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Preface

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Note

This report is intended for structural engineers, researchers, and standards committee members.

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ABSTRACT

A suite of building structures in both high and low seismicity regions of New Zealand was designed in accordance with the provisions of the draft joint Loadings Standard (DR00902-4). Earthquake ground motion records were selected, scaled, and applied to the structures using an inelastic time history analysis program. The output of these analyses provided a means for developing floor acceleration profiles, and floor response spectra for buildings as they respond to earthquakes both within and beyond their elastic range. Using this information, force based provisions were developed which form the basis of recommendations submitted to Standards New Zealand for inclusion in Part 4 of the draft joint Australian/New Zealand Loadings Standard (AS/NZS 1170).

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Notation

A_g	=	cross sectional area of the gross concrete section (mm^2)
A_s	=	cross sectional area of reinforcing steel (mm^2)
$C(0)$	=	site hazard coefficient with period $T = 0$
C_f	=	floor acceleration coefficient
C_{fi}	=	floor coefficient at level i
C_{fn}	=	floor coefficient at the level of the uppermost principal seismic weight
C_{f0}	=	floor coefficient at and below the base of the building
$C_h(T)$	=	spectral shape factor defined in the draft loading standard
$C_h(T_1, 1)$	=	spectral shape function, as defined in NZS 4203, clause 4.12
$C_h(T_1, \mu)$	=	spectral shape function, as defined in NZS 4203, clause 4.12
$C_h(T_1, \mu_0)$	=	spectral shape function, as defined in NZS 4203, clause 4.12
$C_h(T_{pe}, \mu_p)$	=	spectral shape function, as defined in NZS 4203, clause 4.12
C_p	=	part response coefficient
C_{ph}	=	basic horizontal coefficient for a part, as defined in NZS 4203
C_{pi}	=	basic horizontal coefficient for a part at level i
d	=	effective depth of reinforcing steel (tension steel) (mm)
d'	=	effective depth of reinforcing steel (compression steel) (mm)
f'_c	=	characteristic strength of concrete (MPa)
F_i	=	equivalent static lateral force at level i (kN)
F_n	=	equivalent static force at the level of the uppermost principal seismic weight
F_{ph}	=	horizontal seismic force on a part, as defined by NZS 4203 (kN)
E_c	=	modulus of elasticity of concrete, (MPa)
E_s	=	modulus of elasticity of steel, (MPa)
f_y	=	yield strength of reinforcing steel (MPa)
G	=	dead load (kN, kPa)
h_i	=	height of level i above the base of the structure (m)
h_n	=	height of the level of the uppermost principal seismic weight (m)
I_e	=	effective moment of inertia (mm^4)
I_g	=	moment of inertia of the gross concrete section (mm^4)
k_1	=	scale factor for individual earthquake record
k_2	=	scale factor for family of records
L	=	length
L	=	limit state factor, as defined by NZS 4203
L_p	=	length of plastic hinge region (m)
L_w	=	length of wall (m)

M_n	=	nominal moment capacity (kNm)
M_o	=	overstrength moment capacity (kNm)
$N(T,D)$	=	near fault factor
Q_u	=	reduced live load (kN, kPa)
R	=	return period factor (R_s for serviceability, and R_u for ultimate limit state)
R	=	risk factor, as defined by NZS 4203
r	=	Ramberg Osgood factor
R_p	=	risk factor for the part
S_p	=	structural performance factor, as defined by NZS 4203
T	=	period of vibration of the structure (sec)
T_1	=	first mode period of vibration of the structure (sec)
T_{pe}	=	equivalent period of vibration of the part (sec)
W_i	=	seismic weight at level i (kN)
W_n	=	seismic weight at height h_n (kN)
W_p	=	seismic weight of the part (kN)
\ddot{x}	=	acceleration in x direction
Z	=	seismic zone factor
α	=	Rayleigh damping parameter
β	=	Rayleigh damping parameter
ϕ	=	strength reduction factor, as defined in NZS 3101
μ	=	structural ductility factor
μ_p	=	ductility factor for the part
λ_e	=	expected strength factor
λ_o	=	overstrength factor
$\xi(T_1)$	=	damping at fundamental period, T_1
$\xi(T_i)$	=	damping at any period, T_i

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 The context

The principal objective of this investigation was to formulate design provisions for the behaviour of building parts when subjected to earthquake attack.

Seismic design of building parts in New Zealand is currently covered by clause 4.12 of NZS 4203:1992 (SNZ, 1992). At the time of writing, this standard is being superseded in stages by a new joint Australian/New Zealand loading standard, and this process provided the impetus for a fresh look at the requirements for the seismic design of parts.

A draft revision of the earthquake section (Part 4) of the joint standard was circulated for public comment in November 2000 (SA/SNZ, 2000). As a result of the copious comments received, the review committee identified 12 major areas where significant study was needed. One of those areas was building parts, and this project was formulated in response to that need.

In this report, building parts are defined as: All those non-structural items supported by the building structure, that are required for its successful function as a habitable building. This may include claddings, exterior appendages, internal partitions and finishes, building services, and building contents. For consistency in this report an “element” is specifically a structural item or member (beam, column, wall) required for the integrity of the building as a whole.

In other countries parts are referred to as “non-structural components, or systems or elements”, or “functional and operational components (FOC’s)”. However the word “parts” is well understood by New Zealand structural engineers and is a convenient simple term to use in this report.

1.2 Summary of current practice

A number of design standards provide means for estimating seismic actions on parts. The most significant in the New Zealand context is NZS 4203:1992 (SNZ, 1992).

1.2.1 NZS 4203

The horizontal seismic force acting on a part, F_{ph} , is defined in clause 4.12 of NZS 4203 as:

$$F_{ph} = C_{ph} W_p R_p, \quad \text{Eqn. 1}$$

where W_p is the seismic weight of the part, and R_p is the risk factor for the part. The risk factor takes values depending on the consequences of failure of the part. A table of values for R_p is provided.

The basic horizontal coefficient, C_{ph} , is a function of the spectral shape function for the part, and the floor acceleration at the level being considered, and is given at any level i , by:

$$C_{pi} = C_h(T_{pe}, \mu_p) \cdot C_{fi}/0.4. \quad \text{Eqn. 2}$$

The spectral shape function, $C_h(T_{pe}, \mu_p)$, assumes that the spectral shape for the part is the same as that for an intermediate soil site, in spite of the differences in frequency content between the ground motion and an upper floor of the structure. The equivalent period of the part, T_{pe} , is used to account for the expectation of resonance effects when the period of the part is close to the fundamental period of the building.

The floor acceleration coefficient, C_{fi} , is a function of the level of the part within the building.

At the base it is called C_{f0} , approximating the maximum ground acceleration multiplied by the structural performance factor, S_p , and is given by:

$$C_{f0} = 0.25 R.Z.L, \quad \text{Eqn. 3}$$

where R is the risk factor for the building, Z is the zone factor, and L the limit state factor.

At the level of the uppermost seismic weight it is called C_{fn} , estimating the maximum acceleration divided by g , and is given by:

$$C_{fn} = \frac{C_h(T_1, \mu_o)}{C_h(T_1, \mu)} \times \frac{F_n}{W_n}, \quad \text{Eqn. 4}$$

where F_n is the inertial force at the level of the uppermost seismic weight, and W_n is the seismic weight at that level, thus the second term in the equation is effectively the floor acceleration.

At intermediate levels C_{fi} is given by:

when using the equivalent static design method

$$C_{fi} = \left[\frac{C_h(T_1, \mu_o)}{C_h(T_1, 1)} \times C_{f0} \left(1 - \frac{h_i}{h_n}\right) \right] + C_{fn} \left(\frac{h_i}{h_n}\right); \quad \text{Eqn.5}$$

or using the modal response spectrum design method –

$$C_{fi} = \frac{C_h(T_1, \mu_o)}{C_h(T_1, \mu)} \times \frac{F_i}{W_i}. \quad \text{Eqn. 6}$$

The expression, $\frac{C_h(T_1, \mu_o)}{C_h(T_1, \mu)}$ in equations 4, 5 and 6, is intended to account for the increased acceleration of the floor caused by the over-strength of the main structure, and is quantified by μ_o , the ductility factor that would apply to the building calculated with over-strength. Because it is not clear how this is to be determined, the default option of $\mu = 1.0$ is commonly used, leading effectively to a multiplier of typically 3 whichever design method is used.

1.2.2 Other standards

Building standards from Canada (NBC 1995 and draft), USA (NEHRP 1997, ASCE 7-98, IBC 2000), and Europe (EC8), although superficially different, all have a consistency of approach that can be broken down into four basic components:

- influence of ground motion (usually a function of location and soil type),
- influence of the building (generally only the height of the part within the building),
- effect of the component (factors dependent on the flexibility or toughness of the part),
- risk/hazard of the part (generally considering the required performance level of the building).

A summary of the provisions for parts contained in these standards is shown in the Section 5 of this report.

1.2.3 Standards issues for the designer

The NZS 4203 provisions are far more complex and onerous for the building designer than those in standards of other comparable countries. They also demand detailed information about the primary

building structure which is generally only available to (or understood by) the project structural engineer. As a result, suppliers of building products and systems in New Zealand rely on the guidance of the project structural engineer to provide seismic design information, and this is project or building specific. This has disadvantages for manufacturers and suppliers of products which are in common use internationally and originate outside New Zealand. This is especially true for standard items like building services equipment, whose design is much more process-oriented. The requirement for detailed information about the building structure may also be a problem in the refurbishment of existing buildings where such information may not be readily available.

It is clearly desirable to have a more simple, standardised approach, and with a wider applicability than is the case at present. This is discussed in more detail in Section 5.

1.3 Overview of approach taken in project

To address the issues raised above, an empirical study plan was formulated, based on the following broad steps:

1. Design a suite of buildings complying with the draft code provisions (SA/SNZ, 2000). This task was carried out under contract to BRANZ by Compusoft Engineering Ltd. Principal contributors were Barry Davidson, Darrin Bell, and with design practitioner input from Stuart George of Buller George Consulting Engineers.
2. Select a family of ground motion records using the criteria from the draft code (SA/SNZ, 2000). This task was carried out under contract to BRANZ by the Institute of Geological and Nuclear Sciences (GNS). The principal contributor was Graeme McVerry.
3. Subject the buildings to inelastic time history analyses using the selected ground motion records scaled in accordance with the provisions of the draft standard (SA/SNZ, 2000).
4. Develop models for parts using the output from the time history analyses.
5. Develop design rules suitable for inclusion in the new joint standard.

BRANZ agreed to fund external contractors to develop the suite of buildings, and to select and provide the earthquake ground motion records. This enabled the participation of Compusoft Engineering, and the Institute of Geological and Nuclear Sciences in the project team.

A Project Advisory Group was set up to ensure that the methods being used in the study were in line with current industry practice and to provide advice on specific design and analysis issues. The group consisted of:

Rob Jury	(Beca)
Trevor Kelly	(Holmes Consulting Group)
Geoff Sidwell	(Connell Wagner)
David Spurr.	(Spurr Consulting)

Plus the members of the project team:

Barry Davidson*, Darrin Bell*, Graeme McVerry[#], (Compusoft*, GNS[#])
Andrew King, Stuart Park, Roger Shelton. (BRANZ)

Design and modelling input for the steel buildings was given to the team by Charles Clifton of HERA.

2. BUILDING DESIGNS

2.1 Suite of buildings

Because this was an empirical study, it was important to cover as wide a range of building designs as resources permitted. The critical design parameters were considered to be those which were likely to influence the behaviour of building parts, which is floor accelerations, and interstorey drifts. The designs of the buildings were required to comply with the draft joint earthquake loading standard (SA/SNZ, 2000), the appropriate materials standards (SNZ 3101), (SNZ 3404) and were to represent, as far as practicable, typical New Zealand design and construction practice.

To cover a reasonable range of buildings of a type and size likely to contain the full complement of parts, three basic building heights were selected (3, 10 and 20 occupied floors) and two material types (steel and reinforced concrete). The steel buildings were to have moment resisting frames in one direction, and eccentrically braced frames (EBF) in the other. The reinforced concrete buildings were also to have moment resisting frames in one direction, and with shearwalls in the other. Floor heights were set at 4.50 m ground to first floor, and 3.65 m for all other floors, and each building had a roof structure 3.65 m above the upper floor.

Wellington and Auckland were chosen as representative of localities at opposite extremes of seismicity in New Zealand where significant numbers of buildings would be expected. To obtain a range of soil types, the buildings were to be situated on sites conforming to Class C (shallow soil) and Class D (soft, or deep, soil).

Recognising that although some building structures are regular in plan, irregular buildings are far more common, it was decided to introduce plan irregularity by altering the location of transverse lateral load resisting elements, within an otherwise constant building layout. Target ductility levels were set at $\mu = 3$ (limited ductility) and $\mu = 6$ (fully ductile), although this was not achieved in all the designs (see later comment).

These parameters were given to the designers as the suite of building designs presented in Table 1. The building name shown in the first column of the table is that given for identification purposes and is used throughout this report.

Table 1: Suite of buildings

Name	Structural material	Number of storeys	Plan regularity	Location	Soil class	Ductility
RC3RWCL	RC	3	R	W	C	L
RC3RWDL	RC	3	R	W	D	L
RC3IWCL	RC	3	I	W	C	L
RC3IWDL	RC	3	I	W	D	L
RC10RWCL	RC	10	R	W	C	L
RC10RWCD	RC	10	R	W	C	D
RC10RWDL	RC	10	R	W	D	L
RC10RWDD	RC	10	R	W	D	D
RC10IWCL	RC	10	I	W	C	L
RC10IWCD	RC	10	I	W	C	D
RC10IWDL	RC	10	I	W	D	L
RC10IWDD	RC	10	I	W	D	D
RC20RWCL	RC	20	R	W	C	L
RC20RWDL	RC	20	R	W	D	L
RC20RWDD	RC	20	R	W	D	D
RC20IWCL	RC	20	I	W	C	L
RC20IWDL	RC	20	I	W	D	L
RC20IWDD	RC	20	I	W	D	D
ST3RWCL	ST	3	R	W	C	L
ST3RWDL	ST	3	R	W	D	L
ST3RWDD	ST	3	R	W	D	D
ST3IWCL	ST	3	I	W	C	L
ST3IWDL	ST	3	I	W	D	L
ST3IWDD	ST	3	I	W	D	D
ST3RACL	ST	3	R	A	C	L
ST3IACL	ST	3	I	A	C	L
ST10RWCL	ST	10	R	W	C	L
ST10RWDL	ST	10	R	W	D	L
ST10RWDD	ST	10	R	W	D	D
ST10IWCL	ST	10	I	W	C	L
ST10IWDL	ST	10	I	W	D	L
ST10IWDD	ST	10	I	W	D	D

Notes to table:

RC = reinforced concrete
 ST = structural steel
 R = regular in plan
 I = irregular in plan
 W = Wellington
 A = Auckland
 L = limited ductility ($\mu = 3$)
 D = fully ductile ($\mu = 6$)

When formulating the project, it became apparent that significant benefit could be gained by making this suite of “standard” buildings more widely available to the New Zealand structural engineering community so as to test the implications of alternative solutions. Unfortunately the significant developments and changes that were made to the Loading Standard during the course of the project have resulted in the building designs being no longer compliant with the current code. This reduces their usefulness as “standard designs”.

2.2 Design development

2.2.1 Preliminary design

The structural schemes and initial sizing of members was carried out by an experienced structural engineer practitioner to ensure that account was taken of contemporary design office practice, including strategies for achieving economic solutions.

The following guidelines were used for the building schemes. These were selected to best achieve the specified objectives, and where feasible, to incorporate suggestions forwarded at Project Advisory Group meetings.

1. Buildings rectangular in plan, with a standard grid used for all buildings of a particular structural system:
 - a. Reinforced concrete buildings: Frame direction – 5 grids of 7.5 m,
Wall direction – 3 grids of 9.0 m.
 - b. Structural steel buildings: Frame direction – 5 grids of 6.0 m,
EBF direction – 4 grids of 8.5 m.
2. The number of bays of EBFs and the shearwall lengths were varied to achieve the required ductility, stiffness and strength.
3. For both the concrete and steel buildings, the two exterior frames were seismic resisting frames, with the internal frames providing gravity support to the floors (secondary seismic structure).
 - a. Reinforced Concrete building: Moment resisting frames on grid lines. The floor system comprised proprietary, precast concrete hollow core floor units (Dycore 200) spanning between the main frames, with 65 mm thick cast in-situ concrete topping. Gravity frames were assumed to be detailed as continuous, and were therefore included in the analysis models.
 - b. Steel buildings. Steel frames on grid lines, supporting secondary beams at 2.5 m centres. The floor system was proprietary metal decking spanning between the secondary beams, with composite concrete topping (120 Hi-bond). Gravity frames were assumed to be designed for composite action, but with flexible support details, therefore the gravity frames were not modelled.
4. A roof was included in each building above the upper occupied floor, resulting in the addition of a level of seismic mass to the specified number of storeys.
5. Building mass was uniformly distributed over the entire floor area with accidental eccentricity as specified by NZS 4203 (SNZ, 1992). Seismic weights ($G + Q_u$) were taken as:
 - a. Typical concrete building: Floor: 8.5 kPa. (877 T per floor)
Roof: 7.0 kPa. plus 1000 kN plant (824 T)
 - b. 20 storey concrete building: Floor: 9.5 kPa. (981 T per floor)
Roof: 8.0 kPa. plus 1000 kN plant (929 T)
 - c. Steel building: Floor: 5.5 kPa. (572 T per floor)
Roof: 4.5 kPa. plus 800 kN plant (549 T).

6. Structural members were sized so that as far as practical the design strength was the minimum code compliant for the specified level of ductility. For the reinforced concrete structures, the minimum steel provisions prescribed by NZS 3101 (SNZ, 1995) were followed.
7. The seismic load resisting systems were sized so that the buildings complied with the displacement limits prescribed by the draft standard (SNZ, 2000).
8. The structural systems were also proportioned to provide (where feasible) a distinct difference in period between the two orthogonal systems. e.g. flexible frame, stiff brace/wall. Additionally, an endeavour was made that where practical, the fundamental period of the building was not greater than 3 seconds. For periods greater than 3 seconds the code design spectra gives constant displacement.
9. Beams varied in size over the height of the buildings to assist in matching design strength with demand. However, this variation was kept to a minimum for the concrete buildings, so as to reflect typical building practice.

2.2.2 Detailed design

The building structures were designed for gravity and seismic loads and load combinations, as prescribed by the draft Loadings Standard (SA/SNZ, 2000). Seismic analyses were carried out using the ETABS V7 finite element analysis program from Computers and Structures Inc, 1995 University Avenue, Berkeley, California, USA. Analysis and design were an interactive process, with member sizes and locations revised so as to achieve the target ductility demand while complying with displacement limits, gravity load demands, and minimum steel requirements. For all moment resisting frames, the members were proportioned so that column hinging was precluded except at base level, and no beam span hinging was allowed.

Reinforced concrete buildings

1. Concrete members were designed and detailed in accordance with the Concrete Structures Standard, NZS 3101 (SNZ, 1995).
2. Beam design strengths were calculated based on $\phi M_n = \phi A_s f_y (d - d')$. Slab mesh, along with any additional longitudinal bars required for stirrups, were neglected in calculations for design strength.
3. Beam over-strength moment capacities, M_o , were based on $\lambda_o = 1.25$ for main longitudinal steel. Allowance was made for contributions to beam flexural strength from the slab mesh, where $\lambda_o = 1.55$, $f_y = 485$ MPa.
4. Where beam hinging would occur away from the column faces due to gravity loading, specific curtailment of flexural reinforcement was undertaken, in order to force the beam hinges to occur at a distance of 1.5 x beam depth from the column face.
5. Column and wall combined actions interaction capacities were obtained from ETABS section designer.

Structural steel buildings

1. Steel members were designed and detailed in accordance with the Steel Structures Standard NZS 3404 (SNZ, 1992a).
2. Steel designed following the procedures of HERA Report R4-76 Seismic Design Procedures for Steel Structures (HERA, 1995).

3. Steel beam flexural over-strength factors, ϕ_o , were taken as 1.15 for limited ductile (L), and 1.25 for ductile (D) frames
4. Steel link over-strength factors were taken as 1.30 for limited ductile (L), and 1.40 for ductile (D) buildings.

2.2.3 Modal analyses

Three dimensional finite element models of the buildings were generated using the ETABS V7 graphical user interface. Only the seismic structure was modelled, with the floors modelled as rigid diaphragms. Seismic masses were lumped at each of the floor levels, with code specified eccentricities accounted for by displacing the lumped floor masses by the specified eccentricities (0.1 times building width).

Response spectrum analysis was used in all cases for the design of the structure. Modal results were combined using the Complete Quadratic Combination method (CQC). P-Delta actions and displacements were calculated following the procedure of NZS 4203 (SNZ, 1992).

Modelling of reinforced concrete buildings

1. Beams and columns were modelled using frame members.
2. Beam and column rigid end offsets were put equal to half the beam-column joint length.
3. Seismic shear walls were modelled using super-isoparametric shell elements.
4. Columns adjacent to shear walls were modelled assuming full connection between the column and wall units. Columns therefore formed part of the shear wall system.
5. Walls were modelled with vertical spring supports beneath each wall column equivalent to 10 m long piles.

Modelling of structural steel buildings

1. Beams, columns, and braces were modelled with frame members.
2. Beam and column rigid end offsets were taken as equal to half the beam-column joint length, to account for panel zone flexibility.
3. A beam flexural stiffness modification factor of 1.2 was used to account for composite floor action.
4. EBFs were modelled with vertical spring supports beneath each column equivalent to 10 m long piles.

Seismic loads

Seismic loading was evaluated in accordance with the draft Loadings Standard (SA/SNZ, 2000). Note the following interpretations or variations:

- a structural performance factor, S_p , factor of 0.67 was used for all buildings
- the return Period Factor, R , was taken as 1.0 for 3 and 10 storey buildings, and 1.3 for 20 storey buildings.
- no minimum seismic coefficient
- no base shear scaling for response spectrum analyses

2.3 Building descriptions

Floor plans and main features of the suite of buildings are shown over the next two pages. More detailed information is included in Appendix 1.

2.3.1 Reinforced concrete buildings

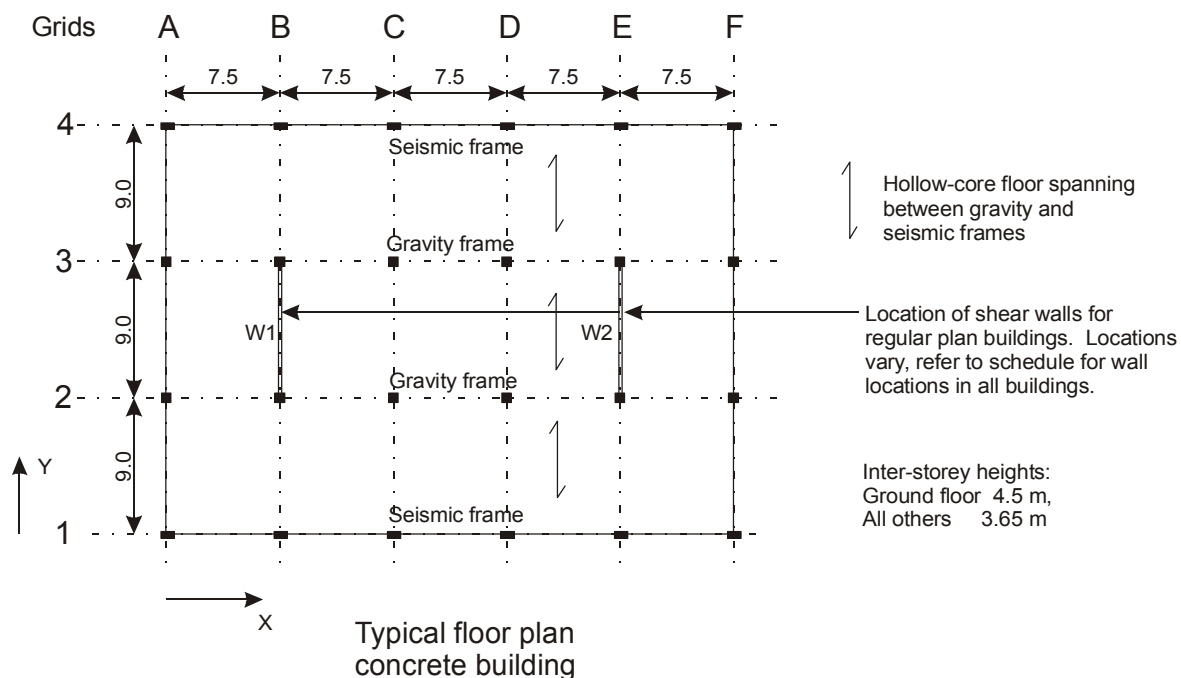


Table 2: Schedule of reinforced concrete buildings

Name	Shearwall locations (grids)		Shearwall length x thickness (m) x (mm)	First mode period (sec)		Base shear (kN)	
	W 1	W 2		X direction	Y direction	X direction	Y direction
RC3RWCL	B	E	9.0 x 180	0.98	0.70	2970	3321
RC3RWDL	B	E	9.0 x 180	0.85	0.61	5850	5620
RC3IWCL	B	D	9.0 x 180	0.99	0.62	2760	4500
RC3IWDL	B	D	9.0 x 180	0.86	0.54	5500	7200
RC10RWCL	A	F	18.0 x 225	2.45	1.26	3593	7979
RC10RWCD	A	F	9.0 x 225	2.48	2.81	1710	2871
RC10RWDL	A	F	18.0 x 225	1.70	1.15	9270	12,932
RC10RWDD	A	F	13.5 x 225	1.77	1.64	4993	6304
RC10IWCL	B	D	9.0 x 225	2.63	2.85	2950	4511
RC10IWCD	B	D	9.0 x 225	2.53	3.05	1497	2581
RC10IWDL	B	D	13.5 x 225	1.69	1.54	8350	9380
RC10IWDD	A	D	13.5 x 225	1.57	1.75	5516	4831
RC20RWCL	A	F	18.0 x 300	2.71	2.85	8667	13,165
RC20RWDL	A	F	18.0 x 300	2.65	2.84	15,282	18,479
RC20RWDD	A	F	18.0 x 300	2.71	2.85	7511	11,077
RC20IWCL	A	D	18.0 x 300	2.68	2.74	8159	10,981
RC20IWDL	B	D	18.0 x 300	2.59	2.54	6033	19,725
RC20IWDD	A	D	18.0 x 300	2.68	2.74	7017	9706

2.3.2 Steel buildings

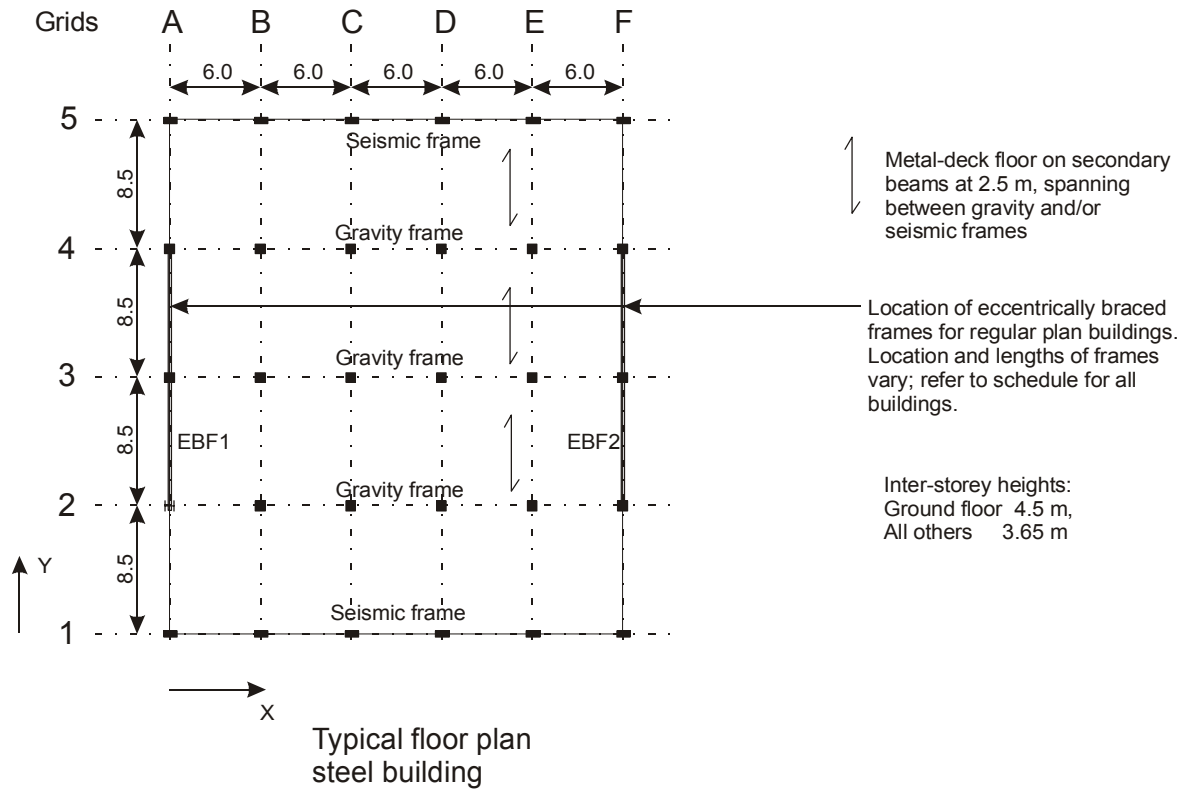


Table 3: Schedule of steel buildings

Name	Braced frame locations (grids)		Number of braced bays	First mode period (sec)		Base shear (kN)	
	EBF 1	EBF 2		X direction	Y direction	X direction	Y direction
ST3RWCL	A	F	2	1.92	0.53	1512	3571
ST3RWDL	A	F	2	1.16	0.48	3479	5150
ST3IWDD	A	F	2	1.16	0.58	3479	2973
ST3IWCL	B	D	2	1.94	0.49	1500	3903
ST3IWDL	B	D	2	1.18	0.46	3479	5600
ST3IWDD	B	D	2	1.18	0.59	3158	2973
ST3RACL	A	F	1	2.50	0.90	860	1085
ST3IACL	B	D	1	2.50	0.83	860	1003
ST10RWCL	A	F	2	3.24	1.64	1727	3408
ST10RWDL	B	E	2	2.38	1.29	4033	7193
ST10RWDD	A	F	2	2.36	1.61	4050	2860
ST10IWCL	B	D	2	3.25	1.47	1920	3985
ST10IWDL	B	D	2	2.39	1.30	3901	7193
ST10IWDD	B	D	2	2.40	1.46	4150	3174

2.4 Issues arising during design

The buildings were initially designed by a practitioner who was very familiar with the current Loading Standard (SNZ 1992). During the course of detailed design it became apparent that there were several differences between the current and draft standards, which would have significant effects on the designs. These are discussed in detail by Bell and Davidson (2002), but are summarised here for completeness.

2.4.1 Hazard spectra

There was an overall reduction in design load between NZS 4203, and the November draft resulting from the changed hazard spectra. This was especially true for the Auckland buildings, where reductions up to 60 to 70% were found. As a result many buildings were governed by drift limits or minimum reinforcing steel provisions. Structures which would have been designed as fully ductile would now become limited ductile designs.

Although these comments are still generally applicable, subsequent changes to the design spectra have lessened the effects.

2.4.2 Response spectra base shear scaling

The changes in spectral shapes in the draft standard meant that higher modes were likely to become more dominant in a response spectra analysis than was the case with the current standard. Thus, base shear was no longer considered a reasonable parameter to use when comparing “response spectra” analyses results with an “equivalent static” analysis which is based on the first mode only. For this reason, base shear scaling was omitted from November draft. It was later reinstated and remains in the current draft, primarily as a reality check. However its omission did affect the building designs.

2.4.3 Structural performance factor

Use of the structural performance factor, S_p is clouded with controversy. Two options were provided in the November draft:

- Assign S_p according to structural ductility only i.e. $\mu > 1.25$, $S_p = 0.67$
- Assign S_p on the basis of ductility, redundancy and regularity.

2.4.4 Inter-storey drift limits

Drift limits controlled several of the building designs. The purpose of the limits is not clear. The limits were evaluated for moment resisting frames, so their relevance to shear walls and braced frames is doubtful, and different limits apply to these elements in other standards.

3. GROUND MOTION RECORDS

3.1 Overview

Issues relating to the procedures for selection and scaling of the ground motion records occupied a lot of the Project Advisory Group’s efforts. Key recommendations from the initial meetings were:

1. US practices (FEMA, 1997) and (ATC, 1996) should form the basis for the selection of ground-motion records and the scaling procedures to be used for the study. (Not all US provisions can be carried across directly, because in New Zealand the code spectra are defined in terms of the stronger horizontal component, rather than the US practice of using the geometric mean of two orthogonal horizontal components.)
2. A minimum of three ground-motion records are required. Each record should have a similar

seismic signature (eg: magnitude, distance, slip characteristics, and soil class) to the significant events contributing to the design spectra at the target period, and for the return period associated with the limit state being considered.

3. Scaling procedures will be required to match the selected record spectra to the hazard spectra of the current Loadings Standard (SNZ, 1992). A quality-of-fit check was recommended to achieve a reasonable match.
4. As the main thrust of the project is the behaviour of building parts and components, the three-dimensional response of the building is of interest. Thus it was considered essential that the ground-motion records chosen must have at least two horizontal components. These components are interrelated, and this must be considered in the spectral matching technique used.

The relevant section from the NEHRP Recommendations (FEMA, 1997) is reproduced below:

2.6.2.2

Acceleration Time Histories

Time-History Analysis shall be performed with no fewer than three data sets (two horizontal components or, if vertical motion is to be considered, two horizontal components and one vertical component) of appropriate ground motion time histories that shall be selected and scaled from no fewer than three recorded events.

Appropriate time histories shall have magnitude, fault distances, and source mechanisms that are consistent with those that control the design earthquake ground motion. Where three appropriate recorded ground-motion time history data sets are not available, appropriate simulated time history data sets may be used to make up the total number required. For each data set, the square root of the sum of the squares (SRSS) of the 5% damped site-specific spectrum of the scaled horizontal components shall be constructed. The data sets shall be scaled such that the average value of the SRSS spectra does not fall below 1.4 times the 5%-damped spectrum for the design earthquake for periods between $0.2T$ seconds and $1.5T$ seconds (where T is the fundamental period of the building).

Where three time history data sets are used in the analysis of a structure, the maximum value of each response parameter (e.g., force in a member, displacement at a specific level) shall be used to determine design acceptability. Where seven or more time history data sets are employed, the average value of each response parameter may be used to determine design acceptability.

Selection of the earthquake ground motions for this project, together with their record scale factors, was carried out under contract to BRANZ by the Institute of Geological and Nuclear Sciences (GNS). The team leader was Graeme McVerry.

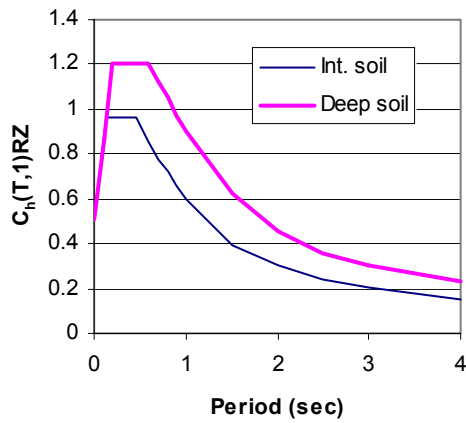
3.2 Target spectra

The target spectra used for the selection of the records were the design spectra from the current version of the Loadings Standard, as suggested by the Project Advisory Group. During the course of the project these spectra changed several times, resulting in considerable rework for both GNS and BRANZ.

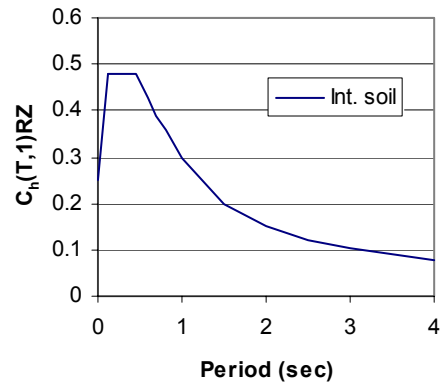
The initial spectra were taken from the November 2000 draft of the joint Australia/New Zealand Loading Standard (SA/SNZ, 2000). Later in the study, changes were made to the proposed spectra to give a more gradual fall-off with period, and to include near-fault effects. An additional provision

was introduced which required that one of every three records was to include a component with marked forward-directivity characteristics when sites are near to the most active major fault systems. Also, during this period a near fault factor, $N(T,D)$, was introduced.

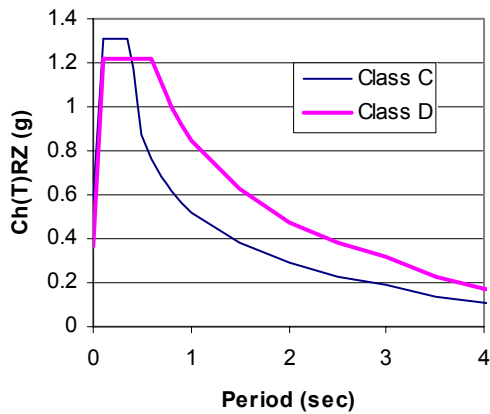
Figure 1 shows the spectra in process of evolution at three significant stages in the project, for each of the soil sites studied. Ordinates of the plots are the product of the Spectral Shape Factor, $C_h(T,1)$, the Zone Factor for the site, Z , the Return-Period Factor, R , and (where appropriate for the site) the Near-Fault Factor, $N(T,D)$.



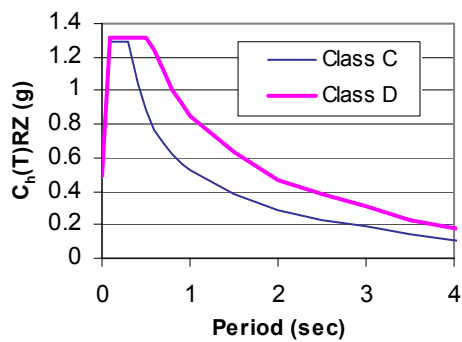
(a) Wellington. NZS 4203:1992



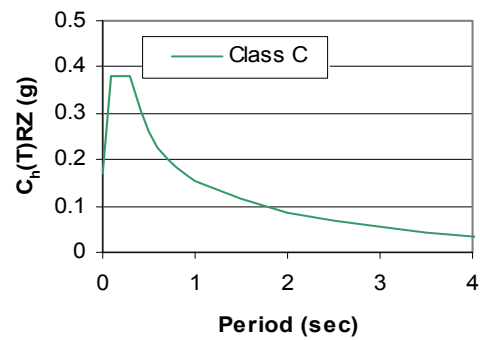
(b) Auckland. NZS 4203:1992



(c) Wellington. Initial code draft



(d) Wellington. December 2002 draft



(e) Auckland. December 2002 draft

Figure 1: Target spectra used during the project.

3.3 Record selection

Record selection was undertaken with reference to the IGNS library of ground motion records.

De-aggregation studies were carried out to determine the events contributing the most to the respective target spectra. In the case of the Wellington sites these were from the Wellington and Ohariu faults, with most of the balance coming from the Wairarapa fault. For Auckland, the major

contributor is the arbitrary M6.5 earthquake at 20 km, which dominates the short period range, and the Wairoa North and Kerepehi North faults for the longer periods (>1.5 seconds).

Records were selected to match the seismic signatures of these events. The selection procedure required the seismic signature of the record to match as far as practical, the events that make a significant contribution to the design spectra in the period range of interest. Issues which influence choice of the record include the magnitude of the event, the physical proximity of the event from the recording device, the slip characteristics of the event and the ground conditions upon which the recording device was located. The seismic signature varied with the limit state and the location being considered. Thus different ground-motion records were necessary for different limit states (i.e. different return periods). For serviceability limit state events in Wellington for example, the primary contribution is from more distant events than the ultimate limit state event noted above, with the contribution from the nearby Wellington and Wairarapa faults being minimal.

The records chosen for the ultimate limit state Wellington shallow soil (Class C) site were:

1. Tabas, F78201Z2, magnitude 7.4 at a distance of 1.2 km from the rupture. This is a version of the record held at GNS that had been filtered with a high-pass filter with a transition band of 0.15 to 0.25 Hz, effectively removing the long-period forward-directivity pulse that is a feature of this record. It provides an excellent match to the code spectrum, with a scaling of about 0.5 for the $R=1$ case for Wellington.
2. Tabas FD F78201Z1. This is a reprocessed version, with more low-frequency content so that the forward directivity pulse is retained. This is also a very good match to the code spectrum, except that the forward-directivity pulse causes the spectrum to be relatively strong at long periods compared to the code spectrum. However, such behaviour is realistic in the near-source zone, and exposes a deficiency of the code spectrum. It was considered important to include one record with forward directivity in the mix for long-period structures in Wellington. This record is an alternative to F78201Z2, especially for long-period structures.
3. La Union F85421Z1. From above the rupture zone of the 1985 Michoacan, Mexico earthquake of magnitude 8.1, at a distance of 16 km from the rupture zone. The scaling required for the $R=1$ case for Wellington is about 2 (the near-source records from the Mexican earthquake tended to be weak for their magnitude and distance). It provides an excellent match to most of the code spectrum.
4. El Centro 1940 F40001U1 Magnitude 7.0 strike-slip event at 10 km This remains one of the best examples of constant spectral velocity over a wide period range. The scaling is typically 1.2 for the $R=1$ case for Wellington.

The records chosen for ULS Wellington deep soil (Class D) site were:

1. The El Centro record, which provides satisfactory fits in all period bands, although the scaling varies with period.
2. Duzce record, F99604Z1, from the magnitude 7.7, Izmit (Turkey) earthquake of 1999. Forward-directivity
3. Caleta de Campos record, F85419Z1, from the near-source zone of the Michoacan (Mexico) earthquake of 1985. Caleta de Campos is a rock rather than deep soil site, but the soil is rather weathered so the record just fits the criteria.

The records chosen for Auckland shallow soil (Class C) site were:

1. Delta record F79407Z1 from the Imperial Valley earthquake of 1979, magnitude 6.5 at 33 km distance to represent the Wairoa North fault event. This event was strike-slip, but is included by Spudich et al. (1997) in their list of events in extensional tectonic regimes. The site conditions are unknown, other than being classified as soil by Spudich et al and with an average shear-wave velocity to 30m depth of 180m/s to 360m/s by Boore et al. (1997). This record provides an excellent match to the code spectrum in all spectral period bands.
2. Bovino record F80271Z1 from the Irpinia (Campano Lucano), Italy earthquake of 23 November 1980, magnitude 6.8 at 52 km to represent the Kerepehi North fault event. The magnitude and shortest distance to the rupture are taken from the European Strong-Motion Database containing the record, while Spudich et al (1997) give a magnitude of 6.9 and a Joyner-Boore distance of 43 km and Sabetta & Pugliese (1987) give a surface-wave magnitude of 6.8 and a Joyner-Boore distance of 55km. Sabetta & Pugliese list the site with a deep soil classification, corresponding to more than 20m of soil. However, they give a shear-wave velocity range of 400m/s to 800m/s for soil, so depending on the velocity, depths of between 60 m and 120 m could fit in the New Zealand shallow soil class. This record provides an excellent match to the code spectrum in all spectral period bands.
3. Matahina dam base record A87085D2 from the 1987 Edgecumbe earthquake, magnitude 6.53 at 11km distance (listed as magnitude 6.60 at 18.9 km by Spudich et al) to represent the deterministic minimum spectrum corresponding to a magnitude 6.5 earthquake at 20 km. The site fits the shallow soil category of the draft code. This record provides a poorer match than the other two, but is still acceptable.

3.4 Scaling of records

The intent of scaling ground motion records is so that, over the period range of interest, the frequency content of each record matches that of the target spectrum for the site and limit state, and that the energy content of at least one record in the family of three exceeds the target spectrum.

The choice of a period range of interest must encompass the dynamic characteristics of the building, and needs to consider both its short-period response, and the potential for the structure to soften and move well beyond its assessed fundamental period. The range used in the study was $0.2T < T < 1.5T$ (where T = the fundamental building period), which is consistent with the USA approach (FEMA, 1997). Subsequent changes to the draft standard have revised the range to $0.4T < T < 1.25T$, thereby overcoming the problem of large scale factors being required for individual records.

After a number of iterations, the solution arrived at to achieve these criteria was that for each orthogonal direction of the building, with its fundamental period T (and the range of interest $0.2 T$ to $1.5 T$), the accelerations in each record were scaled by two factors, k_1 and k_2 .

- A First, *the record scale factor*, k_1 , was used to adjust the individual record to match the target spectrum as closely as practical over the period range of interest. For each component of the record, the factor k_1 was determined as follows:

where: k_1 = Scale value which minimises (in a least mean square sense) the function $\log(k_1 SA_{\text{component}}/SA_{\text{target}})$ over the period range of interest (in each case the frequencies used to determine k_1 were selected so that each frequency was within 10 % of the preceding one),

$SA_{\text{component}}$ is the 5 % damped spectrum of each component of each ground motion record within the family of records being considered,

SA_{target} is the target spectrum for the site, which is equal to the elastic site hazard spectrum, $C(T)$.

The component with the lowest record scale factor (k_1) at each period was nominated as the principal component for that period, and the other as the secondary component.

The presentational style produced by GNS resulted in a set of period-dependent record scale factors each of which identified the principal component of that record at each period. An example of the form presented is shown in Figure 2.

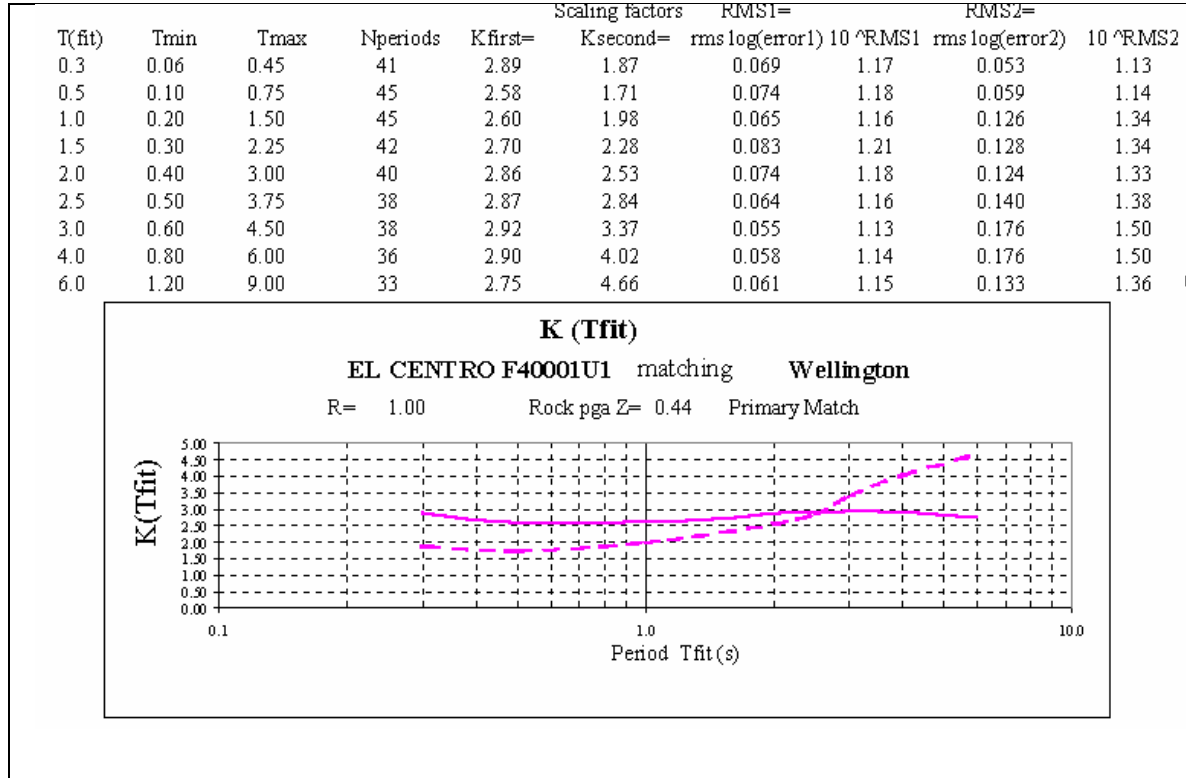


Figure 2. Record scale factor.

(El Centro Record – Wellington deep soil site)

The envelope approach is slightly different from that used in US practice where the average spectral ordinate of the set of records is required to exceed the target spectra. However since the most adverse response of a parameter to each member of the family controls acceptability, it was considered reasonable that only one record need exceed the target.

- B Second, a *family scale factor*, k_2 , was applied to all the records in the family of three, so as to ensure that at least one record exceeds the target spectrum at each point ($SA_{\text{Principal}} > SA_{\text{Target}}$) over the same period range of interest. In all cases $k_2 \geq 1.0$.

However, if $k_2 > 1.3$ then either:

- a different record was selected as one of the family so as to better cover the target spectrum and reassess k_2 , or
- if the record scale factors of the components were within 20 % of each other at period T , the principal and secondary components were swapped, and k_2 reassessed.

An example of the comparison of the target spectra to the family of principal spectra for a $T=1.5$ second building on Class D soil in Wellington under Ultimate Limit States condition is shown in Figure 3. The envelope of the three spectra falls below the target spectrum near the maximum period of interest, 2.25s for a 1.5s structure, requiring a k_2 factor of 1.13.

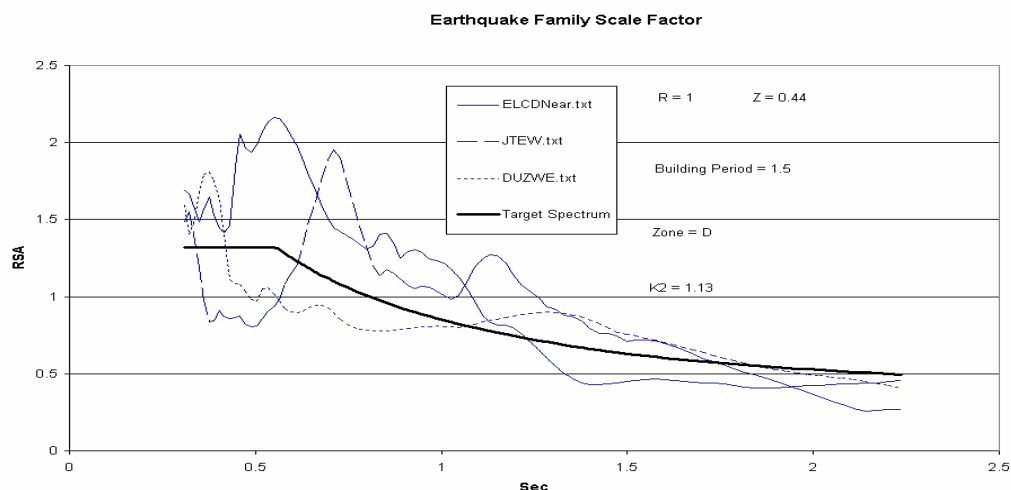


Figure 3. Typical family scale factor, k_2 .
(for $T=1.5$, Wellington site, Class D soil, ULS)

The product of the two factors, ($k_1 \times k_2$) was then used to scale the selected earthquake records in the subsequent time history analyses, as described in the next section.

During the course of the project, the above procedures were subjected to review and also the proposed code spectra modified as the project progressed and unexpected issues arose. This resulted in considerable rework by both GNS selecting the records and record scale factor, and by BRANZ determining the family scale factors and applying them to the building models to ascertain the inelastic response parameters. The finally agreed procedure (as outlined above) was offered to the Standards Review Committee as the basis for the ground motion record scaling procedure described in Section 5.5 of the earthquake part of the Loading Standard, and is now incorporated in the current draft of the standard (SNZ, 2003).

4. TIME HISTORY ANALYSES

4.1 Overview

The Ruaumoko 3D analysis package (Carr, 2001) was selected for the integrated time history analyses (ITHA) because it was capable of three dimensional analysis, was commercially available at a reasonable price, and included a variety of suitable hysteretic models. It had the additional advantage that the author was readily available to the team to help with any advice or problems that may have arisen.

Because of the large number of analyses that were required, and the large size of the building models, the ITHA were run using the batch file entry option, which proved a very efficient way of processing several building configurations sequentially. Typically each analysis run took between 5 minutes and 2 hours using 1 GHz and 1.7 GHz PC's, frequently running overnight.

The building designs were produced, with all the necessary ITHA input data, in the form of a spreadsheet, one for the steel buildings, and one for the reinforced concrete buildings. Individual worksheets within the spreadsheet contained all the basic building information, the geometric data for the nodes, material and property data for all the members, and all necessary loading, mass and damping parameters. Three worksheets (one for each of the 3, 10, or 20 storey building models) were set out in a suitable format for direct reading as input batch files by the Ruaumoko 3D programme. Options were presented for the analyst to choose:

- the building model
- the analysis type (pushover/mode shape or time history)
- P-Delta option
- earthquake direction and eccentricity
- the names of the input files containing the relevant component of the ground motion record
- scale factor for the record.

A macro was then used to directly create the input text file for each Ruaumoko batch run.

Each building model, created as described above, was first subjected to two pushover analyses using Ruaumoko 3D, one with the action being imposed in the moment-resisting frame direction, and one in the transverse direction (shearwalls, or eccentrically braced frames). From these analyses the significant mode shapes and building periods in each direction were established. Plots of the roof displacement against base shear were then used to establish the structural ductility for each building. Examples of these plots (pushover plots) are included in Appendix 2.

The fundamental building periods for each direction so established were then used to calculate the family scaling factors (k_2) for the selected ground motions as described in the previous section, and the combined scale factor used to create time history input batch files.

The inelastic time history analysis for each building was then undertaken in the following steps:

- the first record was applied to the model with the primary component in the moment-resisting frame direction, and the secondary component in the shearwall or EBF direction. Both components were scaled by the record scale factor applicable to the principal component, and the family scale factor applicable for the fundamental period of the building in the orientation of application
- the analysis was repeated with the primary component in the wall/EBF direction
- the same procedure was repeated for each of the other two records, thus making six analyses for each building at each limit state.

The analyses used the Newmark-constant average acceleration method (Clough and Penzien, 1993), with a time step of $\Delta t = 0.005$ seconds.

4.2 Structural modelling

4.2.1 General

The three dimensional models created for the non-linear time history analyses were based on the models used for the ETABS linear-elastic, modal analyses (see section 2.2.2). However, some changes were made to reflect the fact that one of the goals of the analyses was to establish realistic floor acceleration spectra.

In particular, expected strength and stiffness properties were used in place of the dependable properties as used for the ETABS analyses, which would typically underestimate the actual floor accelerations. This was done to allow for the normally expected higher than specified strengths of the steel and concrete used, and also to allow for the increase in strength of the concrete over time. Thus the analysis results were considered to give expected upper bound estimates of the floor accelerations.

4.2.2 Material properties

The expected strength of the concrete, $\lambda_{ec} (f'_c)$, was taken as being 50% higher than that specified, as recommended in FEMA 306 (FEMA, 1997a), and ATC 40 (ATC, 1996). The expected stiffness of the concrete, $\lambda_e (E_c)$, was taken as being 30% higher than that assumed in the design. This is to account for the probable higher than specified concrete compression strength and the conservative

formulation of the code relationship, which tends to underestimate the average values obtained from cylinder tests (Paulay and Priestley, 1992). Reinforcing steel expected yield strengths, f_{ye} , were taken as being 15% higher than specified, as per standard practice. Allowance was made in the beam strengths for the contributions from the slab mesh.

For the steel buildings, the expected yield strength, $\lambda_{es}(f_y)$, was taken as 1.17 times the specified strength. Steel beam stiffness's were increased by 20% to account for the increase in stiffness due to composite action with the slab in the middle of the span.

In summary:

- expected member strengths and stiffness's for the reinforced concrete buildings were based on:
 $\lambda_{ec}(f'_c) = 1.5$
 $\lambda_{es}(f_y) = 1.15$
 $\lambda_e(E_c) = 1.30$
- expected member strengths for the steel buildings were based on:
 $\lambda_{es}(f_y) = 1.17$
 $\lambda_e(E_s) = 1.20$
- $M_{nmax} = \lambda_{ec} \cdot A_s \cdot f_y(d-d')$. (Positive expected moment capacities at the column face were used for any beams where hinging occurs at a distance of $1.5h$ from the column face as assumed in the design)
- $P_{Cmax} = \lambda_{ec} \cdot \alpha \cdot f'_c \cdot (A_g - A_s) + \lambda_{es} \cdot f_y \cdot A_s$
- $P_{Tmax} = \lambda_{es} \cdot f_y \cdot A_s$

Strain hardening effects were taken into account by the hysteretic models chosen.

4.2.3 Modelling

All seismic mass (both translational and rotational mass) was lumped at each of the floor levels, and applied at a vertical series of reference nodes, one at each floor. The location of the reference nodes was altered as required to achieve a nominal accidental eccentricity of 0.1 times the building plan dimension, as is common practice in New Zealand (SNZ, 2000). For buildings with irregular plan layout, the reference node location was arbitrarily chosen as that with the greatest offset from the location of the centre of gravity of the shearwalls (or EBFs), so as to produce the greatest torsional effect on the structure. For all the buildings, the concrete floors were modelled as rigid diaphragms by slaving all nodes (rotation and translation) at that level to the reference nodes.

Gravity frames were included in the concrete building models, but not in the steel buildings. For all the buildings, frame columns were modelled as fixed at their bases. However shear wall bases incorporated flexural springs, and EBF columns vertical springs, to simulate the axial flexibility of 10 metre long piles.

Beams were modelled as Giberson Beam frame members (Sharpe, 1974), and columns as Concrete or Steel beam-column frame members. Shear walls were modelled as Columns with equivalent stiffness and strength to the walls they represent. For both beams and columns, rigid end blocks (with joint flexibility) equal to half the beam-column joint length were used. Plastic hinges were included at the column faces at each end of all the beams, and at the bases of the ground floor columns.

Concrete buildings

For the concrete buildings, the member stiffness's were modified to represent concrete cracking, generally as per the guidelines in the Commentary to NZS 3101 (SNZ, 1995). After discussions with the Project Advisory Group, the following modifiers were applied to the gross section dimensions to give effective section properties:

Location	External frames		Internal frames		Walls
	Corner column	Interior column	End column	Interior column	
Above Storey 6	$I_e = 0.5 I_g$	$I_e = 0.5 I_g$	$I_e = 0.5 I_g$	$I_e = 0.6 I_g$	$I_e = 0.3 I_g$
Below Storey 6	$I_e = 0.5 I_g$	$I_e = 0.6 I_g$	$I_e = 0.6 I_g$	$I_e = 0.75 I_g$	$I_e = 0.4 I_g$

Beam and column plastic hinges were modelled using the Modified Takeda hysteresis rule (Carr, 2001).

Hinge bi-linear parameters used were as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha &= 0.42 \\ \beta &= 0.90 \\ NF &= 1.0 \\ KKK &= 2\end{aligned}$$

Hinge lengths were as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Frames:} \quad L_p &= 0.67 h \\ \text{Walls:} \quad L_p &= 0.2 L_w + 0.07 M/V \approx 3.2 \text{ m for a 9 m wall}\end{aligned}$$

Steel buildings

For the steel buildings, beam-column joints in the moment resisting frames were modelled as rigid panels with joint flexibility as discussed above.

Plastic hinge lengths were taken as equal to beam depth. The moment-curvature relationship for the hinge was evaluated to give approximately 15% strain hardening at a hinge rotation of 0.03 radians. This corresponds to a hinge ductility of approximately 8, or a member ductility of approximately 6. The specified strain hardening can be obtained using a bi-linear elasto-plastic relationship with a stiffness strain hardening ratio of approximately 2%.

The Al-Bermani hysteresis rule (which makes some allowance for Bauschinger effects) (Carr, 2001) was recommended by the Project Advisory Group for the steel plastic hinges. However, analysis problems were encountered with this rule in Ruaumoko 3D, so finally the modified Ramberg-Osgood rule (Carr, 2001) was used. This relationship has the added advantage that the curve flattens out (i.e. tangent stiffness reduces) at larger ductilities. This is in line with test behaviour. A Ramberg-Osgood function with a parameter value (r) of 14 passes through the target point. A plot of the relationship shows that the hinge would effectively have a post-yield tangent stiffness of approximately 3% for limited ductile behaviour, and approximately 1.5% for fully ductile.

Modelling of the eccentrically braced frame link area is described in Figure 4. Column, brace and beam members were modelled with section properties as designed. The shear links were modelled as short beam members with normal flexural properties, but with their shear properties suppressed. The shear characteristics of the link were incorporated into a spring connecting two coincident nodes at the midpoint of the link. The link shear relationship was approximated by a tri-linear post yield curve with 3%, 1.5%, and 0.3% stiffness values. The modified Ramberg-Osgood function, with a parameter value (r) of 9.5 provides a good approximation of this curve. Note that with this relationship, hinge strain hardening (strength) would be approximately 35% and 45% for structure displacement ductility of 3 and 5 respectively (based on actual rather than design strength).

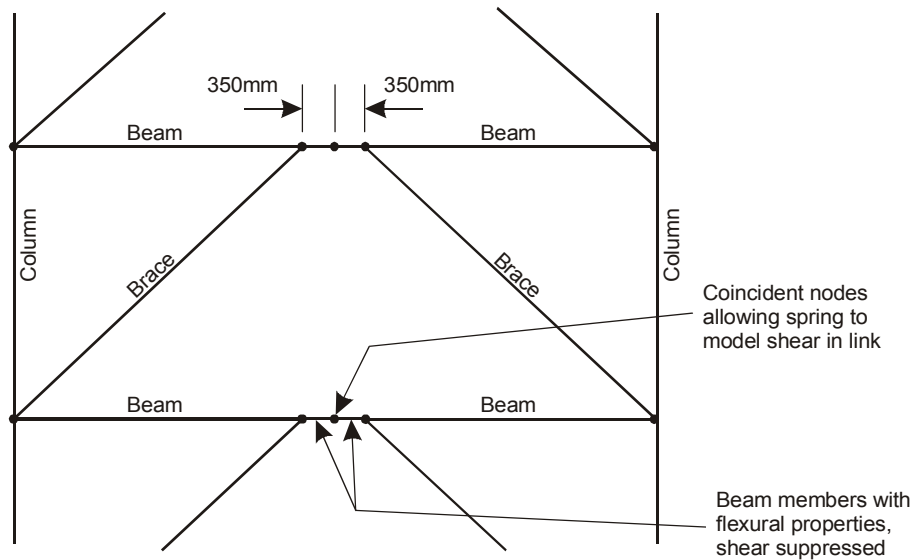


Figure 4. Modelling of EBF links.

4.2.4 Damping

Rayleigh initial stiffness viscous damping (Carr, 2001) was incorporated in the model, using the expected properties of the structure at the fundamental period for the direction being considered. As discussed with the Project Advisory Group, the damping parameters were evaluated to give 5% damping in the fundamental elastic mode, and a minimum of 2% in any mode. The coefficients used were:

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha &= 0.3254 \\ \beta &= 0.00125 \\ \xi(T_1) &= 5\% \\ \xi(T_i) &\geq 2\%.\end{aligned}$$

4.2.5 Loads

Gravity loads on beams were incorporated in the analysis through the application of equivalent fixed end moments to the beam ends. Column and wall axial loads from the ultimate gravity load cases were applied as a prestress force in the elements.

P-Delta effects were accounted for by applying the gravity load on a pin ended column located at the reference nodes.

4.3 Data reduction process

Output files from the Ruaumoko integrated time history analyses (ITHA) were very large (typically ranging between 200 MB and 1 GB in total for the .RAS and .LIS files per analysis run). At an early stage the project team identified data processing as a significant and critical part of the project, and developed Visual Basic (VB) software, written in-house specially for the task.

The suite of extraction programs included:

- “Modeshape.exe” – extracted the mode shapes and periods at the master nodes
- “Pushover.exe” – extracted a time history of deflection at a selected node, and reactions at bases of columns, walls and braces
- “Stackofdrifts.exe” – interrogated the deflection data in the output files, and extracted the peak inter-storey drifts during the period of excitation (in x and z translational directions), for each level at the corner nodes. It also extracted instantaneous deflection profiles at the master nodes at various timesteps.

- “Yieldextractor.exe” - extracted a time history of accelerations (translations and rotations) at the master node, base shears, and selected member moments and curvatures. Note that the accelerations output from the Ruaumoko ITHA are relative to the ground, and need to be added vectorially to the ground accelerations to obtain total accelerations.

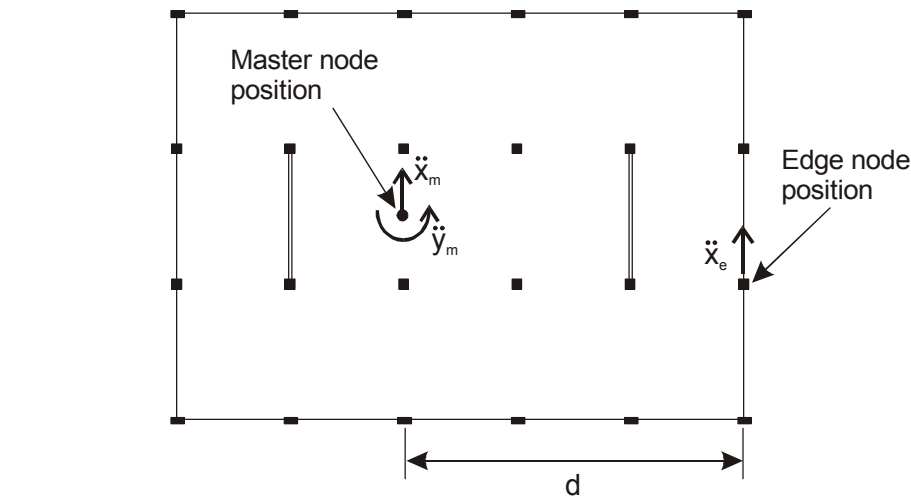
The VB programs output the extracted data into .txt files for subsequent processing by spreadsheet.

The base reactions output from “Pushover.exe” were accumulated (including the shear resultant from axial loads in the braces), and used to plot base shear against deflection at the top floor level. Examples of these pushover curves are shown in Appendix 2.

Output data from “Stackofdrifts.exe” was used to produce a plot, for each building, of maximum interstorey drift at each level, for each excitation applied in each orthogonal direction. Spreadsheets were used to select the maximum drifts from the x and z peaks at each corner node and create the plots are shown in Appendix 3. NZS 4203 and the current draft standard (SNZ, 2002) both prescribe a limit on interstorey drifts of 0.025 times the storey height when the drifts are calculated using inelastic analysis and inelastic response. These limits are superimposed on the plots of Appendix 3 (marked as “Code limit”). It is evident that several buildings do not comply with these limits, a result of the buildings being designed to an earlier version of the hazard spectra compared with that used for the time history analyses. The consequences of this on the performance of building parts and components is the subject of a new study just beginning at BRANZ, covering this and other issues related to Performance`.

Deflection profiles and envelopes were plotted for several buildings and are presented in Appendix 3. These were not particularly relevant for the building parts project so were not investigated fully.

Relative accelerations (translational and rotational) at the master nodes obtained from “Yieldextractor.exe” were transformed to the edge nodes of the building and converted to total accelerations as shown in Figure 5.



$$\ddot{x}_{t,e} = (\ddot{x}_{g,m} + \ddot{x}_{r,m}) \pm (\ddot{y}_{g,m} + \ddot{y}_{r,m}) \times d.$$

where:

$\ddot{x}_{t,e}$ = total x translational acceleration at edge node

$\ddot{x}_{g,m}$ = ground x translational acceleration at master node

$\ddot{x}_{r,m}$ = relative x translational acceleration at master node

$\ddot{y}_{g,m}$ = ground y rotational acceleration at master node

$\ddot{y}_{r,m}$ = relative x rotational acceleration at master node

Figure 5. Translation of accelerations to building edges.

The maximum acceleration value for each floor, under each excitation applied in each orthogonal direction, were then plotted to give a profile of the maximum floor accelerations up the building. Examples are shown in Appendix 4. To provide a site-independent reference point, the plots were normalised to $C(0)$ (effectively the peak ground acceleration), where $C(0)$ is defined (SNZ, 2000) as:

$$C(0) = C_h(T=0).Z.R.N(T,D).$$

The acceleration time histories obtained from “Yieldextractor.exe” were used as the input record to generate floor response spectra for each ground motion record at selected levels up the building. Plots of these (generally using 5% damping) are included in Appendix 6.

5. DEVELOPMENT OF PROVISIONS FOR PARTS IN THE DRAFT STANDARD

5.1 Background

A study of the parts provisions contained in several significant overseas standards (Table 4) shows that they all calculate a force coefficient for the part by means of a multifactor equation. Generally such equations contain terms quantifying the ground motion for the site, the influence of the building’s response (depending on period), the effect of the part itself (depending on flexibility or ductility), and a risk or importance factor for the part. The coefficient (which effectively is acceleration) is then multiplied by the operating weight of the part to give the force that the part must be designed to resist.

All of the standards studied adopt a conventional force-based procedure to determine earthquake design actions on parts. There is concern that such an approach is not be a good predictor of damage to building parts, essentially a mismatch between calculated/predicted, and observed/measured behaviour. The anomaly may be caused by high floor acceleration pulses of very short duration and with very small displacements, often caused by building response in the higher modes. As well as being found in both elastic and inelastic analyses, such phenomena have been observed in real floor response records (eg Naeim, 1996), but do not necessarily result in actual damage to building parts.

There is a perception that the parts provisions of the current version of NZS 4203 (SNZ, 1992) are difficult to apply, particularly since they require detailed information from the seismic design of each specific building. This is a major impediment to the designer or manufacturer of the “off-the-shelf” items that account for a significant portion of parts and components that are installed in new buildings. Also, the treatment of floor accelerations where the building has been designed for overstrength is not clear. The default value of $\mu = 1.0$ used in the equation of floor acceleration to account for overstrength, which is almost universally used by designers, can be shown (Kelly, 2001) to result in an overestimation of floor accelerations by a factor of up to 3.

The response to the issues raised above is a simple multifactor equation to determine the horizontal force on the part. It may take the form:

$$F_{ph} = C(0)C_f C_p R_p W_p,$$

where:

$C(0)$	is the site hazard coefficient, with period $T = 0$,
C_f	is the floor acceleration coefficient,
C_p	is the part response coefficient,
R_p	is the part risk factor,
W_p	is the weight of the part.

The factors making up the equation are described in the next few sections.

Table 4: Provisions from other standards.

Standard	Formula	Influence of ground motion		Influence of building and position of part	
		Description	Range	Description	Range
EC8 (1998)	$F_a = (S_a \cdot W_{a \cdot \gamma_a}) / q_a$	α_a Design ground acceleration (incorporated into S_a)		S_a Seismic coefficient $= [3 \cdot \alpha \cdot (1 + Z/H)] / [1 + (1 - T_a/T_1)^2]$	
				T_1 Period of building	
				H Height of building	
				Z Height of element above base of building	
NZS4203: 1984	$F = 1.5 \cdot K_x \cdot S_p \cdot M_p \cdot R_p \cdot C_d \cdot W_p$ or $F = a \cdot K_x \cdot Z \cdot R \cdot C_{pma} \cdot W_p$	Z Zone factor	2/3 - 1	C_d Force factor for building	
				α Ht. of cg of building	1 - 0.5
NZS4203: 1992	$F = [C_n(T_{pe}, t_p) C_{fr} / 0.4] \cdot W_p \cdot R_p$ (vertical as well)	Incorporated in basic seismic floor coefficient		K_x Ht. of part in building	1 - 1.7 or 2
NBC 1995	$V = v \cdot I \cdot S_p \cdot W_p$	v Zonal velocity ratio	0 - 0.4	C_{fi} Floor acceleration (includes ground motion)	
				S_p Horizontal force factor $= C_p \cdot A_r \cdot A_x$	
				A_x Height factor $= 1 + h_x / h_n$	
				h_x component, h_n building ht.	
UBC1997 (94 NEHRP similar)	$F = 4.0 \cdot C_a \cdot I_p \cdot W_p$ or $F = a_p \cdot C_a \cdot I_p / R_p \cdot (1 + 3h_x/h_t) \cdot W_p$	C_a Seismic coefficient. (Function of zone factor, soil profile, near source factor)	0.06 - 0.36	$1 + 3h_x/h_t$ Height factor	
				h_x height component	
				h_t height building	
1997 NEHRP (FEMA) (ASCE 7-98) (2000 IBC)	$F_p = 0.4 \cdot a_p \cdot S_{DS} \cdot (I_p / R_p) \cdot W_p \cdot (1 + 2z/h)$ $< 1.6 \cdot S_{DS} \cdot I_p \cdot W_p$ $> 0.3 \cdot S_{DS} \cdot I_p \cdot W_p$	S_{DS} Spectral response acceleration at short periods (Function of location and soil type)	0.13 - 1.67	$1 + 2z/h$ Height factor	1 - 3
				z Component height above grade	
				h Building (roof height)	

Table 4: Provisions from other standards (*continued*).

Standard	Effect of component		Risk/importance		Range
	Description	Range	Description	Range	
	T_a	Period of element (incorporated into S_a)	γ_a	Importance factor (as for building, except for some hazardous/critical elements)	0.8 - 1.4 (>1.5 for special elements)
	q_a	Behaviour factor of element			
	W_a	Weight of element			
NZS4203:1984	S_p	Type factor	R_p	Risk factor (hazard) for part	1 - 2
	M_p	Material factor	R	Risk factor (importance) for building	1 - 2
	C_p	Force factor of part function of inelastic capability			
NZS4203:1992		T_{pe} Period of part (>.45s) W_p Wt of part μ_p Ductility factor of part	R_p	Risk factor for part Depends on hazard and function	1 - 1.1
NBC 1995	C_p	Coefficient for components	I	Importance factor for building (based on function)	1.0 - 1.5
	A_r	Response ampl. factor (equipment attachment)			
	W_p	Equipment weight			
UBC1997 (94 NEHRP similar)	R_p	Response modification factor depends on anchorage ductility	I_p	Component importance Values for hazard and importance	1.0 - 1.5
	a_p	Amplification factor depends on flexibility of part			
	W_p	Operating weight			
1997 NEHRP (FEMA) (ASCE 7-98) (2000 IBC)	R_p	Response modification factor (toughness)	I_p	Component importance Values for hazard and importance	1.0 - 1.5
	a_p	Amplification factor (flexibility)			
	W_p	Operating weight			

5.2 Site hazard

It is necessary to have a suitable reference point for the calculation of the forces on a part. The maximum value of the input ground motion record (effectively the peak ground acceleration) is one possible parameter, and was used by Rodriguez et al (2000) in a study of floor accelerations. However, this is a variable quantity depending on the record chosen as input to a time history analysis. A well defined value, readily available to the designer, is the level of earthquake hazard at the site, defined by the draft Loading Standard (SNZ, 2000) as the elastic site hazard coefficient at zero period, $C(0)$ for the appropriate return period.

This is determined from equation 3.1 in Section 3 of the draft standard as:

$$C(T) = C_h(T) Z R N(T,D), \quad (Eq. 3.1)$$

where,

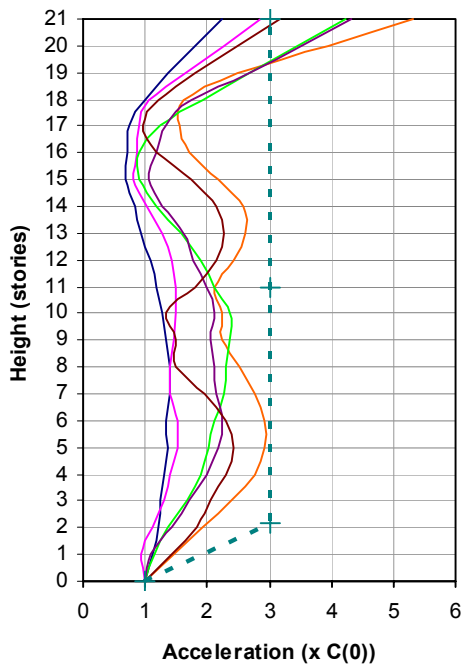
- $C_h(T)$ is the spectral shape factor ($C_h(0)$ for zero period),
- Z is the hazard factor,
- R is the return period factor R_s or R_u for the appropriate limit state,
- $N(T, D)$ is the near-fault factor (equal to 1.0 for zero period).

To provide this reference point independent of site conditions, $C(0)$ was used to normalise the floor accelerations as described above.

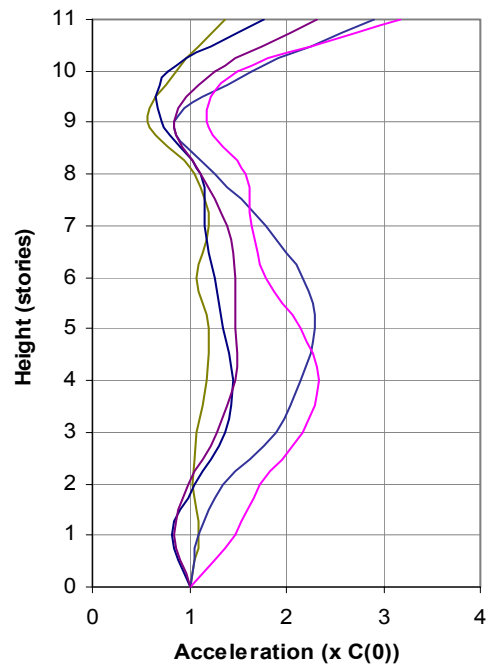
5.3 Building response

The influence of the building response is described by the floor acceleration coefficient, C_f .

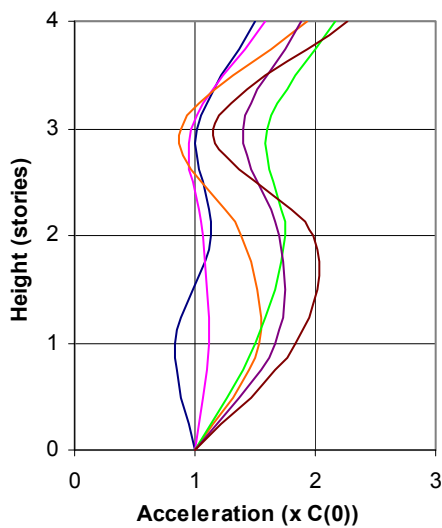
Plots of floor accelerations obtained during the project, derived as described in Section 4 above, are included as Appendix 5. Three representative examples are reproduced in Figure 6. The six lines on each plot represent response to three earthquake records, each with its principal component applied to the building in the two orthogonal directions. To obtain the floor acceleration independently of the input ground motion, the values were normalised against the elastic site hazard coefficient, $C(0)$ thus the plots depict directly the amplification by the building structure.



20 storey reinforced concrete building,
 $\mu = 3$, Wellington, Class C soil.



10 storey reinforced concrete building,
 $\mu = 6$, Wellington, Class C soil.



3 storey reinforced concrete building,
 $\mu = 3$, Wellington, Class C soil.

Figure 6 Representative floor acceleration plots.

The plots of Figure 6 may be compared with the data shown on Figure 7 which has been reproduced from Drake and Bachman (1995). Each dot represents the peak floor acceleration recorded in one of 150 Californian buildings subjected to peak ground accelerations greater than 0.25g in one of 16 earthquake events between the 1971 San Fernando Earthquake, and the 1994 Northridge

earthquake. The accelerations are normalised to the peak ground acceleration recorded at the site during the same event.

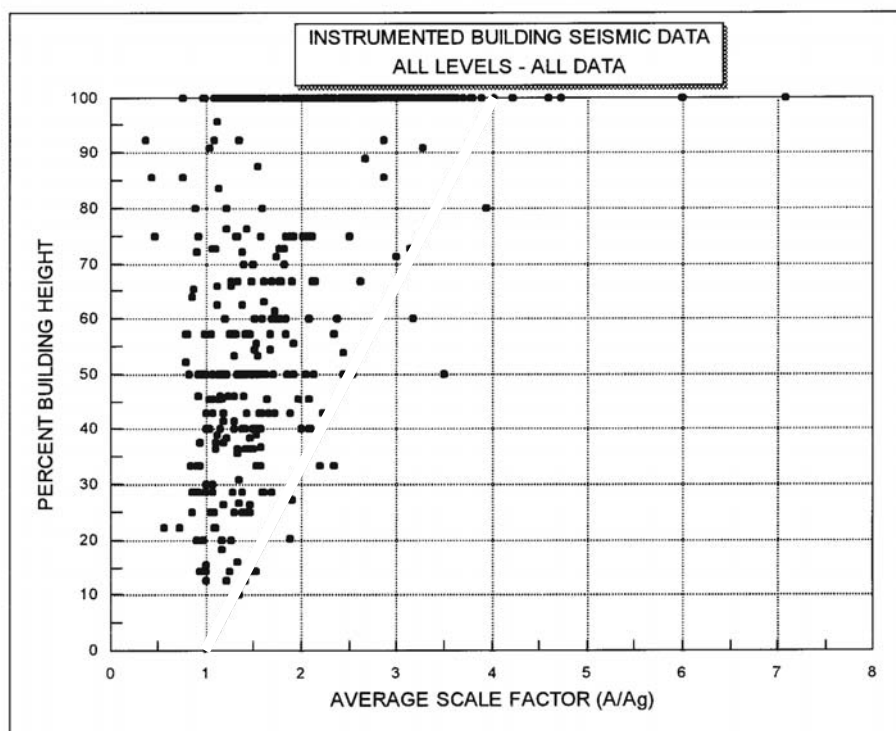


Figure 7. Recorded floor accelerations.

From Drake and Bachman (1995)

The similarity between the plots from the current study (see further plots in Appendix 5) and the recorded data is apparent, although direct comparisons are not possible because nature of each building is unknown and the normalising method is slightly different.

It is possible to draw an envelope around the floor accelerations so as to cover the majority of building cases studied. The equation proposed to Standards NZ for the floor acceleration coefficient, C_f , in the draft standard is based on such an envelope, and is shown in Figure 8.

However to provide the level of robustness required for a design standard, the suite of buildings should be widened to encompass the full range likely to be encountered in practice. These should include at least the following:

- low rise, squat buildings – such as retail developments
- stiff buildings with block walls in both directions – walk-up style apartment buildings
- buildings deliberately over designed for non-structural reasons
- timber framed buildings – inner city apartment buildings.

This investigation is intended to be carried out within the BRANZ Performance based earthquake engineering research project, currently underway. Adjustments to the proposed equation may be necessary as a result of this further work.

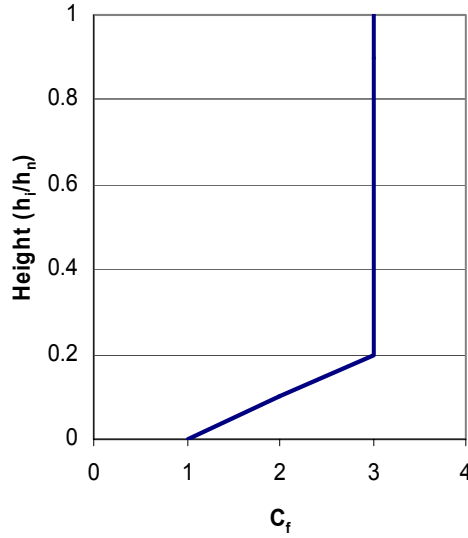


Figure 8. Floor acceleration coefficient C_f as proposed.

5.4 Part response

Using a force based approach, the response of non-structural parts to the building floor motions is most easily characterised by acceleration response spectra.

Figure 9 shows elastic response spectra (calculated with 5% damping) for a 10 storey reinforced concrete building designed for a Wellington intermediate soil site (Class C). The plots on the left show action in a direction parallel to the shear walls, and those on the right parallel to the moment resisting frames. The six lines on each plot represent the three earthquake input records, with the principal component applied in the two orthogonal building directions. The vertical lines are the building periods from the first to the 4th mode.

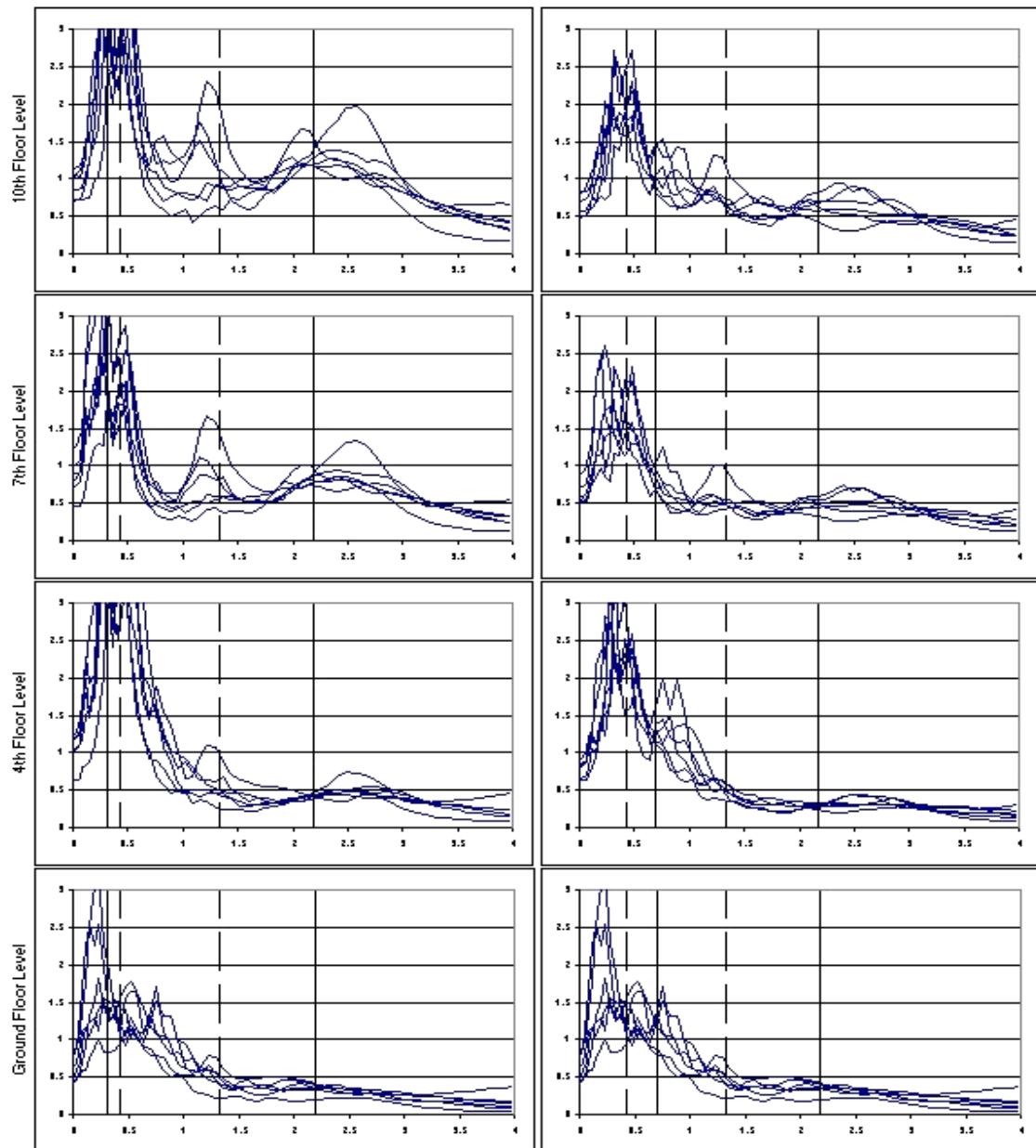


Figure 9. Floor acceleration response spectra.

Floor acceleration spectra are very sensitive to the level of damping used in their derivation. As an example, Figure 10 shows the results of a comparison between various levels of damping for one of the 3 storey concrete buildings. For the purpose of this study 5% damping was used, as has been used for other similar studies. However, further studies would be required to confirm the appropriate damping level for use with the design of non-structural parts. It may be appropriate to use different spectra for different types of parts. The spectra in Appendix 6 were all produced using 5% damping.

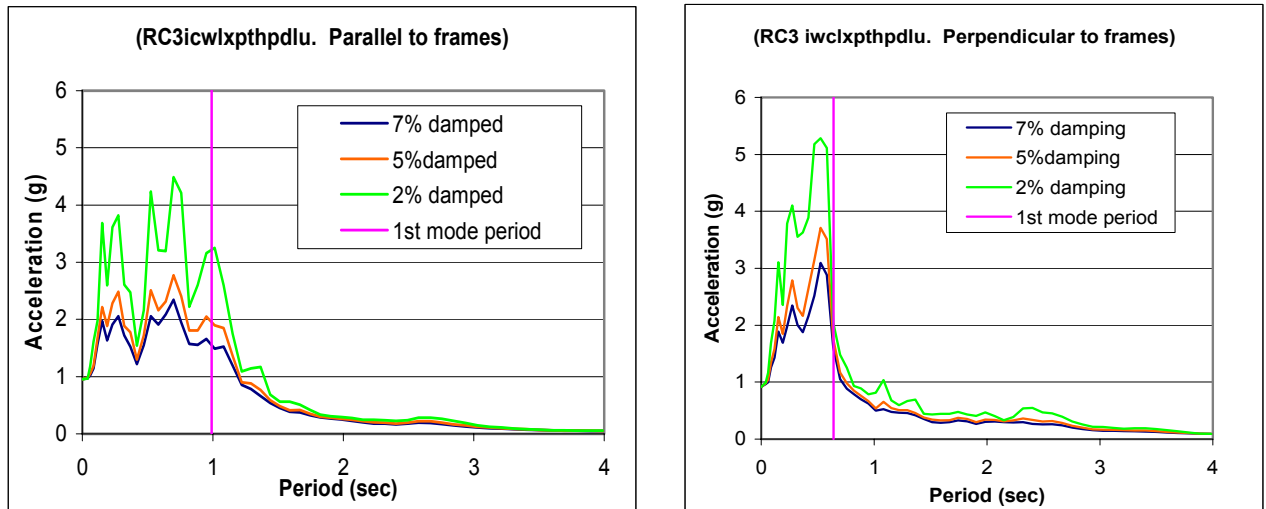


Figure 10. Floor spectra with variable damping.

The plots of Figure 9 may be compared with the spectra of Figure 11, reproduced from Naeim (1996). These spectra were computed (at 5% damping) from floor accelerations measured at different levels in a range of instrumented buildings during the 1994 Northridge earthquake. The report was obtained from the Strong Motion Instrumentation Program (SMIP) run by the State of California, Department of Conservation, Division of Mines and Geology.

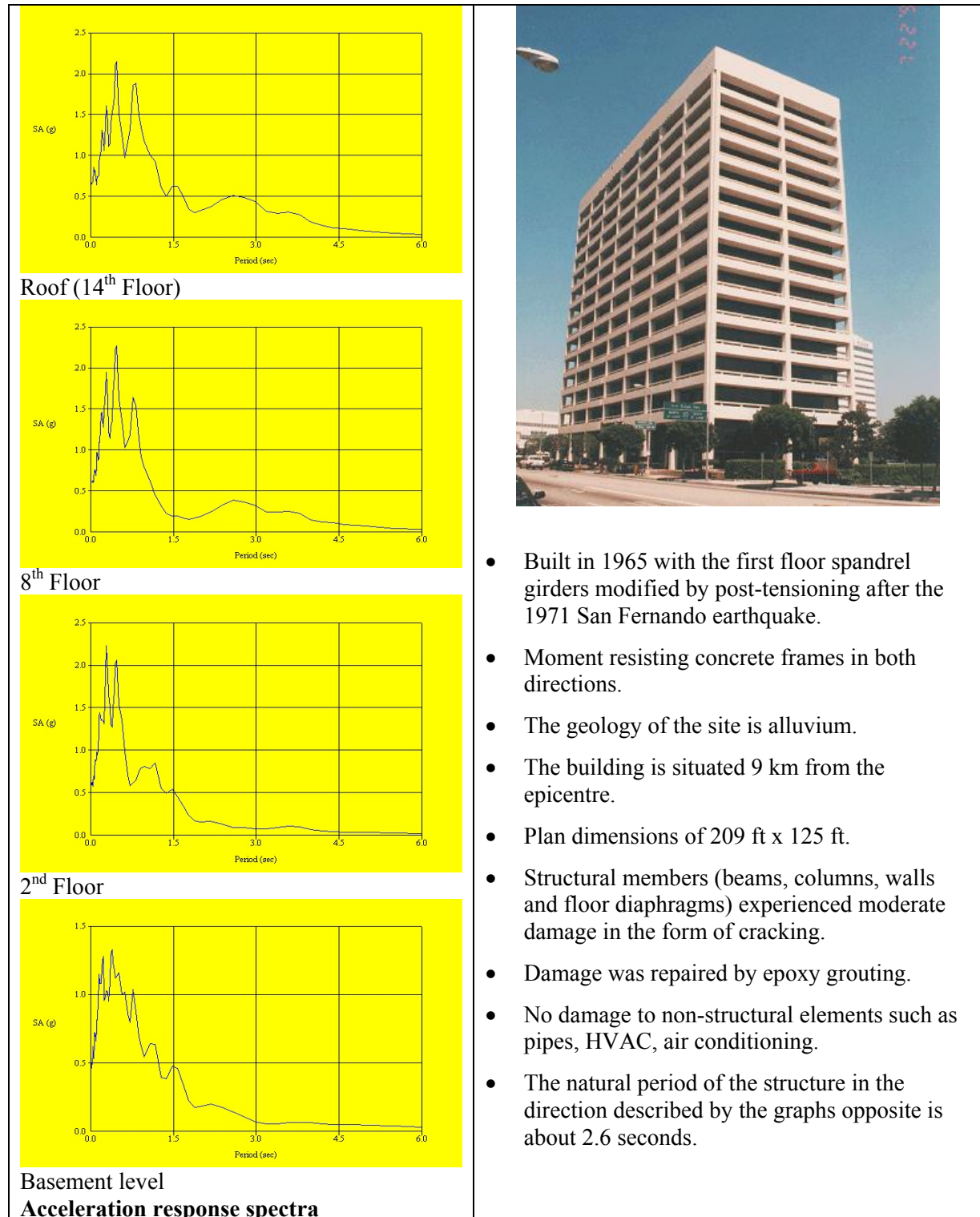


Figure 11. Performance of parts in Northridge earthquake.

(from Naeim, 1996)

The same trend is evident in the two figures, although the Northridge examples have lower accelerations because the ground motions were less intense than the actions used for the current study. In particular, the lack of “resonance” at the building first mode period is absent from both sets of spectra. This is an example of how the yielding of the building structure, particularly in the frame

direction, has suppressed much of the response at the first mode period, thus accentuating the response at higher modes and a proliferation of short period acceleration spikes that appear typical.

There is some evidence that the correlation between accelerations determined from elastic floor response spectra and actual damage to building parts is very tenuous, although comparative studies are few. Such lack of correlation is shown in Figure 11, where accelerations in the order of 2g did not produce any significant damage to non-structural elements. The explanation may lie in the very short duration of the motions producing these peaks, and the displacements associated with them are also very small. Considerable work on this aspect remains to be done, but until this is more advanced, the proposals put forward to the draft standard incorporate an equivalent of the “ S_p ” factor to account for the discrepancy.

The function chosen for the part coefficient, C_p , and submitted for the draft code provisions is shown in Figure 12, with a typical floor acceleration spectrum superimposed on it.

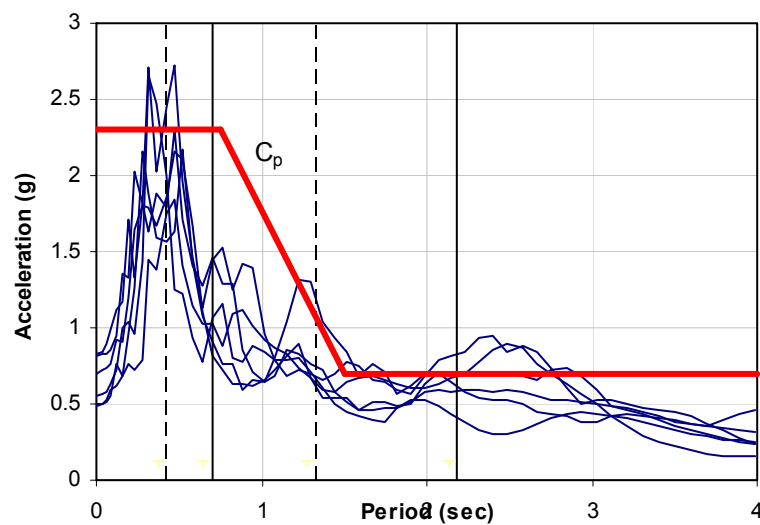
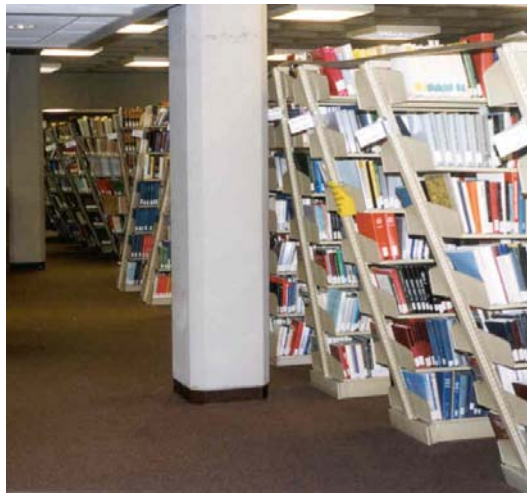


Figure 12. Plot of part coefficient, (C_p).

5.5 Risk factor/consequences of failure

The failure of a non-structural building part or component under earthquake actions may have varying consequences. For example, the collapse of the library shelving of Figure 13 (a), is likely to be a hazard to fewer people than will the falling of the cladding panels on to the footpath as shown in Figure 13 (b).



(a)



(b)

Figure 13 (a). Nisqually earthquake, (b). Kobe earthquake.

Common practice to reduce the consequences of failure of parts in the standards studied is to increase the static design load on the part by a risk/hazard/importance factor, generally taking the values between 1.0 and 1.5. The same approach was used in this project, with a factor R_p (risk associated with the part) based on a classification system recognising the consequences of failure of the part.

The criteria used for the classification of parts, and assigning the part risk factor, R_p , put forward in the submission to Standards New Zealand for consideration in the draft standard (SNZ, 2002) were:

- parts representing a hazard to crowds (eg hazardous materials, auditorium ceilings, retail warehouse racking)
- parts able to fall more than 3 metres on to an accessible area (eg cladding panels over a footpath, a sign or hoarding)
- parts necessary for the continuing function of life safety systems (eg evacuation systems, or medical gas systems)
- parts representing a hazard to individuals within the building (eg library shelving, or distribution warehouse racking)
- parts required for operational continuity, (eg computer network, commercial freezer installation). In these cases the risk factor may be a commercial decision requiring input by the owner
- parts whose failure would have disproportionate consequences. (for example, a cool store chiller, or a leaking water pipe)
- other parts.

This aspect was only lightly touched on in this study, but it will be the focus of the Performance based earthquake engineering research project currently underway at BRANZ and the Institute of Geological and Nuclear Sciences.

It is noted that the building itself is also subject to a similar factor, R , used to define the site hazard spectrum (SNZ, 2002). R is a return period factor, related in Part 0 of the Joint Loadings Standard (SA, 2002) to Building Importance Category, and the limit state being considered. Whether or not the two factors are independent of each other, and so should be accumulated for design of parts is currently the subject of some debate, and the issue will be addressed in the Performance based earthquake engineering project.

The submission to Standards New Zealand is reproduced in full in Appendix 7. This has since been modified by the committee, but remains the essence of the latest draft.

6. CONCLUSIONS

During the course of this study, the whole project team gained a high level of understanding and knowledge of the time history analysis of buildings responding inelastically to earthquake ground motions, and the resulting force and displacement induced actions on building parts. This was greatly facilitated by the exchanges of views both at Project Advisory Group meetings, and the copious email discussions that followed. Much of this knowledge has been channelled into the revisions to the new Joint Loading Standard, AS/NZS 1170.4.

As a result of the study, the team was able to formulate recommendations to Standards New Zealand on procedures for Integrated Time History Analysis of building structures, and provisions for the design of building parts, both of which have been incorporated into the latest draft of the earthquake part of the Loading Standard (see Appendix 7). The draft Standard has been circulated for comment, and these comments are being considered by the drafting committee as the report goes to print.

The literature review found that most international loading standards have adopted a force-based procedure to determine earthquake design actions on building parts and non-structural components. The important parameters common to most of the standards reviewed are:

- the ground motion of the site
- the influence of the building's response (depending on the period and/or ductility of the structure)
- the effect of the part itself (depending on its flexibility or ductility)
- and a risk or importance factor for the part (or consequences of failure).

The resulting coefficient (which effectively is an acceleration) is then multiplied by the operating weight of the part to give the force that the part must be designed to resist.

An empirical study was formulated to quantify those parameters in a simple manner, suitable for use in a routine design situation. To provide a vehicle for the study, a suite of code compliant buildings was designed for Auckland and Wellington sites on two different types of soil. The buildings consisted of steel and concrete structures, of 3, 10, and 20 stories, with moment-resisting frames in one direction, and shearwalls or braced frames in the other, and of regular and irregular plan layouts. These buildings are now available in electronic format for use with further studies under this or unrelated projects, and have already been used by a post-graduate student at Auckland University. The next steps used in the study were:

- earthquake ground motion records were selected, scaled and applied to the structures using an integrated time history analysis program
- the output of these analyses provided a means for developing floor acceleration profiles, and floor response spectra
- this information was used to develop force based provisions for determining earthquake loading on building parts.

A minimum of three ground-motion records are required to adequately represent the building's response to the earthquake hazard for the site. Each record should have a similar seismic signature (eg: magnitude, distance, slip characteristics and soil class) to the significant events contributing to the design spectra at the target period, and for the return period associated with the limit state being considered. Each record requires scaling to match the target hazard spectra as defined by the loading

standard. The scaling process evolved into an adjustment to each record to match the frequency content of the target spectra, followed by an adjustment to the family of 3 records to ensure that at least one record exceeded the target over the period range of interest.

For the purpose of estimating floor accelerations and the resulting inertial forces on buildings parts, analysis models should be based on actual material properties, rather than the ideal properties normally used in normal structural analysis. This was done to give an upper bound to the forces on the parts. Also, account should be taken of the likely amount of concrete cracking, and its effect on structural stiffness, and dynamic response. This will give an upper bound on interstorey drifts, which are particularly relevant for parts connected to the structure at two different levels. It was also found that a three-dimensional analysis is required to adequately simulate the torsional response of irregular building structures.

For the suite of buildings studied, the floor accelerations all showed a similar pattern, with maximum values over the lower third to half height of the building, and another peak at the top. This pattern can be simply but approximately “enveloped” by a function with a value of one (times the ground acceleration) at the base of the building, increasing to a value of three at a fifth of the building height, and then constant to the top. Similarly, the floor response spectra all showed peak values at short periods of less than half a second, which is typically the period of most building parts. This period is in most cases a lot less than the fundamental period of the supporting building structure, and importantly, the expected “resonance” at the first mode period of the building, which is a feature of some existing standards, was not found.

However, both of these conclusions need to be further tested using a wider range of building and part dynamic parameters to achieve the level of robustness required of a formal design standard. Thus, much work remains to complete the project and achieve the required level of robustness. In particular the issues to be further investigated are:

- widening the range of buildings studied to include over-designed buildings, squat stiff buildings, and buildings with differing foundation levels
- more rigorously quantifying the effects of parts damping and ductility, and investigating parts with very different dynamic characteristics such as water tanks with “sloshing” contents
- rationalising the risk and consequences of failure of parts.

These outstanding issues have been taken up and are being addressed by the Performance based earthquake engineering project.

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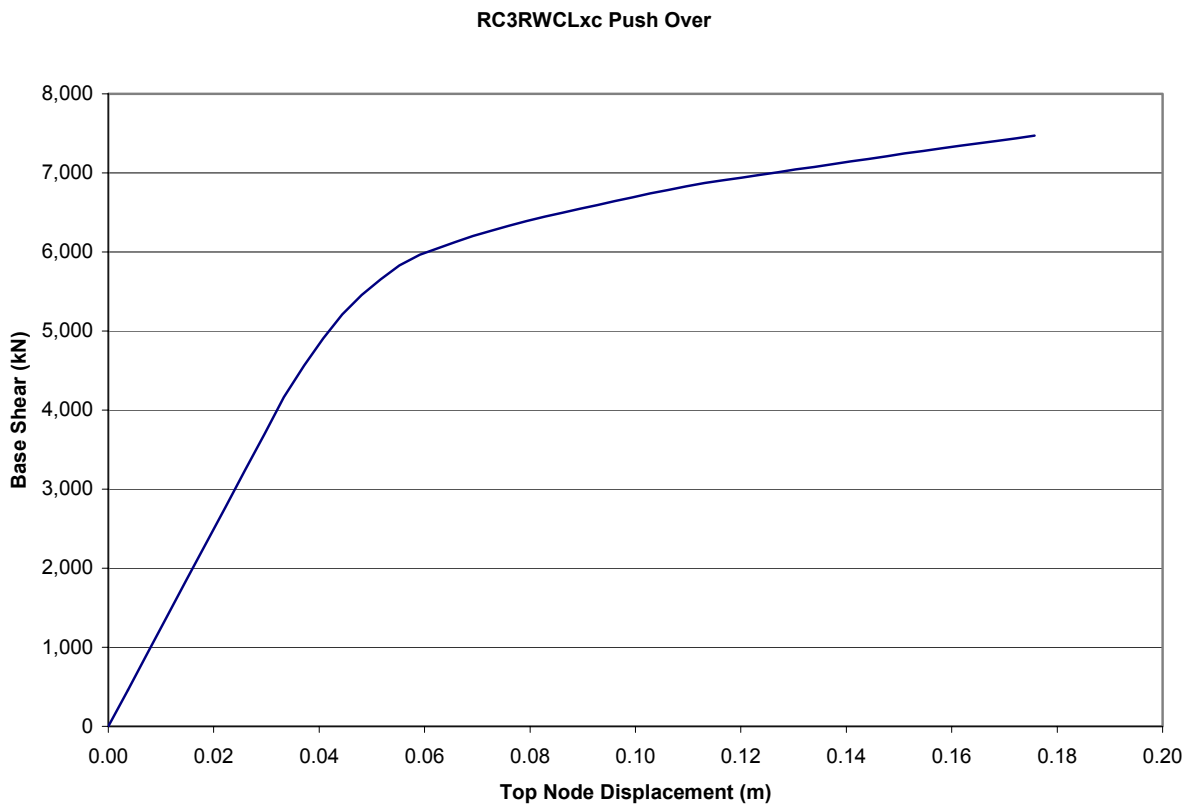
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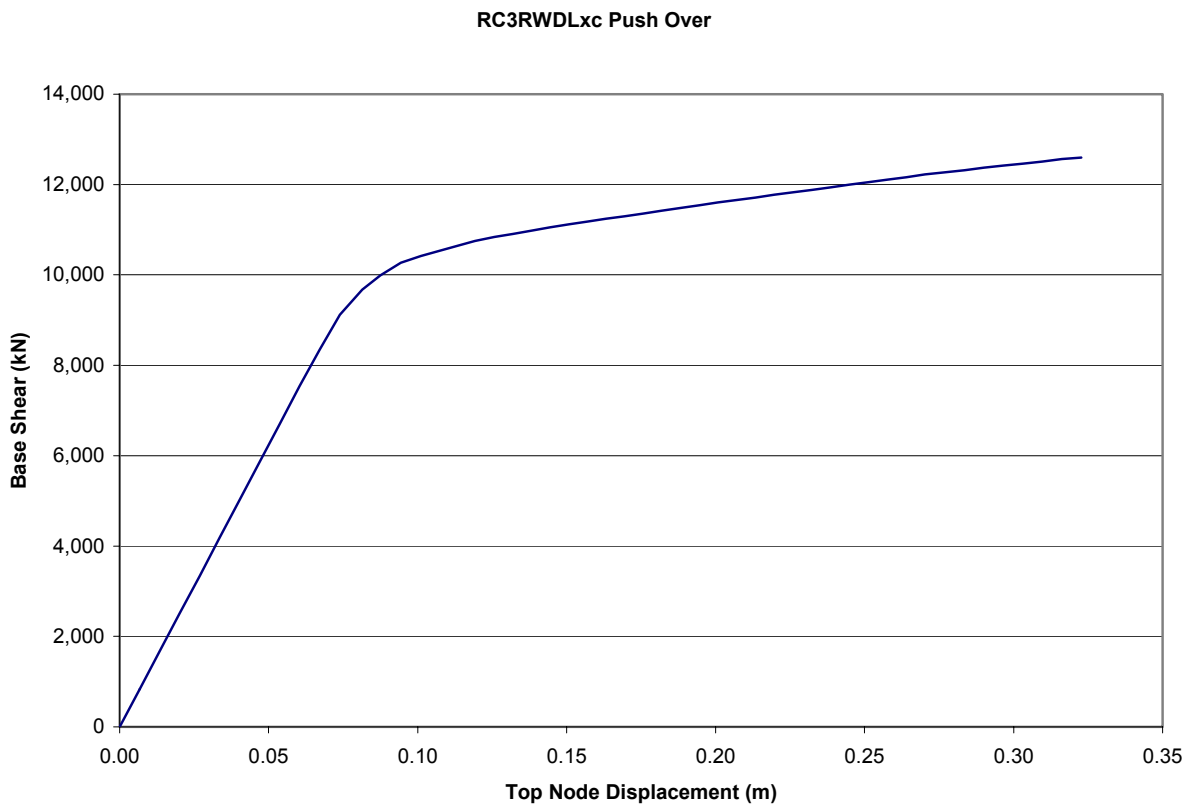
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RC3RWCL	4	1	800x450	800x400	500x500	550x500	9.0x180	9.0x180	1.000E+06	1.000E+06	1.000E+06	0.4	0.35	0.8	0.35	0.8	0.35
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RC3RACL	4	1	800x450	800x400	500x500	550x500	9.0x180	9.0x180	1.000E+06	1.000E+06	1.000E+06	0.4	0.35	0.8	0.35	0.8	0.35
RC3WDL	4	1	900x450	900x400	500x500	550x500	9.0x180	9.0x180	2.000E+06	2.000E+06	2.000E+06	0.4	0.35	0.8	0.35	0.8	0.35
RC3IACL	4	1	800x450	800x400	650x650	550x600	18.0x225	18.0x225	1.173E+06	1.173E+06	1.173E+06	0.4	0.3	0.8	0.3	0.8	0.3
RC10RWCL	11	1	800x450	800x400	650x650	550x600	9.0x225	9.0x225	1.173E+06	1.173E+06	1.173E+06	0.4	0.3	0.8	0.3	0.8	0.3
RC10RWCD	11	1	800x450	800x400	650x650	550x600	9.0x225	9.0x225	1.173E+06	1.173E+06	1.173E+06	0.4	0.3	0.8	0.3	0.8	0.3
RC10RWDL	4	1	1000x650	1000x600	650x650	550x600	18.0x225	18.0x225	2.346E+06	2.346E+06	2.346E+06	0.4	0.3	0.8	0.3	0.8	0.3
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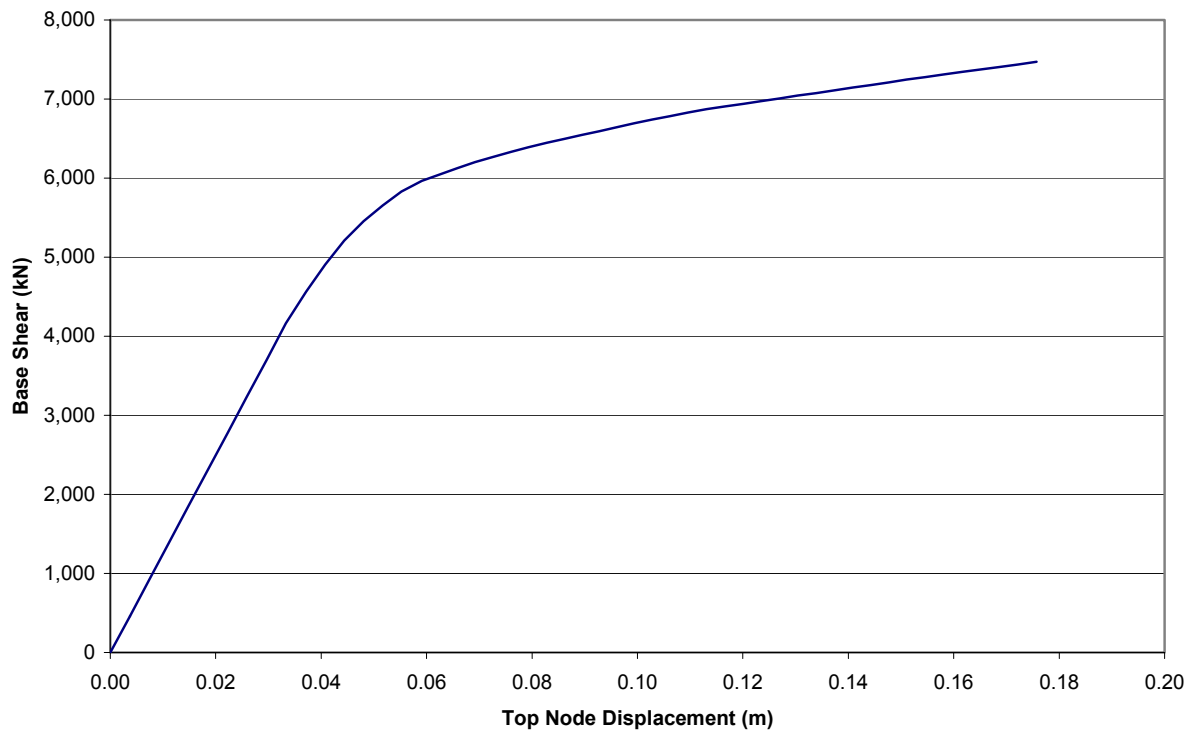


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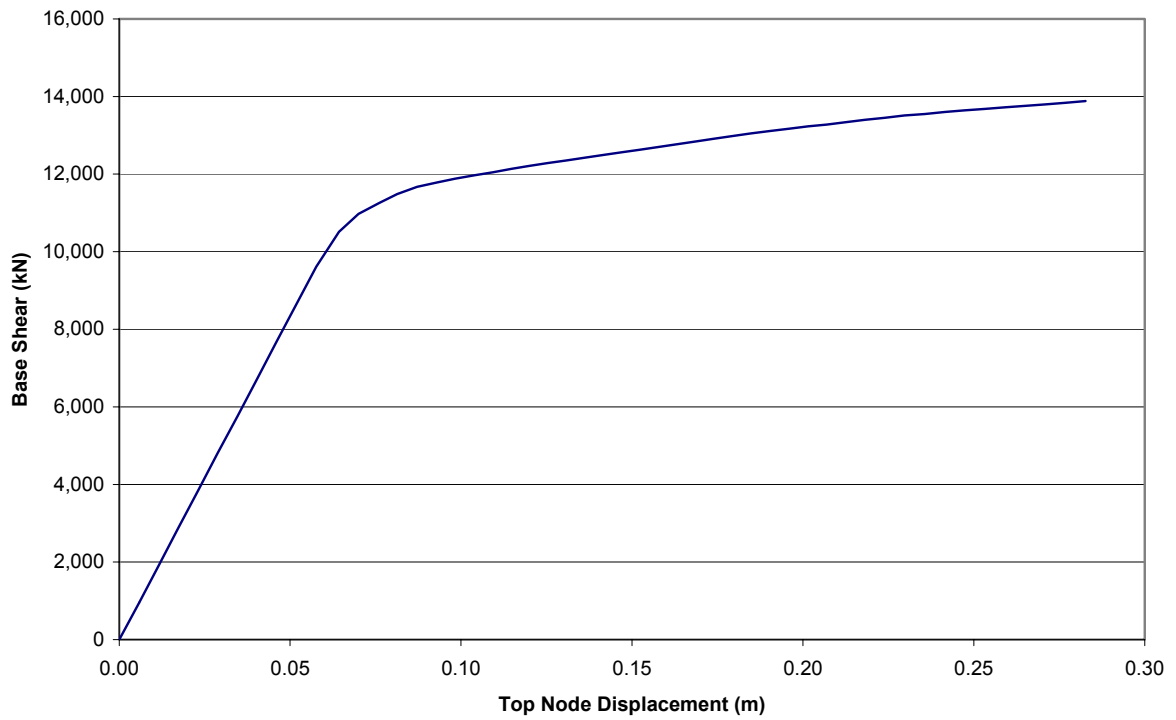
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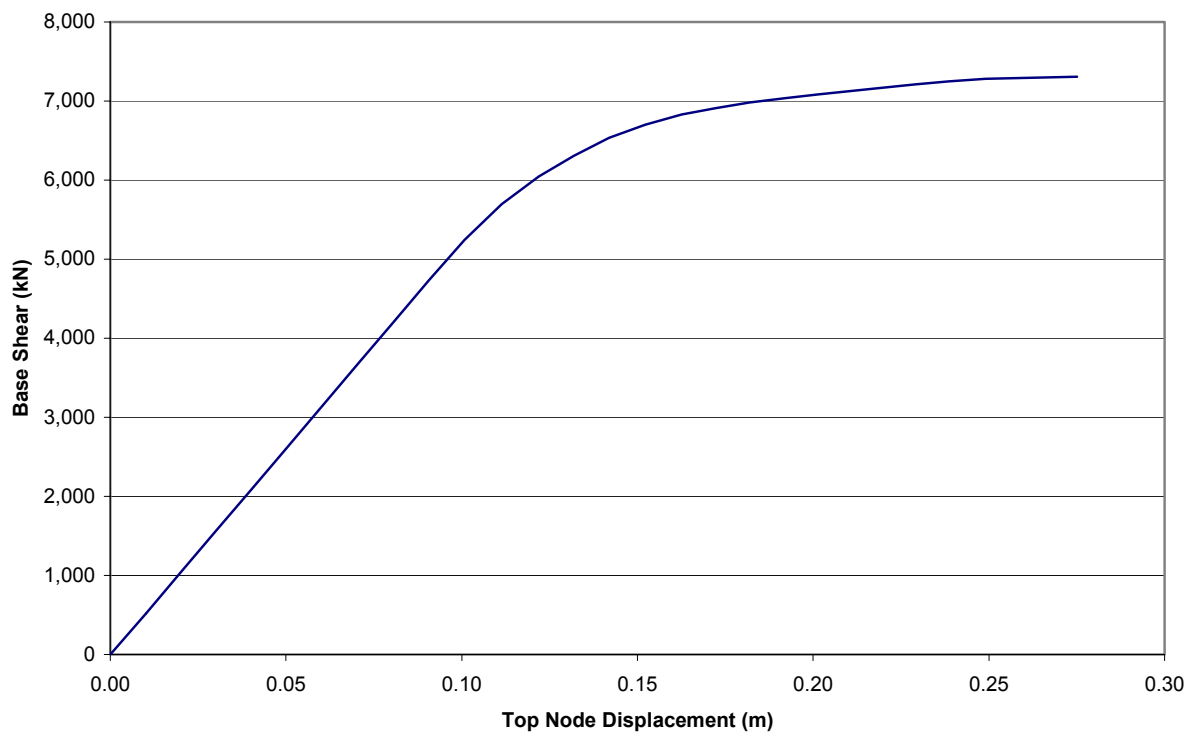
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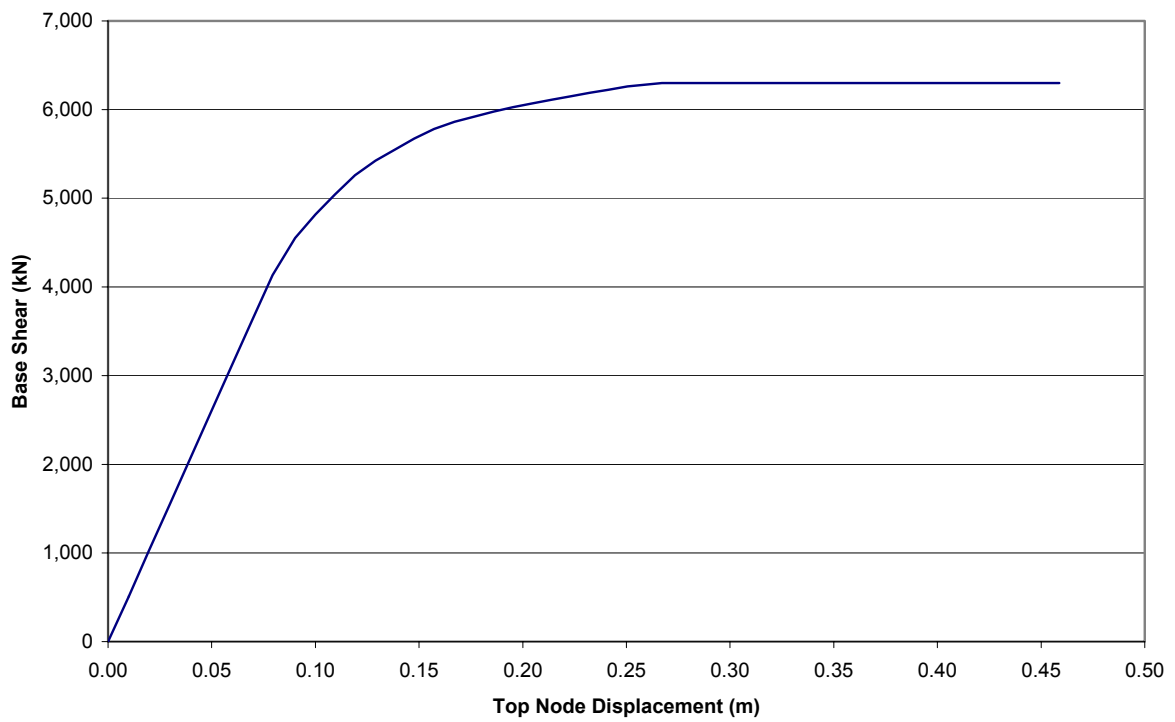
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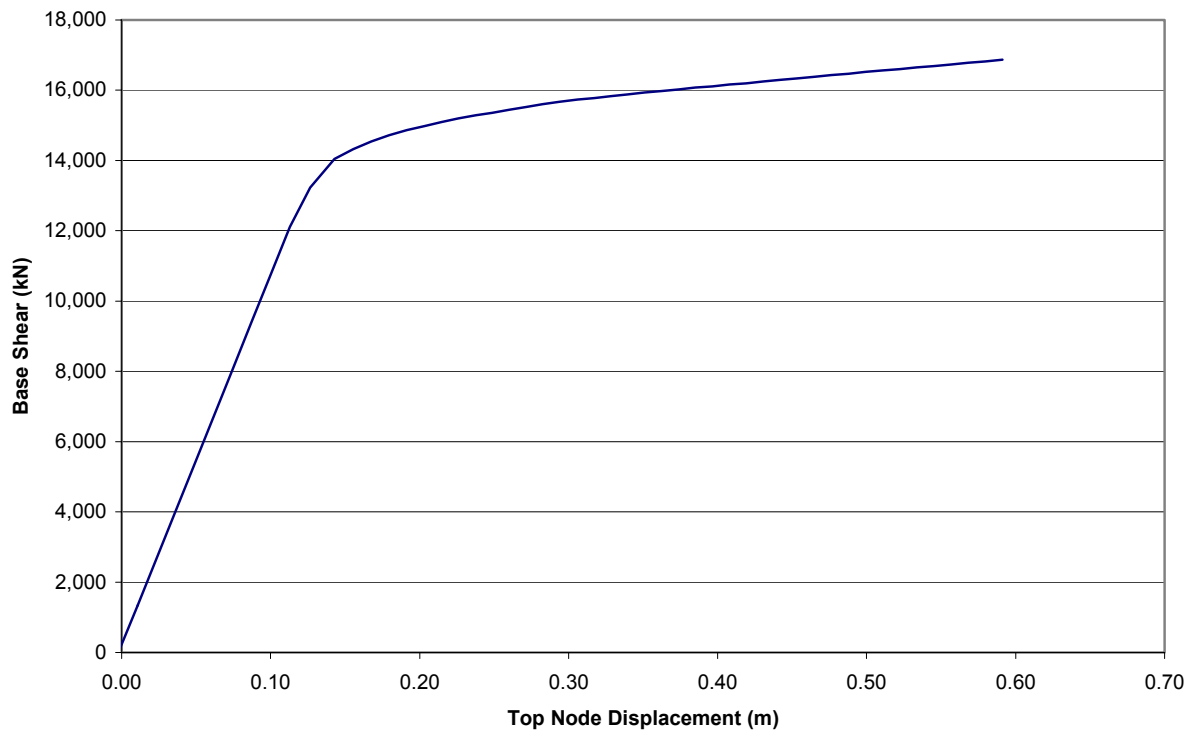
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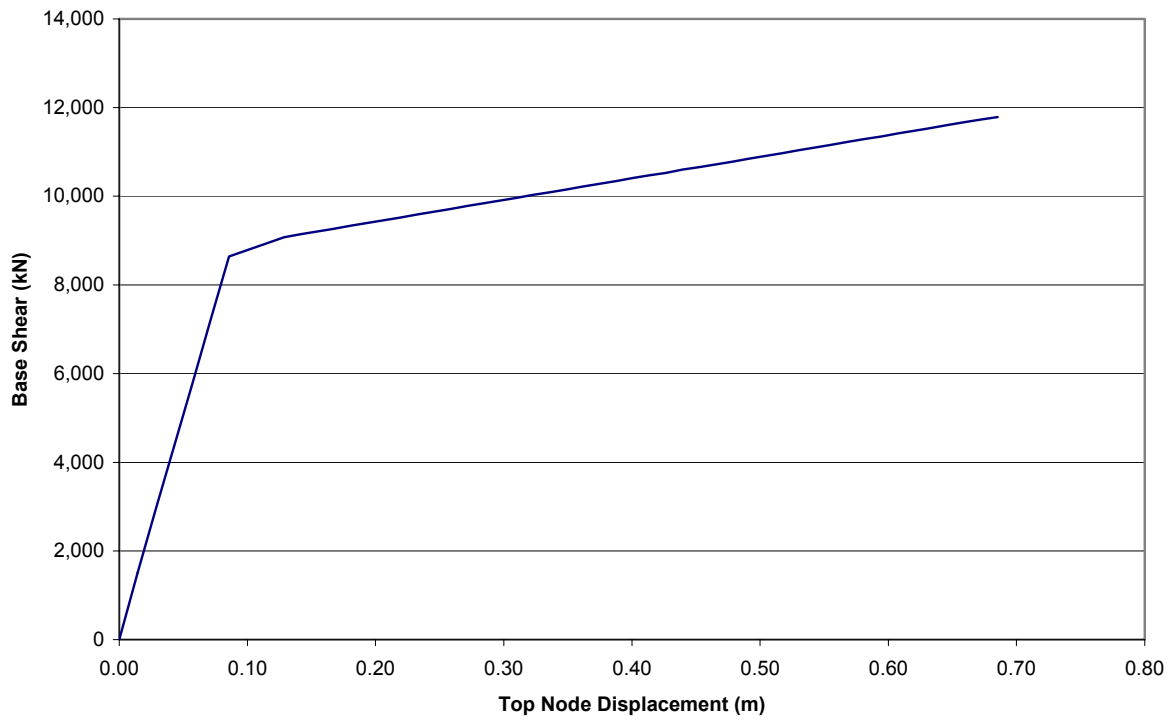
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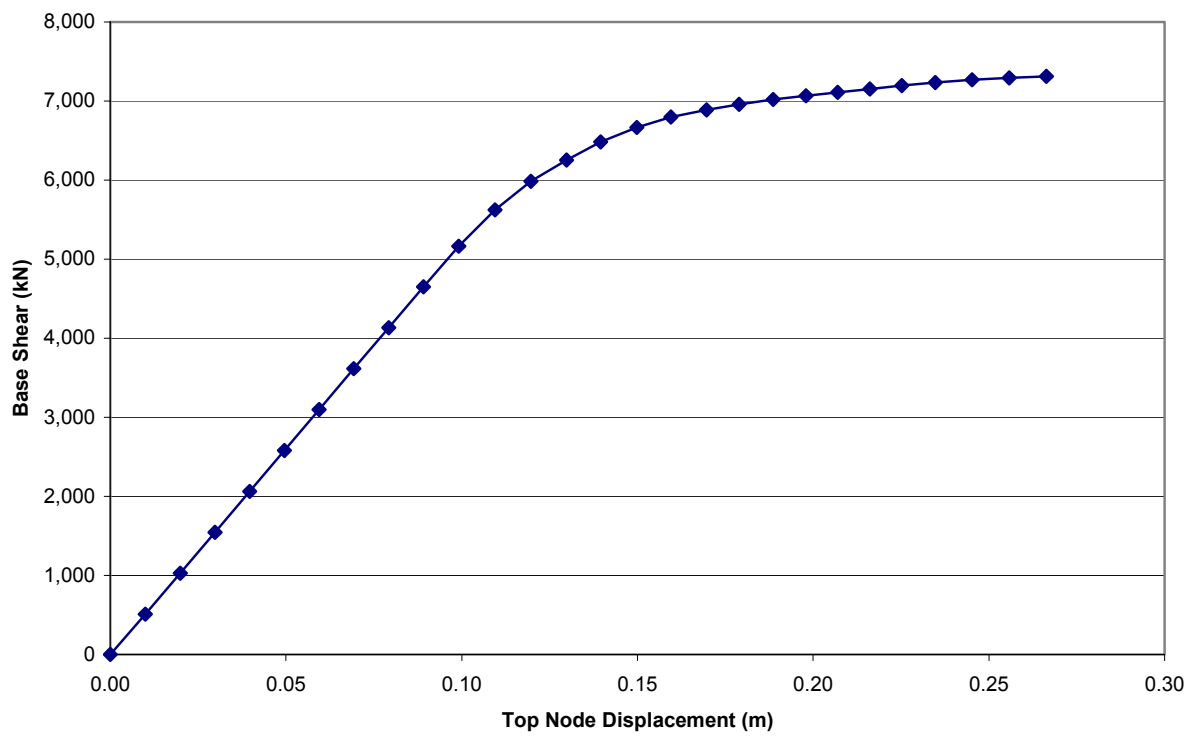
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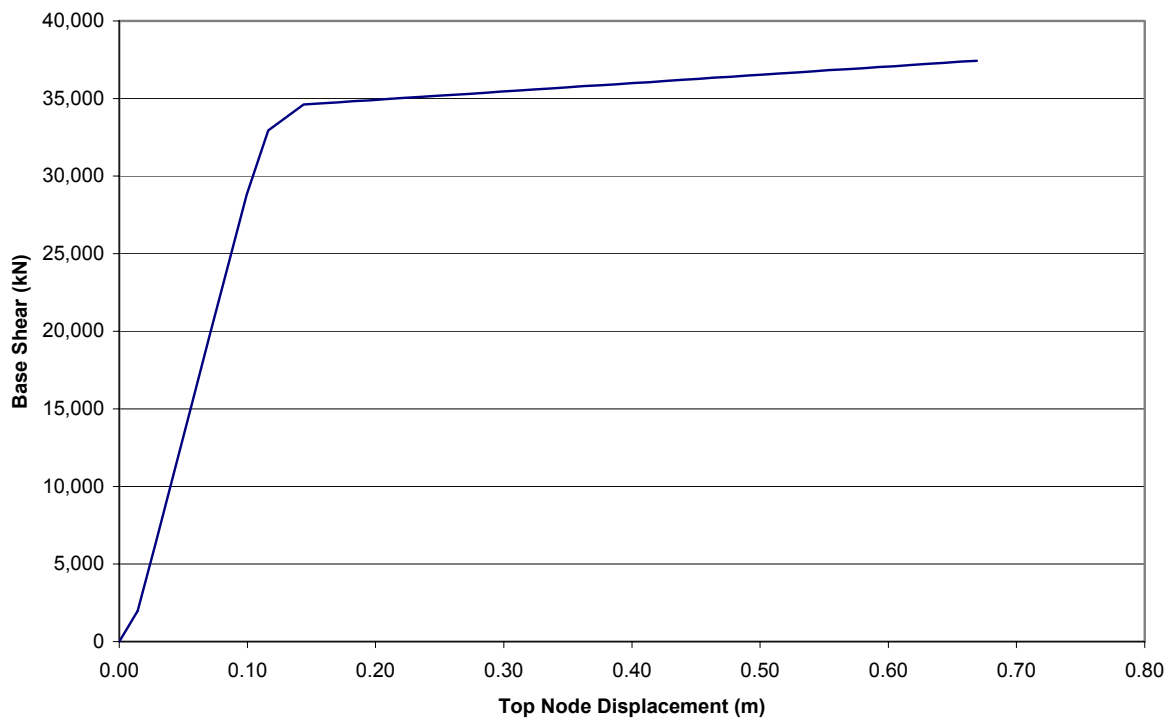
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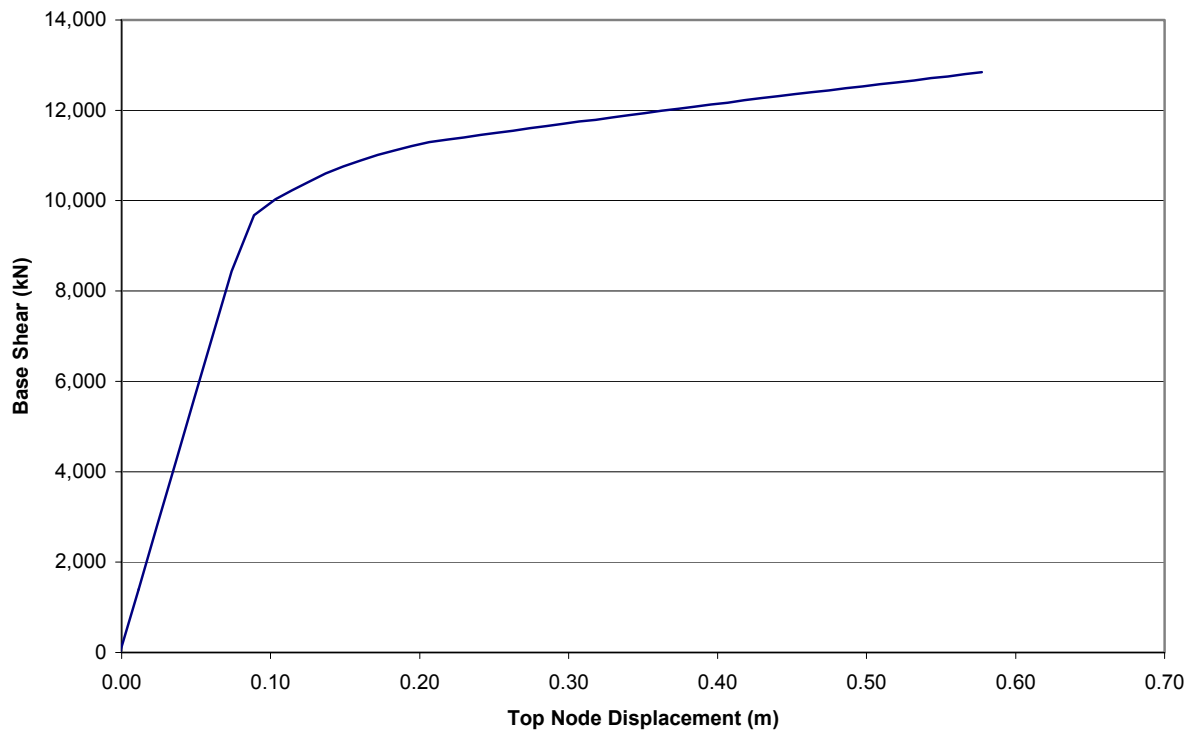
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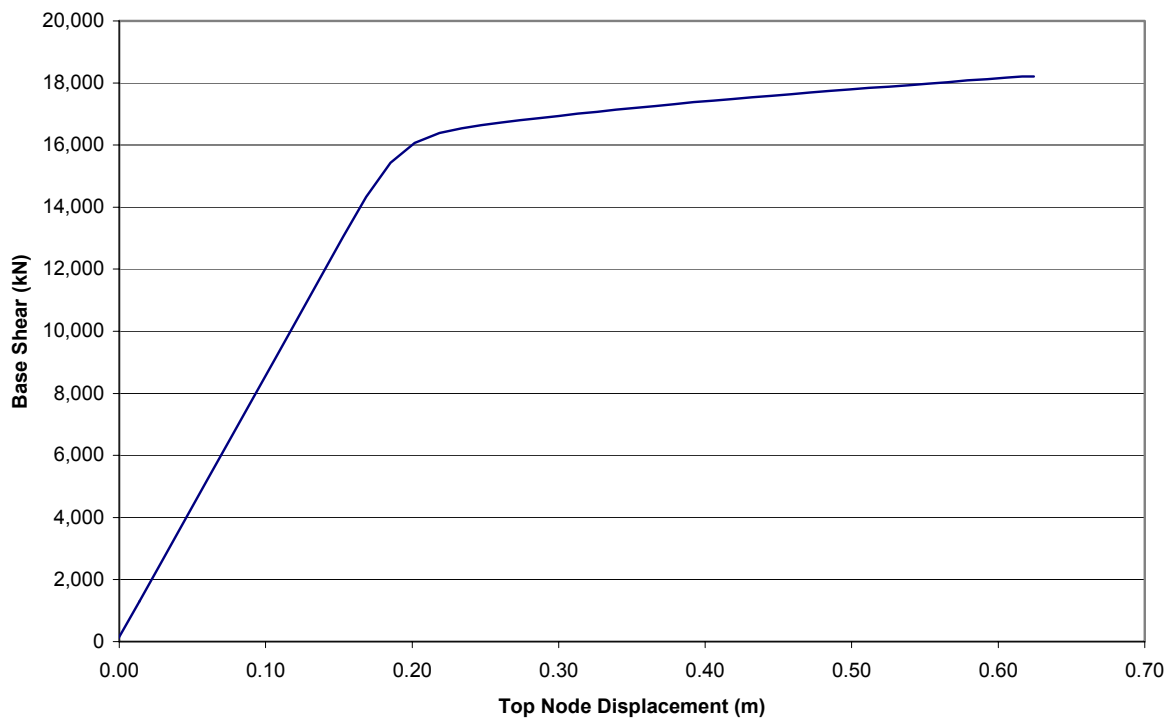
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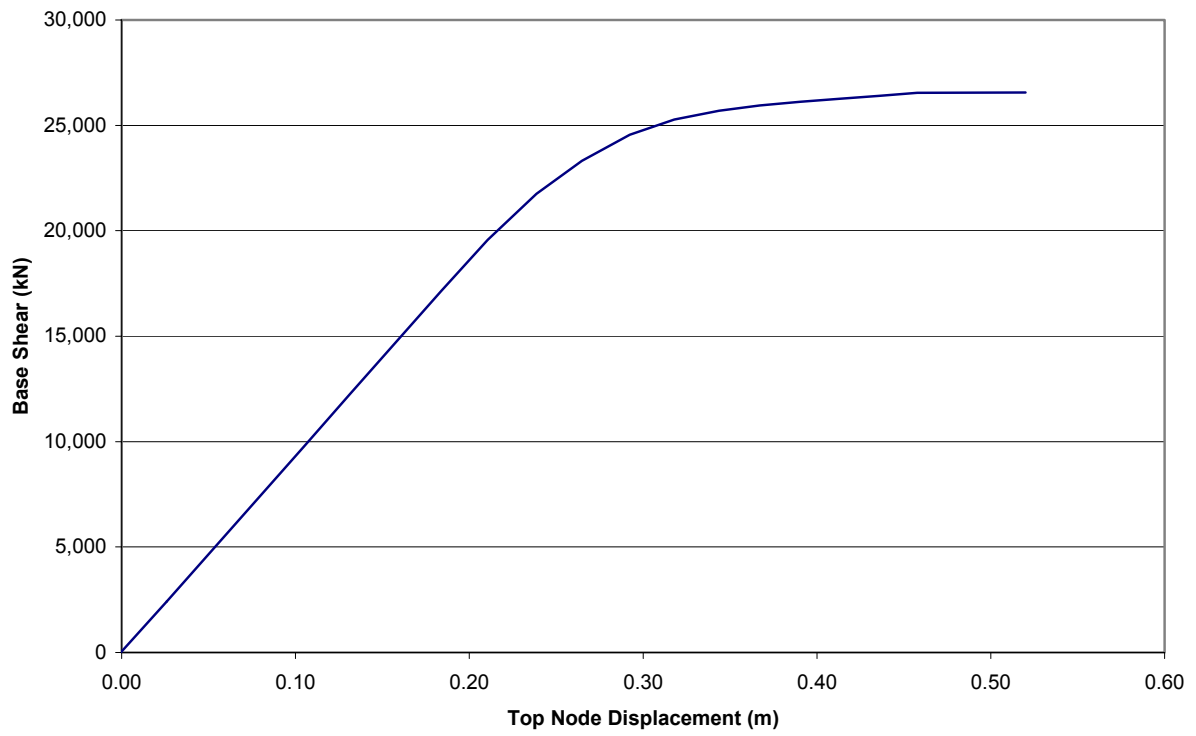
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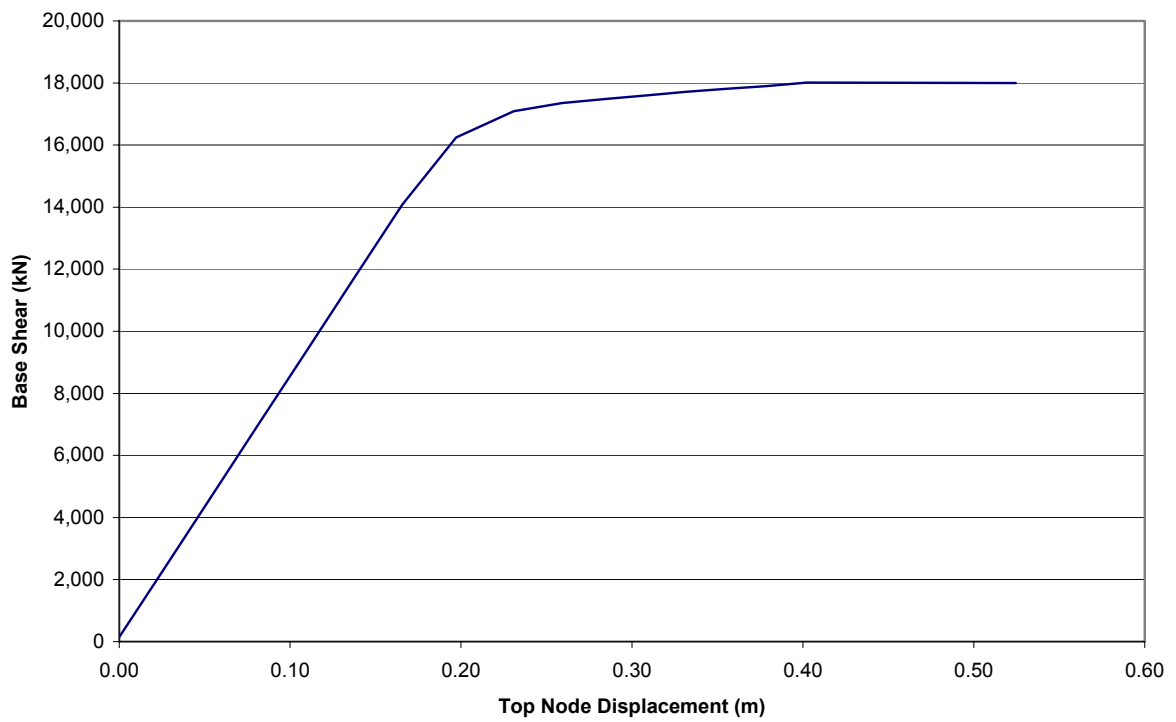
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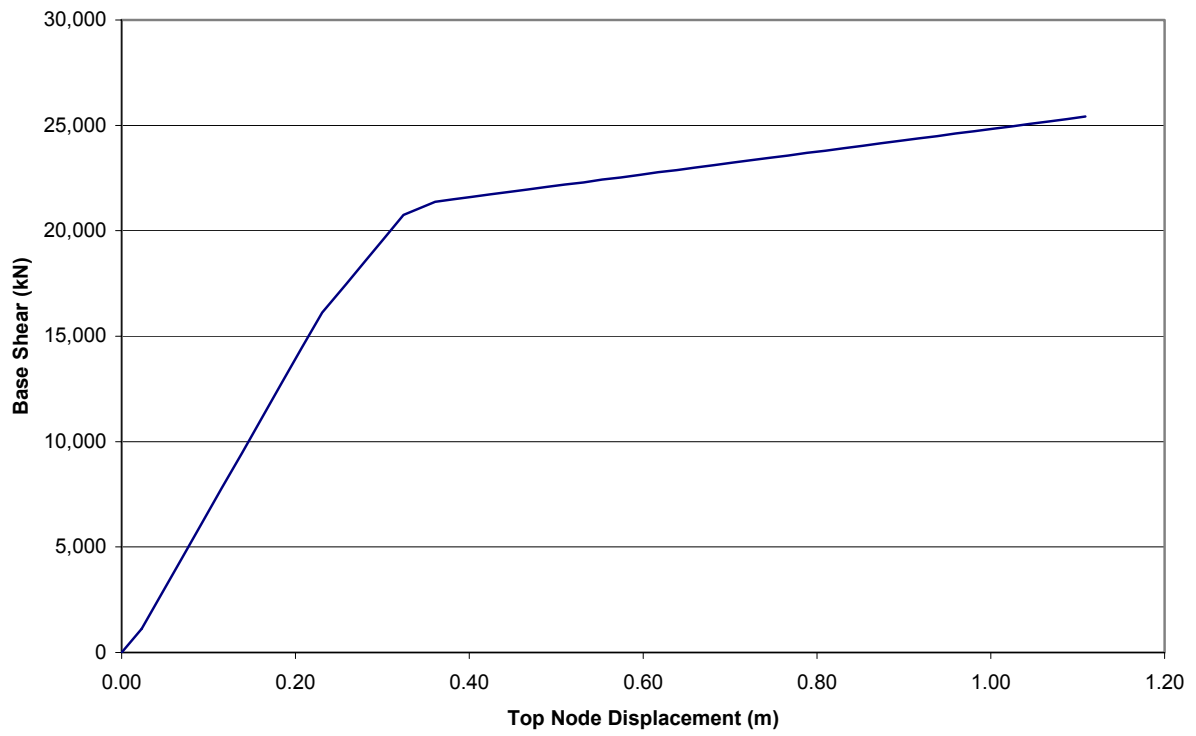
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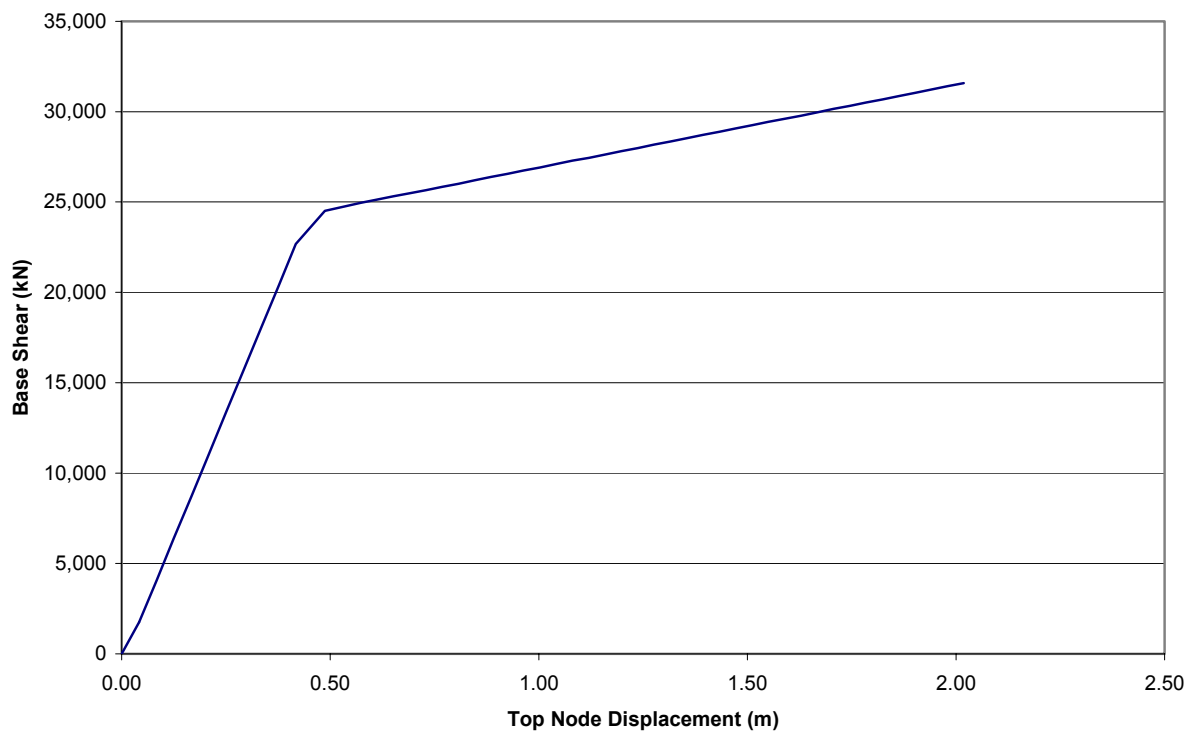
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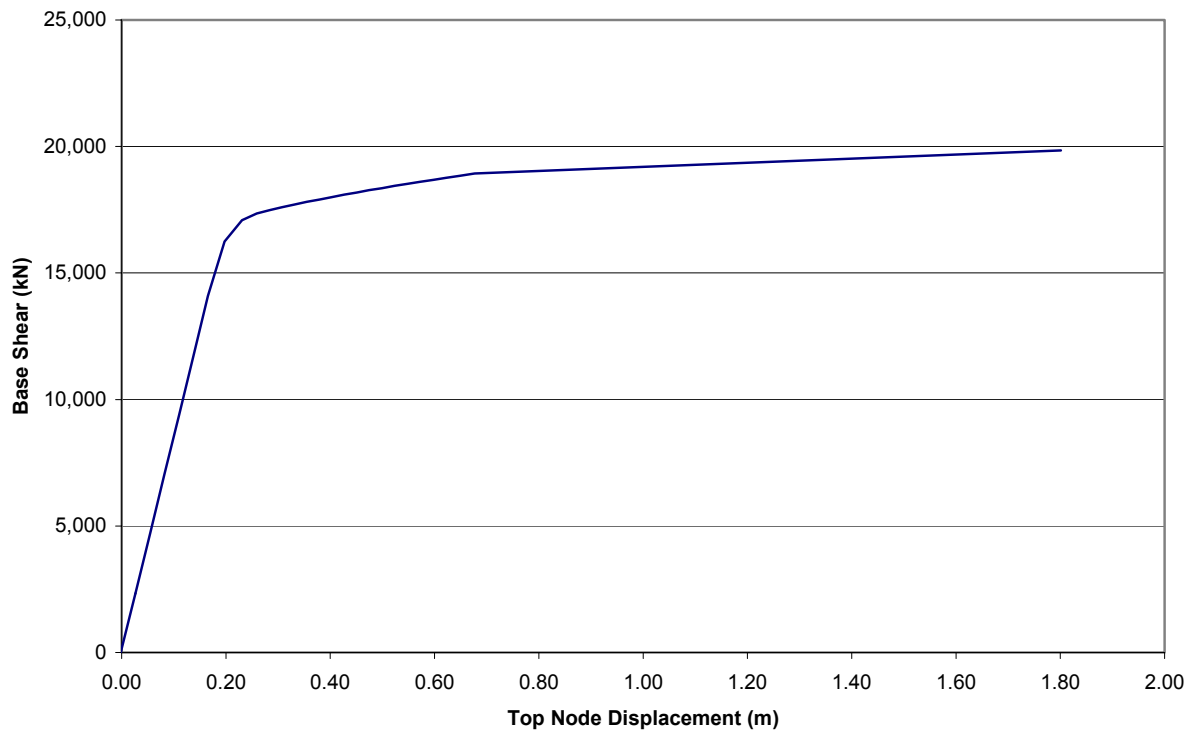
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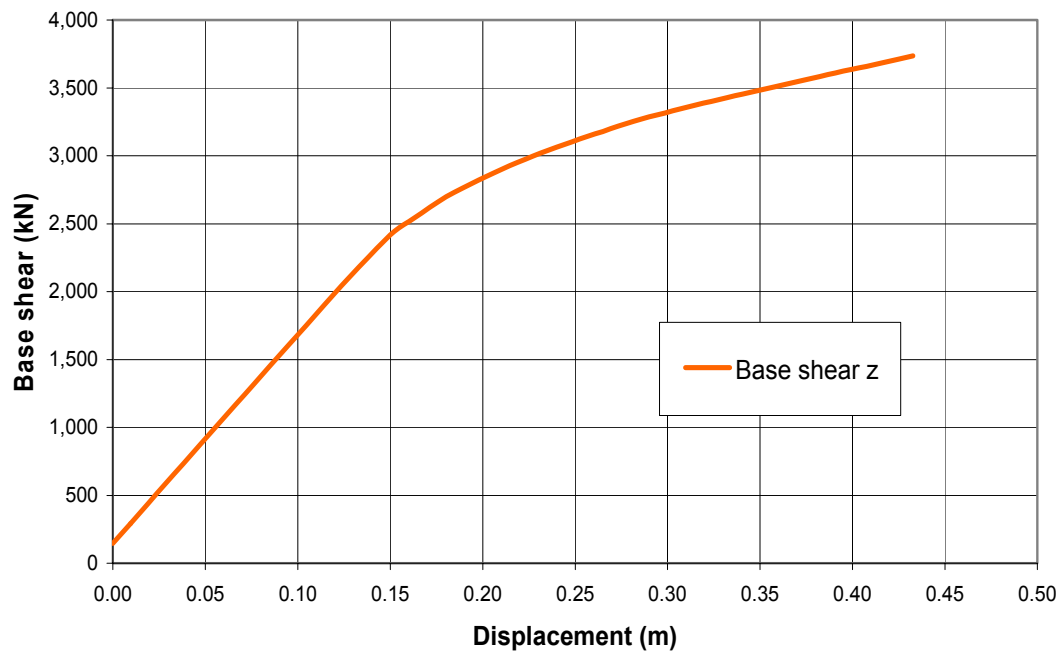
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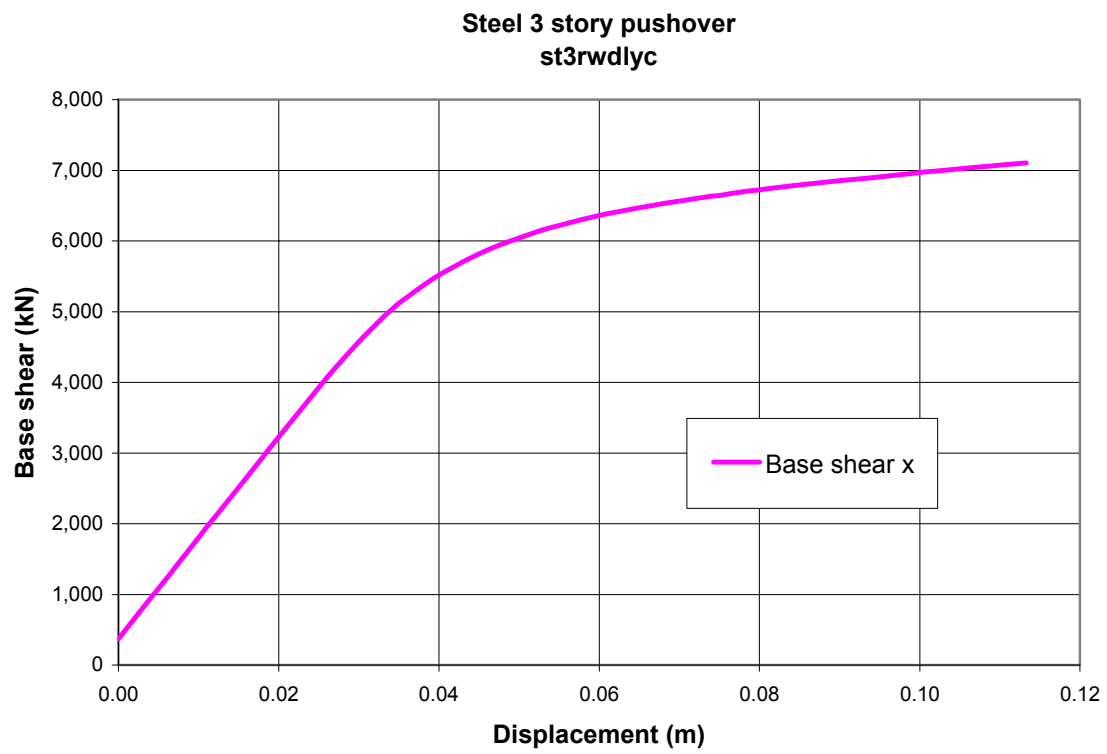


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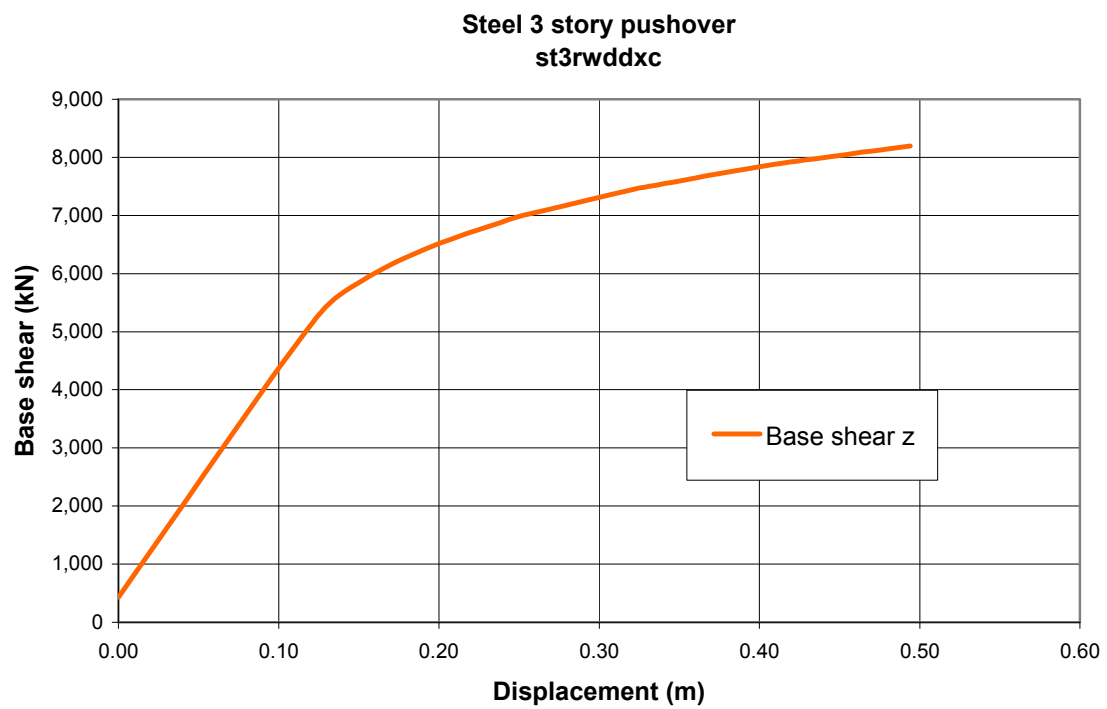
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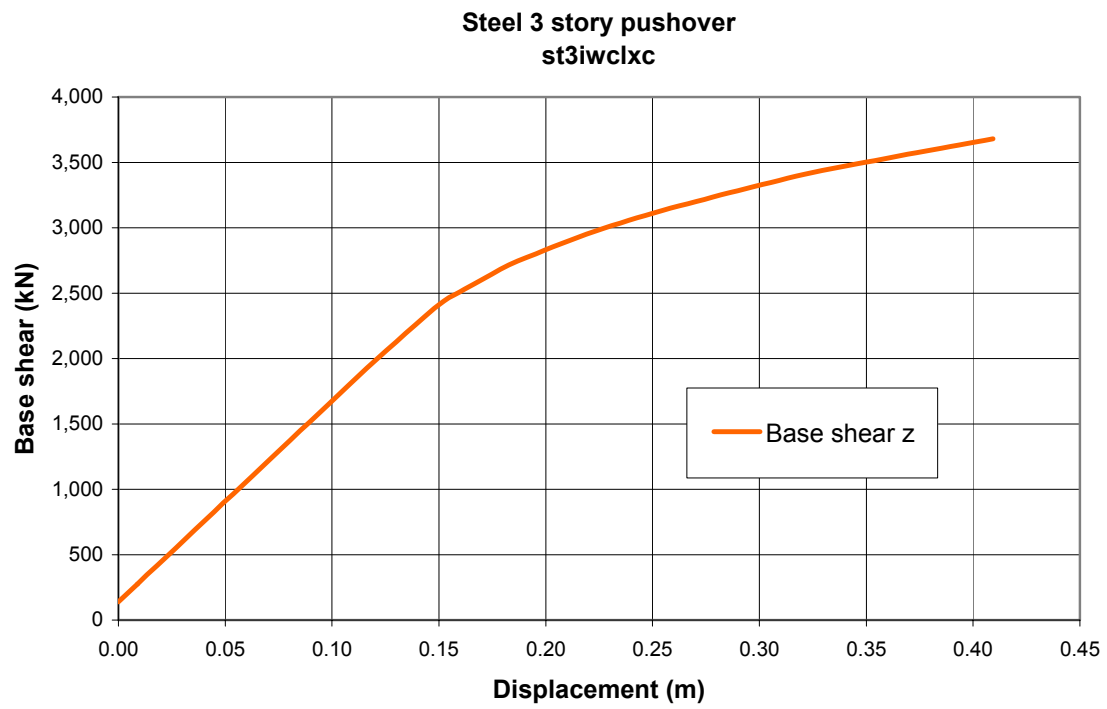
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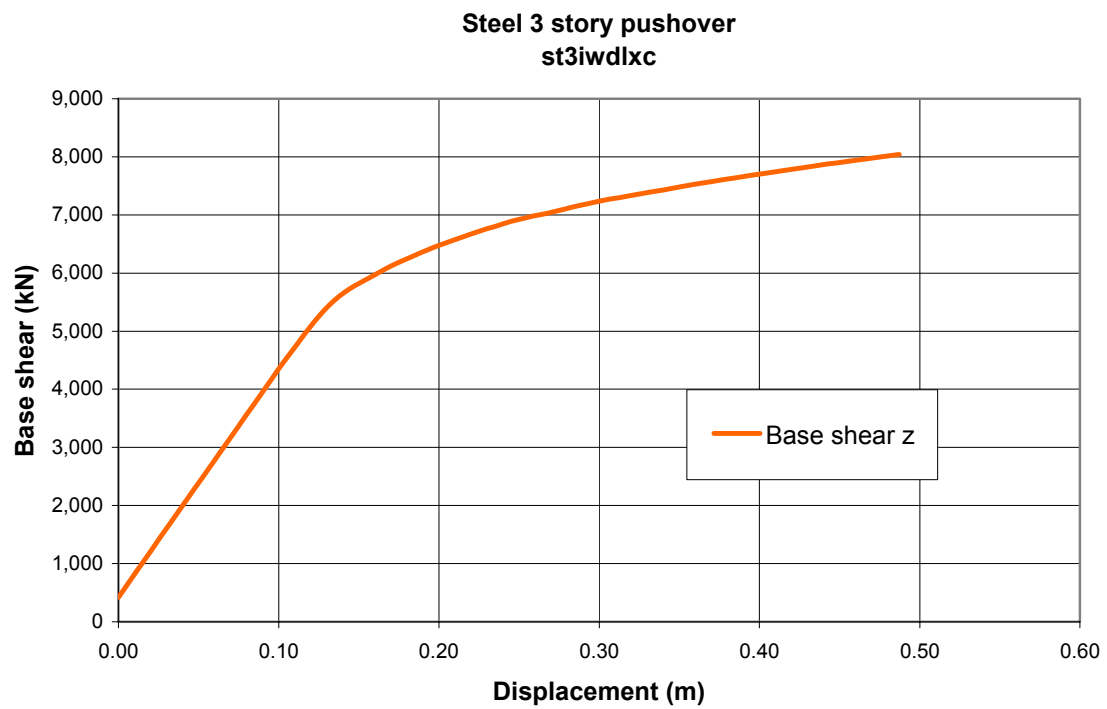
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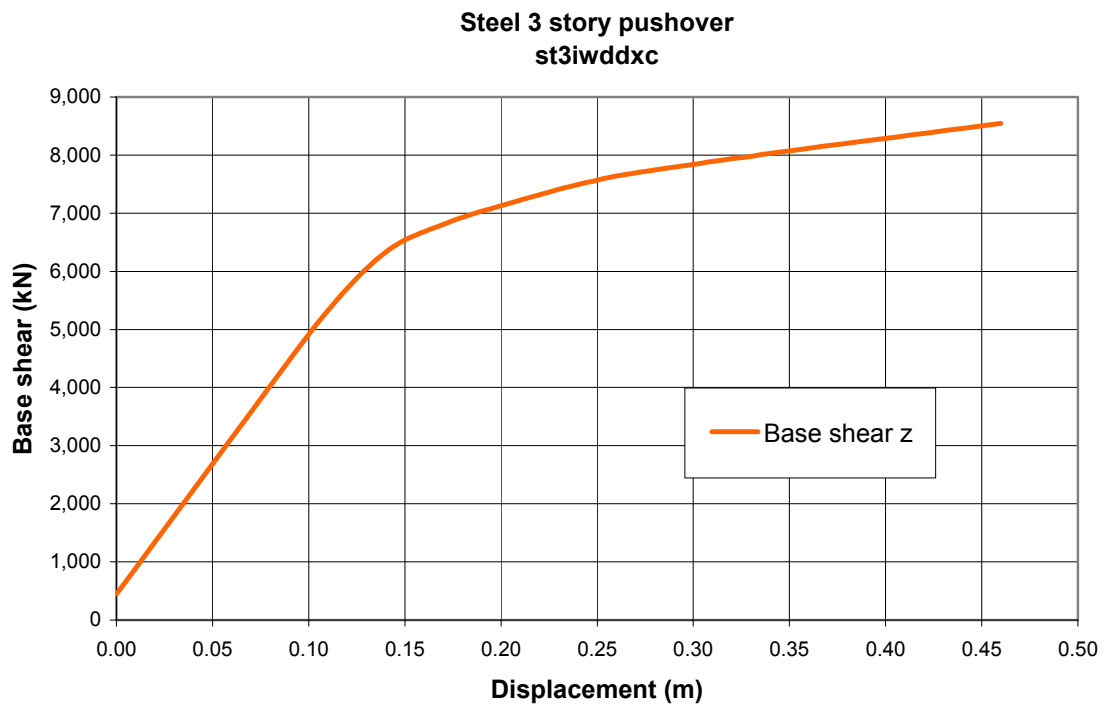
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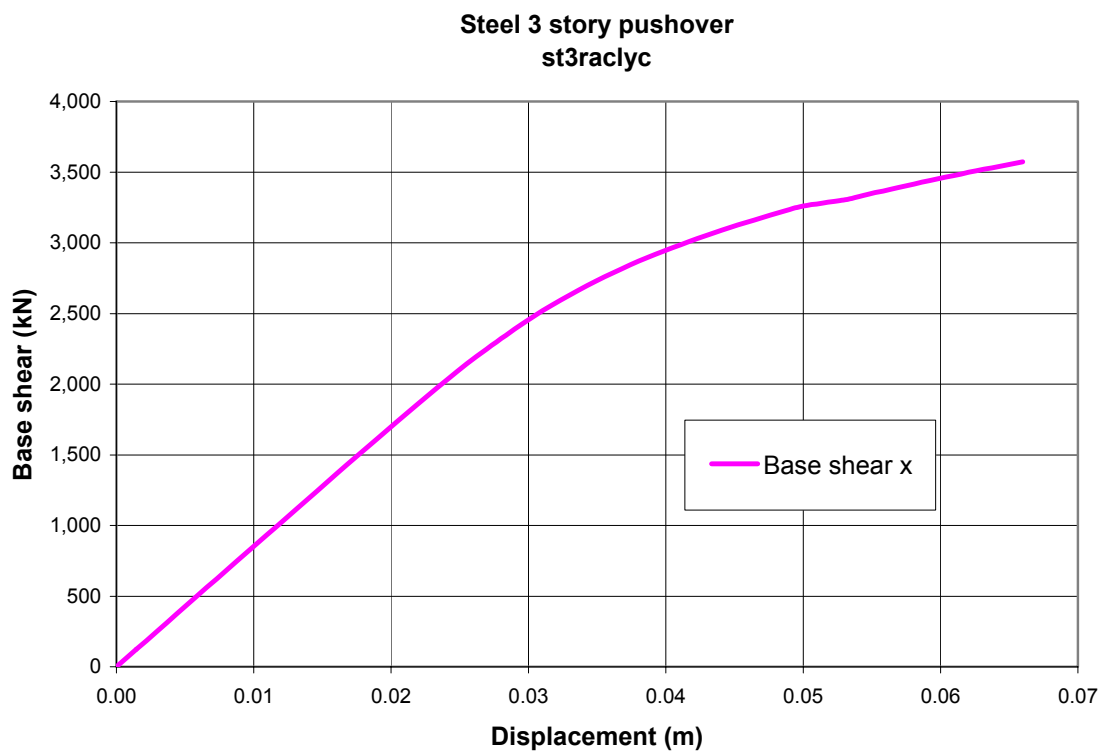
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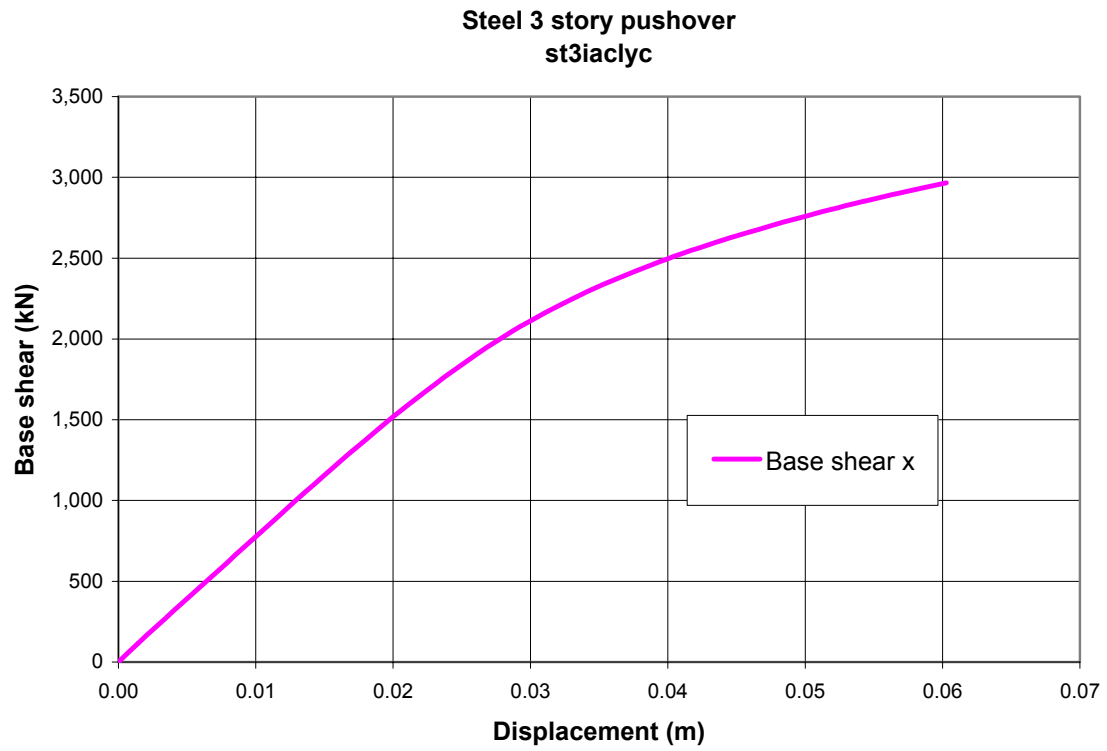
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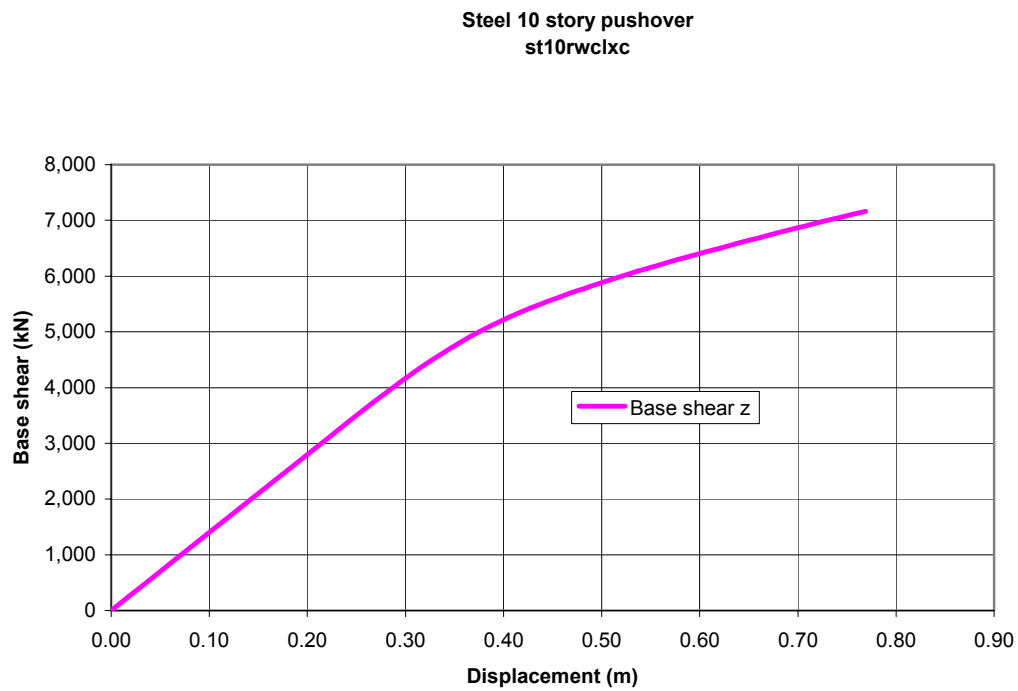
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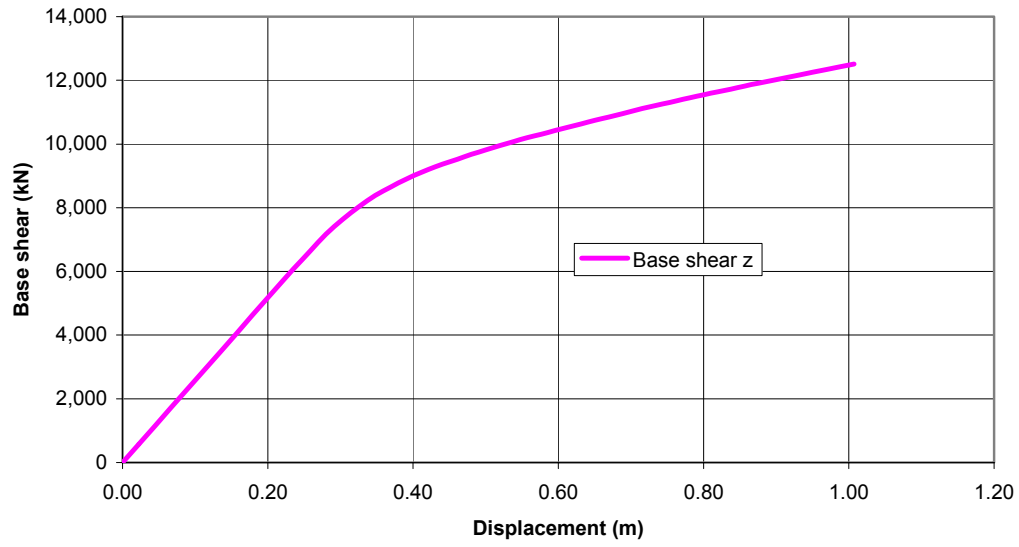


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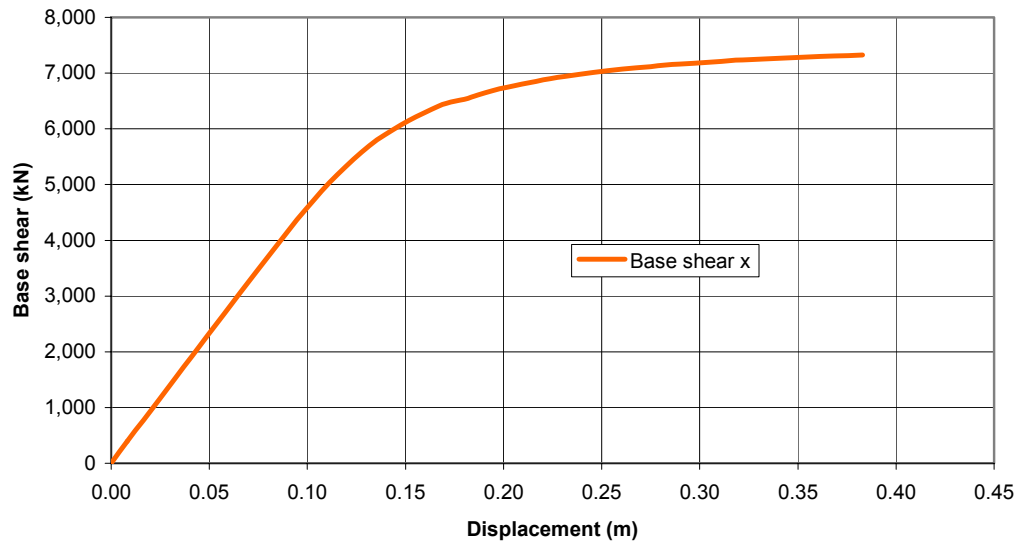
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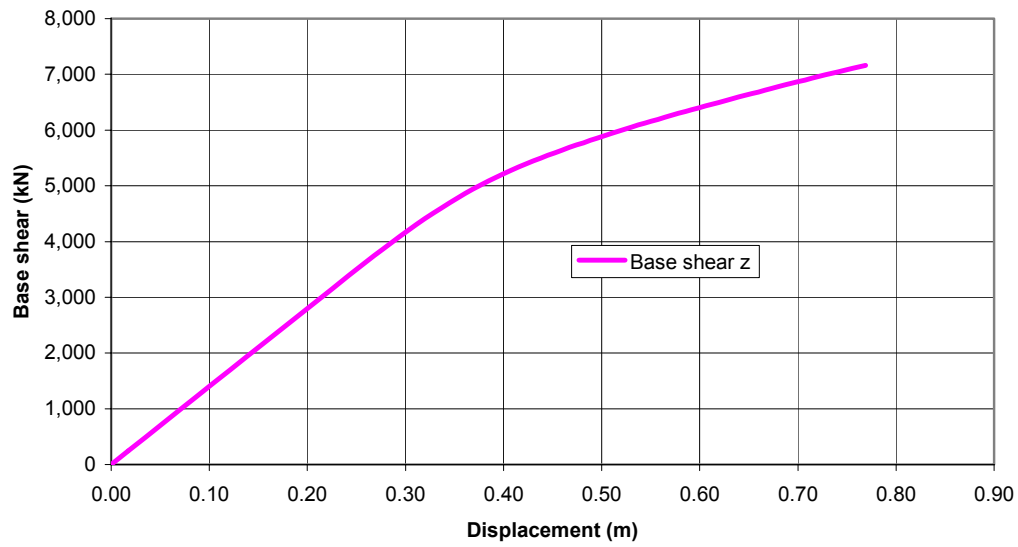
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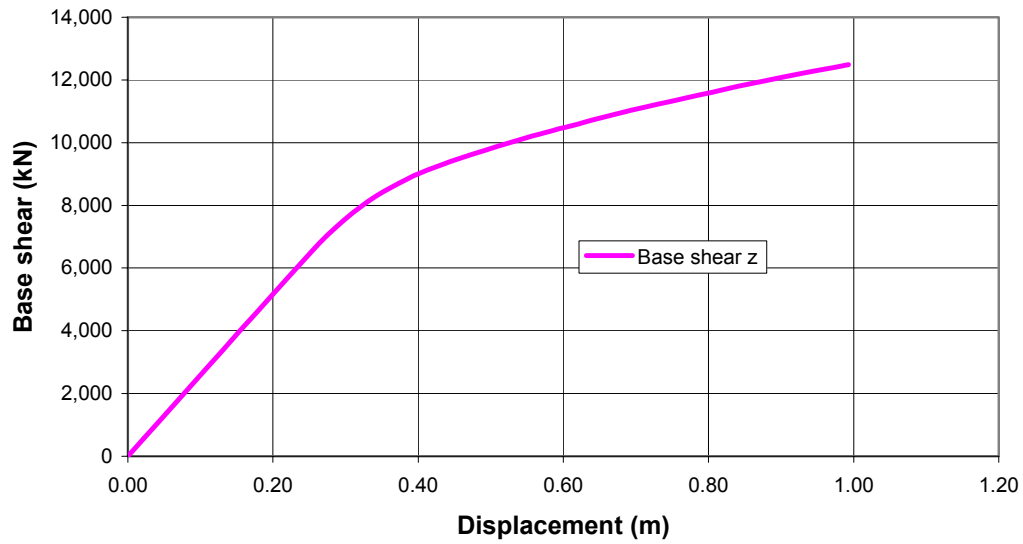
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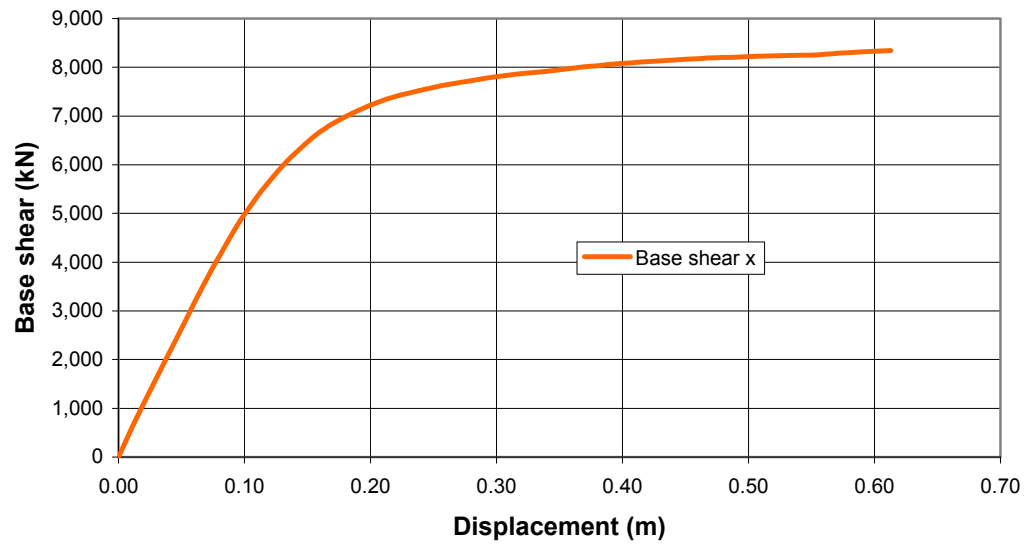
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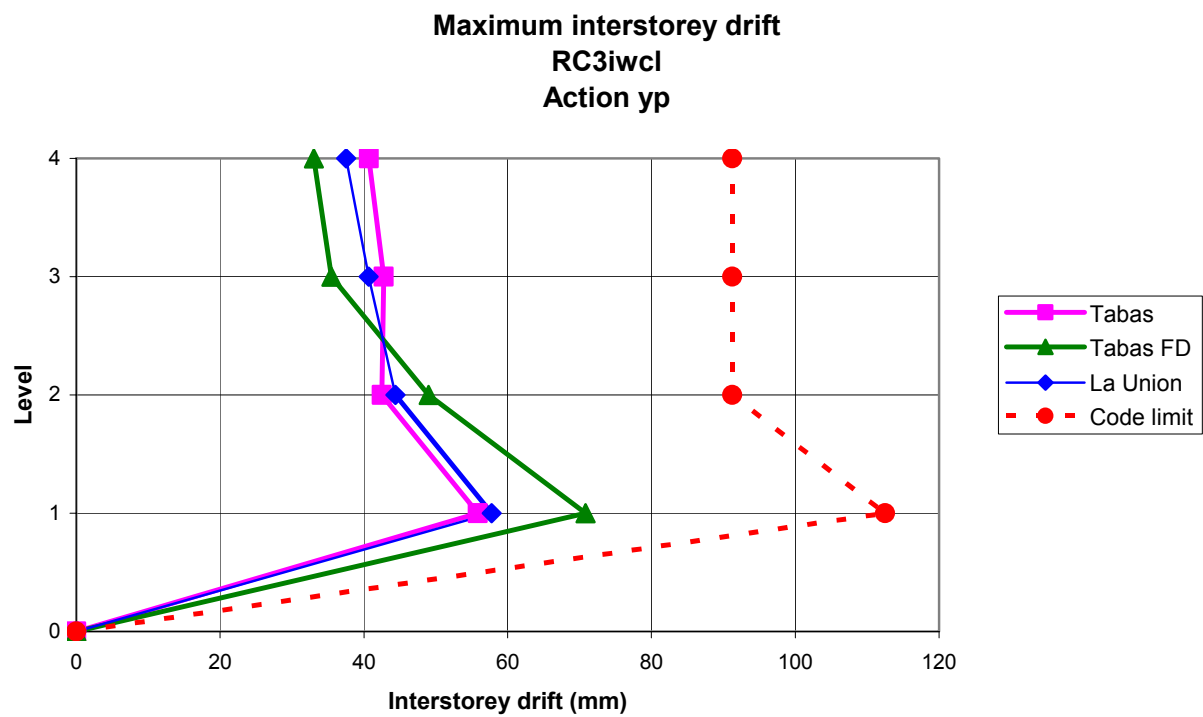
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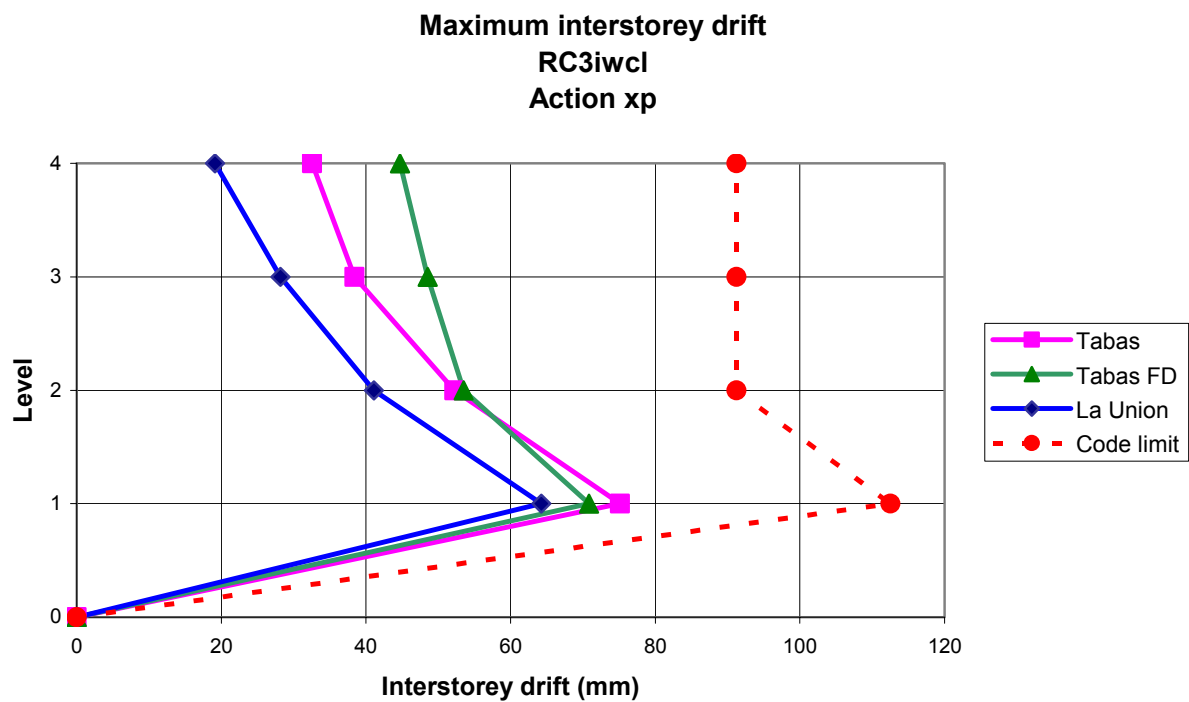


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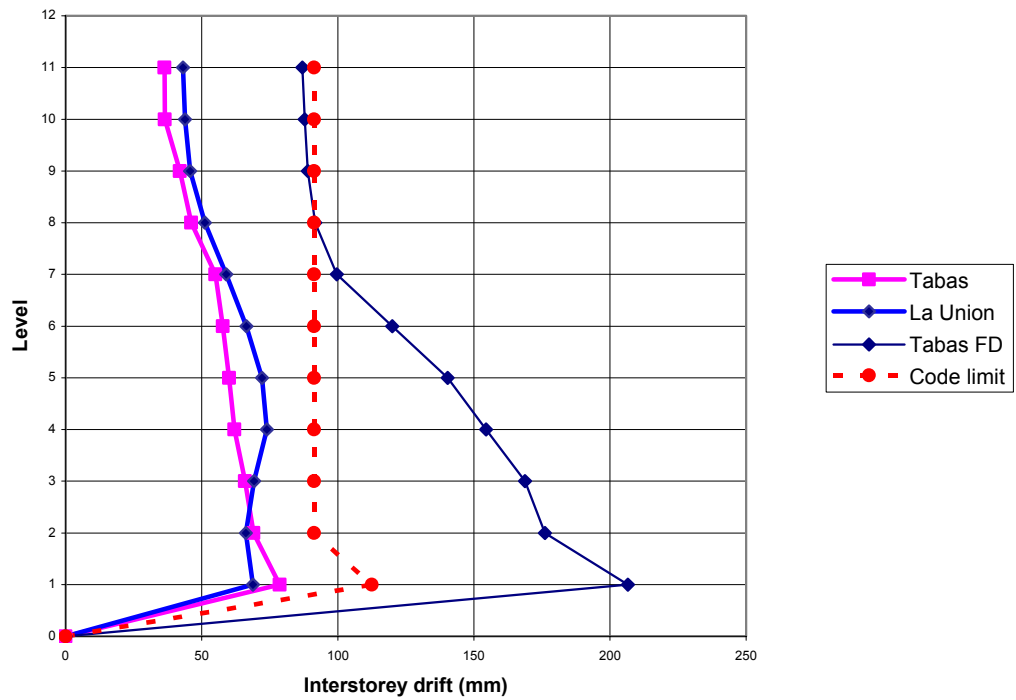


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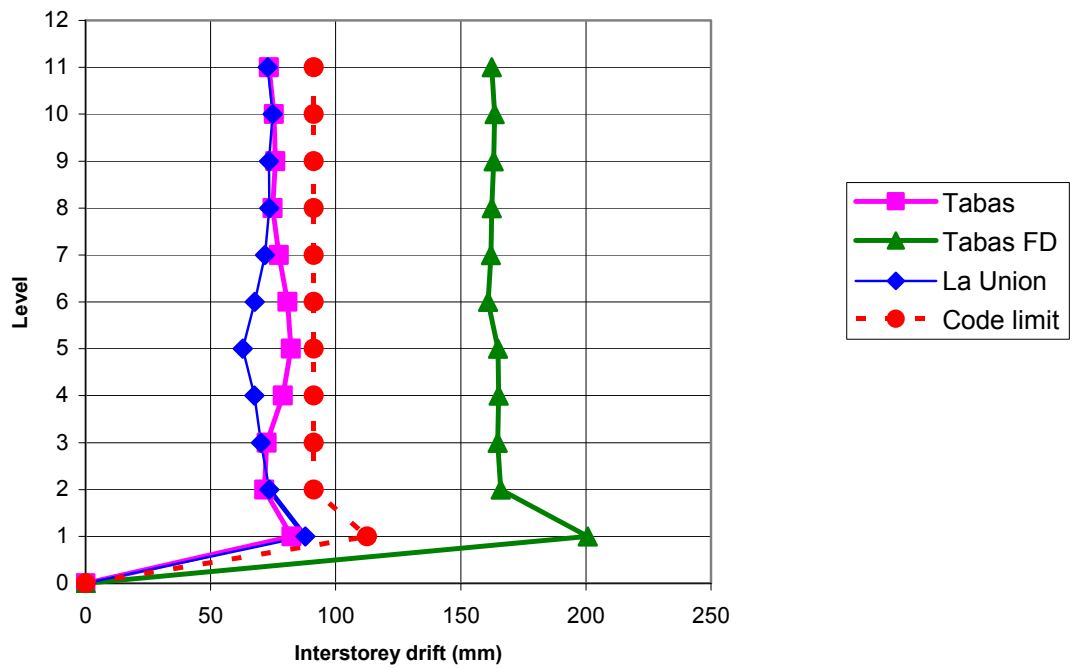
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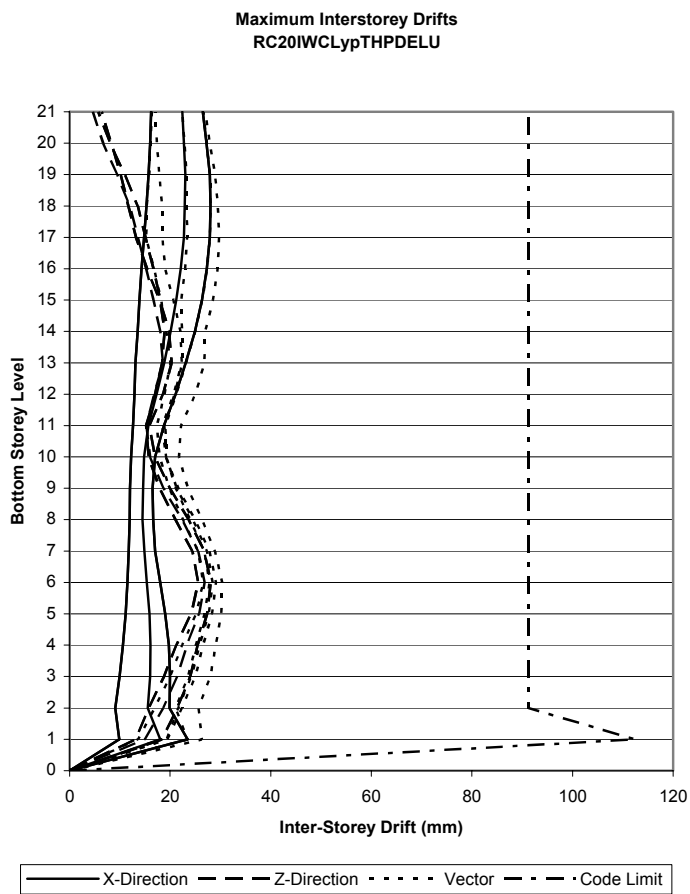
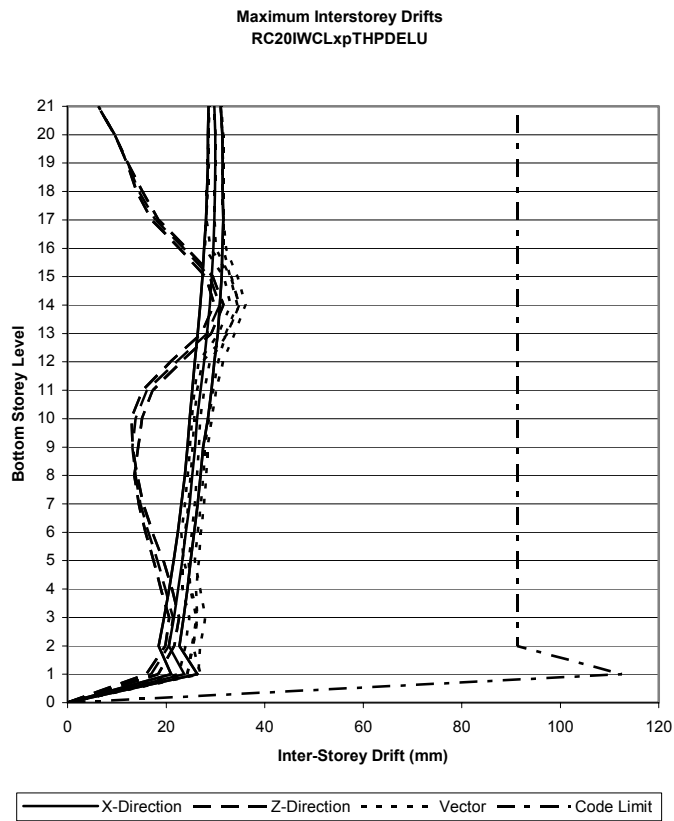


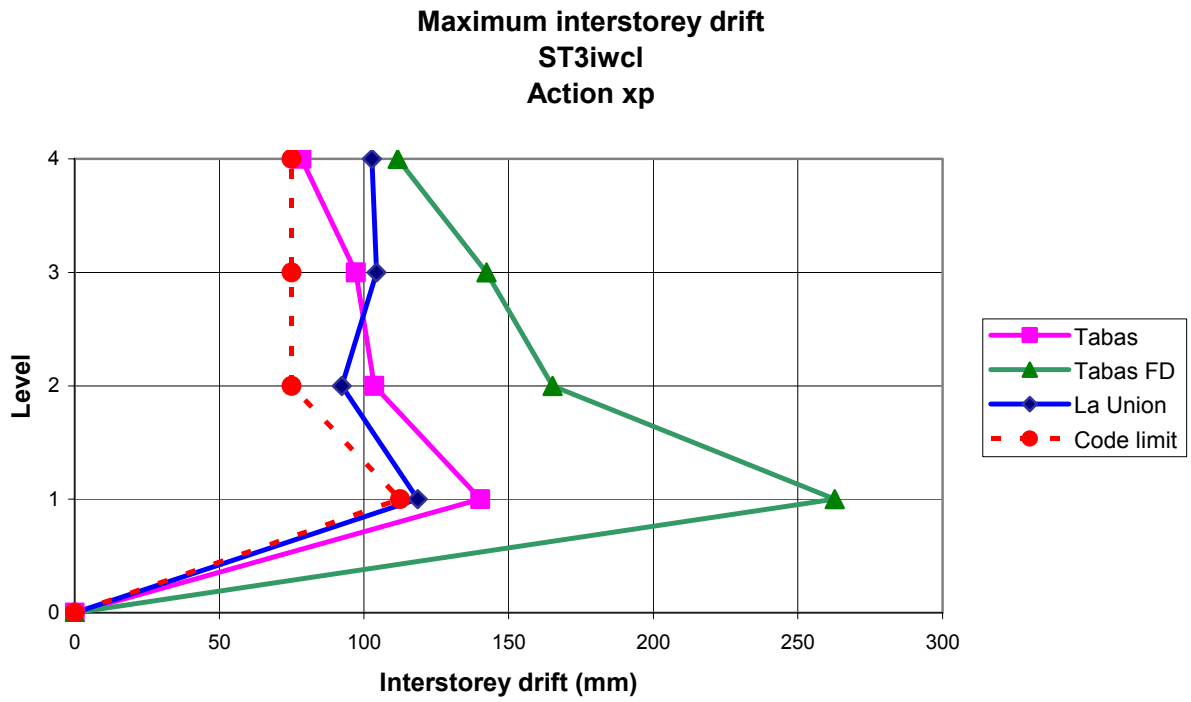
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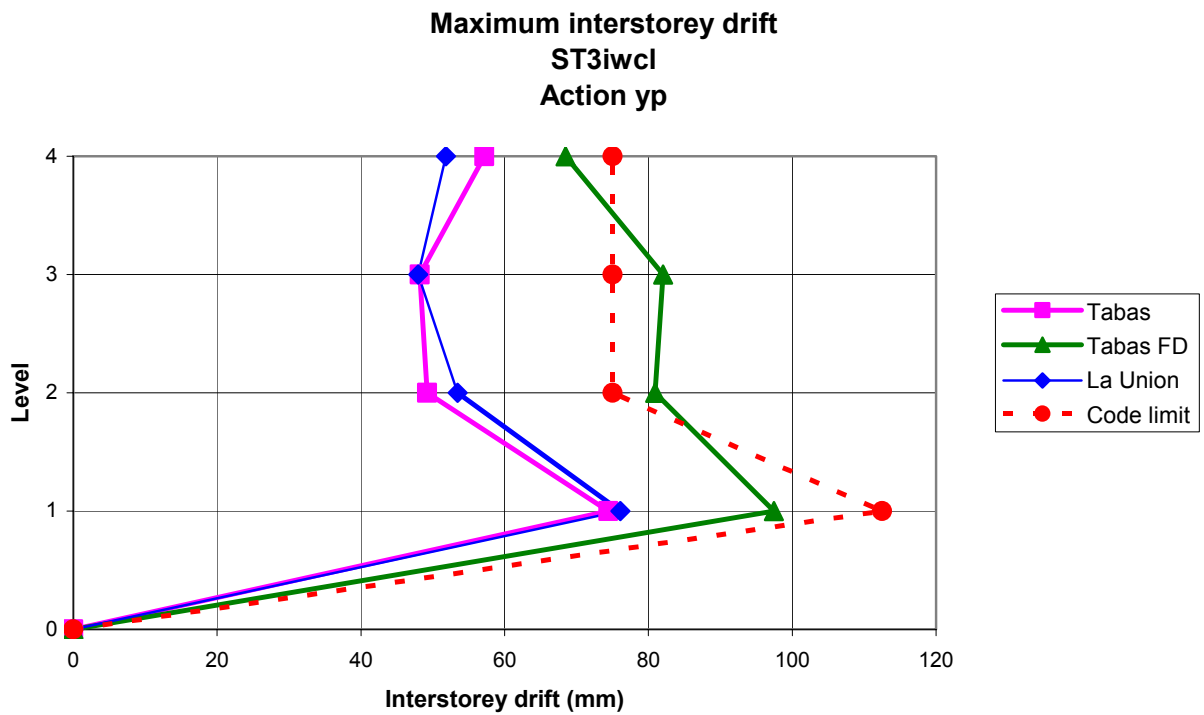


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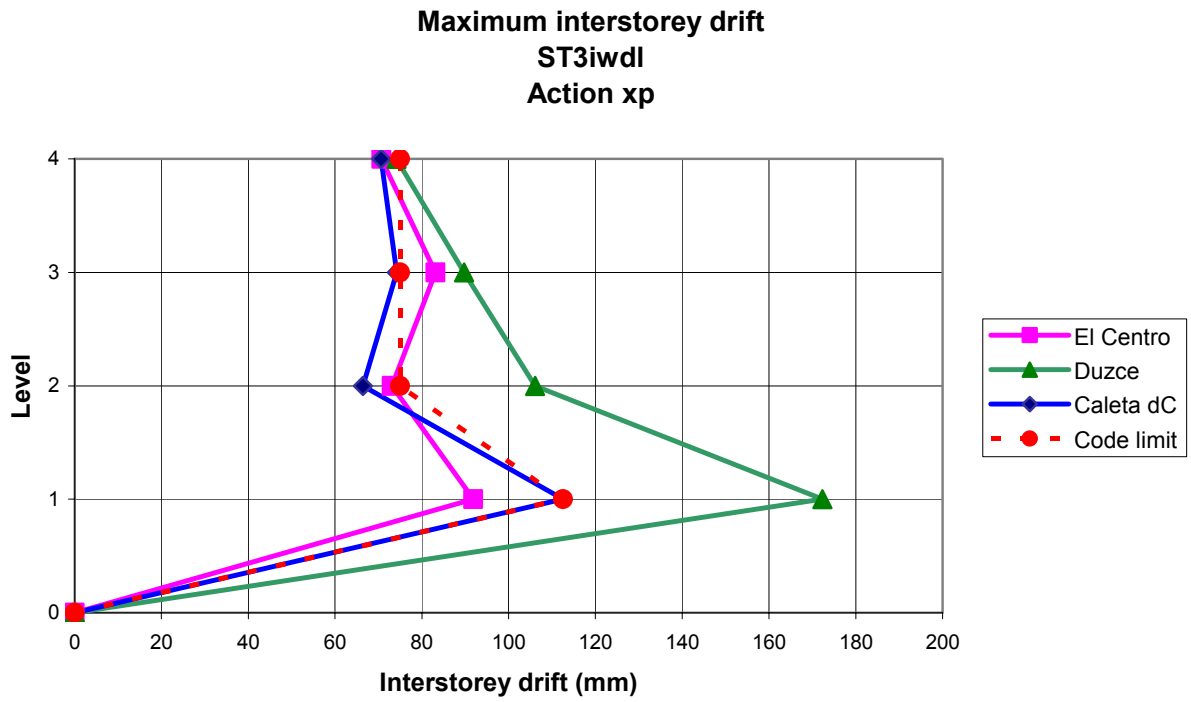




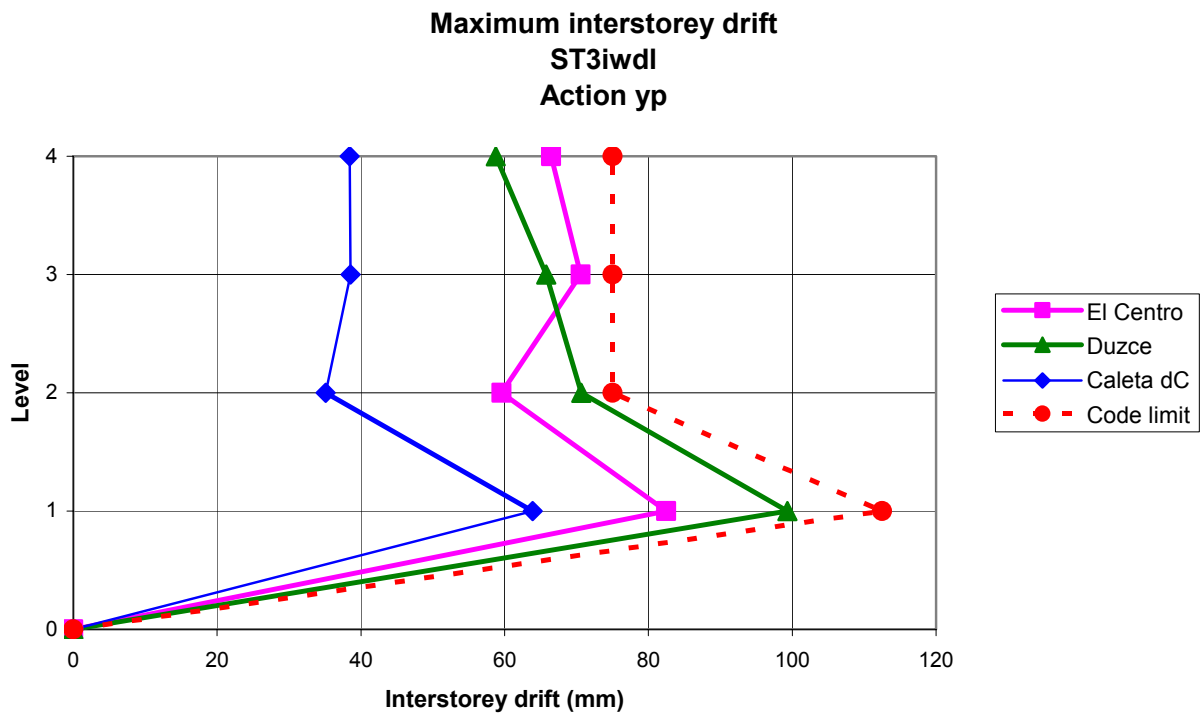
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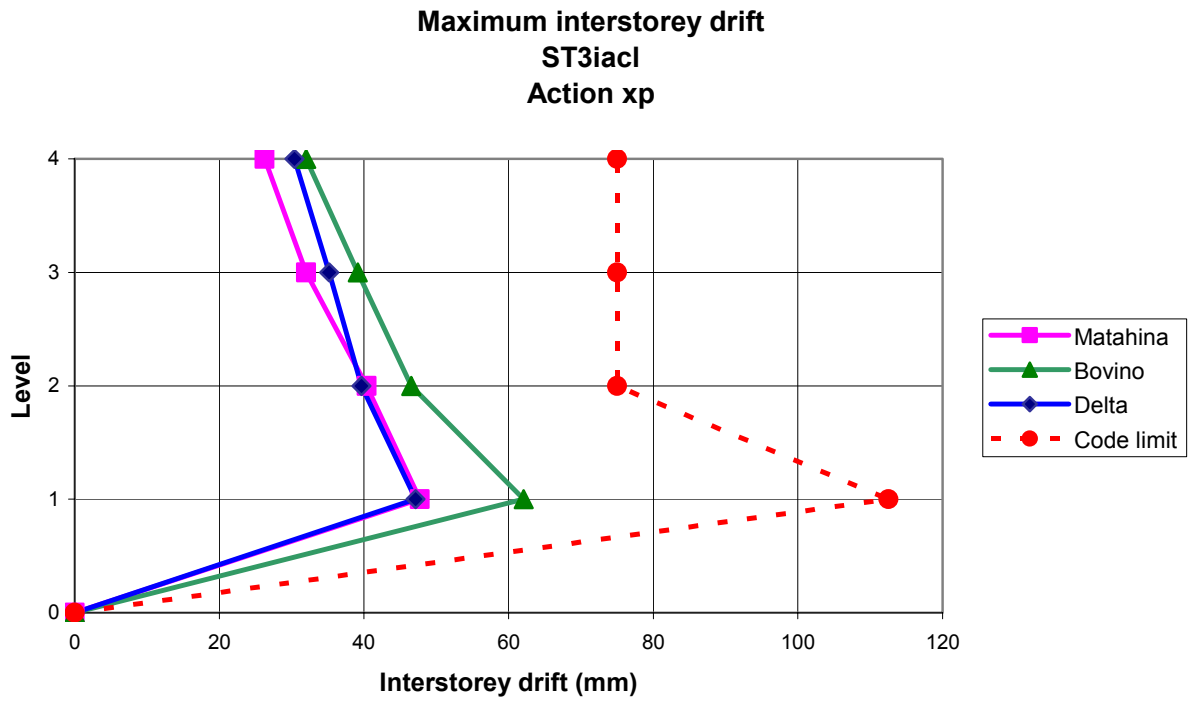
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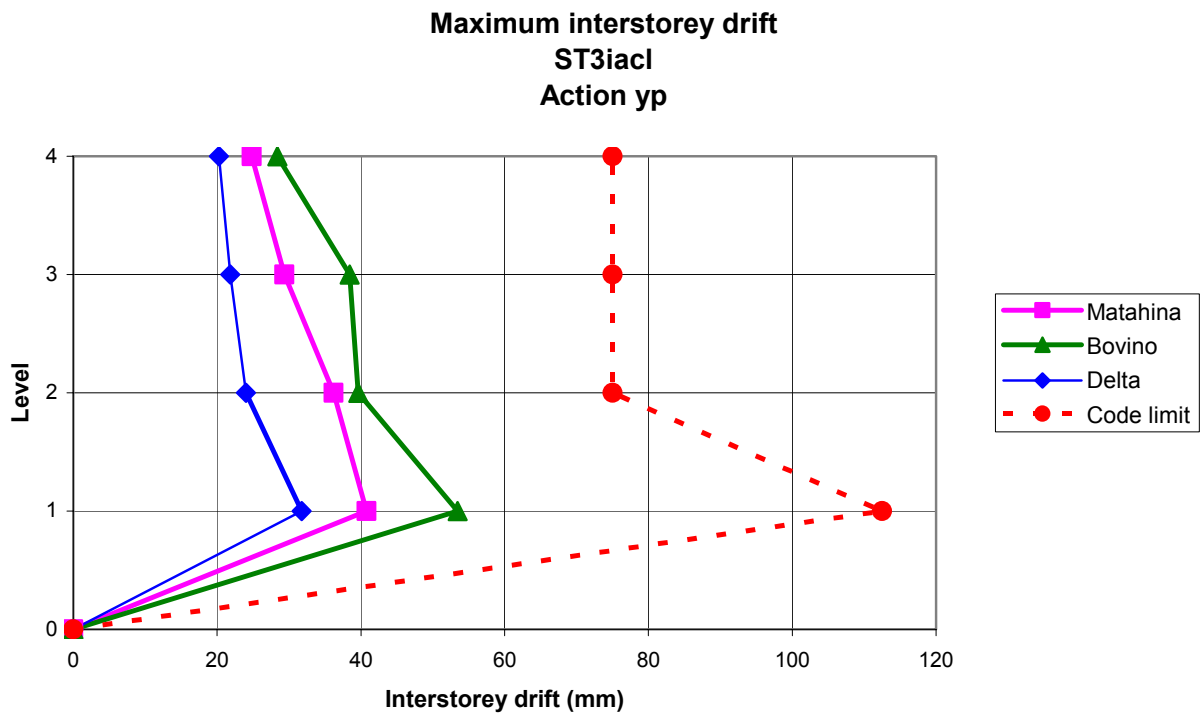
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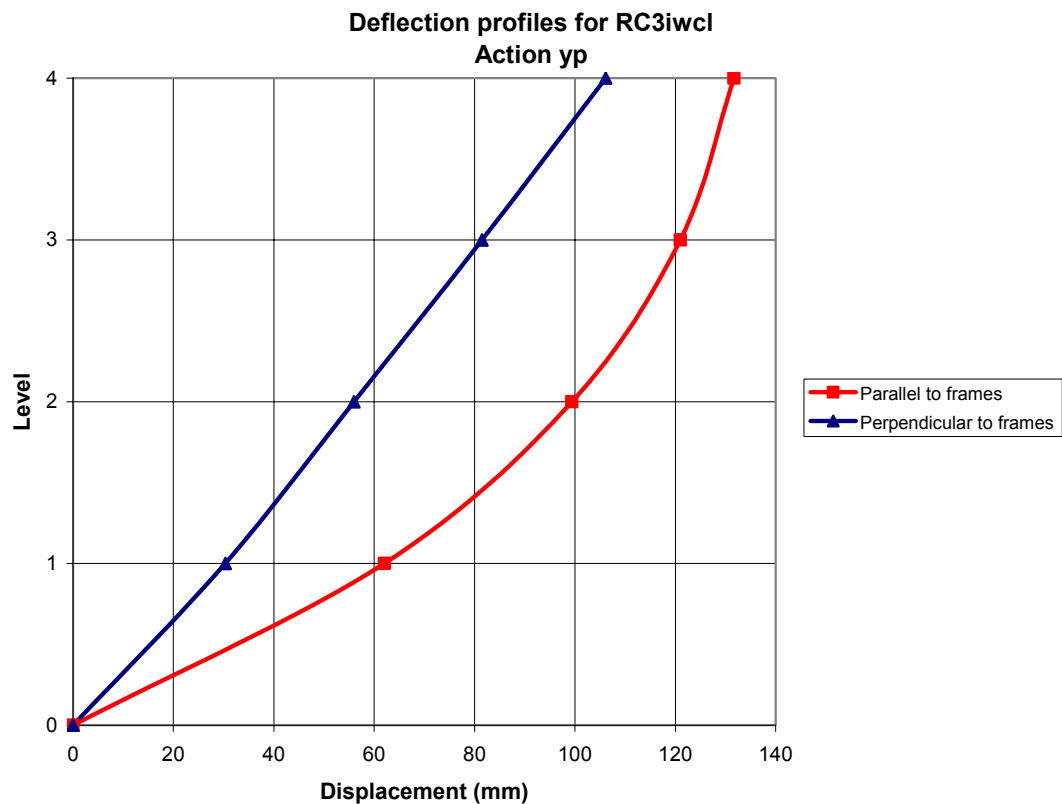


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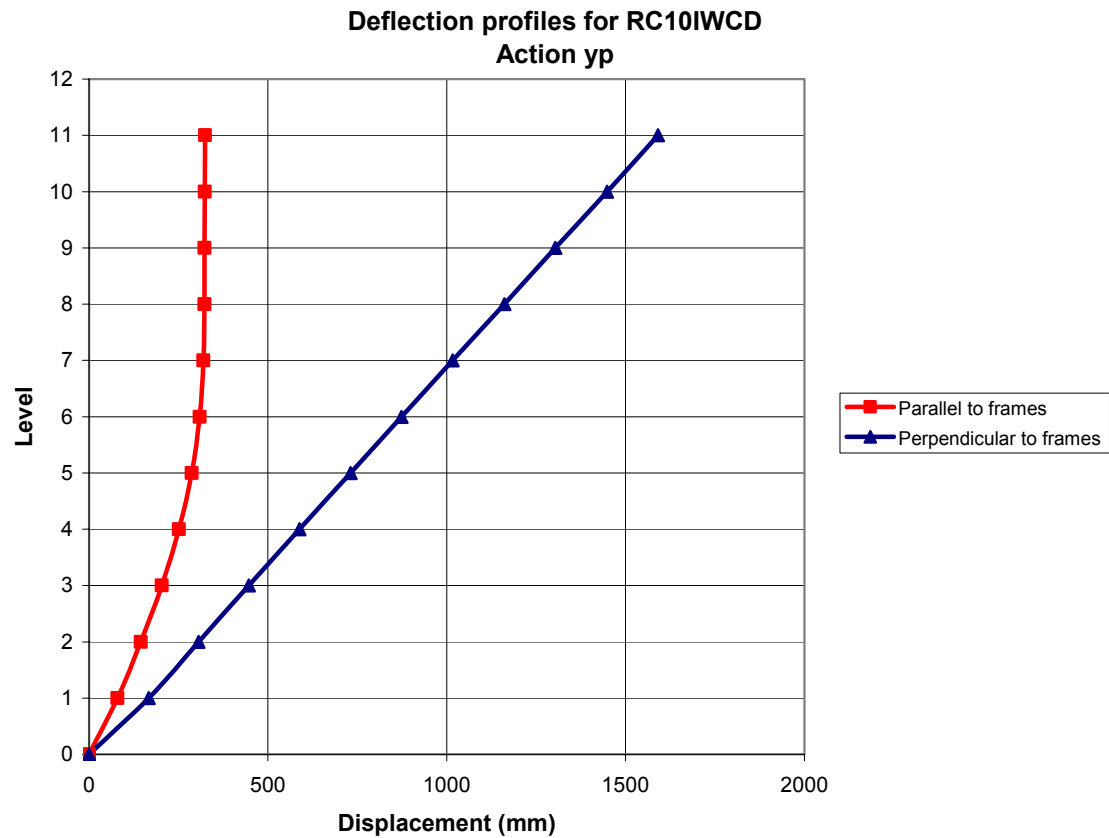


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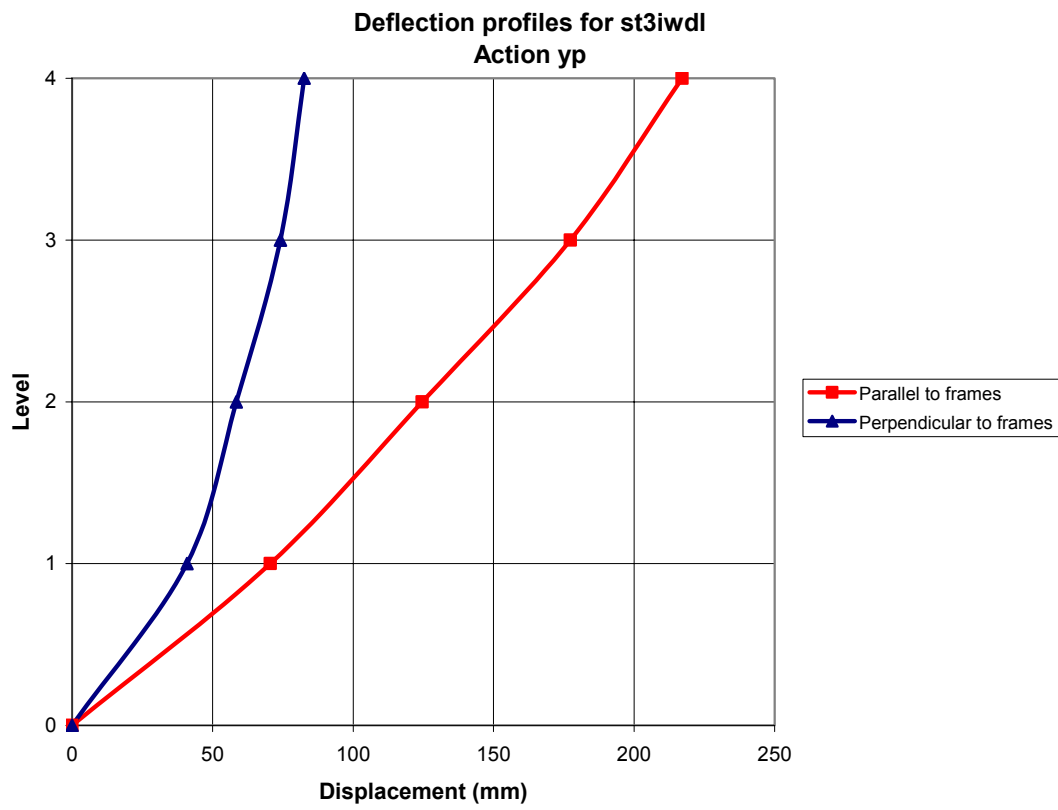
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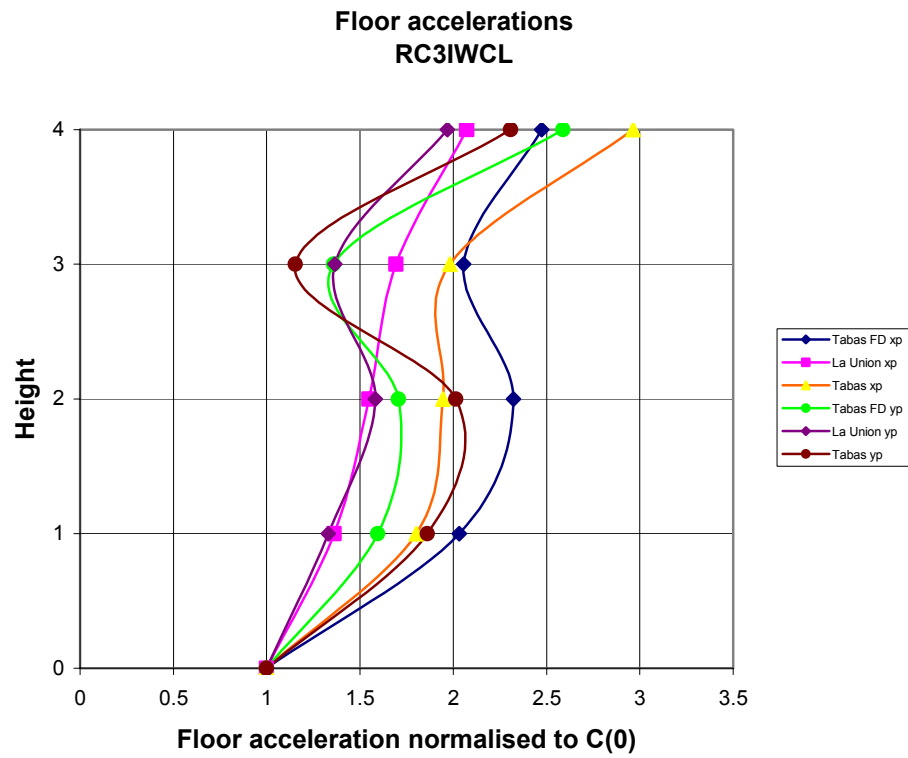


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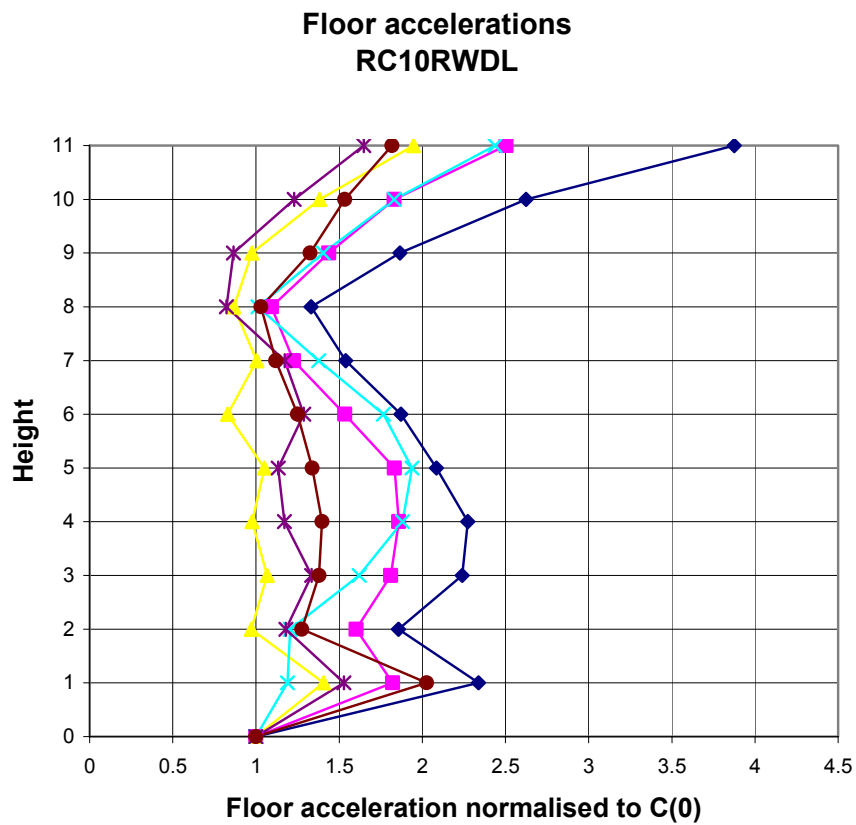


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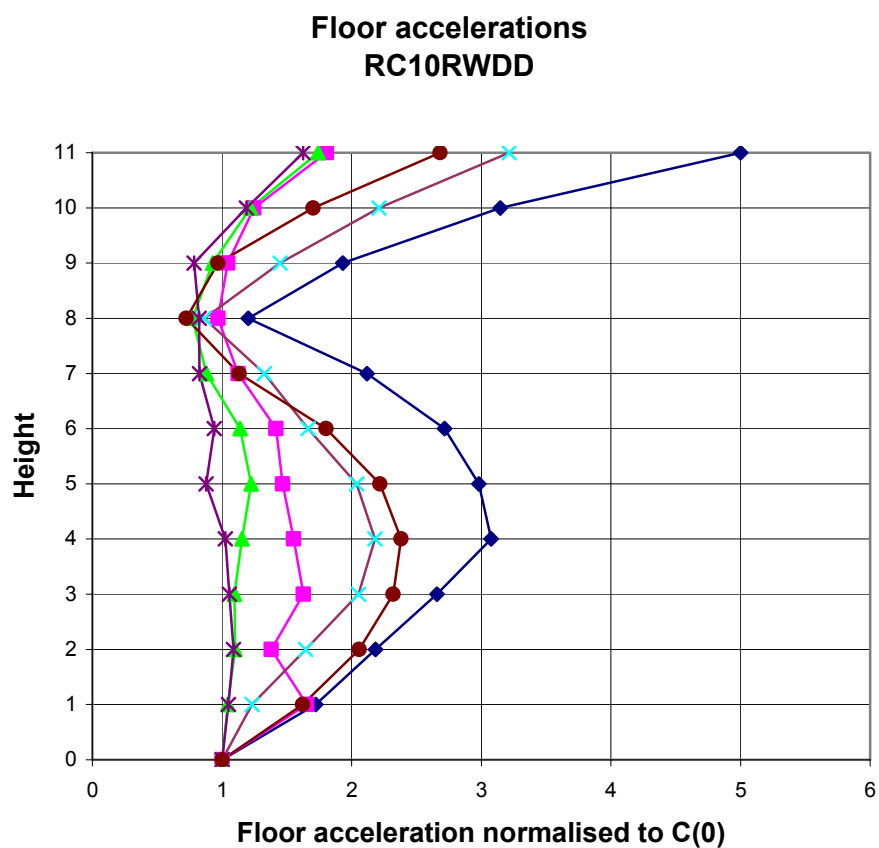
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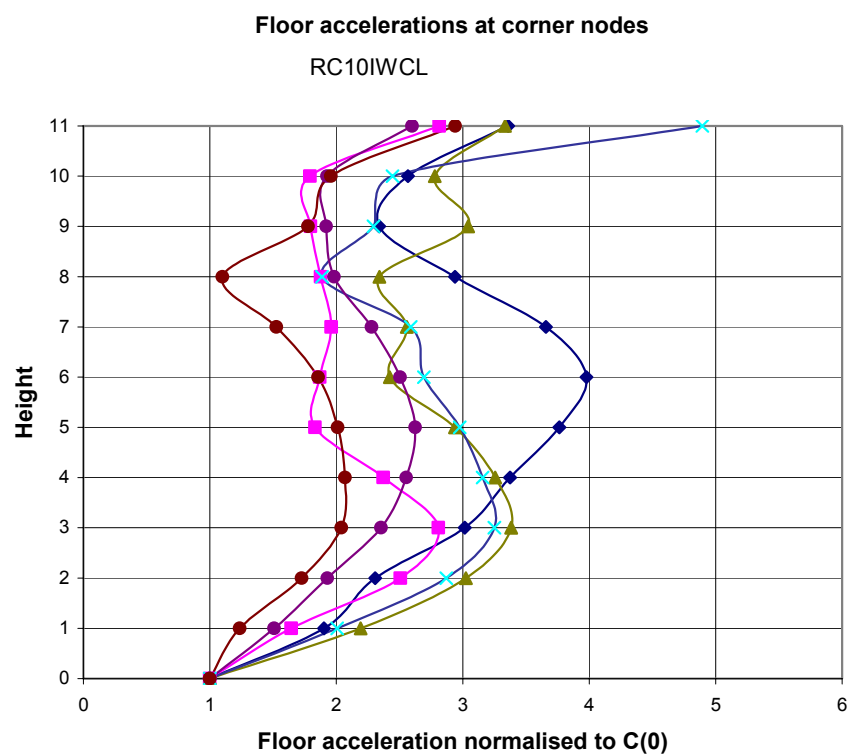
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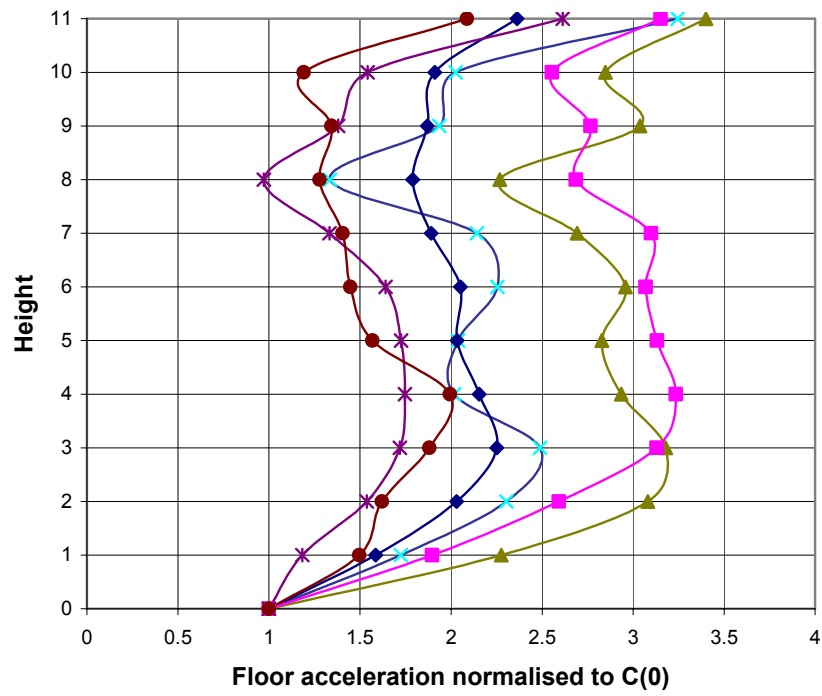


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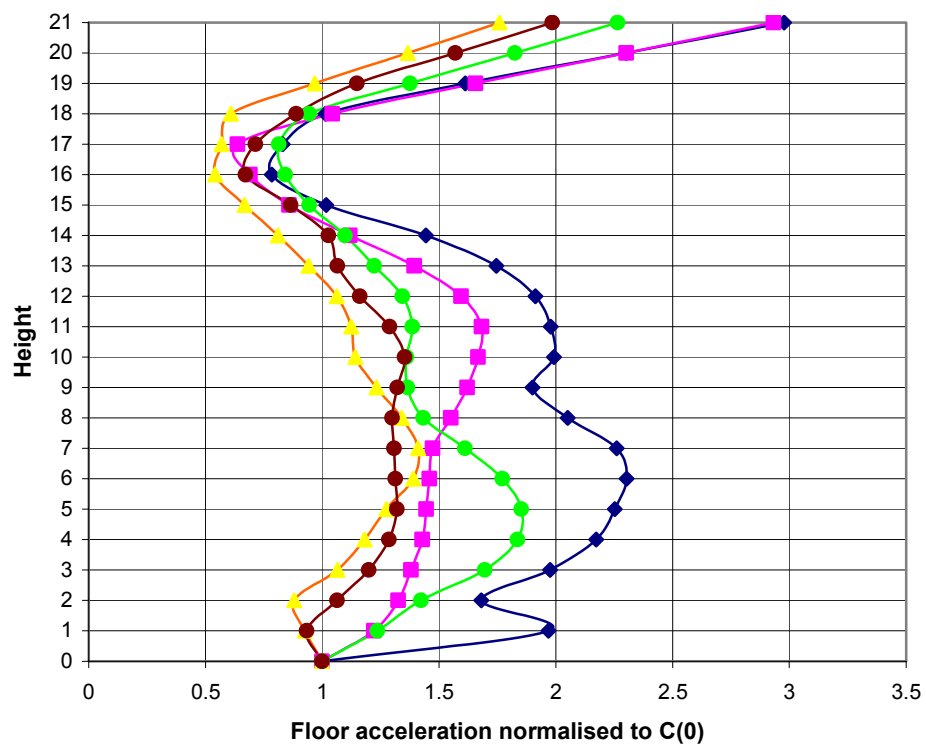
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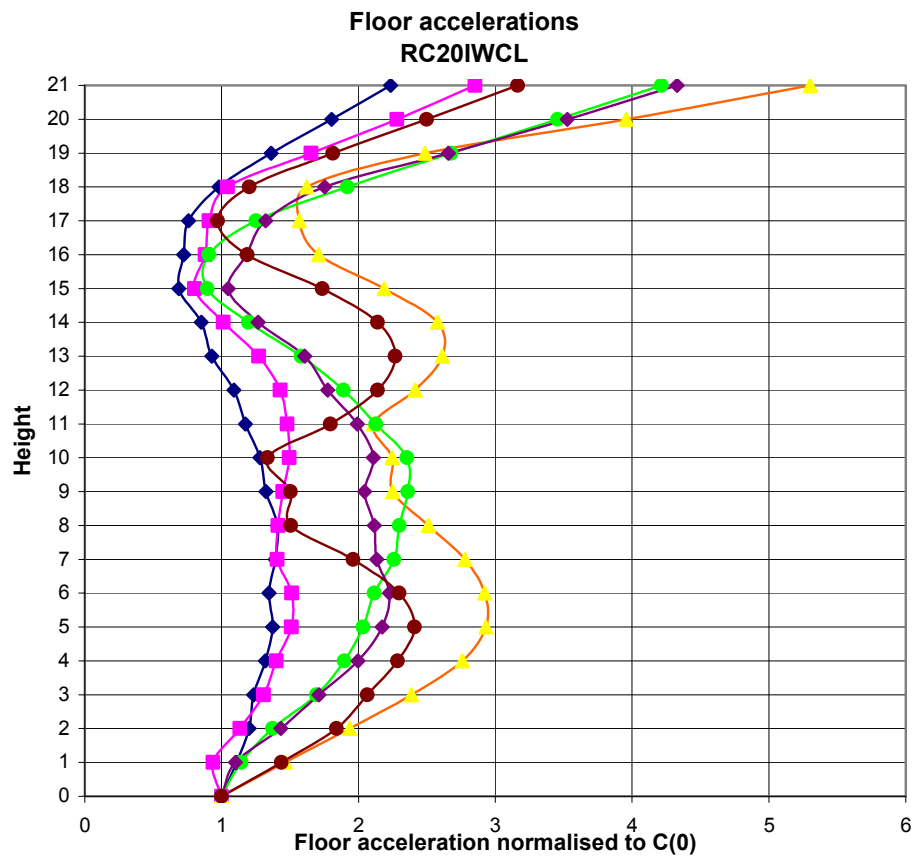


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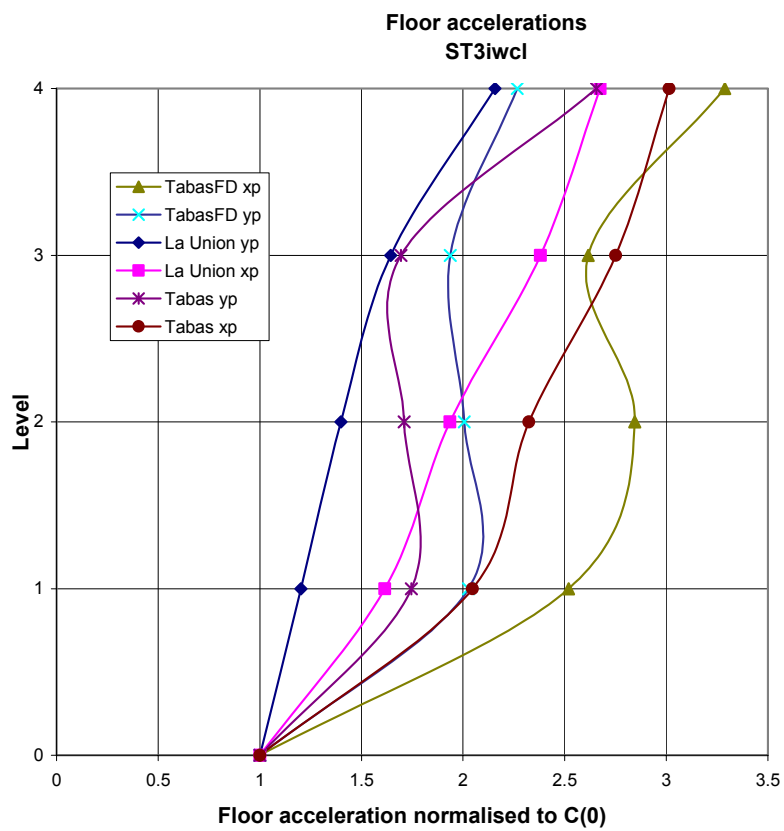
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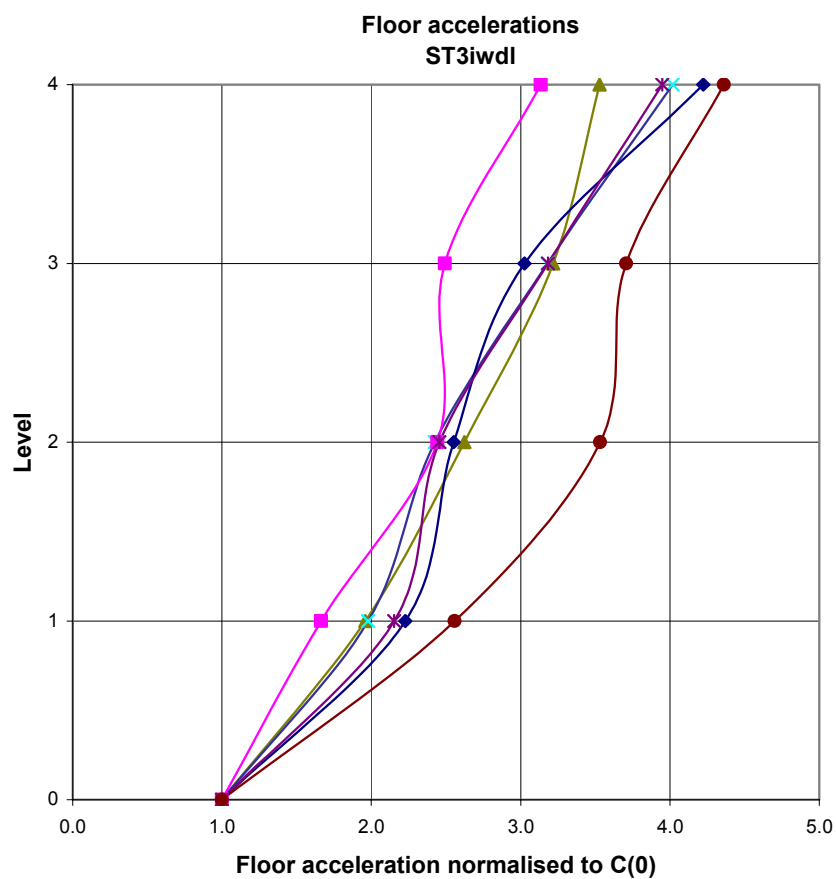
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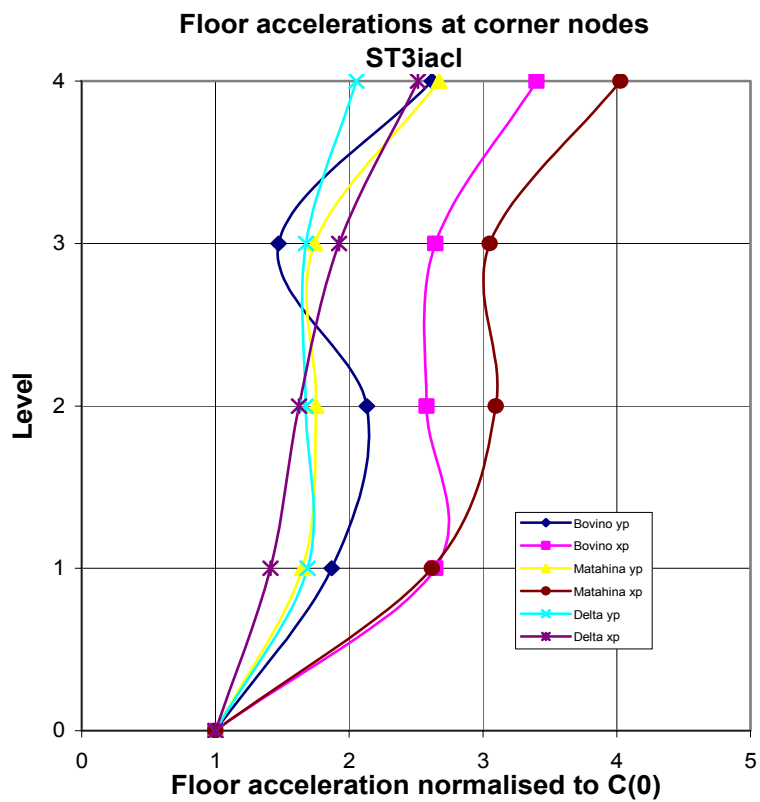
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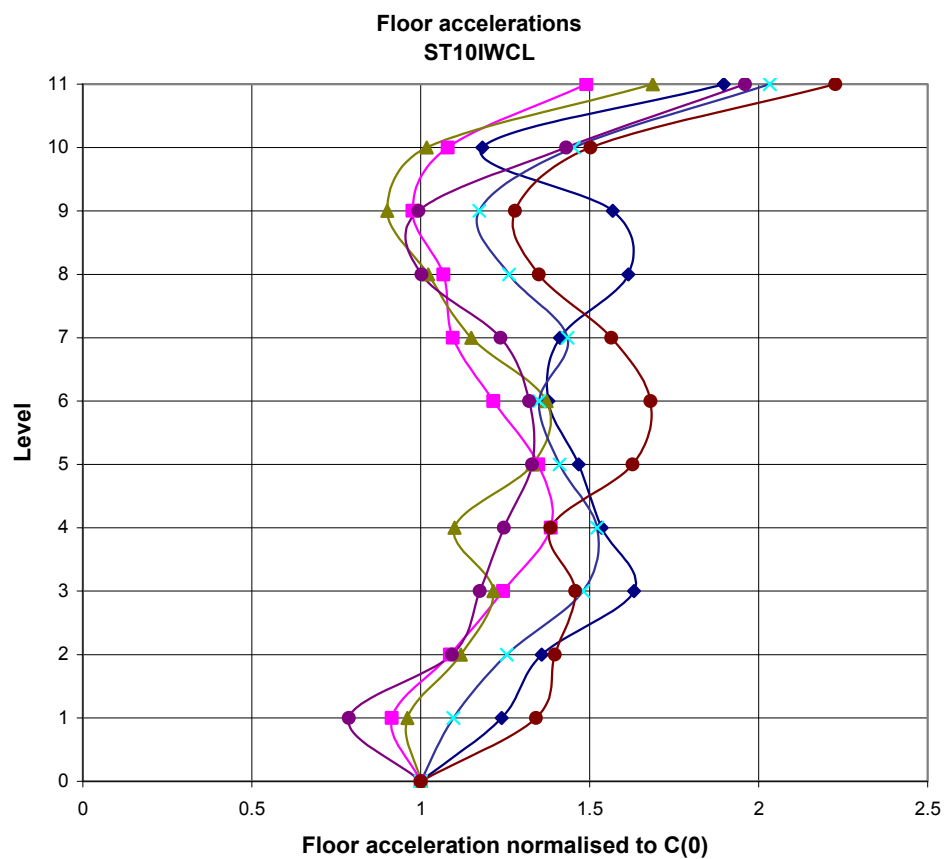
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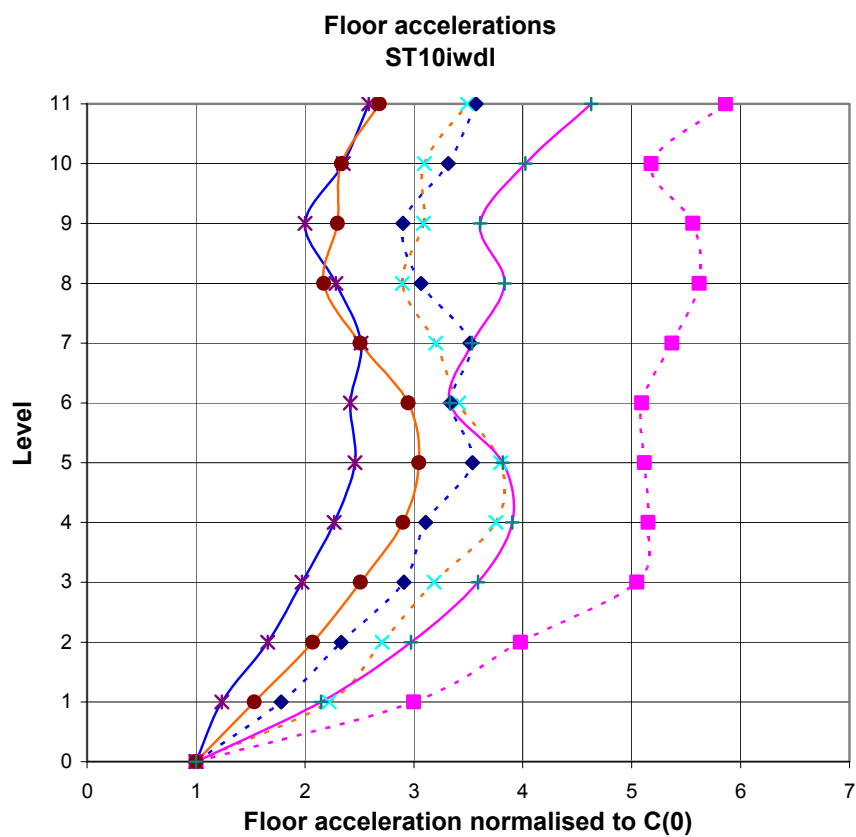
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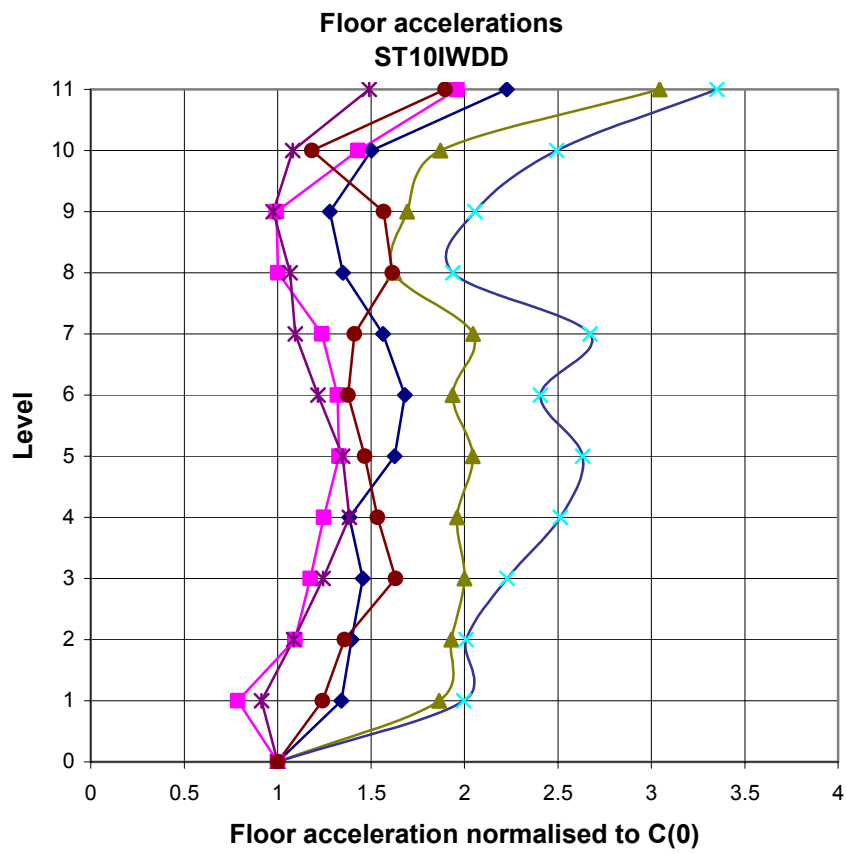
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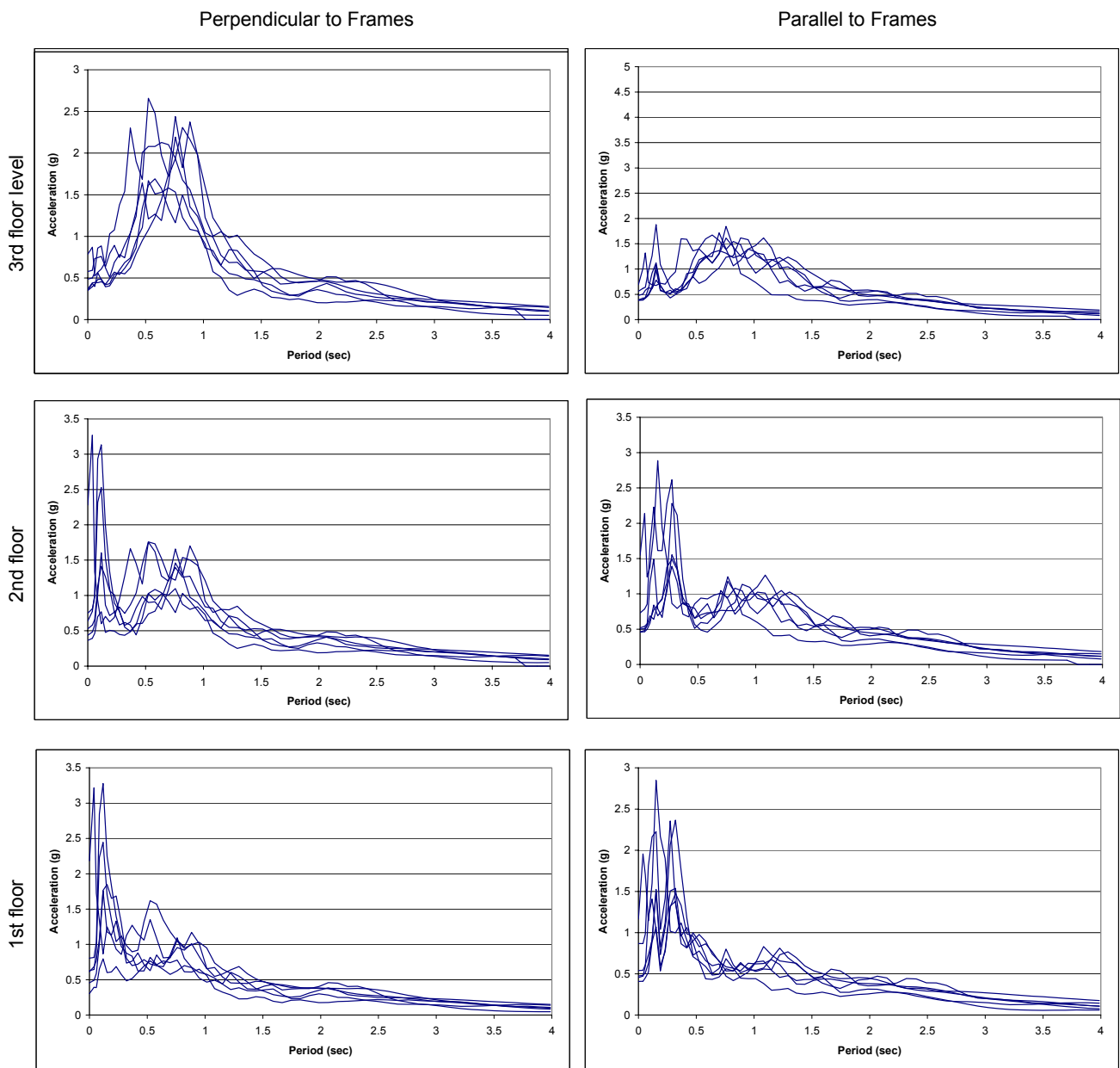


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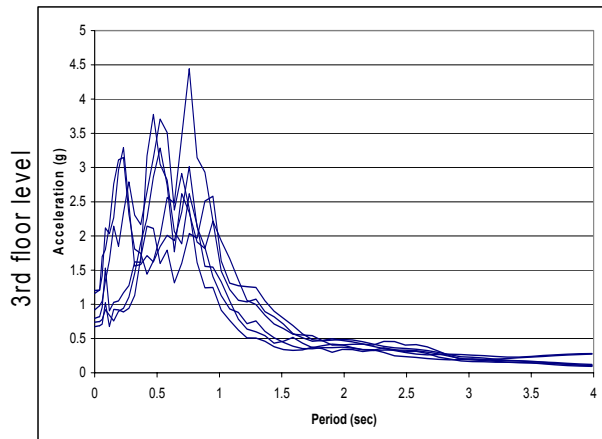
Appendix 6: Floor response spectra

Earthquake Response Spectra

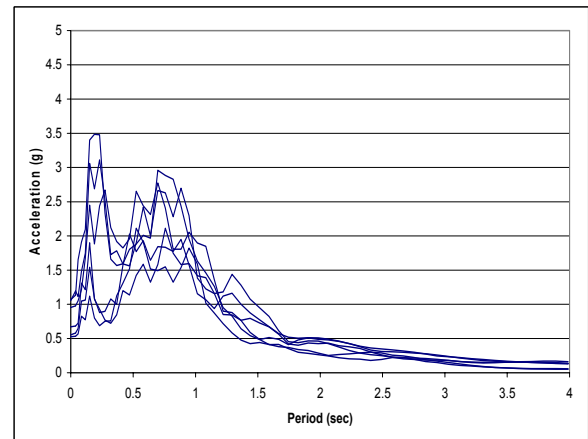
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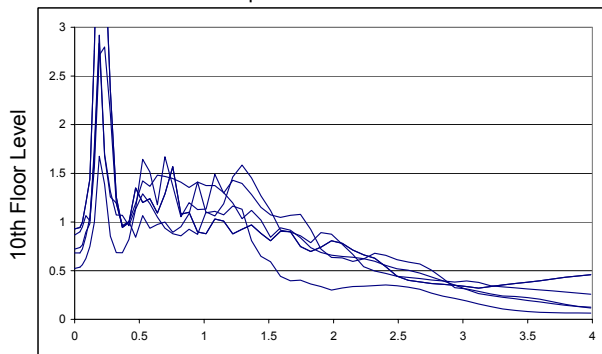
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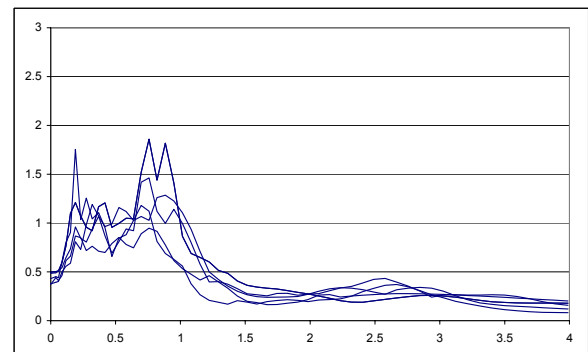
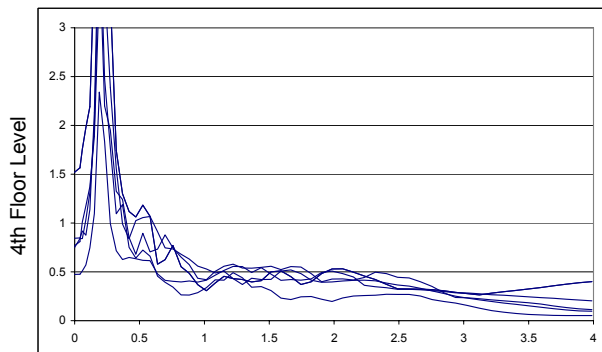
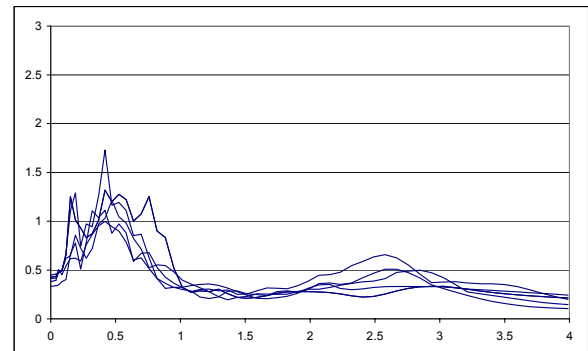
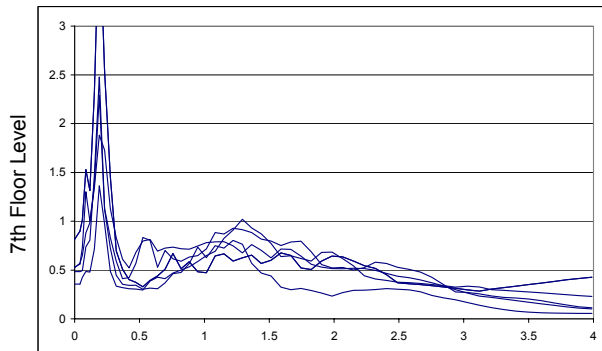
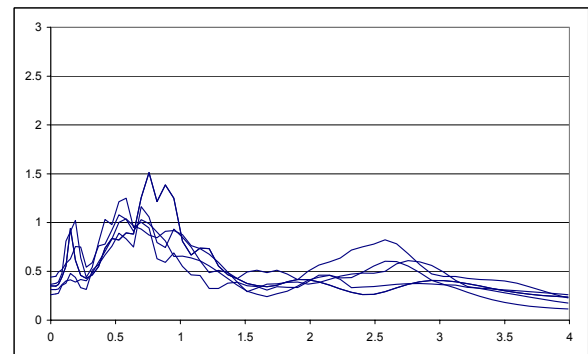
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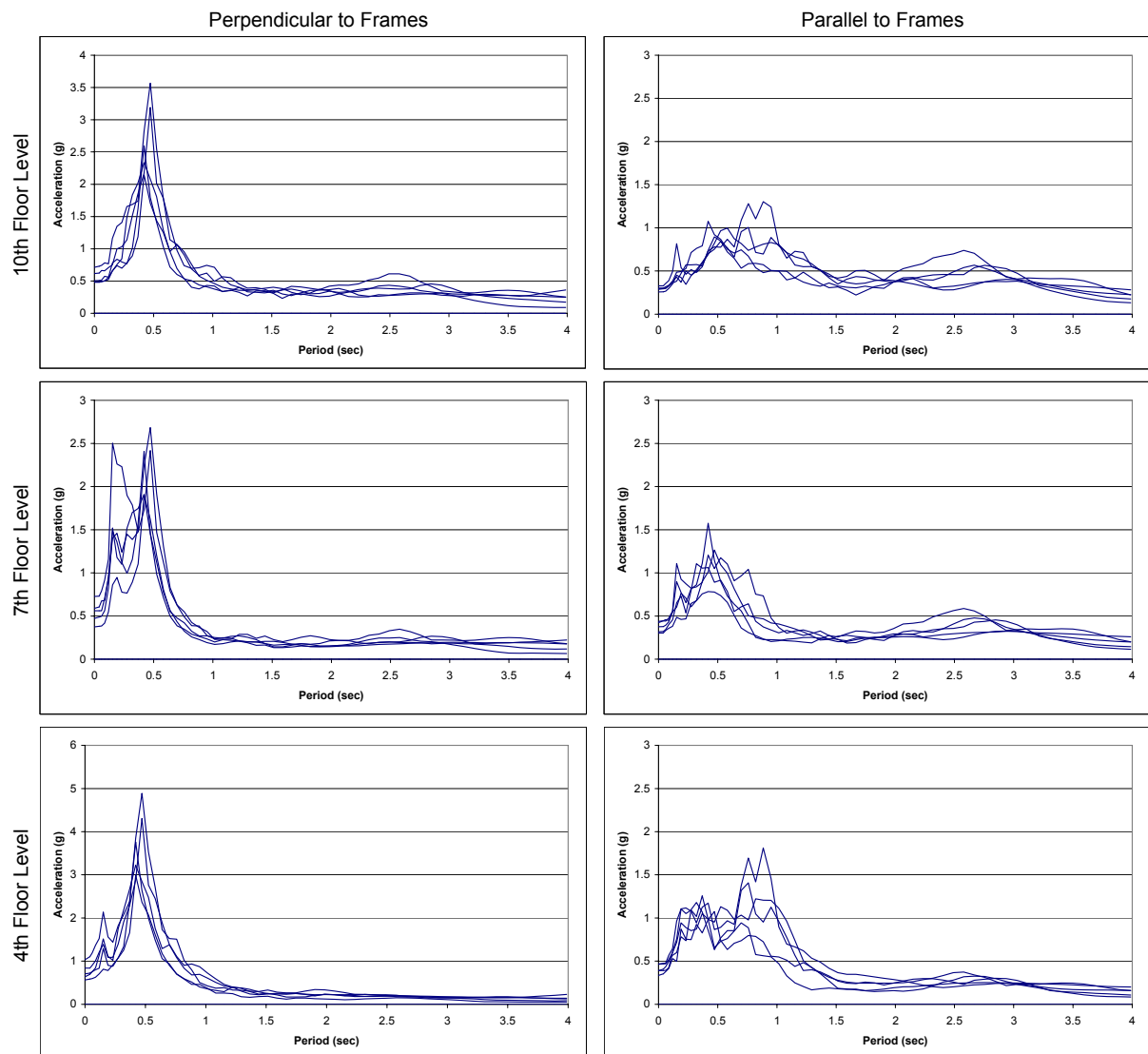


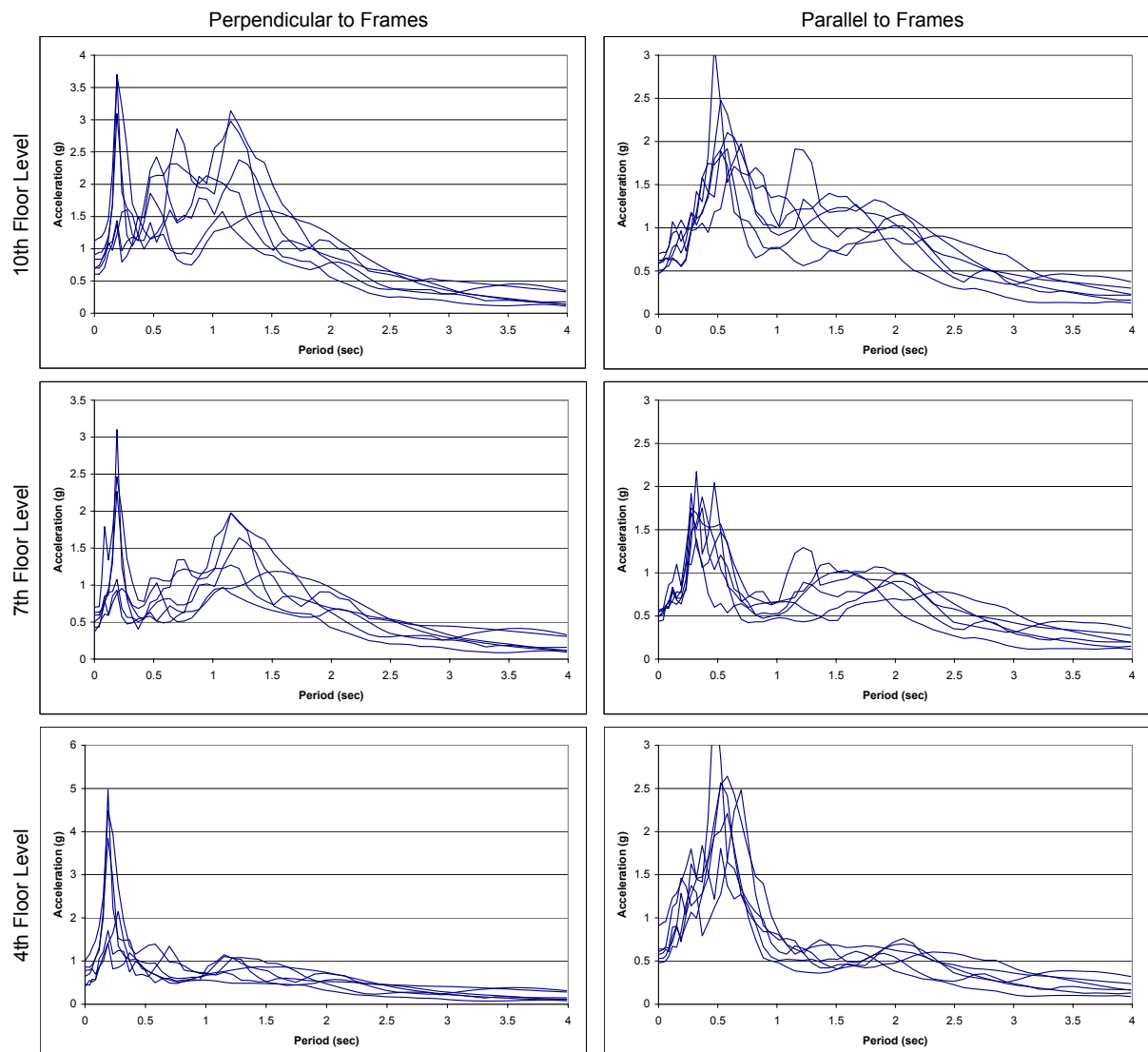
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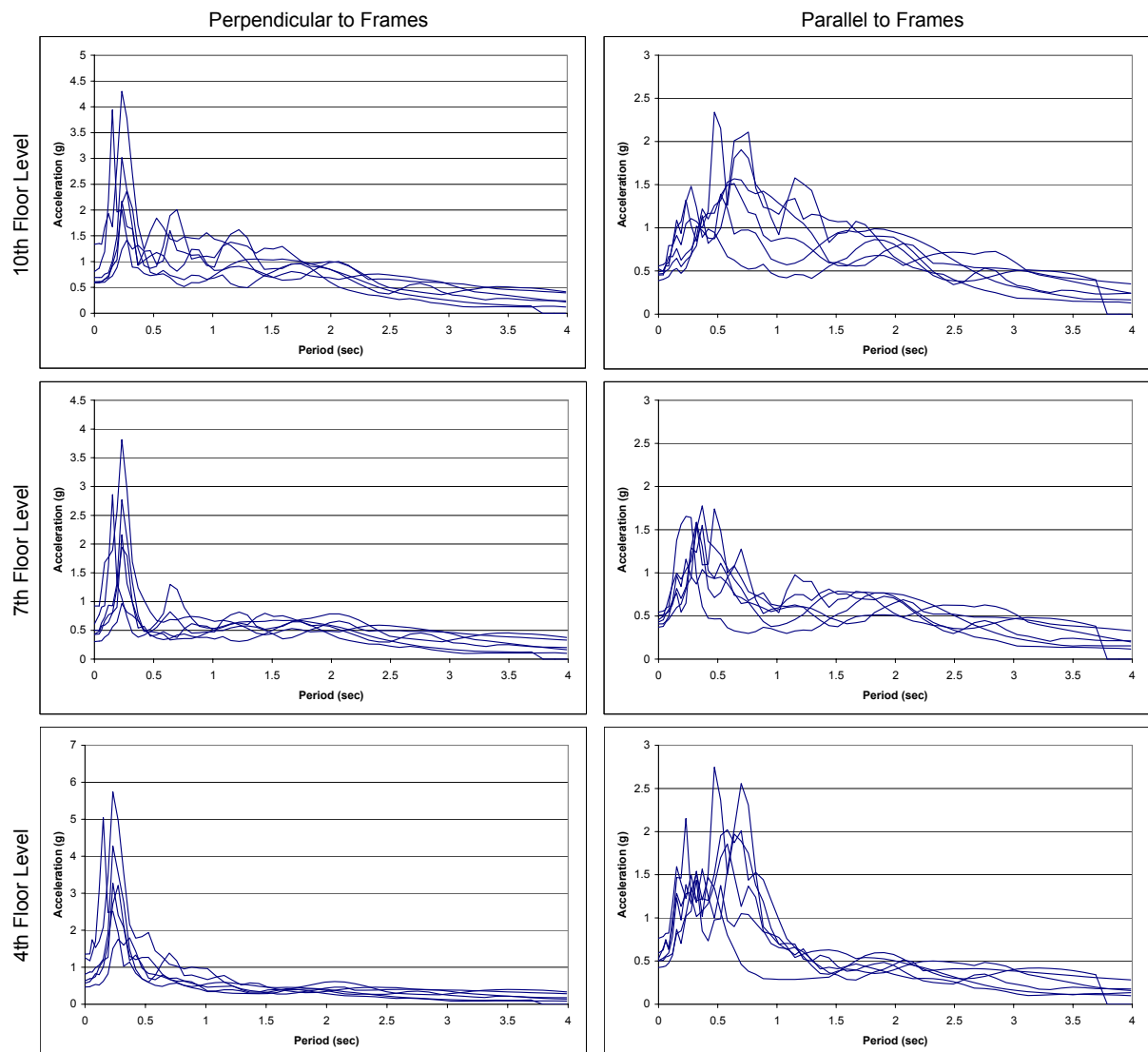


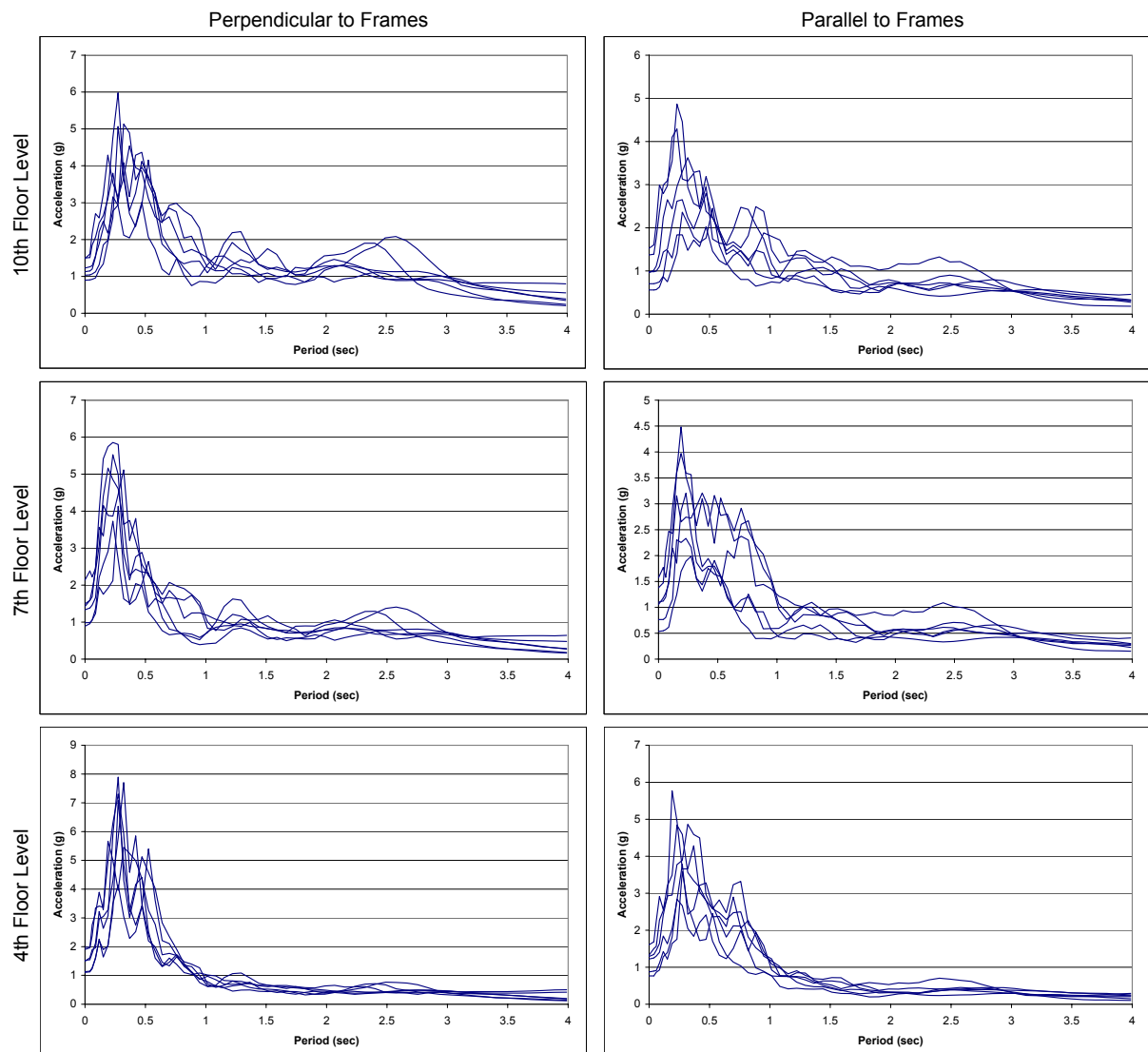
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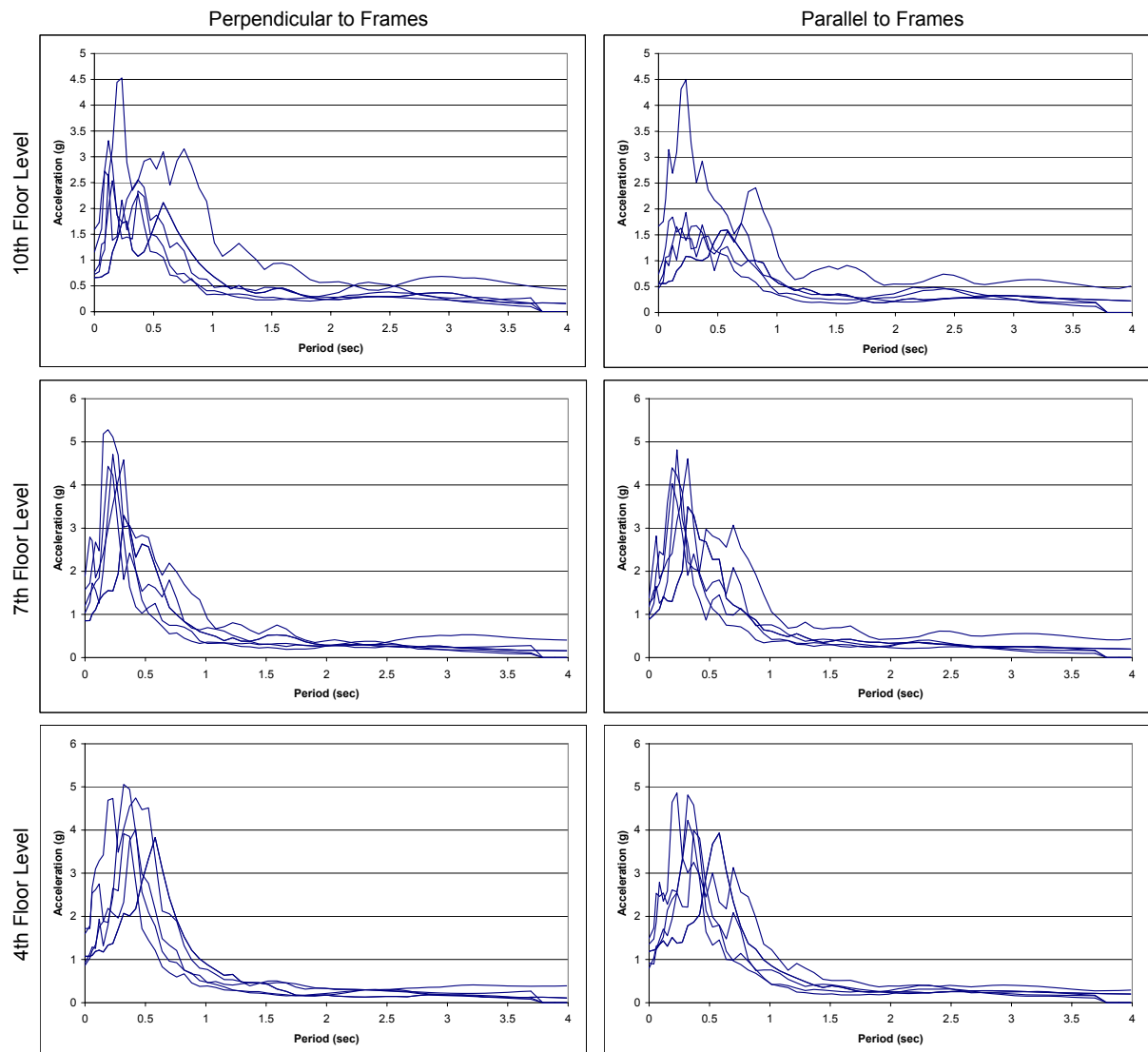


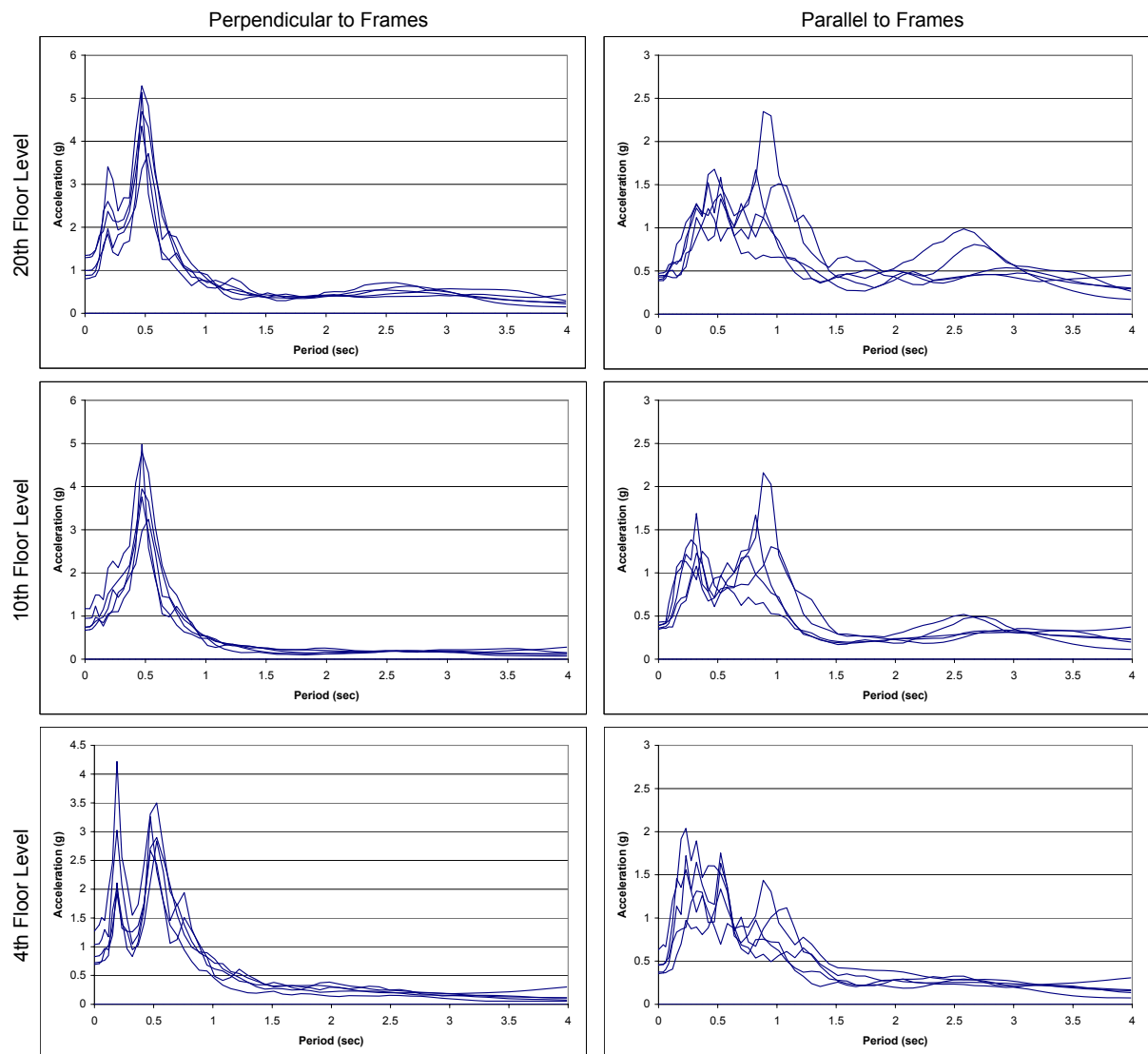


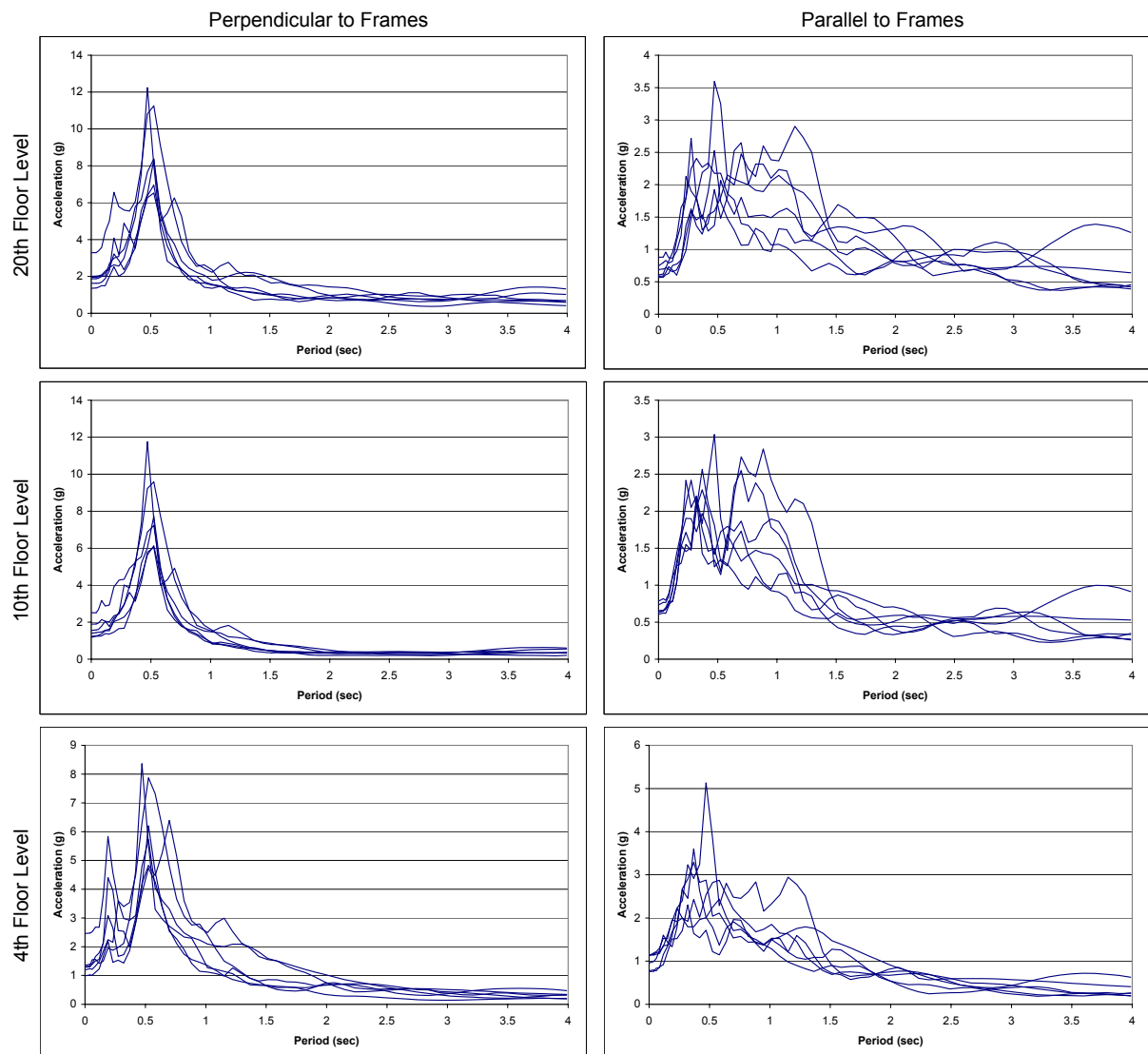


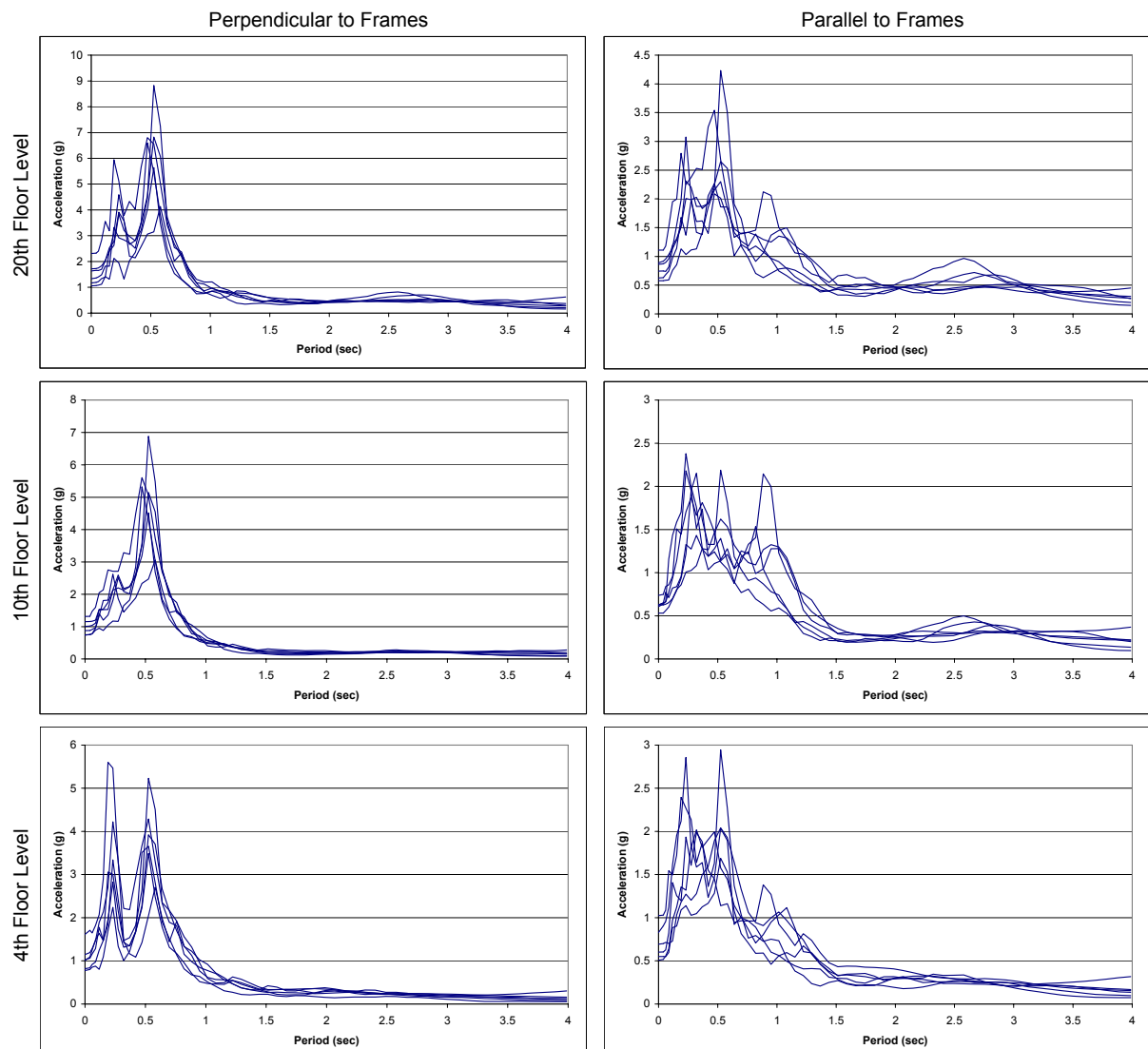


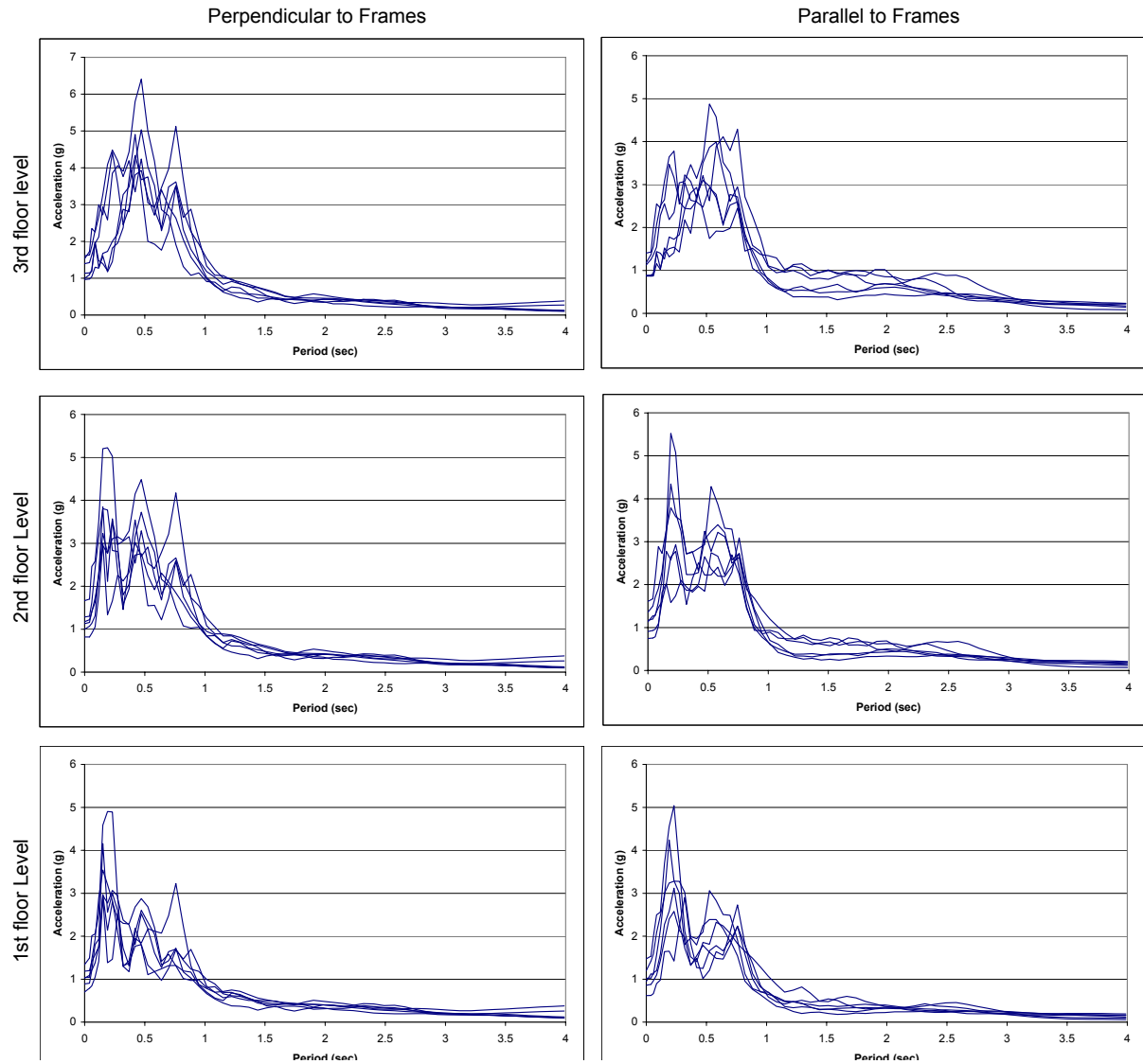


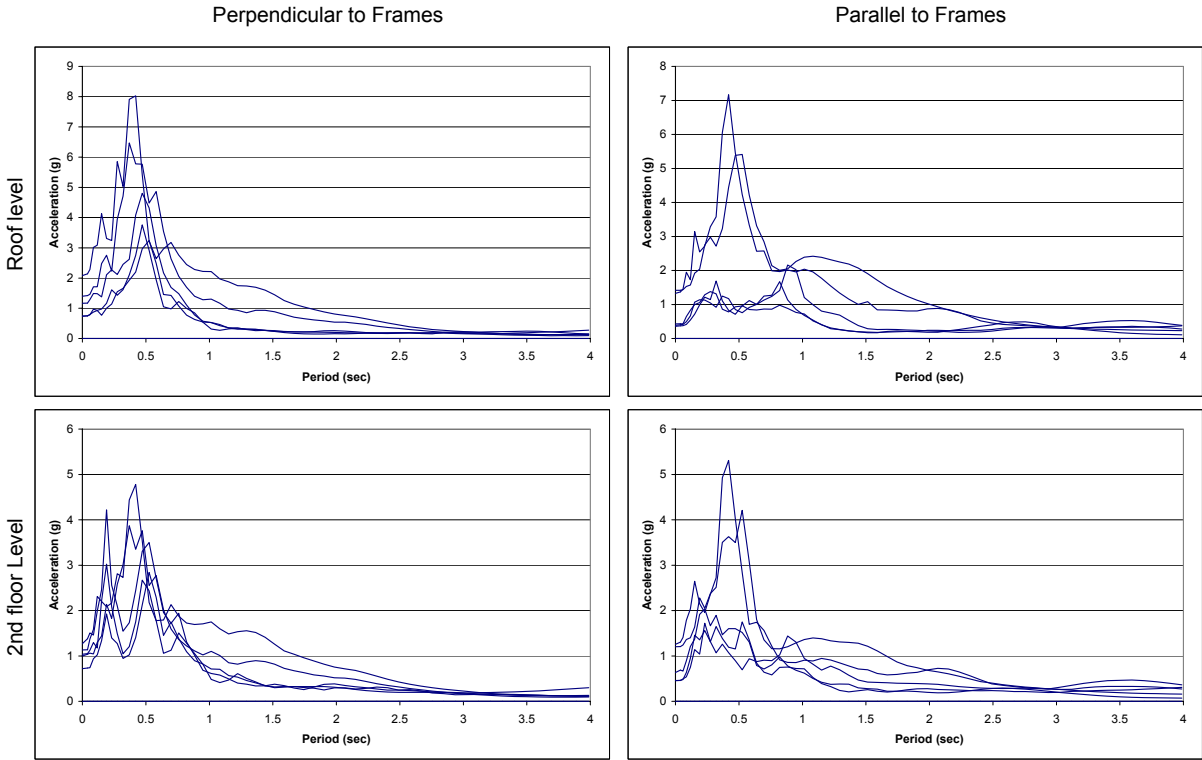


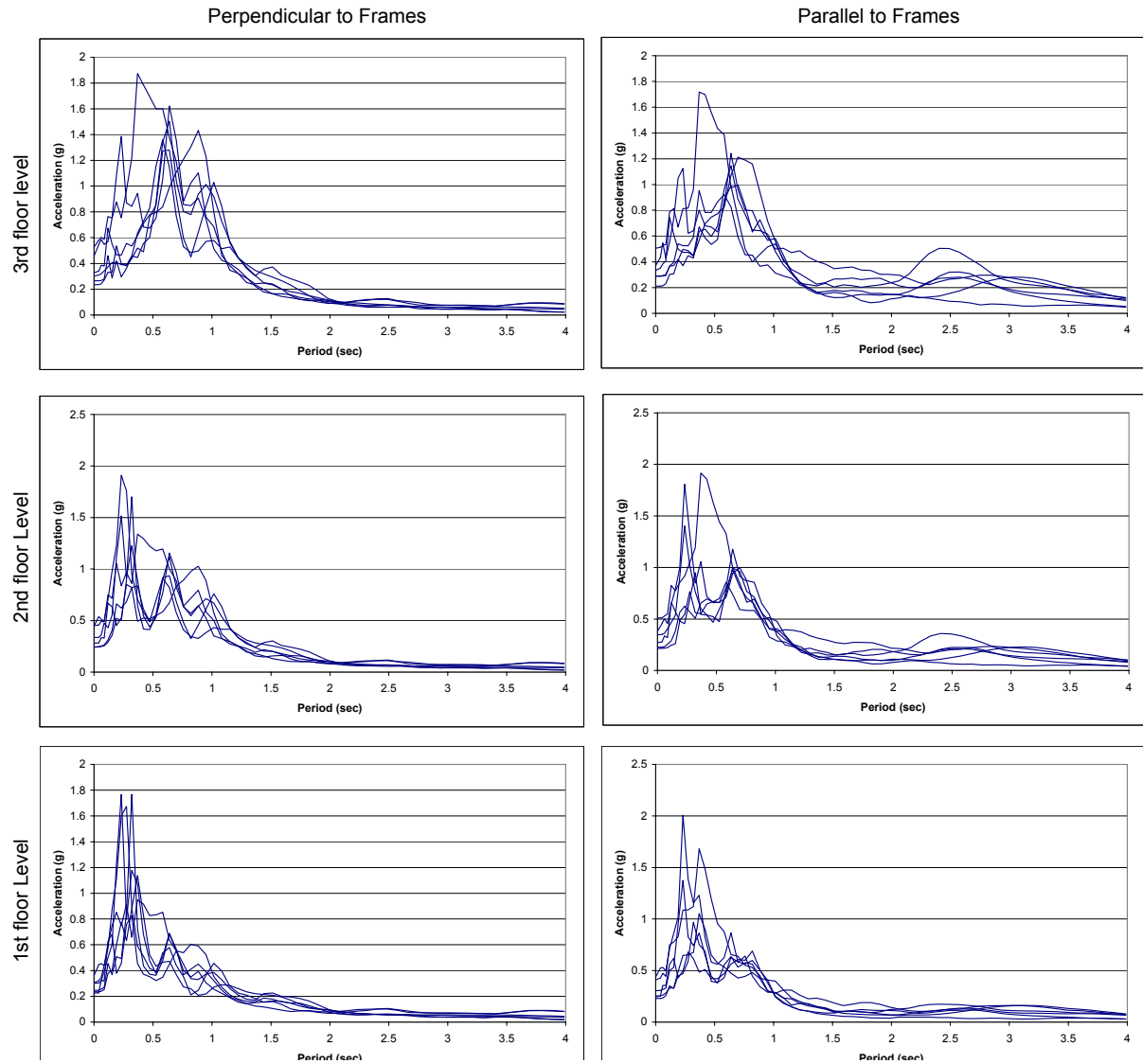


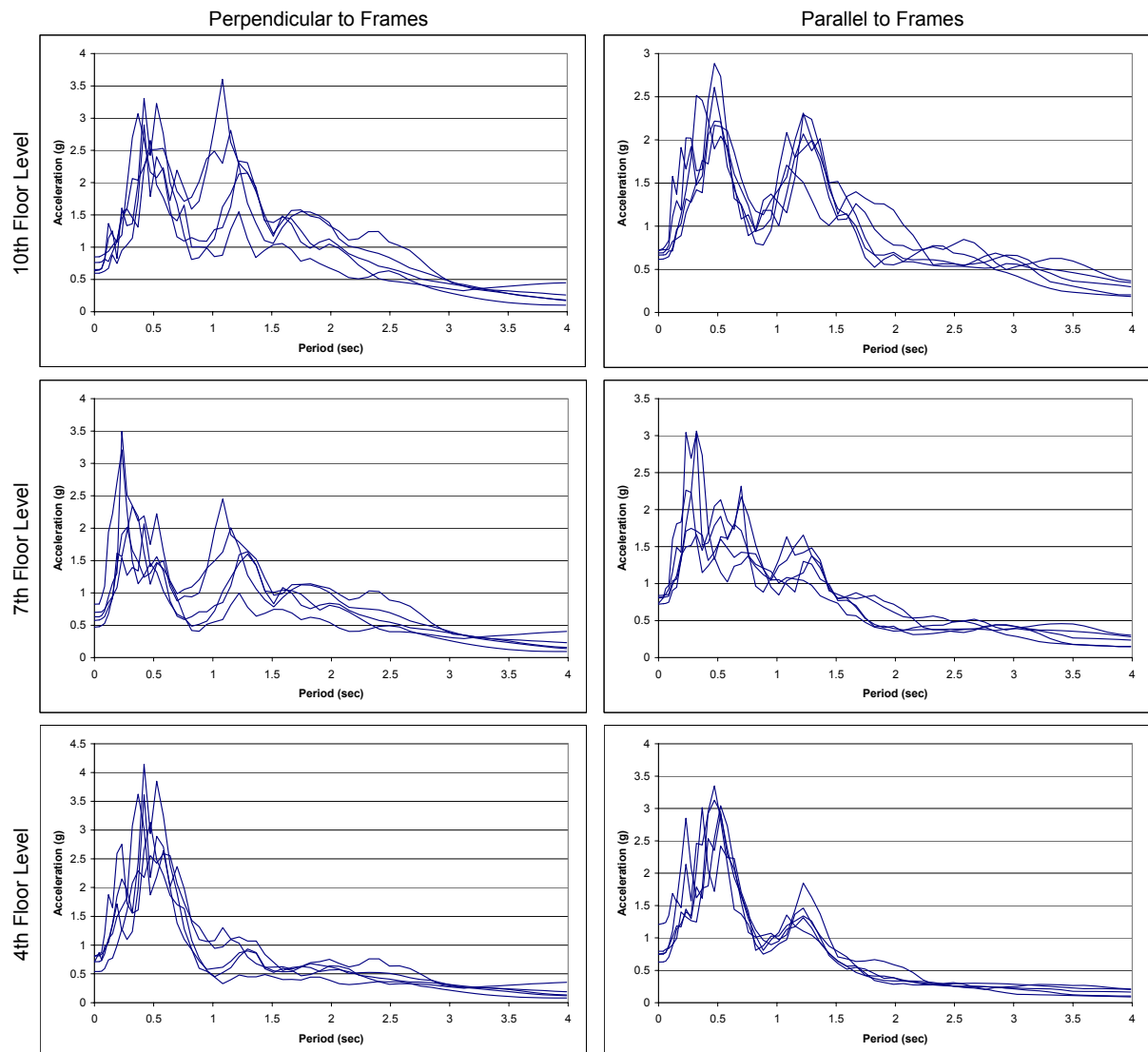


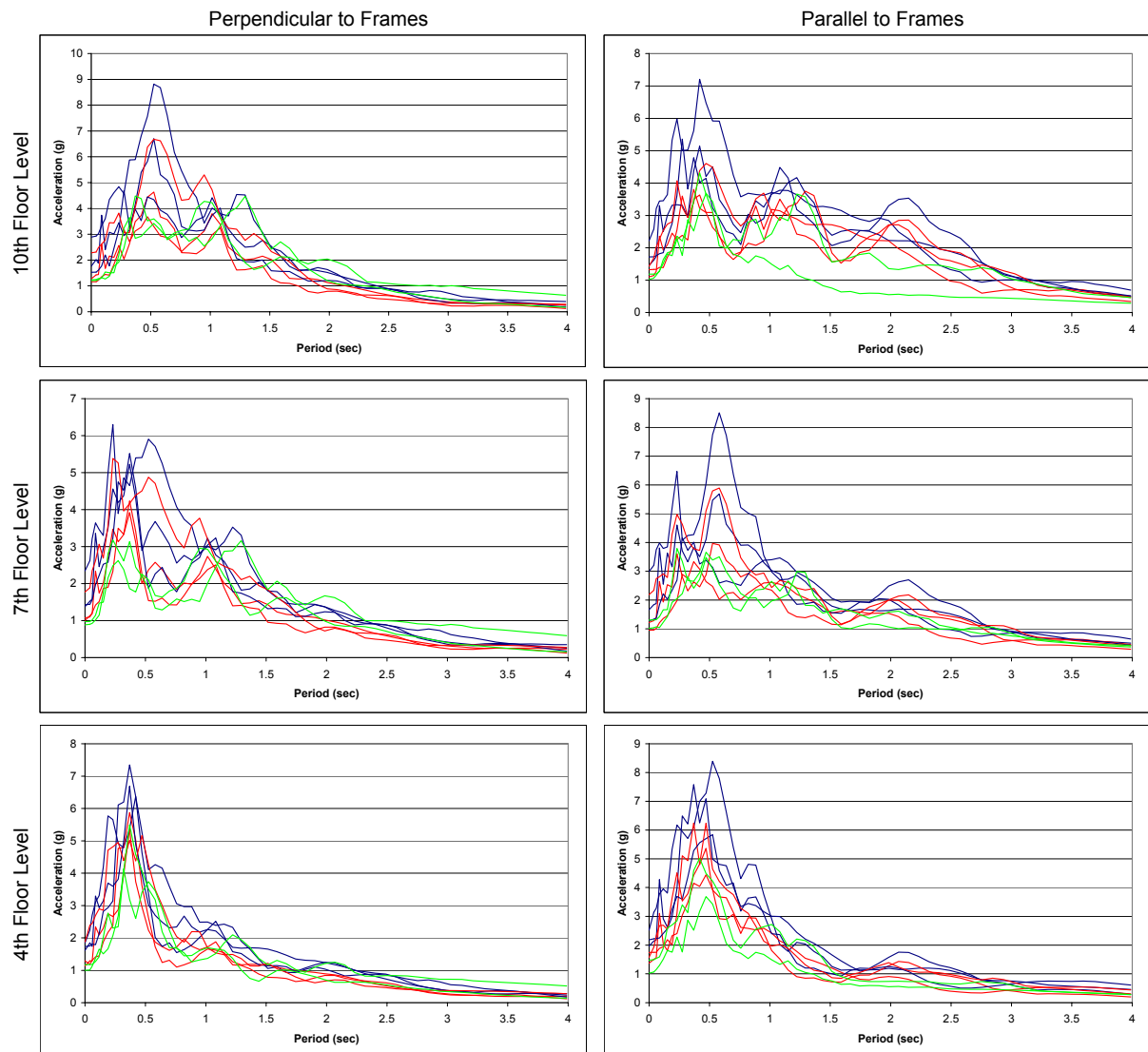


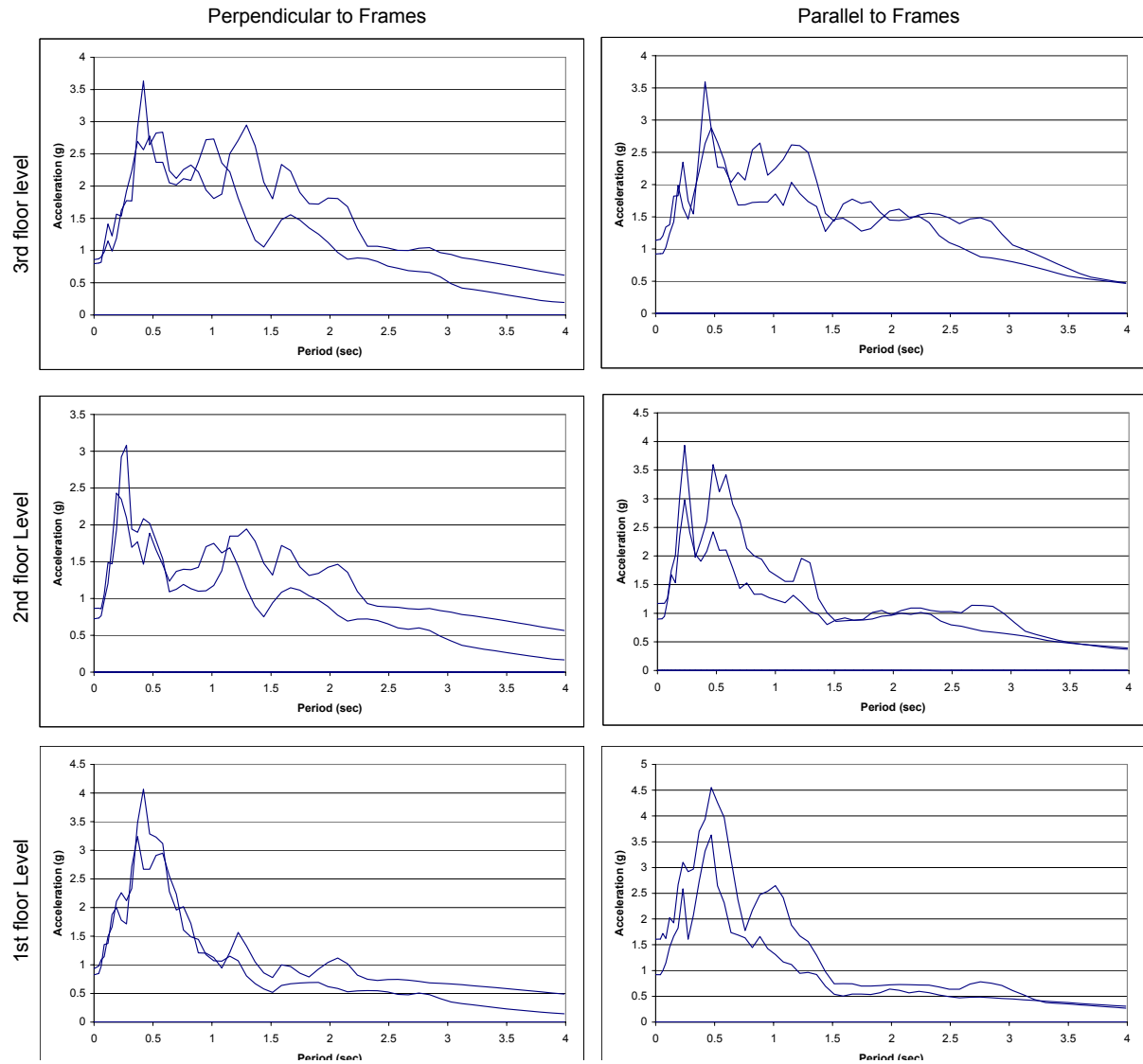












Appendix 7: Submission on parts to Standards New Zealand.

DRAFT PARTS, SECTION 9.

A7: 1. General

A7: 1.1 Scope

Where required by Section 2, all parts of structures, including permanent, non-structural components and their connections, and permanent services and equipment supported by structures, shall be designed for the earthquake actions specified in this section.

Where the mass of the part is in excess of 20% of the combined mass of the part and the primary structure and its period is greater than 0.2 seconds, a special study shall be carried out in accordance with 9.7.

A7: 1.2 Classification of parts

Parts shall be classified into the categories shown in Table 9.1.

Table A7.1: Classification of parts

Category	Criteria	R _p
P.1	Part representing a hazard to life outside the building. *	0.9
P.2	Part representing a hazard to a crowd of greater than 100 people within the building. *	0.9
P.3	Part representing a hazard to individual life within the building. *	0.8
P.4	Part necessary for the continuing function of life safety systems within the building	0.9
P.5	Part required for operational continuity of the building.	1.0
P.6	Part for which the consequential damage caused by its failure are disproportionately great.	TBDD, but > 1.1
P.7	All other parts.	1.0

** To be considered in this category, the part must weigh more than 10 kg, and be able to fall more than 3 metres onto a publicly accessible area.*

Notes:

NR = Not required to be considered.

TBDD = To be determined by the designer.

A7: 2. Design actions

A7: 2.1 Horizontal force

The horizontal design earthquake force on a part, F_{ph} , shall be determined from equation 1:

$$F_{ph} = C(0)C_f C_p R_p W_p, \quad \text{Eq 1}$$

where:

$C(0)$ is the site hazard coefficient with $T = 0$, determined from 3.1, using the values for the modal response spectra/non-linear time history methods,

C_f is the floor acceleration coefficient determined from 9.3,

C_p is the part response coefficient determined from 9.4,

R_p is the part risk factor as given by Table 9.1,

W_p is the weight of the part.

Vertical force

Parts which are sensitive to vertical acceleration amplification shall be designed for vertical earthquake actions. Unless determined by a special study in accordance with 9.7, the vertical earthquake force on a part, F_{pv} , shall be calculated by equation 2:

$$F_{pv} = C_{vd} W_p R_p, \quad \text{Eq 2}$$

where:

C_{vd} is the vertical design action coefficient determined from 5.4,

W_p is the weight of the part, including the live load tributary to it,

R_p is the risk factor as given by Table 9.1.

A7: 2.2 Deflection induced force

Where the part is connected to the primary structure on more than one level, the deflections of the primary structure at the connection points shall be calculated in accordance with clause 8.3.

The forces induced on the part (including the fixings) by the relative deflections between the connection points shall be considered in addition to the inertial forces determined from 9.2.1, and 9.2.2.

A7: 3. Floor coefficient

The floor acceleration coefficient, C_f , shall be calculated by equations 3a and 3b:

$$C_f = \left(1 + 10 \frac{x}{h}\right) \quad \text{for } x < 0.2h, \quad \text{Eq 3a}$$

$$C_f = 3.0 \quad \text{for } x \geq 0.2h, \quad \text{Eq 3b}$$

where:

x = height of the attachment of the part

h = height of the top structural level.

C_f for levels below ground floor level shall be taken as the same as at ground floor level.

A7: 4. Part coefficient

The part coefficient, C_p , shall be calculated from equations 4a and b:

$$C_p = 2.0 M_p \quad \text{for } T_p < 0.75 \text{ sec,} \quad \text{Eq 4a}$$

$$C_p = 0.50 M_p \quad \text{for } T_p \geq 1.5 \text{ sec,} \quad \text{Eq 4b}$$

where:

T_p is the period of the part

$M_{\mu p}$ is the part response factor as given by Table 9.2.

For T_p between 0.75 sec and 1.0 sec, use linear interpolation.

Table A7.2 – Part Response Factor, $M_{\mu p}$

Ductility of the part, μ_p	$M_{\mu p}$
1.0	0.67
1.25	0.67
2.0	0.54
3.0	0.4
4.0 or greater	0.35

Unless the level of floor acceleration is such as to bring about yielding of the part, then μ_p shall be taken as 1.0.

A7: 5. Diaphragms

All diaphragms shall be designed for inertial forces calculated using equation 1, with $C_p = 1.0$.

Diaphragms which transfer forces into the primary structure, or which transfer forces from one structural system to another shall be designed as part of the primary force resisting system, and the forces calculated by equation 1 shall be additional to the forces induced by the transfer action.

A7: 6. Connections

Non-ductile connections for parts shall be designed for seismic actions corresponding to a ductility factor of the part of $\mu_p = 1.25$. Non-ductile connections include, but are not limited to, expansion anchors, shallow chemical anchors or shallow (non-ductile) cast-in-place anchors in tension not engaged with the main reinforcement.

Other connections may be designed for a greater value of μ_p where the specific detailing can be verified to sustain not less than 90% of their design loads at displacement greater than twice their yield displacement under reversed cyclic loading.

A7: 7. Special studies

As an alternative to any of the techniques of assessment of forces on parts described in the preceding sections forces may be determined by Special Study. Such studies are outside the scope of this standard as a means of verification for the New Zealand Building Code and as a deemed to comply method for the Australian Building Code.