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#### ABSTRACT

The E-Defense shake table facility, the world's largest three dimensional (3D) full-scale earthquake testing facility, was constructed by National Research Institute for Earth Science and Disaster Resilience (NIED) in 2005 in Miki, Japan. Since then, over 80 full-scale or large-scale experiments are conducted to have a better understanding of the effects of earthquakes on structures. In December 2015 and later in December 2018 and January 2019, NIED tested two 10story reinforced concrete (RC) buildings on the E-Defense shake table. The main purpose of this report is to evaluate these buildings using the current provisions of ACI 318 (2019) and ASCE 7 (2017), and to gain better knowledge on the effectiveness and accuracy of these standards. The lateral force resisting systems for the buildings consisted of special reinforced concrete shear walls (bearing wall systems) in one direction and special reinforced concrete moment frames (momentresisting frame systems) in the orthogonal direction. Three-dimensional elastic models are created using the structural engineering software ETABS<sup>®</sup> 2018. Model results showed that, for 2015 test structure, beam and columns shear reinforcement and transverse reinforcement for special boundary elements (SBEs) were modestly less than required by ACI 318-19 provisions. Although diagonal shear cracks were reported within some beam-column joints after the 2015 experiment, current provisions of ASCE 41-17 were not able to predict these joint shear failures, although more detailed approaches proposed in the literature suggested joint damage might occur. For 2018 building, joint and column transverse reinforcement and column-to-beam strength ratios were increased such that they satisfied ACI 318-19 provisions; however, special boundary elements transverse reinforcement and beam shear reinforcement near beam ends still were modestly less than required by ACI 318-19.

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#### **CHAPTER 1. INTRODUCTION AND ORGANIZATION**

#### 1.1 Introduction

Construction of world's largest shaking table facility (E-Defense) in Miki, Japan was undertaken in 1999 and completed in 2005 (10 years after Kobe Earthquake) by National Research Institute for Earth Science and Disaster Resilience (NIED). Since being commissioned, the E-Defense facility has provided the civil engineering community around the world to study the behavior of largeand full-scale structures subjected to strong ground shaking. First in December 2015 and later in December 2018 and January 2019, as part of its "Social Infrastructure Research Utilizing the 3D Full-Scale Earthquake Testing Facility" project, NIED conducted several shaking table tests on 10story reinforced concrete buildings to better understand failure mechanisms of full-scale structures during earthquakes and to verify the effects of seismic retrofitting [4]. During the testing, buildings were subjected to increasing intensity shaking using JMA Kobe and Takatori recorded ground motion records.

The main objective of this report is to summarize results from an investigation to assess the degree to which these test buildings satisfy the design requirements of ASCE 7-16 and ACI 318-19. To this end, 3D elastic models of the buildings are created using the computer software ETABS<sup>®</sup>, and member demands and lateral drifts were calculated using the ASCE 7-16 Modal Response Spectrum Analysis procedure using a Risk-Targeted Maximum Considered Earthquake (MCE<sub>R</sub>) spectrum that reasonably represents the demands imposed by the Kobe JMA record scaled to 100%, reduced to 2/3 to represent design earthquake shaking. Story drift values were then checked to evaluate if they satisfy ASCE 7-16 allowable story drift limits, and the strength and reinforcement detailing provided for beams, columns, joints, and walls were assessed to see if they satisfy ACI 318-19 requirements for special moment frames and special shear walls.

#### 1.2 Organization

This report is organized into seven chapters. Chapter 2 provides a description of the test buildings, including member sizes and details, and also describes the test procedures. The 3D modeling approach used for the two buildings is described in Chapter 3 and results of the design assessments for the 2015 and 2018/2019 buildings (from now on they will be called as Building #1 and Building #2 respectively) are done in Chapters 4 and 5 respectively. Several sensitivity studies are presented in Chapter 6 to assess the influence of key modeling assumptions on the design assessment. Conclusions are presented in Chapter 7.

#### **CHAPTER 2. TEST STRUCTURES AND EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS**

E-Defense shaking table (Figure 2.1) has plan dimensions of 20 m by 15 m with a total load carrying capacity of 12000 kN [7]. The table can produce maximum velocities of 2.0 m/s in both orthogonal directions (x and y) and 0.7 m/s in the vertical direction (z). Also, the table displacement capacities are  $\pm 1.0$  m and  $\pm 0.5$  m in x-y and z directions, respectively. The structure tested in 2015 (Building #1) had first floor plan dimensions of 9.7 m in the transverse direction (x dir.) and 15.7 m in the longitudinal direction (y dir.). For the upper stories, these dimensions were decreased to 9.5 m and 13.5 m, respectively. The floor heights were 2.80 m for the first floor, 2.6 m from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> floor, 2.55 m for the 5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> floors and 2.5 m for the top 3 floors. Figure 2.2 shows the plan and elevation views of the 2015 test structure.



Figure 2.1 E-Defense Shaking Table [7]



Figure 2.2 Plan and elevation views of 2015 test structure [4]

The lateral-force-resisting systems for the test building consisted of special reinforced concrete moment frames in the longitudinal (y) direction and special reinforced concrete shear walls in the transverse (x) direction. The three-bay perimeter moment frame had centerline bay widths of 4 m. Perimeter columns (C1 and C2 columns) were 550 mm by 550 mm for the first story, 500 mm by 550 mm for the second story and 500 mm x 550 mm for the remaining stories (3-10). The beams (G1, G2 and G3) framing between perimeter columns were 550 mm deep and 350 mm wide for floors 2 through 7, and 500 mm deep and 300 mm wide at floors 8, 9 and 10, and at the roof level. The four structural (shear) walls comprising the lateral system in the x-direction were

2.25 m long with 230 mm thick webs from the base to the 7<sup>th</sup> floor, and 150 mm thick webs above the 7<sup>th</sup> floor. The wall webs were terminated at the 8<sup>th</sup> floor such that the boundary columns, along with beams spanning to the building perimeter columns provided the lateral resistance at the upper three levels. Provided longitudinal and transverse reinforcement for the end sections (boundary columns) of the walls were identical to C3 columns. Two curtains of web vertical reinforcement, 13 mm diameter bars spaced at 250 mm on center were provided over the first story (W23A) and for the 2<sup>nd</sup> through 7<sup>th</sup> stories (W23), whereas spacing of web transverse reinforcement was 150 mm on center. Above this level, for the W15 walls, center-to-center distance of the 10 mm bars for the two curtains of web vertical and transverse reinforcement were 200 mm. Table 2.1 summarizes the cross-sectional dimensions of the perimeter columns and beams, walls, and the slabs.

	2015													
			Colu	ımns			Bea	ams	Wall	Slab				
Floor	Height	C	21	C	22	Gl	-G3	C	62	W1	<b>S</b> 1	f'c		
1 1001	(mm)	В	D	В	D	В	D	В	D	t	t	Mna		
		(mm)	mpu											
R						300	500	230	370		130			
10	2500	500	500	230	450	300	500	230	370	-	130	27		
9	2500	500	500	230	450	300	500	230	370	-	130	27		
8	2500	500	500	230	450	300	500	230	370	-	130	27		
7	2550	500	500	230	450	350	550	230	370	150	130	27		
6	2550	500	500	230	450	350	550	230	370	230	130	27		
5	2550	500	500	230	450	350	550	230	370	230	130	33		
4	2600	500	500	230	450	350	550	230	420	230	130	33		
3	2600	500	500	230	450	350	550	230	420	230	130	33		
2	2600	500	550	230	450	350	550	230	420	230	130	42		
1	2800	550	550	230	450	900	1150	350	600	230	130	42		

Table 2.1 Member Section Sizes, Building #1

Figures 2.3 and 2.4 illustrate the design details of the columns and perimeter beams including the cross-sectional dimensions, number and the diameter of the longitudinal and transverse reinforcement. The details of the transverse reinforcement used in the beam-column joints are also shown in Figure 2.3.

		01	02	00			01	00	00
	Joint	2, 2-D10@150	2. 2-D10@150	2, 2-D10@150		Joint	2. 2-D10@150	2, 2-D10@150	2, 2-D10@150
	B×D	500 × 500	500 × 500	230 × 450		B×D	500 × 500	500 × 500	230 × 450
10F	Section	X			5F	Section			
	Rebar	8 - HD19	10 - HD19	6 - LD16		Rebar	10 - HD22	12 - HD22	6 - HD19
<u> </u>	Hoop	LD10[2, 2]@100	LD10[2, 2]@100	LD10[2, 2]@100 2 2-D10@150		Hoop	LD10[2, 2]@100	S10[4, 2]@100 2 2-010@150	LD10[2, 2]@100 2 2-D10@150
	B×D	500 × 500	500 × 500	230 × 450		B×D	500 × 500	500 × 500	230 × 450
9F	Section				4F	Section			
	Rebar	8 - HD19	10 - HD19	6 - LD16		Rebar	10 - HD22	12 - HD22	6 - HD19
⊢	Hoop	LD10[2, 2]@100	LD10[2, 2]@100 2 2-D10@150	LD10[2,2]@100 2 2-010@150		Hoop	S10[2, 2]@100	S10[4,2]@100 2 2-010@150	LD10[2, 2]@100 2 2-010@150
	B×D	500 × 500	500 × 500	230 × 450		B×D	500 × 500	500 × 500	230 × 450
8F	Section				ЗF	Section			
	Rebar	8 - HD19	10 - HD19	6 - HD19		Rebar	12 - HD22	12 - HD22	6 - HD19
<u> </u>	Hoop	LD10[2, 2]@100 2 2-D10@150	LD10[3, 2]@100 2 2-D10@150	LD10[2, 2]@100 2 2-D10@150		Hoop	S10[2, 2]@100 2 2-D10@150	S10[4,2]@100 2 2-D10@150	2 2-D10@150
	B×D	500 × 500	500 × 500	230 × 450		B×D	500 × 550	500 × 550	230 × 450
7F	Section				2F	Section			
	Rebar	10 - HD22	10 - HD22	6 - HD19		Rebar	16 - HD22	12 - HD22	8 - HD19
	Joint	2, 2-D10@150	2, 2-D10@150	2, 2-D10@150		Joint	2, 2-D10@150	2, 2-D10@150	2, 2-D10@150
	B×D	500 × 500	500 × 500	230 × 450		B×D	550 × 550	550 × 550	230 × 450
6F	Section				1F	Section			[]]
	Rebar	10 - HD22	12 - HD22	6 - HD19		Rebar	20 - HD22 \$10[4,4]@100	16 - HD22	8 - HD19 \$10[4,2]@100
	noop	LDIV[2, 2]@100	LD10[4, 2]@/100	LDTU[2, 2]@100		поор	510[4,4]@100	310[4, 4]@/100	510[4, Z] @100

Figure 2.3 Reinforcement Details of Columns, Building #1 [4]



Figure 2.4 Reinforcement Details of Perimeter Beams, Building #1 [4]

Although during the experiments concrete and reinforcing rebars were tested and reported at every floor, the design material strengths were used for the assessment of the buildings in this work. Table 2.2 summarizes the design concrete and rebar strengths.

Concrete			Reinforcing bars								
	f'c (MPa)		Grade	A <sub>normal</sub> (mm <sup>2</sup> )	σ <sub>y</sub> (MPa)	σ <sub>t</sub> (MPa)					
Floors 1 and 2	42	D22	SD345	387	345	490					
Floors 3,4 and 5	33	D19	SD345	287	345	490					
Floors 6 - Roof	27	D13	SD295A	127	295	440					
		D10	SD295A	71	295	440					
		S10	KSS785	71	785	930					

Table 2.2 Design Material Properties, Building #1

During the testing, recorded ground motions of JMA Kobe earthquake were applied with increasing intensities (10%, 25%, 50% and 100%) in all of the three principal directions (x, y and vertical). Figure 2.5 shows time history series and the response history of the ground motions of the JMA Kobe scaled 100% where NS represents the frame direction (y dir.), EW represents the wall direction (x dir.), and UD is the vertical ground motion.



Figure 2.5 Wave time histories and the response spectrums [11]

Experiments were performed in two stages; in stage 1, the foundations of the buildings were not fixed at the shaking table. Therefore, structures were allowed to slip on top of some cast iron bearings (Base slip stage). After the shaking of the structures with slipping base and increasing excitations, foundations were fixed to the shaking table (Fixed base stage) and ground motions were applied one more time. Table 2.3 shows the natural periods and the maximum story drift angles for Building #1 after each excitation for both the frame and wall directions.

No	No Input wave		Test case	Natural P	eriod [s]	Maximum story drift angle [rad]			
10.	input wa	ave	Test case	Frame direction	Wall direct ion	Frame direction	Wall direction		
-	Initial			0.57	0.57	-	-		
1		10%		0.61 0.61		0.0011	0.0006		
2	IM A -K obe	25%	Base slip	0.69	0.63	0.0026	0.0010		
3		50%		0.76	0.64	0.0041	0.0017		
4		100%		0.87	0.69	0.0060	0.0030		
-	Initial			0.85	0.58	-	-		
5		10%		0.87		0.0028	0.0008		
6	5 7 JMA-Kobe 8	25%	Fixed base	0.94	0.60	0.0075	0.0022		
7		50%	1 110 0 000	1.24	0.74	0.0171	0.0065		
8		100%		2.43	1.13	0.0305	0.0150		
9		60%		2.62	1.19	0.0131	0.0122		

Table 2.3 Natural Periods and the Maximum story drift angles, 2015 [11]

In terms of the damage, under the 100% excitation and for the fixed base stage, beam-column joint shear failures were observed at the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> floors for the 2015 test structure. Also, concrete cover spalling at the base of 1<sup>st</sup> floor corner columns and minor concrete crushing at the base shear wall were observed (Figure 2.6). More information on the test procedure, specimen design, instrumentation and experimental results of the 2015 tests can be found on Kajiwara et al. [4], Sato et al. [9] and Tosauchi et al. [11].



(a) 4th story beam-column joint

(b) 1<sup>st</sup> floor column base

(c) 1<sup>st</sup> floor wall base

Figure 2.6 Specimen Damage, 2015 tests [11]

For Building #2, the overall geometry of the building was essentially unchanged, except that the width of the cantilever slab around the building perimeter was decreased to 700 mm from 750 mm. Based on the damage observed in Building #1, the cross-sectional dimensions of some of the members were modified. The modifications done on the dimensions of the perimeter column and beams, and also of the walls and slabs are summarized in Table 2.4 (where cells highlighted in yellow indicate changes). The last column of Table 2.4 shows the design strength of the concrete used at every floor. The comparison with Table 2.1 shows that the design concrete strengths are the same for both buildings, except for the first two floors.

	2018													
			Colu	ımns			Be	am	Wall	Slab				
	Haisht	C	1	C	22	Gl	-G3	G	i2	W1	<b>S</b> 1	f'c		
Floor	(mm)	B (mm)	D (mm)	B (mm)	D (mm)	B (mm)	D (mm)	B (mm)	D (mm)	t (mm)	t (mm)	Mpa		
R						250	450	230	370		100	27		
10	2500	500	500	230	450	250	450	230	370	-	100	27		
9	2500	500	500	230	450	300	450	230	370	-	100	27		
8	2500	500	500	230	450	300	450	230	370	-	100	27		
7	2550	500	500	230	450	300	500	230	370	120	100	27		
6	2550	500	500	230	450	300	500	230	370	150	100	27		
5	2550	500	500	230	450	320	500	230	370	150	100	33		
4	2600	500	500	230	450	320	500	230	420	150	100	33		
3	2600	500	500	230	450	320	500	230	420	150	100	33		
2	2600	500	550	230	450	320	500	230	420	150	100	39		
1	2800	550	550	230	450	900	1150	350	600	150	100	39		

Table 2.4 Member Dimension of the Building #2

Along with the section dimensions, longitudinal and transverse reinforcements of the some of the members were also altered for the Building #2. The reinforcement design of the columns of the structure is given in Figures 2.7 and 2.8 from  $1^{st}$  to  $5^{th}$  floors and from  $6^{th}$  to  $10^{th}$  floors respectively. Details of the transverse reinforcement used at the beam-columns joint zones are also given in these figures in terms of the number of the stirrup legs (n), the vertical spacing (s) and the bar diameter.

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	10	let.	1	7	S	diameter (LD)	1	2	s	diameter (ID)		1	s	diameter (ID,		
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					16 F ~	3	p d									
	Sec	tion			b	_0	0 g									
					þ	d	p d									
58					000	0			6 6 6 6	<u>'</u>						
	-			n	(	liameter (HD)		n	dia	meter (HD)		n	dia	meter (HD)		
	Re	bar		14		22		16		22		6		19		
			1	2	s	diameter (LD)	1	0	s	diameter (LD,	1	0	s	diameter (LD,		
		Axis	3	3	100	10	4	3	100	10	3	2	100	10		
	ноор	Head	6	6	70	10		6	70	10			100	10		
		Leg	9		10	10	9		2	10	٩	-	100	10		
	1e	int	1	0	5	diameter (LD,	- 1	0	5	diameter (LD,		2	s	diameter (LD,		
			6	6	70	10	6	6	70 10		3 2		150	10		
	b	xd		500		500		500		500		230		450		
					ppo	9			0 0 q q	1						
					2	g			p 9				16 11			
	Sec	Section 6 0							6 d							
45	E				P.L.	9			66.3							
	Behar			n	6	liameter (HD)		n	dia	meter (HD)		n	dia	meter (HD)		
				16		22		16		22		6		19		
			1	1	5	diameter (LD)	- 1	1	s	diameter (LD,	1	1	s	diameter (LD,		
	Ноор	Axis	3	3	100	10	4	3	100	10	3	2	100	10		
		Head	6	6	70	10	6	6	70	10	3	2	100	10		
		Leg														
	Jo	int		1	5	diameter (LD)		1	5	blameter (LD)		1	\$	diameter (LD,		
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Figure 2.7 First floor to 5th floor column reinforcement details, Building #2

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Figure 2.8 6th floor to 10th floor column reinforcement details, Building #2

The main changes on the reinforcement detailing of Building #2 columns were made on the transverse reinforcement due to the shear failures observed on the beam-column joints and the columns' end zones near the joints. While for the Building #1 the shear reinforcement spacing and the amount of the shear reinforcement was kept constant throughout the height of column in one story, for Building #2, columns were divided into 3 zones in terms of the shear reinforcement detailing; head, axis and the leg (see Figures 2.7 and 2.8). The head and leg portions of the columns represent a zone from joint face to a height equals to the columns depth where these zones were heavily reinforced, Figure 2.9.



Figure 2.9 An illustration of Building #2 columns

Along with the columns, joints' shear reinforcement was increased too. Not only the spacing of the reinforcement was decreased from 150 mm to 60 mm for the first two floors, to 70 mm for the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> floors, and to 85 mm for the upper floors but also the amount of rebar used was increased from two bars in each orthogonal direction to six bars.

#### **CHAPTER 3. 3D ELASTIC MODELS**

As mentioned before, the main purpose of this report is to assess the designs of 2015 and 2018 test structures using American standards. To this end, a relatively simple analysis type which is the linear elastic analysis is chosen. 3D models of the structures are created using a structural engineering software called ETABS based on the information given in Chapter 2. Two different models were created (one for the frame dir. and one for the wall dir.) for both of the structures. The reason behind creating different models for different directions is that the boundaries of the walls were designed as columns. Therefore, while for the wall direction model (from now on will be called as Frame model), a column (line element) – wall web (shell element) – column (line element) member is used for the walls, see Figures 3.1 and 3.2. For the Frame model, line elements (boundary columns) and the shell elements were connected with rigid frames so that they can deform similarly. A sensitivity study which shows the behavior of these two different models is given in Chapter 6.



Figure 3.1 Plan View of the Models



Figure 3.2 Elevation View of the Models

According to ASCE 7-16 §12.2.5.1, for a lateral load carrying system to be identified as a dual system, moment frames shall be capable of resisting at least 25% of the design seismic forces. Analysis results showed that this requirement is not satisfied with the test structures. Therefore, the seismic force resisting system in the wall direction is identified as special reinforced concrete walls (Cd=5, R=5). To this end, G7 and G9 beams (Figure 2.2), beams that connect the walls to the perimeter columns, are not included in the models, and therefore the models consist of only the structural walls in the wall direction. In Chapter 6, analysis results of a model which contains the G7 and G9 beams are shown to be able to understand the effects of not including these beams in the models.

Based on the response spectrums given in Figure 2.5, it is found that spectral response acceleration parameter at a period of 1 second ( $S_1$ ) is 1.2 seconds in the wall direction and 1.5 seconds in the frame direction. Therefore, according to ASCE 7-16 §11.6, Seismic Design Categories of the structures are Category E. It is stated in §12.5 that, if the structures in Seismic Design Category E do not have Type 5 horizontal structural irregularity, then the seismic forces can be applied independently in each of two orthogonal directions, and orthogonal interaction effects are permitted to be neglected. Since the structures in question do not possess Type 5 irregularity, the loadings are applied independently. Also, according to \$12.9.1.4, where the modal base shear  $(V_t)$  is less than the calculated base shear (V) using equivalent lateral force procedure, the forces shall be multiplied by  $V/V_t$ . Additionally, if  $V_t$  is less than  $C_s * W$ , where  $C_s$ is determined in accordance with Eq. 12.8-6 and W is the effective seismic weight of the structure, drifts shall be multiplied by  $C_s * W/V_t$ . However, in this study, since the purpose is to assess the buildings under the experimental loading conditions, apart from  $R/I_e$  factor where R is the response modification coefficient (R=5 in the wall direction and R=8 in the frame direction) and  $I_e$  is the importance factor ( $I_e=1$ ), no force or drift scaling is done. To be consistent, no load factors were applied to the gravity loads and therefore the load combinations used as follows,

$$D + E_V + E_h \tag{3.1}$$

$$D - E_V + E_h \tag{3.2}$$

where *D* is the dead load (mass calculations are given in the following pages),  $E_v$  is the vertical seismic load effects (taken as  $0.2S_{DS}D$ ) and  $E_h$  is the horizontal seismic load effect.  $E_h$  is calculated as:

$$E_h = \rho Q_E \tag{3.3}$$

where  $\rho$  is the redundancy factor and  $Q_E$  is the effects of horizontal seismic forces from V (total design lateral force). The redundancy factor is calculated in accordance with §12.3.4.2 where it is stated that  $\rho$  should be taken as 1.3 for the structures under the Seismic Design Category E unless each story resists more than 35% of the base shear or each story that resists more than 35% of the base shear consist of at least two bays of seismic force-resisting perimeter framing on each side of the structure. It is found that, for both Building #1 and Building #2, roof level and the 10<sup>th</sup> floor do not carry at least 35% of the base shear, and the stories that carry this load do not have 2 bays of perimeter framing. The number of the bays for the shear walls are calculated

as the length of shear wall divided by the story height, e.g., for the first-floor number of the bays are equal to 2250 mm/2800 mm = 0.8. Therefore, a redundancy factor of 1.3 is applied for the calculations of member forces. However, for the drifts, it is allowed to use a redundancy factor of one (§12.3.4.1).

Weights of the structures were aimed to match with the actual experimental values. Therefore, on top of the self-weight of the members obtained from ETABS, distributed dead loads are applied at each floor until the weight of each is approximately same as the values reported. Details of the structures' weights are given in Table 3.1.

Building #1				Building #2					
Floor	Height (m)	Live L.(kN)	Dead L. (kN)	Sum (kN)	Floor	Height (m)	Live L.(kN)	Dead L. (kN)	Sum (kN)
R	_	0.0	725.0	725.0	R	_	0.0	579.0	579.0
10	2.5	57.0	740.0	1522.0	10	2.5	57.0	706.0	1342.0
9	2.5	28.0	694.0	2244.0	9	2.5	28.0	639.0	2009.0
8	2.5	28.0	716.0	2988.0	8	2.5	28.0	657.0	2694.0
7	2.6	28.0	949.0	3965.0	7	2.6	29.0	721.0	3444.0
6	2.6	188.0	618.0	4771.0	6	2.6	188.0	870.0	4502.0
5	2.6	28.0	780.0	5579.0	5	2.6	28.0	716.0	5246.0
4	2.6	28.0	798.0	6404.0	4	2.6	28.0	732.0	6006.0
3	2.6	28.0	817.0	7250.0	3	2.6	28.0	750.0	6784.0
2	2.6	57.0	889.0	8196.0	2	2.6	57.0	848.0	7689.0
1	2.8	29.0	1830.0	10055.0	1	2.8	29.0	1827.0	9545.0

Table 3.1 Floor masses of the Structures

Also, instead of modeling the beams of the structures as rectangular beams with the dimensions given in Tables 2.1 and 2.4, T sections are used where the effective overhanging flange widths are calculated based on the requirements given in ACI 318. Different models were created with rectangular beams and slabs as shell elements with the given thickness and the appropriate stiffness modifiers and compared with the models where only T-Beams are used. The comparisons were mainly focused on the buildings' periods, to see the effects of different modeling approaches on the stiffness of the buildings since the story masses are matched with the experimental values, and similar results were obtained. The reason behind choosing the T-Beam model is because rectangular beams and slabs (shell elements) are used for the modeling

approach, and the forces taken by the slab have to be considered during the design check. Depending on the relative stiffnesses of the slab and beam sections, shell elements might carry substantial forces. Various modeling approaches for the slabs and the beams are studied, including the option to use a rigid in-plane floor diaphragm. It is observed that assigning rigid diaphragms to the floors influenced the periods of the buildings greatly, around 20-25% decreases are observed in first mode periods in the frame directions. Based on the provisions of ASCE 7, rigid diaphragms are assigned at each floor.

Finally, the moment of inertias of the members are calculated by using the stiffness multipliers which are based on ACI 318-19 Table 6.6.3.1.1(a). They are taken as 0.7 for columns, 0.35 for the walls and the beams, and 0.25 for slabs, refer to Table 3.2.

Member and condition		Moment of inertia	Cross- sectional area for axial deformations	Cross- sectional area for shear deformations
Columns		0.70 <i>I</i> g		
33.7.11	Uncracked	0.70 <i>I</i> g	*	$b_w h$
wans	Cracked	0.35 <i>I</i> g	1.0Ag	
Beams		0.35 <i>I</i> g		
Flat plates and flat slabs		0.25 <i>I</i> g		

Table 3.2 Moment of Inertias and Cross-Sectional Areas [1]

#### **CHAPTER 4. ASSESSMENT OF 2015 TEST STRUCTURE**

This chapter focuses on the assessment of 2015 test structure (Building #1) using ACI 318-19 [1] provisions where the plan and elevation views, and the member details of the structure are given in Figures 2.2, 2.3 and 2.4 respectively. The model and the loading conditions used to calculate the demands are explained in Chapter 3.

#### 4.1 Shear Walls

Lateral force resisting system of the structure in the x direction consists of 4 identical special reinforced concrete shear walls with a total length of 2250 mm and with a thickness of 230 mm (thickness of the wall web decreases to 150 mm after the 7<sup>th</sup> floor, W15 walls). Walls are constructed to be continuous from the base of the structure to the 8<sup>th</sup> floor (for the upper three stories, moment frames are used in both directions). Therefore, the total height of the walls are 18.25 meters (59.87*ft*). Figure 4.1 shows the cross-sections of the walls at the first floor (W23A), 2<sup>nd</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> floors (W23) and at the 7<sup>th</sup> floor (W15).







Combined axial force-moment strength of the walls are calculated using the P-M interaction diagrams. Demands at the base and at the top of first story walls are shown in Figure 4.2 where they are compared with the  $\phi$ P- $\phi$ M capacity. The strength reduction factors ( $\phi$ ) are calculated based on ACI 318-19 §21.2. It is found that at base of the perimeter walls, a base moment of  $M_u$ 

= 1466 k-ft is produced with a maximum axial load of  $P_u$  = 190 kips (845.2 kN) for the load combination 1 (Eqn. 3.1). For the load combination 2 (Eqn. 3.2) axial forces are decreased to the minimum value of  $P_u$  = 130 kips. Therefore, it is concluded that the axial load demands on the W23A perimeter walls are much lower than the total axial load capacity,  $P_u/A_gf'_c$  = 845.2 kN / (0.23 m \* 2.25 m) \* (42MPa) = 0.039. This ratio is a little bit higher for inner walls,  $P_u/A_gf'_c$  = 1135 kN / (0.23 m \* 2.25 m) \* (42MPa) = 0.052. Although Figure 4.2 shows the capacity versus demand comparison only for the W23A walls, similar comparisons are also made for the walls at the upper stories, and it is concluded that all the structural walls in Building #1 satisfy the P-M strength.



Figure 4.2 op-opM interaction diagram of W23A walls

Shear strength of the structural walls ( $V_n$ ) are calculated in accordance with ACI 318-19 §18.10.4,

$$V_n = \left(\alpha_c \lambda \sqrt{f_c'} + \rho_t f_{yt}\right) A_{cv} \tag{4.1}$$

where  $\alpha_c = 3$  for  $h_w/l_w \le 1.5$  and  $\alpha_c = 2$  for  $h_w/l_w \ge 2.0$ , and  $\lambda$  is taken as 1 for the normal-weight concrete. Since  $h_w/l_w = 59.87$  ft / 7.38 ft = 8.11,  $\alpha_c$  is taken as two. It should be noted here that  $V_n$  cannot be taken greater than  $8\sqrt{f'_c}A_{cv}$  (§18.10.4.4). The design shear force  $V_e$  is calculated by the following formula:

$$V_e = \Omega_v \omega_v V_u \le 3V_u \tag{4.2}$$

where  $V_u$  is the shear force obtained from lateral load analysis. Overstrength factor  $\Omega_v$  is taken in accordance with Table 18.10.3.1.2 and  $\omega_v$  is calculated based on the following equation.

$$\omega_v = 1.3 + \frac{n_s}{30} \le 1.8 \tag{4.3}$$

where  $n_s$  is the number of stories above the critical section. Based on the Equations 4.1, 4.2 and 4.3 shear strength capacity and the design shear forces are calculated and given in Table 4.1. Since the 3rd, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> floor walls have the same section detailing and the same material properties, they have the same factored shear strength and highest design shear forces is shown in the table. It can be observed from the table that  $V_e/\phi V_n$  ratio is lower than the unity for the walls at every floor. Therefore, the shear reinforcement design of the shear walls satisfies the ACI 318-19 provisions.

Table 4.1 Shear strength and the design shear forces of the shear walls

	$\phi V_n$ (kips)	V <sub>e</sub> (kips)	$V_e/\phi V_n$
F1	251.53	163.39	0.65
F2	211.10	146.39	0.69
F3-4-5	200.43	146.75	0.73
F6	192.49	106.67	0.55
F7	137.00	113.51	0.83

ACI 318-19's minimum distributed web reinforcement ratios,  $\rho_1$  and  $\rho_t$ , are defined as 0.0025 (§18.10.2.1). Calculations showed that these minimum ratios are satisfied at every floor.  $\rho_{1,\min}$  within 0.15 $l_w$  from the end of a vertical wall segment is also set with the ratio of  $6\sqrt{f'_c}/f_y$  (§ 18.10.2.4a). The minimum required amount and the used values are compared in Table 4.2.

	$0.15 l_w (\text{mm})$	337.5	
18.10.2.4a	$6\sqrt{f_c'}/f_y$	# bars in $0.15 l_w$	ρι
F1-2	0.0093	6	0.021
F3-4-5	0.0082	4	0.014
F6-7	0.0075	4	0.014

Table 4.2 Comparison of  $\rho_{\rm l}$  within 0.15lw

Also, at least two curtains of reinforcement shall be used in the wall if  $V_u > 2\lambda \sqrt{f_c'} A_{cv}$  (§18.10.2.2). Table 4.3 shows the comparison between the required and used number of vertical reinforcement curtains.

Number of Curtains	Required	Used
F1	2	2
F2	2	2
F3-4-5	2	2
F6	2	2
F7	2	2

Table 4.3 Required and used number of reinforcement curtains

Boundaries of the walls must be checked in accordance with §18.10.6. According to §18.10.6.2, whether special boundary elements (SBE) should be used or not depends on the following comparison,

$$\frac{1.5\delta_u}{h_{wCS}} \ge \frac{l_w}{600c} \tag{4.4}$$

where  $\delta_u$  is calculated by multiplying the elastic displacements which is obtained from the elastic analysis on top of the 7<sup>th</sup> floor walls with  $C_d/I_e$  ratio (5/1). *c* corresponds to the largest neutral axis depth calculated for the factored axial force and nominal moment strength. Table 4.4 shows the calculated values for these ratios for the corner and inner walls. Since the requirement given in Equation 4.4 is satisfied, transverse reinforcement of the wall boundaries must satisfy the SBE provisions.

	$1.5*\delta_u/h_{wcs}$	<i>lw</i> /600 <i>c</i>
Inner Walls	0.022	0.011
Corner Walls	0.023	0.012

Table 4.4 SBE Requirement Check

After it is found that SBEs are required, the second step is to find how far the transverse reinforcement of SBSs are going to extend vertically above and below the critical section. To this end, two values should be compared, the length of the wall ( $l_w$ ) and  $M_u/4V_u$ , greater of the two will determine required height (Figure 4.3). The comparison is given in Table 4.4, and it is concluded that transverse reinforcement of the boundaries of the wall sections from the base to a height equals to 88.58 in. (2250 mm, corresponds to the first-floor walls only) should satisfy the SBE requirements.

Table 4.5 Required Length of the SBEs

_	$l_w$ (in.)	$M_u$ (kip-ft)	$V_u$ (kip)	$M_{u}/4V_{u}$ (in.)
Inner Walls	88.58	1371.77	51.19	80.39
Corner Walls	88.58	1466.85	54.78	80.33

It can be seen from Figure 4.3 that the width of the flexural compression zone (*b*) should be at least  $h_u/16$  ( $h_u$  is the laterally unsupported height at extreme compression fiber of the wall) or if  $c/l_w$  is bigger than 3/8 than *b* should be at least 12 inches. It is found that the *b* should be at least 5.73 in. Since the widths of the walls are 9.06 in (230 mm), this provision is satisfied.



Figure 4.3 Boundary element requirements of the walls [1]

Figure 4.4 summarizes the requirements that the transverse reinforcement of the special boundary elements must satisfy. Based on the given requirements, length of boundary elements  $(l_{be})$ , maximum center-to-center spacing of longitudinal bars that are laterally supported  $(h_x)$ , center-to-center spacing of transverse reinforcements (s) and the total amount of transverse reinforcement in the boundary element  $(A_{sh})$  in the x- and y-directions are compared with actual experimental values in Table 4.6. It is found that while the  $l_{be}$  and  $h_x$  requirements are satisfied, the spacing of the transverse reinforcement (s = 100 mm) is higher than the ACI 318-19 requirement  $(s_{req} = 76 \text{ mm})$ . Also, the total amounts of transverse reinforcement  $(A_{sh})$  are 41% and 47% of the minimum required values in the x- and y-direction, respectively (shown in red in Table 4.6).





	Used	Required
<i>l<sub>be</sub></i> (in.)	16.54	6.62
$h_x$ (in.)	4.61	6.04
<i>s</i> (in.)	3.94	3.02
$A_{sh-x}$ (in. <sup>2</sup> )	0.49	1.18
$A_{sh-y}$ (in. <sup>2</sup> )	0.24	0.51

Table 4.6 Comparison of Transverse Reinforcement of the SBEs

As mentioned before, wall boundaries extending from the base to a height of 2250 mm must satisfy the SBE requirements. Boundary elements above that (walls between the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor and the 8<sup>th</sup> floor) were checked to find if ordinary boundary element (OBE) provisions are required per §18.10.6.5 where it is stated that if the maximum longitudinal reinforcement ratio ( $\rho_l$ ) at the wall boundary exceeds 400/ $f_y$  (Figure 4.3), OBE requirements must be satisfied. Table 4.7 shows the check if OBEs are required or not.
	$ ho_l$	$400/f_y$
F2	0.022	0.008
F3	0.016	0.008
F4	0.016	0.008
F5	0.016	0.008
F6	0.016	0.008
F7	0.016	0.008

Table 4.7 Check on the Requirement of OBEs

Based on Table 4.7, it is found that the boundary elements of the walls extending between the second floor and the 8<sup>th</sup> floor must satisfy the OBE requirements given in Figure 4.5. Summary of the required checks are given in Table 4.8. Although the SBEs over the first story do not satisfy the ACI 318-19 detailing requirements, OBEs at the upper stories are found to be compatible with §18.10.6.



Figure 4.5 Requirements on the Transverse Reinforcement of Ordinary Boundary Elements [6]

	Used	Required
<i>l</i> <sub>be</sub> (in.)	16.54	6.62
$h_x$ (in.)	13.82	14.00
<i>s</i> (in.)	3.94	5.98

Table 4.8 Comparison of Transverse Reinforcement of the OBEs

Story drift ratios of the Building #1 in the wall direction are calculated by taking the redundancy factor in Equation 3.3 as 1.0. The calculated ratios are compared with the ASCE 7-16's maximum allowable story drift ratio ( $\Delta_a$ ) which is 0.02 for the reinforced concrete shear wall structures that are assigned to Risk Category I. Figure 4.6 shows the inter-story drift ratios of Building #1 in the wall direction.



Figure 4.6 Story Drift Ratios in the Wall Direction

## 4.2 Columns

The lateral force resisting system of the test structure in the y-direction consists of 3 bay special reinforced concrete moment frames (R=8, Cd=5.5). Section sizes and the reinforcement details of the corner columns (C1) and the perimeter columns (C2) are given in Table 2.1 and Figure 2.3 respectively.

Similar to the shear walls, factored axial force-moment ( $\phi P-\phi M$ ) capacity of the columns are calculated and compared with the demands that are calculated using the analysis procedure and loading conditions given in Chapter 3.



Figure 4.7 **\phiP-\phiM** Interaction Diagram of First Floor Columns with the demands

Figure 4.7 shows the  $\phi P-\phi M$  interaction diagrams of the first floor C1 and C2 columns, and the demands resulting from different load combinations at the base of the columns. It can be seen from the figure that axial force-moment demands are less than capacity of the columns. For the corner columns (C1), maximum resulting axial force,  $P_u = 296$  kips (1317 kN), at the base of the columns is 10% of the total axial load capacity [1317 kN / (550 mm) (550 mm) (42 MPa) = 0.1]. This ratio decreases to 6% for the C2 columns [747 kN / (550 mm) (550 mm) (42 MPa) = 0.058]. Comparison of the demands on the columns with their  $\phi P-\phi M$  interaction diagrams are done for the upper stories too and it is concluded that all the columns in Building #1 satisfy the factored P-M capacity.

Amount and the detailing requirements of the transverse reinforcement of the columns are checked in accordance with ACI 318-19 §18.7.5. Spacing (*s*) requirements of the transverse reinforcement of the columns are summarized in Figure 4.8, and the comparison between the required and provided spacing values are given in Table 4.9 where it is shown that provided spacing of the columns' transverse reinforcement satisfy ACI 318-19.



Figure 4.8 Column transverse reinforcement spacing requirements [8]

		Provided (mm)	Required (mm)	
_		<i>S</i> 1- <i>S</i> 2	<i>S</i> 1	<i>s</i> <sub>2</sub>
Floor 1	C1-C2	100	132	132
2 <sup>nd</sup> - 10 <sup>th</sup> Floors	C1-C2	100	102	132

Table 4.9 Provided versus Required spacing of column transverse reinforcement

Maximum center-to-center spacing of longitudinal bars laterally supported by crossties or hoop legs ( $h_x$ ) is dependent on the amount of axial force ( $P_u$ ) that the columns are carrying. If  $P_u$  is greater than  $0.3A_gf'_c$  then  $h_x$  shall not exceed 8 in., otherwise  $h_x$  shall be maximum of 14 in. Table 4.10 gives the maximum required and the provided values. It is found that, except for the first-floor columns, columns in Building #1 do not satisfy limits on  $h_x$  in ACI 318-19 (shown in red in Table 4.10).

		h <sub>x-prov</sub> (mm)	$h_{x-req.}$ (mm)
Eleor 1	C1	224	
FIOOF I	C2	179	
Electr 2	C1	448	
FIOOF 2	C2	398	256
2rd 7th Elecano	C1	398	550
5 -7 Floors	C2	398	
$8^{th}, 9^{th} and 10^{th}$	C1	401	
Floors	C2	401	

Table 4.10 Assessment of *h<sub>x</sub>* of columns

Total required cross-sectional areas of the transverse reinforcement  $(A_{sh,req.})$  in the x- and ydirections of the columns are calculated based on the two following equations,

$$\frac{A_{sh}}{sb_c} \ge 0.3(\frac{A_g}{A_{ch}} - 1)\frac{f_c'}{f_{yt}}$$
(4.4)

$$\frac{A_{sh}}{sb_c} \ge 0.09 \frac{f_c'}{f_{yt}} \tag{4.5}$$

where  $b_c$  is the cross-sectional dimension of the member core measured to the outside edges of the transverse reinforcement. Greater of the  $A_{sh}$  values from Equations 4.4 and 4.5 yielded in the minimum required total amount of transverse reinforcement to be used to satisfy ACI 318 provisions. Provided values are calculated based on the cross-section details of the columns given in Figure 2.3 and compared with the minimum requirements in Table 4.11.

		Provided (mm <sup>2</sup> )		Required (mm <sup>2</sup> )	
		$A_{sh,x}$	$A_{sh,y}$	$A_{sh,x}$	$A_{sh,y}$
Eloor 1	C1	214	214		236
11001 1	C2	514	514	226	230
Eleor 2	C1		157	230	212
F1001 2	C2		314		212
Electre 2 and 4	C1	157	157	166	166
FIGURE 5 and 4	C2		314	100	100
Eleor 5	C1		157	443	443
F1001 3	C2		314	166	166
Floor 6	C1		157		
FIOOPO	C2		314		
Elecre 7 and 9	C1		157	262	260
FIGURS / and 8	C2		236	362	302
Elecre 0 and 10	C1		157		
F10018 9 and 10	C2		137		

Table 4.11 Ash required versus provided

Based on the Table 4.11, it is concluded that first floor columns satisfy the  $A_{sh}$  requirement of ACI 318-19. However, for the upper stories, with the exceptions of 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> floor C2 columns in the y-direction, total cross-sectional area of the transverse reinforcement in the Building #1 columns are less than required (shown in red).

Nominal shear strength ( $V_n = V_c + V_s$ ) of the columns are calculated in accordance with §22.5 and §18.7.6. Shear strength provided by the concrete ( $V_c$ ) can be calculated from Equation (a) or (b) from Table 22.5.5.1 of ACI 318-19. In this study, following equation (Equation-a) is used,

$$V_c = (2\lambda\sqrt{f_c'} + \frac{N_u}{6A_g})b_w d \tag{4.6}$$

It is important to mention that in accordance with §18.7.6,  $V_c$  is taken as zero over lengths  $l_0$  (Figure 4.2.2) if the earthquake-induced shear force is at least one-half of the maximum required shear strength within  $l_0$  and the factored axial compressive force ( $P_u$ ) is less than  $A_g f'_c/20$ . Table 4.12 shows the calculated  $V_c$ ,  $V_s$  and  $\phi V_n$  of the Building #1 columns over the length  $l_0$  and at the middle of the columns.

		$l_0$			middle		
		$V_c$	$V_s$	$\phi V_n$	$V_c$	$V_s$	$\phi V_n$
		(kips)	(kips)	(kips)	(kips)	(kips)	(kips)
Eleca 1	C1	0.0	276.7	207.5	54.5	276.7	248.4
FIOOF I	C2	0.0	276.7	207.5	84.1	276.7	270.6
Elecar 2	C1	0.0	124.5	93.3	50.7	124.5	131.4
F1001 2	C2	0.0	248.9	186.7	75.3	248.9	243.1
Elecar 2	C1	0.0	124.5	93.3	41.9	124.5	124.8
F1001 5	C2	0.0	248.9	186.7	61.5	248.9	232.8
Elson 4	C1	0.0	124.5	93.3	44.5	124.5	126.8
F100F 4	C2	0.0	248.9	186.7	59.6	248.9	231.4
Elecar 5	C1	0.0	46.8	35.1	46.9	46.8	70.2
F1001 3	C2	0.0	248.9	186.7	57.8	248.9	230.1
Floor	C1	0.0	46.8	35.1	44.2	46.8	68.2
FIOOPO	C2	0.0	93.5	70.2	51.6	93.5	108.9
Elecar 7	C1	0.0	46.8	35.1	45.4	46.8	69.1
FIOOF /	C2	0.0	70.2	52.6	49.7	70.2	89.9
Elect 9	C1	0.0	46.9	35.2	45.9	46.9	69.7
F1001 8	C2	0.0	70.4	52.8	48.6	70.4	89.2
Elect 0	C1	0.0	46.9	35.2	45.7	46.9	69.4
Floor 9	C2	0.0	46.9	35.2	46.9	46.9	70.4
Elson 10	C1	0.0	46.9	35.2	44.7	46.9	68.7
F100F 10	C2	0.0	46.9	35.2	45.1	46.9	69.1

Table 4.12 Shear strength of C1 and C2 columns

The design shear force ( $V_e$ ) is calculated from considering the maximum forces that can be generated at the faces of the joints at each end of columns. These joint forces are calculated using the maximum probable flexural strengths ( $M_{pr}$ ) at each end of the column associated with the range of factored axial forces acting on the column. A maximum limit point is set where the column shears did not exceed those calculated from joint strengths based on  $M_{pr}$  of the beams framing into the joint. For the  $M_{pr}$  of the beams, T-beam configuration is assumed and the longitudinal slab reinforcements in the effective flange widths are included in the calculations. Table 4.13 shows the calculated design shear forces of columns C1 and C2.

		$V_e$ (kips)
Elson 1	C1	73.9
Floor 1	C2	96.5
	C1	77.5
F1001 2	C2	101.2
Elecr 2	C1	77.5
F1001 5	C2	101.2
Elecr 4	C1	70.4
F1001 4	C2	91.8
Floor 5	C1	51.6
	C2	91.8
Floorf	C1	43.7
FIOOD	C2	85.9
Floor 7	C1	39.2
F1001 /	C2	83.0
Elecr 9	C1	29.3
F1001 8	C2	59.6
Elecr 0	C1	24.5
F1001 9	C2	54.0
Floor 10	C1	24.5
Floor 10	C2	48.3

Table 4.13 Design shear forces

Finally, the factored shear strength ( $\phi V_n$ ) of columns is compared with the design shear forces ( $V_e$ ) in Table 4.14. It is concluded that the shear demand on most of the Building #1's C1 and C2 columns are less than the shear strength. However, shear failures are predicted at the ends (over the length  $l_0$ ) of 5<sup>th</sup> floor C1 columns, 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> floors C1 and C2 columns, and C2 columns of the 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> and the 10<sup>th</sup> stories where  $V_e / \phi V_n$  ratios are higher than unity (shown in red in Table 4.14).

$V_e / \phi V_n$		lo	middle
Eloor 1	C1	0.36	0.30
11001 1	C2	0.46	0.36
	C1	0.83	0.59
Floor 2	C2	0.54	0.42
El 2	C1	0.83	0.62
Floor 3	C2	0.54	0.43
<b>T</b> 1 4	C1	0.75	0.56
Floor 4	C2	0.49	0.40
	C1	1.47	0.74
Floor 5	C2	0.49	0.40
	C1	1.25	0.64
Floor 6	C2	1.22	0.79
	C1	1.12	0.57
Floor /	C2	1.58	0.92
<b>F</b> 10	C1	0.83	0.42
Floor 8	C2	1.13	0.67
	C1	0.70	0.35
Floor 9	C2	1.53	0.77
T1 10	C1	0.70	0.36
Floor 10	C2	1.37	0.70

Table 4.14 Assessment of shear strength of columns

Inter-story drift ratios of the Building #1 in the moment-frame direction (y dir.) are also calculated by taking the redundancy factor in Equation 3.3 as 1.0. The calculated ratios are compared with the ASCE 7-16's maximum allowable story drift ratio ( $\Delta_a$ ) which is 0.02 for the reinforced concrete moment frame structures that are assigned to Risk Category I. Figure 4.9 shows the inter-story drift ratios of Building #1 in the y direction.



Figure 4.9 Story Drift Ratios in the Moment-Frame Direction

## 4.3 Beams

Flexural strength of the beams is calculated using T-beam assumption based on the effective flange widths calculated in accordance with ACI 318-19 Table 6.3.2.1. In terms of the longitudinal reinforcement, G1 and G3 beams were divided into 3 different parts, outer end (1.4 meter away from the C1 columns), inner end (1.4 meter away from the C2 columns) and the center. Accordingly, G2 beams have two different regions (ends and center). Reinforcement details of the beams are given in Figure 2.4. Table 4.15 shows the ratio of factored flexural capacities ( $\phi M_n$ ) of the perimeter beams to the moment demands ( $M_u$ ) for both the positive and negative moments occurring at the different parts of the beams. Results showed that for all the perimeter beams in Building #1 the flexural demands are lower than the capacities both under positive and negative moments with a highest  $M_u/\phi M_n$  ratio of 0.87 at the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor G1 (or G3) beams inner end.

$M_u/\phi M_n$		(	G1 and G3	G2		
		Outer	Center	Inner	Ends	Center
2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	+	0.67	0.28	0.83	0.52	0.21
	-	0.64	0.19	0.72	0.57	0.12
2rd Eleon	+	0.70	0.29	0.87	0.58	0.22
5 F1001	-	0.67	0.21	0.76	0.62	0.14
4th Eleon	+	0.69	0.28	0.82	0.59	0.18
4 F1001	-	0.73	0.20	0.72	0.52	0.11
5 <sup>th</sup> Elece	+	0.75	0.26	0.77	0.57	0.18
5° F1001	-	0.67	0.19	0.79	0.50	0.10
6 <sup>th</sup> Elece	+	0.66	0.25	0.85	0.53	0.17
0 F1001	-	0.61	0.17	0.72	0.46	0.09
7th Elece	+	0.57	0.24	0.72	0.47	0.17
/ Floor	-	0.63	0.13	0.63	0.49	0.07
oth Eleon	+	0.53	0.20	0.68	0.56	0.19
8 F1001	-	0.52	0.07	0.60	0.50	0.05
Oth Eleca	+	0.48	0.16	0.48	0.56	0.15
9 F1001	-	0.46	0.05	0.46	0.46	0.04
10 <sup>th</sup> Eleca	+	0.25	0.12	0.26	0.38	0.13
10 F100F	-	0.31	0.01	0.36	0.40	0.01
Deef	+	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.17	0.11
K001	-	0.16	0.02	0.16	0.24	0.02

Table 4.15 Moment demands divided by the moment capacities for the G1-G3 and G2 beams

Moment capacities of the beams are then compared with moment capacities of the columns. According to ACI 318-19 §18.7.3.2, sum of the nominal flexural strength of columns ( $\sum M_{nc}$ ) framing into a joint must be at least 1.2 times the sum of the nominal flexural strength of the beams ( $\sum M_{nb}$ ) framing into the same joint. Table 4.16 shows the ratio  $\sum M_{nc} / \sum M_{nb}$  for both of the load combinations (Equations 3.1 and 3.2), for lateral loads applied at +y and -y directions, and for the Joint 1 (where G1-G3 beams framing into C1 columns) and Joint 2 (where G1-G3 and G2 beams framing into C2 columns). For the Joint 1, results are shown until the 5<sup>th</sup> floor due to the fact that until the 5<sup>th</sup> floor CG1 beams are used at the overhanging slab. Since after the 5<sup>th</sup> floor, only the G1 (or G3) beams are framing into the Joint 1,  $\sum M_{nc} / \sum M_{nb}$  ratio is not checked. Results indicate ratios lower than ACI 318-19 requirement (1.2) at the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> floor Joint 2 and 4<sup>th</sup> floor Joint 1 under the second load case and in the sway direction of +Y (shown in red in Table 4.16). In general, column to beam moment strength ratios are around 1.20-1.35 for Joint 2 and ranging from 1.16 to 2.67 for Joint 1.

	Joint 1				Joint 2			
$\sum Mnc$	D + E	$v + E_h$	$D - E_v$	$+ E_h$	D + E	$E_v + E_h$	D - E	$v + E_h$
$\sum Mnb$	Sway	Sway	Sway	Sway	Sway	Sway	Sway	Sway
	+Y	-Y	+Y	-Y	+Y	-Y	+Y	-Y
Floor 2	1.97	2.67	1.86	2.60	1.51	1.67	1.41	1.57
Floor 3	1.47	2.05	1.38	1.98	1.22	1.36	1.14	1.27
Floor 4	1.25	1.82	1.16	1.75	1.29	1.32	1.21	1.24
Floor 5	-	-	-	-	1.36	1.30	1.29	1.23
Floor 6	-	-	-	-	1.31	1.38	1.25	1.31
Floor 7	-	-	-	-	1.20	1.38	1.15	1.32
Floor 8	-	-	-	-	1.35	1.43	1.28	1.36
Floor 9	-	-	-	-	1.27	1.32	1.22	1.26
Floor 10	_	-	-	-	1.34	1.37	1.31	1.34

Table 4.16 Strong Column – Weak Beam assessment

Transverse reinforcement detailing of the beams is summarized in Figure 4.10 where the maximum allowable spacing of the transverse reinforcement is shown differently for the different parts of the beam; spacing along 2 times the beam height ( $h_b$ ) away from the joint faces, spacing at the lap splices and the spacing in between the two.



Figure 4.10 Spacing requirements of the beams [8]

Table 4.17 shows the comparison between the transverse reinforcement spacing of the beams and the required values based on Figure 4.10. Although the provided amount of spacing satisfies the ACI 318 requirements at the parts of the beams where there are no lap splices and at least  $2h_b$  away from the joint face, beams of 6<sup>th</sup> floor through roof do not satisfy the requirements at the beam ends and at the parts with the splices (shown in red in Table 4.17).

		Provided		Required (mr	n)
_		(mm)	along $2h_b$	in between	at lab splice
Story 2	G1/G3	100	118.5	237.0	100.0
Story 2	G2	100	118.5	237.0	100.0
St	G1/G3	100	118.5	237.0	100.0
Story 5	G2	100	118.5	237.0	100.0
Story 1	G1/G3	100	118.5	237.0	100.0
Story 4	G2	100	118.5	237.0	100.0
Story 5	G1/G3	125	118.5	237.0	100.0
Story 5	G2	100	118.5	237.0	100.0
Story 6	G1/G3	150	118.5	237.0	100.0
Story o	G2	125	118.5	237.0	100.0
Story 7	G1/G3	200	118.5	237.0	100.0
Story /	G2	175	118.5	237.0	100.0
Story 9	G1/G3	200	106.4	212.7	100.0
Story 8	G2	150	106.4	212.7	100.0
Story 0	G1/G3	200	106.4	212.7	100.0
Story 9	G2	200	106.4	212.7	100.0
Story 10	G1/G3	200	106.4	212.7	100.0
Story 10	G2	200	106.4	212.7	100.0
Doof	G1/G3	200	106.4	212.7	100.0
K001	G2	200	106.4	212.7	100.0

Table 4.17 Spacing of the transverse reinforcement of the beams

Shear strength of the beams are calculated in accordance with ACI 318-19 §18.6.5 and §22.5. For the calculation of shear strength of the concrete ( $V_c$ ) Equation 4.6 is used with  $N_u = 0$ . Similar to columns,  $V_c$  is taken as zero at the ends of the beams ( $2h_b$  away from the joint faces) where the earthquake-induced shear force represents at least one-half of the maximum required shear strength. Table 4.18 shows the factored shear strength of the G1/G3 and G2 beams at the mid-span of the beams and along  $2h_b$  away from the joint faces.

$\phi V_n$	(kips)	G1/G3	G2
and Elson	along $2h_b$	37.03	37.03
2 <sup></sup> Floor	mid-span	67.14	67.14
2rd Elson	along $2h_b$	37.03	37.03
5 F1001	mid-span	67.14	67.14
4 <sup>th</sup> Eleer	along $2h_b$	37.03	37.03
4 F1001	mid-span	63.72	63.72
5 <sup>th</sup> Floor	along $2h_b$	29.63	37.03
J F1001	mid-span	56.31	63.72
6 <sup>th</sup> Floor	along $2h_b$	24.69	29.63
0 <sup></sup> F100r	mid-span	51.37	56.31
7 <sup>th</sup> Floor	along $2h_b$	18.52	21.16
/ 11001	mid-span	42.65	45.30
8 <sup>th</sup> Floor	along $2h_b$	16.62	22.16
8 11001	mid-span	35.19	40.74
O <sup>th</sup> Floor	along $2h_b$	16.62	16.62
9 11001	mid-span	35.19	35.19
10 <sup>th</sup> Floor	along $2h_b$	16.62	16.62
10 FI00	mid-span	35.19	35.19
Roof	along $2h_b$	16.62	16.62
ROOI	mid-span	35.19	35.19

Table 4.18 Factored shear strength of the beams

For the calculation of the shear demands, the design shear force ( $V_e$ ) is calculated by considering the forces on the portion of the beam between the faces of the joints. It is assumed that the moments of opposite sign corresponding to probable flexural strength ( $M_{pr}$ ) act at the joint faces and that the beam is loaded with the gravity and vertical earthquake loads along its span ( $w_u = D+0.2S_{ds}D$ ), refer to Figure 4.11.



Figure 4.11 Design shear force distribution for the beams

Table 4.19 shows the calculated design shear forces at the mid-span of the beams and at the faces of the joints.

$V_e$ (kips)		G1/G3	G2
2 <sup>nd</sup> Elecar	at joint face		64.22
2 F1001	at mid-span	57.87	56.77
3 <sup>rd</sup> Eloor	at joint face	64.20	63.11
3 F1001	at mid-span	57.44	56.35
<sup>4th</sup> Eloor	at joint face	62.17	57.45
4 F1001	at mid-span	55.57	50.85
5 <sup>th</sup> Floor	at joint face	56.89	57.37
<i>J</i> F1001	at mid-span	50.43	50.91
6 <sup>th</sup> Floor	at joint face	52.94	57.42
0 11001	at mid-span	46.40	50.88
7 <sup>th</sup> Floor	at joint face	52.64	52.64
/ 11001	at mid-span	44.76	44.76
8 <sup>th</sup> Floor	at joint face	38.17	41.07
0 11001	at mid-span	32.15	35.05
O <sup>th</sup> Floor	at joint face	34.65	34.65
7 F1001	at mid-span	28.45	28.45
10 <sup>th</sup> Floor	at joint face	34.29	31.38
	at mid-span	28.09	25.18
Poof	at joint face	30.97	30.97
KUUI	at mid-span	25.44	25.44

Table 4.19 Design shear forces of the beams

Finally, Tables 4.18 and 4.19 are compared to calculate the shear demand to capacity ratios  $(V_e/\phi V_n)$ . Results showed that the beams of Building #1 do not satisfy the minimum required shear strength over the parts  $2h_b$  away from the joint faces and also at the 7<sup>th</sup> floor G1/G3 beams midspan (shown in red), Table 4.20.

$V_{e}/\phi V_{i}$	ı (kip)	G1/G3	G2
and Elson	along $2h_b$	1.76	1.73
2 FIOOF	mid-span	0.86	0.85
2rd Eleon	along $2h_b$	1.73	1.70
5 F1001	mid-span	0.86	0.84
4 <sup>th</sup> Elecer	along $2h_b$	1.68	1.55
4 FI001	mid-span	0.87	0.80
5 <sup>th</sup> Elecer	along $2h_b$	1.92	1.55
5 F1001	mid-span	0.90	0.80
6 <sup>th</sup> Elecer	along $2h_b$	2.14	1.94
0 FI001	mid-span	0.90	0.90
7 <sup>th</sup> Floor	along $2h_b$	2.84	2.49
/ FI001	mid-span	1.05	0.99
8 <sup>th</sup> Floor	along $2h_b$	2.30	1.85
8 11001	mid-span	0.91	0.86
Oth Floor	along $2h_b$	2.08	2.08
9 FI001	mid-span	0.81	0.81
10 <sup>th</sup> Elecer	along $2h_b$	2.06	1.89
10 F100f	mid-span	0.80	0.72
Poof	along $2h_b$	1.86	1.86
KUUI	mid-span	0.72	0.72

Table 4.20 Shear demands versus shear capacity of the beams

### 4.4 Beam-Column Joints

Beam-column joints of Building #1 are designed to have two legs of 10 mm in diameter transverse reinforcement with a spacing of 150 mm. Shear strength of the beam-column joints are calculated, in accordance with ASCE 41-17 [10] §10.4, based on the following generalized equation,

$$V_n = \gamma \lambda \sqrt{f_c'} A_j \tag{4.7}$$

where  $\lambda$  is taken as one for the normal-weight concrete. A<sub>i</sub> is the effective cross-sectional area within the joint and it is calculated as the product of overall depth of column and the effective joint width. Effective joint width is taken as the lesser of i) beam width plus the column depth and ii) twice the perpendicular distance from longitudinal axis of beam to nearest side face of column.  $\gamma$  in Equation 4.7 represents a coefficient whose value is taken based on the configuration of the columns and beams framing into the joint, and the conformity of the transverse reinforcement in the joint. Table 10-12 of ASCE 41-17 provides the values for  $\gamma$ coefficient. Whether the joint transverse reinforcement can be considered as conforming or not is related to the spacing of the hoops. If the hoops are spaced at less than half of the depth of the column parallel to the longitudinal axis of the beam framing into the joint, joints are considered as confirming. Since the hoop spacing is 150 mm and the depth of the columns are 550 mm at the first story and 500 mm for the rest of the floors, confirming component values of  $\gamma$  in Table 10-12 are used. Overall,  $\gamma$  is taken as 15 for the Joint 2 for all of the stories. For Joint 1, while it is also 15 for the  $2^{nd}$ ,  $3^{rd}$  and the  $4^{th}$  floors, for the  $5^{th}$  through  $10^{th}$  floors  $\gamma=12$ . Table 4.21 shows the beams framing into the joints, the corresponding  $A_i$  values, conformity of the hoops (C is confirming and NC is non-conforming) and  $\gamma$  values.

		Beams	<i>Aj</i> (in2)	Conformity	γ
2nd Eleon	Joint 1	CG1-G1	169.0	С	15
2 Floor	Joint 2	G1-G2	408.9	С	15
2rd Eleon	Joint 1	CG1-G1	176 2	С	15
5 F1001	Joint 2	G1-G2	426.3	С	15
4th Elson Joint 1	CG1-G1	207 5	С	15	
4 F1001	Joint 2	G1-G2	387.5	С	15
$5^{\text{th}}$ -10 <sup>th</sup>	Joint 1	-G1	207 5	С	12
Floors	Joint 2	G1-G2	387.3	С	15
Deef	Joint 1	-G1	207 5	C	8
K001	Joint 2	G1-G2	387.5	C	8

Table 4.21 Joint effective cross-sectional areas and y values based on ASCE 41-17

Shear demands occurring at the joints ( $V_u$ ) are calculated on a plane at mid-height of the joint from calculated forces at the joint faces using tensile and compressive beam forces assuming that the stress in the flexural tensile reinforcement is  $1.25f_y$  and column shear consistent with the beam nominal moment strengths ( $M_n$ ) in accordance with ACI 318-19 §18.3.4. Figure 4.12 illustrates the forces that are used to calculate joint shear demands.

$$V_u = V_j = T_{pr} + T'_{pr} - V_{col}$$



Figure 4.12 Joint shear free body diagram [8]

It is important to note here that the joint shear demands are calculated for the sway in +y and -y directions separately, and the greater of the two results are used for the assessment. Table 4.22 shows the ratio of calculated shear forces to factored joint shear strength.

$V_u/\phi V_n$	Joint 1	Joint 2
Story 2	0.51	0.63
Story 3	0.56	0.69
Story 4	0.61	0.77
Story 5	0.53	0.77
Story 6	0.53	0.67
Story 7	0.47	0.75
Story 8	0.44	0.56
Story 9	0.35	0.49
Story 10	0.35	0.41
Roof	0.29	0.55

Table 4.22 Joint shear assessment based on ASCE 41-17

Since diagonal shear cracks were reported at  $3^{rd}$ ,  $4^{th}$  and  $5^{th}$  floor beam-column joints after the experiment (Chapter 2),  $V_u/\phi V_n$  ratios less than unity in Table 4.22 indicate that current provisions of ASCE 41 cannot predict these failures. Therefore, a more detailed approach proposed by LaFave and Kim [5] is used for the calculation of beam-column joint shear strength. The proposed method not only incorporates the concrete compressive strength and joint crosssectional area (as in Equation 4.7) but also uses the amount of transverse reinforcement in the joint and beam reinforcement ratio. The joint shear strength calculation given as follows,

$$V_n(N) = A_j(mm^2) \,\alpha_t \beta_t \eta_t \lambda_t (JI)^{0.15} (BI)^{0.30} (f_c')^{0.75}$$
(4.7)

while  $\alpha_t$  is a parameter for in-plane geometry (1.0 for interior connections, 0.7 for exterior connections and 0.4 for knee connections),  $\beta_t$  is a parameter related with the out-of-plane geometry (1.0 for joints with 0 or 1 transverse beams and 1.18 for joints with 2 transverse beams).  $\eta_t$  describes the joint eccentricity with the equation  $\eta_t = (1 - e/b_c)^{0.67}$  where *e* is the eccentricity between the beam and column centerlines.  $\lambda_t$  is taken as 1.31. *JI and BI* represent joint transverse reinforcement index (defined as  $\rho_j \times f_{yj}/f_c$  where  $\rho_j$  is the volumetric joint transverse reinforcement ratio) and beam reinforcement index (defined as  $\rho_b \times f_{yb}/f_c$  in which  $\rho_b$  is

the beam reinforcement ratio) respectively. For the calculation of effective joint cross-sectional area, a different approach is used than the one proposed by ASCE 41.  $A_j$  is calculated based on the provisions of ACI 352R-02; the product of column depth times the average of beam and column width. Based on Equation 4.7, joint shear capacity is calculated and compared with the demands in Table 4.23 where it can be seen that this approach was able to predict the joint shear failure at the floors where the damage was observed after the experiments (shown in red in Table 4.23). Results indicate failure at Joint 2 of the roof.

Vu/øVn	Joint 1	Joint 2
Story 2	0.69	0.87
Story 3	0.75	0.95
Story 4	0.77	1.00
Story 5	0.79	1.00
Story 6	0.79	0.88
Story 7	0.70	0.97
Story 8	0.67	0.74
Story 9	0.56	0.69
Story 10	0.56	0.61
Roof	0.58	1.08

Table 4.23 Joint shear assessment based on LaFave and Kim [5]

Another approach for the calculation of the joint shear strength is proposed by Hassan W. in his PhD dissertation [3]. The author balloted the following procedure to ACI 369M20 committee. A similar approach to the ASCE 41's method (Eqn. 4.7) was proposed with two main changes. First, whether the transverse reinforcement of the joints is confirming or not was suggested to be determined by the following equation,  $s \leq h_k/3$ , where  $h_k$  is the depth of the column core. Second, instead of using a predefined constant of  $\gamma$  for the non-conforming joints, its value is determined based on the joint aspect ratio and the axial load. For example, the  $\gamma$  coefficient of Joint 2 of the Building #1 is calculated by the following formula  $13\sqrt{\frac{h_c}{h_b}}\kappa_{js}$  (compared to a constant value of 15, Table 4.21), where  $\kappa_{js}$  is the axial load factor and it is permitted to be taken as 1.0. Based on these provisions, a similar table to Table 4.21 is constructed and given below. It should be noted here that similar to LaFave and Kim, Hassan W. also proposed the usage of ACI 352R-02 formula for the calculation of effective joint width which resulted in average of beam and column width (its value was the column width for the ASCE 41-17 approach).

		Beams	<i>Aj</i> (in2)	Conformity	γ
and Eleon	Joint 1	CG1-G1	2026	С	15.0
2110 F1001	Joint 2	G1-G2	383.0	С	15.0
and Floor	Joint 1	CG1-G1	210 0	NC	12.4
510 F1001	Joint 2	G1-G2	340.0	NC	12.4
Ath Eleor	Joint 1	CG1-G1	220.4	NC	12.4
401 F1001	Joint 2 G1-G2	329.4	NC	12.4	
5th, 6th and 7th	Joint 1	G1	220.4	NC	10.5
Floors	Joint 2	G1-G2	529.4	NC	12.4
8th, 9th and	Joint 1	G1	210.0	NC	11.0
10th Floors	Joint 2	G1-G2	510.0	NC	13.0
Poof	Joint 1	G1	310.0	NC	4.0
K001	Joint 2	G1-G2	510.0	NC	4.0

Table 4.24 Joint effective cross-sectional areas and  $\gamma$  values based on Hassan [3]

Comparison of Tables 4.21 and 4.24 shows that unlike the ASCE 41, proposed approach suggests that the transverse reinforcement of the joints of Building #1 (except the second-floor joints) are non-confirming. The joint shear demands are calculated as explained before (Figure 4.12) and compared with the capacities in Table 4.25. The comparison shows that the method proposed by Hassan W. is able to predict the joint shear failures observed after the experiment.

Vu/øVn	Joint 1	Joint 2
Story 2	0.62	0.77
Story 3	0.83	1.02
Story 4	0.87	1.09
Story 5	0.72	1.09
Story 6	0.72	0.96
Story 7	0.64	1.06
Story 8	0.61	0.81
Story 9	0.47	0.70
Story 10	0.47	0.59
Roof	0.73	1.36

Table 4.25 Joint shear assessment based on Hassan [3]

# **CHAPTER 5. ASSESSMENT OF 2018 TEST STRUCTURE**

This chapter focuses on the assessment of 2018 test structure (Building #2) using the ACI 318-19 provisions where the member section dimensions and the column reinforcement details of the structure are given in Table 2.4, Figures 2.3 and 2.4 respectively. The model and the loading conditions used to calculate the demands are explained in Chapter 3.

## 5.1 Shear Walls

Similar to Building #1, the lateral force resisting system of the structure in the x direction consists of 4 identical 2250 mm long special reinforced concrete shear walls. When they are compared with the Building #1 shear walls, it is observed that the thickness of the wall webs decreases to 150 mm from 230 mm for the  $1^{st}$ - $6^{th}$  floor walls and to 120 mm from 150 mm at the 7<sup>th</sup> floor. Walls are constructed to be continuous from the base of the structure to the 8<sup>th</sup> floor (for the upper three stories moment frames are used in each of the directions). Therefore, the total height of the walls are 18.25 meters (59.87*ft*). Figure 5.1 shows the cross-sections of the walls at the first floor (W15B), at the second floor (W15A) and at the 3<sup>rd</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> floors (W15), and at the 7<sup>th</sup> floor (W12).



Figure 5.1 W15B (Top), W15A and W15 (Middle), W12 (Bottom) walls

Axial force and moment demands on the shear walls are compared with the wall capacities using the P-M interaction diagrams. This comparison is done for the all the shear walls in the structure but only the first story  $\phi$ P- $\phi$ M diagram and demands are given in Figure 5.2 as an example.



Figure 5.2 oP-oM diagram of the W15B walls and the corresponding demands

It can be observed from Figure 5.2 that the maximum axial load demand ( $P_u$ ), corresponding to the first load combination (Eqn. 3.1), is almost 14% of the factored axial load capacity ( $\phi P_n$ ) of the first story walls, [243*k* / (1784*k*) = 0.136]. Maximum bending moment is observed at the base of the corner walls with a value of 1308 *k\*ft* which is 79% of the factored moment capacity under the same amount of axial load, [1308 *k\*ft* / 1650 *k\*ft* = 0.79].

Shear strength of the walls ( $V_n$ ) are calculated in accordance with ACI 318-19 §18.10.4. The procedure for the calculation of the design shear force ( $V_e$ ) and  $V_n$  are explained in Chapter 4.1. It should be noted here that due to the high values of the  $M_{pr}/M_u$  ratio, the overstrength factor  $\Omega_v$  in Eqn. 4.2 is found to be around between 3.25 to 10. Therefore, for all the shear walls, maximum limiting value of  $3V_u$  for  $V_e$  governs (see Eqn. 4.2). Table 5.1 shows the factored shear strength, design shear force and the ratio of the two,  $V_e/\phi V_n$ , which concludes that unlike the Building #1, 7<sup>th</sup> floor structural walls (shown in red in Table 5.1) do not satisfy ACI 318 shear strength provisions.

	$\phi V_n$	$V_e$	$V_{e}/\phi V_{n}$
	(kips)	(kips)	- /
F1	199.65	138.32	0.69
F2	165.56	115.48	0.70
F3-4-5	124.60	118.34	0.95
F6	119.42	79.87	0.67
F7	97.88	98.47	1.01

Table 5.1 Shear strength assessment of the walls

ACI 318-19's minimum distributed web reinforcement ratios,  $\rho_l$  and  $\rho_t$ , are defined as 0.0025 (§18.10.2.1). Calculations showed that these minimum ratios are satisfied at every level.  $\rho_{l,min}$  within 0.15*l*<sub>w</sub> from the end of a vertical wall segment is also set to the ratio of  $6\sqrt{f'_c}/f_y$  (§ 18.10.2.4a). The minimum required amount and the used values are compared in Table 5.2.

Table 5.2 Comparison of  $\rho_l$  within 0.15lw

	$0.15 l_w (\text{mm})$	337.5	
18.10.2.4a	$6\sqrt{f_c'}/f_y$	# bars in 0.15 <i>l</i> w	ρι
F1	0.011	6	0.022
F2	0.011	4	0.015
F3-4-5	0.010	4	0.015
F6-7	0.009	4	0.015

Also, at least two curtains of reinforcement shall be used in the wall web if  $V_u > 2\lambda \sqrt{f_c'} A_{cv}$  (§18.10.2.2). Table 5.3 shows the comparison between the required and used number of vertical reinforcement curtains and it is shown that 7<sup>th</sup> floor walls do not satisfy this requirement (shown in red).

Number of Curtains	Required	Used
F1	2	2
F2	2	2
F3-4-5	2	2
F6	2	2
F7	2	1

Table 5.3 Required and used number of reinforcement curtains

To be able to check if the special boundary element (SBE) provisions of ACI 318 are required or not, the largest neutral axis depth (*c*) corresponding to factored axial force in the direction of design displacement ( $\delta_u$ ) is calculated and compared with  $\delta_u$  (Eqn. 4.4). For the calculation of  $\delta_u$ , elastic displacements at the top of walls are obtained from the elastic analysis and then multiplied with  $C_d/I_e$  (5/1). Results showed that while the ratio  $1.5\delta_u/h_w$  is around 0.023,  $l_w/600c$ is found to be 0.013. Therefore, boundaries of the Building #2 must also satisfy the SBE requirements. How long the SBE's of the walls should extend vertically from the critical section is obtained by the greater of the two,  $l_w$  and  $M_u/4V_u$ , which yielded that wall boundaries from the base up to a 2250 mm height should be designed as SBEs. The first check on the SBE provisions is done on the width of the flexural compression zone, *b*, which must be greater than  $h_u/16$  and 12 inches if  $c/l_w$  is greater than 3/8. Table 5.4 shows the required and the provided minimum compression zone widths which shows that boundaries of the first-floor walls satisfy this condition (shown in green).

 Table 5.4 Assessment of width of flexural compression zone

	<i>b<sub>req</sub></i> (in.)	$h_u$ (in.)	<i>c</i> (in.)	$l_w$ (in.)	bused (in.)
Corner Walls	5.78	92.52	11.20	88.58	9.06
Inner Walls	5.78	92.52	12.57	88.58	9.06

Figure 4.4 in Chapter 4.1 summarizes the requirements of ACI 318's on the transverse reinforcement of the wall boundaries such as the length of boundary element ( $l_{be}$ ), maximum center-to-center spacing of longitudinal bars that are laterally supported ( $h_x$ ), center-to-center spacing of transverse reinforcement (s) and the total amount of transverse reinforcement in the boundary element ( $A_{sh}$ ) in the x- and y-directions. Table 5.5 shows the comparison between the required and used amounts, and it can be concluded that, similar to Building #1, transverse reinforcement of the boundaries of the first-floor walls do not satisfy the SBE requirements of ACI 318-19 (shown in red).

	Used	Required
<i>l<sub>be</sub></i> (in.)	16.54	6.29
$h_x$ (in.)	9.21	6.04
<i>s</i> (in.)	3.94	3.02
$A_{sh-x}$ (in. <sup>2</sup> )	0.37	1.10
$A_{sh-y}$ (in. <sup>2</sup> )	0.24	0.48

Table 5.5 Assessment of transverse reinforcement of the wall boundaries

Apart from the special boundary element provisions, transverse reinforcements of 2<sup>nd</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> floor wall boundaries of Building #2 have to be checked if they must satisfy the ordinary boundary element (OBE) requirements. According to ACI 318-19 if the longitudinal reinforcement ratio ( $\rho$ ) of the wall boundaries is higher than 400/ $f_y$ , OBE requirements have to be satisfied. To this end,  $\rho$  is calculated for each wall and it is found that it is higher than 400/ $f_y$  at every floor. Figure 4.5 summarizes the required provisions and Table 5.6 shows the assessment which shows that similar to Building #1, wall boundaries do satisfy OBE requirements.

Table 5.6 Check on the OBE requirements

_	Used	Required
<i>l<sub>be</sub></i> (in.)	16.54	6.29
$h_x$ (in.)	6.91	14.00
<i>s</i> (in.)	3.94	5.98

Finally, story drift ratios in the wall direction are calculated and compared with ASCE 7-16 maximum drift ratio of 2% ( $\Delta_a$ ). Drift ratios given in Figure 5.3 represent the inelastic story drifts which are calculated by multiplying analysis results with  $C_d/I_e$ . A comparison between Figures 4.6 and 5.3 exhibits that maximum inter-story drift ratio which occurs at the 4<sup>th</sup> floor are almost the same for both of the structures with a value of 1.55%



Figure 5.3 Inelastic story drift ratios in the wall direction

## 5.2 Columns

The lateral force resisting system of the test structure in the y-direction consists of 3 bay special reinforced concrete moment frames (R=8, Cd=5.5). Section sizes and the reinforcement details of the corner columns (C1) and the perimeter columns (C2) are given in Table 2.4, and Figures 2.7 and 2.8 respectively. Factored axial force-moment ( $\phi$ P- $\phi$ M) capacity of the columns are calculated and compared with the demands that are calculated using the analysis procedure and loading conditions given in Chapter 3. This comparison is given in Figure 5.4 for the first floor C1 and C2 columns under different load combinations and it shows that the axial load and bending moment demands at the base of Building #2 columns do not exceed the  $\phi$ P<sub>n</sub>- $\phi$ M<sub>n</sub> capacity. Although the same comparisons are done for the upper story columns and a similar behavior is observed ( $\phi$ P<sub>n</sub>- $\phi$ M<sub>n</sub> > P<sub>u</sub>-M<sub>u</sub>), they are not included in this report.



Figure 5.4 Factored integration diagram of C1 and C2 columns

Detailing requirements of the column transverse reinforcement defined by ACI 318-19 are given in Figure 4.8. Spacing provisions of the transverse reinforcement are given differently for three different locations along the column height. Spacing between the joint face and  $l_o$  away from it, and also the spacing at the lap splices are defined by  $s_1$ , and the spacing between the two is defined by  $s_2$ . Table 5.7 shows the required and the experimental values of  $s_1$  and  $s_2$  which yields that provided spacing of transverse reinforcement does satisfy the ACI 318 provisions.

		Provided (mm.)		Require	d (mm.)
		<i>S</i> 1	<b>S</b> 2	<i>S</i> 1	<i>S</i> 2
Floor 1	C1-C2	60	100	132	132
Floor 2	C1-C2	60	100	125	132
3 <sup>rd</sup> -4 <sup>th</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> Floors	C1-C2	70	100	125	132
6 <sup>th</sup> and 7 <sup>th</sup> Floors	C1-C2	85	100	125	132
8 <sup>th</sup> -9 <sup>th</sup> -10 <sup>th</sup> Floors	C1-C2	85	100	114	114

Table 5.7 Spacing of transverse reinforcement of columns

Similarly, the total cross-sectional area of the transverse reinforcement in x and y directions ( $A_{sh,x}$ ) and  $A_{sh,y}$ ), and the maximum center-to-center spacing of longitudinal bars that are laterally supported ( $h_x$ ) are calculated and compared with the ACI 318 requirements in Tables 5.8 and 5.9 respectively.

Table 5.8 Ash assessment of Building #2 columns

$A_{sh,x}$ - $A_{sh,y}$		Provided (mm <sup>2</sup> )	Required (mm <sup>2</sup> )
Floors 1 and 2	C1-C2		349.8
3 <sup>rd</sup> -4 <sup>th</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> Floors	C1-C2	471.2	310.1
6 <sup>th</sup> through 10 <sup>th</sup> Floor	C1-C2		308.1

Table 5.9	h <sub>x</sub> assessment	of Building	#2 columns
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	Provide	ed (mm)	Dequired (mm)
	C1	C2	Required (mm)
Floor 1	224.00	149.33	255 6
2 <sup>nd</sup> - 10 <sup>th</sup> Floors	265.33		333.0

Calculations of shear strength ( $V_n$ ) and the design shear force ( $V_e$ ) of the columns were explained in detail in Chapter 4.2. Similar calculations are performed for the Building #2 columns and the demand to capacity ratios are given in Table 5.10 directly.

$V_e  /  \phi$	Vn	lo	middle
Eloor 1	C1	0.28	0.47
Г1001 I	C6	0.36	0.50
Floor 2	C1	0.33	0.65
F1001 2	C6	0.46	0.64
Eleor 2	C1	0.39	0.69
F1001 3	C6	0.53	0.69
Eleor 1	C1	0.37	0.64
Г1001 4	C6	0.48	0.63
Eleor 5	C1	0.25	0.42
F1001 3	C6	0.47	0.63
Floor 6	C1	0.28	0.40
11001 0	C6	0.51	0.69
Floor 7	C1	0.22	0.32
F1001 /	C6	0.45	0.62
Floor 8	C1	0.17	0.24
11001 8	C6	0.36	0.50
Floor 0	C1	0.15	0.21
1,1001 9	C6	0.31	0.45
Eleor 10	C1	0.13	0.19
F100f 10	C6	0.24	0.34

Table 5.10 Shear strength assessment of the Building #2 columns

Comparisons between Tables 4.9, 4.10, 4.11 and 4.14 with Tables 5.7, 5.8, 5.9 and 5.10 show that although the perimeter columns of Building #1 do not satisfy some of provisions of the ACI 318-19, with the improvements made on the transverse reinforcements, Building #2 columns satisfy all the provisions related with the shear strength and the transverse reinforcement detailing.

The inelastic inter-story drift ratios are also calculated in the moment frame direction and compared with the ASCE 7 maximum drift ratio limit of 2%. The comparison is given in Figure 5.5. Similar to the behavior of the buildings in the wall direction, the drift ratios of the two structures in the frame direction are also similar, increasing slightly from a maximum value of 0.7% to 0.8%.



Figure 5.5 Building #2 story drift ratios in the moment frame direction

# 5.3 Beams

When the moment-frame beams of the Building #1 and Building #2 are compared, it is observed that the beams dimensions are smaller for the latter. While the amount of the longitudinal reinforcement at the ends of the beams stays mostly the same, more reinforcement is used at the center of the beams for the Building #2. Beam moment demand to capacity ratios are calculated at these three different locations (ends and the center) and given in Table 5.11. For the calculation of the factored moment capacity, T-beam configurations are assumed and the slab reinforcement at the effective overhanging flanges are included in the calculations.

$M_u\!/\!\phi M_n$			G1/G3			G2	
		Outer	Center	Inner	Ends	Center	
and Eleen	+	0.69	0.22	0.84	0.66	0.17	
2 <sup>-2</sup> Floor	-	0.80	0.16	0.93	0.76	0.11	
2rd Eleen	+	0.74	0.23	0.77	0.63	0.18	
5 <sup>-5</sup> Floor	-	0.86	0.18	0.98	0.81	0.13	
4 <sup>th</sup> Eleen	+	0.73	0.22	0.85	0.64	0.16	
4 <sup></sup> Floor	-	0.94	0.17	0.96	0.72	0.11	
5 <sup>th</sup> Elson	+	0.78	0.20	0.82	0.61	0.15	
5 <sup></sup> Floor	-	0.89	0.16	1.05	0.69	0.10	
C <sup>th</sup> Elecar	+	0.70	0.26	0.86	0.58	0.20	
0 <sup></sup> Floor	-	0.87	0.14	1.02	0.72	0.10	
7th Eleca	+	0.72	0.20	0.72	0.62	0.17	
/** Floor	-	0.85	0.13	0.85	0.70	0.09	
oth Elson	+	0.71	0.21	0.71	0.57	0.19	
8 <sup>th</sup> Floor	-	0.82	0.10	0.82	0.77	0.09	
oth Elear	+	0.51	0.16	0.51	0.55	0.16	
9 <sup></sup> Floor	-	0.78	0.06	0.78	0.60	0.06	
10 <sup>th</sup> Eleca	+	0.34	0.16	0.34	0.48	0.18	
10 <sup></sup> Floor	-	0.48	0.00	0.48	0.54	0.01	
Deef	+	0.14	0.13	0.14	0.23	0.13	
Root	-	0.23	0.02	0.23	0.31	0.01	

Table 5.11 Moment capacity assessment of the perimeter beams

It can be observed from the comparison of Tables 4.15 and 5.11 that the beams of the Building #2, like Building #1, satisfy the ACI 318 flexural strength requirement with exceptions of 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> floors G1-G3 beams' inner ends where the demand to capacity ratios are bigger than 1.0.

The strong column-weak beam requirement of the ACI 318,  $\frac{\sum M_{nc}^{top} + M_{nc}^{bottom}}{\sum M_{nb}^{+} + M_{nb}^{-}} \ge 1.2$ , is also checked for the Building #2 beams. Table 5.12 shows the ratio of the total moment capacity of the columns framing into a joint to total moment capacity of the beams framing into the same joint under the two different load combinations and for the sway of the building in +Y and -Y directions separately. Comparison with Table 4.16 shows that with the improved detailing of the Building #2 columns, the ratio has higher values. While the Building #1 has a ratio as low as 1.14 at the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor Joint 2, the lowest value for the Building #2 is 1.81 at the same joint.

		Joii	nt 1		Joint 2			
$\sum Mnc$	$D+E_v+E_h$		$D - E_v + E_h$		$D+E_v+E_h$		$D - E_v + E_h$	
$\sum Mnb$	Sway	Sway	Sway	Sway	Sway	Sway	Sway	Sway
	+Y	-Y	+Y	-Y	+Y	-Y	+Y	-Y
Floor 2	2.38	3.55	2.26	3.46	2.36	2.37	2.24	2.26
Floor 3	2.05	2.97	1.95	2.89	1.90	1.92	1.81	1.83
Floor 4	2.06	3.00	1.97	2.92	1.95	1.98	1.86	1.89
Floor 5	-	-	-	-	1.98	1.99	1.90	1.91
Floor 6	-	-	-	-	2.16	2.26	2.09	2.19
Floor 7	-	-	-	-	2.23	2.27	2.16	2.20
Floor 8	-	-	-	-	2.56	2.94	2.50	2.86
Floor 9	-	_	_	_	3.16	2.90	3.09	2.85
Floor 10	-	_	_	_	3.92	3.95	3.87	3.91

Table 5.12 Strong Column-Weak Beam assessment of the Building #2

The detailing requirements of the transverse reinforcement of the beams was given in Figure 4.10. Comparison between the required and provided spacing of the transverse reinforcement of the beams showed that, unlike Building #1, up until the 8<sup>th</sup> floor the spacing provisions were satisfied. However, above the 8<sup>th</sup> floor, spacing along  $2h_b$  away from the joint faces and along the lab splices are higher than the maximum required values. These findings are summarized in Table 5.13.

		Provided (mm)		R	Required (mm)		
		along 2h <sub>b</sub>	middle/lab splice	along 2h <sub>b</sub>	middle	at lab splice	
Stowy 2	G1/G3	100.0	100.0	106.0	212.0	100.0	
Story 2	G2	100.0	100.0	106.0	212.0	100.0	
Story 3	G1/G3	100.0	100.0	106.0	212.0	100.0	
Story 5	G2	100.0	100.0	106.0	212.0	100.0	
Story 4	G1/G3	100.0	100.0	106.0	212.0	100.0	
	G2	100.0	100.0	106.0	212.0	100.0	
Story 5	G1/G3	100.0	100.0	106.0	212.0	100.0	
	G2	100.0	100.0	106.0	212.0	100.0	
Story 6	G1/G3	100.0	100.0	106.4	212.8	100.0	
Story 0	G2	100.0	100.0	106.4	212.8	100.0	
Story 7	G1/G3	100.0	100.0	106.4	212.8	100.0	
Story /	G2	100.0	125.0	106.4	212.8	100.0	
Story 8	G1/G3	100.0	200.0	93.9	187.8	93.9	
Story o	G2	100.0	200.0	93.9	187.8	93.9	
Story 0	G1/G3	100.0	200.0	93.9	187.8	93.9	
Story 9	G2	100.0	200.0	93.9	187.8	93.9	
Story 10	G1/G3	100.0	200.0	93.9	187.8	93.9	
Story 10	G2	100.0	200.0	93.9	187.8	93.9	
Poof	G1/G3	100.0	200.0	93.9	187.8	93.9	
ROOI	G2	100.0	200.0	93.9	187.8	93.9	

Table 5.13 Transverse reinforcement spacing assessment of the perimeter beams

Calculations of the shear strength  $(\phi V_n)$  and the design shear forces  $(V_e)$  of the beams were explained in Section 4.3 in detail. Similar calculations yielded the results that are shown in Table 5.14. Comparison with Table 4.20 shows that although the changes made in the beam design resulted in satisfaction of the shear strength requirements for the 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> floors and the roof, for the floors below, factored shear strength along 2hb away from the joint faces are still lower than the ACI 318-19 requirement.

$V_{e}/\phi V_{i}$	$V_{e}/\phi V_{n}$ (kip)		
and Elecar	along $2h_b$	1.73	1.60
2 <sup>11</sup> Floor	mid-span	0.71	0.64
2rd Eleon	along $2h_b$	1.79	1.68
5 ° F100f	mid-span	0.78	0.72
4th Eleca	along $2h_b$	1.65	1.54
4 F100f	mid-span	0.73	0.67
5 <sup>th</sup> Floor	along $2h_b$	1.52	1.54
5 <sup></sup> Floor	mid-span	0.66	0.67
6 <sup>th</sup> Floor	along $2h_b$	1.40	1.47
0 11001	mid-span	0.49	0.54
7 <sup>th</sup> Floor	along $2h_b$	1.23	1.23
7 11001	mid-span	0.51	0.59
8 <sup>th</sup> Floor	along $2h_b$	1.06	1.29
8 11001	mid-span	0.58	0.80
Oth Floor	along $2h_b$	0.96	1.05
9 I'IUUI	mid-span	0.50	0.59
10 <sup>th</sup> Floor	along $2h_b$	0.87	0.87
10 11001	mid-span	0.40	0.40
Poof	along $2h_b$	0.84	0.84
KOOI	mid-span	0.48	0.48

Table 5.14 Beam shear strength assessment

### 5.4 Beam-Column Joints

As noted earlier, some of the joints of Building #1 failed during the experiments conducted in 2015. Therefore, one of the biggest alterations made to design of Building #2 structural elements was to increase the shear strength of the joints. To this end, the spacing of the transverse reinforcement in the joint zone was decreased to 60 mm for the second and the third floors, to 70 mm at 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> stories and to 85 mm for the floors 6<sup>th</sup> through roof. Also, the number of stirrup legs increased to 6 from 2. At the end of the 2018 experiments, no joint failure was observed.

As explained in Section 4.4, for the calculations of the beam-column joint shear strength three different methods are used; the method required by ASCE 41-17 and the methods proposed by LaFave and Kim [5], and Hassan [3]. Same approaches are also used for the calculation of the shear strength of Building #2 joints. The details of the calculations e.g., used parameters,
effective joint area, are explained in detail in Section 4.4. Therefore, in this section, only the results are provided directly for all the three methods. Table 5.15 shows the joint shear demand over capacity ratios, and all the three methods suggested that the joints of Building #2 should be safe without any damage under shear.

	ASCE 41-17		LaFave and Kim		Hassan	
Vu/øVn	Joint 1	Joint 2	Joint 1	Joint 2	Joint 1	Joint 2
Story 2	0.55	0.60	0.54	0.62	0.70	0.76
Story 3	0.61	0.74	0.59	0.74	0.77	0.93
Story 4	0.63	0.79	0.60	0.78	0.77	0.96
Story 5	0.55	0.79	0.62	0.78	0.67	0.96
Story 6	0.49	0.65	0.59	0.68	0.61	0.81
Story 7	0.45	0.64	0.55	0.69	0.56	0.80
Story 8	0.36	0.57	0.45	0.61	0.45	0.72
Story 9	0.27	0.50	0.36	0.56	0.34	0.67
Story 10	0.26	0.35	0.37	0.43	0.35	0.46
Roof	0.29	0.48	0.47	0.78	0.38	0.64

Table 5.15 Joint shear strength assessments based on ASCE 41-17, LaFave and Kim [5] andHassan [3]

## **CHAPTER 6. SENSITIVITY STUDIES**

As mentioned in Chapter 3, the idea behind the chosen modeling approaches was to create elastic models that will represent the structures' behavior as close as possible to the experimental behavior. To this end, first, since the boundaries of the walls were designed as columns, two different models were created; one to represent the wall direction behavior of the buildings so the walls were modelled as shell element, and the other one to represent the frame direction behavior with line elements at the boundaries (to represent the columns) and shell elements at the middle (to represent the walls). Figures 3.1 and 3.2 show the plan and elevation view of these different models respectively. Secondly, knowing that the buildings' seismic force resisting systems (SFRS) do not comply with the requirements of the ASCE 7-16 to be called as dual systems and therefore the SFRS in the wall direction is special RC shear walls, in the ETABS models the beams that connect the perimeter frames to the shear walls, e.g., G7 and G9 beams (see Figure 2.2), were not modelled. This chapter focuses on some sensitivity studies conducted to understand the effects of these different modeling approaches.

#### 6.1 Wall model versus Frame model

The following comparisons are intended to show the influence of two different wall models on the behavior of the building(s) (see Figure 3.1a and Figure 3.1b). The resulting differences are compared for both Building #1 and Building #2 in terms of the building periods, walls' and perimeter columns' P-M couple results, and the story drift ratios in the wall and frame directions.

T (s.)	Wa	ll Dir.	Frame Dir.		
	Wall model	Frame model	Wall model	Frame model	
Building #1	1.06	1.08	0.7	0.71	
Building #2	1.14	1.17	0.72	0.73	

Table 6.1 Comparison of the structure periods for different models

As shown in Table 6.1, different models yielded in slightly different periods, i.e., a difference of 0.02 and 0.03 seconds in the wall direction for Building #1 and Building #2 respectively, and 0.01 seconds in the frame direction for both of the structures. Figures 6.1 and 6.2 show the axial load-moment demands for the first story walls resulting from the two different models respectively for Building #1 and Building #2. Both figures indicate a similar behavior, modeling the wall boundaries as columns (line elements) instead of shell elements only slightly decreases the moments that are taken by the walls while keeping the axial loads at the same level. Demands are presented with  $\phi P - \phi M$  capacity diagrams to show that for both of the models resulting forces are smaller than the capacity of the walls in terms of the axial load and moment.



Figure 6.1 Comparison of P-M forces of the first story walls for Building #1



Figure 6.2 Comparison of P-M forces of the first story walls for Building #2

Similarly, P and M values that are carried by the corner and the perimeter columns (C1 and C2 columns) are also compared for the two different models in the frame direction. To illustrate, results from only the C1 columns are given in Table 6.2 for both structures. The table concludes that not only the loads carried by the walls but also the ones taken by the columns do not differ much for the different models. Similar behavior is observed for the perimeter columns (C2).

	Frame Model		Wall Model		
Corner Columns	P <sub>max</sub> (kip)	M <sub>max</sub> (kip-ft)	P <sub>max</sub> (kip)	M <sub>max</sub> (kip-ft)	
Building #1	296	175	315	180	
Building #2	283	180	292	178	

Table 6.2 Comparison of the column load results

The effect of the different modeling types of wall boundary elements on the analysis results are also checked by comparing the inter-story drift ratios of the two different buildings in the wall and the frame directions. Like the structure periods and the P-M demands, different models resulted in slightly different drift ratios for both buildings. Results are shown and compared in Figures 6.3 and 6.4. For Building #1, while the wall model resulting in a 1.55% drift ratio at the 5<sup>th</sup> floor, frame model gave almost the same value, 1.54%, at the same floor in the wall direction. The difference of 0.01% for the first structure increased to 0.06% for the second structure. In the frame direction, similar to the wall direction, results from the two different models are more similar for Building #1 than Building #2. A maximum difference of 0.08% occurs at the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of Building #2. In general, due to very slight discrepancies between the models, analysis results are thought to be accurate and meaningful.



Figure 6.3 Inter-story Drift Ratios in the Frame Dir. (left) and Wall Dir. (right) for Building #1



Figure 6.4 Inter-story Drift Ratios in the Frame Dir. (left) and Wall Dir. (right) for Building #2

### 6.2 Effect of Modeling G7 and G9 Beams

Different models that include the G7 and G9 beams were created for each structure to be able to see the effects of modeling the beams that connect the walls to the perimeter moment frames. According to ASCE 7-16 §12.2.3.3, where different seismic force-resisting systems are used in combination to resist seismic forces in the same direction, the value of the response modification coefficient (R) shall not be greater than the least value of R for any systems used in that direction. Also, the deflection amplification factor ( $C_d$ ) and the overstrength factor ( $\Omega_0$ ) should be consistent with R required. Therefore, based on ASCE 7-16 Table 12.2-1, the R is kept as 5 for the new models. It should be noted here that similar to the previous models, the weights of the buildings are adjusted by adding distributed gravity loads to the floors to be able to keep the total mass of the buildings and story masses the same with the reported values from the experiments. Analysis results for the two different models are compared only in the wall direction. Figure 6.5 illustrates the new and previously used models.



Figure 6.5 Comparison of the models

Results are first compared in terms of the structural periods. Table 6.3 shows the periods of the buildings in the wall direction for the previously used wall model and for the new model. As expected, connecting the walls to the perimeter columns with beams as deep as 470 mm (450 mm for Building #2) affected the periods of the buildings extensively, 53% and 62% reductions for the Building #1 and Building #2 natural periods respectively.

T (s.)	Wall Model	New Model
Building #1	1.06	0.5
Building #2	1.14	0.44

Table 6.3 Structure Periods in the Wall Direction of the Two Models

Apart from the building periods, demands on the walls are also checked again to be able to see if they exceed the ACI 318-19 capacity formulations. To this end, first, walls factored nominal axial load-moment capacities ( $\phi P-\phi M$ ) are compared with the  $P_u-M_u$  at every story for both of the buildings. Figures 6.6 and 6.7 show the comparison for the first story walls for the two different buildings respectively. A similar behavior was observed for both of the buildings, the new models resulted in lower moment and axial load demands. Lower moment values can be explained by the moments carried by the moment frames in the wall direction. Axial load demands decreased 15% to 25% due to the effect of beam shear forces.



Figure 6.6 Comparison of First Floor Wall P-M Demands for Building #1



Figure 6.7 Comparison of First Floor Wall P-M Demands for Building #2

Wall design shear forces ( $V_e$ ) are recalculated for the new models based on equations 4.2 and 4.3 and compared with the shear forces from the previous models in Figures 6.8 and 6.9 for Building #1 and Building #2, respectively. Figures illustrate the change of  $V_e$  over the wall height, and it can be observed that both of the models resulted in a similar behavior, decreasing wall shear forces with increasing height except the second and the seventh floors where the walls are terminated, for both of the buildings. Although the periods of the structures decreased substantially due to the shape of the response spectrum, base shears of the structures did not increase at same rate. Comparing the shear forces carried by the walls for Building #1 and Building #2 shows that while the new model resulted in lower forces for the former, except the first floor, for the latter it increased the forces by approximately 35%.



Figure 6.8 Old model versus New model for Building #1



Figure 6.9 Old model versus New model for Building #2

The design shear forces are also compared with the shear strength of the walls in Table 6.4. Although the new models suggest the shear failure of the walls for Building #2 at the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> floors, knowing that during the experiments, walls did not fail under shear would show that the original modeling idea (models without G7 and G9 beams) was logical and gives better estimates of the demands within the limits of linear elastic analysis.

Ve/øVn	Building #1	Building #2
F1	0.71	0.97
F2	0.67	0.93
F3	0.72	1.28
F4	0.65	1.16
F5	0.59	1.07
F6	0.54	0.91
F7	0.79	1.26

Table 6.4 Wall Shear Forces to Strength Ratio for the New Model

# **CHAPTER 7. CONCLUSIONS**

This chapter provides some concluding remarks of the assessment of 2015 and 2018/2019 E-Defense 10-story reinforced concrete buildings based on the latest provisions of ACI 318 [1] and ASCE 7 [2]. Different models, to represent the behavior of the buildings in the wall and frame directions, were created for both of the buildings using the structural analysis software ETABS. For the creation of the models, actual floor dimensions, member sizes, and material strengths were used based on the information provided by the Japanese researchers. Modal response spectrum analysis was used to determine element demands in accordance with the provisions of ASCE 7-16 §12.9.1. Similarly, the response modification factor (R) and the deflection amplification factor ( $C_d$ ) were selected based on ASCE 7-16 Table 12.2-1. The applied response spectrum was created based on the assumption of considering the JMA Kobe scaled to 100% as the ASCE 7's Risk-Targeted Maximum Considered Earthquake (MCE<sub>R</sub>). To this end, spectral acceleration values were multiplied by 2/3 at every period (T) to obtain the Design Response Spectrum. Analysis results were then compared with the ACI 318-19 capacity formulations for the structural walls, moment-frame columns and beams at every story.

For the 2015 test structure walls, the requirements given in ACI 318-19 Section 18.10, such as the P-M couple forces, reinforcement requirements, shear strength, special and ordinary boundary element provisions, were checked. Amongst these requirements, the major item that was not satisfied with the detailing requirement for transverse reinforcement of the special boundary elements for the first story wall boundaries. Table 4.6 shows that while the center to center spacing of the transverse reinforcement was higher than the maximum requirement, its total amount was less than the minimum set value ( $A_{sh,min}$ ) both in the x- and y- directions. However, given the low drift demands expected under DE and even MCE<sub>R</sub> level demands, it is expected that the provided detailing is sufficient to avoid any significant wall damage in these events. In terms of the structure's perimeter columns (C1 and C2 columns), similar to the structural walls, longitudinal reinforcement requirements were satisfied while transverse reinforcement detailing requirements were not satisfied. Also, unlike the walls, shear strength was less than the required value along  $l_o$  away from the joint faces for the floors 5 and above. Similarly, the spacing of the transverse reinforcement along  $2h_b$  away from the joint faces and at

the lap splices were higher than the minimum requirement for the perimeter beams (G1, G2 and G3) of the 5<sup>th</sup> floor through roof. Although the shear strength was higher than the design shear forces at the mid-section of the beams, it was less along  $2h_b$  away from the joint faces at every story. Another significant requirement of ACI 318 on the frame design is the strong column weak beam connection which states that the sum of the nominal flexural strength of columns  $(\sum M_{nc})$  framing into a joint must be 20% higher than the sum of the nominal flexural strength of the beams  $(\sum M_{nb})$  framing into the same joint. Investigations on the 2015 structure beam-column joints showed that 3<sup>rd</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> floor joints where the G1/G3 and G2 beams connecting to (Joint 2 of Table 4.16) and the 4<sup>th</sup> floor joint where CG1 and G1/G3 beams connected to (Joint 1 of Table 4.16) did not satisfy this requirement. The failures observed in Joint 2, at the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> floors, after the experiments conducted in 2015 led to an increased attention to the calculation of shear strength of beam-column joints. To this end, different approaches were used, starting with the shear strength formulation of ASCE 41-17. Based on Table 4.22, it was shown that current provisions of ASCE 41 (or ACI 318 since they both use the same formulation) were not able to predict these failures. However, usage of more detailed approaches developed by LaFave and Kim [5], and Hassan [3] suggested the joint shear failures at the floors where the damage was observed.

For the 2018/2019 test structure, main changes made on the structural element designs were focused on the shear design and transverse reinforcement detailing of the columns and the joints. To this end, joint zones and the columns sections,  $h_c$  away from the joint faces, were more heavily reinforced. Therefore, the perimeter columns and joints satisfied all the requirements of ACI 318-19. However, the spacing and the total amount of the transverse reinforcement used at the special boundary elements of the structural walls and some sections of the perimeter beams,  $2h_b$  away from the joint faces, still did not satisfy the requirements. Also, shear strength of the perimeter beams up to the 9<sup>th</sup> floor were still less than the design shear forces. Unlike the 2015 test structure, the shear strength of the walls of the 2018/2019 test structures at the 7<sup>th</sup> floor did not satisfy the ACI 318-19 requirements. Finally, the story drifts were calculated and compared with the allowable story drift ratios ( $\Delta_a$ ) of ASCE 7 in the wall and frame directions separately. Results indicated a maximum value of 1.6% in the wall direction and at the 5<sup>th</sup> floor of 2015 test structure which is smaller than  $\Delta_a=2\%$ .

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