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**MASS TRANSIT IN THE '70s**

by

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(Address delivered before a joint meeting of the Boston Society of Civil Engineers and the American Society of Civil Engineers at Boston on July 13, 1970.)

You have asked me to talk about "Mass Transit in the 1970s". I am pleased to do so. But first let me express my dislike of the phrase "mass transit" which unfortunately has been widely accepted. Because what you and I are really concerned about is not the movement of a mass or masses, but the travel of individuals by public transport in urban areas.

If I belabor the point it is because there must be more recognition and acceptance of this basic fact — by government, by industry and by labor. I stress it also because my colleagues and I, members of the Metropolitan Transportation Authority, are committed to an all-out effort to impress upon the transit industry — the operators and managers, the work force and the manufacturers of transit equipment — that our concern is with moving people — human beings — and not with just manipulating equipment or playing trains. A bus carrying people is not a truck. A subway or commuter train carrying people is not a freight train. This is a simple concept, but not easy to enforce.

The comfort, convenience and reliability of public people transportation is entering upon a new age — and it is about time!

Frankly, we have lost a whole generation in the development of public people transportation. For forty to fifty years we neglected our commuter

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railroads, our rapid transit rail systems, and our bus and trolley surface lines. This "Dark Ages" of public transport was of course the "heyday" of the private automobile. In the nation's enthusiasm for the individual auto — and the building of highways, expressways, and super-expressways — the public transport sector was starved for funds, ignored, and permitted to deteriorate.

The private automobile opened new vistas for the average American, afforded him a freedom of movement and choice of location unparalleled in history. The automobile is still crucial in our society for today and tomorrow — but its place in urban living is being reassessed because of traffic congestion, cost, pollution and the increasing competing demands for land in our urban and metropolitan centers. There were 25 million automobiles registered in 1945. Twenty years later, 1965, there were 75 million. If current rates of population and auto ownership projections hold, there would be a doubling of automobiles — 150 million — by the year 2000. If there is not enough land to accommodate the highway demands in our urban areas now, just how can such increased demands be met?

The past forty to fifty years has brought about an imbalance in transportation that clearly must be corrected. Nationally and in our metropolitan and urban centers we must have a more balanced and more integrated transport system. Each mode of transportation — rapid transit, commuter rail, bus, aircraft, automobile or other means — must be used as appropriate and in coordination with each other as will best serve the present and emerging need. In this balanced and coordinated approach, public people transportation must play a key role. Yet in this fiscal year 1969-1970 just completed Federal funds for highways were \$2.2 billion while Federal aid for mass transportation was a mere \$214 million.

The 1970s will see a change, and I believe, a major change in the public attitude toward and public support of mass transportation. The 1970s will be the first full decade in the renaissance of public people transportation. This renaissance is already under way.

In the early 1970s the wholly new Bay Area Rapid Transit System in San Francisco will begin operation — ushering in a new era for development in that metropolitan region. This will represent 20 years of effort by enlightened local leadership. Here in Boston, in Philadelphia, in Pittsburgh, and in Chicago new lines or extensions of existing rapid transit lines will be constructed. In Washington, D. C. the new subway will be built bringing relief to the impossible traffic problems of the nation's capital.

In the New York metropolitan area, my own agency, the Metropolitan Transportation Authority, will build at least 52 new miles of subway, al-

ready started, and modernize all of the rail commuter services in the New York State portion of the metropolitan region at a total cost of \$2.1 billion.

The 1970s will also witness the development of rapid transit between major airports and the core city areas. One of the most devastating comments on the airport planners and city planners of the past 30 years was their total neglect of rail and mass transportation to airports. In New York, Chicago, Los Angeles, San Francisco — in every major metropolitan area — sole reliance was put on motor cars, even though at many of these airports, rail or rapid transit lines were adjacent or but a short distance away. Cleveland, Ohio, opened its subway link to its airport in 1969. Imagine it — until this subway extension, not one major airport had such a rapid transit link.

In New York we will connect Pennsylvania Station in Manhattan with Kennedy Airport by express Long Island Rail Road service. You will be able to check your bag at Penn Station and claim it when you get to London or Karachi or wherever. You notice I said "claim it". I am not prepared to guarantee delivery. It now takes up to an hour and a half to get to Kennedy Airport from mid-Manhattan. Our service will deliver you and your baggage in 19 minutes!

Airports in Chicago, San Francisco and other major centers will, I believe, develop rapid transit connections. In California, Los Angeles has received this year a Federal grant for feasibility studies, Preliminary engineering, and marketing studies for a tracked air-cushion vehicle system to connect Los Angeles International Airport with the San Fernando Valley.

In the planning of large new commercial airports or jetports in major metropolitan regions, rail or rapid transit access will be a necessity. Not only will the volume of traffic require it, but the probable distance of such airports from the center city areas will be such as to require it as well — if people are to get to such airports in an hour or less.

The 1970's will also see the development of transportation centers, places where there are rapid transit stations with feeder bus lines converging, with extensive private car parking and "kiss and ride" facilities. Some of these centers will also have general aviation facilities, and hopefully also STOL aircraft facilities.

In the New York region, our Metropolitan Transportation Authority has acquired two airports and is operating them as general aviation facilities. The airports are Republic in Farmingdale on Long Island, and Stewart west of the Hudson near Newburgh, New York. Both sites will become major transportation centers. At Republic the extension of electrification of the Long Island Rail Road will be completed in 1972 and bring that airport to

within 30 to 35 minutes of Penn Station, Manhattan. The airport has already doubled in its use, and the addition of parking facilities and new bus and railroad station facilities will make it a key transportation center on Long Island.

At Stewart Airport in Rockland County we will build a spur from a nearby railroad and develop that field into a major transportation facility as well. This field is located in a developing part of the New York region with a promising potential for a cargo airport as well as other general aviation use.

The decade of the 1970's will see improvement in the equipment and other facilities for mass transportation — and some major breakthroughs in this dimension.

In New York we will no longer order passenger equipment that is not air conditioned. We buy only air conditioned buses and only air conditioned subway and commuter cars. Of our bus fleet some 10 per cent is now air conditioned, and we have 610 air conditioned subway cars in service with 240 more on order.

We are also trying to find a way to fit air conditioning units into the cars we operate on the IRT division, one of the three separately-built rapid transit systems now operated by the New York City Transit Authority. The IRT was the first subway system built in the City, and seventy years ago who ever heard of air conditioning? Its tunnels are smaller in width and in height, so small that we haven't yet found an air conditioning unit that will fit into IRT cars and still leave enough headroom for passengers. We recently contracted with an aerospace firm to design a slim, trim air conditioner, and encouraging progress is being made.

The Long Island Rail Road will have a fully air conditioned fleet when its modernization program is completed by the end of next year.

The technology of rail transportation, like old Rip Van Winkle, has been sleeping for 40 years. It was roused from its comatose state by the public outcry for more attractive and non-polluting transport systems, accompanied by the tinkle of public monies earmarked for transportation improvements.

Hopefully that tinkle of money will become even more audible with the help of Congress — a matter which I will go into further in a few moments.

As for the technical challenge, it lies in three major areas:

- (1) to find faster, more reliable and yet economical means of propulsion
- (2) to find the hardware to satisfy local transportation requirements in densely developed central city areas.



- (3) to seek the means to reduce or eliminate air pollution, noise and other unwelcome intrusions in an already chaotic urban scene.

In the first area there are difficulties in intergrating and coordinating the various systems. As I mentioned earlier, our IRT subway system has tunnels which are smaller than those of the other two branches of the New York subway system. Our commuter railroads use Diesel locomotives that can also run on electricity, and electric self-propelled cars. Some commuter rail lines draw power from the third rail; on some of these, the power is picked up from the underside of the third rail, on others from the top. Other electrified lines use an overhead power supply system, but they don't all use the same current.

To make all these systems fully compatible would be an impossible task. But we are using technology to solve some of these problems. We are now testing on the Long Island Rail Road a self-propelled car which uses a gas turbine engine to generate its own electricity on non-electrified lines and can also operate on third rail power. If the tests prove to be successful, this car, which accelerates as rapidly as our new high performance electric cars, will enable us to improve passenger service on lightly-travelled lines without electrifying at all. On heavily travelled lines, it is more economical to electrify, and we're doing that now on one branch of the Long Island which is presently served by Diesel-hauled trains.

In the congested centers of urban areas, we are seeking new transportation systems to solve a public transportation problem. Buses move little faster than pedestrians on crowded city streets. Little time is saved by walking down to a subway platform, waiting for a train and going just one or two stops.

So we are trying to break some new ground by installing a people-mover system across 48th Street, one of the most congested streets in midtown Manhattan. We have reviewed several hundred proposals for this system, some of them pretty exotic. Our engineers have selected seven or eight of these concepts which they think have merit, and we will continue the elimination process until we have a plan for a system that will offer rapid, convenient transportation through crowded urban centers. It might turn out to be something similar to a moving sidewalk or continuously moving small tracked vehicles, but it will be aimed at making it easy and convenient for people to get around.

We are increasingly aware of the need to eliminate pollution in all forms. Our buses are now the most pollution-free vehicles on New York City streets as a result of a program we instituted several years ago to reduce their exhaust emissions. We have applied for a federal grant to enable us to

evaluate buses that run on batteries. The energy formerly given off as brake heat to stop these vehicles would be used to recharge their batteries every time they come to stop, and we would have recharging stations at both ends of the line to bring their batteries back to full power.

We have also asked for federal funds to evaluate another technological advance which, we think, would reduce the amount of power required to run our subway system. The less electricity used, the less power plant exhaust there is for the power companies to worry about. I am referring to the stored energy car. It is a subway car which has two compact flywheels beneath the passenger section. When the motorman stops his train, the controls automatically reverse the fields in the traction motors, changing them from consumers of power to generators of power. The power they would then generate would start the flywheels spinning. The train would slow down, just as it would going up a hill, because it is doing more work. When the train is ready to start up again, the spinning flywheels would be used to drive generators which would deliver power to the traction motors, reducing the need for external power.

At present, the energy removed from a train to stop it is dissipated as heat. The stored energy system, by reducing the amount of conventional braking, reduces the amount of heat in the system. That in itself would improve the subway environment. The environment in the subways would benefit through another spinoff of the stored energy car — the screeching of brakes would be reduced.

The most significant technological breakthrough, however, may be the linear induction motor. This system applies the principle of magnetism to make possible a practically silent, very high speed, pollution free transportation system. As we all know, if you take two magnets and place them next to one another in one manner they'll be repelled. By inducing an electric current into one element of the linear induction motor, magnetizing it in effect, and placing it next to another piece of metal of opposite polarity, power is created to propel a public conveyance. By controlling this power through channels and guideways, a useful public transportation system can be created.

The U.S. Department of Transportation has recently granted funds for development of an air cushion vehicle powered by a linear induction motor. That, I think is the public transportation system of the future.

The U.S. Department of Transportation has also made grants to us for many of the things I have talked about. It is paying part of the cost of our modernization program for the Long Island Rail Road, and has pledged

funds for part of the cost of improving other commuter lines in New York State.

These technological advancements are far from being blue sky projects. The major thing standing between us and their implementation is in the magnitude of dollars that can be assigned for this vital purpose.

It has become quite clear to us during the years that Rip Van Winkle was sleeping, that mass transportation is not an urban fringe benefit — it is a fundamental factor in our survival as a modern society.

Research and development programs in this critical area atrophied because, as a people, we had not assigned the priorities of purpose and commitment to mass transportation that we had for example, to a national space program.

The need for a national mass transportation program has been apparent to every straphanger and every commuter who must endure the ordeal of a daily journey to work on antiquated systems. Yet, somehow, this obvious fact has eluded our lawmakers and our national administration leadership until almost the eleventh hour in the lives of our cities and their suburbs.

The most hopeful sign on the national front comes in the form of the mass transportation bill now pending before congress. In HR18185, currently before the House, we could expect \$5 billion in mass transportation assistance over a period of years. This large sum could be committed immediately, thus insuring the industry that planning, design and development could be pressed ahead without fear of cutback.

Another hopeful sign is the willingness on the part of local, regional and state jurisdictions to face up squarely to the matter and initiate capital programs that are being financed through a number of bold approaches.

In New York State, our voters sanctioned a \$2.5 billion transportation bond issue of which \$1 billion has been earmarked for mass transportation. Here in Massachusetts you have turned cigarettes into a blessing by using a portion of their tax proceeds for transportation financing. Similarly, Connecticut and Pennsylvania have moved ahead with transportation financing programs, as have cities such as San Francisco, and Washington, D.C.

Despite significant starts in these areas, we have only touched a small part of the total problem. Cities throughout the nation are crying out for mass transportation relief — and the large supermetropolitan areas could use all the available and currently projected funds to satisfy merely their most pressing of transportation needs.

Clearly massive federal aid is the answer.

Aid to capital projects, however, is only a partial answer. The huge oper-

ating deficit incurred in public transportation points the way to the need for major subsidies.

This need is as apparent to the small bus operator struggling to provide a service in a small city as it is in New York's \$600 million annual transit operation. The spiralling cost of labor, services, and materials coupled with the problem of operating services during the dead offpeak hours mark mass transportation as a poor profit maker — and in most instances, a decided loser.

The belief that the farebox could sustain capital and operating costs has been the primary culprit in our nation's mass transportation paralysis over the past decades.

While we have seen heavy national subsidy for the auto and the airplane in various guises, as a people we sat on our hands in complacent belief that somehow the railroads and public transport systems would make their own way.

The result has been deleterious imbalances which threaten our urban circulation systems — and economic starvation which will now cost us many more dollars in public assistance and equitable subsidy programs during the post World War II period.

It is clear that the public must recognize the need for an all-out effort to revive and nurture America's passenger transportation systems. This means the assignment of public dollars on a broad enough and flexible enough basis to meet both capital and operation requirements during the decade to come.

Like an atomic explosion, we must have enough critical mass — in the form of dollars — to get the kind of results we are seeking in providing for the mobility of our nation.

Given this base upon which to build, I am sure that the skills and talent — such as is represented in this very gathering — can be harnessed not only to meet the challenges of the '70s, but go on to anticipate the exciting demands of the century to come.

# AN ANALOGY TO THE STRUCTURAL BEHAVIOR OF SHEAR-WALL SYSTEMS

by

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## Abstract

An analogy is presented to illustrate the structural behavior of shearwall-frame systems. It is shown that the rigid frame, subjected to horizontal loading deforms similarly to a tensioned cable under transverse loading. A shearwall behaves as a cantilever beam fixed at its base. A system composed of shearwalls and frames exhibits the same deformation as a cantilevered beam, subjected simultaneously to transverse loading and axial tension.

This analogy in structural behavior lends itself to a simple application in a physical model by which the relative distribution of the horizontal loading to the shearwall and frames can be directly established. Variation in stiffness of the components of the system and loading on it will exhibit in its analogous model the corresponding patterns of deformation and load distribution.

*Keywords:* Structural behavior, *Shearwall-Frame Systems, Analogies* (structural), Structural engineering, Tall buildings, Models.

## Introduction

The interaction between various structural elements and their respective participation in the resistance to horizontal loadings in multistory buildings has been for the past few decades the subject of numerous technical papers (1)<sup>+</sup> to (5). Invariably these dwell on the intricacies of the analysis which tries to establish the distribution of the external loads among the individual members, some by approximate methods others by supposedly "exact" ones; supposedly, since the exactness of any such solution is highly questionable in view of a multitude of assumptions, not the least of which is the stiffness of the sections. However, the major problem of design, as opposed

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to analysis, remains most often unsolved, namely where to position these structural members and how to proportion them. No analysis can even get started without a preliminary design. Whereas the design approaches are commonly of an iterative nature, in which preliminary — fairly arbitrary — assumptions are successively corrected, none of them can really validate a basically wrong design layout.

It is, therefore, not surprising that most of the approximate approaches are particularly aimed at establishing a quick and simple procedure by which a first intelligent guess can be checked. Such a guess, however, would mainly depend on the designer's experience and adequate understanding of the structural behavior. To deepen this understanding and to lessen the complete dependence on intuition, regardless of its infinite merits, is the main task of proper design tools and training. An important means to accomplish this is the use of simple analogies, by which the behavior of a structural element can be simulated by another phenomenon which can either be readily visualized or easily tested or more simply analyzed than the original problem. The soap film analogy, for instance, has been an eyeopener as to the behavior of any section under torsion, far beyond what purely analytical results could ever accomplish. Similarly, the column analogy has served most appropriately for clarification and easier understanding of the computational procedure for the determination of moments and physical properties of frames and members with varying cross-section.

The present paper proposes an analogy by which the behavior of a rigid frame in a multistory building, subjected to transverse loading, can be visualized. The main emphasis is placed on the analogy as an educational tool, to develop a better conceptual understanding of the interaction of rigid frames with shearwalls in a multistory building. This discussion is therefore of a descriptive nature, presenting the basic concept and illustrating it by an appropriate model. The analytical application of this analogy will lead to a design procedure for establishing the distribution of horizontal loading between frames and shearwalls in multistory buildings. That subject will be presented in a separate report.

### **The Analogy**

We shall now try to show that the structural behavior of a system composed of rigid frames and shearwalls under transverse loading is analogous to that of a cantilever beam subjected simultaneously to transverse loads and to axial tension. Basically, judging from the deflection pattern, we note that the rigid frame under transverse loads deforms similarly to a cable under tension (Figs. 1a, b), that the shearwall deforms similarly to a canti-

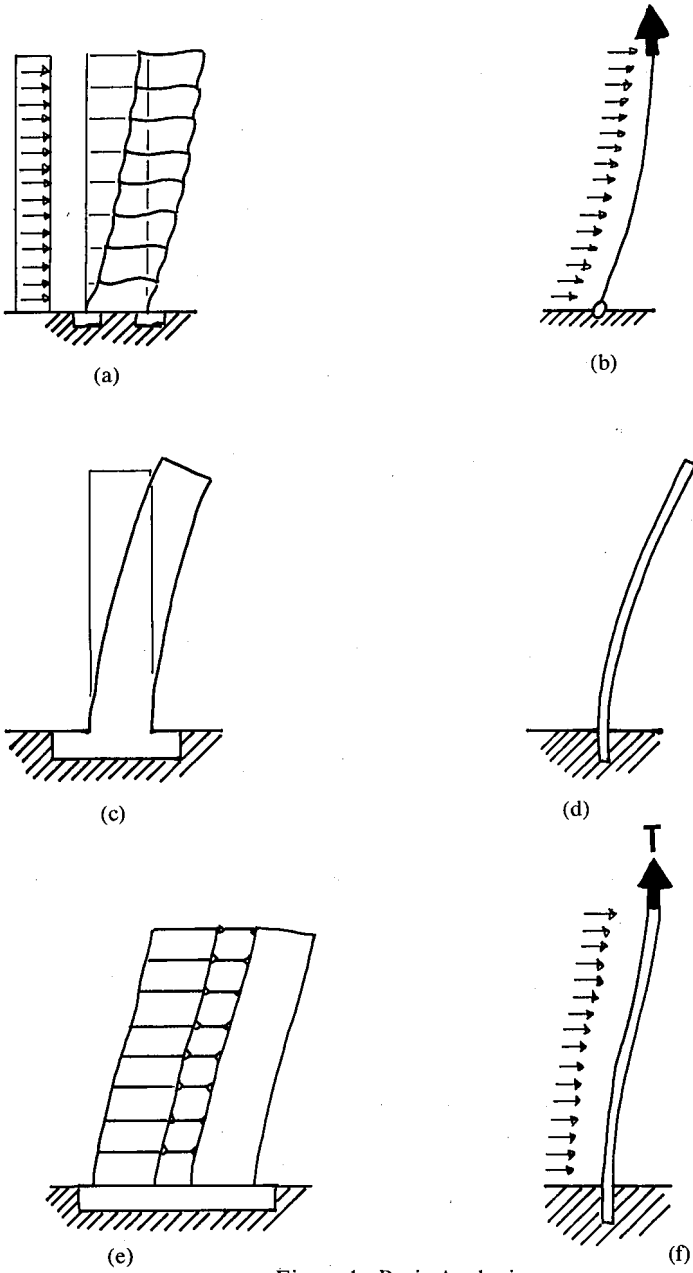


Figure 1 - Basic Analogies

lever beam (Figs. 1c, d), and that a system composed of rigid frames and shearwalls will deform similarly to a cantilever beam, subjected simultaneously to transverse loading and axial tension (Figs. 1e, f).

The frame under transverse loading may be regarded as a beam elastically restrained along its length from freely rotating. The rigidity of this restraint varies with the stiffness of the frame components. Let us call such a beam a R.R. Beam, short for rotationally restrained beam. Although the frame is subjected to rotational restraints at discrete points only (the column to girder joints), its behavior can be simulated by a flexible rod on continuous elastic rotational supports (Fig. 2). This will enable us to set up

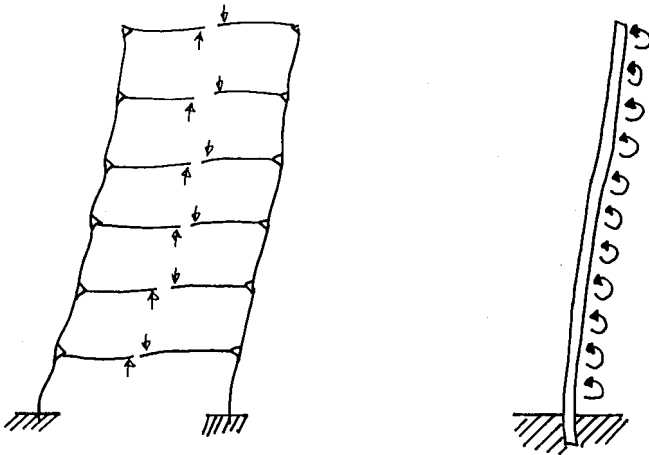


Figure 2 - Rigid Frame - A rotationally restrained beam

the basic differential equation for this case. It will then become evident that this basic differential equation is of the same form as that of a transversely loaded cable under tension, and the analogy between the frame and the cable can then be established by correlating the various parameters in these equations.

2.a. *The analogy between the rotationally restrained beam and beams under tension.*

For any rigid member, subjected to loading  $P(x)$  transversely to its longitudinal axis, the relationship between bending moment  $M_x^P$  and loading is expressed by equ. (1) as:

$$\frac{d^2M_x^P}{dx^2} = -P(x) \tag{1}$$



In the R.R. Beam (the rotationally restrained beam), the additionally acting continuous moment  $m_x^r$ , exerted by the rotationally elastic restraints is:

$$m_x^r = -\phi \cdot K \quad (2)$$

where  $\phi$  is the angle of rotation at the point at which  $m_x^r$  acts, and  $K$  is the spring constant of the elastic rotational restraint. Therefore, the increment of the bending moment  $M_x^r$  in the beam per unit length due to its rotational restraint is:

$$\frac{dM_x^r}{dx} = m_x^r = -\phi \cdot K = \frac{dy}{dx} \cdot K \quad (3)$$

Expressing the angle of rotation as the derivative of  $y$ , equation (3) becomes

$$\frac{dM_x^r}{dx} = -\frac{dy}{dx} \cdot K \quad (4)$$

Now, when the two effects — of transverse loading, equ. (1), and of rotational restraints, equ. (4) — are superimposed, we get for the total bending moment:

$$\frac{d^2 M_x}{dx^2} = \frac{d^2 (M_x^p + M_x^r)}{dx^2} = -p(x) - K \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} \quad (5)$$

For the case of a flexible rod ( $EI = 0$ ) the moment at any point along it vanishes, so that equ. (5) becomes:

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = -\frac{P(x)}{K} \quad (6)$$

Now, for the basic equation of cable theory, relating the displacements to transverse loading and to the tension force  $T$  in the cable, we have (Fig. 3).

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = -\frac{P(x)}{T} \quad (7)$$

Thus the analogy between the completely flexible R.R. Beam ( $EI = 0$ ) and the cable under tension is clearly noted from the identical form of equations (6) and (7). It thus becomes obvious that the stiffness  $K$  of the rotational restraint in an R.R. Beam is analogous to the tension force  $T$  in the cable. If the transverse loading,  $p(x)$ , is the same in such a beam and the analogous cable, both structures will exhibit the same pattern of deformation. The cable under tension can, therefore, serve as analog to the flexible R.R. Beam.

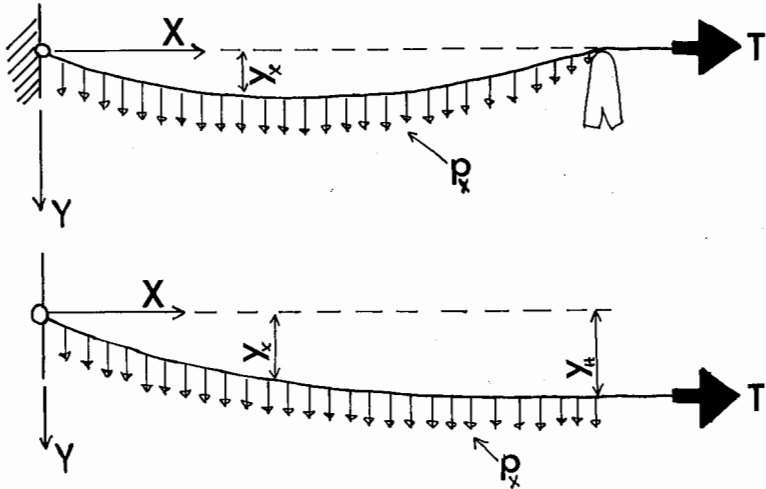


Figure 3 - Deformation of a transversely loaded tensioned cable

So far we have discussed only the case of a completely flexible rod for which  $EI = 0$ . Equ. (5) can now be used to cover the general case of a rigid R.R. Beam with a finite but constant value of  $EI$ . When substituting in equ. (5) for  $\frac{d^2Mx}{dx^2}$ , the value

$$\frac{d^2Mx}{dx^2} = -EI \frac{d^4y}{dx^4} \tag{8}$$

equ. (5) becomes

$$EI \frac{d^4y}{dx^4} - K \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = p(x) \tag{9}$$

The differential equation for a rigid beam with constant  $EI$ , which is simultaneously subjected to transverse loading and axial tension is given by (6)

$$EI \frac{d^4y}{dx^4} - T \cdot \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = p(x) \tag{10}$$

where  $T$  is the applied tensile force acting on the beam. Thus, again, equations (9) and (10) are of analogous form; the rigid R.R. Beam is therefore analogous to a beam under tension.

In conclusion of this part the following analogies are thus established:  
 Flexible ( $EI = 0$ ) rotationally restrained beam — cable under tension.  
 Rigid ( $EI \neq 0$ ) rotationally restrained beam — beam under tension.

2.b. *Frame-cable analogy.*

The previous section considered the case of an R.R. Beam, a beam on which continuous rotational restraint is exerted. A frame is not substantially different from such a beam. A rigid frame might be conceived of as such a beam, except that the rotational restraints are acting at discrete points. It will now be shown that such a frame will be displaced at its nodal points analogously to a cable subjected to concentrated transverse loads.

This analogy clearly identifies the deformation of the frame due to external shear force. In fact, the displacement pattern of a frame results basically from two components: the effect of bending of the frame members, and the effect of their axial deformation. While the first is associated with a displacement pattern that is governed by the magnitude of the horizontal shear at any level (Fig. 1.a.), the latter is predicated by the external moments at any level. That causes an elongation of the columns on one side of the frame and a shortening of the columns on the opposite side, with a deformation resembling that of Fig. 1.d.

The analogy between the frame and the transversely loaded cable under tension, presented below, reflects only the shearforce pattern of the deformation (Fig 1.a.). The other component, which generally is of considerably smaller order of magnitude than the former, reflects the same behavior as that of the shearwall and is accounted for with it.

For a frame with girders of infinite rigidity ( $EI^g = \infty$ ), the increment of horizontal displacements between two adjacent nodal points is given by (Fig. 4.a):

$$\triangle_{iY}^{\text{col}} = \frac{S_i \cdot h_i^3}{12E \sum I^c} = \frac{S_i}{\frac{12E}{h_i^2} \cdot \sum I^c} \cdot h_i \quad (11)$$

For a portion of a vertical cable under tension, subjected to transverse concentrated loads at points which are a distance  $h_i$  apart, corresponding to the nodal points of a frame, we note from Fig. 4.b that

$$\triangle_{iY}^c = \frac{S_i}{T} \cdot h_i \quad (12)$$

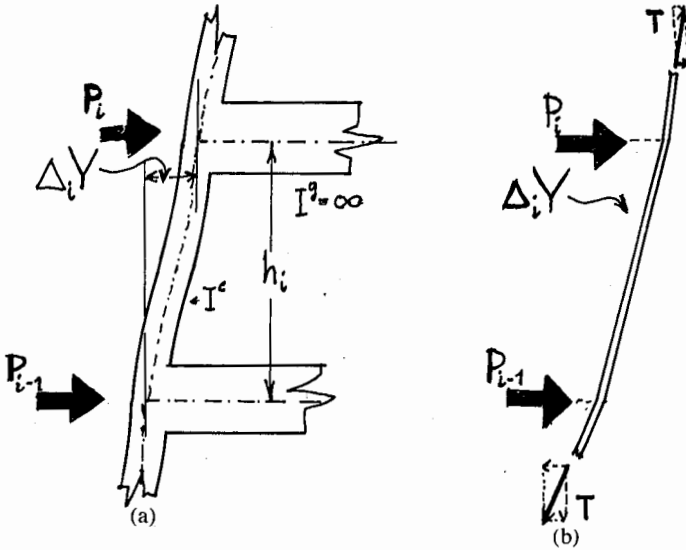


Figure 4 - Frame-cable displacement

Again, the expression of equ. (11) for the frame is analogous to equ. (12) for the polygonally deformed cable, where the applied tensile force on the

cable,  $T$ , corresponds to a modified column stiffness  $\left[ F \right]_{I_g = \infty} = \frac{12E \cdot \Sigma I^c}{h_i^2}$  in the frame.

Equations (11) and (12) give the exact value for the increment of lateral displacement in the frame and the cable respectively, but the first is confined only to the idealized case of infinitely rigid girders. If, however, the girders of the frame, as is always the case, have some finite rigidity,  $EI^g$ , the frame stiffness must be defined by a more appropriate expression. To arrive at its value, the lateral displacement between two adjacent nodal points of the frame, one story, i.e.,  $h_i$  apart, must be established.

The increment of horizontal displacement at any story is a function of shearforces and of the rigidity of frame members. However, the predominant factors determining the magnitude of this increment at any given story are the shearforce acting at that story, and the rigidities of all the frame members at that level. Based on that consideration, Wilbur (7) has developed approximate expressions for the increment of such lateral displacement for frames with variable moments of inertia of their members. If Wilbur's expressions are adapted to the case of Fig. 5, the lateral displacement between two adjacent nodal points,  $h_i$  apart, will become:

$$\triangle F_i Y = S_i \cdot \left[ \frac{h_i^3}{12E \cdot \sum I^c} + \frac{h_i^2}{12E \cdot \sum \frac{I^g}{L}} \right] = \frac{S_i}{F_i} h_i \quad (13)$$

where

$$F_i = \frac{12E}{h_i \cdot \left[ \frac{1}{\sum \frac{I^c}{h_i}} + \frac{1}{\sum \frac{I^g}{L}} \right]} + \frac{12E}{h_i \cdot \left[ \frac{1}{\sum K^c} + \frac{1}{\sum K^g} \right]} \quad (14)$$

In equations, (11), (13), and (14) the sum of the rigidities of columns  $\sum K^c$  and girders  $\sum K^g$  ought to be that of all the respective members at the story considered.  $F_i$  is defined as the modified stiffness of the frame. Any other valid expression, or an experimentally established value for  $F$ , could be used instead of that given by equ. (14), if any greater accuracy was required.

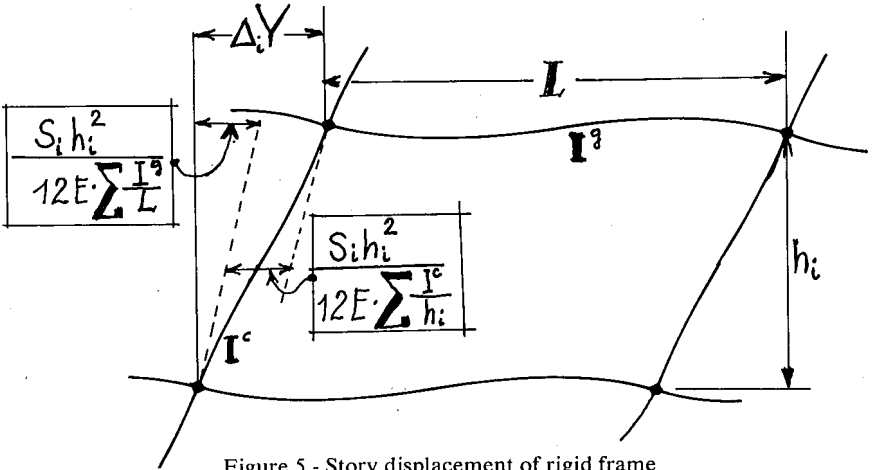


Figure 5 - Story displacement of rigid frame

In comparing equ. (13) with equ. (12) it is again noted that the modified frame stiffness,  $F$ , is analogous to the tension force  $T$ , applied on the transversely loaded cable.

2.c. Frame-wall systems — tensioned beam analogy.

So far the frame alone has been considered, and its analogy with the similarly loaded cable under tension has been established (Fig. 1 a,b). We shall

now see that the interaction of frames and shear walls in a building can be simulated by the behavior of a rigid beam under simultaneously acting transverse loading and longitudinal tension.

The system composed of frames and walls is diagrammatically shown in Fig. 6a, which is the former case, Fig. 1a, with the addition of a shear wall. In this analogy, since the shear wall may be considered as a cantilever

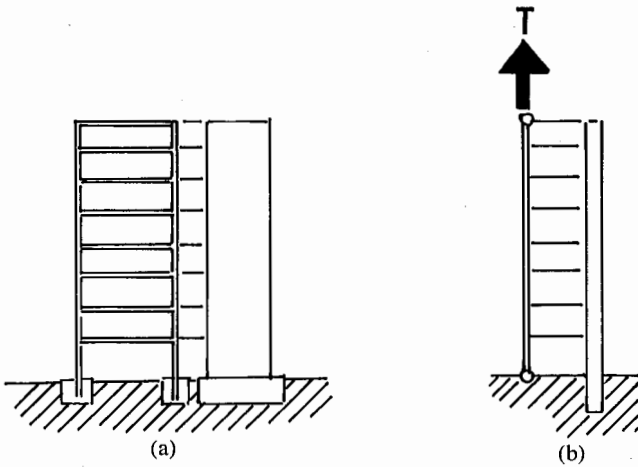


Figure 6 - Frame-shearwall system

beam, we will have to attach to the cable of Fig. 1b a cantilever beam of corresponding rigidity (Fig. 6b). It thus follows, that the frame-shearwall system is analogous to the cantilever beam linked to a cable under tension, which in turn is simply the case of a rigid beam subjected simultaneously to transverse loading and longitudinal tension.

The modified stiffness  $F$  of the frame, equ. (14), thus represents the general form of the concept of continuous rotational restraint of stiffness  $K$ . Equ. (9) can now be used, with  $F$  replacing  $K$ ;

$$EI \frac{d^4 y}{dx^4} - F \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = p(x) \quad (15)$$

Equation (15) may be considered as the basic differential equation governing the interaction of shearwalls of a constant bending stiffness  $EI$ , with rigid frames of a constant modified stiffness  $F$ . It may be readily applied to

the case of variable stiffness, both of walls and frames. In such cases equ. (15) will have to be solved for each range over which those stiffnesses are constant.

**Conceptual Application of the Analogy**

A clear visual illustration of the behavior of the frame-shearwall system, based on the analogy presented above, can be obtained from the following consideration. For a rigid cantilever, subjected simultaneously to transverse loading and longitudinal tension, the bending moment can be directly expressed as (Fig. 7):

$$M_x EI = -EI \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = M_x^0 - T(Y_x - Y_H) \tag{16}$$

where:  $M_x^0$  is the moment due to the external transverse loading only, and  $T$  is the applied tension force.

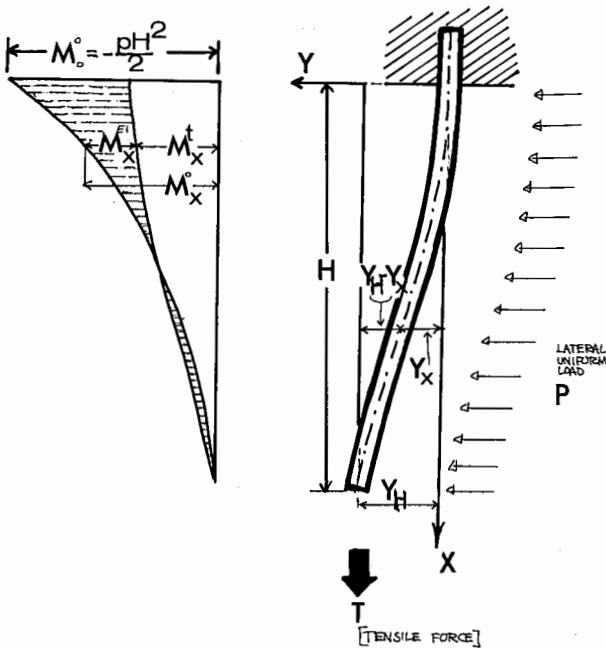


Figure 7 - A cantilever subjected to axial tension and transverse loading

$M_x^W$ , the bending moment in a shearwall,  $I^W$  denoting the moment of inertia of its cross-section, is similarly expressed on the basis of the analogy by:

$$M_x^W = -EI^W \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = M_x^O - F(Y_x - Y_H) \quad (17)$$

where  $M_x^O$  is again the moment due to the external transverse loading and  $F$  is the modified stiffness of the frame, as derived by equ. (14). The restraining effect of the frame on the distribution of the bending moments in the shearwall is clearly brought to light by the second term of the right side of equ. (17). The magnitude of this restraint considerably varies with the height of the building and the ratio between the stiffness of the frame and that of the shearwall. For a low building, with relatively small lateral displacement, the second term of equ. (17) is small compared with the first; thus horizontal loads are mainly resisted by the action of the shearwall alone. The taller the building, the more pronounced becomes the restraining effect of the frames.

To arrive in general terms at the expressions for the respective internal forces acting in the frame and the shearwalls, let us solve first the differential equation (10) or (16) for an analogous tensioned cantilever. The equ. (16), as can be seen when comparing with Fig. (7), may be rewritten as:

$$M_x^O = M_x^{EI} + M_x^T \quad (18)$$

which expresses the total moment due to external loading,  $M_x^O$ , as the sum of the bending moment  $M_x^{EI}$  in the tensioned beam and  $M_x^T$ , the moment caused by the axial tension force  $T$ . The first term on the right side of equ. (18) was given in equ. (16) as

$$M_x^{EI} = -EI \cdot \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} \quad (19)$$

and the second term as

$$M_x^T = T(Y_x - Y_H) \quad (20)$$

Assuming the external moment  $M_x^O$  to be caused by a uniformly distributed horizontal loading  $p$ , we get for it



$$M_x^0 = -\frac{p(H-x)^2}{2} \quad (21)$$

With these expressions, the solution of the aforementioned differential equations yields (after recognizing the boundary conditions that are evident from Fig. 7):

$$Y_x = \frac{P}{Tk^2 \text{Cosh}(kH)} \left[ K^2 \left( Hx - \frac{x^2}{2} \right) \text{Cosh}(kH) + \text{Cosh}(kx) + kH \text{Sinh} \left[ k(H-x) \right] - kH \text{Sinh}(kH) - 1 \right] \quad (22)$$

$$\text{where} \quad K^2 = \frac{T}{EI} \quad (23)$$

With the solution for the horizontal displacements of the tensioned beam given by equ. (22), the bending moment in the beam caused by the transverse uniform loading is obtained as:

$$M_x^{EI} = -EI \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -\frac{P}{k^2 \text{Cosh}(kH)} \left[ kH \text{Sinh} \left[ k(H-x) \right] + \text{Cosh}(kx) - \text{Cosh}(kH) \right] \quad (24)$$

The moment caused by the axial tension  $T$  is given by

$$M_x^T = T(y_x - y_H) = \frac{P}{k^2 \text{Cosh}(kH)} \left[ kH \text{Sinh} \left[ k(H-x) \right] - \text{Cosh}(kH) + \text{Cosh}(kx) - 1/2k^2(H-x)^2 \text{Cosh}(kH) \right] \quad (25)$$

When adding eqs. (24) and (25), as a check, equ. (18) is indeed satisfied, resulting in the expression for the external moment as given by equ. (21).

The two component parts of the shearforce are  $S_x^{EI}$  and  $S_x^T$ , the latter representing the component of the internal axial tensile force in the direction perpendicular to the initial axis of the beam.

$$S_x^{EI} = \frac{dM_x^{EI}}{dx} = -EI \frac{d^3y}{dx^3} = -\frac{P}{k \text{Cosh}(kH)} \left[ \text{Sinh}(kx) - kH \text{Cosh} \left[ k(H-x) \right] \right] \quad (26)$$

$$S_x^T = T \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{p}{k \text{Cosh}(kH)} \left[ k(H-x) \text{Cosh}(kH) + \text{Sinh}(kx) - kH \text{Cosh}[k(H-x)] \right] \quad (27)$$

It is readily seen again that when these two parts of the shearforces are added, the total shear is obtained, namely:

$$S_x^{EI} + S_x^T = p(H-x) \quad (28)$$

Eqs. (24) to (27) thus give the components of moments and shears in the tensioned cantilever beam.

The analogy, that was presented here, stated that the shearwall-frame system behaves exactly as does the tensioned cantilever beam; with the modified frame stiffness,  $F$ , of the former being analogous to the cable tension  $T$  in the latter. Similarly, the bending stiffness of the shearwall  $EI^W$  is analogous to that of the cantilever beam  $EI$ .

With these analogous substitutions introduced into equ. (24), the bending moment in the shearwall is obtained. Similarly equ. (25) will represent the total bending moment in the rigid frames; equ. (26) the shearforce in the wall, and equ. (27) the total shearforce in the frame. All these expressions are comparatively summarized in Table I.

### A Physical Model of the Analogy

The first models that simulate the behavior of shearwall-frame systems, according to the analogy presented above, were built at the Graduate School of Design of Harvard University and at the Department of Architecture of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (Figs. 8 and 9). The models consist of vertical strips of cast thermoplastic acrylic resin (Plexiglass) which can be subjected simultaneously to horizontal loading and vertical longitudinal tension. The horizontal loading represents the scaled load acting on the prototype shearwall-frame system; the tensile force represents the scaled rigidity of the frames. The bending stiffness of the Plexiglass strips is the scaled value for the stiffness of the shearwalls.

To facilitate the application of loads and the testing, the model is placed in its supporting frame in an upsidedown position, its support at the top representing the foundation of the prototype structure. The bottom of the model, at which the tensile force is applied, represents the uppermost level at the top of the real structure. The vertical strips of the model are joined by horizontal connectors to which horizontal and vertical loading can be

TABLE 1: BASIC ANALOGY

Tensioned Cantilever Beam		Shearwall - Frame System	
Stiffness:	EI		$EI_W$
	T (axial tension)		F (modified frame stiffness)
	$\sqrt{\frac{T}{EI}}$		$\sqrt{\frac{F}{EI_W}}$
k		$\bar{k}$	
$M_X^{EI}$	$-\frac{P}{k^2 \cosh(kH)} [kH \sinh k(H-x) + \cosh(kx) - \cosh(kH)]$ (transverse bending moment in beam)	$M_X^W$	$-\frac{P}{\bar{k}^2 \cosh(\bar{k}H)} [\bar{k}H \sinh \bar{k}(H-x) + \cosh(\bar{k}x) - \cosh(\bar{k}H)]$ (bending moment in shearwall)
$S_X^{EI}$	$-\frac{P}{k \cosh(kH)} [\sinh(kx) - kH \cosh k(H-x)]$ (shear force due to transverse loading)	$S_X^W$	$-\frac{P}{\bar{k} \cosh(\bar{k}H)} [\sinh(\bar{k}x) - \bar{k}H \cosh \bar{k}(H-x)]$ (shear force in wall)
$M_X^T$	$\frac{P}{k^2 \cosh(kH)} [kH \sinh k(H-x) + \cosh(kx) - \cosh(kH) - \frac{1}{2}k^2(H-x)^2 \cosh(kH)]$ (moment caused by tension force)	$M_X^F$	$\frac{P}{\bar{k}^2 \cosh(\bar{k}H)} [\bar{k}H \sinh \bar{k}(H-x) + \cosh(\bar{k}x) - \cosh(\bar{k}H) - \frac{1}{2}\bar{k}^2(H-x)^2 \cosh(\bar{k}H)]$ (total moments in all frames)
$S_X^T$	$\frac{P}{k \cosh(kH)} [k(H-x) \cosh(kH) - kH \cosh k(H-x) + \sinh(kx)]$ (transverse shear due to tension force)	$S_X^F$	$\frac{P}{\bar{k} \cosh(\bar{k}H)} [\bar{k}(H-x) \cosh(\bar{k}H) - \bar{k}H \cosh \bar{k}(H-x) + \sinh(\bar{k}x)]$ (total shear force in all frames)



Figure 8 - Model of the analogy

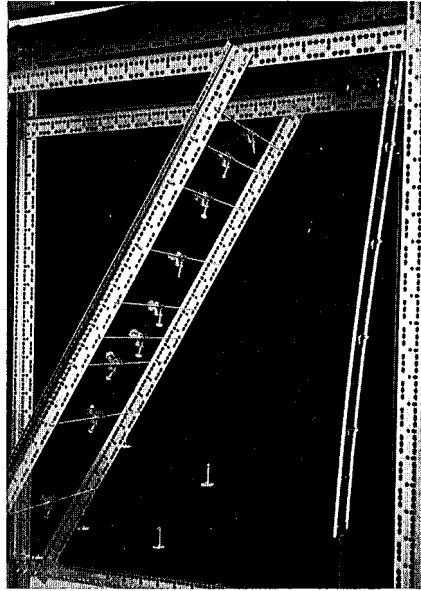


Figure 9 - Loading of the model

applied. Thus the vertical strips have unobstructed surfaces, for measurements and for attaching to them additional vertical strips, so as to simulate any possible variation in the rigidity of the prototype shearwalls. Application of an appropriate vertical tensile force at any one of these connectors would correspond to a change of stiffness of the frames at that level in the prototype structure. At the top support of the model a clamping device permits rotating of the axis of the model, thus simulating any elastic restraint of the prototype shearwalls in their foundation.

Both models were constructed of two 1" wide, 1/4" thick, and 5'-0" long Plexiglass strips (Fig. 10). As is evident from Table I, the distribution of shearforces and moments among the frames and walls is a function of the dimensionless parameter  $kH = \frac{F}{EI^W} H^P$ . Its magnitude determines the

characteristic pattern of deformation of the entire structure. The analogous parameter to this in the axially-tensioned cantilever beam has the dimensionless value  $kH = \frac{T}{EI} H^M$ . The model, which forms such an axially-tensioned cantilever beam must, therefore, have its parameter  $(kH)_M$  equal to that of the prototype (frame-wall) structure  $(\bar{k}H)_P$ :

$$(kH)_M = (kH)_P \tag{29}$$

For the prototype structure, from Table I

$$(\bar{kH})_P = \frac{F}{EI^W} H^P \tag{30}$$

where  $F$  is the modified frame stiffness, as determined from equ. (14),  $I^W$  the moment of inertia of the shearwalls, and  $H^P$  the height of the building.

For the model

$$(kH)_M = \sqrt{\frac{T}{E^M I^M}} H^M \tag{31}$$

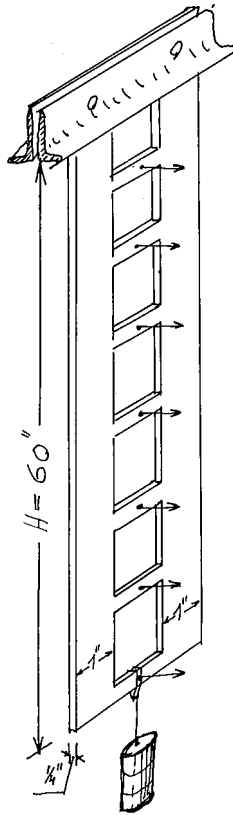


Figure 10 - Model dimensions

where  $T$  is the applied axial tension force,  $E^M$  — the modulus of elasticity of the model material, and  $I^M$  the moment of inertia about the axis perpendicular to the plane of bending.  $H^M$  is the height of the model. Thus the required tensile force,  $T$ , to be applied in the model, is established from equation (31) as a function of the parameter  $kH$ .

For the models built at the Harvard and M.I.T. workshops we have:

$$E^M = 450,000 \text{ psi}$$

$$I^M = 2 \times \frac{1.0 \times 0.25^3}{12}$$

$$E^M I^M = 1172 \text{ lbs-in}^2$$

$$H^M = 60 \text{ in.}$$

Introducing this into equ. (31), we get

$$(kH)_M = \sqrt{\frac{T}{1172}} 60 \quad (32)$$

or

$$T = \frac{(kH)_M^2}{3.08} \quad [\text{lbs.}] \quad (33)$$

which becomes, considering equ. (29),

$$T = \frac{(kH)_p^2}{3.08} \quad [\text{lbs.}] \quad (34)$$

Thus equ. (34) gives for any value of the parameter  $(kH)_p$  of the prototype structure, the required tensile force  $T$  to be applied on the model described above.

From the deformation of the model, subjected simultaneously to the longitudinal tension and a horizontal loading which represents the scaled value of wind or earthquake loads on the prototype, its structural behavior can be studied. A deformation curve which resembles that of Fig. 1.d., pure wall action, will indicate the fact that most of the external moment is resisted by the shearwalls. A curve that shows substantial deviation from that of Fig.

1d, and approximates that of Fig. 1.b., indicates the preponderance of frame action.

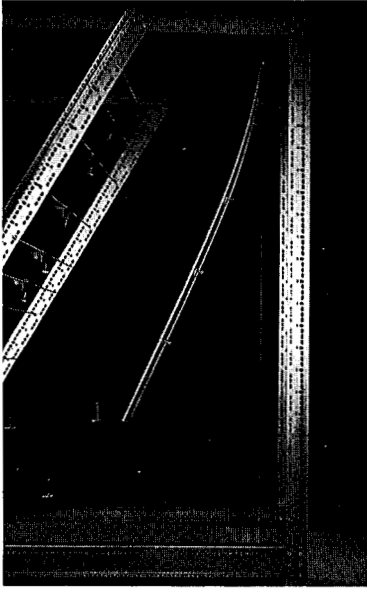
A glance at the deformation of the model immediately reveals its structural behavior. (Fig. 11) shows a series of photos of the Harvard-M.I.T. model under different relative frame-shearwall-height proportions. Fig. 11a shows the horizontal displacement simulating the action of a shearwall alone, a convex curve when viewed from the right (center of curvature to left of curve). Fig. 11b shows that of a rigid frame alone, a concave curve when viewed from the right (center of curvature to right of curve). Figs. 11c to 11f show the simulated combined effect of interacting frames and shearwalls. Each of these figures represents a progressively larger  $kH$  value. Corresponding floor plans and building sections are shown in the Appendix, in which the analogous tensile loadings on the model also are computed. It becomes apparent that, the larger the applied tension force, the closer the curve becomes to a concave one, when viewed from the right. It is, however, of interest to note that in all the cases shown in Figs. 11c to 11f, there is a point of inflection on the curve. This indicates that the lower part of the building, close to the foundation, in all cases resists the horizontal loads by shearwall-action, even though the upper part might exhibit predominant frame-action.

For comparison with these experimental results it is of interest to investigate two extreme cases of structural behavior: that of predominant wall action, i.e. larger  $kH$  values. Fig. 12a gives a graph for the displacement  $y$  of a structure for which  $kH = 1$ . The moments and shearforces, computed by the analogy presented here for a tensioned beam with the expressions summarized in Table I, are also shown in the same figure.

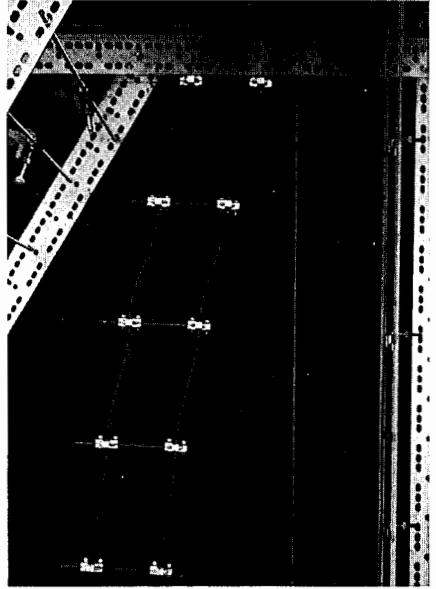
Figure 12a illustrates the relative contribution of the frame and the shearwall to the deflection pattern, by examining the two extreme cases, namely, that of  $F = 0$ , i.e., no frame, and that of  $EI^W = 0$ , i.e. no shearwall. It is noted that in this case the system deforms predominantly as a cantilever; in other words, the frame takes only a very minor part of the applied load.

On the other hand, for a fairly tall building, say  $kH = 10$  as shown in Fig. 12b, it is readily seen that the deflection pattern is considerably affected by frame action and resembles that of a transversely loaded cable. Again, the deflection pattern for the two extreme cases, that of no frame and that of no shear wall respectively, makes this apparent and shows the predominant effect of frame action in tall buildings.

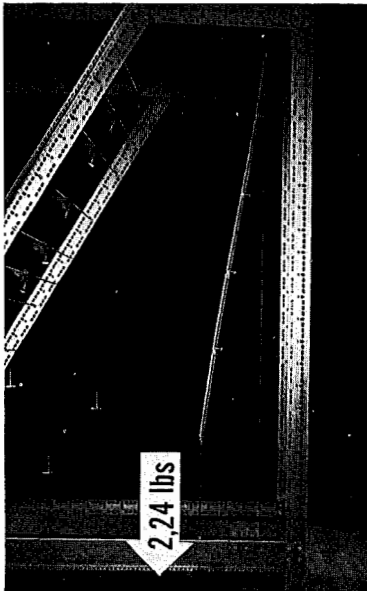
The model described above, can be used for a detailed determination of the distribution of lateral loads among frames and walls of a real building



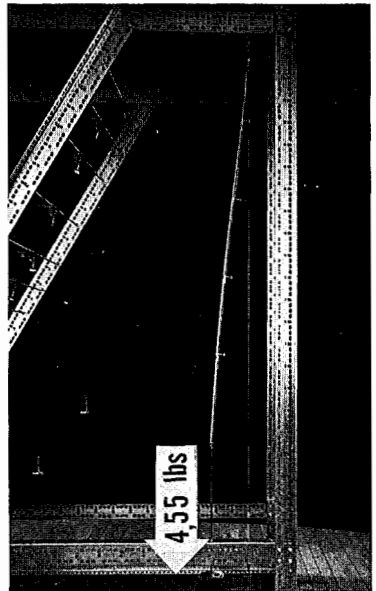
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(b)



(c)



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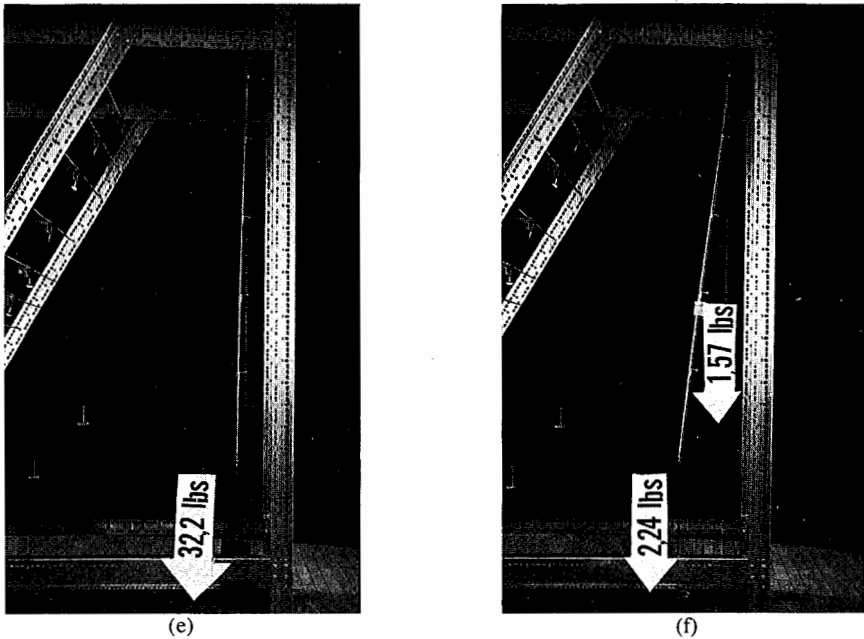


Figure 11 - Model deformation under loading

represented by it. To do this, its deformation must be measured with accuracy. One method for accomplishing this would be to measure, by strain gauges or other deformometers, the curvatures of the model. This should first be established for the model subjected to the scaled horizontal loading only (Fig. 13a). The curvature  $(1/R)^0$  measured would correspond to the external bending moment  $M^0$  on the real structure (Fig. 13b). After the model is subjected, in addition to the horizontal loading, also to the vertical tension, simulating the frame action, the curvatures of the model  $(1/R)^W$  will be measured again, Fig. (13a). The bending moments  $M^W$  in the shear wall of a real structure are then established in proportion to the measured curvatures, as shown in Fig. (13b).

$$M^W = M^0 \frac{(1/R)^W}{(1/R)^0} \quad (35)$$

Another method for applying the experimental results to design calculations of the interaction of frames and walls in a building is the measuring of the horizontal displacements of the model from its original vertical position

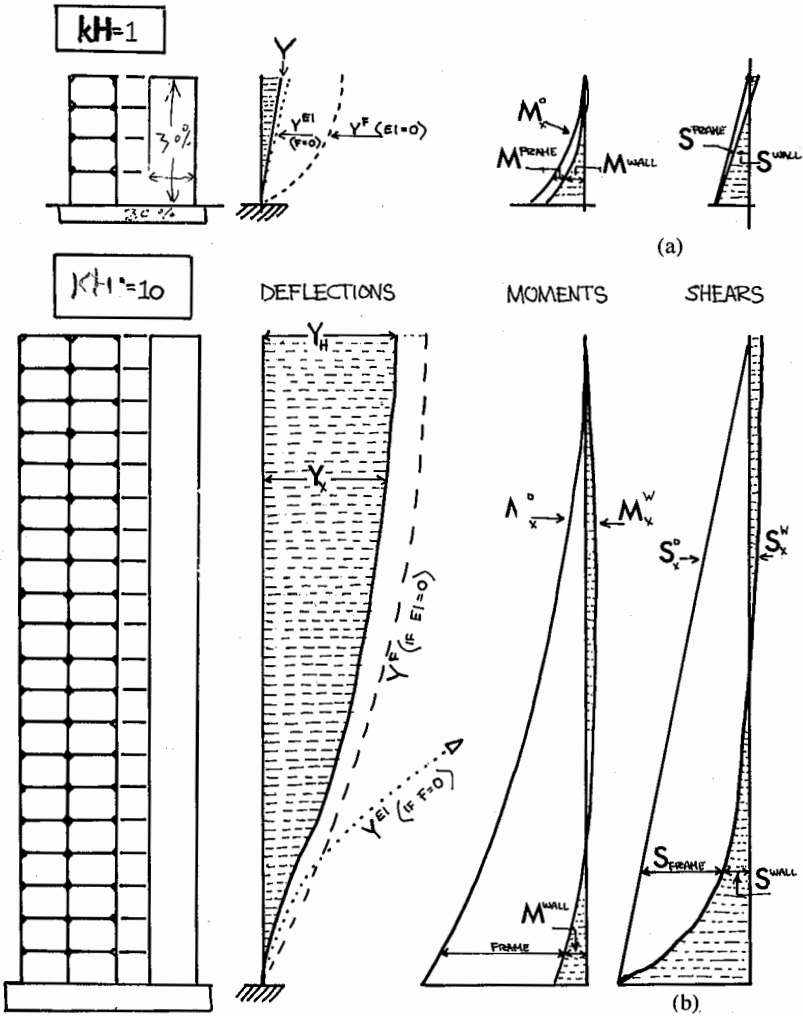


Figure 12 - Deformation, Moments and Shears of Shearwall-Frame Systems

(Fig. 7.). The bending moment  $M^F$  resisted by frames of the prototype structure is then established from equ. (20), adjusted for its scale factor.

$$M^F = T \cdot (Y_H - Y_X) \cdot \left( \frac{H^P}{H^M} \right)^2 \cdot \frac{p^P}{p^M} \quad (36)$$

Such measurements have not yet been taken on the relatively crude models described; their results will be reported when available.

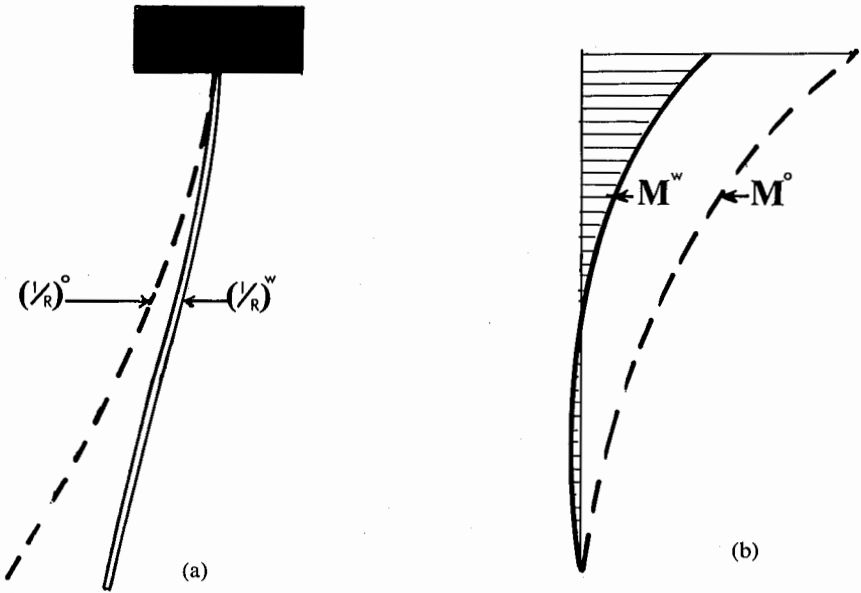


Figure 13 - Model curvature and related bending moments

### In Conclusion

All existing methods for determining the distribution of horizontal forces among shearwalls and frames require lengthy numerical or computer substitution of the physical constants into equations, of which the right part of Table 1 demonstrates only a special case. The particular advantage of the method presented here is that it allows the development of a simple experimental procedure which can yield the results directly. From the measurements on the model, the shearforces and moments can be readily derived; and these yield, with the appropriate similitude factor, the corresponding values for the prototype structure.




A single physical model suffices to simulate the behavior of any structure consisting of shearwalls and frames. The model, as presently used in the illustrations above, presupposes a symmetrical position of the walls and frames in the building. It can, however, be adjusted so as to simulate the behavior of assymetrical buildings also. By changing the position and intensity of the tensile load applied on the model, any frame stiffness can be represented. By changing the cross-section of the model material, any wall stiffness or variation in it can be represented.

The value of such an analogy as a visual tool cannot be overemphasized. The loaded model depicts practically at a glance the interaction between frames and walls. The shape of the deflection curve indicates directly whether the horizontal loadings are resisted mainly by wall or by frame action. Measurements on the model can yield values for the moments and shears in the individual elements with an accuracy that is useful for design purposes. The particular advantage of any such visual design tool is a considerably reduced chance for gross design errors.

The method, developed here, is being extended now to serve as a general design tool for the estimate of interaction of walls and frames in any multi-story building. It becomes evident that the extension of this analogy to asymmetrical buildings will show additional merits of this method in offering a simple solution to normally complex cases.

#### NOTATIONS

$E$	modulus of elasticity
$E^M$	modulus of elasticity of model
$F, F_i$	modified stiffness of rigid frame
$H, H^P$	height of building
$H^M$	height of model
$h_i$	height of story $i$
$I$	moment of inertia
$I^C$	moment of inertia of column
$I^G$	moment of inertia of girder
$I^M$	moment of inertia of model
$I^W$	moment of inertia of shear wall
$K$	Spring constant of rotational restraint
$K^C$	rigidity of column
$K^G$	rigidity of girder
$kH$	dimensionless parameter
$(kH)_P$	dimensionless parameter of a prototype building
$(kH)_M$	dimensionless parameter of model

$L$	span of a girder in frame
$M, M_X, M_X^P$	bending moment in a rigid element
$M_X^{EI}, M_X^W$	bending moment in beam or wall
$M_X^T$	part of total moment equilibrated by eccentricity of tensile force
$M_X^F$	part of total moment resisted by frame
$M_X^O$	total moment due to external loading
$M_X^r$	bending moment in R.R. beam due to restraints
$m_X^r$	continuous moment of rotational restraints
$P$	transverse loading per unit length
$p^P$	transverse loading per unit length of real structure
$p^M$	transverse loading per unit length of model
$S_i$	shear force acting in story $i$
$S_X^{EI}$	shear force in wall or tensioned beam
$S_X^T$	shear force component equilibrated by tensile force
$T$	tensile force
	relative horizontal displacement in rigid frame due to columns only
	relative horizontal displacement in rigid frame
	relative horizontal displacement in transversely loaded tensioned cable
$\phi$	angle of rotation of R.R. Beam

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## APPENDIX

### EXAMPLES

A building structure, (Figure 14) composed of 8 frames and 2 shear walls is used in the five following examples representing five characteristic cases of application of the analogy presented.

#### EXAMPLE 1

A 26-story-high building, (Figure 15) with structural layout and R.C. walls and frames having dimensions as shown in Figure 14.

Modulus of elasticity of concrete  $E_c = 3 \times 10^6$  psi.

Mom. of inertia of column  $C_1$ ;  $I_1^C = \frac{12^4}{12} = 1728 \text{ in}^4$ ;  
16 col.'s  $C_1$  at one level.

Mom. of inertia of column  $C_2$ ;  $I_2^C = \frac{12 \cdot 18^3}{12} = 5832 \text{ in}^4$ ;  
8 col.'s  $C_2$  at one level.

Mom. of inertia of girder  $G$ ;  $I^G = \frac{12 \times 20^3}{12} = 8000 \text{ in}^4$ ;  
16 girders  $G$  at one level.

$h = 10' = 120''$ ;  $L = 15' = 180''$ ;

$$\sum \frac{I^C}{h} = 16 \times \frac{1728}{120} = 230.4 \text{ in}^3$$

$$\sum \frac{I^C}{h} = 8 \times \frac{5832}{120} = \underline{\underline{388.8 \text{ in}^3}}$$

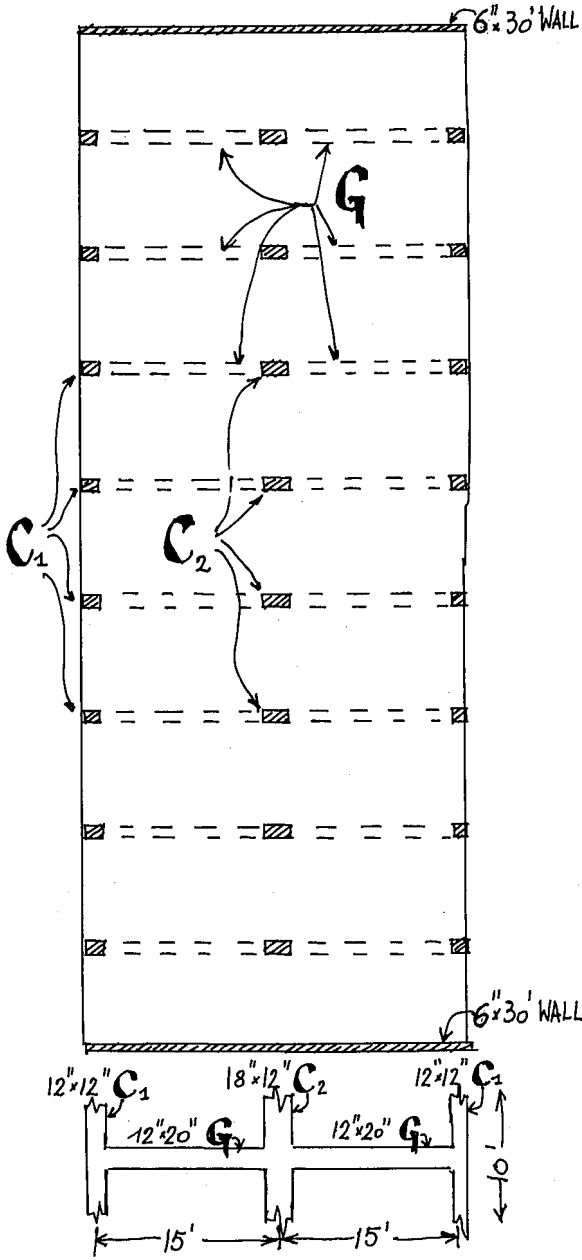


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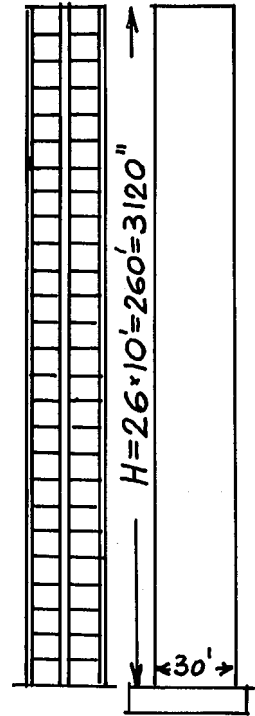


Figure 15

$$\sum K_i^C = \sum \frac{I_i^C}{h} = \underline{619.2 \text{ in}^3}$$

$$\sum K_i^G = \sum \frac{I_i^G}{L} = 16 \times \frac{8000}{180} = \underline{711.1 \text{ in}^3}$$

These values are introduced into formula (14)

$$F = \frac{12E}{h \left[ \frac{1}{\sum \frac{I^C}{h}} + \frac{1}{\sum \frac{I^G}{L}} \right]} = \frac{12E_c}{120 \left[ \frac{1}{619.2} + \frac{1}{711.1} \right]} = \underline{33.1 \times E_c \text{ [lbs.]}}$$

$EI^W$  – value for two R.C. shear walls:

$$EI^W = E_c \times 2 \times \frac{6 \times (30 \times 12)^3}{12} = \underline{E_c \times 46.6 \times 10^6 \text{ lb-in}^2}$$

$$H = 26 \times 10' - 260 \text{ ft.} = 3120''$$

$$(kH)^2 = \frac{F}{EI^W} \quad H^2 = \frac{33.1 \cdot E_c}{46.6 \times 10^6 E_c} \times 3120^2 = \underline{6.91}$$

According to equ. (34) the tensile load to be applied at the end of the M.I.T.-Harvard models is equal

$$T = \frac{(kH)^2 P}{3.08} = \frac{6.91}{3.08} = \underline{\underline{2.24 \text{ lbs}}}$$

Figure 11.c demonstrates this case.

## EXAMPLE 2

A 37-story-high building, Figure 16, with a typical layout and structure as in Example 1.

Then 
$$\underline{F = 33.1 \times E_c}$$



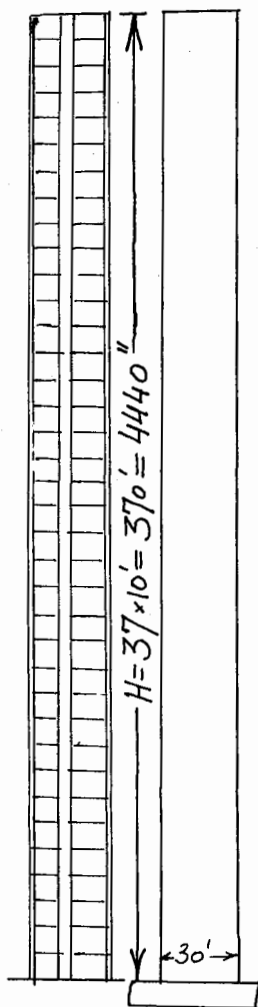


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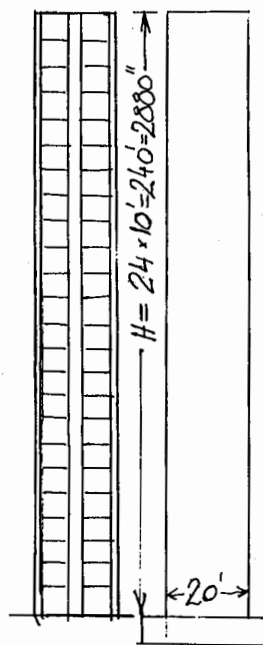


Figure 17

$$EI^W = 46.6 \times 10^6 E_c$$

$$H = 37 \times 10' = 370' = 4440''$$

$$(kH)^2 = \frac{F}{EI^W} \quad H^2 = \frac{33.1 E_c}{46.6 \times 10^6 E_c} \times 4440^2 = \underline{14.0}$$

Accordingly the tensile load to be applied on the model is:

$$T = \frac{14.0}{3.08} = \underline{4.55 \text{ lbs}}$$

Figure 11.d demonstrates this case.

### EXAMPLE 3

A 24-story-high building, Figure 17, with a typical layout, two 6" thick and 20' wide R.C. shearwalls and steel frames. Moments of Inertia of all frame members are equal to half the corresponding values for R.C. frames from Examples 1 and 2. Modulus of elasticity of steel;  $E_s = 10 E_c$ .

$$\text{Then } F = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 33.1 \times E_s = \frac{1}{2} \times 33.1 \times 10 E_c = \underline{165.5 E_c}$$

$$EI^W = E_c \cdot 2 \cdot \frac{6 \times (20 \times 12)^3}{12} = \underline{13824 \times 10^3 \cdot [E_c \text{ lb} - \text{in}^2]}$$

$$H = 24 \times 10' = 240' = 2880''$$

$$(kH)^2 = \frac{F}{EI^W} \quad H^2 = \frac{165.5 E_c}{13824 \times 10^3 E_c} \cdot 2880^2 = \underline{99.5} \approx (10)^2. \quad (\text{As } 12b)$$

Accordingly the tensile load to be applied on the model is:

$$T = \frac{99.5}{3.08} = \underline{32.2 \text{ lbs}}$$

Figure 11e demonstrates this case. See also the diagrams Fig. 12b.

### EXAMPLE 4

A 30-story-high building, Figure 18a, with a typical layout, showing R.C. frames (as in Example 1), and two 6" thick R.C. walls — 30 feet wide in lower part of the building 0 to 15 level, and 15 feet wide from 15 level to the top of the building.

$$\text{Then } F = 33.1 \cdot E_c \quad [\text{lbs}]$$

$EI^W$  value for two shearwalls in the upper part of the building.

$$EI_{\text{up}}^W = E_c \times 2 \cdot \frac{6 \times (15 \times 12)^3}{12} = \underline{E_c \times 5.83 \times 10^6 \quad [\text{lb} - \text{in}^2]}$$

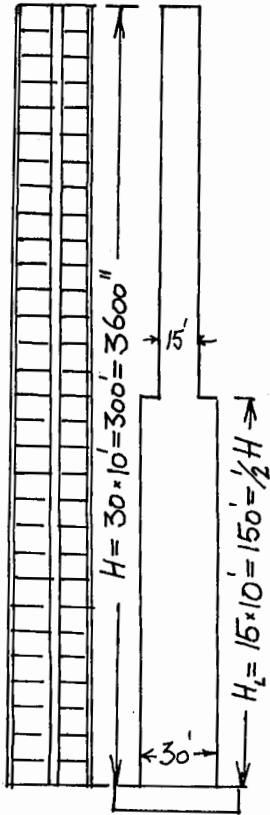


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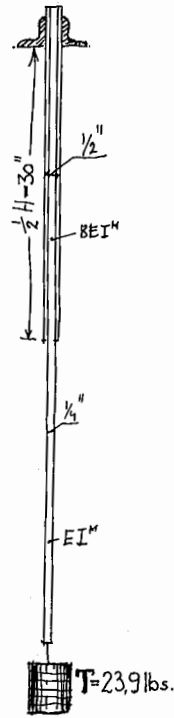


Figure 18(b)

$$H = 30 \times 10' = 300' = 3600''$$

Taking for reference the rigidity parameters in the upper part of the building as corresponding to the properties of the models with their standard dimensions, we obtain:

$$(kH)^2 = \frac{F}{EI_{up}^w} H^2 = \frac{33.1 E_c}{5.83 \times 10^6 E_c} \cdot 3600^2 = \underline{73.7}$$

$$\text{Tension in model: } T = \frac{73.7}{3.08} = \underline{23.9 \text{ lbs}}$$

To represent the variation of the rigidity of the shearwall in the scale model, its upper half must be strengthened accordingly, (Fig. 18b). The tensile force applied on the model is constant, since the rigidity of the frames — to which it is analogous — is constant for the entire height of the building.

#### EXAMPLE 5

A 26-story-high building, Figure 19, with a typical layout showing R.C. shearwalls (as in Examples 1, 2). The R.C. frames in the upper part of the building, from level 16 to 26, have the same dimensions, and consequently, the same value for  $F$  as in Examples 1 and 2.

In the lower part of the building, all members of the frames have rigidities 1.7 times larger than those of the upper standard frames.

Then  $F_{\text{up}} = 33.1 \times E_c$  (as in Examples 1 and 2)

$$F_{\text{low}} = 1.7 \times 33.1 \times E_c = 56.27 E_c$$

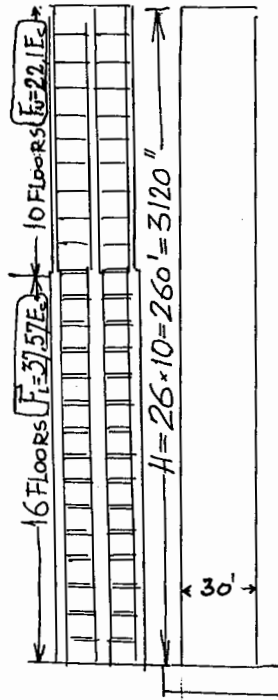


Figure 19

$$EI^W = 46.6 \times 10^6 E_c$$

$$H = 26 \times 10' = 260' = 3120''$$

Taking for reference the rigidity parameters in the upper part of the building, the tensioning force in the corresponding lower part of model will be determined as for the case of constant rigidity of frames.

$$(kH)^2 = \frac{F_{up}}{EI^W} H^2 = \frac{33.1 \times E_c}{46.6 \times 10^6 E_c} 3120^2 = 6.91$$

The tension to be applied at the bottom of the model:

$$\underline{T_1} = \frac{6.91}{3.08} = \underline{2.24 \text{ lbs}}$$

The tension in the upper part of the model, corresponding to the lower part of the real building, ought to be increased in proportion to the increased rigidity of the real frame in this part of the structure.

$$\text{Then } T_2 = T_1 \frac{F_{low}}{F_{up}} = 2.24 \times 1.7 = \underline{3.81 \text{ lbs}}$$

Thus, at the upper part of the model, the end tensile force of  $T_1 = 2.24$  lbs must be augmented by

$$T = T_2 - T_1 = 3.81 - 2.24 = 1.57 \text{ lbs.}$$

The additional weight of 1.57 lbs has been applied to the model at the level corresponding to that at which the real structure exhibits a change in frame rigidity, Fig. 11.f.

# PROCEEDINGS OF THE SOCIETY

## Minutes of Meetings

### Boston Society of Civil Engineers

September 16, 1970:- The regular monthly meeting of the Boston Society of Civil Engineers was held jointly with the Geotechnical Section of the BSCE and the Structural Section of the BSCE, at the Townhouse, 84 Beacon Street, Boston, Massachusetts. This was a dinner meeting with a cocktail hour preceding the dinner. Eighty (80) members and guests were seated at the dinner.

President Spencer called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M., and announced that unless there was objection, the reading of the minutes of the meeting of July 13, 1970 would be waived because they would be published in the forthcoming issue of the Journal. There was no objection.

President Spencer announced with regret the death of the following members:-

James E. Hanlon, elected a member Nov. 20, 1918, who died May 27, 1970

Dana N. Peaslee, elected a member Oct. 21, 1914, who died July 11, 1970

Edward G.A. Powers, elected a member Oct. 17, 1963, who died August 1970

Samuel I. Widershein, elected a member Oct. 20, 1958, who died May 27, 1970

The members present rose in a moment of silent tribute to those who had passed away.

President Spencer then called upon the Secretary for any announcements. Secretary Dunkerley announced that applications for membership had been received from the following:-

Robert B. Calderwood, Marlboro, Mass.

Frank P. Alberti, Jr., East Boston, Mass.

President Spencer stated that this was a joint meeting with the Geotechnical and Structural Sections and turned the meeting over to the Chairman of the Geo-

technical Section to conduct any business necessary at this time. Chairman Ladd of the Geotechnical Section made several announcements and invited Chairman Simpson of the Structural Section to make other announcements. At the conclusion of the announcements, Chairman Ladd introduced the guest speakers of the evening. Rev. Daniel Linehan, Director of the Weston Observatory, gave a very interesting illustrated lecture on the nature and the sources of earthquakes. Chairman Ladd then introduced Mr. Russel J. Holt, President of the Weston Geophysical Research, Inc., who amplified upon Father Linehan's remarks and further described the nature of earthquakes. Finally, Chairman Ladd introduced Dr. Robert V. Whitman, Professor of Civil Engineering at M.I.T., whose interesting illustrated talk concerned the relationship between earthquakes and structures involved in the earthquakes.

There were one-hundred seven (107) members and guests present at the series of three lectures.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul A. Dunkerley  
Secretary

October 14, 1970:- The regular monthly meeting of the Boston Society of Civil Engineers was held with the American Society of Civil Engineers and the Computer Section of the BSCE at the Lincoln Center, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, Mass. This meeting was the traditional Student Night; students from all of the New England colleges and universities had been invited to attend.

At 6:30 P.M., a roast beef dinner was served, and delegates from the following universities were recognized: Northeastern University, Tufts University, Norwich University, University of Massachusetts, Merrimac College, Southeastern Massachusetts University. President Ernest L.

Spencer extended a warm welcome to the students present. President Spencer then called upon the Secretary for announcements. The Secretary announced that membership applications had been received from the following:-

Emmanuel O. Agbettor, Accra, Ghana  
 Gary S. Brierly, Medford, Mass.  
 William R. Domey, Wayland, Mass.  
 Robert G. Field, North Reading, Mass.  
 Adolph E. Van Laethem, Chelmsford, Mass.  
 Glenn S. Orenstein, Watertown, Mass.  
 Paul J. Ossenbruggen, Brookline, Mass.  
 Edward L. Von Stein, Cambridge, Mass.

Following dessert, President Spencer introduced Mr. Donald T. Goldberg, President of the Mass. Section of ASCE, and asked him to conduct any necessary business of ASCE at this time. Mr. Goldberg presented certificates in recognition of student chapter excellence to the student chapters of the University of Massachusetts and Northeastern University. Mr. Goldberg also called on Professor Russell Jones to say a few words. Professor Jones indicated that he was a Director of the National ASCE, and that as the youngest member of that Board of Direction, he was anxious to bring about some changes favorable to the younger membership of the Society. Professor Jones' remarks were warmly received by the audience.

President Spencer called upon Mr. Gerald Woodland to conduct any necessary Computer Section business. Mr. Woodland made a brief announcement stating that the next meeting of the Computer Section would be October 28, 1970, at the Playboy Club.

President Spencer then called upon Professor Saul Namyet and asked him to introduce the speaker of the evening. Professor Namyet introduced Mr. David Carsen, President, Omnidata Service Inc., New York. Mr. Carsen's subject was "Civil Engineering in the 1970's". Mr. Carsen had offered two thought-provoking articles published in the Civil Engineering Magazine, January and February 1969. In his remarks, Mr. Carsen suggested that civil engineers are underpaid for the services which they perform. He made

in-depth comparisons with other trades and professions. He did not recommend that the engineering profession unionize itself, but he did recommend that the engineering profession find adequate leadership in its professional societies so as to present a solid front in the economic sphere. Following Mr. Carsen's formal talk, there was a lively question and answer and discussion period.

One hundred three (103) members, guests, and students attended the dinner preceding the meeting, and one hundred seven (107) members, guests and students attended the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:05 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul A. Dunkerley  
 Secretary

#### GEOTECHNICAL SECTION

September 16, 1970:- A Joint Dinner meeting was held together with the Main Society and the Structural Section at The Townhouse, 84 Beacon Street, Boston, Mass. The program was arranged by the Geotechnical Section. The meeting was opened by Professor Spencer, Society President. The evening program and speakers were introduced by Charles C. Ladd, Section Chairman.

The program topic was "Implications of Revised Earthquake Zone Classification for Boston", presented by a series of three speakers as follows:-

1. Rev. Daniel Linehan (SJ), Director, Weston Geophysical Observatory "Earthquake History of Boston".
2. Mr. Russel J. Holt, President, Weston Geophysical Research, Inc. "Comparative Seisicity".
3. Dr. Robert V. Whitman, Prof. of Civil Engineering, M.I.T. "Ground Motions and Amplification".

A general discussion period followed the program.

Eighty members and guests attended the dinner and meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Edmund G. Johnson  
 Clerk

## COMPUTER SECTION

October 28, 1970:- A meeting of the Computer Section of the Boston Society of Civil Engineers was held at the Playboy Club, 54 Park Square, Boston. The meeting was called to order at 8:00 P.M. by Section Chairman, Gerald L. Woodland, Jr., following refreshments and dinner. Fifty persons were in attendance.

Chairman Woodland made the following announcements:-

- The printed announcement that this meeting was a joint BSCE-ASCE activity was premature, but all ASCE members were welcomed.
- Anyone present who had not received a mailed announcement and wished to have his name added to the section mailing list should contact Section Clerk, David Hellstrom.
- A joint meeting with the Geotechnical Section will be held on November 10th.
- The next meeting of the Computer Section will be held on January 20th and will be the Section's annual meeting.

Dr. Neil Harper will speak on the future of computers on the practice of civil engineering in the 70's.

- The American Society of Mechanical Engineers has also organized a computer group, and the possibility of sponsoring joint meetings will be explored.
- Thanks were expressed to all in attendance who came on short notice, and to Al Rimer who was in charge of making arrangements for the meeting.

There being no other business, Chairman Woodland turned the meeting over to Alan Rimer who introduced the speaker, Professor Joseph Sussman of M.I.T. Professor Sussman spoke on the subject "Computerized Specification Editing" and illustrated his talk using slides, including examples from the "SPECS" program. A question period followed which indicated considerable interest in the subject. The meeting was adjourned at 9 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

David I. Hellstrom  
Clerk



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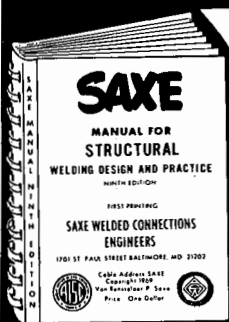
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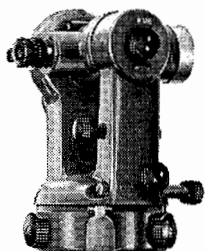
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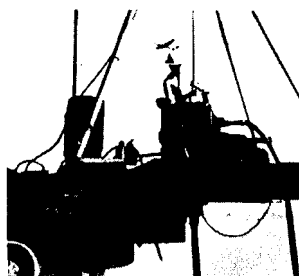
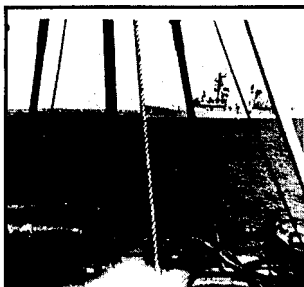
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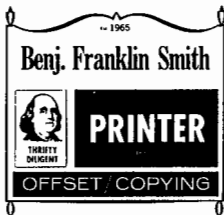
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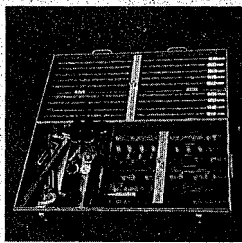
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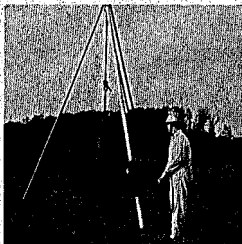
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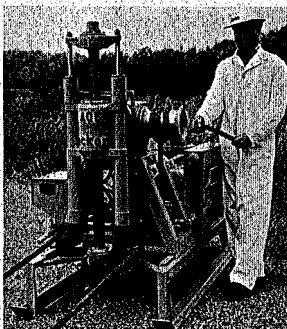
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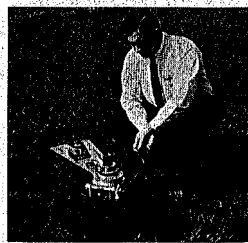
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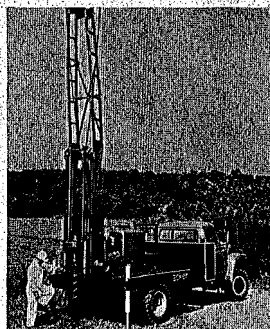
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