other pertinent information submitted by the Manufacturer is essential.

#### 4.4 To the Manufacturer

After award of the contract, the Manufacturer and Precast Engineer should meet with the EOR to review design requirements. The Manufacturer should prepare shop drawings in accordance with the design information supplied in the contract documents and subsequent instructions from the EOR.

In those cases where the Manufacturer requests permission to revise certain connections to facilitate manufacture and/or erection, information supporting

the revision should be submitted to the EOR for review and approval.

The Manufacturer and/or the Precast Engineer should have a direct channel of communication with the EOR as the project goes forward and should keep the General Contractor informed.

The Manufacturer should request clarification in writing from the EOR on special connections or unusual structural conditions not clearly defined by the design drawings or specifications.

The reader is referred to the following reports prepared by other professional organizations relative to design responsibility:

1. ACI Committee on Responsibility in Concrete Construction, "Guidelines for Authorities and Responsibilities in Concrete Design and Construction", *Concrete International*, V. 17, No. 9, September 1995.
2. "Quality in the Constructed Project—Chapter 16: Construction Contract Submittals", *Manuals and Reports on Engineering Practice No. 73*, American Society of Civil Engineers, New York, NY, 1990.
3. CASE Task Group on Speciality Engineering, "National Practice Guidelines for Speciality Structural Engineers," Coalition of American Structural Engineers, Washington, DC, 1996.



## 10.5 PCI STANDARD DESIGN PRACTICE

Precast, prestressed concrete design is based on the provisions of the Building Code Requirements for Structural Concrete (ACI 318-95). In most cases, these provisions are followed literally. Occasionally, though, there is disagreement as to the interpretation of some sections of the ACI Code. Also, in some situations, research may support other design and construction practices. In such cases, strict compliance with the ACI provisions can cause design, production and performance problems that may unnecessarily increase the cost of a structure or may actually result in an inferior product.

In most cases, the practices reported herein are supported by many years of good performance and/or research. Members of the PCI Technical Activities Council and the PCI Committee on Building Code, along with other experienced precast concrete design engineers, have identified these code provisions as detailed below. The list of provisions represents a starting point for discussion, and complete agreement with the positions taken is not expected. Nevertheless, a listing of the design practices followed by a majority of the precast concrete design engineers is anticipated to be helpful in producing safe, economical precast, prestressed concrete structures by minimizing conflict among the members of the design and construction team.

This list is based on ACI 318-95, and the numbers refer to sections in that document. References to the PCI Design Handbook are to this edition. Excerpts from ACI 318-95 are reprinted with permission of the American Concrete Institute, Farmington Hills, Michigan. This information was first published in the *PCI Journal*, March-April, 1997.

ACI Code provisions are on the left. *PCI Practice is on the right.*

### ACI CODE

### PCI PRACTICE

1.1.5 — This code does not govern design and installation of portions of concrete piles and drilled piers embedded in ground.

1.1.5 — *Prestressed concrete piles are normally designed using the PCI publication "Recommended Practice for Design, Manufacture and Installation of Prestressed Concrete Piling," PCI JOURNAL, V. 38, No. 2, March-April 1993, pp. 15-41. (Ref. Handbook Sect. 4.9.6)*

1.2.1 (e) — Size and location of all structural elements and reinforcement.

1.2.1 (e) — *"reinforcement" in this case does not refer to prestressing steel. In precast concrete members, reinforcement may be shown only on the shop drawings. (Ref. Handbook Sect. 10.3.3.2)*

1.2.1 (g) — Magnitude and location of prestressing forces.

1.2.1 (g) — *For pretensioned concrete products, the prestressing design and detailing may be left to an engineer employed or retained by the manufacturer. (Ref. Handbook Sects. 10.3 and 10.4)*

1.2.2 — Calculations pertinent to design shall be filed with the drawings when required by the building official. Analyses and designs using computer programs shall be permitted provided design assumptions, user input, and computer-generated output are submitted. Model analysis shall be permitted to supplement calculations.

1.2.2 — *Product calculations and frequently other items such as connections are usually done by the manufacturer's engineer. They are then submitted to the Engineer or Architect of Record, who is responsible for filing these documents with the building official. (Ref. Handbook Sects. 10.3 and 10.4)*

**3.5.2** — Welding of reinforcing bars shall conform to "Structural Welding Code - Reinforcing Steel," ANSI/AWS D1.4 of the American Welding Society. Type and location of welded splices and other required welding of reinforcing bars shall be indicated on the design drawings or in the project specifications. ASTM reinforcing bar specifications, except for ASTM A 706, shall be supplemented to require a report of material properties necessary to conform to the requirements in ANSI/AWS D1.4.

**4.4.1** — For corrosion protection of reinforcement in concrete, maximum water soluble chloride ion concentrations in hardened concrete at ages from 28 to 42 days contributed from the ingredients including water, aggregates, cementitious materials, and admixtures shall not exceed the limits of Table 4.4.1. When testing is performed to determine water soluble chloride ion content, test procedures shall conform to ASTM C 1218.

**5.11.3.2** — Accelerated curing shall provide a compressive strength of the concrete at the load stage considered at least equal to required design strength at that load stage.

**7.5.2** — Unless otherwise specified by the engineer, reinforcement, prestressing tendons, and prestressing ducts shall be placed within the following tolerances:

**7.6.7.1** — Clear distance between pretensioning tendons at each end of a member shall be not less than  $4d_b$  for wire, nor  $3d_b$  for strands. See also 3.3.2. Closer vertical spacing and bundling of tendons shall be permitted in the middle portion of a span.

**3.5.2** — A significant amount of connection field welding is common in precast concrete construction. The American Welding Society (AWS) and American Institute of Steel Construction (AISC) recommendations are generally followed, with some modifications as shown in the PCI Design Handbook and the PCI manual "Design and Typical Details of Connections for Precast and Prestressed Concrete." Other connection devices such as welded headed studs and deformed bar anchors are also shown in these publications. Special precaution is necessary when welding of stainless steel reinforcing bars or plates is used. (Ref. Handbook Sects. 1.3.4.3 and 6.5.1)

**4.4.1** — Calcium chloride or other admixtures containing chlorides are rarely used in precast concrete, and never in prestressed concrete, as required in Sect. 3.6.3. The requirements of this section regarding prestressed concrete are assumed to be met when all materials used in the concrete meet the appropriate ASTM specifications. See report by Donald W. Pfeifer, J. R. Landgren, and William Perenchio, "Concrete, Chlorides, Cover and Corrosion," PCI JOURNAL, V. 31, No. 4, July-August 1986, pp. 42-53. (Ref. Handbook Sect. 1.3.4)

**5.11.3.2** — The Commentary states "... the elastic modulus,  $E_c$ , of steam-cured specimen may vary from that of specimens moist-cured at normal temperatures." It is, however, most common for the ACI equation to be used to calculate  $E_c$  even when accelerated curing is used. Some producers may recommend other values based on testing. (Ref. Handbook Sect. 1.3.1.4) Also note that curing by direct exposure to steam is seldom used in precasting plants.

**7.5.2** — Precast concrete products will normally conform to PCI tolerance standards specified in PCI MNL 116, and Chapter 8 of the PCI Design Handbook. Closer tolerances should not be specified except for special situations. (Ref. Handbook Sect. 8.2.4)

**7.6.7.1** — 2 in. (51 mm) spacing of strands is typically used for strands up to 0.6 in. (15 mm) in diameter. Tests on bridge beams at the University of Texas at Austin have shown no negative effects. See report by Bruce W. Russell and Ned H. Burns, "Measured Transfer Lengths of 0.5 and 0.6 in. Strands in Pretensioned Concrete," PCI JOURNAL, V. 41, No. 5, September-October 1996. With the  $\frac{3}{4}$  in. (19 mm) maximum aggregate size used in most products, consolidation of concrete has not been a problem.



**7.7.2 — Precast concrete (manufactured under plant control conditions)**

The following minimum concrete cover shall be provided for reinforcement:

- (a) Concrete exposed to earth or weather:
  - Wall panels:
    - No. 14 and No. 18 bar ..... 1½
    - No. 11 bar and smaller ..... ¾
  - Other members:
    - No. 14 and No. 18 bars ..... 2
    - No. 6 through No. 11 bars ..... 1½
    - No. 5 bar, W31 or D31 wire,  
and smaller ..... 1¼
- (b) Concrete not exposed to weather or in contact with ground:
  - Slabs, walls, joists:
    - No. 14 and No. 18 bars ..... 1¼
    - No. 11 bar and smaller ..... ⅝
  - Beams, columns:
    - Primary reinforcement .....  $d_b$  but not less than ⅝ and need not exceed 1½
    - Ties, stirrups, spirals ..... ⅜
  - Shells, folded plate members:
    - No. 6 bar and larger ..... ⅝
    - No 5 bar, W31 or D31 wire,  
and smaller ..... ⅜

*7.7.2 — When bars are welded to plates, the cover may be somewhat less in the vicinity of the plate. (Ref. Handbook Table 1.3.6)*

**7.7.3 — Prestressed concrete**

**7.7.3.1** — The following minimum concrete cover shall be provided for prestressed and nonprestressed reinforcement, ducts, and end fittings, except as provided in 7.7.3.2 and 7.7.3.3:

- (a) Concrete cast against and permanently exposed to earth ..... 3
- (b) Concrete exposed to earth or weather:
  - Wall panels slabs, joists ..... 1
  - Other members ..... 1½
- (c) Concrete not exposed to weather or in contact with ground:
  - Slabs, walls, joists ..... ¾
  - Beams, columns:
    - Primary reinforcement ..... 1½
    - Ties, stirrups, spirals ..... 1
  - Shells, folded plate members:
    - No. 5 bar, W31 or D31 wire, and smaller ..... ¾
    - Other reinforcement ...  $d_b$  but not less than ¾

**7.7.3.2** — For prestressed concrete members exposed to earth, weather, or corrosive environments, and in which permissible tensile stress of 18.4.2(c) is exceeded, minimum cover shall be increased 50%

**7.10.3** — It shall be permitted to waive the lateral reinforcement requirements of 7.10, 10.16, and 18.11 where tests and structural analysis show adequate strength and feasibility of construction.

**7.10.4 — Spirals**

Spiral reinforcement for compression members shall conform to 10.9.3 and to the following:

**7.10.4.1** — Spirals shall consist of evenly spaced continuous bar or wire of such size and so assembled to permit handling and placing without distortion from designed dimensions.

**7.7.3** — For precast, prestressed concrete, the provisions of Sect. 7.7.2 take precedence over Sect. 7.7.3, and prestressing steel cover requirements are the same as bars of the same diameter. Wythes, 2 in. (50 mm) thick, are frequently used in sandwich wall panels exposed to weather. Strand, ¾ in. (9.5 mm) in diameter, is most commonly used. Architects should use caution in specifying reveals in thin wythes. A minimum cover of ¼ in. (19 mm) behind the reveal is recommended. Architectural precast concrete, where appearance is very critical, may require special consideration. (Ref. Handbook Table 1.3.6.) For further information on sandwich wall panels, see "State-of-the-Art of Precast/Prestressed Sandwich Wall Panels" by the PCI Committee on Precast Sandwich Wall Panels in the March-April and May-June 1997 PCI Journals.

**7.7.3.2** — "Exposed to weather" is interpreted to not include double tee stems in parking garages. Side cover of the prestressing and non-prestressing steel may marginally not meet this requirement. Studies by Robert Mast and Donald Pfeifer have indicated that corrosion in prestressing strands is no greater problem than in non-prestressed reinforcement. [Ref. Handbook Table 1.3.6 Footnote (b)]

**7.10.3** — Sect. 7.10.3 waives minimum lateral ties with "tests and calculations. . ." Sect. 18.11.2.3 specifically excludes prestressed walls from lateral reinforcement requirements. (Ref. Handbook Example 4.9.1)

**7.10.4** — Precast, prestressed concrete columns frequently use continuously wound rectangular wire for lateral reinforcement. Sect. 7.10.4.2 specifically applies only to cast-in-place construction, so the minimum size requirements do not apply. The usual practice is to design such columns as tied columns under Sect. 18.11.2.2, with the wire sized and spaced to provide an area equal to the minimum requirement for ties. There are several research reports to support reduced tie requirements for prestressed columns. For further information, see report by PCI Prestressed Concrete Columns Committee, "Recommended Practice for the Design of Prestressed Concrete Columns and Walls," PCI JOURNAL, V. 33, No. 4, July-August 1988, pp. 56-95.

**7.13.3** — For precast concrete construction, tension ties shall be provided in the transverse, longitudinal, and vertical directions and around the perimeter of the structure to effectively tie elements together. The provisions of 16.5 shall apply.

**8.3.2** — Except for prestressed concrete, approximate methods of frame analysis shall be permitted for buildings of usual types of construction, spans, and story heights.

**8.10.2** — Width of slab effective as a T-beam flange shall not exceed one-quarter of the span length of the beam, and the effective overhanging flange width on each side of the web shall not exceed:

- (a) eight times the slab thickness, and
- (b) one-half the clear distance to the next web.

**9.2.3** — If resistance to specified earthquake loads or forces  $E$  are included in design, load combinations of 9.2.2 shall apply, except that 1.1 $E$  shall be substituted for  $W$ .

**9.2.7** — Where structural effects  $T$  of differential settlement, creep, shrinkage, expansion of shrinkage-compensating concrete, or temperature change are significant in design, required strength  $U$  shall be at least equal to

$$U = 0.75(1.4D + 1.4T + 1.7L) \quad (9-5)$$

but required strength  $U$  shall not be less than

$$U = 1.4(D + T) \quad (9-6)$$

Estimations of differential settlement, creep, shrinkage, expansion of shrinkage-compensating concrete, or temperature change shall be based on a realistic assessment of such effects occurring in service.

**7.13.3** — *Methods of achieving structural integrity previously published in the PCI Design Handbook are now codified in Chapter 16. (Ref. Handbook Sect. 3.10)*

**8.3.2** — *The intent of this section is to not allow Sect. 8.3.3 to be used for prestressed concrete framing. Approximate (e.g., "portal") methods are sometimes used to design precast "light walls" in parking structures. (Ref. Handbook Sect. 3.8.6)*

**8.10.2** — *Although Sect. 18.1.3 excludes this section, eight times the slab thickness is often used as a guide for determining the topping width to be used in designing composite beams. Thin flange members are commonly designed including the entire flange width in the compression block. (Ref. Handbook Examples 4.2.6 and 4.3.6)*

**9.2.3** — *When the project is controlled by the Standard Building Code (SBC) or the BOCA National Building Code:*

$$U = (1.1 + 0.5A_v)D + \text{Floor Live} + (0.7)\text{Snow} + E$$

or

$$U = (0.9 - 0.5A_v)D + E$$

*( $A_v$  is a coefficient that varies geographically)*

*Note that this means that seismic forces calculated by the methods in the above model codes are factored (ultimate) forces. (Ref. Handbook Example 3.11.9)*

**9.2.7** — *It should be emphasized that structural effects of  $T$  are not to be considered simultaneously with wind or earthquake forces. (Ref. Handbook Sect. 3.3) Structural effects of  $T$  need only be considered when the structural element is restrained and can produce internal forces as a result of  $T$ .*

**9.5 — Control of deflections****9.5.4 — Prestressed concrete construction**

**9.5.4.1** — For flexural members designed in accordance with provisions of Chapter 18, immediate deflection shall be computed by usual methods or formulas for elastic deflections, and the moment of inertia of the gross concrete section shall be permitted to be used for uncracked sections.

**9.5.4.2** — Additional long-term deflection of prestressed concrete members shall be computed taking into account stresses in concrete and steel under sustained load and including effects of creep and shrinkage of concrete and relaxation of steel.

**9.5.4.3** — Deflection computed in accordance with 9.5.4.1 and 9.5.4.2 shall not exceed limits stipulated in Table 9.5(b).

**10.4.1** — Spacing of lateral supports for a beam shall not exceed 50 times the least width  $b$  of compression flange or face.

**10.6.4** — When design yield strength  $f_y$  for tension reinforcement exceeds 40,000 psi, cross sections of maximum positive and negative moment shall be so proportioned that the quantity  $z$  given by

$$z = f_s \sqrt[3]{d_c A} \quad (10-5)$$

does not exceed 175 kips/in. for interior exposure and 145 kips/in. for exterior exposure. Calculated stress in reinforcement at service load  $f_s$  (kips/in.<sup>2</sup>) shall be computed as the moment divided by the product of steel area and internal moment arm. Alternatively, it shall be permitted to take  $f_s$  as 60 % of specified yield strength  $f_y$ .

**10.9.3** — Ratio of spiral reinforcement  $\rho_s$  shall be not less than the value given by

$$\rho_s = 0.45 \left( \frac{A_g}{A_c} - 1 \right) \frac{f'_c}{f_y} \quad (10-6)$$

where  $f_y$  is the specified yield strength of spiral reinforcement but not more than 60,000 psi.

~~**9.5.4** — Deflections are always calculated for prestressed concrete members. Calculations will usually include both instantaneous and long-term camber and dead and live load deflection. The Engineer or Architect of Record will determine if this meets requirements, e.g., Table 9.5(b), as satisfactory performance may depend on many non-structural considerations. (Ref. Handbook Sect. 4.8 and Table 4.8.1)~~

**10.4.1** — The spans of non-bearing spandrels on parking structures have frequently exceeded 50 times the width of the top of the member, and no problems have been observed. This is undoubtedly because they typically carry only their own weight, which, of course, is concentric (see ACI 318 Commentary to this section). Where lateral (bumper) loads are applied to the spandrel, lateral supports at mid-height of the spandrel into the deck are typical.

**10.6.4** — Note that Sect. 10.6 is specifically excluded for prestressed concrete (Sect. 18.1.3). (Ref. Handbook Sect. 4.2.2.1 and Table 4.2.1)

**10.9.3** — See discussion of Sects. 7.10.4 and 18.11.2.2.

**10.10 — Slenderness effects in compression members**

**10.10.1** — Except as allowed in 10.10.2, the design of compression members, restraining beams, and other supporting members shall be based on the factored forces and moments from a second-order analysis considering material nonlinearity and cracking, as well as the effects of member curvature and lateral drift, duration of the loads, shrinkage and creep, and interaction with the supporting foundation. The dimensions of each member cross section used in the analysis shall be within 10 % of the dimensions of the members shown on the design drawings or the analysis shall be repeated. The analysis procedure shall have been shown to result in prediction of strength in substantial agreement with the results of comprehensive tests of columns in statically indeterminate reinforced concrete structures.

**10.10.2** — As an alternate to the procedure prescribed in 10.10.1, it shall be permitted to base the design of compression members, restraining beams, and other supporting members on axial forces and moments from the analyses described in 10.11.

**11.1.3.1** — For nonprestressed members, sections located less than a distance  $d$  from the face of support shall be permitted to be designed for the same shear  $V_u$  as that computed at a distance  $d$ .

**11.1.3.2** — For prestressed members, sections located less than a distance  $h/2$  from face of support shall be permitted to be designed for the same shear  $V_u$  as that computed at a distance  $h/2$ .

**10.10** — *The PCI Design Handbook, Chapters 3 and 4, addresses the application of these sections to precast and prestressed columns. (Ref. Handbook Sects. 3.5.1, 3.5.2 and 4.9.2)*

**11.1.3.1** — *In beams with loads applied below the top of the member, such as L-beams or inverted tees, the critical section to compute shear  $V_u$  and torsion  $T_u$  is taken at a distance from the support equal to the distance between the height of the load application and the centroid of flexural reinforcement. Effective depth  $d$  for computing shear capacity  $\phi V_n$  and torsion capacity  $\phi T_n$  is taken as defined in ACI Sect. 11.0. (Ref. Handbook Sect. 4.3).*

**11.1.3.2** — *In beams with loads applied below the top of the member, such as L-beams or inverted tees, the critical section to compute shear  $V_u$  and torsion  $T_u$  is taken at a distance from the support equal to the distance between the height of the load application and one-half the distance to the bottom of the beam. Effective depth  $d$  for computing shear capacity  $\phi V_n$  and torsion capacity  $\phi T_n$  is taken as defined in ACI Sect. 11.0. (Ref. handbook Sect. 4.3).*

**11.5.5 — Minimum shear reinforcement**

**11.5.5.1** — A minimum area of shear reinforcement shall be provided in all reinforced concrete flexural members (prestressed and nonprestressed) where factored shear force  $V_u$  exceeds one-half the shear strength provided by concrete  $\phi V_c$ , except:

- (a) Slabs and footings
- (b) Concrete joist construction defined by 8.11
- (c) Beams with total depth not greater than 10 in.,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  times thickness of flange, or  $\frac{1}{2}$  the width of web, whichever is greatest.

**11.6 — Design for torsion**

**11.7.3** — A crack shall be assumed to occur along the shear plane considered. The required area of shear-friction reinforcement  $A_{vf}$  across the shear plane shall be designed using either 11.7.4 or any other shear transfer design methods that result in prediction of strength in substantial agreement with results of comprehensive tests.

**11.9.3.2.1** — For normal weight concrete, shear strength  $V_n$  shall not be taken greater than  $0.2f'_c b_w d$  nor  $800b_w d$  in pounds.

**11.9.3.4** — Reinforcement  $A_n$  to resist tensile force  $N_{uc}$  shall be determined from  $N_{uc} < \phi A_n f_y$ . Tensile force  $N_{uc}$  shall not be taken less than  $0.2V_u$  unless special provisions are made to avoid tensile forces. Tensile force  $N_{uc}$  shall be regarded as a live load even when tension results from creep, shrinkage, or temperature change.

**11.9.6** — At front face of bracket or corbel, primary tension reinforcement  $A_s$  shall be anchored by one of the following: (a) by a structural weld to a transverse bar of at least equal size; weld to be designed to develop specified yield strength  $f_y$  of  $A_s$  bars; (b) by bending primary tension bars  $A_s$  back to form a horizontal loop; or (c) by some other means of positive anchorage.

**11.5.5** — If  $V_u$  is less than  $\phi V_c$ , shear reinforcement is omitted in prestressed double tees. A nominal minimum is provided for 5 to 10 ft (1.5 to 3 m) from the ends. This is based on research by Alex Aswad and George Burnley, "Omission of Web Reinforcement in Prestressed Double Tees," *PCI JOURNAL*, V. 34, No. 2, March-April 1989, pp. 48-65. The approach is permitted by Sect. 11.5.5.2. (Ref. Handbook Sects. 4.3 and 4.3.4)

**11.6** — Torsion design has typically been done using the Zia-McGee (PCI Design Handbook, 2nd Edition) or Zia-Hsu (4th Edition) methods. Most computer programs may not yet be updated to ACI 318-95. The reinforcement requirements are similar for any of the methods. Note that concrete torsion strength  $T_c$  is no longer included in the new torsion design method. (Ref. Handbook Sect. 4.4)

**11.7.3** — The "effective shear-friction" method described in the PCI Design Handbook is most often used. Use is permitted under Sect. 11.7.3. (Ref. Handbook Sect. 4.3.6)

**11.9.3.2.1** — The PCI Design Handbook allows  $V_n$  up to  $1000b_w d$ . This is consistent with the "effective shear-friction" approach when concrete strengths of 5000 psi (34 MPa) and greater are used. (Ref. Handbook Table 4.3.1)

**11.9.3.4** — Bearing pads are used to "avoid tensile forces." The PCI Design Handbook suggests that a value of  $N_{uc}$  which will cause the pad to slip is the maximum that can occur, or, alternatively, a value of  $0.2V_{u\text{dead}}$  is used as a guide. (Ref. Handbook Sects. 4.6.1, 4.6.2, 6.3 and 6.8)

**11.9.6** — Frequently, front face anchorage is by welding to an angle or a plate with vertical anchors. This is permitted by Sect. 11.9.6(c). (Ref. Handbook Sect. 6.8)

**11.9.7** — Bearing area of load on bracket or corbel shall not project beyond straight portion of primary tension bars  $A_s$ , nor project beyond interior face of transverse anchor bar (if one is provided).

**11.9.7** — If primary tension bars are anchored by welding (Sect. 11.9.6), the bearing area can be considered to extend to the exterior face of the anchoring bar or plate. This section is not typically applied to beam ledges, where ledge reinforcement is typically anchored by bending bars near the front face. Research sponsored by PCI Specially Funded Research and Development Project No. 5, "Design of Spandrel Beams," addressed this issue, and found that placement of bars is critical. (Ref. Handbook Sect. 6.8)

**11.10.9 — Design of shear reinforcement for walls**

**11.10.9.1** — Where factored shear force  $V_u$  exceeds shear strength  $\phi V_c$ , horizontal shear reinforcement shall be provided to satisfy Eq. (11-1) and (11-2), where shear strength  $V_s$  shall be computed by

**11.10.9** — Sects. 11.10.9.2 through 11.10.9.4 apply only when the in-plane shear,  $V_u > \phi V_c$ , as described in 11.10.9.1. Otherwise, minimum reinforcement required by Sect. 16.4.2 applies (0.001 times the gross cross-sectional area).

$$V_s = \frac{A_v f_y d}{s_2} \quad (11-33)$$

where  $A_v$  is area of horizontal shear reinforcement within a distance  $s_2$  and distance  $d$  is in accordance with 11.10.4. Vertical shear reinforcement shall be provided in accordance with 11.10.9.4.

**12.5.1** — Development length  $\ell_{dh}$ , in inches, for deformed bars in tension terminating in a standard hook (see 7.1) shall be computed as the product of the basic development length  $\ell_{hb}$  of 12.5.2 and the applicable modification factor or factors of 12.5.3, but  $\ell_{dh}$  shall not be less than  $8d_b$  nor less than 6 in.

**12.5.1** — Bars in beam ledges are assumed to be developed with a hook, even when the straight portion is less than 6 in. (152 mm), measured to the stem face. See the research project referenced in the Commentary of ACI 318 Sect. 11.9.7. (Ref. Handbook Sect. 4.5.2)

**12.9 — Development of prestressing strand**

**12.9.1** — Three- or seven-wire pretensioning strand shall be bonded beyond the critical section for a development length, in inches, not less than

**12.9** — The provisions of this section are normally followed in the design of prestressed concrete members. Quality control measures are essential. See Buckner, C. Dale, "A Review of Strand Development Length for Pretensioned Concrete Members," PCI JOURNAL, V. 40, No. 2, March-April 1995, pp. 84-105; plus discussion in March-April 1966 PCI JOURNAL, pp. 112-127. See also special report by Donald R. Logan, "Acceptance Criteria for Bond Quality of Strand for Pretensioned Prestressed Concrete Applications," PCI Journal, V. 42, No. 2, March-April 1997, pp. 52-90.

$$(f_{ps} - \frac{2}{3}f_{se})d_b$$

where  $d_b$  is strand diameter in inches, and  $f_{ps}$  and  $f_{se}$  are expressed in kips/in.<sup>2</sup>

**12.9.2** — When debonded strands are used, other sections may be more critical. See Martin, L., and Korkosz, W., "Strength of Prestressed Concrete Members at Sections Where Strands Are Not Fully Developed," PCI JOURNAL, V. 40, No. 5, September-October 1995, pp. 58-66. (Ref. Handbook Sect. 4.2.3)

**12.9.2** — Limiting the investigation to cross sections nearest each end of the member that are required to develop full design strength under specified factored loads shall be permitted.

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~~12.11.1~~ — At least one-third the positive moment reinforcement in simple members and one-fourth the positive moment reinforcement in continuous members shall extend along the same face of member into the support. In beams, such reinforcement shall extend into the support at least 6 in.

**12.13.2.4** — For each end of a single leg stirrup of welded plain or deformed wire fabric, two longitudinal wires at a minimum spacing of 2 in. and with the inner wire at least the greater of  $d/4$  or 2 in. from mid depth of member  $d/2$ . Outer longitudinal wire at tension face shall not be farther from the face than the portion of primary flexural reinforcement closest to the face.

### 14.3 — Minimum reinforcement

**14.6.1** — Thickness of nonbearing walls shall not be less than 4 in., nor less than  $\frac{1}{30}$  the least distance between members that provide lateral support.

**15.8.3.1** — Connection between precast columns or pedestals and supporting members shall meet the requirements of 16.5.1.3(a).

**16.2.4** — In addition to the requirements for drawings and specifications in 1.2, the following shall be included in either the contract documents or shop drawings:

- (a) Details of reinforcement, inserts and lifting devices required to resist temporary loads from handling, storage, transportation, and erection.
- (b) Required concrete strength at stated ages or stages of construction.

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~~12.11.1~~ — *Does not apply to precast construction. Excluded by Sect. 16.6.2.3.*

**12.13.2.4** — *Figure R12.13.2.4 shows how WWF is used as shear reinforcement in double tee stems. For further information, see TAC's Joint PCI/WRI Ad Hoc Committee on Welded Wire Fabric for Shear Reinforcement, "Welded Wire Fabric for Shear Reinforcement," PCI JOURNAL, V. 25, No. 4, July-August 1980, pp. 32-36.*

**14.3** — *Minimum reinforcement for precast walls is specified in Sect. 16.4.2.*

**14.6.1** — *Minimum thickness is not applicable to prestressed walls. See Sect. 18.1.3.*

**15.8.3.1** — *Note reference to Chapter 16.*

**16.2.4** — *Connection design is typically a part of the precast contract and connection forces are typically developed by the precast engineer, or sometimes listed on the Contract Drawings. (Ref. Handbook Sects. 10.3 and 10.4)*



**16.6.2.2** — Unless shown by test or analysis that performance will not be impaired, the following minimum requirements shall be met:

- (a) Each member and its supporting system shall have design dimensions selected so that, after consideration of tolerances, the distance from the edge of the support to the end of the precast member in the direction of the span is at least  $\frac{1}{180}$  of the clear span  $\ell$  but not less than:

For solid or hollow-core slabs . . . . . 2 in.  
 For beams or stemmed members . . . . . 3 in.

- (b) Bearing pads at unarmored edges shall be set back a minimum of  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. from the face of the support, or a least the chamfer dimension at chamfered edges.

**16.8.1** — Each precast member shall be marked to indicate its location and orientation in the structure and date of manufacture.

**17.5.2.1** — When contact surfaces are clean, free of laitance, and intentionally roughened, shear strength  $V_{nh}$  shall not be taken greater than  $80b_v d$  in pounds.

**18.4.1** — Stresses in concrete immediately after prestress transfer (before time-dependent prestress losses) shall not exceed the following:

- (a) Extreme fiber stress in compression.  $0.60f'_{ci}$
- (b) Extreme fiber stress in tension except as permitted in (c) . . . . .  $3\sqrt{f'_{ci}}$
- (c) Extreme fiber stress in tension at ends of simply supported members . . . . .  $6\sqrt{f'_{ci}}$

Where computed tensile stresses exceed these values, bonded auxiliary reinforcement (nonprestressed or prestressed) shall be provided in the tensile zone to resist the total tensile force in concrete computed with the assumption of an uncracked section.

**16.6.2.2** — *When shorter bearing lengths occur in the field, analysis is usually the basis for acceptability. When designing bearing lengths, the effects of member shortening at expansion joints should be considered.*

**16.8.1** — *Not all products are marked with the date of manufacture, but adequate records should be kept to verify casting conditions.*

**17.5.2.1** — *Standard precast concrete manufacturing procedures for standard deck members are assumed to meet the requirement for "intentionally roughened." (Ref. Handbook Sect. 4.3.5) Industry tests confirm this practice to be safe.*

**18.4.1 (a)** — *Initial compression is frequently permitted to go higher in order to avoid debonding or depressing strands. No problems have been reported by allowing compression as high as  $0.70 f_{ci}$ .*

**18.4.1 (b) (c)** — *Initial tension is typically allowed to go as high as  $6\sqrt{f'_{ci}}$  throughout most of the member. Because of member self weight, the transfer stresses decrease from the end to midspan of a simply supported member. It is not clear how far into the span "at ends" can be used. (Ref. Handbook Sect. 4.2.2.2)*

**18.4.2** — Stresses in concrete at service loads (after allowance for all prestress losses) shall not exceed the following:

- (a) Extreme fiber stress in compression due to prestress plus sustained loads .....  $0.45f'_c$
- (b) Extreme fiber stress in compression due to prestress plus total load .....  $0.60f'_c$
- (c) Extreme fiber stress in tension in precompressed tensile zone .....  $6\sqrt{f'_c}$
- (d) Extreme fiber stress in tension in precompressed tensile zone of members (except two-way slab systems), where analysis based on transformed cracked sections and on bilinear moment-deflection relationships shows that immediate and long-term deflections comply with requirements of 9.5.4., and where cover requirements comply with 7.7.3.2 .....  $12\sqrt{f'_c}$

**18.6 — Loss of prestress**

**18.6.1** — To determine effective prestress  $f_{se}$ , allowance for the following sources of loss of prestress shall be considered:

- (a) Anchorage seating loss
- (b) Elastic shortening of concrete
- (c) Creep of concrete
- (d) Shrinkage of concrete
- (e) Relaxation of tendon stress
- (f) Friction loss due to intended or unintended curvature in post-tensioning tendons.

**18.4.2 (c)** — *The limitation of  $6\sqrt{f'_c}$  is seldom used. Bilinear deflection behavior, as shown in the PCI Design Handbook, uses  $7.5\sqrt{f'_c}$  as the cracking stress, so anything at that value or below would comply with 18.4.2(c).*

**18.4.2 (d)** — *See discussion of Sect. 7.7.3.2.*

**18.6** — *Most structural engineers who specialize in the design of prestressed concrete follow the recommendations of ACI-ASCE Committee 423 task force given in Ref. 18.6. (Ref. Handbook Sect. 4.7)*

**18.7.2** — As an alternative to a more accurate determination of  $f_{ps}$  based on strain compatibility, the following approximate values of  $f_{ps}$  shall be used if  $f_{se}$  is not less than  $0.5f_{pu}$ .

(a) For members with bonded prestressing tendons:

$$f_{ps} = f_{pu} \left\{ 1 - \frac{\gamma_p}{\beta_1} \left[ \rho_p \frac{f_{pu}}{f'_c} + \frac{d}{d_p} (\omega - \omega') \right] \right\} \quad (18-3)$$

If any compression reinforcement is taken into account when calculating  $f_{ps}$  by Eq. (18-3), the term

$$\left[ \rho_p \frac{f_{pu}}{f'_c} + \frac{d}{d_p} (\omega - \omega') \right]$$

shall be taken not less than 0.17 and  $d'$  shall be no greater than  $0.15d_p$ .

**18.8.3** — Total amount of prestressed and nonprestressed reinforcement shall be adequate to develop a factored load at least 1.2 times the cracking load computed on the basis of the modulus of rupture  $f_r$ , specified in 9.5.2.3, except for flexural members with shear and flexural strength at least twice that required by 9.2.

**18.11.2.1** — Members with average prestress  $f_{pc}$  less than 225 psi shall have minimum reinforcement in accordance with 7.10, 10.9.1 and 10.9.2 for columns, or 14.3 for walls.

**18.7.2** — Many engineers use strain compatibility analysis for determining  $f_{ps}$ . Others use Eq. (18-3). With low-relaxation strand, the results are not substantially different. (Ref. Handbook Sect. 4.2.1)

**18.8.3** — For simple span members, this provision is generally assumed to apply only at critical flexural sections. (Ref. Handbook Sect. 4.2.1)

**18.11.2.1** — Columns which are larger than required for architectural purposes will use the level of prestress for the size of column needed. For example, if a  $16 \times 16$  in. ( $406 \times 406$  mm) column will carry the load, but a  $24 \times 24$  in. ( $610 \times 610$  mm) column is used, the total prestress force necessary is  $225 (16 \times 16) = 57,600$  lb (26 127 kg). This practice is supported by Sects. 10.8.4 and 16.5.1.3 (a).

**18.11.2.2** — Except for walls, members with average prestress  $f_{pc}$  equal to or greater than 225 psi shall have all prestressing tendons enclosed by spirals or lateral ties in accordance with the following:

- (a) Spirals shall conform to 7.10.4.
- (b) Lateral ties shall be at least No. 3 in size or welded wire fabric of equivalent area, and spaced vertically not to exceed 48 tie bar or wire diameters, or least dimension of compression member.
- (c) Ties shall be located vertically not more than half a tie spacing above top of footing or slab in any story, and shall be spaced as provided herein to not more than half a tie spacing below lowest horizontal reinforcement in members supported above.
- (d) Where beams or brackets frame into all sides of a column, it shall be permitted to terminate ties not more than 3 in. below lowest reinforcement in such beams or brackets.

**21.6.4.2 — Cast-in-place composite topping slab diaphragms**

A composite topping slab cast-in-place on a precast floor or roof system shall be permitted to be used as a diaphragm provided the topping slab is reinforced and its connections are proportioned and detailed to provide for a complete transfer of forces to chords, collector elements, and resisting elements. The surface of the previously hardened concrete on which the topping slab is placed shall be clean, free of laitance, and shall be intentionally roughened.

**21.7.1** — Frame members assumed not to contribute to lateral resistance shall be detailed according to 21.7.2 or 21.7.3 depending on the magnitude of moments induced in those members when subjected to twice the lateral displacements under the factored lateral forces. When effects of lateral displacements are not explicitly checked, it shall be permitted to apply the requirements of 21.7.3.

**18.11.2.2** — *The PCI Prestressed Concrete Columns Committee report, "Recommended Practice for the Design of Prestressed Concrete Columns and Walls," recommends that column capacity be reduced to 85 % of calculated if ties do not meet all of the requirements. Most producers use some ties, but may modify the size and spacing based on research. Note that walls are excluded from the lateral tie requirements. Column ties are required in seismic regions. (Ref. Handbook Example 4.9.2)*

**21.6.4.2** — *When the composite requirements are met, the diaphragm thickness includes both the topping and the precast flange or top wythe. (Ref. Handbook Sect. 3.6)*

**21.7.1** — *The Northridge Earthquake showed the importance of this section. See James K. Iverson and Neil M. Hawkins, "Performance of Precast/Prestressed Concrete Building Structures During Northridge Earthquake," PCI JOURNAL, V. 39, No. 2, March-April 1994, pp. 38-55. It should also be emphasized that some nominal ties, at least equivalent to the structural integrity requirements of Chapter 16, should be used in these non-lateral-load-resisting frames.*

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# 11.1 DESIGN INFORMATION

Design Aid 11.1.1 Dead weights of floors, ceilings, roofs and walls\*

Component	Load (psf)	Component	Load (psf)	Component	Load (psf)
<b>Ceilings</b>		<b>Floor fill</b>		<b>Masonry walls<sup>b</sup></b>	
Acoustical fiber board	1	Cinder concrete, per inch	9	Clay brick wythes:	39
Gypsum board (per 1/2-in. thickness)	0.55	Lightweight concrete, per inch	8	4 in.	79
Mechanical duct allowance	4	Sand, per inch	8	8 in.	115
Plaster on tile or concrete	5	Stone concrete, per inch	12	12 in.	155
Plaster on wood lath	8			16 in.	
Suspended steel channel system	2	<b>Floors and floor finishes</b>			
Suspended metal lath and cement plaster	15	Asphalt block (2-in.), 1/2-in. mortar	30	Hollow concrete masonry unit wythes:	
Suspended metal lath and gypsum plaster	10	Cerment finish (1-in.), on stone-concrete fill	32	Wythes thickness (in.)	12
Wood furring suspension system	2.5	Ceramic or quarry tile (3/4-in.) on 1/2-in. mortar bed	16		
		Ceramic or quarry tile (3/4-in.) on 1-in. mortar bed	23		
<b>Coverings, roof, and wall</b>		Ceramic fill finish (per inch thickness)	12	Density of unit (105 pcf):	
Asbestos-cement shingles	4	Hardwood flooring, 7/8-in.	4	No grout	22
Asphalt shingles	2	Linoleum or asphalt tile, 1/4-in.	1	48" o.c.	24
Cerment tiles	16	Marble and mortar on stone-concrete fill	33	40" o.c.	29
Clay tile (for mortar add 10 lb.)	12	Slate (per inch thickness)	15	32" o.c.	30
Book tile, 2-in.	20	Solid flat tile on 1-in. mortar base	23	24" o.c.	32
Book tile, 3-in.	10	Sub-flooring, 3/4-in.	3	16" o.c.	40
Ludowici	12	Terrazzo (1 1/2-in.) directly on slab	19	Full grout	55
Roman	19	Terrazzo (1-in.) on stone-concrete fill	32		
Spanish	19	Terrazzo (1-in.) 2-in. stone concrete	10	Density of unit (125 pcf):	
Composition:	1	Wood block (3-in.) on mastic, no fill	32	No grout	26
Three-ply ready roofing	5.5	Wood block (3-in.) on 1/2-in. mortar base	16	48" o.c.	28
Four-ply felt and gravel	6			40" o.c.	33
Five-ply felt and gravel	1	<b>Floors, wood-joist (no plaster)</b>		32" o.c.	34
Copper or tin	4	Joist size (in.)		24" o.c.	36
Corrugated asbestos-cement roofing	2.5	12-in. spacing (psf)	16-in. spacing (psf)	(grout spacing)	39
Deck, metal 20 gage	3	6	5	16" o.c.	44
Deck, metal 18 gage	5	2 x 6	5	Full grout	59
Decking, 2-in. wood (Douglas fir)	8	2 x 8	6		
Decking, 3-in. wood (Douglas fir)	0.75	2 x 10	7	Density of unit (135 pcf):	
Fiberboard, 1/2-in.	2	2 x 12	8	No grout	29
Gypsum sheathing, 1/2-in.				48" o.c.	30
Insulation, roof boards (per inch thickness)				40" o.c.	36
Cellular glass	0.7			32" o.c.	37
Fibrous glass	1.1			24" o.c.	41
Fiberboard	1.5			16" o.c.	48
Perlite	0.8			Full grout	62
Polystyrene foam	0.2	<b>Frame partitions</b>			
Urethane foam with skin	0.5	Movable steel partitions	4	Solid concrete masonry unit wythes:	
Rigid insulation, 1/2-in.	0.4	Wood or steel studs, 1/2-in. gypsum board each side	8	Wythes thickness (in.)	
Plywood (per 1/2-in. thickness)	0.75	Wood studs, 2 x 4, unplastered	4	Density of unit (105 pcf):	
Skylight, metal frame, 3/8-in. wire glass	8	Wood studs, 2 x 4, plastered one side	12	Density of unit (125 pcf):	
Slate, 3/8-in.	7	Wood studs, 2 x 4, plastered two sides	20	Density of unit (135 pcf):	
Slate, 1/2-in.	10				
Waterproofing membranes:		<b>Frame walls</b>			
Bituminous, gravel-covered	5.5	Exterior stud walls:			
Bituminous, smooth surface	1.5	2 x 4 @ 16-in., 3/8-in. gypsum, insulated, 3/8-in. siding	11		
Liquid applied	1	2 x 6 @ 16-in., 3/8-in. gypsum, insulated, 3/8-in. siding	12		
Single-ply, sheet	0.7	Exterior stud walls with brick veneer	48		
Wood sheathing (per inch thickness)	3	Windows, glass, frame and sash	8		
Wood shingles	3				

a. Source: "Minimum Design Loads for Buildings and Other Structures", ASCE 7-95, 1995, American Society of Civil Engineers, Reston, VA.  
 b. Weights of masonry include mortar but not plaster. For plaster, add 5 lb/ft<sup>2</sup> for each face plastered. Values given represent averages. In some cases there is a considerable range of weight for the same construction.

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## Design Aid 11.1.2 Recommended minimum uniformly distributed and concentrated live loads\*

Occupancy or use	Uniform load (psf)	Concentrated load (lb)
Apartments (see residential)		
Access floor systems		
Office use	50	2,000
Computer use	100	2,000
Armories and drill rooms	150	
Assembly areas and theaters		
Fixed seats (fastened to floor)	60	
Lobbies	100	
Movable seats	100	
Platforms (assembly)	100	
Stage floors	150	
Balconies (exterior)	100	
On one- and two-family residences only, and not exceeding 100 ft <sup>2</sup>	60	
Bowling alleys, poolrooms and similar recreational areas	75	
Corridors		
First floor	100	
Other floors, same as occupancy served except as indicated		
Dance halls and ballrooms	100	
Decks (patio and roof)		
Same as area served, or for the type of occupancy accommodated		
Dining rooms and restaurants	100	
Dwellings (see residential)		
Elevator machine room grating (on area of 4 in <sup>2</sup> )		300
Finish light floor plate construction (on area of 1 in <sup>2</sup> )		200
Fire escapes	100	
On single-family dwellings only	40	
Garages (passenger cars only)	50	Note b
Truck and buses		Note c
Grandstands (see stadium and arena bleachers)		
Gymnasiums, main floors and balconies (see note e)	100	
Handrails, guardrails and grab bars		Note i
Hospitals		
Operating room, laboratories	60	1,000
Private rooms	40	1,000
Wards	40	1,000
Corridors above first floor	80	1,000
Hotels (see residential)		
Libraries		
Reading rooms	60	1,000
Stack rooms (see note d)	150	1,000
Corridors above first floor	80	1,000
Manufacturing		
Light	125	2,000
Heavy	250	3,000
Marquees and Canopies	75	
Office Buildings		
File and computer rooms shall be designed for heavier loads based on anticipated occupancy		
Lobbies and first floor corridors	100	2,000
Offices	50	2,000
Corridors above first floor	80	2,000

See following page for all notes.

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## Design Aid 11.1.2 Recommended minimum uniformly distributed and concentrated live loads (cont.)

Occupancy or use	Uniform load (psf)	Concentrated load (lb)
Penal institutions		
Cell Blocks	40	
Corridors	100	
Residential		
Dwellings (one- and two-family)		
Uninhabitable attics without storage	10	
Uninhabitable attics with storage	20	
Habitable attics and sleeping areas	30	
All other areas except balconies	40	
Hotels and multifamily houses		
Private rooms and corridors serving them	40	
Public rooms and corridors serving them	100	
Reviewing stands, grandstands and bleachers (see note e)	100	
Roofs		Note j
Schools		
Classrooms	40	1,000
Corridors above first floor	80	1,000
First floor corridors	100	1,000
Scuttles, skylight ribs, and accessible ceilings		200
Sidewalks, vehicular driveways, and yards, subject to trucking (see note f, g)	250	8,000
Stadiums and arenas		
Bleachers (see note e)	100	
Fixed seats, fastened to floor (see note e)	60	
Stairs and exitways	100	Note h
Storage areas above ceilings	20	
Storage warehouses (shall be designed for heavier loads if required for anticipated storage)		
Light	125	
Heavy	250	
Stores		
Retail		
First floor	100	1,000
Upper floors	75	1,000
Wholesale, all floors	125	1,000
Vehicle barriers		Note i
Walkways and elevated platforms (other than exitways)	60	
Yards and terraces, pedestrians	100	

- a. Source: "Minimum Design Loads for Buildings and Other Structures," ASCE 7-95, 1995, American Society of Civil Engineers, Reston, VA.
- b. Floors in garages or portions of buildings used for the storage of motor vehicles shall be designed for the uniformly distributed live loads of Design Aid 11.1.2 or the following concentrated load: (1) for passenger cars accommodating not more than nine passengers 2,000 lb acting on an area of 20 in<sup>2</sup>; and (2) mechanical parking structures without slab or deck, passenger car only, 1,500 lb/wheel.
- c. Garages accommodating trucks and buses shall be designed in accordance with an approved method which contains provisions for truck and bus loadings.
- d. The weight of books and shelving shall be computed using an assumed density of 65 pcf and converted to a uniformly distributed load; this load shall be used if it exceeds 150 pcf.
- e. In addition to the vertical live loads, horizontal swaying forces parallel and normal to the length of seats shall be included in the design according to the requirements of ANSI/NFPA 102.
- f. Other uniform loads in accordance with an approved method which contains provisions for truck loadings shall also be considered where appropriate.
- g. The concentrated wheel load shall be applied on an area of 20 in<sup>2</sup>.
- h. Minimum concentrated load on stair treads on area of 4 in<sup>e</sup> is 300 lb.
- i. See ASCE 7-95, Sect. 4.4.
- j. See ASCE 7-95, Sects. 4.3 and 4.9.



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## Design Aid 11.1.3 Beam design equations and diagrams<sup>a</sup>

### (1) SIMPLE BEAM – UNIFORMLY DISTRIBUTED LOAD

$$R = V \dots\dots\dots = \frac{w\ell}{2}$$

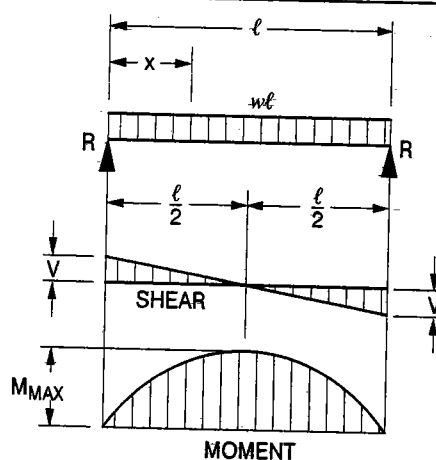
$$V_x \dots\dots\dots = w\left(\frac{\ell}{2} - x\right)$$

$$M_{MAX} \text{ (AT CENTER)} \dots\dots\dots = \frac{w\ell^2}{8}$$

$$M_x \dots\dots\dots = \frac{wx}{2}(\ell - x)$$

$$\Delta_{MAX} \text{ (AT CENTER)} \dots\dots\dots = \frac{5w\ell^4}{384EI}$$

$$\Delta_x \dots\dots\dots = \frac{wx}{24EI}(\ell^3 - 2\ell x^2 + x^3)$$



### (2) SIMPLE BEAM – CONCENTRATED LOAD AT CENTER

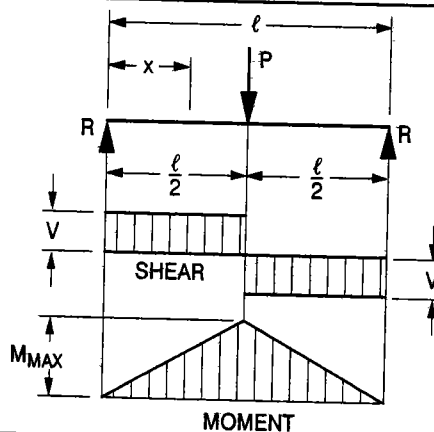
$$R = V \dots\dots\dots = \frac{P}{2}$$

$$M_{MAX} \text{ (AT POINT OF LOAD)} \dots\dots\dots = \frac{P\ell}{4}$$

$$M_x \text{ (WHEN } x < \frac{\ell}{2}) \dots\dots\dots = \frac{Px}{2}$$

$$\Delta_{MAX} \text{ (AT POINT OF LOAD)} \dots\dots\dots = \frac{P\ell^3}{48EI}$$

$$\Delta_x \text{ (WHEN } x < \frac{\ell}{2}) \dots\dots\dots = \frac{Px}{48EI}(3\ell^2 - 4x^2)$$



### (3) SIMPLE BEAM – CONCENTRATED LOAD AT ANY POINT

$$R_1 = V_1 \text{ (MAX WHEN } a < b) \dots\dots\dots = \frac{Pb}{\ell}$$

$$R_2 = V_2 \text{ (MAX WHEN } a > b) \dots\dots\dots = \frac{Pa}{\ell}$$

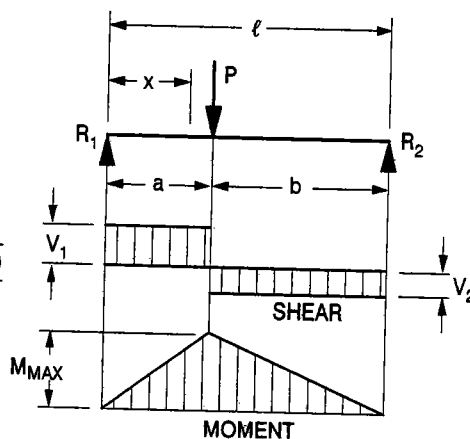
$$M_{MAX} \text{ (AT POINT OF LOAD)} \dots\dots\dots = \frac{Pab}{\ell}$$

$$M_x \text{ (WHEN } x < a) \dots\dots\dots = \frac{Pbx}{\ell}$$

$$\Delta_{MAX} \left( \text{AT } x = \sqrt{\frac{a(a+2b)}{3}} \text{ WHEN } a > b \right) \dots\dots\dots = \frac{Pab(a+2b)\sqrt{3a(a+2b)}}{27EI\ell}$$

$$\Delta_a \text{ (AT POINT OF LOAD)} \dots\dots\dots = \frac{Pa^2b^2}{3EI\ell}$$

$$\Delta_x \text{ (WHEN } x < a) \dots\dots\dots = \frac{Pbx}{6EI\ell}(\ell^2 - b^2 - x^2)$$



### (4) SIMPLE BEAM – TWO EQUAL CONCENTRATED LOADS SYMMETRICALLY PLACED

$$R = V \dots\dots\dots = P$$

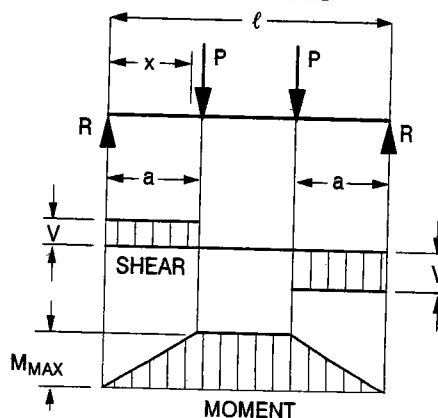
$$M_{MAX} \text{ (BETWEEN LOADS)} \dots\dots\dots = Pa$$

$$M_x \text{ (WHEN } x < a) \dots\dots\dots = Px$$

$$\Delta_{MAX} \text{ (AT CENTER)} \dots\dots\dots = \frac{Pa}{24EI}(3\ell^2 - 4a^2)$$

$$\Delta_x \text{ (WHEN } x < a) \dots\dots\dots = \frac{Px}{6EI}(3\ell a - 3a^2 - x^2)$$

$$\Delta_x \text{ (WHEN } x > a \text{ AND } < (\ell - a)) \dots\dots\dots = \frac{Pa}{6EI}(3\ell x - 3x^2 - a^2)$$



a. Source: "Manual of Steel Construction, Allowable Stress Design," Ninth Ed., 1989, American Institute of Steel Construction, Chicago, IL.

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## Design Aid 11.1.3 Beam design equations and diagrams (continued)

### (5) SIMPLE BEAM – TWO UNEQUAL CONCENTRATED LOADS UNSYMMETRICALLY PLACED

$$R_1 = V_1 \dots\dots\dots = \frac{P_1(\ell - a) + P_2 b}{\ell}$$

$$R_2 = V_2 \dots\dots\dots = \frac{P_1 a + P_2(\ell - b)}{\ell}$$

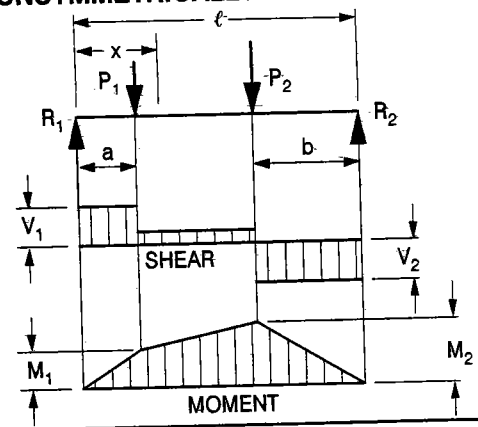
$$V_x \text{ (WHEN } x > a \text{ AND } < (\ell - b)) \dots\dots = R_1 - P_1$$

$$M_1 \text{ (MAX WHEN } R_1 < P_1) \dots\dots\dots = R_1 a$$

$$M_2 \text{ (MAX WHEN } R_2 < P_2) \dots\dots\dots = R_2 b$$

$$M_x \text{ (WHEN } x < a) \dots\dots\dots = R_1 x$$

$$M_x \text{ (WHEN } x > a \text{ AND } < (\ell - b)) \dots\dots = R_1 x - P_1(x - a)$$



### (6) SIMPLE BEAM – UNIFORM LOAD PARTIALLY DISTRIBUTED

$$R_1 = V_1 \text{ (MAX WHEN } a < c) \dots\dots = \frac{wb}{2\ell}(2c + b)$$

$$R_2 = V_2 \text{ (MAX WHEN } a > c) \dots\dots = \frac{wb}{2\ell}(2a + b)$$

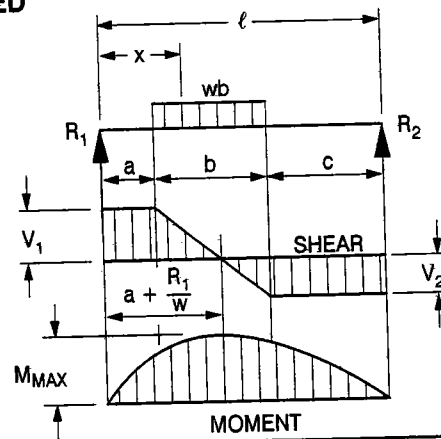
$$V_x \text{ (WHEN } x > a \text{ AND } < (a + b)) \dots\dots = R_1 - w(x - a)$$

$$M_{MAX} \text{ (AT } x = a + \frac{R_1}{w}) \dots\dots\dots = R_1 \left( a + \frac{R_1}{2w} \right)$$

$$M_x \text{ (WHEN } x < a) \dots\dots\dots = R_1 x$$

$$M_x \text{ (WHEN } x > a \text{ AND } < (a + b)) \dots\dots = R_1 x - \frac{w}{2}(x - a)^2$$

$$M_x \text{ (WHEN } x > (a + b)) \dots\dots\dots = R_2(\ell - x)$$



### (7) SIMPLE BEAM – LOAD INCREASING UNIFORMLY TO ONE END (W IS TOTAL LOAD)

$$R_1 = V_1 \dots\dots\dots = \frac{W}{3}$$

$$R_2 = V_2 \text{ MAX} \dots\dots\dots = \frac{2W}{3}$$

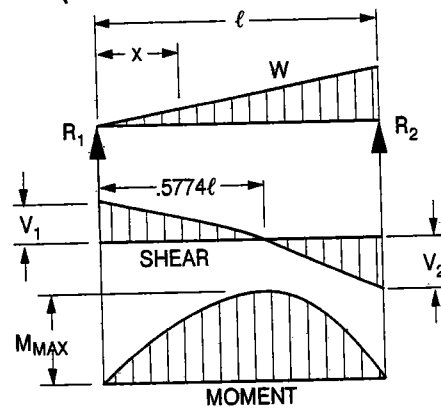
$$V_x \dots\dots\dots = \frac{W}{3} - \frac{Wx^2}{\ell^2}$$

$$M_{MAX} \text{ (AT } x = \frac{\ell}{\sqrt{3}} = .5774\ell) \dots\dots = \frac{2W\ell}{9\sqrt{3}} = .1283 W\ell$$

$$M_x \dots\dots\dots = \frac{Wx}{3\ell^2}(\ell^2 - x^2)$$

$$\Delta_{MAX} \text{ (AT } x = \ell \sqrt{1 - \sqrt{\frac{8}{15}}} = .5193\ell) \dots\dots = .01304 \frac{W\ell^3}{EI}$$

$$\Delta_x \dots\dots\dots = \frac{Wx}{180EI\ell^2}(3x^4 - 10\ell^2x^2 + 7\ell^4)$$



### (8) SIMPLE BEAM – LOAD INCREASING UNIFORMLY TO CENTER (W IS TOTAL LOAD)

$$R = V \dots\dots\dots = \frac{W}{2}$$

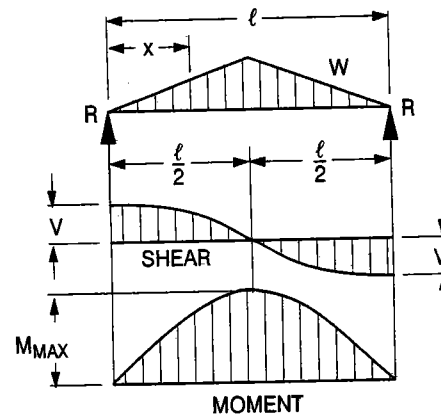
$$V_x \text{ (WHEN } x < \frac{\ell}{2}) \dots\dots\dots = \frac{W}{2\ell^2}(\ell^2 - 4x^2)$$

$$M_{MAX} \text{ (AT CENTER)} \dots\dots\dots = \frac{W\ell}{6}$$

$$M_x \text{ (WHEN } x < \frac{\ell}{2}) \dots\dots\dots = Wx \left( \frac{1}{2} - \frac{2x^2}{3\ell^2} \right)$$

$$\Delta_{MAX} \text{ (AT CENTER)} \dots\dots\dots = \frac{W\ell^3}{60EI}$$

$$\Delta_x \text{ (WHEN } x < \frac{\ell}{2}) \dots\dots\dots = \frac{Wx}{480EI\ell^2}(5\ell^2 - 4x^2)^2$$

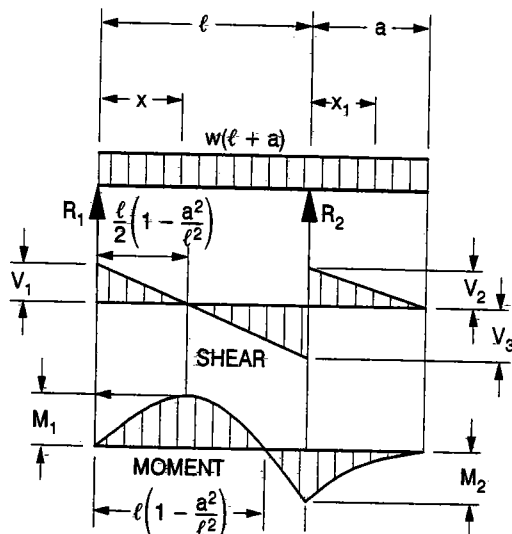


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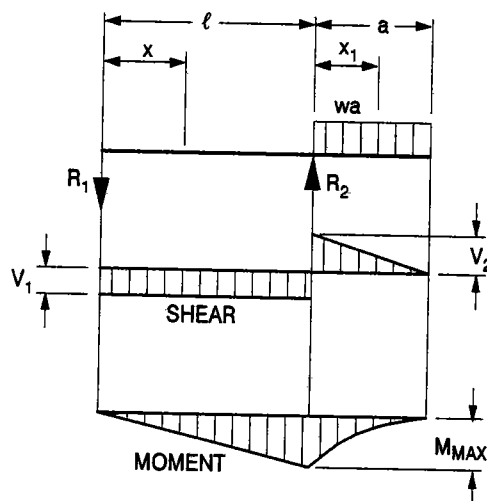
### (9) BEAM OVERHANGING ONE SUPPORT – UNIFORMLY DISTRIBUTED LOAD

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_1 &= V_1 \dots\dots\dots = \frac{w}{2\ell}(\ell^2 - a^2) \\
 R_2 &= V_2 + V_3 \dots\dots\dots = \frac{w}{2\ell}(\ell + a)^2 \\
 V_2 \dots\dots\dots &= wa \\
 V_3 \dots\dots\dots &= \frac{w}{2\ell}(\ell^2 + a^2) \\
 V_x \text{ (BETWEEN SUPPORTS)} \dots\dots\dots &= R_1 - wx \\
 V_{x_1} \text{ (FOR OVERHANG)} \dots\dots\dots &= w(a - x_1) \\
 M_1 \left( \text{AT } x = \frac{\ell}{2} \left[ 1 - \frac{a^2}{\ell^2} \right] \right) \dots\dots\dots &= \frac{w}{8\ell^2}(\ell + a)^2(\ell - a)^2 \\
 M_2 \text{ (AT } R_2) \dots\dots\dots &= \frac{wa^2}{2} \\
 M_x \text{ (BETWEEN SUPPORTS)} \dots\dots\dots &= \frac{wx}{2\ell}(\ell^2 - a^2 - x\ell) \\
 M_{x_1} \text{ (FOR OVERHANG)} \dots\dots\dots &= \frac{w}{2}(a - x_1)^2 \\
 \Delta_x \text{ (BETWEEN SUPPORTS)} \dots\dots\dots &= \frac{wx}{24EI\ell}(\ell^4 - 2\ell^2x^2 + \ell x^3 - 2a^2\ell^2 + 2a^2x^2) \\
 \Delta_{x_1} \text{ (FOR OVERHANG)} \dots\dots\dots &= \frac{wx_1}{24EI}(4a^2\ell - \ell^3 + 6a^2x_1 - 4ax_1^2 + x_1^3)
 \end{aligned}$$



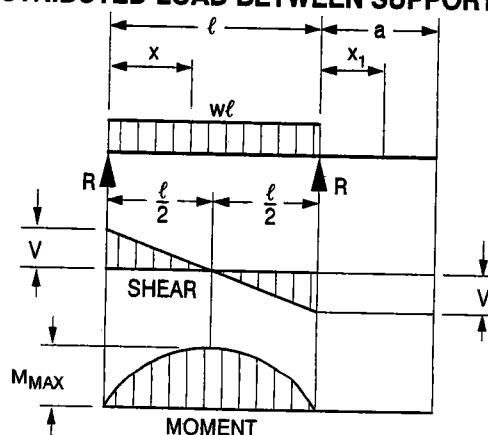
### (10) BEAM OVERHANGING ONE SUPPORT – UNIFORMLY DISTRIBUTED LOAD ON OVERHANG

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_1 &= V_1 \dots\dots\dots = \frac{wa^2}{2\ell} \\
 R_2 &= V_1 + V_2 \dots\dots\dots = \frac{wa}{2\ell}(2\ell + a) \\
 V_2 \dots\dots\dots &= wa \\
 V_{x_1} \text{ (FOR OVERHANG)} \dots\dots\dots &= w(a - x_1) \\
 M_{MAX} \text{ (AT } R_2) \dots\dots\dots &= \frac{wa^2}{2} \\
 M_x \text{ (BETWEEN SUPPORTS)} \dots\dots\dots &= \frac{wa^2x}{2\ell} \\
 M_{x_1} \text{ (FOR OVERHANG)} \dots\dots\dots &= \frac{w}{2}(a - x_1)^2 \\
 \Delta_{MAX} \left( \text{BETWEEN SUPPORTS AT } x = \frac{\ell}{\sqrt{3}} \right) &= \frac{wa^2\ell^2}{18\sqrt{3}EI} = .03208 \frac{wa^2\ell^2}{EI} \\
 \Delta_{MAX} \text{ (FOR OVERHANG AT } x_1 = a) &= \frac{wa^3}{24EI}(4\ell + 3a) \\
 \Delta_x \text{ (BETWEEN SUPPORTS)} \dots\dots\dots &= \frac{wa^2x}{12EI\ell}(\ell^2 - x^2) \\
 \Delta_{x_1} \text{ (FOR OVERHANG)} \dots\dots\dots &= \frac{wx_1}{24EI}(4a^2\ell + 6a^2x_1 - 4ax_1^2 + x_1^3)
 \end{aligned}$$



### (11) BEAM OVERHANGING ONE SUPPORT – UNIFORMLY DISTRIBUTED LOAD BETWEEN SUPPORTS

$$\begin{aligned}
 R &= V \dots\dots\dots = \frac{w\ell}{2} \\
 V_x \dots\dots\dots &= w\left(\frac{\ell}{2} - x\right) \\
 M_{MAX} \text{ (AT CENTER)} \dots\dots\dots &= \frac{w\ell^2}{8} \\
 M_x \dots\dots\dots &= \frac{wx}{2}(\ell - x) \\
 \Delta_{MAX} \text{ (AT CENTER)} \dots\dots\dots &= \frac{5w\ell^4}{384EI} \\
 \Delta_x \dots\dots\dots &= \frac{wx}{24EI}(\ell^3 - 2\ell x^2 + x^3) \\
 \Delta_{x_1} \dots\dots\dots &= \frac{w\ell^3x_1}{24EI}
 \end{aligned}$$



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## Design Aid 11.1.3 Beam design equations and diagrams (continued)

### (12) BEAM OVERHANGING ONE SUPPORT – CONCENTRATED LOAD AT ANY POINT BETWEEN SUPPORTS

$$R_1 = V_1 \text{ (MAX WHEN } a < b) \dots \dots \dots = \frac{Pb}{\ell}$$

$$R_2 = V_2 \text{ (MAX WHEN } a > b) \dots \dots \dots = \frac{Pa}{\ell}$$

$$M_{MAX} \text{ (AT POINT OF LOAD)} \dots \dots \dots = \frac{Pab}{\ell}$$

$$M_x \text{ (WHEN } x < a) \dots \dots \dots = \frac{Pbx}{\ell}$$

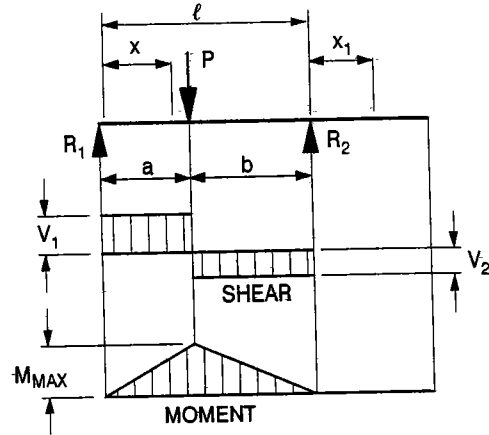
$$\Delta_{MAX} \left( \text{AT } x = \sqrt{\frac{a(a+2b)}{3}} \text{ WHEN } a > b \right) \dots \dots \dots = \frac{Pab(a+2b)\sqrt{3a(a+2b)}}{27EI\ell}$$

$$\Delta_a \text{ (AT POINT OF LOAD)} \dots \dots \dots = \frac{Pa^2b^2}{3EI\ell}$$

$$\Delta_x \text{ (WHEN } x < a) \dots \dots \dots = \frac{Pbx}{6EI\ell}(\ell^2 - b^2 - x^2)$$

$$\Delta_x \text{ (WHEN } x > a) \dots \dots \dots = \frac{Pa(\ell - x)}{6EI\ell}(2\ell x - x^2 - a^2)$$

$$\Delta_{x_1} \dots \dots \dots = \frac{Pabx_1}{6EI\ell}(\ell + a)$$



### (13) BEAM OVERHANGING ONE SUPPORT – CONCENTRATED LOAD AT END OF OVERHANG

$$R_1 = V_1 \dots \dots \dots = \frac{Pa}{\ell}$$

$$R_2 = V_1 + V_2 \dots \dots \dots = \frac{P}{\ell}(\ell + a)$$

$$V_2 \dots \dots \dots = P$$

$$M_{MAX} \text{ (AT } R_2) \dots \dots \dots = Pa$$

$$M_x \text{ (BETWEEN SUPPORTS)} \dots \dots \dots = \frac{Pax}{\ell}$$

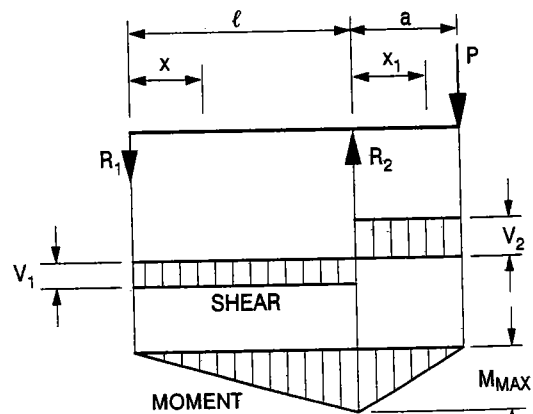
$$M_{x_1} \text{ (FOR OVERHANG)} \dots \dots \dots = P(a - x_1)$$

$$\Delta_{MAX} \left( \text{BETWEEN SUPPORTS AT } x = \frac{\ell}{\sqrt{3}} \right) \dots \dots \dots = \frac{Pal^2}{9\sqrt{3}EI} = .06415 \frac{Pal^2}{EI}$$

$$\Delta_{MAX} \text{ (FOR OVERHANG AT } x_1 = a) \dots \dots \dots = \frac{Pa^2}{3EI}(\ell + a)$$

$$\Delta_x \text{ (BETWEEN SUPPORTS)} \dots \dots \dots = \frac{Pax}{6EI\ell}(\ell^2 - x^2)$$

$$\Delta_{x_1} \text{ (FOR OVERHANG)} \dots \dots \dots = \frac{Px_1}{6EI}(2a\ell + 3ax_1 - x_1^2)$$



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## Design Aid 11.1.3 — Beam design equations and diagrams (continued)

### (14) CANTILEVER BEAM — UNIFORMLY DISTRIBUTED LOAD

$$R = V \dots\dots\dots = wl$$

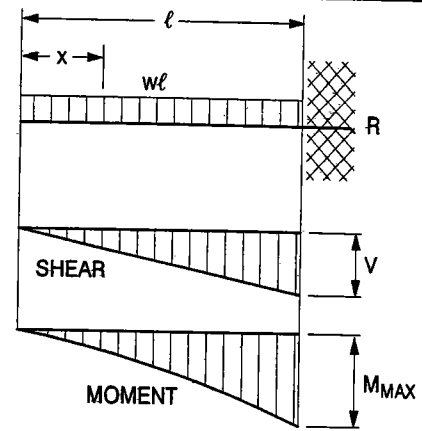
$$V_x \dots\dots\dots = wx$$

$$M_{MAX} \text{ (AT FIXED END)} \dots\dots\dots = \frac{wl^2}{2}$$

$$M_x \dots\dots\dots = \frac{wx^2}{2}$$

$$\Delta_{MAX} \text{ (AT FREE END)} \dots\dots\dots = \frac{wl^4}{8EI}$$

$$\Delta_x \dots\dots\dots = \frac{w}{24EI} (x^4 - 4\ell^3x + 3\ell^4)$$



### (15) CANTILEVER BEAM — CONCENTRATED LOAD AT FREE END

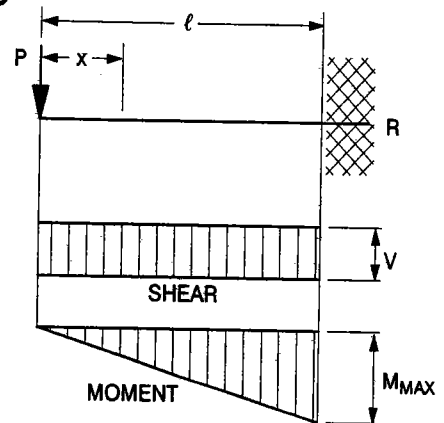
$$R = V \dots\dots\dots = P$$

$$M_{MAX} \text{ (AT FIXED END)} \dots\dots\dots = P\ell$$

$$M_x \dots\dots\dots = Px$$

$$\Delta_{MAX} \text{ (AT FREE END)} \dots\dots\dots = \frac{P\ell^3}{3EI}$$

$$\Delta_x \dots\dots\dots = \frac{P}{6EI} (2\ell^3 - 3\ell^2x + x^3)$$



### (16) CANTILEVER BEAM — CONCENTRATED LOAD AT ANY POINT

$$R = V \dots\dots\dots = P$$

$$M_{MAX} \text{ (AT FIXED END)} \dots\dots\dots = Pb$$

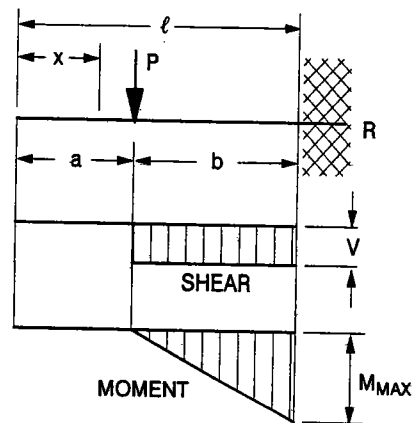
$$M_x \text{ (WHEN } x > a) \dots\dots\dots = P(x - a)$$

$$\Delta_{MAX} \text{ (AT FREE END)} \dots\dots\dots = \frac{Pb^2}{6EI} (3\ell - b)$$

$$\Delta_a \text{ (AT POINT OF LOAD)} \dots\dots\dots = \frac{Pb^3}{3EI}$$

$$\Delta_x \text{ (WHEN } x < a) \dots\dots\dots = \frac{Pb^2}{6EI} (3\ell - 3x - b)$$

$$\Delta_x \text{ (WHEN } x > a) \dots\dots\dots = \frac{P(\ell - x)^2}{6EI} (3b - \ell + x)$$



### (17) CANTILEVER BEAM — LOAD INCREASING UNIFORMLY TO FIXED END

$$R = V \dots\dots\dots = W$$

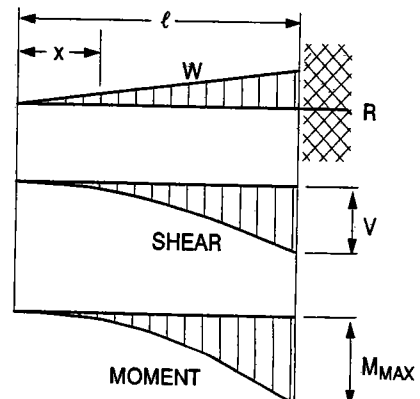
$$V_x \dots\dots\dots = W \frac{x^2}{\ell^2}$$

$$M_{MAX} \text{ (AT FIXED END)} \dots\dots\dots = \frac{W\ell}{3}$$

$$M_x \dots\dots\dots = \frac{Wx^3}{3\ell^2}$$

$$\Delta_{MAX} \text{ (AT FREE END)} \dots\dots\dots = \frac{W\ell^3}{15EI}$$

$$\Delta_x \dots\dots\dots = \frac{W}{60EI\ell^2} (x^5 - 5\ell^4x + 4\ell^5)$$



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## Design Aid 11.1.3 Beam design equations and diagrams (continued)

### (18) BEAM FIXED AT ONE END, SUPPORTED AT OTHER – UNIFORMLY DISTRIBUTED LOAD

$$R_1 = V_1 \dots \dots \dots = \frac{3w\ell}{8}$$

$$R_2 = V_2 \text{ MAX} \dots \dots \dots = \frac{5w\ell}{8}$$

$$V_x \dots \dots \dots = R_1 - wx$$

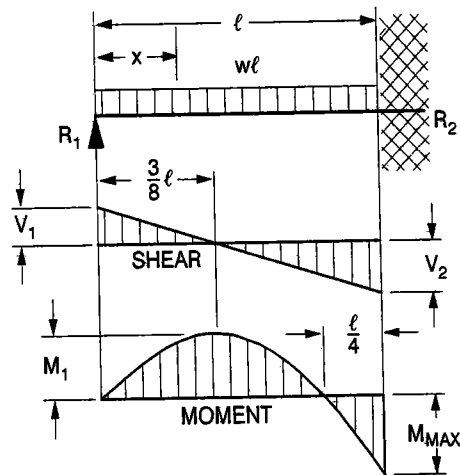
$$M_{\text{MAX}} \dots \dots \dots = \frac{w\ell^2}{8}$$

$$M_1 \left( \text{AT } x = \frac{3}{8}\ell \right) \dots \dots \dots = \frac{9}{128}w\ell^2$$

$$M_x \dots \dots \dots = R_1x - \frac{wx^2}{2}$$

$$\Delta_{\text{MAX}} \left( \text{AT } x = \frac{\ell}{16}(1 + \sqrt{33}) = .4215\ell \right) \dots \dots \dots = \frac{w\ell^4}{185EI}$$

$$\Delta_x \dots \dots \dots = \frac{wx}{48EI}(\ell^3 - 3\ell x^2 + 2x^3)$$



### (19) BEAM FIXED AT ONE END, SUPPORTED AT OTHER – CONCENTRATED LOAD AT CENTER

$$R_1 = V_1 \dots \dots \dots = \frac{5P}{16}$$

$$R_2 = V_2 \text{ MAX} \dots \dots \dots = \frac{11P}{16}$$

$$M_{\text{MAX}} \text{ (AT FIXED END)} \dots \dots \dots = \frac{3P\ell}{16}$$

$$M_1 \text{ (AT POINT OF LOAD)} \dots \dots \dots = \frac{5P\ell}{32}$$

$$M_x \text{ (WHEN } x < \frac{\ell}{2}) \dots \dots \dots = \frac{5Px}{16}$$

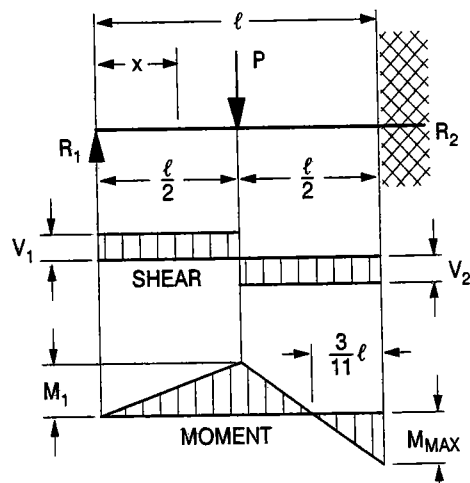
$$M_x \text{ (WHEN } x > \frac{\ell}{2}) \dots \dots \dots = P\left(\frac{\ell}{2} - \frac{11x}{16}\right)$$

$$\Delta_{\text{MAX}} \left( \text{AT } x = \ell\sqrt{\frac{1}{5}} = .4472\ell \right) \dots \dots \dots = \frac{P\ell^3}{48EI\sqrt{5}} = .009317 \frac{P\ell^3}{EI}$$

$$\Delta_x \text{ (AT POINT OF LOAD)} \dots \dots \dots = \frac{7P\ell^3}{768EI}$$

$$\Delta_x \text{ (WHEN } x < \frac{\ell}{2}) \dots \dots \dots = \frac{Px}{96EI}(3\ell^2 - 5x^2)$$

$$\Delta_x \text{ (WHEN } x > \frac{\ell}{2}) \dots \dots \dots = \frac{P}{96EI}(x - \ell)^2(11x - 2\ell)$$



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## Design Aid 11.1.3 Beam design equations and diagrams (continued)

### (20) BEAM FIXED AT ONE END, SUPPORTED AT OTHER – CONCENTRATED LOAD AT ANY POINT

$$R_1 = V_1 \dots\dots\dots = \frac{Pb^2}{2\ell^3} (a + 2\ell)$$

$$R_2 = V_2 \dots\dots\dots = \frac{Pa}{2\ell^3} (3\ell^2 - a^2)$$

$$M_1 \text{ (AT POINT OF LOAD)} \dots\dots\dots = R_1 a$$

$$M_2 \text{ (AT FIXED END)} \dots\dots\dots = \frac{Pab}{2\ell^2} (a + \ell)$$

$$M_x \text{ (WHEN } x < a) \dots\dots\dots = R_1 x$$

$$M_x \text{ (WHEN } x > a) \dots\dots\dots = R_1 x - P(x - a)$$

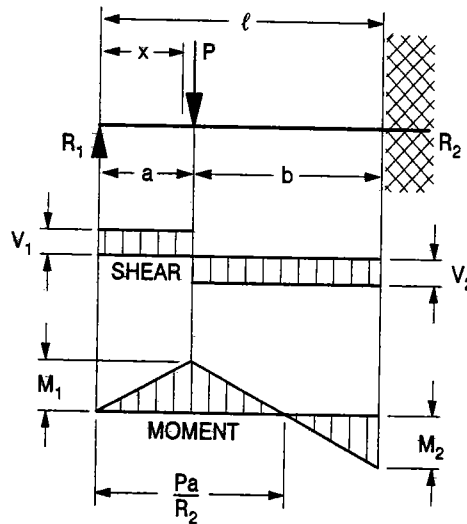
$$\Delta_{MAX} \text{ (WHEN } a < .414\ell \text{ AT } x = \ell \frac{\ell^2 + a^2}{3\ell^2 - a^2}) = \frac{Pa}{3EI} \frac{(\ell^2 - a^2)^3}{(3\ell^2 - a^2)^2}$$

$$\Delta_{MAX} \text{ (WHEN } a > .414\ell \text{ AT } x = \ell \sqrt{\frac{a}{2\ell + a}}) = \frac{Pab^2}{6EI} \sqrt{\frac{a}{2\ell + a}}$$

$$\Delta_a \text{ (AT POINT OF LOAD)} \dots\dots\dots = \frac{Pa^2 b^3}{12EI\ell^3} (3\ell + a)$$

$$\Delta_x \text{ (WHEN } x < a) \dots\dots\dots = \frac{Pb^2 x}{12EI\ell^3} (3a\ell^2 - 2\ell x^2 - ax^2)$$

$$\Delta_x \text{ (WHEN } x > a) \dots\dots\dots = \frac{Pa}{12EI\ell^3} (\ell - x)^2 (3\ell^2 x - a^2 x - 2a^2 \ell)$$



### (21) BEAM FIXED AT BOTH ENDS – UNIFORMLY DISTRIBUTED LOADS

$$R = V \dots\dots\dots = \frac{w\ell}{2}$$

$$V_x \dots\dots\dots = w\left(\frac{\ell}{2} - x\right)$$

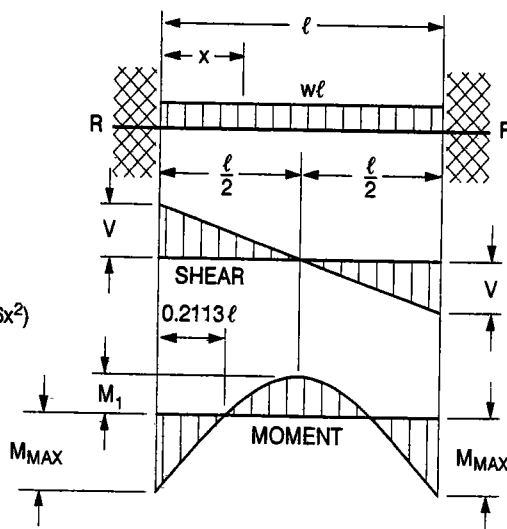
$$M_{MAX} \text{ (AT ENDS)} \dots\dots\dots = \frac{w\ell^2}{12}$$

$$M_1 \text{ (AT CENTER)} \dots\dots\dots = \frac{w\ell^2}{24}$$

$$M_x \dots\dots\dots = \frac{w}{12} (6\ell x - \ell^2 - 6x^2)$$

$$\Delta_{MAX} \text{ (AT CENTER)} \dots\dots\dots = \frac{w\ell^4}{384EI}$$

$$\Delta_x \dots\dots\dots = \frac{wx^2}{24EI} (\ell - x)^2$$



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## Design Aid 11.1.3 Beam design equations and diagrams (continued)

### (22) BEAM FIXED AT BOTH ENDS - CONCENTRATED LOAD AT ANY POINT

$$R_1 = V_1 \text{ (MAX WHEN } a < b) \dots\dots\dots = \frac{Pb^2}{\ell^3} (3a + b)$$

$$R_2 = V_2 \text{ (MAX WHEN } a > b) \dots\dots\dots = \frac{Pa^2}{\ell^3} (a + 3b)$$

$$M_1 \text{ (MAX WHEN } a < b) \dots\dots\dots = \frac{Pab^2}{\ell^2}$$

$$M_2 \text{ (MAX WHEN } a > b) \dots\dots\dots = \frac{Pa^2b}{\ell^2}$$

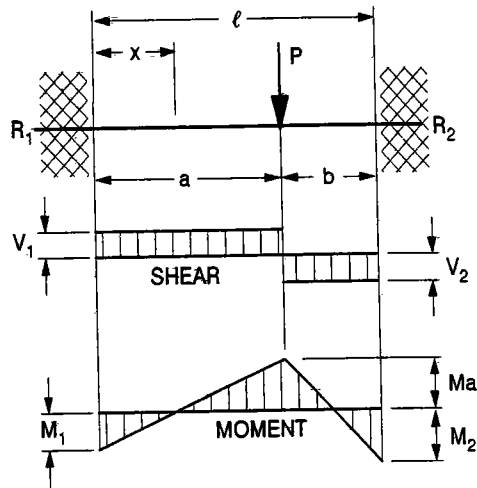
$$M_a \text{ (AT POINT OF LOAD) } \dots\dots\dots = \frac{2Pa^2b^2}{\ell^3}$$

$$M_x \text{ (WHEN } x < a) \dots\dots\dots = R_1x - \frac{Pab^2}{\ell^2}$$

$$\Delta_{MAX} \text{ (WHEN } a > b \text{ AT } x = \frac{2a\ell}{3a+b}) \dots\dots\dots = \frac{2Pa^3b^2}{3EI(3a+b)^2}$$

$$\Delta_a \text{ (AT POINT OF LOAD) } \dots\dots\dots = \frac{Pa^3b^3}{3EI\ell^3}$$

$$\Delta_x \text{ (WHEN } x < a) \dots\dots\dots = \frac{Pb^2x^2}{6EI\ell^3} (3a\ell - 3ax - bx)$$



### (23) BEAM - UNIFORMLY DISTRIBUTED LOAD AND VARIABLE END MOMENTS

$$R_1 = V_1 \dots\dots\dots = \frac{w\ell}{2} + \frac{M_1 - M_2}{\ell}$$

$$R_2 = V_2 \dots\dots\dots = \frac{w\ell}{2} - \frac{M_1 - M_2}{\ell}$$

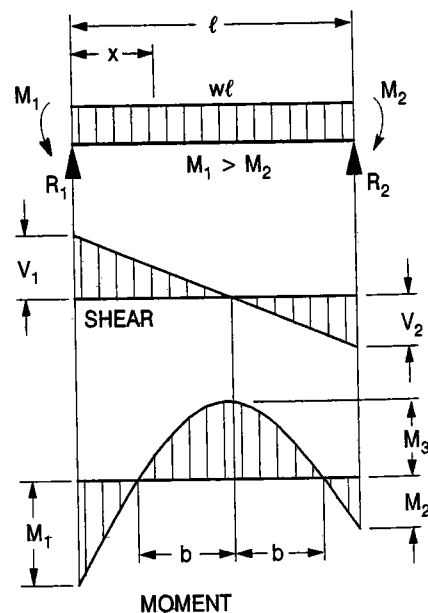
$$V_x \dots\dots\dots = w\left(\frac{\ell}{2} - x\right) + \frac{M_1 - M_2}{\ell}$$

$$M_3 \text{ (AT } x = \frac{\ell}{2} + \frac{M_1 - M_2}{w\ell}) \dots\dots\dots = \frac{w\ell^2}{8} - \frac{M_1 + M_2}{2} + \frac{(M_1 - M_2)^2}{2w\ell^2}$$

$$M_x \dots\dots\dots = \frac{wx}{2}(\ell - x) + \left(\frac{M_1 - M_2}{\ell}\right)x - M_1$$

$$b \text{ (TO LOCATE INFLECTION POINTS) } = \sqrt{\frac{\ell^2}{4} - \left(\frac{M_1 + M_2}{w}\right) + \left(\frac{M_1 - M_2}{w\ell}\right)^2}$$

$$\Delta_x \dots\dots\dots = \frac{wx}{24EI} \left[ x^3 - \left(2\ell + \frac{4M_1}{w\ell} - \frac{4M_2}{w\ell}\right)x^2 + \frac{12M_1}{w}x + \ell^3 - \frac{8M_1\ell}{w} - \frac{4M_2\ell}{w} \right]$$





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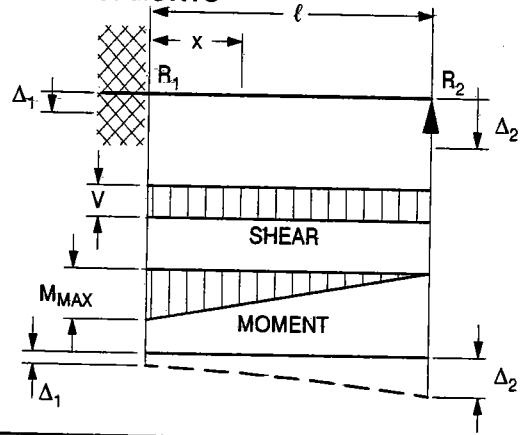
### (24) BEAM FIXED ONE END— DIFFERENTIAL SETTLEMENT OF SUPPORTS

$$V = -R_1 = R_2 \dots\dots\dots = \frac{3EI}{\ell^3} (\Delta_2 - \Delta_1)$$

$$M_{MAX} \dots\dots\dots = \frac{3EI}{\ell^2} (\Delta_2 - \Delta_1)$$

$$M_x \dots\dots\dots = M_{MAX} \left(1 - \frac{x}{\ell}\right)$$

$$\Delta_x \dots\dots\dots = \Delta_1 + \frac{\Delta_2 - \Delta_1}{2} \left[3 \left(\frac{x}{\ell}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{x}{\ell}\right)^3\right]$$



### (25) BEAM FIXED ONE END – ROTATION OF SUPPORT

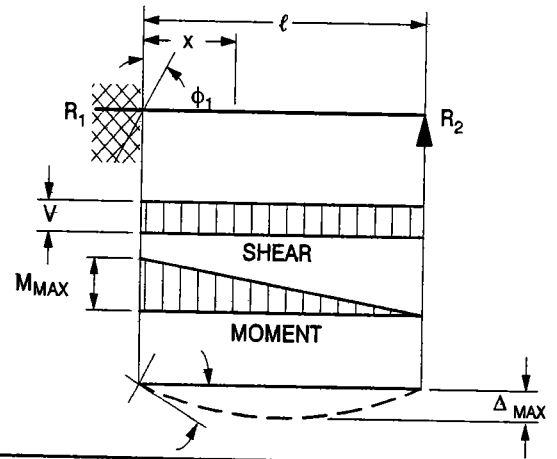
$$V = -R_1 = R_2 \dots\dots\dots = \frac{3EI}{\ell^2} \phi_1$$

$$M_{MAX} \dots\dots\dots = \frac{3EI}{\ell} \phi_1$$

$$M_x \dots\dots\dots = M_{MAX} \left(1 - \frac{x}{\ell}\right)$$

$$\Delta_{MAX} \dots\dots\dots = \phi_1 \left[\frac{\ell}{5.196}\right]$$

$$\Delta_x \dots\dots\dots = \phi_1 \left[-x + \frac{3x^2}{2\ell} - \frac{x^3}{2\ell^2}\right]$$



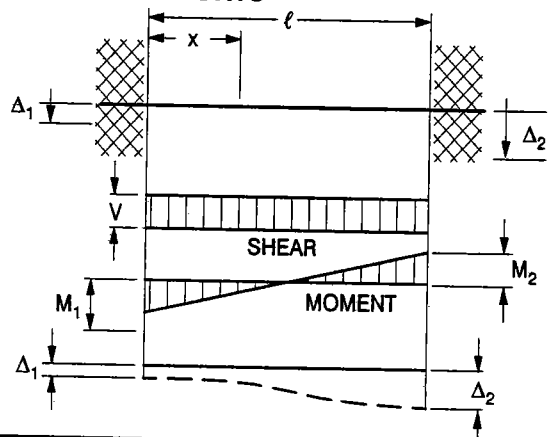
### (26) BEAM FIXED BOTH ENDS – DIFFERENTIAL SETTLEMENT OF SUPPORTS

$$V = -R_1 = R_2 \dots\dots\dots = \frac{12EI}{\ell^3} (\Delta_2 - \Delta_1)$$

$$M_1 = -M_2 \dots\dots\dots = \frac{6EI}{\ell^2} (\Delta_2 - \Delta_1)$$

$$M_x \dots\dots\dots = \frac{6EI}{\ell^2} (\Delta_2 - \Delta_1) \left(1 - \frac{2x}{\ell}\right)$$

$$\Delta_x \dots\dots\dots = \Delta_1 + (\Delta_2 - \Delta_1) \left[3 \left(\frac{x}{\ell}\right)^2 - 2 \left(\frac{x}{\ell}\right)^3\right]$$



### (27) BEAM FIXED BOTH ENDS – ROTATION OF SUPPORT

$$V = -R_1 = R_2 \dots\dots\dots = \frac{6EI}{\ell^2} \phi_2$$

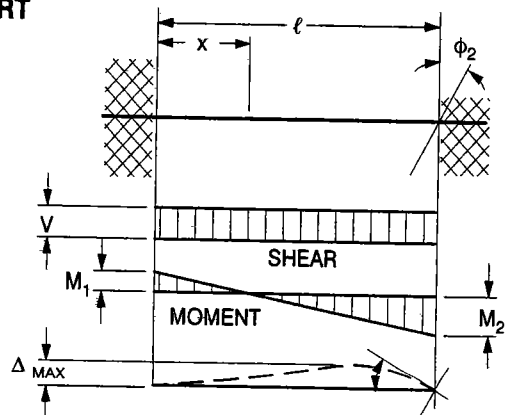
$$M_1 \dots\dots\dots = \frac{2EI}{\ell} \phi_2$$

$$M_2 \dots\dots\dots = \frac{4EI}{\ell} \phi_2$$

$$M_x \dots\dots\dots = \frac{2EI}{\ell} \phi_2 \left(1 - \frac{3x}{\ell}\right)$$

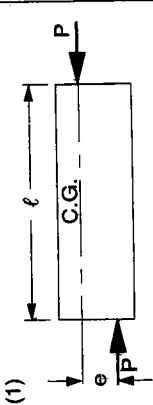
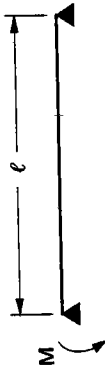
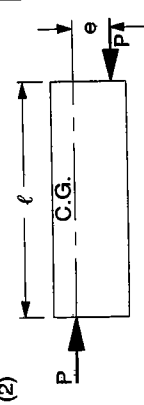
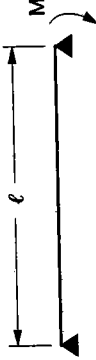
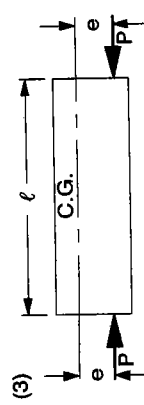

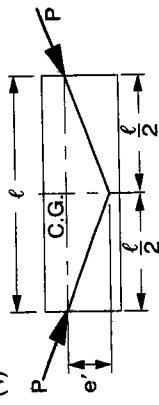
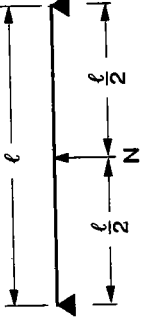
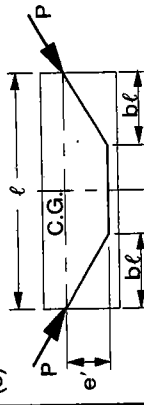
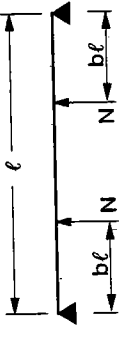
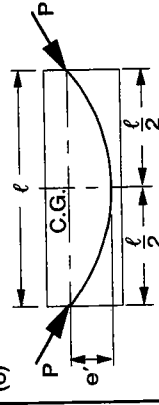
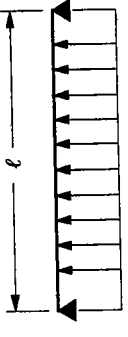
$$\Delta_{MAX} \text{ (AT } x = \frac{2}{3}\ell) \dots\dots\dots = -\frac{4}{27} \ell \phi_2$$

$$\Delta_x \dots\dots\dots = -\ell \phi_2 \left[\left(\frac{x}{\ell}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{x}{\ell}\right)^3\right]$$



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Design Aid 11.1.4 Camber (deflection) and rotation coefficients for prestress force and loads<sup>a</sup>

PRESTRESS PATTERN	EQUIVALENT MOMENT OR LOAD	EQUIVALENT LOADING	CAMBER	END ROTATION
(1) 	$M = Pe$		$+$ $\frac{M\ell^2}{16EI}$	$+$ $-\frac{M\ell}{6EI}$
(2) 	$M = Pe$		$+$ $\frac{M\ell^2}{16EI}$	$+$ $-\frac{M\ell}{3EI}$
(3) 	$M = Pe$		$+$ $\frac{M\ell^2}{8EI}$	$+$ $-\frac{M\ell}{2EI}$
(4) 	$N = \frac{4Pe'}{\ell}$		$+$ $\frac{N\ell^3}{48EI}$	$+$ $-\frac{N\ell^2}{16EI}$
(5) 	$N = \frac{Pe'}{b\ell}$		$+$ $\frac{b(3 - 4b^2)N\ell^3}{24EI}$	$+$ $\frac{b(1 - b)N\ell^2}{2EI}$
(6) 	$w = \frac{8Pe'}{\ell^2}$		$+$ $\frac{5w\ell^4}{384EI}$	$+$ $-\frac{w\ell^3}{24EI}$

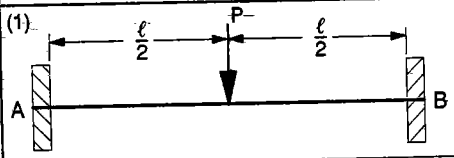
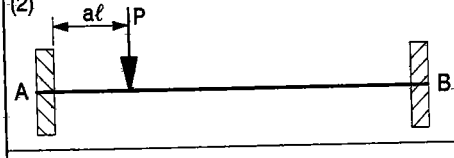
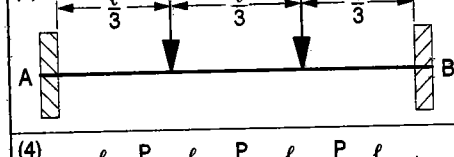
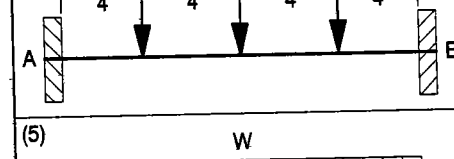
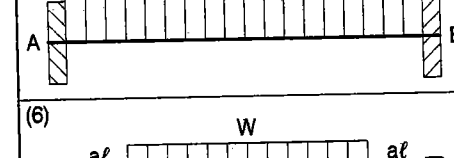
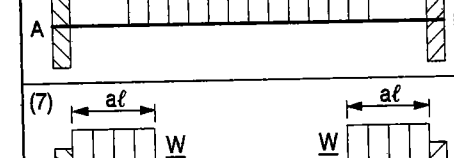
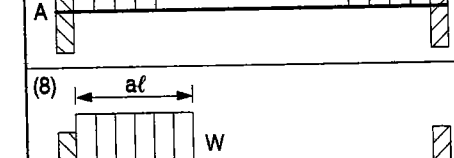
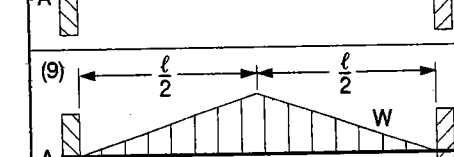
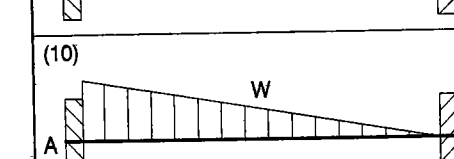
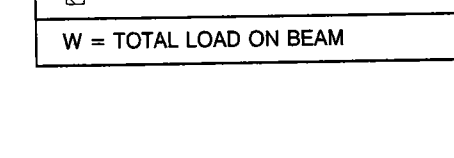
Design Aid 11.1.4 Camber (deflection) and rotation coefficients for prestress force and loads (continued)

PRESTRESS PATTERN	EQUIVALENT MOMENT OR LOAD	EQUIVALENT LOADING	CAMBER	END ROTATION
(7)	$w = \frac{8Pe'}{\ell^2}$		+	
(8)	$w = \frac{8Pe'}{\ell^2}$		$+\frac{5w\ell^4}{768EI}$	$+\frac{9w\ell^3}{384EI}$
(9)	$w = \frac{4Pe'}{(0.5 - b)\ell^2}$ $w_1 = \frac{w}{b}(0.5 - b)$		$+\frac{5w\ell^4}{768EI}$	$+\frac{7w\ell^3}{384EI}$
(10)	$w = \frac{4Pe'}{(0.5 - b)\ell^2}$ $w_1 = \frac{w}{b}(0.5 - b)$		$\left[\frac{5}{8} - \frac{b}{2}(3 - 2b^2)\right] \frac{w\ell^4}{48EI}$	$+\frac{(1 - b)(1 - 2b)w\ell^3}{24EI}$
(11)	$w = \frac{4Pe'}{(0.5 - b)\ell^2}$ $w_1 = \frac{w}{b}(0.5 - b)$		$\left[\frac{5}{16} - \frac{b}{4}(3 - 2b^2)\right] \frac{w\ell^4}{48EI}$	$\left[-\frac{7}{8} + b(2 - b^2)\right] \frac{w\ell^3}{48EI}$

a. The tabulated values apply to effects of prestressing. By adjusting the directional rotation, they may also be used for the effects of loads. For patterns 4-11, superimpose on 1, 2, or 3 for other C.G. locations.

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**Design Aid 11.1.5 Moments in beams with fixed ends**

LOADING	MOMENT AT A	MOMENT AT CENTER	MOMENT AT B
(1) 	$-\frac{Pl}{8}$	$+\frac{Pl}{8}$	$-\frac{Pl}{8}$
(2) 	$-Pl a(1-a)^2$		$-Pl a^2(1-a)$
(3) 	$-\frac{2Pl}{9}$	$+\frac{Pl}{9}$	$-\frac{2Pl}{9}$
(4) 	$-\frac{5Pl}{16}$	$+\frac{3Pl}{16}$	$-\frac{5Pl}{16}$
(5) 	$-\frac{Wl}{12}$	$+\frac{Wl}{24}$	$-\frac{Wl}{12}$
(6) 	$-\frac{Wl(1+2a-2a^2)}{12}$	$+\frac{Wl(1+2a+4a^2)}{24}$	$-\frac{Wl(1+2a-2a^2)}{12}$
(7) 	$-\frac{Wl(3a-2a^2)}{12}$	$+\frac{Wla^2}{6}$	$-\frac{Wl(3a-2a^2)}{12}$
(8) 	$-\frac{Wla(6-8a+3a^2)}{12}$		$-\frac{Wla^2(4-3a)}{12}$
(9) 	$-\frac{5Wl}{48}$	$+\frac{3Wl}{48}$	$-\frac{5Wl}{48}$
(10) 	$-\frac{Wl}{10}$		$-\frac{Wl}{15}$

W = TOTAL LOAD ON BEAM

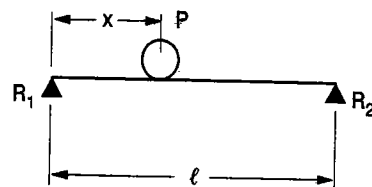
# DESIGN INFORMATION

## Design Aid 11.1.6 Moving load placement for maximum moment and shear<sup>a</sup>

### (1) SIMPLE BEAM – ONE CONCENTRATED MOVING LOAD

$$R_1 \text{ MAX} = V_1 \text{ MAX (AT } x = 0) \dots\dots\dots = P$$

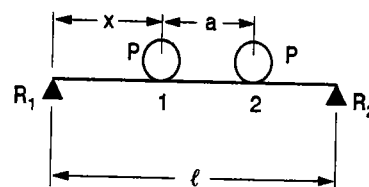
$$M \text{ MAX (AT POINT OF LOAD, WHEN } x = \frac{\ell}{2}) \dots\dots\dots = \frac{P\ell}{4}$$



### (2) SIMPLE BEAM – TWO EQUAL CONCENTRATED MOVING LOADS

$$R_1 \text{ MAX} = V_1 \text{ MAX (AT } x = 0) \dots\dots\dots = P(2 - \frac{a}{\ell})$$

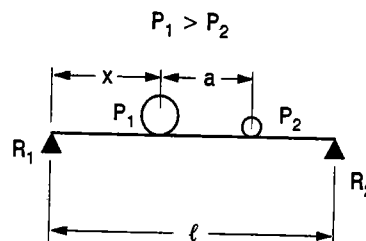
$$M \text{ MAX} \begin{cases} \left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{WHEN } a < (2 - \sqrt{2})\ell = .586\ell \\ \text{UNDER LOAD 1 AT } x = \frac{1}{2}(\ell - \frac{a}{2}) \end{array} \right] = \frac{P}{2\ell}(\ell - \frac{a}{2})^2 \\ \left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{WHEN } a > (2 - \sqrt{2})\ell = .586\ell \\ \text{WITH ONE LOAD AT CENTER OF SPAN} \end{array} \right] = \frac{P\ell}{4} \end{cases}$$



### (3) SIMPLE BEAM – TWO UNEQUAL CONCENTRATED MOVING LOADS

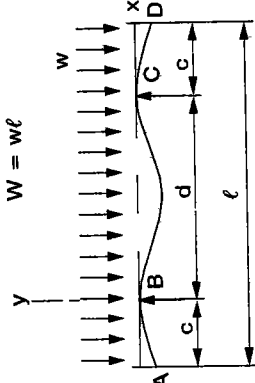
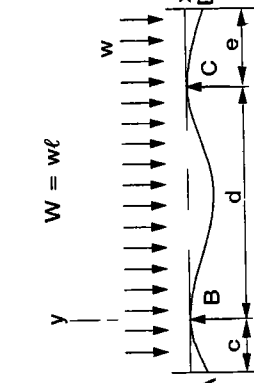
$$R_1 \text{ MAX} = V_1 \text{ MAX (AT } x = 0) \dots\dots\dots = P_1 + P_2 \frac{\ell - a}{\ell}$$

$$M \text{ MAX} \begin{cases} \left[ \text{UNDER } P_1, \text{ AT } x = \frac{1}{2}(\ell - \frac{P_2 a}{P_1 + P_2}) \right] = (P_1 + P_2) \frac{x^2}{\ell} \\ \left[ \text{M MAX MAY OCCUR WITH LARGER LOAD AT CENTER OF SPAN AND OTHER LOAD OFF SPAN} \right] = \frac{P_1 \ell}{4} \end{cases}$$



a. Source: "Manual of Steel Construction, Allowable Stress Design," Ninth Ed., 1989, American Institute of Steel Construction, Chicago, IL.

Design Aid 11.1.7 Moments, shears, and deflections in beams with overhangs

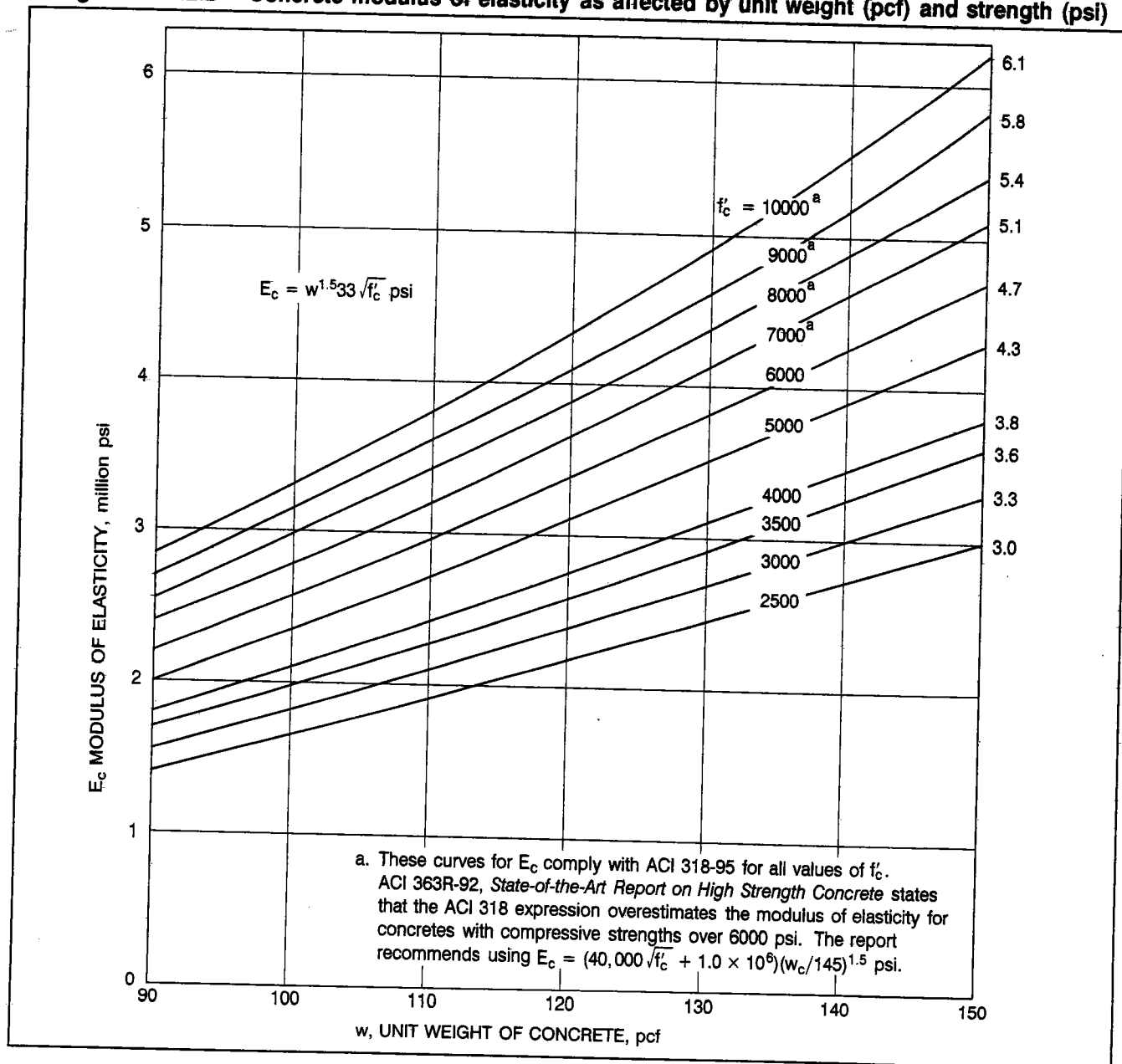
LOADING AND SUPPORT	REACTIONS AND VERTICAL SHEAR	BENDING MOMENT M AND MAXIMUM BENDING MOMENT	DEFLECTION y, MAXIMUM DEFLECTION, AND END SLOPE $\theta$
<p>EQUAL OVERHANGS, UNIFORM LOAD</p> 	<p><math>R_B = R_C = \frac{W}{2}</math></p> <p>(A TO B) <math>V = -\frac{W(c-x)}{l}</math></p> <p>(B TO C) <math>V = W\left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{x+c}{l}\right)</math></p> <p>(C TO D) <math>V = \frac{W(c+d-x)}{l}</math></p>	<p>(A TO B) <math>M = -\frac{W}{2l}(c-x)^2</math></p> <p>(B TO C) <math>M = -\frac{W}{2l}[c^2 - x(d-x)]</math></p> <p><math>M = -\frac{Wc^2}{2l}</math> AT B AND C</p> <p><math>M = -\frac{W}{2l}\left(\frac{c^2-d^2}{4}\right)</math> AT <math>x = \frac{d}{2}</math></p> <p>IF <math>d &gt; 2c</math>, <math>M = 0</math> AT <math>x = \frac{d}{2} \pm \sqrt{\frac{d^2}{4} - c^2}</math></p> <p>IF <math>c = 0.207l</math>, <math>M = -\frac{Wl}{46.62}</math></p> <p>AT <math>x = 0 = d</math> AND <math>M = +\frac{Wl}{46.62}</math></p> <p>AT <math>x = \frac{d}{2}</math></p> <p>X IS CONSIDERED POSITIVE ON BOTH SIDES OF THE ORIGIN.</p>	<p>(A TO B) <math>y = -\frac{Wx}{24EI\ell} [6c^2(d+x) - x^2(4c-x) - d^3]</math></p> <p>(B TO C) <math>y = -\frac{Wx(d-x)}{24EI\ell} [x(d-x) + d^2 - 6c^2]</math></p> <p><math>y = -\frac{Wc}{24EI\ell} [3c^2(c+2d) - d^3]</math> AT A AND D</p> <p><math>y = -\frac{Wd^2}{384EI\ell} (5d^2 - 24c^2)</math> AT <math>x = \frac{d}{2}</math></p> <p>IF <math>2c &lt; d &lt; 2.448c</math>, THE MAXIMUM DEFLECTION BETWEEN SUPPORTS IS</p> <p><math>y = +\frac{W}{96EI\ell} (6c^2 - d^2)^2</math> AT <math>x = \frac{d}{2} \pm \sqrt{3\left(\frac{d^2}{4} - c^2\right)}</math></p> <p><math>\theta = +\frac{W}{24EI\ell} (6c^2d + 4c^3 - d^3)</math> AT A</p> <p><math>\theta = -\frac{W}{24EI\ell} (6c^2d + 4c^3 - d^3)</math> AT D</p>
<p>UNEQUAL OVERHANGS, UNIFORM LOAD</p> 	<p><math>R_B = \frac{W}{2d}(c+d-e)</math></p> <p><math>R_C = \frac{W}{2d}(d+e-c)</math></p> <p>(A TO B) <math>V = -\frac{W}{l}(c-x)</math></p> <p>(B TO C) <math>V = R_B - \frac{W}{l}(c+x)</math></p> <p>(C TO D) <math>V = -\frac{W}{l}(d+e-x)</math></p>	<p>(A TO B) <math>M = -\frac{W}{2l}(c-x)^2</math></p> <p>(B TO C) <math>M = -\frac{W}{2l}(c+x)^2 + R_Bx</math></p> <p>(C TO D) <math>M = -\frac{W}{2l}(e+d-x)^2</math></p> <p><math>M = -\frac{Wc^2}{2l}</math> AT B</p> <p><math>M = -\frac{We^2}{2l}</math> AT C</p> <p>M MAX. BETWEEN SUPPORTS</p> <p><math>= \frac{W}{2l}(c^2 - x_1^2)</math> AT <math>x = x_1</math></p> <p><math>= \frac{c^2 + d^2 - e^2}{2d}</math></p> <p>IF <math>x_1 &gt; c</math>, <math>M = 0</math> AT <math>x = x_1 \pm \sqrt{x_1^2 - c^2}</math></p> <p>X IS CONSIDERED POSITIVE ON BOTH SIDES OF THE ORIGIN.</p>	<p>(A TO B) <math>y = -\frac{Wx}{24EI\ell} [2d(e^2 + 2c^2) + 6c^2x - x^2(4c-x) - d^3]</math></p> <p>(B TO C) <math>y = -\frac{Wx(d-x)}{24EI\ell} \left\{ x(d-x) + d^2 - 2(c^2 + e^2) - \frac{2}{d}[e^2x + c^2(d-x)] \right\}</math></p> <p>(C TO D) <math>y = -\frac{W(x-d)}{24EI\ell} [2d(c^2 + 2e^2) + 6e^2(x-d) - (x-d)^2(4e+d-x) - d^3]</math></p> <p><math>y = -\frac{Wc}{24EI\ell} [2d(e^2 + 2c^2) + 3c^3 - d^3]</math> AT A</p> <p><math>y = -\frac{We}{24EI\ell} [2d(c^2 + 2e^2) + 3e^3 - d^3]</math> AT D</p> <p>THIS CASE IS TOO COMPLICATED TO OBTAIN A GENERAL EXPRESSION FOR CRITICAL DEFLECTIONS BETWEEN THE SUPPORTS.</p> <p><math>\theta = +\frac{W}{24EI\ell} (4c^3 + 4c^2d - d^3 + 2de^2)</math> AT A</p> <p><math>\theta = -\frac{W}{24EI\ell} (2c^2d + 4de^2 - d^3 + 4e^3)</math> AT D</p>

# 11.2 MATERIAL PROPERTIES CONCRETE

**Design Aid 11.2.1** Table of concrete stresses, (psi)

$f'_c$	$0.45f'_c$	$0.6f'_c$	$\sqrt{f'_c}$	$2\sqrt{f'_c}$	$3.5\sqrt{f'_c}$	$4\sqrt{f'_c}$	$5\sqrt{f'_c}$	$6\sqrt{f'_c}$	$7.5\sqrt{f'_c}$	$12\sqrt{f'_c}$
2500	1125	1500	50	100	175	200	250	300	375	600
3000	1350	1800	55	110	192	219	274	329	411	657
3500	1575	2100	59	118	207	237	296	355	444	710
4000	1800	2400	63	126	221	253	316	379	474	759
5000	2250	3000	71	141	247	283	354	424	530	849
6000	2700	3600	77	155	271	310	387	465	581	930
7000	3150	4200	84	167	293	335	418	502	627	1004
8000	3600	4800	89	179	313	358	447	537	671	1073
9000	4050	5400	95	190	332	379	474	569	712	1138
10000	4500	6000	100	200	350	400	500	600	750	1200

**Design Aid 11.2.2** Concrete modulus of elasticity as affected by unit weight (pcf) and strength (psi)



# MATERIAL PROPERTIES PRESTRESSING STEEL

## Design Aid 11.2.3 Properties and design strengths of prestressing strand and wire

Seven-Wire Strand, $f_{pu} = 270$ ksi										
Nominal Diameter, in.	$\frac{3}{8}$	$\frac{7}{16}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$ Special <sup>a</sup>	$\frac{9}{16}$	0.600				
Area, sq. in.	0.085	0.115	0.153	0.167	0.192	0.217				
Weight, plf	0.29	0.40	0.52	0.53	0.65	0.74				
0.7 $f_{pu} A_{ps}$ , kips	16.1	21.7	28.9	31.6	36.3	41.0				
0.75 $f_{pu} A_{ps}$ , kips	17.2	23.3	31.0	33.8	38.9	44.0				
0.8 $f_{pu} A_{ps}$ , kips	18.4	24.8	33.0	36.1	41.4	46.9				
$f_{pu} A_{ps}$ , kips	23.0	31.0	41.3	45.1	51.8	58.6				
Seven-Wire Strand, $f_{pu} = 250$ ksi										
Nominal Diameter, in.	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{5}{16}$	$\frac{3}{8}$	$\frac{7}{16}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	0.600				
Area, sq. in.	0.036	0.058	0.080	0.108	0.144	0.216				
Weight, plf	0.12	0.20	0.27	0.37	0.49	0.74				
0.7 $f_{pu} A_{ps}$ , kips	6.3	10.2	14.0	18.9	25.2	37.8				
0.8 $f_{pu} A_{ps}$ , kips	7.2	11.6	16.0	21.6	28.8	43.2				
$f_{pu} A_{ps}$ , kips	9.0	14.5	20.0	27.0	36.0	54.0				
Three- and Four-Wire Strand, $f_{pu} = 250$ ksi										
Nominal Diameter, in.	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{5}{16}$	$\frac{3}{8}$	$\frac{7}{16}$						
No. of wires	3	3	3	4						
Area, sq. in.	0.036	0.058	0.075	0.106						
Weight, plf	0.12	0.20	0.26	0.36						
0.7 $f_{pu} A_{ps}$ , kips	6.3	10.2	13.2	18.6						
0.8 $f_{pu} A_{ps}$ , kips	7.2	11.6	15.0	21.2						
$f_{pu} A_{ps}$ , kips	9.0	14.5	18.8	26.5						
Prestressing Wire										
Diameter	0.105	0.120	0.135	0.148	0.162	0.177	0.192	0.196	0.250	0.276
Area, sq. in.	0.0087	0.0114	0.0143	0.0173	0.0206	0.0246	0.0289	0.0302	0.0491	0.0598
Weight, plf	0.030	0.039	0.049	0.059	0.070	0.083	0.098	0.10	0.17	0.20
Ult. strength, $f_{pu}$ ksi	279	273	268	263	259	255	250	250	240	235
0.7 $f_{pu} A_{ps}$ , kips	1.70	2.18	2.68	3.18	3.73	4.39	5.05	5.28	8.25	9.84
0.8 $f_{pu} A_{ps}$ , kips	1.94	2.49	3.06	3.64	4.26	5.02	5.78	6.04	9.42	11.24
$f_{pu} A_{ps}$ , kips	2.43	3.11	3.83	4.55	5.33	6.27	7.22	7.55	11.78	14.05

a. The  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. special strand has a larger actual diameter than the  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. regular strand. The table values take this difference into account.



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## Design Aid 11.2.4 Properties and design strengths of prestressing bars

### Plain Prestressing Bars, $f_{pu} = 145 \text{ ksi}^a$

Nominal Diameter, in.	$\frac{3}{4}$	$\frac{7}{8}$	1	$1\frac{1}{8}$	$1\frac{1}{4}$	$1\frac{3}{4}$
Area, sq. in.	0.442	0.601	0.785	0.994	1.227	1.485
Weight, plf	1.50	2.04	2.67	3.38	4.17	5.05
0.7 $f_{pu} A_{ps}$ , kips	44.9	61.0	79.7	100.9	124.5	150.7
0.8 $f_{pu} A_{ps}$ , kips	51.3	69.7	91.0	115.3	142.3	172.2
$f_{pu} A_{ps}$ , kips	64.1	87.1	113.8	144.1	177.9	215.3

### Plain Prestressing Bars, $f_{pu} = 160 \text{ ksi}^a$

Nominal Diameter, in.	$\frac{3}{4}$	$\frac{7}{8}$	1	$1\frac{1}{8}$	$1\frac{1}{4}$	$1\frac{3}{4}$
Area, sq. in.	0.442	0.601	0.785	0.994	1.227	1.485
Weight, plf	1.50	2.04	2.67	3.38	4.17	5.05
0.7 $f_{pu} A_{ps}$ , kips	49.5	67.3	87.9	111.3	137.4	166.3
0.8 $f_{pu} A_{ps}$ , kips	56.6	77.0	100.5	127.2	157.0	190.1
$f_{pu} A_{ps}$ , kips	70.7	96.2	125.6	159.0	196.3	237.6

### Deformed Prestressing Bars

Nominal Diameter, in.	$\frac{3}{8}$	1	1	$1\frac{1}{4}$	$1\frac{1}{4}$	$1\frac{3}{4}$
Area, sq. in.	0.28	0.85	0.85	1.25	1.25	1.58
Weight, plf	0.98	3.01	3.01	4.39	4.39	5.56
Ult. strength, $f_{pu}$ , ksi	157	150	160 <sup>a</sup>	150	160 <sup>a</sup>	150
0.7 $f_{pu} A_{ps}$ , kips	30.5	89.3	95.2	131.3	140.0	165.9
0.8 $f_{pu} A_{ps}$ , kips	34.8	102.0	108.8	150.0	160.0	189.6
$f_{pu} A_{ps}$ , kips	43.5	127.5	136.0	187.5	200.0	237.0

Stress-strain characteristics (all prestressing bars):

For design purposes, following assumptions are satisfactory:

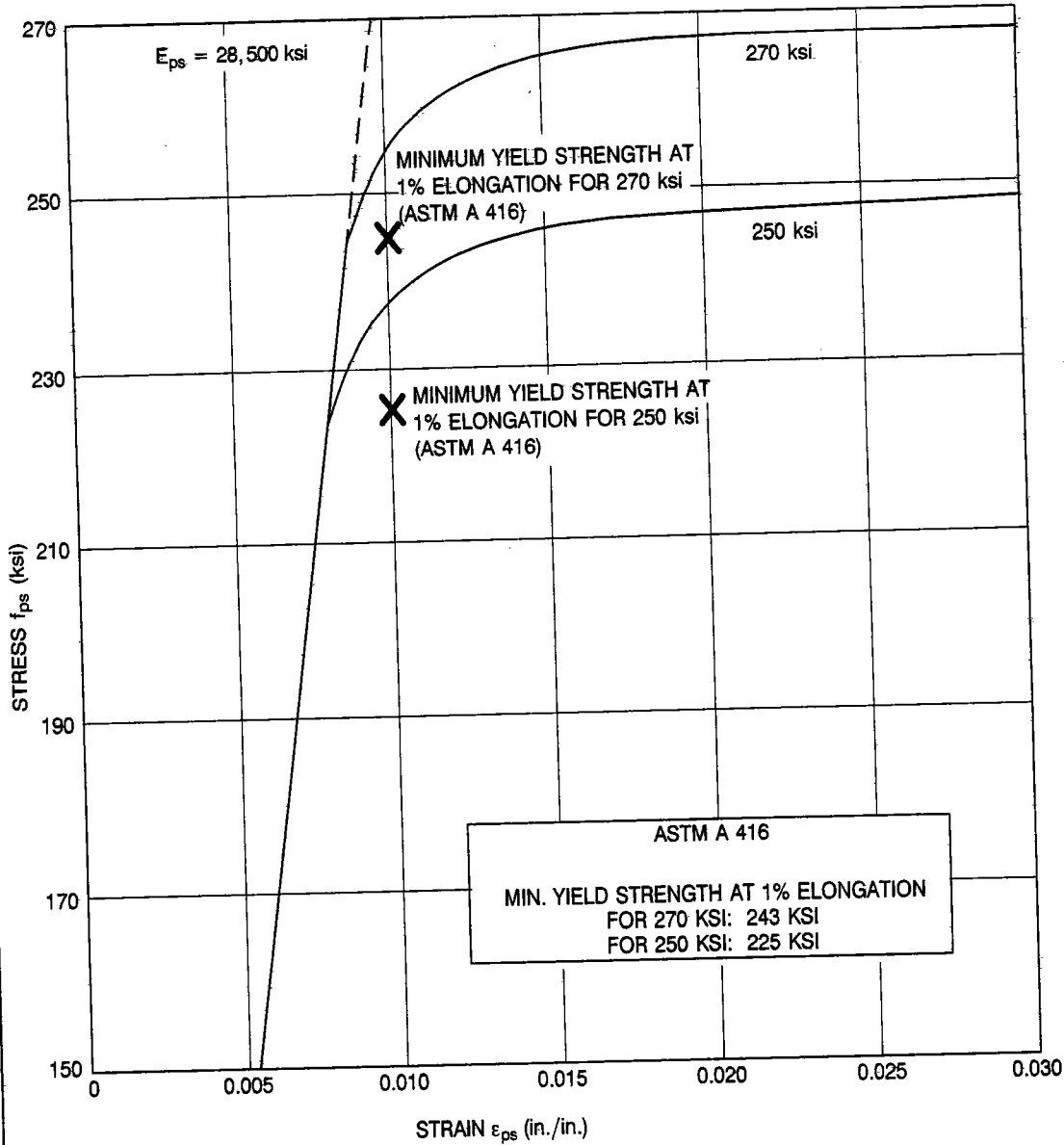
$$E_s = 29,000 \text{ ksi}$$

$$f_y = 0.95 f_{pu}$$

a. Verify availability before specifying.

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Design Aid 11.2.5 Typical stress-strain curve, 7-wire low-relaxation prestressing strand



These curves can be approximated by the following equations:

250 ksi

$$\epsilon_{ps} \leq 0.0076 : f_{ps} = 28,500 \epsilon_{ps} \text{ (ksi)}$$

$$\epsilon_{ps} > 0.0076 : f_{ps} = 250 - \frac{0.04}{\epsilon_{ps} - 0.0064} \text{ (ksi)}$$

270 ksi

$$\epsilon_{ps} \leq 0.0086 : f_{ps} = 28,500 \epsilon_{ps} \text{ (ksi)}$$

$$\epsilon_{ps} > 0.0086 : f_{ps} = 270 - \frac{0.04}{\epsilon_{ps} - 0.007} \text{ (ksi)}$$

**Design Aid 11.2.6 Transfer and development lengths for 7-wire uncoated strand**

The ACI 318-95 (Sect. 12.9.1) equation<sup>a</sup> for required development length may be rewritten as:

$$l_d = (f_{se}/3)d_b + (f_{ps} - f_{se})d_b$$

where:

$l_d$  = required development length, in.

$f_{se}$  = effective prestress, ksi

$f_{ps}$  = stress in prestressing steel at nominal strength, ksi

$d_b$  = nominal diameter of strand, in.

The first term in the equation is the transfer length and the second term is the additional length required for the stress increase, ( $f_{ps} - f_{se}$ ) corresponding to the nominal strength.

**Transfer and development length<sup>b</sup> in inches**

Nominal Diameter, in.	$f_{se} = 150$ ksi						$f_{se} = 160$ ksi						$f_{se} = 170$ ksi					
	Transfer Length			Development Length			Transfer Length			Development Length			Transfer Length			Development Length		
	$f_{ps}$ , ksi			$f_{ps}$ , ksi			$f_{ps}$ , ksi			$f_{ps}$ , ksi			$f_{ps}$ , ksi			$f_{ps}$ , ksi		
3/8	18.8	52.5	60.0	63.8	260	270	20.0	50.0	53.8	57.5	61.3	21.3	47.5	51.3	55.0	58.8		
7/16	21.9	61.3	70.0	74.4	260	270	23.3	58.3	62.7	67.0	71.4	24.8	55.4	59.8	64.2	68.5		
1/2	25.0	70.0	80.0	85.0	260	270	26.7	66.7	71.7	76.7	81.7	28.3	63.3	68.3	73.3	78.3		
1/2 S <sup>c</sup>	26.1	73.1	83.6	88.8	260	270	27.9	69.7	74.9	80.1	85.4	29.6	66.1	71.3	76.6	81.8		
9/16	28.1	78.8	90.0	95.6	260	270	30.0	75.0	80.6	86.3	91.9	31.9	71.3	76.9	82.5	88.1		
0.600	30.0	84.0	96.0	102.0	260	270	32.0	80.0	86.0	92.0	98.0	34.0	76.0	82.0	88.0	94.0		

a. The ACI 318-95 equation was derived based on tests on 1/4, 3/8 and 1/2 in. diameter strands. Its use for other sizes included in the table is based on inter/extrapolation as necessary. Research is underway to produce recommendations on transfer and development lengths for epoxy coated strand.

b. The development length values given in the table must be doubled where bonding of the strand does not extend to the member end and the member is designed such that tension in the precompressed tensile zone is produced under service loads (see ACI Code Sect. 12.9.3).

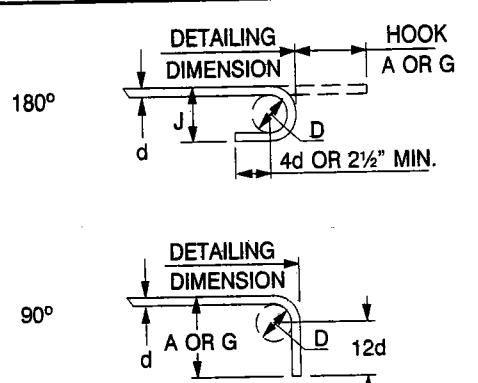
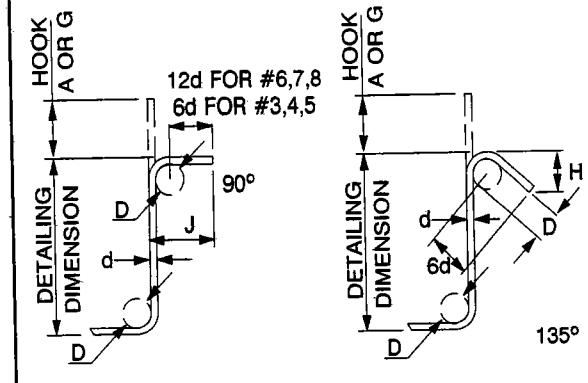
c. The 1/2 in. special (1/2 S) strand has a larger nominal diameter than the 1/2 in. regular (1/2) strand. The table values for transfer and development length reflect this difference in diameters.

# MATERIAL PROPERTIES REINFORCING BARS

## Design Aid 11.2.7 Reinforcing bar data

ASTM STANDARD REINFORCING BARS							
BAR SIZE <sup>a</sup> DESIGNATION		NOMINAL DIMENSIONS					
		DIAMETER		AREA		WEIGHT OR MASS	
U.S. CUSTOMARY	SI	in.	mm	in <sup>2</sup>	mm <sup>2</sup>	lb/ft	kg/m
#3	#10	0.375	9.5	0.11	71	0.376	0.560
#4	#13	0.500	12.7	0.20	129	0.668	0.994
#5	#16	0.625	15.9	0.31	199	1.043	1.552
#6	#19	0.750	19.1	0.44	284	1.502	2.235
#7	#22	0.875	22.2	0.60	387	2.044	3.042
#8	#25	1.000	25.4	0.79	510	2.570	3.973
#9	#29	1.128	28.7	1.00	645	3.400	5.060
#10	#32	1.270	32.3	1.27	819	4.303	6.404
#11	#36	1.410	35.8	1.56	1006	5.313	7.907
#14	#43	1.693	43.0	2.25	1452	7.650	11.380
#18	#57	2.257	57.3	4.00	2581	13.600	20.240

a. Many mills will mark and supply bars only with metric (SI) designation, which is a soft conversion. Soft conversion means that the metric (SI) bars have exactly the same dimensions and properties as the equivalent U.S. customary designation.

STANDARD HOOKS										STIRRUP AND TIE-HOOKS							
																	
BAR SIZE		D		180° DEGREES				90°		D		90°		135°			
U.S.	SI	U.S.	SI	A OR G		J		A OR G		U.S.	SI	U.S.	SI	A OR G		H	
U.S.	SI	U.S.	SI	U.S.	SI	U.S.	SI	U.S.	SI	U.S.	SI	U.S.	SI	U.S.	SI	U.S.	SI
#3	#10	2¼	60	5	125	3	80	6	150	1½	40	4	105	4	105	2½	65
#4	#13	3	80	6	150	4	105	8	200	2	50	4½	115	4½	115	3	80
#5	#16	3¾	95	7	175	5	130	10	250	2½	65	6	155	5½	140	3¾	95
#6	#19	4½	115	8	200	6	155	1-0	300	4½	115	1-0	305	8	205	4½	115
#7	#22	5¼	135	10	250	7	180	1-2	375	5¼	135	1-2	355	9	230	5¼	135
#8	#25	6	155	11	275	8	205	1-4	425	6	155	1-4	410	10½	270	6	155
#9	#29	9½	240	1-3	375	11¾	300	1-7	475								
#10	#32	10¾	275	1-5	425	1-1¼	335	1-10	550								
#11	#36	12	305	1-7	475	1-2¾	375	2-0	600								
#14	#43	18¼	465	2-3	675	1-9¾	550	2-7	775								
#18	#57	24	610	3-0	925	2-4½	725	3-5	1050								

U.S. CUSTOMARY UNITS: in. or ft-in.  
SI UNITS: mm

# MATERIAL PROPERTIES REINFORCING BARS

## Design Aid 11.2.8 Required development lengths<sup>a</sup> for reinforcing bars (Grade 60)

Tension Development Length:

$$\ell_d = 2400 d_b / \sqrt{f'_c}; \text{ min. 12 in. (\#6 and smaller)}$$

$$\ell_d = 3000 d_b / \sqrt{f'_c}; \text{ min. 12 in. (\#7 and larger)}$$

(Note: for Grade 40 bars, replace 2400 and 3000 with 1600 and 2000 respectively.)

Multiply  $\ell_d$  values by :

- (a) 1.3 for lightweight concrete
- (b) 1.3 for "top bars"
- (c) 1.5 for epoxy coated bars with cover  $< 3d_b$  or clear spacing  $< 6d_b$ , otherwise multiply by 1.2.  
(Note: Product of factors (b) and (c) need not exceed 1.7)
- (d) 1.5 for bars with less than minimum stirrups or ties, clear spacing less than  $2d_b$  or clear cover less than  $d_b$ .
- (e)  $A_s$  (required)/ $A_s$  (provided) for excess reinforcement unless development of  $f_y$  is specifically required. This multiplier is not to be applied to lap splices per ACI 318-95, Sect. R12.15.1.

Compression Development Length:

$$\ell_d = 1200 d_b / \sqrt{f'_c}; \text{ min. } 18d_b \text{ and } 8 \text{ in.}$$

(Note: For Grade 40 bars, replace 1200 with 800 and 18 with 12)

Multiply  $\ell_d$  values by :

- (a)  $A_s$  (required)/ $A_s$  (provided) for excess reinforcement
- (b) 0.75 for adequate spiral or tie enclosure  
(See ACI 12.3.3.2)

Compression Splice Lap Length:

$$\text{Lap length} = 30d_b; \text{ min. 12 in.}$$

The values of  $\sqrt{f'_c}$  used in these equations shall not exceed 100 psi (See Sect. 12.1.2, ACI 318-95).

Bar Size	$f'_c = 3000 \text{ psi}$			$f'_c = 4000 \text{ psi}$			$f'_c = 5000 \text{ psi}$			$f'_c = 6000 \text{ psi}$			Min. Comp Splice				
	Tension			Com-pression	Tension			Com-pression	Tension			Com-pression					
	$\ell_d$	$1.3\ell_d$	$1.5\ell_d$	$\ell_d$	$\ell_d$	$1.3\ell_d$	$1.5\ell_d$	$\ell_d$	$\ell_d$	$1.3\ell_d$	$1.5\ell_d$	$\ell_d$		$\ell_d$	$1.3\ell_d$	$1.5\ell_d$	$\ell_d$
3	16	21	25	8	14	18	21	8	13	17	19	8	12	15	17	8	12
4	22	28	33	11	19	25	28	9	17	22	25	9	15	20	23	9	15
5	27	36	41	14	24	31	36	12	21	28	32	11	19	25	29	11	19
6	33	43	49	16	28	37	43	14	25	33	38	14	23	30	35	14	23
7	48	62	72	19	42	54	62	17	37	48	56	16	34	44	51	16	26
8	55	71	82	22	47	62	71	19	42	55	64	18	39	50	58	18	30
9	62	80	93	25	54	70	80	21	48	62	72	20	44	57	66	20	34
10	70	90	104	28	60	78	90	24	54	70	81	23	49	64	74	23	38
11	77	100	116	31	67	87	100	27	60	78	90	25	55	71	82	25	42

Bar Size	$f'_c = 7000 \text{ psi}$			$f'_c = 8000 \text{ psi}$			$f'_c = 9000 \text{ psi}$			$f'_c = 10,000 \text{ psi}$			Min. Comp Splice				
	Tension			Com-pression	Tension			Com-pression	Tension			Com-pression					
	$\ell_d$	$1.3\ell_d$	$1.5\ell_d$	$\ell_d$	$\ell_d$	$1.3\ell_d$	$1.5\ell_d$	$\ell_d$	$\ell_d$	$1.3\ell_d$	$1.5\ell_d$	$\ell_d$		$\ell_d$	$1.3\ell_d$	$1.5\ell_d$	$\ell_d$
3	12	14	16	8	12	13	15	8	12	12	14	8	9	12	14	8	12
4	14	19	22	9	13	17	20	9	13	16	19	8	12	16	18	8	15
5	18	23	27	11	17	22	25	11	16	21	24	8	15	20	23	8	19
6	22	28	32	14	20	26	30	14	19	25	28	9	18	23	27	9	23
7	31	41	47	16	29	38	44	16	28	36	42	11	26	34	39	11	26
8	36	47	54	18	34	44	50	18	32	41	47	13	30	39	45	12	30
9	40	53	61	20	38	49	57	20	36	46	54	14	34	44	51	14	34
10	46	59	68	23	43	55	64	23	40	52	60	16	38	49	56	15	38
11	51	66	76	25	47	61	71	25	45	58	67	17	41	54	62	17	42

a. For limitations and items related to hooked bars, stirrups or ties in excess of minimum, and spacing of non-contact lap splices, etc., see ACI 318-95, Chapter 12.

# MATERIAL PROPERTIES REINFORCING BARS

**Design Aid 11.2.8** Required development lengths for reinforcing bars (Grade 60)(continued)

Minimum tension-embedment lengths,  $\ell_{dh}$ , for standard hooks, in.

**General use (non-seismic)**

Bar size	Normal weight concrete, $f'_c$ (psi)							
	3,000	4,000	5,000	6,000	7,000	8,000	9,000	10,000
#3	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
#4	8	7	6	6	6	6	6	6
#5	10	9	8	7	7	6	6	6
#6	12	10	9	8	8	7	7	6
#7	14	12	11	10	9	9	8	7
#8	16	14	12	11	10	10	9	8
#9	18	15	14	13	12	11	10	9
#10	20	17	15	14	13	12	11	11
#11	22	19	17	16	14	14	13	12

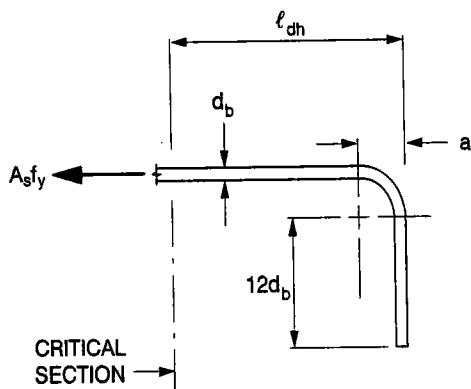
- NOTES: 1. SIDE COVER  $\geq 2\frac{1}{2}$  in.  
2. END COVER (90° HOOKS)  $\geq 2$  in.

**Special confinement (non-seismic) (See ACI 318-95, Sec. 12.5.3.3)**

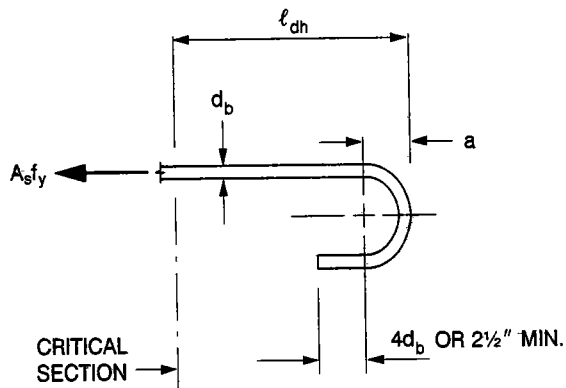
Bar size	Normal weight concrete, $f'_c$ (psi)							
	3,000	4,000	5,000	6,000	7,000	8,000	9,000	10,000
#3	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
#4	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
#5	8	7	6	6	6	6	6	6
#6	10	8	7	7	6	6	6	6
#7	11	10	9	8	7	7	6	6
#8	13	11	10	9	8	8	7	6
#9	14	12	11	10	9	9	8	7
#10	16	14	12	11	11	10	9	9
#11	18	15	14	13	12	12	10	10

- NOTES: 1. SIDE COVER  $\geq 2\frac{1}{2}$  in.  
2. END COVER (90° HOOKS)  $\geq 2$  in.

BARS WITH STANDARD HOOKS:



STANDARD 90° HOOK



STANDARD 180° HOOK

DIMENSION  $a = 4d_b$  FOR #3 THROUGH #8,  
 $= 5d_b$  FOR #9, #10 AND #11,

MODIFICATION FACTORS:  
GRADE 40 BARS = 0.67  
LIGHTWEIGHT CONCRETE = 1.3  
EPOXY COATED REINFORCEMENT = 1.2

# MATERIAL PROPERTIES STRUCTURAL WELDED WIRE REINFORCEMENT (WWR)

**Design Aid 11.2.9** Common styles of structural welded wire reinforcement

Style designation		Steel area in <sup>2</sup> per ft		Approximate Weight lb per 100 ft <sup>2</sup>
		Longit.	Trans.	
Former designation (By steel wire gage)	Current designation (By W-number)			
6x6-10x10	6x6-W1.4xW1.4	.029	.029	21
4x12-8x10 <sup>c</sup>	4x12-W2.1xW1.4	.062	.014	26
6x6-8x8	6x6-W2.1xW2.1	.041	.041	30
4x4-10x10	4x4-W1.4xW1.4	.043	.043	31
4x12-7x10 <sup>c</sup>	4x12-W2.5xW1.4	.074	.014	31
6x6-6x6 <sup>b</sup>	6x6-W2.9xW2.9	.058	.058	42
4x4-8x8	4x4-W2.1xW2.1	.062	.062	44
6x6-4x4 <sup>b</sup>	6x6-W4.0xW4.0	.080	.080	58
4x4-6x6	4x4-W2.9xW2.9	.087	.087	62
6x6-2x2 <sup>b</sup>	6x6-W5.5xW5.5 <sup>d</sup>	.110	.110	80
4x4-4x4 <sup>b</sup>	4x4-W4.0xW4.0	.120	.120	85
4x4-3x3 <sup>b</sup>	4x4-W4.7xW4.7	.141	.141	102
4x4-2x2 <sup>b</sup>	4x4-W5.5xW5.5 <sup>d</sup>	.165	.165	119

**INDUSTRY METHOD OF DESIGNATING STYLE**

EXAMPLE: 6 x 12-W16 x W8

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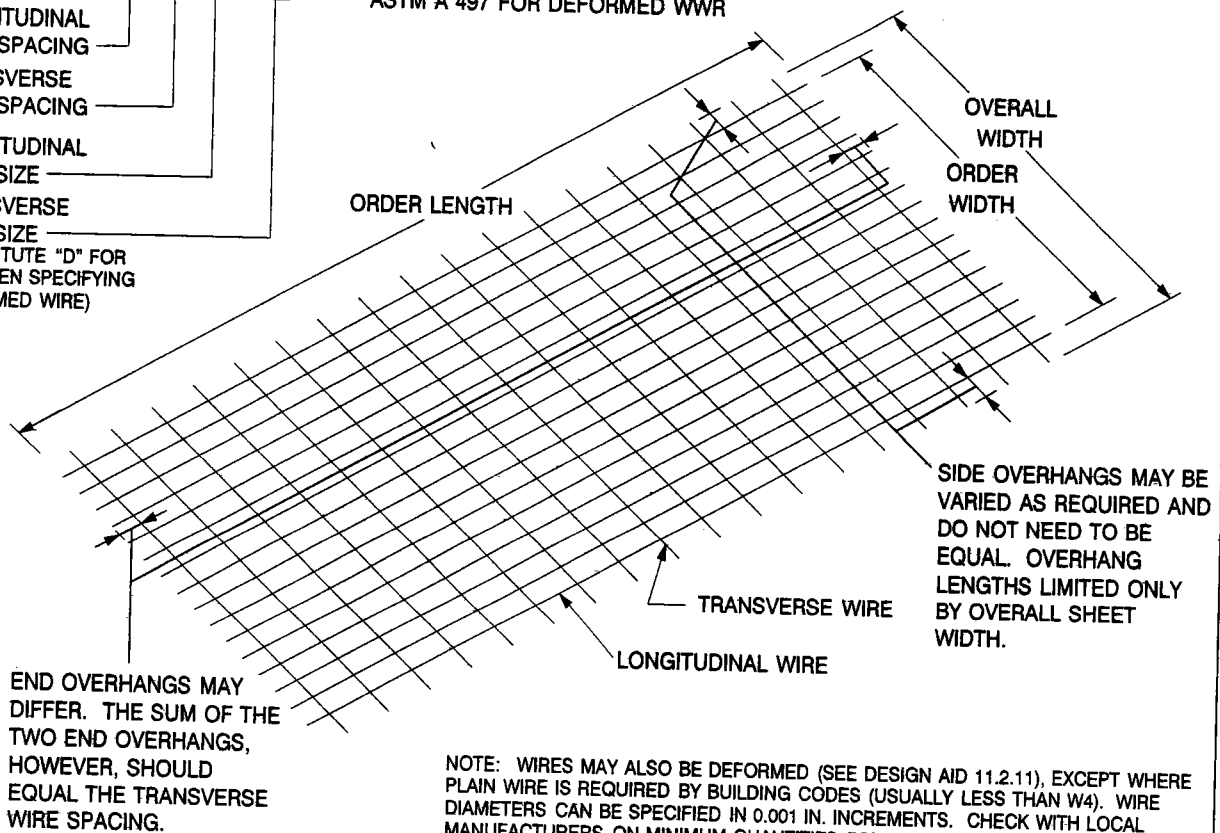
TRANSVERSE WIRE SPACING ———

LONGITUDINAL WIRE SIZE ———

TRANSVERSE WIRE SIZE ———

(SUBSTITUTE "D" FOR "W" WHEN SPECIFYING DEFORMED WIRE)

**SPECIFY:**  
ASTM A 185 FOR PLAIN WWR;  
ASTM A 497 FOR DEFORMED WWR



- Source: Manual of Standard Practice—Structural Welded Wire Reinforcement, Wire Reinforcement Institute, 1992, Findlay, Ohio.
- Commonly available in 8 ft x 12 ft or 8 ft x 15 ft sheets.
- These items may be carried in sheets by various manufacturers in certain parts of the U.S. and Canada.
- Exact W-number size for 2 gage is 5.4.

# MATERIAL PROPERTIES

## STRUCTURAL WELDED WIRE REINFORCEMENT (WWR)

**Design Aid 11.2.10 Special welded wire reinforcement for double tee flanges<sup>a</sup>**

Application	Style Designation	Steel Area in <sup>2</sup> per ft		Approx. Weight lb per 100 ft <sup>2</sup>
		Longit.	Trans.	
8-ft wide DT, 2-in. flange	12 X 6-W1.4 X W2.5	.014	.050	23
10-ft wide DT, 2-in. flange	12 X 6-W2.0 X W4.0	.020	.080	35
10-ft wide DT, 2½-in. flange	12 X 6-W1.4 X W2.9	.014	.058	27

a. See "Standardization of Welded Wire Fabric," *PCI Journal*, July/Aug., 1976

**Design Aid 11.2.11 Wires used in structural welded wire reinforcement<sup>a</sup>**

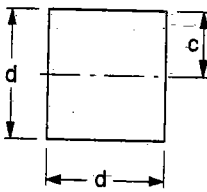
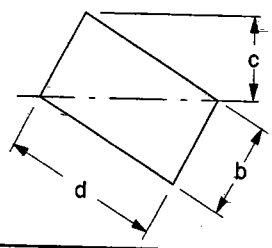
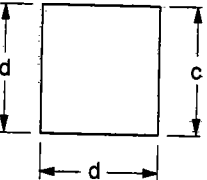
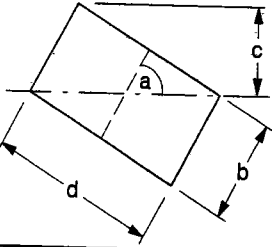
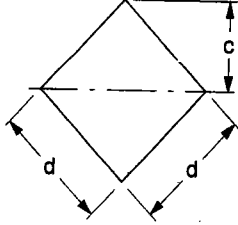
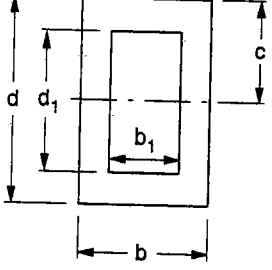
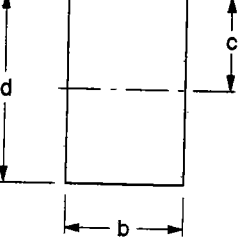
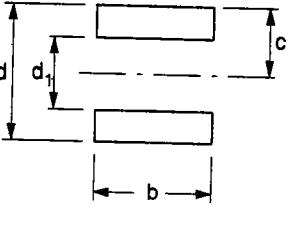
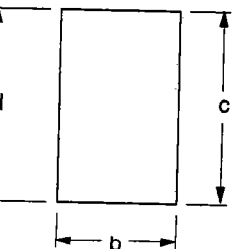
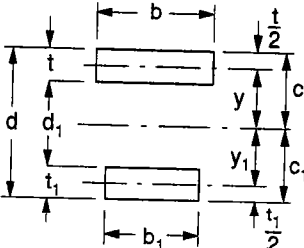
Wire Size Number		Nominal Diameter in.	Nominal Weight pif	Area - in <sup>2</sup> per ft of width						
				Center to Center Spacing, in.						
Plain <sup>b</sup>	Deformed <sup>c</sup>			2	3	4	6	8	10	12
W45	D45	0.757	1.530	2.70	1.80	1.35	.90	.625	.54	.45
W31	D31	0.628	1.054	1.86	1.24	.93	.62	.465	.372	.31
W30	D30	0.618	1.020	1.80	1.20	.90	.60	.45	.36	.30
W28	D28	0.597	.952	1.68	1.12	.84	.56	.42	.336	.28
W26	D26	0.575	.934	1.56	1.04	.78	.52	.39	.312	.26
W24	D24	0.553	.816	1.44	.96	.72	.48	.36	.288	.24
W22	D22	0.529	.748	1.32	.88	.66	.44	.33	.264	.22
W20	D20	0.504	.680	1.20	.80	.60	.40	.30	.24	.20
W18	D18	0.478	.612	1.08	.72	.54	.36	.27	.216	.18
W16	D16	0.451	.544	.96	.64	.48	.32	.24	.192	.16
W14	D14	0.422	.476	.84	.56	.42	.28	.21	.168	.14
W12	D12	0.390	.408	.72	.48	.36	.24	.18	.144	.12
W11	D11	0.374	.374	.66	.44	.33	.22	.165	.132	.11
W10.5	D10.5	0.366	.357	.63	.42	.315	.21	.157	.126	.105
W10	D10	0.356	.340	.60	.40	.30	.20	.15	.12	.10
W9.5	D9.5	0.348	.323	.57	.38	.285	.19	.142	.114	.095
W9	D9	0.338	.306	.54	.36	.27	.18	.135	.108	.09
W8.5	D8.5	0.329	.289	.51	.34	.255	.17	.127	.102	.085
W8	D8	0.319	.272	.48	.32	.24	.16	.12	.096	.08
W7.5	D7.5	0.309	.255	.45	.30	.225	.15	.112	.09	.075
W7	D7	0.298	.238	.42	.28	.21	.14	.105	.084	.07
W6.5	D6.5	0.288	.221	.39	.26	.195	.13	.097	.078	.065
W6	D6	0.276	.204	.36	.24	.18	.12	.09	.072	.06
W5.5	D5.5	0.264	.187	.33	.22	.165	.11	.082	.066	.055
W5	D5	0.252	.170	.30	.20	.15	.10	.075	.06	.05
W4.5	W4.5	0.240	.153	.27	.18	.135	.09	.067	.054	.045
W4	D4	0.225	.136	.24	.16	.12	.08	.06	.048	.04
W3.5		0.211	.119	.21	.14	.105	.07	.052	.042	.035
W3		0.195	.102	.18	.12	.09	.06	.045	.036	.03
W2.9		0.192	.098	.174	.116	.087	.058	.043	.035	.029
W2.5		0.178	.085	.15	.10	.075	.05	.037	.03	.025
W2.1		0.162	.070	.126	.084	.063	.042	.031	.025	.021
W2		0.159	.068	.12	.08	.06	.04	.03	.024	.02
W1.5		0.138	.051	.09	.06	.045	.03	.022	.018	.015
W1.4		0.135	.049	.084	.056	.042	.028	.021	.017	.014

- a. Source: Manual of Standard Practice—Structural Welded Wire Reinforcement, Wire Reinforcement Institute, 1992, Findlay, Ohio.  
 b. ASTM A 82, Available  $f_y=65,000$  psi to 80,000 psi in 2500 psi increments.  
 c. ASTM A 496, Available  $f_y=70,000$  psi to 80,000 psi in 2500 psi increments.



# 11.3 SECTION PROPERTIES

## Design Aid 11.3.1 Properties of geometric sections<sup>a</sup>

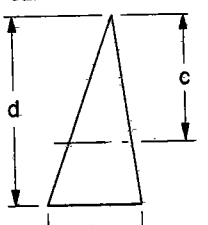
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SQUARE</b> AXIS OF MOMENTS ON BASE</p>  <div style="margin-top: 10px;"> <math display="block">A = d^2</math> <math display="block">c = d</math> <math display="block">I = \frac{d^4}{3}</math> <math display="block">S = \frac{d^3}{3}</math> <math display="block">r = \frac{d}{\sqrt{3}} = .577350 d</math> </div>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>RECTANGLE</b> AXIS OF MOMENTS ANY LINE THROUGH CENTER OF GRAVITY</p>  <div style="margin-top: 10px;"> <math display="block">A = bd</math> <math display="block">c = \frac{b \sin a + d \cos a}{2}</math> <math display="block">I = \frac{bd(b^2 \sin^2 a + d^2 \cos^2 a)}{12}</math> <math display="block">S = \frac{bd(b^2 \sin^2 a + d^2 \cos^2 a)}{6(b \sin a + d \cos a)}</math> <math display="block">r = \sqrt{\frac{b^2 \sin^2 a + d^2 \cos^2 a}{12}}</math> </div>
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>RECTANGLE</b> AXIS OF MOMENTS ON BASE</p>  <div style="margin-top: 10px;"> <math display="block">A = bd</math> <math display="block">c = d</math> <math display="block">I = \frac{bd^3}{3}</math> <math display="block">S = \frac{bd^2}{3}</math> <math display="block">r = \frac{d}{\sqrt{3}} = .577350 d</math> </div>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>UNEQUAL RECTANGLES</b> AXIS OF MOMENTS THROUGH CENTER OF GRAVITY</p>  <div style="margin-top: 10px;"> <math display="block">A = bt + b_1 t_1</math> <math display="block">c = \frac{\frac{1}{2}bt^2 + b_1 t_1 (d - \frac{1}{2}t_1)}{A}</math> <math display="block">I = \frac{bt^3}{12} + bty^2 + \frac{b_1 t_1^3}{12} + b_1 t_1 y_1^2</math> <math display="block">S = \frac{1}{c} \quad S_1 = \frac{1}{c_1}</math> <math display="block">r = \sqrt{\frac{I}{A}}</math> </div>

a. Source: "Manual of Steel Construction, Allowable Stress Design," Ninth Edition, 1989, American Institute of Steel Construction, Chicago, IL.

# SECTION PROPERTIES

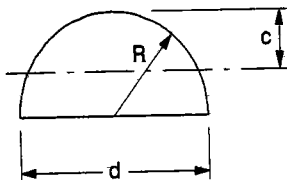
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**TRIANGLE**  
 AXIS OF MOMENTS THROUGH CENTER OF GRAVITY



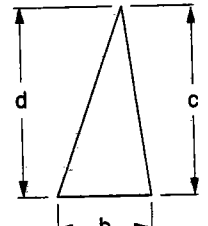
$A = \frac{bd}{2}$   
 $c = \frac{2d}{3}$   
 $I = \frac{bd^3}{36}$   
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 $r = \frac{d}{\sqrt{18}}$

**HALF CIRCLE**  
 AXIS OF MOMENTS THROUGH CENTER OF GRAVITY



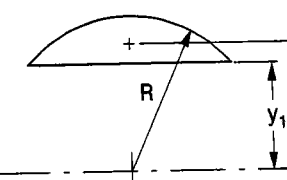
$A = \frac{\pi R^2}{2}$   
 $c = R \left(1 - \frac{4}{3\pi}\right)$   
 $I = R^4 \left(\frac{\pi}{8} - \frac{8}{9\pi}\right)$   
 $S = \left[\frac{R^3}{24}\right] \left[\frac{9\pi^2 - 64}{(3\pi - 4)}\right]$   
 $r = R \frac{\sqrt{9\pi^2 - 64}}{6\pi}$

**TRIANGLE**  
 AXIS OF MOMENTS ON BASE



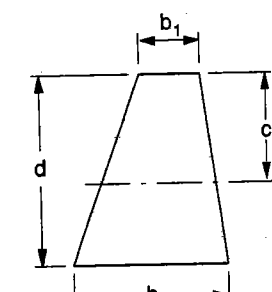
$A = \frac{bd}{2}$   
 $c = d$   
 $I = \frac{bd^3}{12}$   
 $S = \frac{bd^2}{12}$   
 $r = \frac{d}{\sqrt{6}}$

**HALF CIRCLE**  
 AXIS OF MOMENTS THROUGH CENTER OF GRAVITY



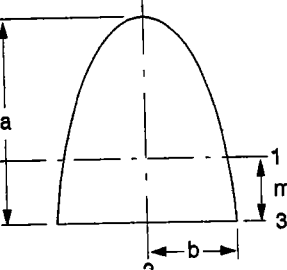
$I = \frac{\pi R^4}{8} + \frac{y_1}{2} \sqrt{R^2 - y_1^2}^3 - \frac{R^2}{4} \left( y_1 \sqrt{R^2 - y_1^2} + R^2 \sin^{-1} \frac{y_1}{R} \right)$   
 $A = \frac{\pi R^2}{2} - y_1 \sqrt{R^2 - y_1^2} - R^2 \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{y_1}{R} \right)$   
 $c = \frac{2(R^2 - y_1^2)^{3/2}}{3} / A$

**TRAPEZOID**  
 AXIS OF MOMENTS THROUGH CENTER OF GRAVITY



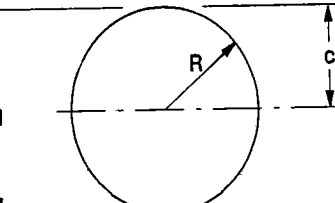
$A = \frac{d(b + b_1)}{2}$   
 $c = \frac{d(2b + b_1)}{3(b + b_1)}$   
 $I = \frac{d^3(b^2 + 4bb_1 + b_1^2)}{36(b + b_1)}$   
 $S = \frac{d^2(b^2 + 4bb_1 + b_1^2)}{12(2b + b_1)}$   
 $r = \frac{d}{6(b + b_1)} \times \sqrt{2(b^2 + 4bb_1 + b_1^2)}$

**PARABOLA**



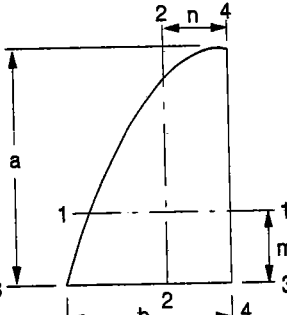
$A = \frac{4}{3}ab$   
 $m = \frac{2}{5}a$   
 $I_1 = \frac{16}{175}a^3b$   
 $I_2 = \frac{4}{15}ab^3$   
 $I_3 = \frac{32}{105}a^3b$

**CIRCLE**  
 AXIS OF MOMENTS THROUGH CENTER



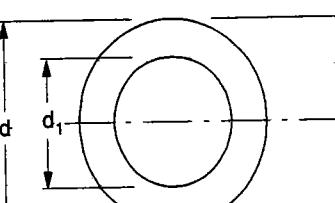
$A = \frac{\pi d^2}{4} = \pi R^2$   
 $c = \frac{d}{2} = R$   
 $I = \frac{\pi d^4}{64} = \frac{\pi R^4}{4}$   
 $S = \frac{\pi d^3}{32} = \frac{\pi R^3}{4}$   
 $r = \frac{d}{4} = \frac{R}{2}$

**HALF PARABOLA**



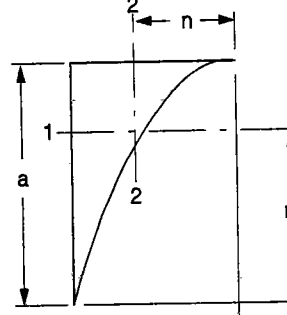
$A = \frac{2}{3}ab$   
 $m = \frac{2}{5}a$   
 $n = \frac{3}{8}b$   
 $I_1 = \frac{8}{175}a^3b$   
 $I_2 = \frac{19}{480}ab^3$   
 $I_3 = \frac{16}{105}a^3b$   
 $I_4 = \frac{2}{15}ab^3$

**HOLLOW CIRCLE**  
 AXIS OF MOMENTS THROUGH CENTER



$A = \frac{\pi(d^2 - d_1^2)}{4}$   
 $c = \frac{d}{2}$   
 $I = \frac{\pi(d^4 - d_1^4)}{64}$   
 $S = \frac{\pi(d^4 - d_1^4)}{32d}$   
 $r = \frac{\sqrt{d^2 - d_1^2}}{4}$

**COMPLEMENT OF HALF PARABOLA**



$A = \frac{1}{3}ab$   
 $m = \frac{7}{10}a$   
 $n = \frac{3}{4}b$   
 $I_1 = \frac{37}{2100}a^3b$   
 $I_2 = \frac{1}{80}ab^3$



## 11.4 METRIC CONVERSION

### Design Aid 11.4.1 Metric calculations and example

#### "Hard" SI (metric) Calculations for Precast Concrete

Design Aid 11.4.1 shows direct conversion from inch-lb. (U.S. customary) to SI units. Calculations made in SI units are usually rounded to even numbers. These are known as "hard" metric calculations. The metric version of the Code is 318M-95. Some of the common SI units used are:

#### Concrete Strength:

20 MPa is approximately equivalent to 3000 psi

35 MPa is approximately equivalent to 5000 psi

Concrete weight (or mass):

Normal weight concrete may be assumed to weigh 2400 kg/m<sup>3</sup> (149.8 pcf). Lightweight concrete may be assumed to weigh 1900 kg/m<sup>3</sup> (118.6 pcf).

#### Reinforcement:

Most U. S. reinforcing bar manufacturers mark bars with metric designations, although the actual sizes have not changed (see Design Aid 11.2.7).

Grade 420 ( $f_y = 420$  MPa) is equivalent to grade 60.

#### Prestressing Strand:

Strand diameters and areas are rounded to the nearest mm, e.g., 13 mm is equivalent to 1/2 in. diameter, area = 99 mm<sup>2</sup>.

#### Relationships in SI

Structural engineering calculations in SI units involve forces which include gravitational effects, rather than just weights, or mass. Thus one kilogram (kg) of mass converts to 9.8 newtons (N) of force. For example, a 50 mm thick concrete topping 1 meter wide weighs  $(50/1000)m \times 1m \times 2400 \text{ kg/m}^3 = 120 \text{ kg/m}$ . It exerts  $120 \times 9.8 = 1176 \text{ N/m}$  or 1.18 kN/m of force.

Pressure or stress is expressed in pascals (P).  $1P = 1N/m^2$ . It is more common to work in megapascals (MPa).  $1 \text{ MPa} = 1N/mm^2$ . Bending moments are expressed in newton-meters (N-m) or kilonewton-meters (kN-m).

Design Aid 11.4.2 lists quantities that are frequently encountered in the design of precast concrete as well as in general structural engineering practice. Most U.S. Government agencies that require SI unit dimensioning of contract documents will also require consistent use of the listed SI units given in the table. The equivalent U.S. customary units listed are those traditionally used by the design professions in the United States.

Conversion of frequently encountered concrete stress coefficients used in ACI 318 and the PCI Handbook are tabulated in Design Aid 11.4.3.

#### Example Use of Eq. 18-3 from 318M-95. (Similar to Example 4.2.4).

#### Given:

Double tee similar to PCI standard 8DT24+2.

#### Concrete:

Precast  $f'_c = 35$  MPa      Topping  $f'_c = 20$  MPa

#### Reinforcement:

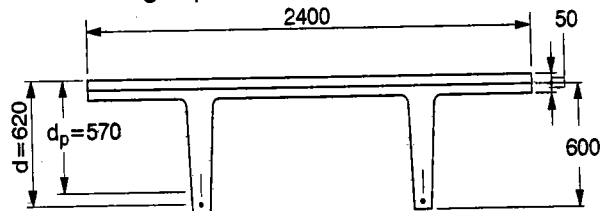
12-13 mm dia. 1860 MPa low relaxation strands (6 ea. stem). Area per strand = 99 mm<sup>2</sup>

$A_{ps} = 12(99) = 1188 \text{ mm}^2$      $A_s = 2\text{-}\#19 = 568 \text{ mm}^2$

$f_y = 420$  MPa

#### Problem:

Find the design flexural strength of the composite section using Eq. 18-3 from ACI 318M-95.



DIMENSIONS IN MILLIMETERS (mm)

$$f_{ps} = f_{pu} \left( 1 - \frac{\gamma_p}{\beta_1} \left[ \rho_p \frac{f_{pu}}{f'_c} + \frac{d}{d_p} (\omega - \omega') \right] \right)$$

$$\omega' = 0 \text{ in this example}$$

$$\rho_p = \frac{A_{ps}}{bd_p} = \frac{1188}{2400(570)} = 0.00087$$

$$\omega = \frac{A_s}{bd} \left( \frac{f_y}{f'_c} \right) = \frac{568}{2400(620)} \left( \frac{420}{20} \right) = 0.0080$$

$$f_{ps} = 1860 \left( 1 - \frac{0.28}{0.85} \left[ 0.00087 \frac{1860}{20} + \frac{620}{570} (0.0080) \right] \right) = 1805 \text{ MPa}$$

$$a = \frac{A_{ps} f_{ps} + A_s f_y}{0.85 f'_c b} = \frac{1188(1805) + 568(420)}{0.85(20)2400}$$

$$a = 47 \text{ mm}$$

$$M_n = A_{ps} f_{ps} \left( d_p - \frac{a}{2} \right) + A_s f_y \left( d - \frac{a}{2} \right)$$

$$= 1188(1805) \left( \frac{570 - 24}{1000} \right)$$

$$+ 568(420) \left( \frac{620 - 24}{1000} \right)$$

$$= 1,312,991 \text{ N-m} = 1313 \text{ kN-m}$$

$$\phi M_n = 0.9(1313) = 1182 \text{ kN-m}$$

# 11.4 METRIC CONVERSION

## Design Aid 11.4.2 Conversion from U.S. customary units to international system (SI)

<u>To convert from</u>	<u>to</u>	<u>multiply by</u>
<b><u>Length</u></b>		
inch (in.)	millimeter (mm)	25.4
inch (in.)	meter (m)	0.0254
foot (ft)	meter (m)	0.3048
yard (yd)	meter (m)	0.9144
mile (mi)	kilometer (km)	1.6093
<b><u>Area</u></b>		
square foot (ft <sup>2</sup> )	square meter (m <sup>2</sup> )	0.09290
square inch (in <sup>2</sup> )	square millimeter (mm <sup>2</sup> )	645.2
square inch (in <sup>2</sup> )	square meter (m <sup>2</sup> )	0.0006452
square yard (yd <sup>2</sup> )	square meter (m <sup>2</sup> )	0.8361
acre (A)	hectare (ha) = 10,000 m <sup>2</sup>	0.4047
square mile	square kilometer	2.590
<b><u>Volume</u></b>		
cubic inch (in <sup>3</sup> )	cubic meter (m <sup>3</sup> )	0.00001639
cubic foot (ft <sup>3</sup> )	cubic meter (m <sup>3</sup> )	0.02832
cubic yard (yd <sup>3</sup> )	cubic meter (m <sup>3</sup> )	0.7646
gallon (gal) Can. liquid <sup>a</sup>	liter	4.546
gallon (gal) Can. liquid <sup>a</sup>	cubic meter (m <sup>3</sup> )	0.004546
gallon (gal) U.S. liquid <sup>a</sup>	liter	3.785
gallon (gal) U.S. liquid <sup>a</sup>	cubic meter (m <sup>3</sup> )	0.003785
<b><u>Force</u></b>		
kip	kilogram (kgf)	453.6
kip	newton (N)	4448.0
pound (lb)	kilogram (kgf)	0.4536
pound (lb)	newton (N)	4.448
<b><u>Pressure or Stress</u></b>		
kips/square inch (ksi)	megapascal (MPa) <sup>b</sup>	6.895
pound/square foot (psf)	kilopascal (kPa) <sup>b</sup>	0.04788
pound/square inch (psi)	kilopascal (kPa) <sup>b</sup>	6.895
pound/square inch (psi)	megapascal (MPa) <sup>b</sup>	0.006895
pound/square foot (psf)	kilogram/square meter (kgf/m <sup>2</sup> )	4.882
<b><u>Mass</u></b>		
pound (avdp)	kilogram (kg)	0.4536
ton (short, 2000 lb)	kilogram (kg)	907.2
ton (short, 2000 lb)	tonne (t)	0.9072
grain	kilogram (kg)	0.00006480
tonne (t)	kilogram (kg)	1000
<b><u>Mass (weight) per Length</u></b>		
kip/linear foot (klf)	kilogram/meter (kg/m)	1488
pound/linear foot (plf)	kilogram/meter (kg/m)	1.488
pound/linear foot (plf)	newton/meter (N/m)	14.593

a. One U.S. gallon equals 0.8321 Canadian gallon.

b. A pascal equals one newton/square meter; 1 Pa = 1 N/mm<sup>2</sup>.

Note: To convert from SI units to U.S. customary units (except for temperature), divide by the factors given in this table.

# METRIC CONVERSION

Design Aid 11.4.2 Conversion from U.S. customary units to international system (SI) (continued)

<u>To convert from</u>	<u>to</u>	<u>multiply by</u>
<b><u>Mass per volume (density)</u></b>		
pound/cubic foot (pcf)	kilogram/cubic meter (kg/m <sup>3</sup> )	16.02
pound/cubic yard (pcy)	kilogram/cubic meter (kg/m <sup>3</sup> )	0.5933
<b><u>Bending Moment or Torque</u></b>		
pound-inch (lb-in.)	newton-meter	0.1130
pound-foot (lb-ft)	newton-meter	1.356
kip-foot (k-ft)	newton-meter	1356
<b><u>Temperature</u></b>		
degree Fahrenheit (°F)	degree Celsius (°C)	$t_c = (t_f - 32)/1.8$
degree Fahrenheit (°F)	degree Kelvin (K)	$t_k = (t_f + 459.7)/1.8$
<b><u>Energy</u></b>		
British thermal unit (Btu)	joule (j)	1056
kilowatt-hour (kwh)	joule (j)	3,600,000
<b><u>Power</u></b>		
horsepower (hp) (550 ft lb/sec)	watt (W)	745.7
<b><u>Velocity</u></b>		
mile/hour (mph)	kilometer/hour	1.609
mile/hour (mph)	meter/second (m/s)	0.4470
<b><u>Other</u></b>		
Section modulus (in <sup>3</sup> )	mm <sup>3</sup>	16,387
Moment of inertia (in <sup>4</sup> )	mm <sup>4</sup>	416,231
Coefficient of heat transfer (Btu/ft <sup>2</sup> /h/°F)	W/m <sup>2</sup> /°C	5.678
Modulus of elasticity (psi)	MPa	0.006895
Thermal conductivity (Btu-in./ft <sup>2</sup> /h/°F)	Wm/m <sup>2</sup> /°C	0.1442
Thermal expansion in./in./°F	mm/m <sup>2</sup> /°C	1.800
Area/length (in <sup>2</sup> /ft)	mm <sup>2</sup> /m	2116.80

## 11.4 METRIC CONVERSION

**Design Aid 11.4.3 Preferred SI units and U.S. customary equivalents**

Quantity	SI	U.S. customary
Area, cross section	mm <sup>2</sup>	in <sup>2</sup>
Area, plan dimension	mm <sup>2</sup>	ft <sup>2</sup>
Bending moment	kN-m	kip-ft
Coefficient of thermal expansion	mm/(mm-°C)	in/in/°F
Deflection	mm	in.
Density, linear	kg/m	lb/ft, kip/ft
Density, area	kg/m <sup>2</sup>	lb/ft <sup>2</sup> , kip/ft <sup>2</sup>
Density, mass	kg/m <sup>3</sup>	lb/ft <sup>3</sup> , kip/ft <sup>3</sup>
Force	kN	lb, kip
Force, per unit length	kN/m	lb/ft, kip/ft
Force, per unit area	kN/m <sup>2</sup>	lb/ft <sup>2</sup> , kip/ft <sup>2</sup>
Length, cross section	mm	in.
Length, plan dimension	mm	ft
Mass	kg	lb, kip
Modulus of elasticity	MPa	psi, ksi
Moment of inertia	10 <sup>6</sup> mm <sup>4</sup>	in <sup>4</sup>
Section modulus	10 <sup>6</sup> mm <sup>3</sup>	in <sup>3</sup>
Stress	MPa	psi, ksi
Temperature	°C	°F
Torque	kN-m	lb-ft, kip-ft

**Design Aid 11.4.4 Concrete stress coefficients**

U.S. customary coefficient	SI coefficient	U.S. customary coefficient	SI coefficient
0.5	0.04	3.3	0.27
0.6	0.05	3.5	0.29
0.667	0.06	4.0	0.33
1.0	0.08	4.4	0.37
1.1	0.09	5.0	0.42
1.2	0.10	5.5	0.46
1.25	0.10	6.0	0.50
1.5	0.12	6.3	0.52
1.6	0.13	6.5	0.54
1.7	0.14	7.0	0.58
1.9	0.16	7.5	0.62
2.0	0.17	8.0	0.66
2.4	0.20	10.0	0.83
3.0	0.25	12.0	1.00

Examples:

U.S. customary:  $\sqrt{f'_c}$  psi SI equivalent:  $0.08\sqrt{f'_c}$  MPa      U.S. customary:  $10\sqrt{f'_c}$  psi SI equivalent:  $0.83\sqrt{f'_c}$  MPa





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