



Sample RKALC Structure

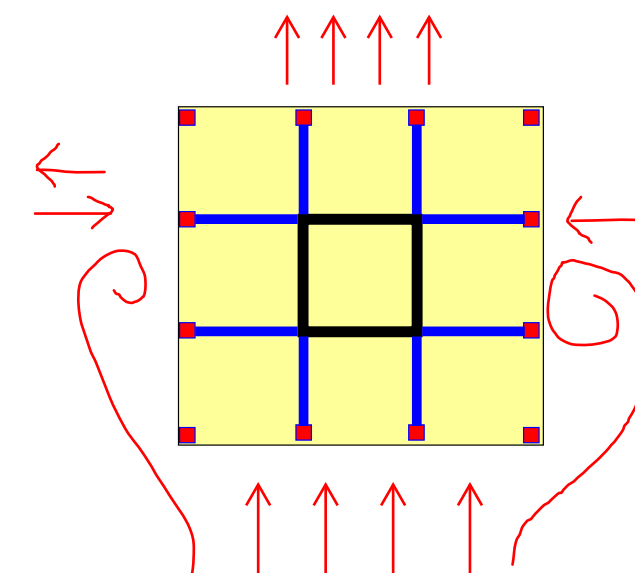
Structure in question is slender tall building with the following characteristics:

1-Office building of 27x27m² floor plate, central core of 9x9m² footprint

2-46 storeys, with total height of 150m from footings to roof.

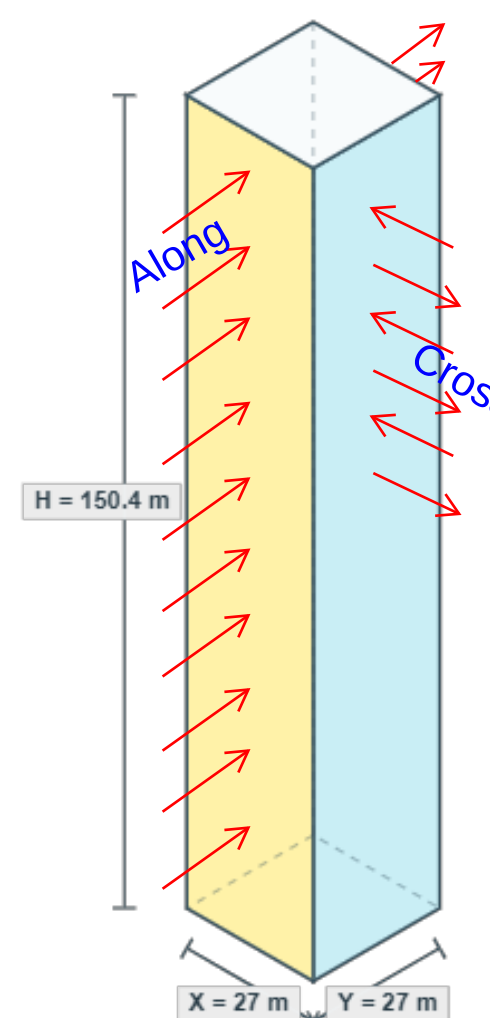
3-Aspect ratio of the building ≈ 5.6 (slender)

4-Wind loads to be estimated, together with building response

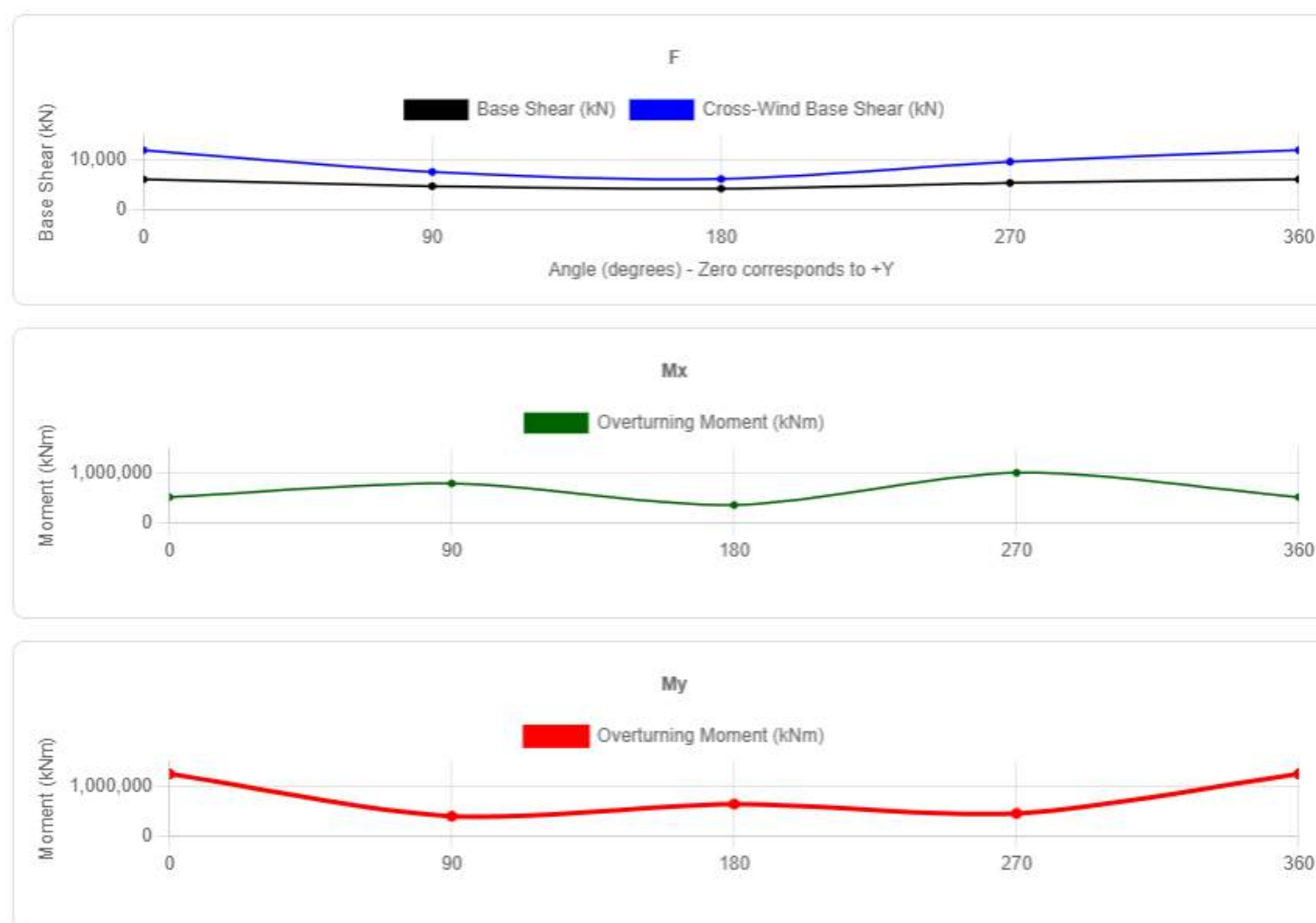
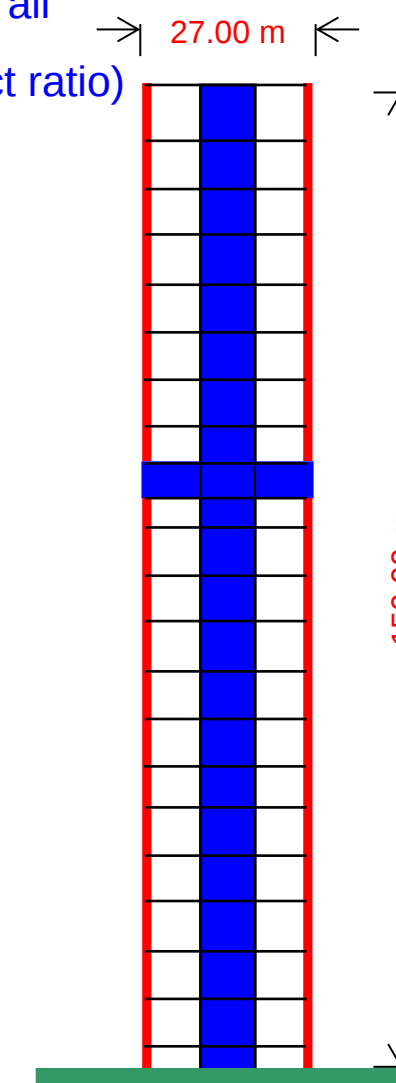


27 m × 27 m floor plate

150 m Tall
(5.55 Aspect ratio)



geometry preview





Description of Building

A- Gravity System and loads

This is an office building with typical loads as follows

1- Loads : SDL = 2 KPa and

LL = 3 KPa

2- Slab system is PT with thickness = 240 mm (6KPa)

Therefore

$$ULS = (2+6) * 1.2 + 3 * 1.5 = 14.1 \text{ KPa}$$

$$SLS = 2 + 6 + 3 = 11 \text{ KPa}$$

for dynamic properties

$$\text{participating mass} = 2 + 6 + 0.3 * 3 = \sim 9 \text{ KPa}$$

$$\text{average storey mass} = 27 \times 27 \times 9 * 1.3 = 852,930 \text{ kg}$$

(note the 1.30 factor allows for verticals)

Core

1- For building like this one, footprint of the core should be more than 15% of floor plate, here the core is at circa 10%, so clearly needs big thickness.

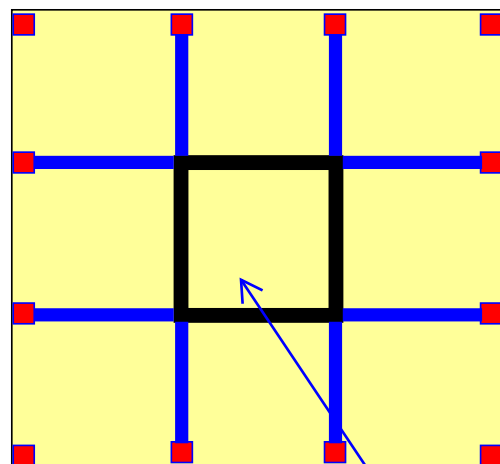
2- thickness of walls is roughly = number of levels * 10 = 500 - 600 mm.

so if the core is 9 x 9 and thickness = 600mm, inertia of core = $(9^4 - 7.8^4) / 12 = 238 \text{ m}^4$ (gross simplified closed-box core inertia)

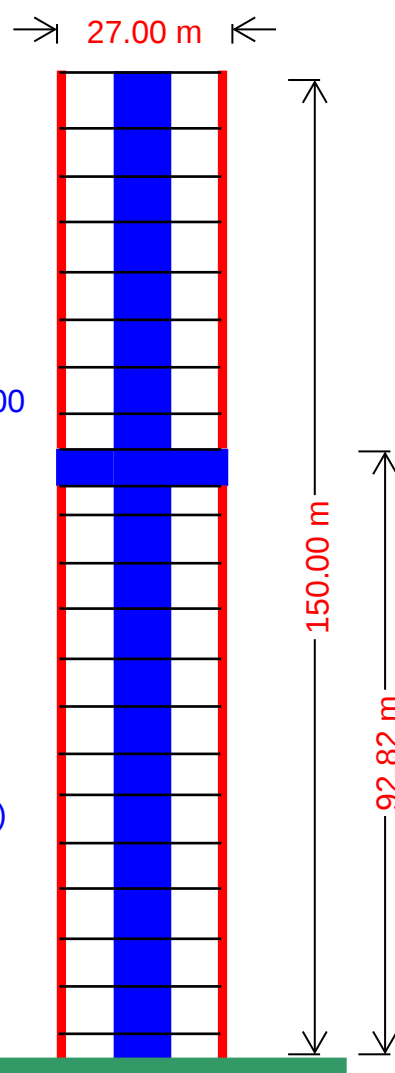
-Deflection at top = $W * H^4 / (8EI) = 75 * 150^4 / (8 * 32.8E6 * 238) = 608 \text{ mm}$ (For this preliminary stiffness check, adopt an equivalent uniformly distributed lateral wind load of $W = 75 \text{ kN/m}$)

-Assume Cracked section = 0.6 * full section, effective inertia becomes = $0.6 * I$ - deflection becomes $608 / 0.6 = 1013$

-Deflection ratio = $150\,000 / 1013 = H/150$ at ULS state



9x9 core





-for Service, wind loading roughly becomes 0.65 of ULS, and also effective section is say 0.8
therefore deformation at tip = $(608\text{mm} \times 0.65) / 0.8 = 494 \sim H/300$

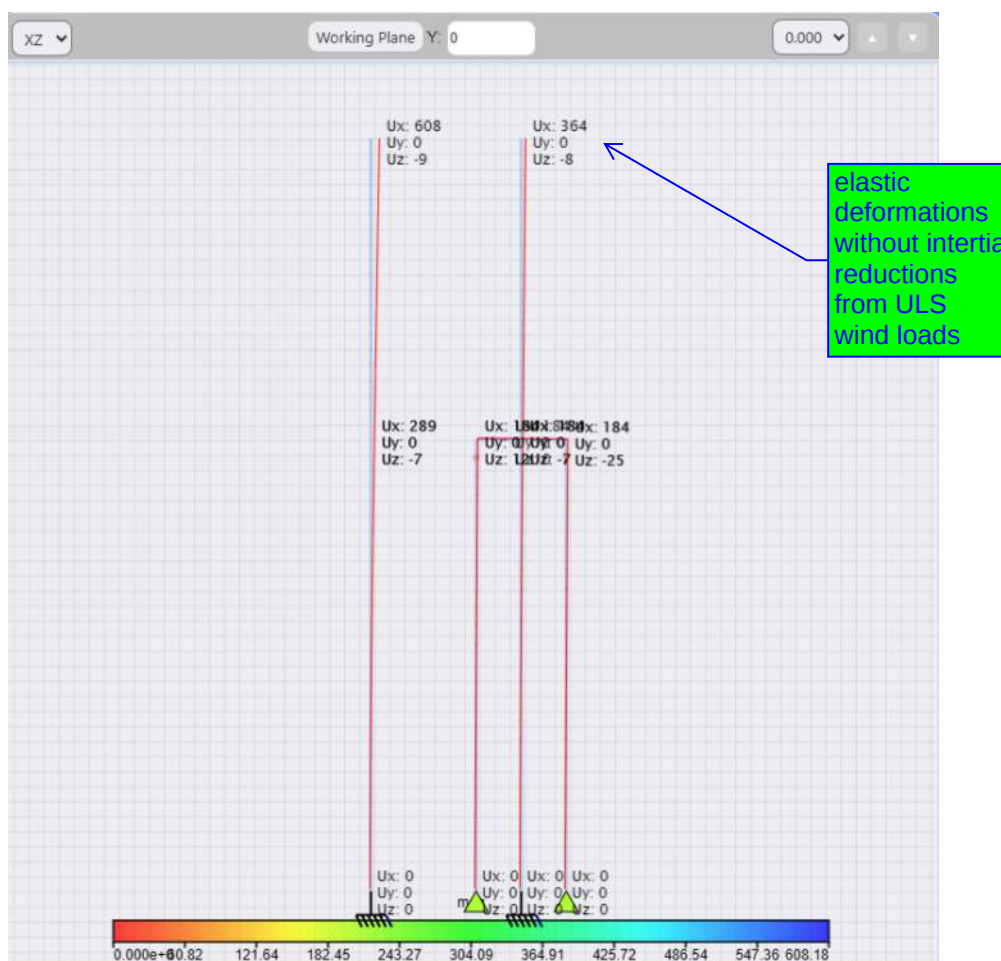
Both are not acceptable metrics..For this example, adopt a target total SLS building drift of $H/400$. Therefore, the target SLS roof displacement is $150,000 / 400 = 375 \text{ mm}$.

If we use outrigger, see below figure, deflection reduces to 364 (reduction by 40%)

$\Delta\text{SLS} \approx 364 \times 0.65 / 0.8 \approx 296 \text{ mm}$

(0.65 converts ULS wind to SLS and 0.8 is inertia reduction at SLS)

and therefore: $150000/296 \approx H/507$



Therefore equivalent global inertia becomes $238 / 0.6 = 396.66 \text{ m}^4$ (this is the inertia that results in deflection = 364)

Building Period should be obtained from modal analysis, however for this example we will work the period using the formula

$$\omega_n = 1.875^2 \sqrt{\frac{EI}{\rho AL^4}}$$



Use this RKALC
App

Buidling Period

Inputs	
f _c (N/mm ²)	50
Effective Section	80% ▾
Total Height H (m)	150
Inertia of Cores (m ⁴)	397
Mass Per Unit Height (kg/m)	266540
Output	
First Mode (Sec)	6.26
Second Mode (Sec)	1
Third Mode (Sec)	0.36
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Inertia Reduction
SLS

Inertia

floor mass / storey
height

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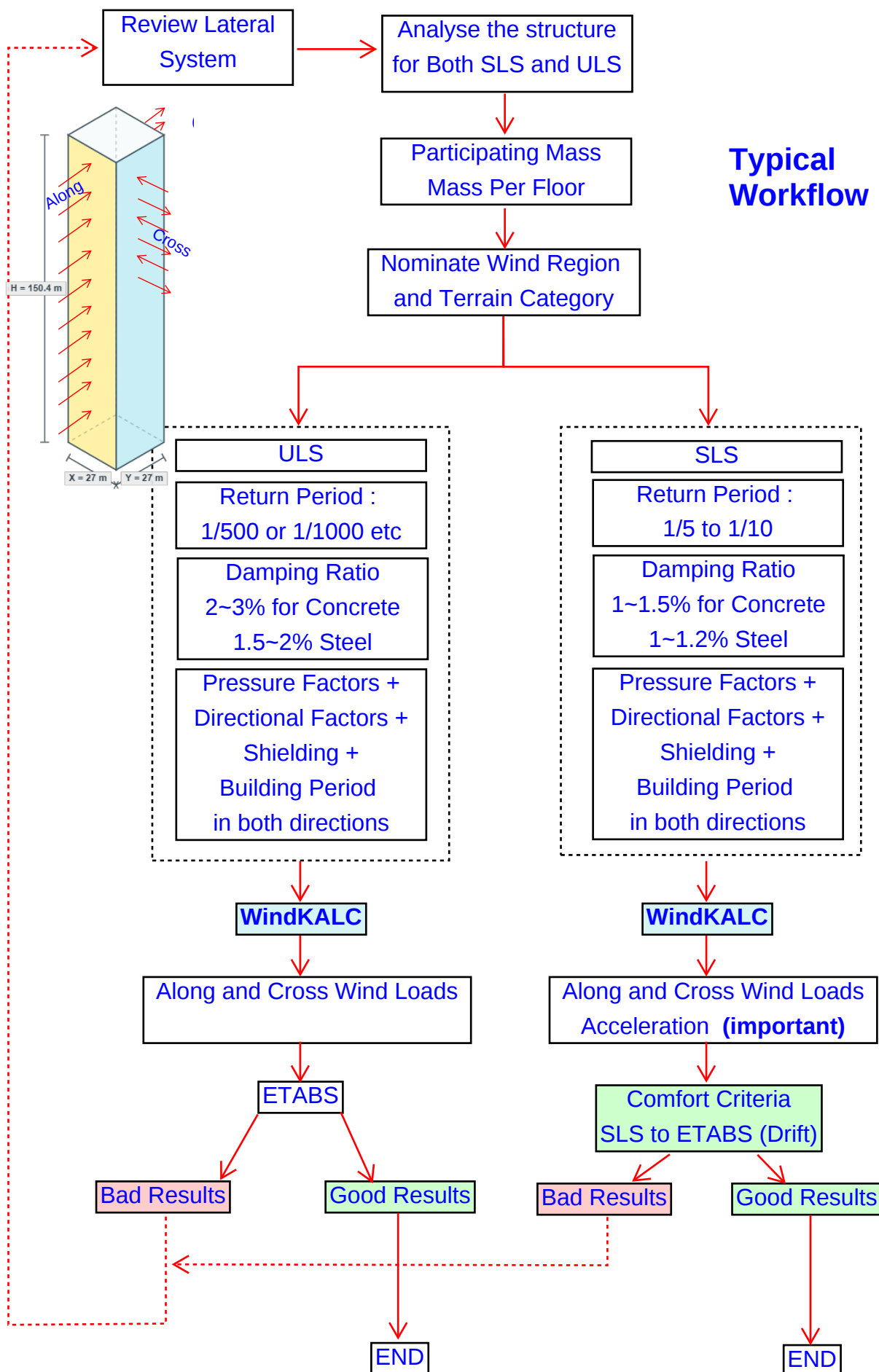
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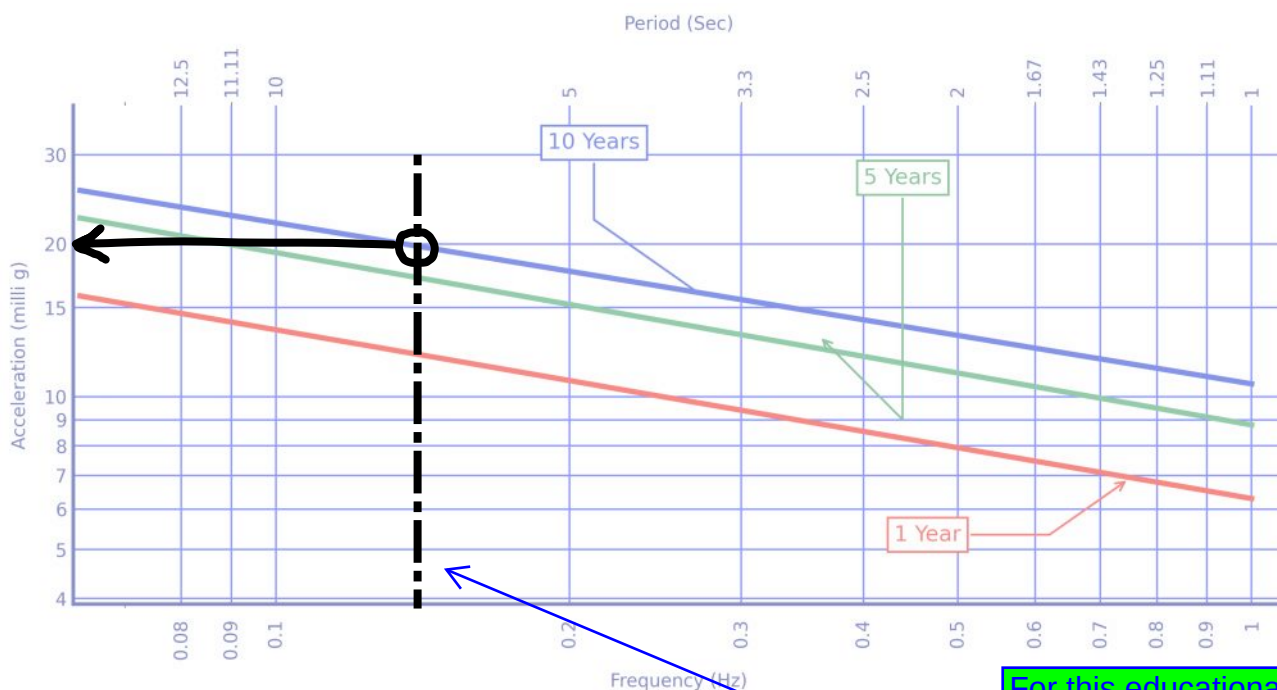
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Output	
First Mode (Sec)	6.94
Second Mode (Sec)	1.11
Third Mode (Sec)	0.4
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Inertia Reduction
ULS

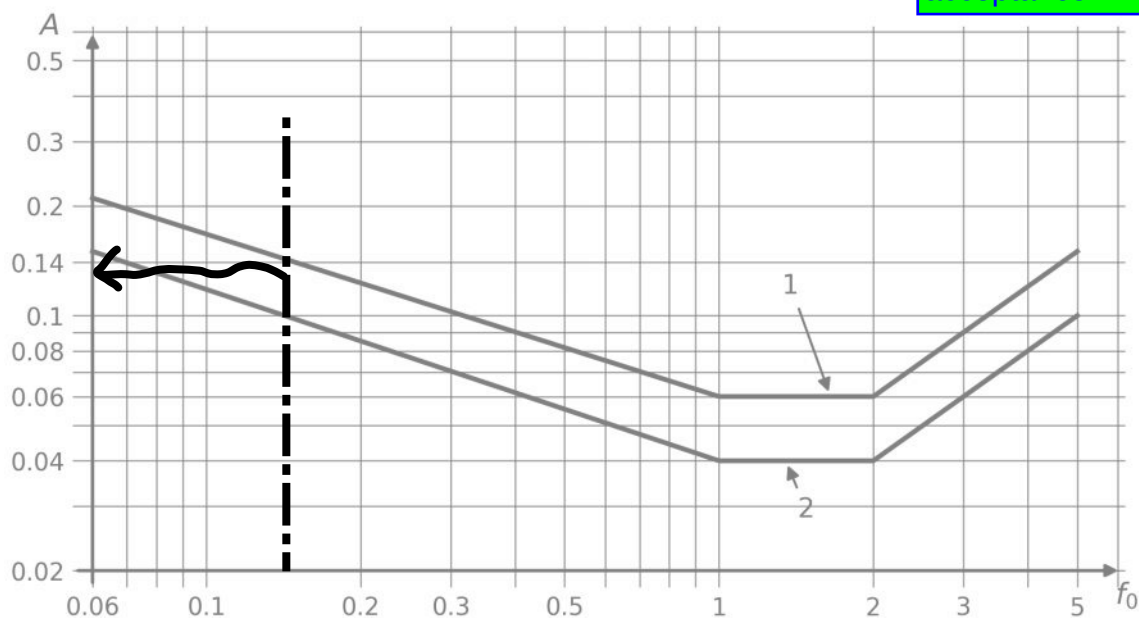
ULS Period





Melbourne's (1988) maximum peak horizontal acceleration criteria based on Irwin (1986) and Chen and Robertson (1973), for $T = 600$ seconds, and return period R years

For this educational example, the Melbourne (1988) criterion is adopted for acceleration acceptance.



Evaluation curves for wind-induced vibrations in buildings in a horizontal (x, y) direction for a one-year return period

Key

- A peak acceleration, m/s^2
- f_0 first natural frequency in a structural
- 1 offices
- 2 residences

ISO can be followed but conservative

ES ISO 10137:2012(E)



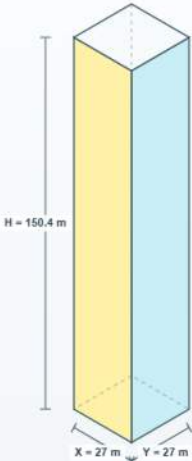
Following table provides guidance for human perception levels for wind acceleration

Human perception levels		
Level	Acceleration (m/s ²)	Effect
1	< 0.05	Humans cannot perceive motion
2	0.05 - 0.1	a) Sensitive people can perceive motion; b) hanging objects may move slightly
3	0.1 - 0.25	a) Majority of people will perceive motion; b) level of motion may affect desk work; c) long-term exposure may produce motion sickness
4	0.25 - 0.4	a) Desk work becomes difficult or almost impossible; b) ambulation still possible
5	0.4 - 0.5	a) People strongly perceive motion; b) difficult to walk naturally; c) standing people may lose balance.
6	0.5 - 0.6	Most people cannot tolerate motion and are unable to walk naturally
7	0.6 - 0.7	People cannot walk or tolerate motion.
8	> 0.85	Objects begin to fall, and people may be injured

Human perception levels are informative and should not be confused with the adopted occupant-comfort acceptance criterion



Ultimate Wind Calculation

Project inputs	Directional inputs Along Y direction	Directional inputs Along X direction	3D building view
Criteria Region A Return Period 1/500 Terrain Category TC3 Global/base-response Cdyn: s = 0 m 0 Storey Height (m) 3.2 No. of Storeys 47 Total Height H (m) 150.4 Bldg. X Dimension (m) 27 Bldg. Y Dimension (m) 27 Site Wind Speed Vr 45 Damping 0.03 Average Storey Mass (kg) 852930 M z.cat (H) 1.21 Table 6.3 principal / companion factor 0.80 Important Design Notes Analysis Package is valid until 30/03/2030 10:44:38 PM	Building Period (sec) 7 CPe Windward 0.8 CPe Leeward suction magnitude 0.5 Combination Factor Kc 0.9 Md Dir Factor +Y 0.9 Md Dir Factor -Y 0.8 Ms Shielding Factor +Y 1 Ms Shielding Factor -Y 0.95 Cfs reference (h:b:d) facing load 6:1:1	Building Period (sec) 7 CPe Windward 0.8 CPe Leeward suction magnitude 0.5 Combination Factor Kc 0.9 Md Dir Factor +X 1 Md Dir Factor -X 0.85 Ms Shielding Factor +X 0.8 Ms Shielding Factor -X 1 Cfs reference (h:d:b) perpendicular 6:1:1	Live geometry preview  Height H 150.4 m X dimension 27 m Y dimension 27 m Preview updates from the project geometry fields.

Dynamic factor	Wind response – Y direction	Wind response – X direction
Peak Factor gv 3.4 Turbulence Factor Ih 0.15 Lh 167 Hs 1 Y Direction Calcs +Y -Y Size Red. Fctr. S 0.204 0.171 N 0.737 0.873 Et 0.108 0.097 Gust Factor 2.17 2.1 Dynamic Response Factor - Cdyn 1.076 1.04 Peak Factor gR 3.178 Background Factor Bs 0.68 X Direction Calcs +X -X Size Red. Fctr. S 0.181 0.193 N 0.829 0.78 Et 0.101 0.104 Gust Factor 2.12 2.15 Dynamic Response Factor - Cdyn 1.05 1.063 Peak Factor gR 3.178 Background Factor Bs 0.68	Y Direction +Y -Y Total Base Shear 6020 4148 Overturning Moment 509169 350850 Resonant Moment 200009 123659 Crosswind Base Shear (Perp. to Y Axis) 11887.73 6091.89 Crosswind Overturning M (About Y Axis) 1243829.48 637401.59 Reduced Wind Speed 8.41 7.11 Log10(Cfs) -1.37 -1.657 Mode Pwr. Exponent k (1.5 1.5 Mode Shape Correction Km 1.12 1.12 Along-wind peak acceleration (Y axis, milli-g) 10.14 6.27 Crosswind peak acceleration (X axis, milli-g) 73.6 37.72 Combined peak acceleration — Appendix E.6 (milli-g) 73.6 37.72	X Direction +X -X Total Base Shear 4642 5305 Overturning Moment 392630 448709 Resonant Moment 143189 170140 Crosswind Base Shear (Perp. to X Axis) 7516.94 9570.69 Crosswind Overturning M (About X Axis) 786508.3 1001395.16 Reduced Wind Speed 7.48 7.95 Log10(Cfs) -1.564 -1.459 Mode Pwr. Exponent k (1.5 1.5 Mode Shape Correction Km 1.12 1.12 Along-wind peak acceleration (X axis, milli-g) 7.26 8.63 Crosswind peak acceleration (Y axis, milli-g) 46.54 59.26 Combined peak acceleration — Appendix E.6 (milli-g) 46.54 59.26



Ultimate Wind Calculation

DIRECTIONAL LOADING
Wind figures

Select a direction to inspect the generated loading figure.

+Y

-Y

+X

-X

Case +Y (Peak)

F=11887.73 kN
M=1243.8 MN.mF-Along = 6020 kN
M=509.2 MN.m

Table 6.3(A) — Load combinations for equivalent static loads for buildings < 70 m

Load cases	Peak load combinations
1 and 2	1.0(along-wind) ± 0.8(crosswind)
3 and 4	0.8(along-wind) ± 1.0(crosswind)

Table 6.3(B) — Load combinations for equivalent static loads for buildings > 70 m

Load cases	Peak load combinations
1 to 4	1.0(along-wind ± 0.15B offset) ± 0.8(crosswind)
5 to 8	0.8(along-wind ± 0.15B offset) ± 1.0(crosswind)
9 to 12	0.8(along-wind ± 0.2B offset) ± 0.8(crosswind)

Directional sector +Y

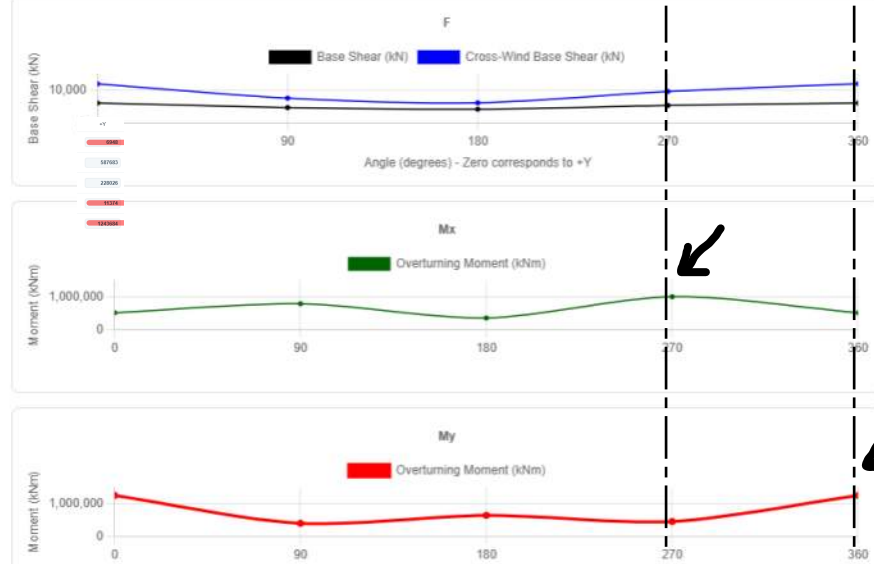
Load case 1 — +Y

Along factor 1.00; cross factor -0.80; along-wind offset +4.05 m

Level	Storey Height (m)	Mz Cat	Vdes (m/s)	Fx (kN)	Fy (kN)	Mz (kN.m)
L47	150.4	1.21	49	492.69	156.72	634.7
L46	147.2	1.207	48.88	477.05	155.95	631.59
L45	144	1.204	48.76	461.58	155.18	628.5
L44	140.8	1.201	48.64	446.28	154.42	625.41
L43	137.6	1.198	48.52	431.15	153.66	622.32
L42	134.4	1.194	48.36	416.2	152.65	618.23
L41	131.2	1.191	48.24	401.42	151.89	615.16
L40	128	1.188	48.11	386.82	151.07	611.85
L39	124.8	1.185	47.99	372.41	150.32	608.8
L38	121.6	1.182	47.87	358.18	149.57	605.76
L37	118.4	1.178	47.71	344.14	148.57	601.72
L36	115.2	1.175	47.59	330.28	147.83	598.7
L35	112	1.172	47.47	316.62	147.08	595.68

RESPONSE ENVELOPE
Wind response graphs

Base shear and overturning moment by wind direction.

Export Equivalent
Static Wind Loads to
Excel / ETABS

Load case 2 — +Y

Along factor 1.00; cross factor -0.80; along-wind offset +4.05 m

Level	Storey Height (m)	Mz Cat	Vdes (m/s)	Fx (kN)	Fy (kN)	Mz (kN.m)
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Ultimate Wind Load Summary

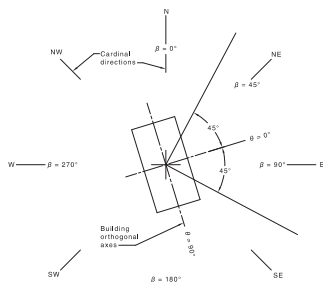
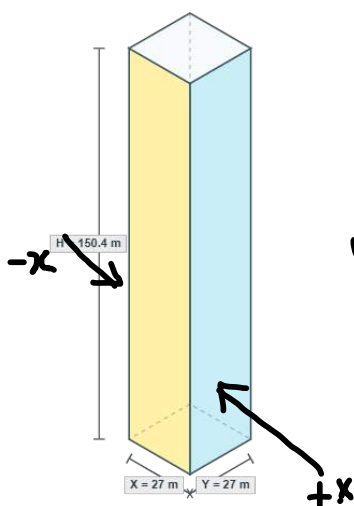
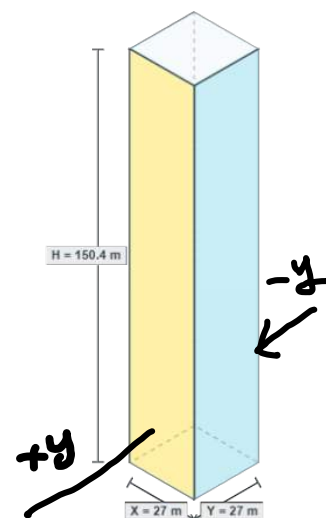


Figure 2.2 — Relationship of wind directions and building orthogonal axes





SLS Wind Calculation

in this example, cross wind and combined acceleration is above acceptance criteria, suggesting review of model for example, period calculations at SLS, exact Mass, better terrain category. but overall the standard gives very conservative numbers by circa 20-30%. so we are very close here

Project inputs

Criteria

Region

Return Period

Terrain Category

Global/base-response Cdyn: s = 0 m

Storey Height (m)

No. of Storeys

Total Height H (m)

Bldg. X Dimension (m)

Bldg. Y Dimension (m)

Site Wind Speed Vr

Damping

Average Storey Mass (kg)

M z, cat (H)

Table 6.3 principal / companion factor

Important Design Notes Analysis Package is valid until 30/03/2030 10:44:38 PM

Dynamic factor

Peak Factor gv

Turbulence Factor I_h

L_h H_s

Y Direction Calcs +Y -Y

Size Red. Fctr. S

N

E_t

Gust Factor

Dynamic Response Factor - C_{dyn}

Peak Factor g_R

Background Factor B_s

X Direction Calcs +X -X

Size Red. Fctr. S

N

E_t

Directional inputs
Along Y direction

Building Period (sec)

C_{Pe} Windward

C_{Pe} Leeward suction magnitude

Combination Factor K_c

Md Dir Factor +Y

Md Dir Factor -Y

Ms Shielding Factor +Y

Ms Shielding Factor -Y

C_fs reference (h.b.d) facing load

Directional inputs
Along X direction

Building Period (sec)

C_{Pe} Windward

C_{Pe} Leeward suction magnitude

Combination Factor K_c

Md Dir Factor +X

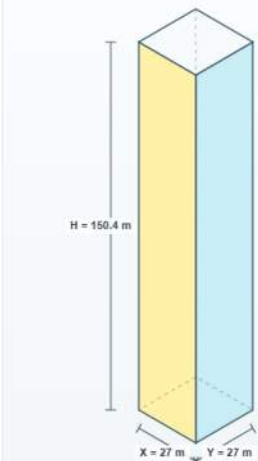
Md Dir Factor -X

Ms Shielding Factor +X

Ms Shielding Factor -X

C_fs reference (h.b.d) perpendicular

3D building view
Live geometry preview



Height H

X dimension

Y dimension

Preview updates from the project geometry fields.

Wind response – Y direction

Y Direction	+Y	-Y
Total Base Shear	3451	2368
Overturning Moment	291919	200319
Resonant Moment	116037	70632
Crosswind Base Shear (Perp. to Y Axis)	4341.34	2260.51
Crosswind Overturning M (About Y Axis)	454241.73	236521.26
Reduced Wind Speed	5.69	4.8
Log10(C _f s)	-2.069	-2.342
Mode Pwr. Exponent k	1.5	1.5
Mode Shape Correction K _m	1.12	1.12
Along-wind peak acceleration (Y axis, milli-g)	5.89	3.58
Crosswind peak acceleration (X axis, milli-g)	26.88	14
Combined peak acceleration — Appendix E.6 (milli-g)	26.88	14

Wind response – X direction

X Direction	+X	-X
Total Base Shear	2653	3037
Overturning Moment	224420	256847
Resonant Moment	82169	98181
Crosswind Base Shear (Perp. to X Axis)	2737.98	3459.47
Crosswind Overturning M (About X Axis)	286480.52	361970.1
Reduced Wind Speed	5.05	5.37
Log10(C _f s)	-2.265	-2.167
Mode Pwr. Exponent k	1.5	1.5
Mode Shape Correction K _m	1.12	1.12
Along-wind peak acceleration (X axis, milli-g)	4.17	4.98
Crosswind peak acceleration (Y axis, milli-g)	16.95	21.42
Combined peak acceleration — Appendix E.6 (milli-g)	16.95	21.42