

SEISMIC DESIGN OF REINFORCED CONCRETE STRUCTURES



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NEHRP Recommended Provisions Concrete Design Requirements

- Context in the *NEHRP Recommended Provisions*
- Concrete behavior
- Reference standards
- Requirements by Seismic Design Category
- Moment resisting frames
- Shear walls
- Other topics
- Summary



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Context in *NEHRP Recommended Provisions*

Design basis: Strength limit state

Using *NEHRP Recommended Provisions*:

Structural design criteria:	Chap. 4
Structural analysis procedures:	Chap. 5
Components and attachments:	Chap. 6
Design of concrete structures:	Chap. 9 and ACI 318



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Seismic-Force-Resisting Systems Reinforced Concrete

Unbraced frames (with rigid "moment resisting" joints):

Three types

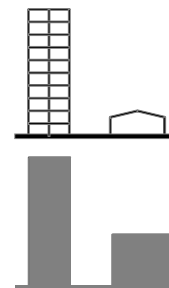
- Ordinary
- Intermediate
- Special

R/C shear walls:

- Ordinary
- Special

Precast shear walls:

- Special
- Intermediate
- Ordinary



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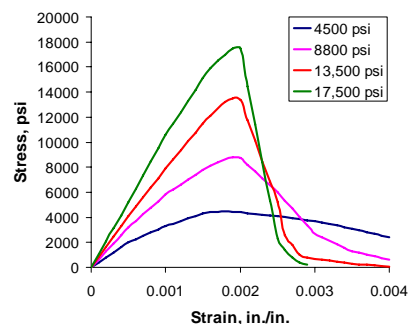
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- Context in the *Provisions*
- Concrete behavior

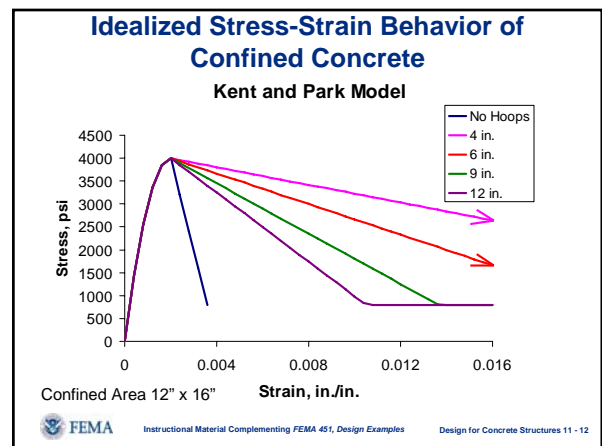
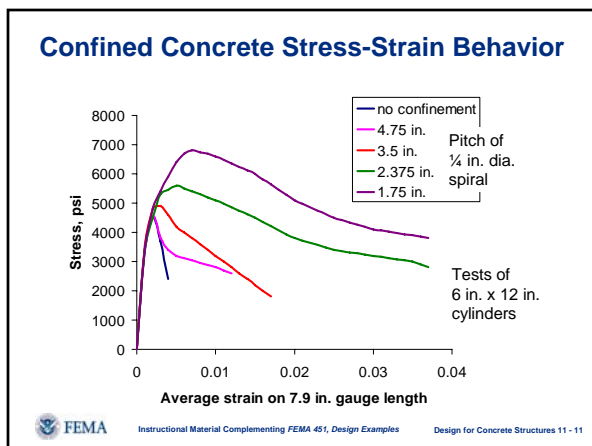
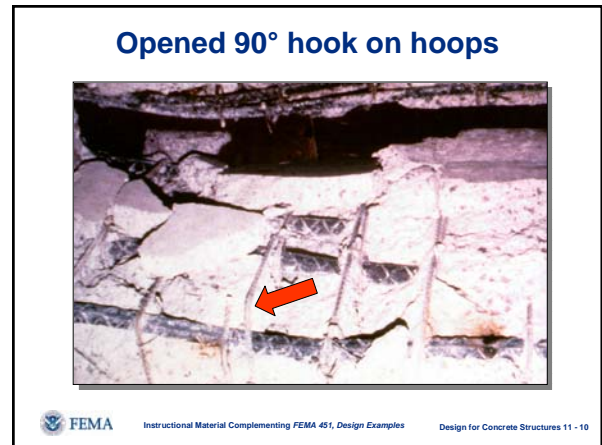
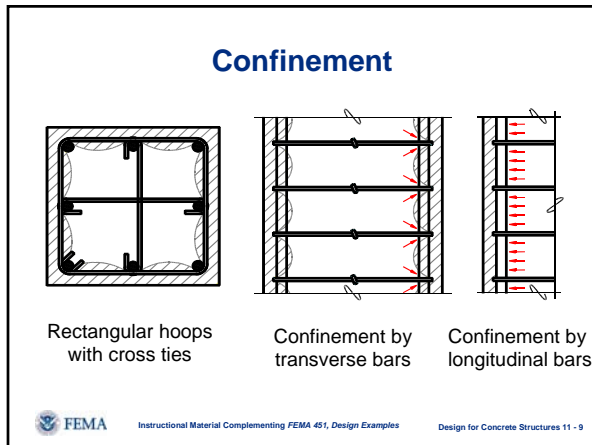
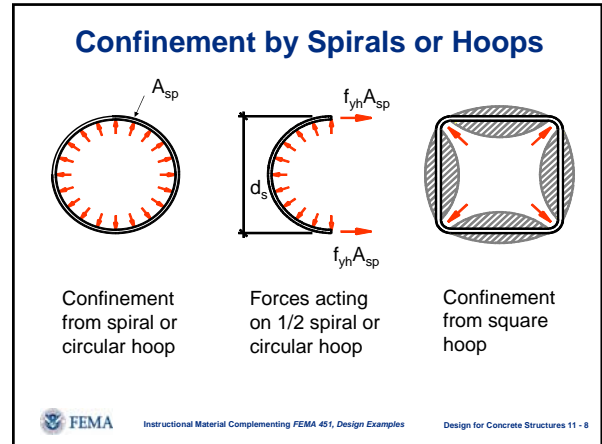
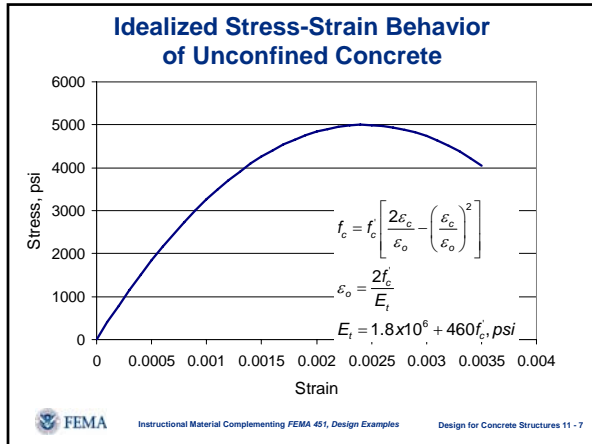


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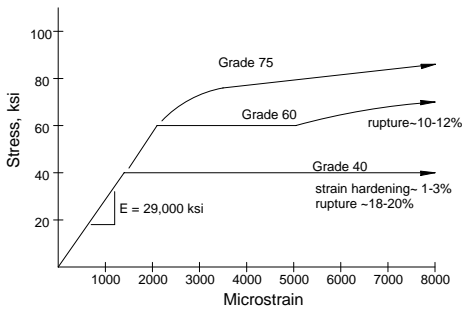
Unconfined Concrete Stress-Strain Behavior



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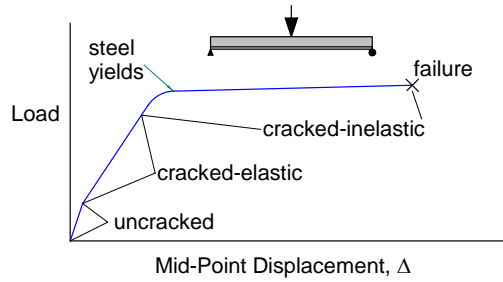


Reinforcing Steel Stress-Strain Behavior



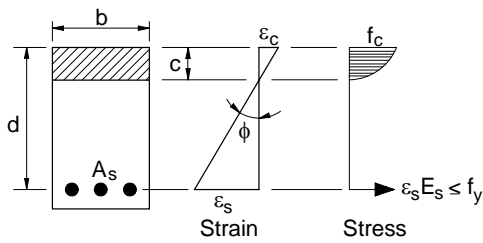
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Reinforced Concrete Behavior



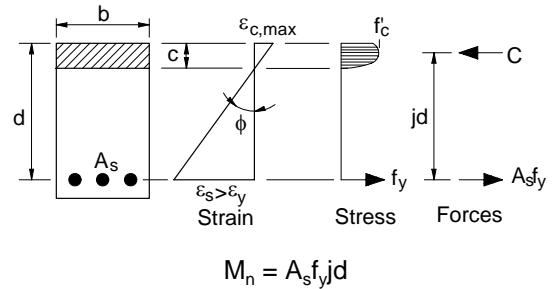
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Behavior Up to First Yield of Steel



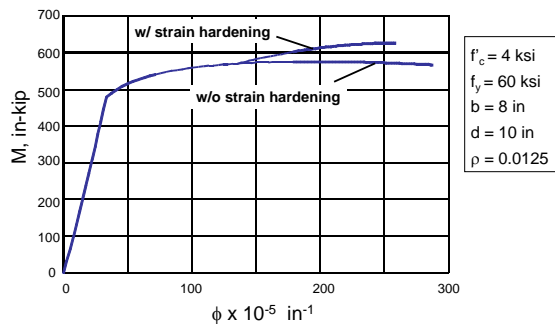
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Behavior at Concrete Crushing



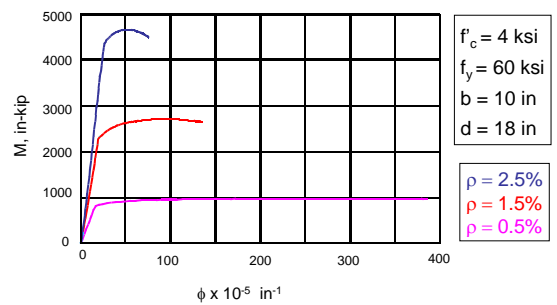
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Typical Moment Curvature Diagram

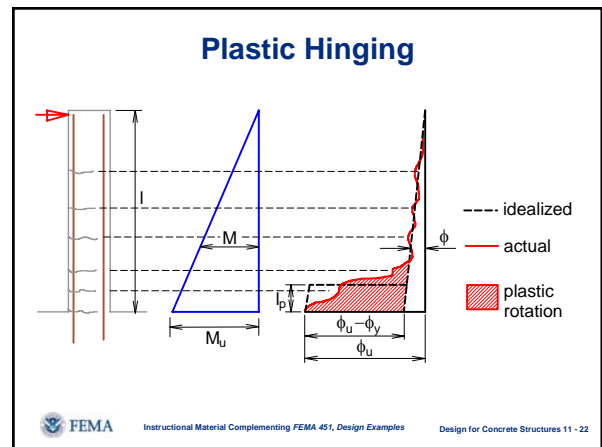
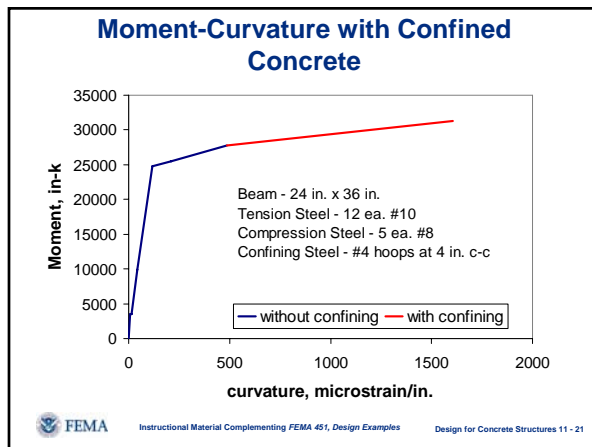
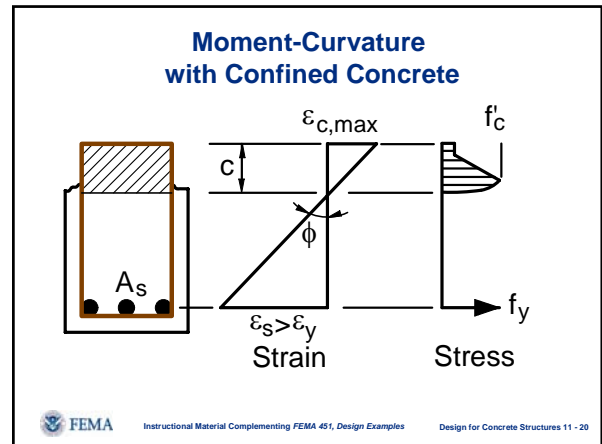
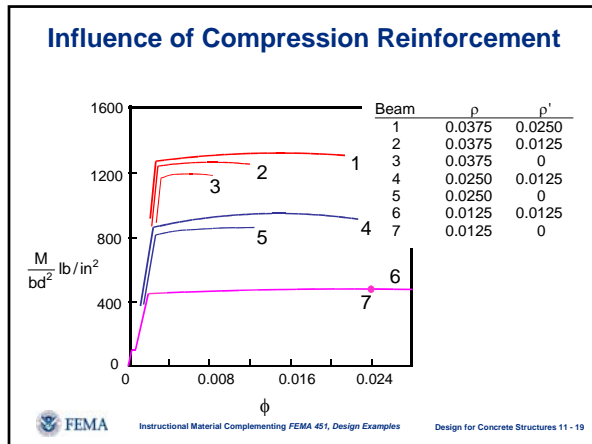


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Influence of Reinforcement Ratio



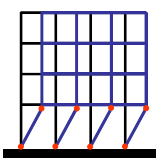
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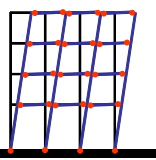
- ### Strategies to Improve Ductility
- Use low flexural reinforcement ratio
 - Add compression reinforcement
 - Add confining reinforcement
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- ### Other Functions of Confining Steel
- Acts as shear reinforcement
 - Prevents buckling of longitudinal reinforcement
 - Prevents bond splitting failures
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Structural Behavior Frames




Story Mechanism



Sway Mechanism

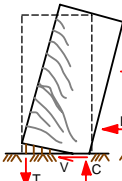
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Story Mechanism

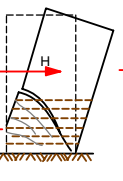


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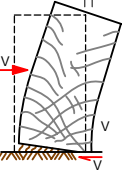
Structural Behavior - Walls



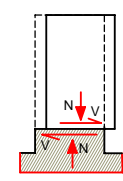
Flexural failure



Horizontal tension



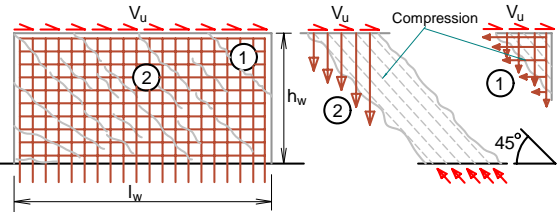
Sliding on flexural cracks



Sliding on construction joint

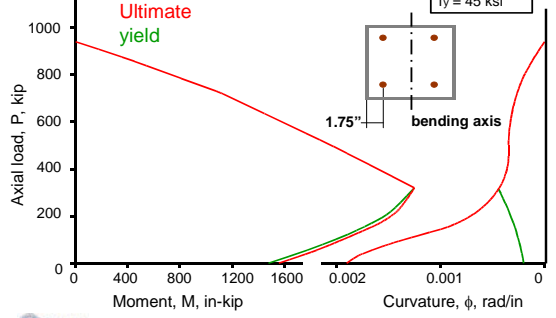
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Structural Behavior Walls



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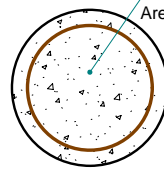
Structural Behavior Columns



14 in square
4-#11 bars
 $f'_c = 4 \text{ ksi}$
 $f_y = 45 \text{ ksi}$

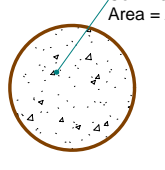
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Influence of Hoops on Axial Strength



Gross column Area = A_g

Before spalling-
 $P = A_g f'_c$

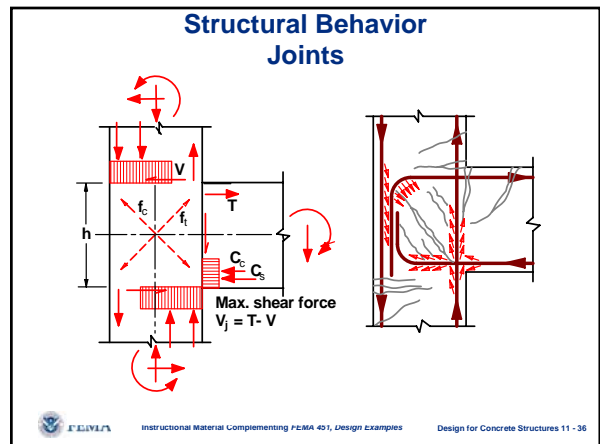
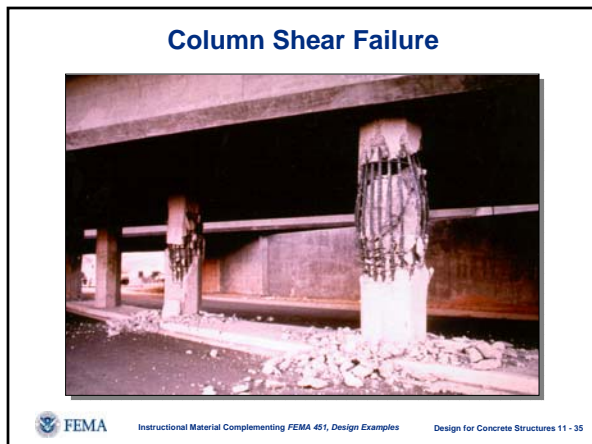
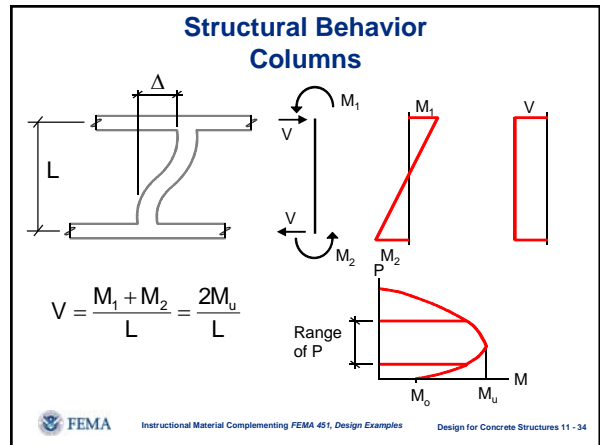
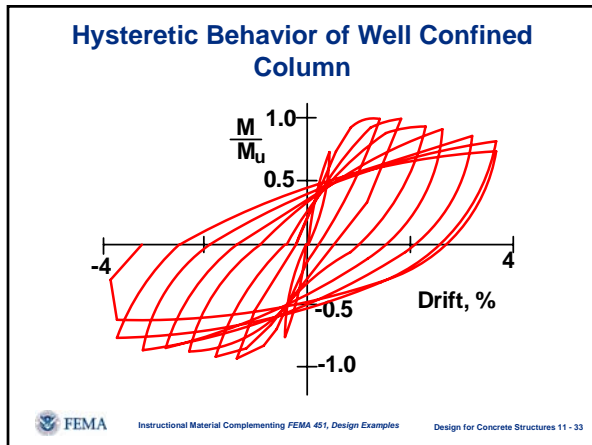
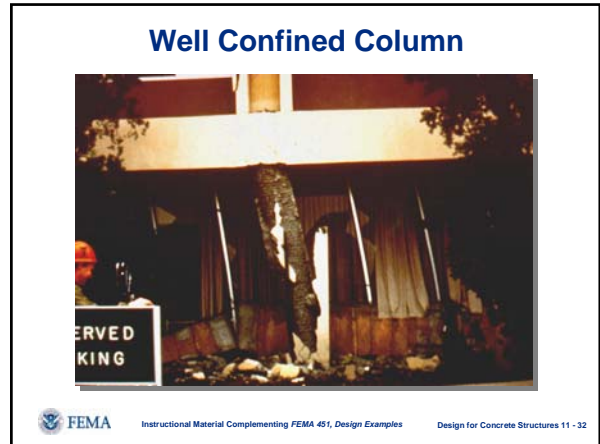
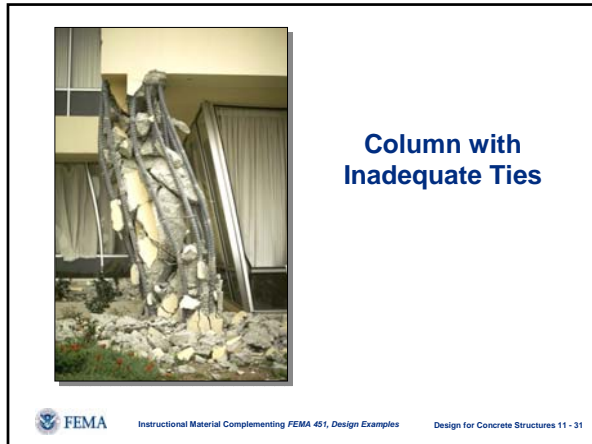


Confined concrete Area = A_{core}

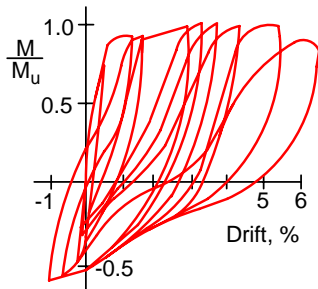
After spalling-
 $P = A_{core}(f'_c + 4 f_{lat})$

After spalling \geq Before spalling

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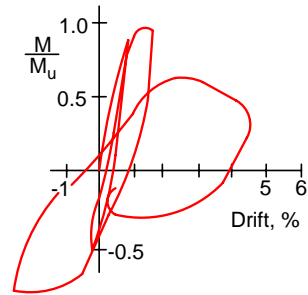
Hysteretic Behavior of Joint with Hoops



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Hysteretic Behavior of Joint with No Hoops



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Joint Failure – No Shear Reinforcing



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Anchorage Failure in Column/Footing Joint



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Summary of Concrete Behavior

- **Compressive Ductility**
 - Strong in compression but brittle
 - Confinement improves ductility by
 - Maintaining concrete core integrity
 - Preventing longitudinal bar buckling
- **Flexural Ductility**
 - Longitudinal steel provides monotonic ductility at low reinforcement ratios
 - Transverse steel needed to maintain ductility through reverse cycles and at very high strains (hinge development)



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Summary of Concrete Behavior

- **Damping**
 - Well cracked: moderately high damping
 - Uncracked (e.g. prestressed): low damping
- **Potential Problems**
 - Shear failures are brittle and abrupt and must be avoided
 - Degrading strength/stiffness with repeat cycles
 - Limit degradation through adequate hinge development



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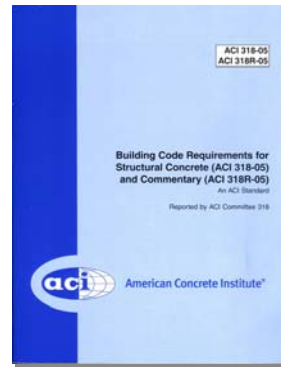
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ACI 318-05



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Use of Reference Standards

- ACI 318-05
 - Chapter 21, Special Provisions for Seismic Design
- NEHRP Chapter 9, Concrete Structures
 - General design requirements
 - Modifications to ACI 318
 - Seismic Design Category requirements
 - Special precast structural walls
 - Untopped precast diaphragms (Appendix to Ch.9)



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Detailed Modifications to ACI 318

- Modified definitions and notations
- Scope and material properties
- Special moment frames
- Special shear walls
- Special and intermediate precast walls
- Foundations
- Anchoring to concrete



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- Requirements by Seismic Design Category



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Design Coefficients - Moment Resisting Frames

Seismic Force Resisting System	Response Modification Coefficient, R	Deflection Amplification Factor, C_d
Special R/C Moment Frame	8	5.5
Intermediate R/C Moment Frame	5	4.5
Ordinary R/C Moment Frame	3	2.5



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Design Coefficients Shear Walls (Bearing Systems)

Seismic Force Resisting System	Response Modification Coefficient, R	Deflection Amplification Factor, C_d
Special R/C Shear Walls	5	5
Ordinary R/C Shear Walls	4	4
Intermediate Precast Shear Walls	4	4
Ordinary Precast Walls	3	3

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Design Coefficients Shear Walls (Frame Systems)

Seismic Force Resisting System	Response Modification Coefficient, R	Deflection Amplification Factor, C_d
Special R/C Shear Walls	6	5
Ordinary R/C Shear Walls	5	4.5
Intermediate Precast Shear Walls	5	4.5
Ordinary Precast Walls	4	4

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Design Coefficients Dual Systems with Special Frames

Seismic Force Resisting System	Response Modification Coefficient, R	Deflection Amplification Factor, C_d
Dual System w/ Special Walls	8 (7)	6.5 (5.5)
Dual System w/ Ordinary Walls	6	5

(ASCE 7-05 values where different)

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Frames

Seismic Design Category	Minimum Frame Type	ACI 318 Requirements
A and B	Ordinary	Chapters 1 thru 18 and 22
C	Intermediate	ACI 21.2.1.3 and ACI 21.12
D, E and F	Special	ACI 21.2.1.4 and ACI 21.2, 21.3, 21.4, and 21.5

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Reinforced Concrete Shear Walls

Seismic Design Category	Minimum Wall Type	ACI 318 Requirements
A, B and C	Ordinary	Chapters 1 thru 18 and 22
D, E and F	Special	ACI 21.2.1.4 and ACI 21.2 and 21.7

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Precast Concrete Shear Walls

Seismic Design Category	Minimum Wall Type	ACI 318 Requirements
A and B	Ordinary	Chapters 1 thru 18 and 22
C	Intermediate	ACI 21.2.1.3 and ACI 21.13
D, E and F	Special	ACI 21.2.1.4 and ACI 21.2, 21.8

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Additional Provisions Requirements

- **Category C**
 - Discontinuous members
 - Plain concrete
 - Walls
 - Footings
 - Pedestals (not allowed)



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- **Context in the Provisions**
- **Concrete behavior**
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- **Requirements by Seismic Design Category**
- **Moment resisting frames**



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Performance Objectives

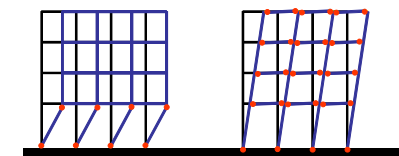
- **Strong column**
 - Avoid story mechanism
- **Hinge development**
 - Confined concrete core
 - Prevent rebar buckling
 - Prevent shear failure
- **Member shear strength**
- **Joint shear strength**
- **Rebar development**



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Frame Mechanisms “strong column – weak beam”



Story mechanism

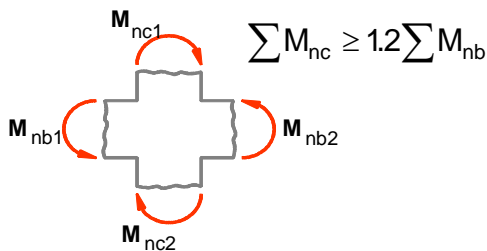
Sway mechanism



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Required Column Strength



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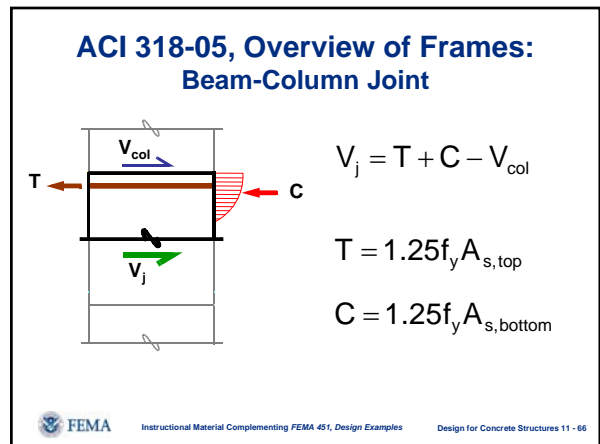
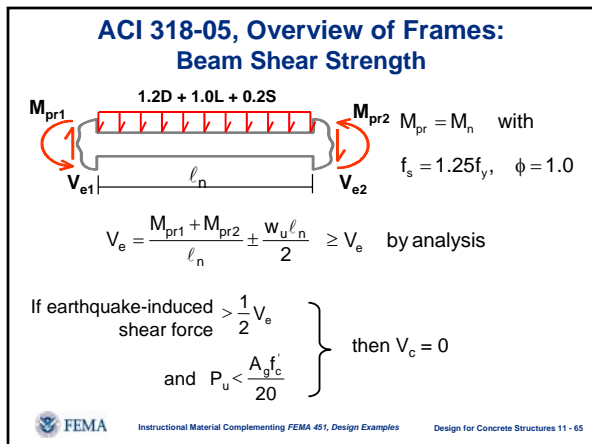
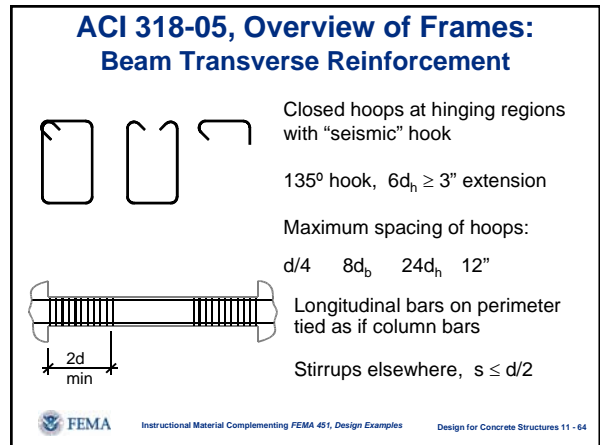
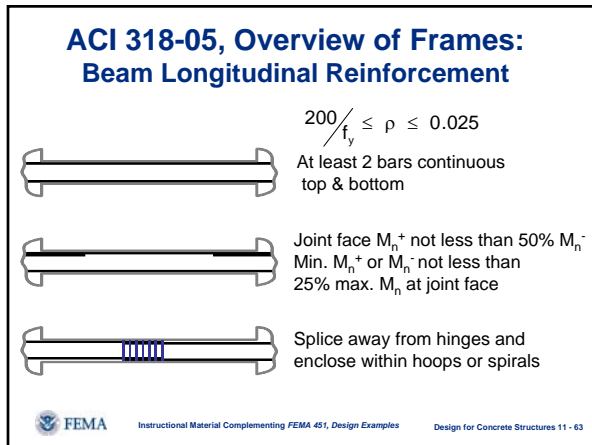
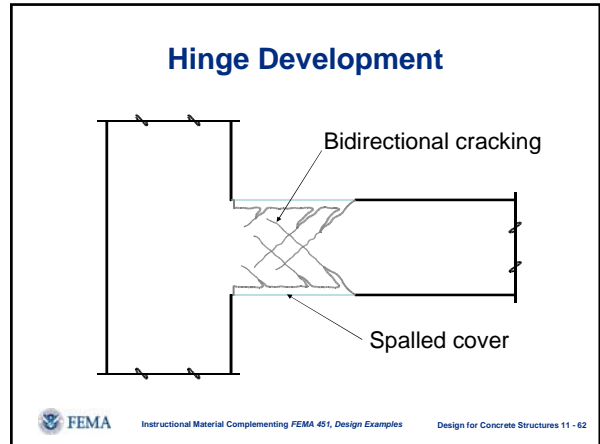
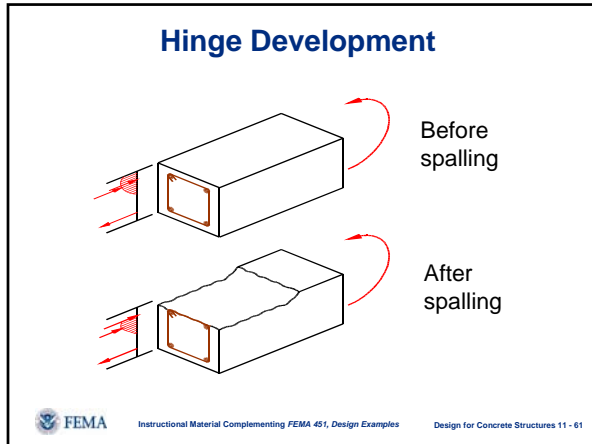
Hinge Development

- **Tightly Spaced Hoops**
 - Provide confinement to increase concrete strength and usable compressive strain
 - Provide lateral support to compression bars to prevent buckling
 - Act as shear reinforcement and preclude shear failures
 - Control splitting cracks from high bar bond stresses



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ACI 318-05, Overview of Frames: Beam-column Joint

$$V_n = \begin{cases} 20 \\ 15 \\ 12 \end{cases} \sqrt{f'_c} A_j$$

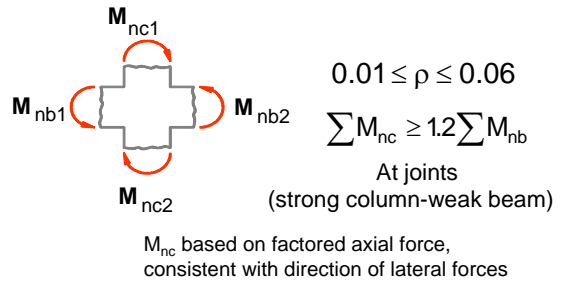
- V_n controls size of columns
- Coefficient depends on joint confinement
- To reduce shear demand, increase beam depth
- Keep column stronger than beam



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ACI 318-05: Overview of Frames: Column Longitudinal Reinforcement



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ACI 318-05, Overview of Frames: Column Transverse Reinforcement at Potential Hinging Region

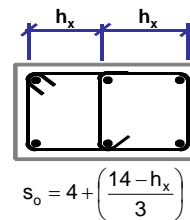
<p>Spirals</p> $\rho_s = 0.45 \left(\frac{A_g}{A_{ch}} - 1 \right) \frac{f'_c}{f_{yt}}$ <p>and</p> $\rho_s \geq 0.12 \frac{f'_c}{f_{yt}}$	<p>Hoops</p> $A_{sh} \geq 0.3 \left(s b_c \frac{f'_c}{f_{yt}} \right) \left(\frac{A_g}{A_{ch}} - 1 \right)$ <p>and</p> $A_{sh} \geq 0.09 s b_c \frac{f'_c}{f_{yt}}$
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ACI 318-05, Overview of Frames: Column Transverse Reinforcement at Potential Hinging Region



Spacing shall not exceed the smallest of:
 $b/4$ or $6 d_b$ or s_o (4" to 6")
 Distance between legs of hoops or crossies, $h_x \leq 14"$



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ACI 318-05, Overview of Frames: Potential Hinge Region

- For columns supporting stiff members such as walls, hoops are required over full height of column if

$$P_e > \frac{f'_c A_g}{10}$$

- For shear strength- same rules as beams (concrete shear strength is neglected if axial load is low and earthquake shear is high)
- Lap splices are not allowed in potential plastic hinge regions



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Splice in Hinge Region

Terminating bars



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ACI 318-05, Overview of Frames: Potential Hinge Region

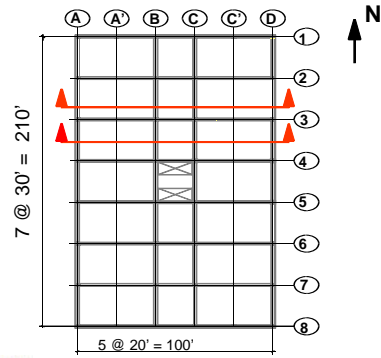
$$l_o \geq \left\{ \begin{array}{l} d \\ \frac{\text{clear height}}{6} \\ 18'' \end{array} \right.$$



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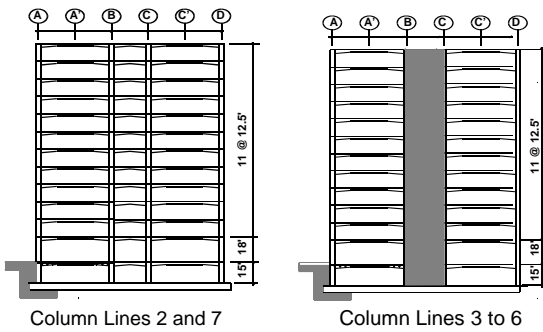
Moment Frame Example



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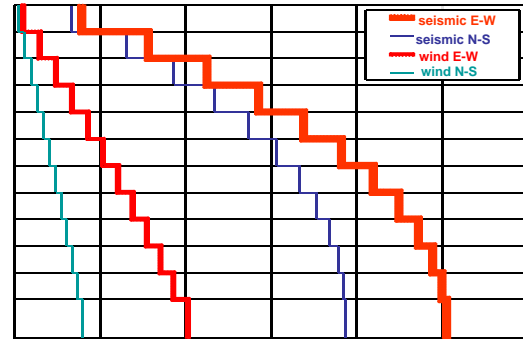
Frame Elevations



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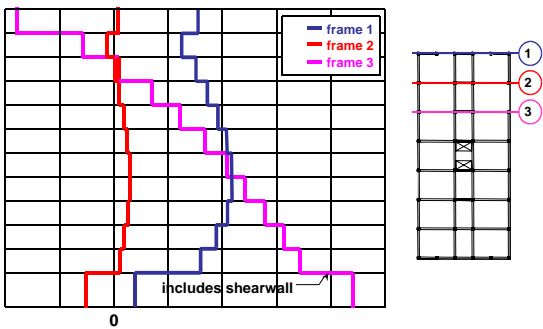
Story Shears: Seismic vs Wind



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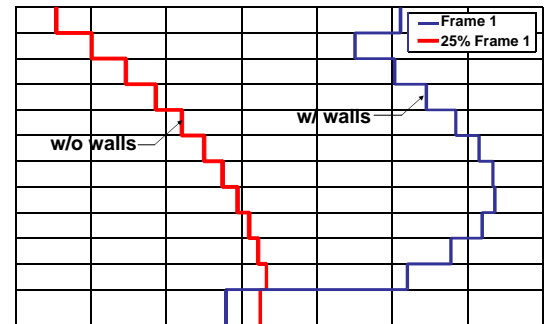
Story Shears: E-W Loading



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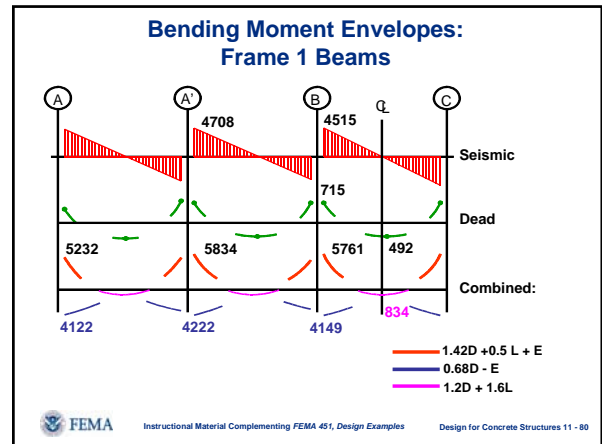
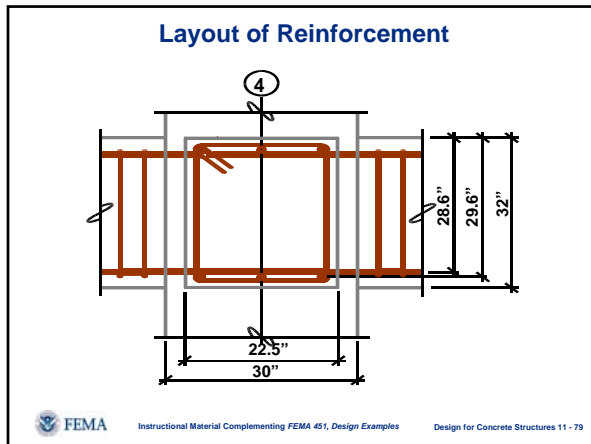
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Story Shears: 25% rule



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Beam Reinforcement: Longitudinal

Max negative $M_u = 5834$ in-kips
 $b = 22.5''$ $d = 29.6''$ $f'_c = 4$ ksi $f_y = 60$ ksi

$$A_{s \text{ req'd}} = \frac{M_u / \phi}{f_y (0.875d)} = \frac{5834 / 0.9}{60 \cdot 0.875 \cdot 29.6} = 4.17 \text{ in}^2$$

Choose: 2 #9 and 3 #8 $A_s = 4.37 \text{ in}^2$
 $\rho = 0.0066 < 0.025$ OK
 $\phi M_n = 6580$ in-kips OK

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Beam Reinforcement: Longitudinal (continued)

Positive M_u at face of column = 4222 in-kips
 (greater than $\frac{1}{2}(5834) = 2917$)

b for negative moment is the sum of the beam width (22.5 in.) plus 1/12 the span length (20 ft x 12 in./ft)/12, $b = 42.5$ in.

$$A_{s \text{ req'd}} = \frac{M_u / \phi}{f_y (0.9d)} = \frac{4222 / 0.9}{60 \cdot 0.9 \cdot 29.6} = 2.94 \text{ in}^2$$

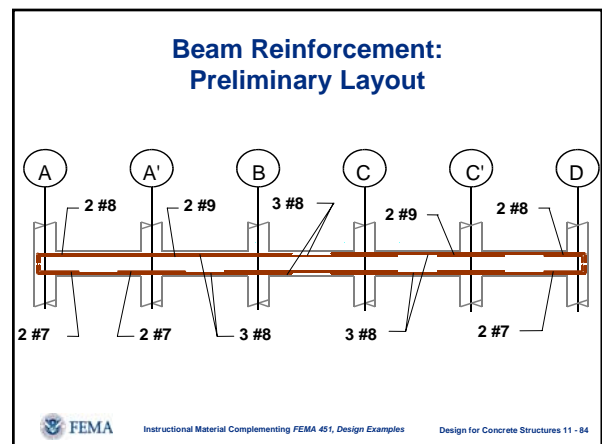
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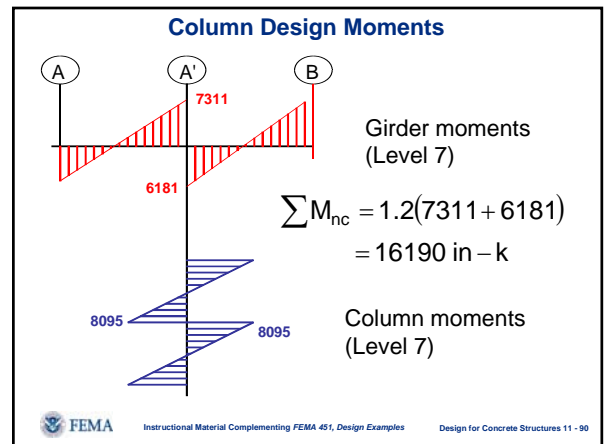
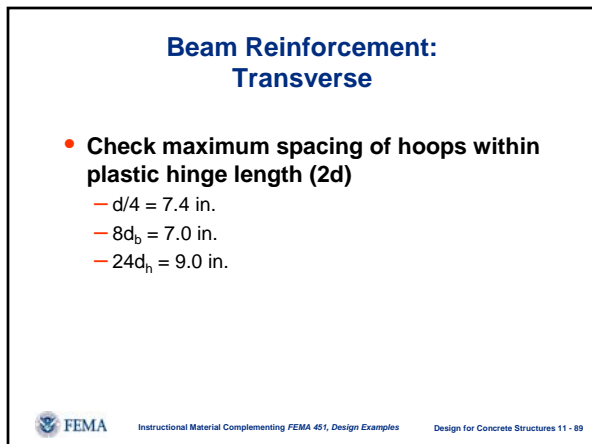
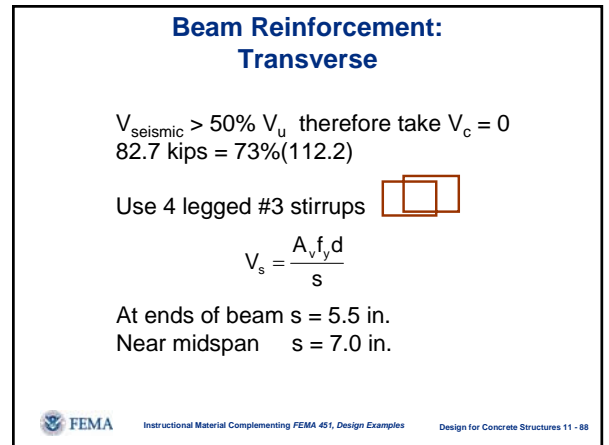
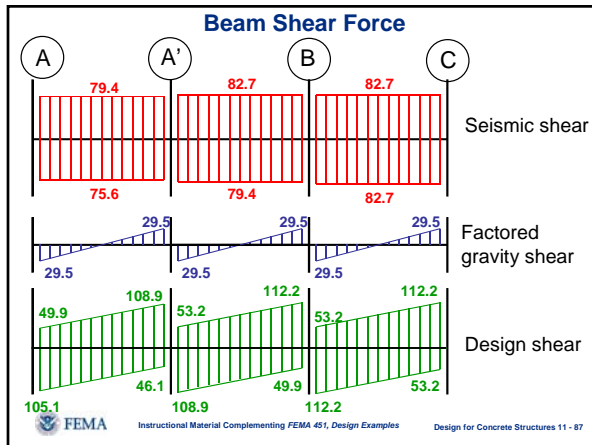
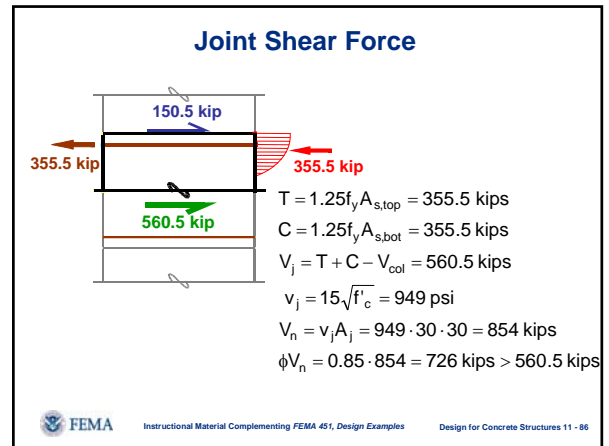
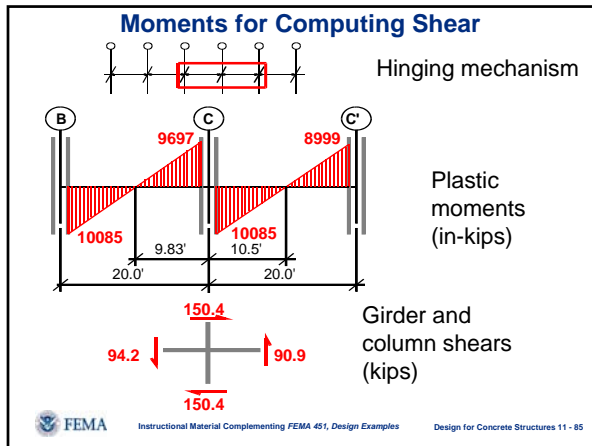
Beam Reinforcement: Longitudinal (continued)

Choose 2 #7 and 3 #8 $A_s = 3.57 \text{ in}^2$
 $\phi M_n = 5564$ in-kips OK

Run 3 #8s continuous top and bottom
 $\phi M_n = 3669$ in-kips
 This moment is greater than:
 25% of max negative $M_n = 1459$ in-kips
 Max required $M_u = 834$ in-kips

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Column Design Moments

$$\text{if } P_u > \frac{f'_c A_g}{10}$$

$$\sum M_{nc} > 1.2 \sum M_{nb}$$

Distribute relative to stiffness of columns above and below:

$$M_{nc} = 8095 \text{ in-kips (above)}$$

$$M_{nc} = 8095 \text{ in-kips (below)}$$



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Design Strengths

Design Aspect	Strength Used
Beam rebar cutoffs	Design strength
Beam shear reinforcement	Maximum probable strength
Beam-column joint strength	Maximum probable strength
Column flexural strength	1.2 times nominal strength
Column shear strength	Maximum probable strength



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Column Transverse Reinforcement

$$A_{sh} = 0.3 \left(sb_c \frac{f'_c}{f_{yt}} \right) \left[\left(\frac{A_g}{A_{ch}} \right) - 1 \right]$$

and

$$A_{sh} = 0.09 sb_c \frac{f'_c}{f_{yt}}$$

A_g = gross area of column
 A_{ch} = area confined within the hoops
 b_c = transverse dimension of column core measured center to center of outer legs

Second equation typically governs for larger columns



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Column Transverse Reinforcement

Maximum spacing is smallest of:

- One quarter of minimum member dimension
- Six times the diameter of the longitudinal bars
- s_o calculated as follows:

$$s_o = 4 + \frac{14 - h_x}{3}$$

h_x = maximum horizontal center to center spacing of cross-ties or hoop legs on all faces of the column, not allowed to be greater than 14 in.



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Column Transverse Reinforcement

For max $s = 4$ in.

$$A_{sh} = 0.3 \left(sb_c \frac{f'_c}{f_{yt}} \right) \left[\left(\frac{A_g}{A_{ch}} \right) - 1 \right] = 0.3 \left(4 \cdot 26.5 \cdot \frac{4}{60} \right) \left(\frac{900}{702} - 1 \right)$$

$$A_{sh} = 0.60 \text{ in}^2$$

and

$$A_{sh} = 0.09 sb_c \frac{f'_c}{f_{yt}} = 0.09 \cdot 4 \cdot 26.5 \cdot \frac{4}{60} = 0.64 \text{ in}^2$$

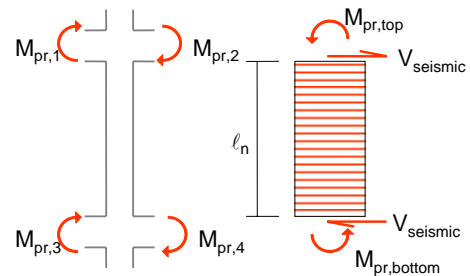
Use 4 legs of #4 bar – $A_{sh} = 0.80 \text{ in}^2$



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Determine Seismic Shear



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Column Transverse Reinforcement Shear Demand from M_{pr} of Beams

$$M_{pr,1} = 9000 \text{ in-k (2 \#9 and 3 \#8)}$$

$$M_{pr,2} = 7460 \text{ in-k (2 \#7 and 3 \#8)}$$

Assume moments are distributed equally above and below joint

$$V_{seismic} = \frac{8230 \cdot 2}{(12.5 \cdot 12) - 32} = 139 \text{ kips}$$

Note $V_{seismic} \sim 100\% V_u$

$$V_c = 0, \text{ if } P_{min} < \frac{f'_c A_g}{20} = 180 \text{ kips}$$

For 30 in. square column
 $P_{min} = 266 \text{ kips OK}$



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Column Transverse Reinforcement Shear Demand from M_{pr} of Beams

$$\phi V_c = \phi 2\lambda \sqrt{f'_c} b d = 0.75 \cdot 2 \cdot 0.85 \sqrt{4000} \cdot 30 \cdot 27.5 = 66.5 \text{ kips}$$

$$\phi V_{s,required} = 139 - 66.5 = 72.5 \text{ kips}$$

$$\phi V_{s,provided} = \phi \frac{A_v f_y d}{s} = 0.75 \frac{4 \cdot 0.2 \cdot 60 \cdot 29.6}{4} = 266.4 \text{ kips}$$

Hoops



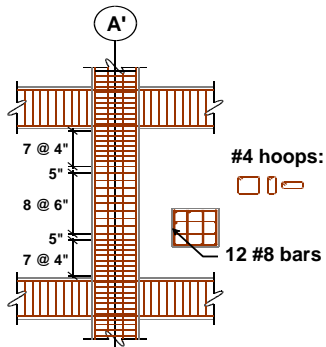
4 legs #4
 $s = 4''$



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Column Reinforcement



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Levels of Seismic Detailing for Frames

Issue	Ordinary	Intermediate	Special
Hinge development and confinement		minor	full
Bar buckling		lesser	full
Member shear		lesser	full
Joint shear	minor	minor	full
Strong column			full
Rebar development	lesser	lesser	full
Load reversal	minor	lesser	full



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- Reference standards
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- Moment resisting frames
- Shear walls



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Performance Objectives

- Resist axial forces, flexure and shear
- Boundary members
 - Where compression strains are large, maintain capacity
- Development of rebar in panel
- Discontinuous walls: supporting columns have full confinement



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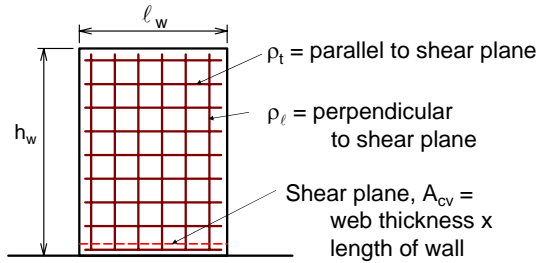
Design Philosophy

- **Flexural yielding will occur in predetermined flexural hinging regions**
- **Brittle failure mechanisms will be precluded**
 - Diagonal tension
 - Sliding hinges
 - Local buckling



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ACI 318-05, Overview of Walls: General Requirements



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ACI 318-05, Overview of Walls: General Requirements

- ρ_l and ρ_t not less than 0.0025 unless $V_u < A_{cv} \sqrt{f'_c}$ then as allowed in 14.3
- Spacing not to exceed 18 in.
- Reinforcement contributing to V_n shall be continuous and distributed across the shear plane



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ACI 318-05, Overview of Walls: General Requirements

- Two curtains of reinforcing required if:

$$V_u > 2A_{cv} \sqrt{f'_c}$$

- Design shear force determined from lateral load analysis



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ACI 318-05, Overview of Walls: General Requirements

- **Shear strength:**

$$V_n = A_{cv} (\alpha_c \sqrt{f'_c} + \rho_t f_y)$$

$$\alpha_c = 3.0 \text{ for } h_w / \ell_w \leq 1.5$$

$$\alpha_c = 2.0 \text{ for } h_w / \ell_w \geq 2.0$$

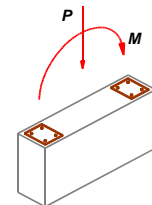
Linear interpolation between
- **Walls must have reinforcement in two orthogonal directions**



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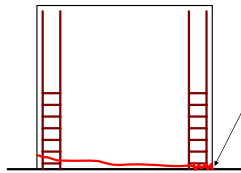
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- For axial load and flexure, design like a column to determine axial load – moment interaction

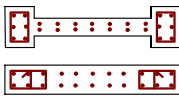


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ACI 318-05, Overview of Walls: Boundary Elements



For walls with a high compression demand at the edges – Boundary Elements are required



Widened end with confinement



Extra confinement and/or longitudinal bars at end



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ACI 318-05, Overview of Walls: Boundary Elements

- Boundary elements are required if:

$$c \geq \frac{\ell_w}{600 \left(\frac{\delta_u}{h_w} \right)}$$

δ_u = Design displacement

c = Depth to neutral axis from strain compatibility analysis with loads causing δ_u



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ACI 318-05, Overview of Walls: Boundary Elements

- Where required, boundary elements must extend up the wall from the critical section a distance not less than the larger of:

$$\ell_w \text{ or } M_u/4V_u$$



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ACI 318-05: Overview of Walls Boundary Elements

- Boundary elements are required where the maximum extreme fiber compressive stress calculated based on factored load effects, linear elastic concrete behavior and gross section properties, exceeds $0.2 f'_c$
- Boundary element can be discontinued where the compressive stress is less than $0.15 f'_c$



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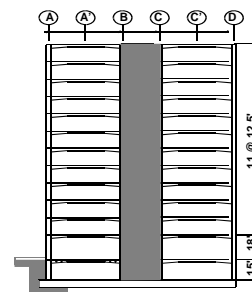
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- Boundary elements must extend horizontally not less than the larger of $c/2$ or $c-0.1\ell_w$
- In flanged walls, boundary element must include all of the effective flange width and at least 12 in. of the web
- Transverse reinforcement must extend into the foundation

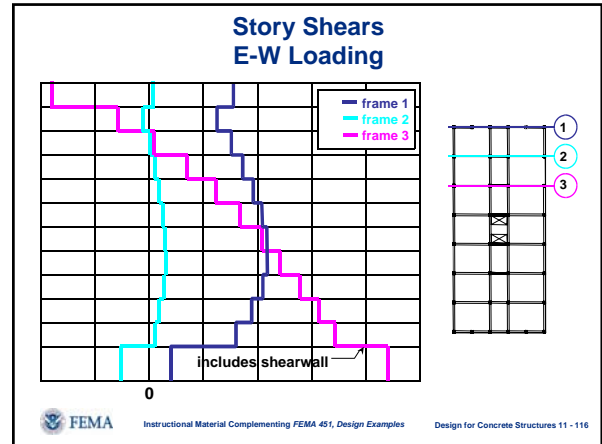
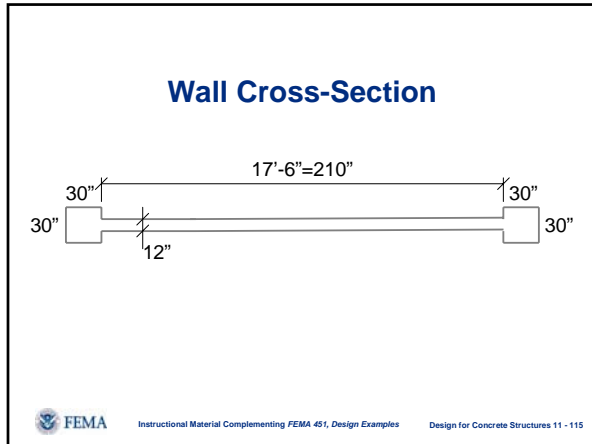


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Wall Example



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Boundary Element Check

Required if: $f_c > 0.2f'_c$ based on gross concrete section

Axial load and moment are determined based on factored forces, including earthquake effects

At ground $P_u = 5550$ kip

M_u from analysis is 268,187 in-kip

The wall has the following gross section properties:

$A = 4320 \text{ in}^2$ $S = 261,600 \text{ in}^3$

$f_c = 2.3 \text{ ksi} = 38\% \text{ of } f'_c = 6 \text{ ksi}$

∴ **Need boundary element**

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Boundary Element Design

Determine preliminary reinforcing ratio in boundary elements by assuming only boundary elements take compression

$M = 268,187 \text{ in-k}$

$P = 5550 \text{ k}$

$B_1 = \frac{P}{2} + \frac{M}{240} = 3892 \text{ kip}$

$B_2 = \frac{P}{2} - \frac{M}{240} = 1658 \text{ kip}$

Need $0.8P_o = 0.8(0.7)A_g [0.85 f'_c (1 - \rho) + \rho f_y] > 3892 \text{ kip}$

For $A_g = 30(30) = 900 \text{ in}^2$

For $f'_c = 4 \text{ ksi} \Rightarrow \rho = 7.06\% \text{ Too large}$

For $f'_c = 6 \text{ ksi} \Rightarrow \rho = 4.18\% \text{ Reasonable; } 24 \#11$

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Boundary Element Confinement

Transverse reinforcement in boundary elements is to be designed essentially like column transverse reinforcement

$A_{sh} = 0.09 s b_c \frac{f'_c}{f_y} = 1.08 \text{ in}^2 \text{ at } s = 4"$

4 legs of #5

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Shear Panel Reinforcement

$V_n = A_{cv} (2\lambda \sqrt{f'_c} + \rho_t f_y)$

$V_u = 539 \text{ kips (below level 2)}$

$\phi = 0.6 \text{ (per ACI 9.3.4(a))}$

$\rho_t = 0.0036 \text{ for } f_y = 40 \text{ ksi}$

Min ρ_t (and ρ_l) = 0.0025

2 curtains if $V_u > 2\sqrt{f'_c} A_{cv}$

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Shear Panel Reinforcement

Select transverse and longitudinal reinforcement:

longitudinal :

$$\#4 @ 12" \Rightarrow \frac{0.2 \cdot 2}{12 \cdot 12} = 0.0028 > 0.0025$$

transverse :

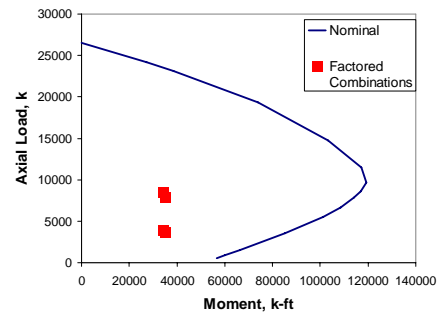
$$\#4 @ 9" \Rightarrow \frac{0.2 \cdot 2}{12 \cdot 9} = 0.0037 > 0.0036$$



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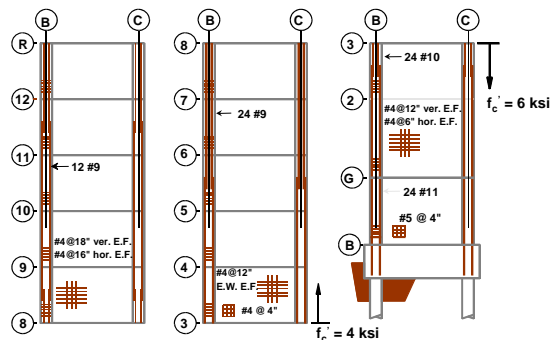
Check Wall Design



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Shear Wall Reinforcement



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- Other topics



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Members Not Part of SRS

- In frame members not designated as part of the lateral-force-resisting system in regions of high seismic risk:

- Must be able to support gravity loads while subjected to the design displacement
- Transverse reinforcement increases depending on:

Forces induced by drift

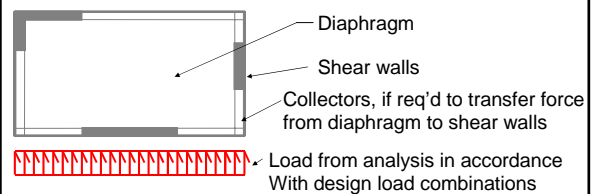
Axial force in member



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Diaphragms



Check:

- Shear strength and reinforcement (min. slab reinf.)
- Chords (boundary members)
 - Force = M/d Reinforced for tension
 - (Usually don't require boundary members)



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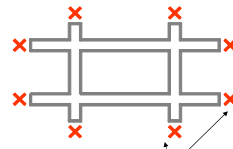
Struts and Trusses performance objectives

- All members have axial load (not flexure), so ductility is more difficult to achieve
- Full length confinement



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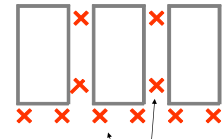
Precast performance objectives



Field connections
at points of low
stress

Strong connections

- Configure system so that hinges occur in factory cast members away from field splices



Field connections
must yield

Ductile connections

- Inelastic action at field splice



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Quality Assurance Rebar Inspection

- **Continuous**
 - Welding of rebar
- **Periodic**
 - During and upon completion of placement for special moment frames, intermediate moment frames and shear walls



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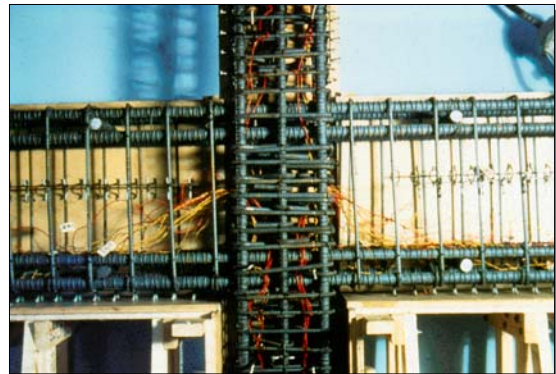
Shear panel reinforcement cage



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Quality Assurance: Reinforcing Inspection - Prestressed

- **Periodic**
 - Placing of prestressing tendons (inspection required upon completion)
- **Continuous**
 - Stressing of tendons
 - Grouting of tendons



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Quality Assurance: Concrete Placement Inspection

- **Continuous**
 - Prestressed elements
 - Drilled piers
 - Caissons
- **Periodic**
 - Frames
 - Shear walls



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Quality Assurance: Precast Concrete (plant cast)

- **Manufacturer may serve as special inspector if plant's quality control program is approved by regulatory agency**
- **If no approved quality control program, independent special inspector is required**



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Quality Assurance: PCI Certification Program

- **Review of plant operations**
 - Scheduled and surprise visits
 - Qualified independent inspectors
 - Observed work of in-plant quality control
 - Check results of quality control procedures
 - Periodic – specific approvals requiring renewal



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Quality Assurance: ACI Inspector Certification

- **Specialized training available for:**
 - Laboratory and in situ testing
 - Inspection of welding
 - Handling and placement of concrete
 - Others



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Quality Assurance: Reinforcement Testing

- **Rebar**
 - Special and intermediate moment frames
 - Boundary elements
- **Prestressing steel**
- **Tests include**
 - Weldability
 - Elongation
 - Actual to specified yield strength
 - Actual to specified ultimate strength



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Quality Assurance: Concrete Testing

- **Sample and test according to ACI 318-05**
 - Slump
 - Air content
 - 7 and 28 day strengths
 - Unit weight
- **Rate**
 - Once per day per class



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- **Requirements by Seismic Design Category**
- **Moment resisting frames**
- **Shear walls**
- **Other topics**
- **Summary**



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