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Portland Marriott Downtown Waterfront
Portland, Oregon

Sept 8th, 2017

Changes to AASHTO LRFD & Caltrans Design Criteria for Design of Retaining Structures Over the Last Decade



LFD → LRFD



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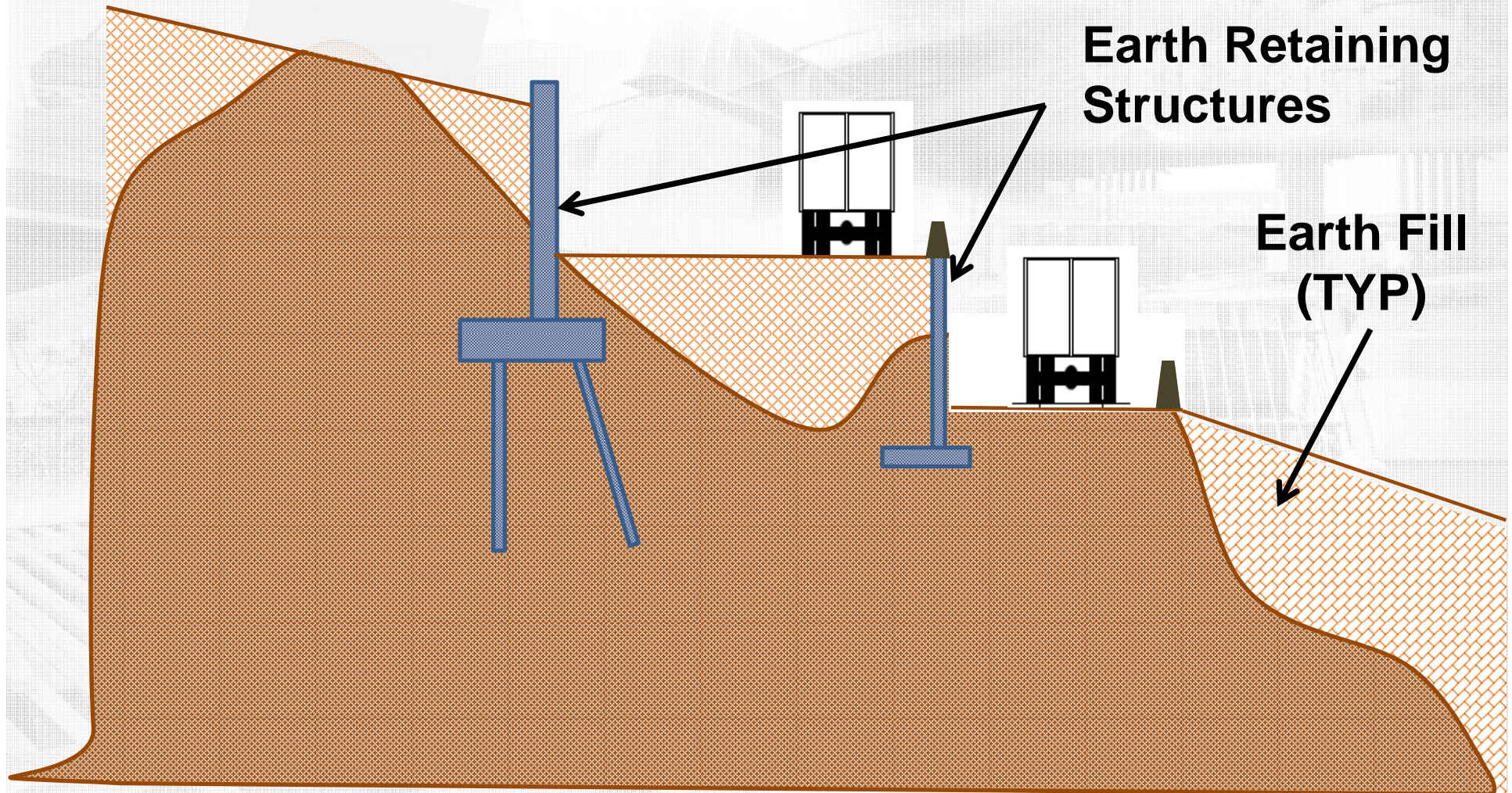
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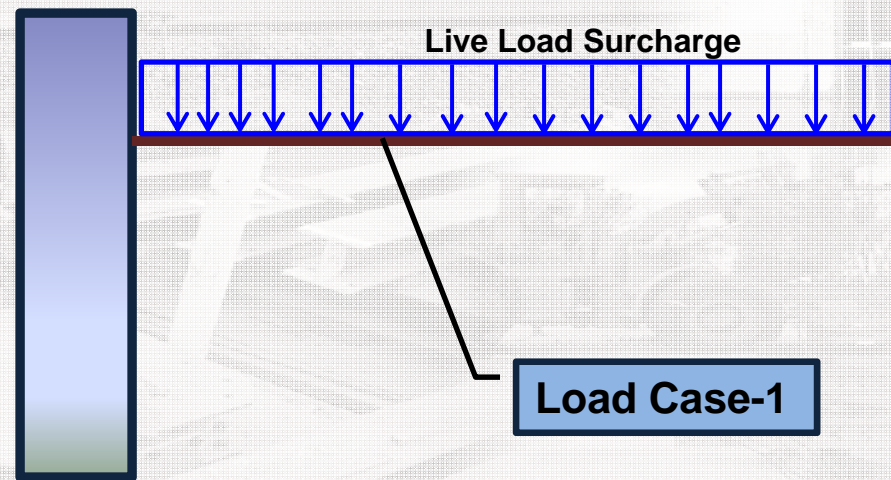
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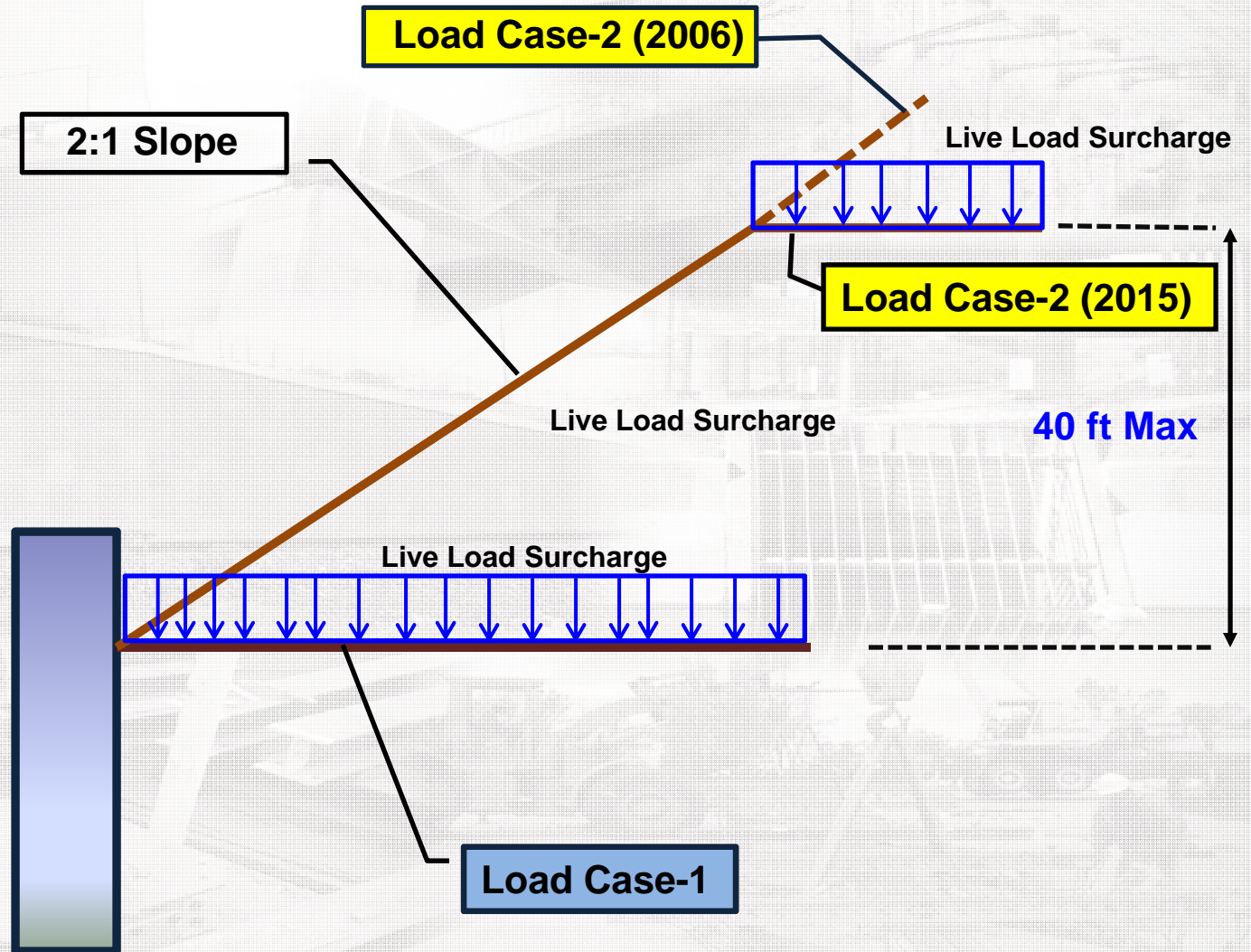
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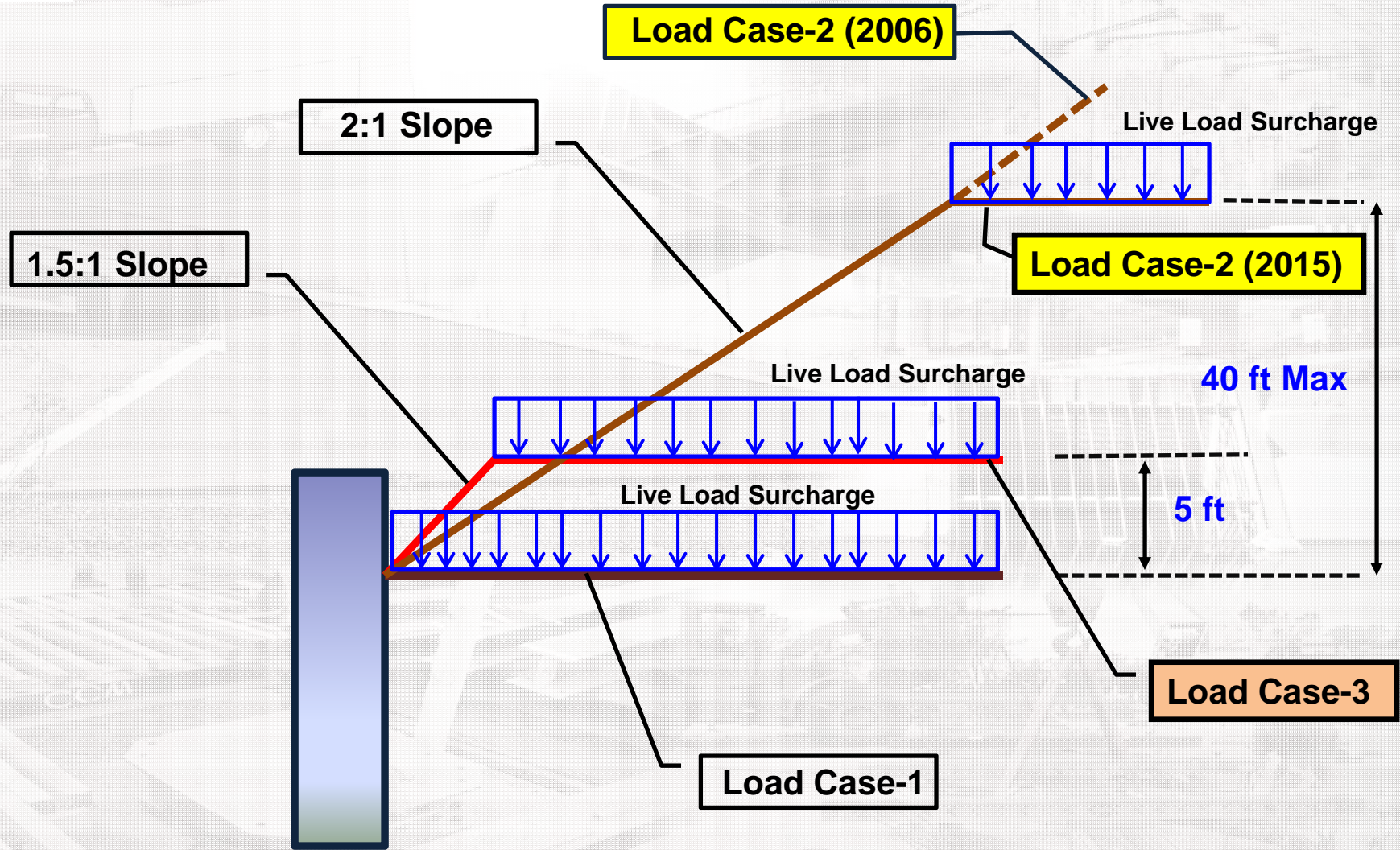
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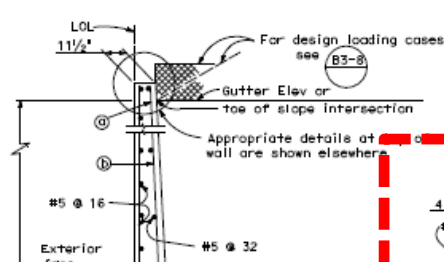
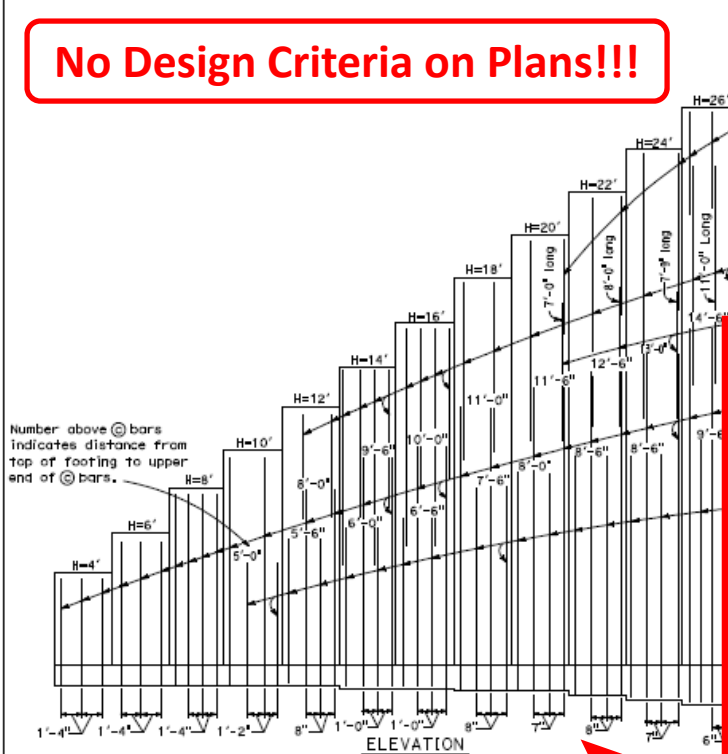
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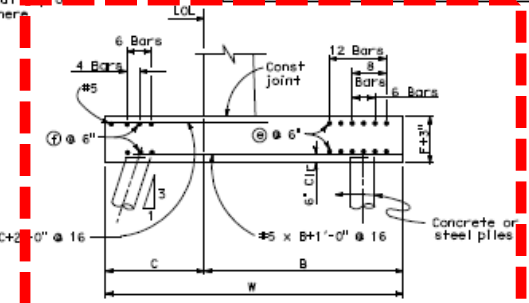


No Design Criteria on Plans!!!



DIST	COUNTY	ROUTE	POST MILES TOTAL PROJECT	SHEET NO.	TOTAL SHEETS

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 May 1, 2006
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90 KIP PILE FOOTING SECTION
 Reinforcement detailed is to be placed in addition to that shown for spread footing. All piles not shown, see pile layout on other sheets.

Design H	4'
W	3'-3"
C	1'-0"
B	2'-3"
F	1'-4"
Batter	1/2:12
(a) bars	—
(b) bars	—
(c) bars	#5 @ 16
(d) bars	#5 @ 16
Total (e) bars	6-#6
Total (f) bars	—
Loading Case I	Toe Pressure ksf 1.7
Loading Case II	Toe Pressure ksf 1.1
Loading Case III	Toe Pressure ksf 1.4

TABLE OF REINFORCING STEEL DIMENSIONS AND DATA

Design H	4'	6'	8'	10'	12'	14'	16'	18'	20'	22'
W	3'-3"	4'-3"	5'-3"	6'-3"	7'-3"	8'-3"	9'-0"	10'-0"	11'-0"	12'-1"
C	1'-0"	1'-4"	1'-8"	2'-0"	2'-4"	2'-8"	2'-11"	3'-3"	3'-7"	3'-11"
B	2'-3"	2'-11"	3'-7"	4'-3"	5'-0"	5'-6"	6'-1"	6'-9"	7'-5"	8'-2"
F	1'-4"	1'-4"	1'-4"	1'-4"	1'-4"	1'-4"	1'-6"	1'-6"	1'-6"	1'-8"
Batter	1/2:12	1/2:12	1/2:12	1/2:12	1/2:12	1/2:12	1/2:12	1/2:12	1/2:12	1/2:12
(a) bars	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(b) bars	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(c) bars	#5 @ 16	#5 @ 16	#5 @ 16	#5 @ 14	#5 @ 12	#5 @ 12	#5 @ 12	#5 @ 12	#5 @ 12	#5 @ 12
(d) bars	#5 @ 16	#5 @ 16	#5 @ 16	#5 @ 14	#5 @ 12	#5 @ 12	#5 @ 12	#5 @ 12	#5 @ 12	#5 @ 12
Total (e) bars	6-#6	6-#6	6-#6	12-#6	12-#6	12-#6	12-#6	8-#6	8-#6	8-#6
Total (f) bars	—	—	—	6-#6	6-#6	6-#6	6-#6	6-#6	6-#6	6-#6
Loading Case I	Toe Pressure ksf 1.7	1.9	2.2	2.5	2.8	3.3	3.5	4.0	4.3	4.6
Loading Case II	Toe Pressure ksf 1.1	1.5	2.0	2.3	2.7	3.3	3.7	4.2	4.7	5.5
Loading Case III	Toe Pressure ksf 1.4	1.7	2.1	2.5	2.9	3.4	3.8	4.3	4.8	5.4

⌘ Denotes a bundle of 2 bars

PILE OPTION

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
**RETAINING WALL
 TYPE 1
 H=4' THROUGH 30'**
 NO SCALE

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CALTRANS STD PLANS 2015

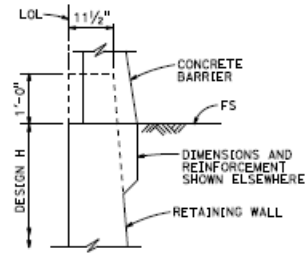
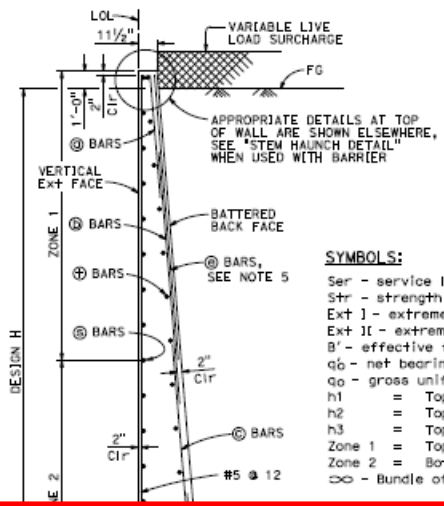
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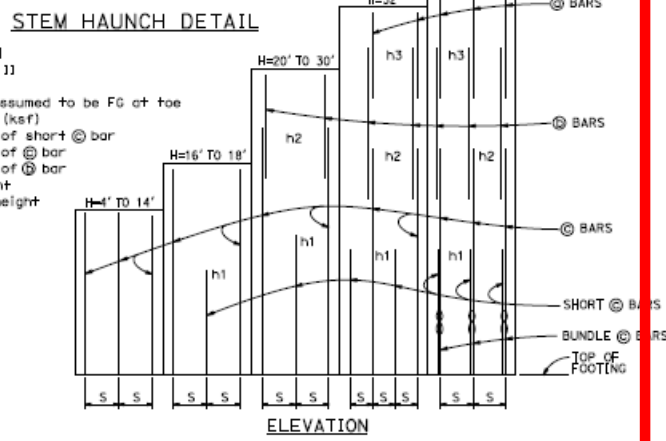
Design H may be exceeded by 6" before going to the next size. Special footing design is required where foundation material is incapable of supporting bearing stress listed in the Table.

Design Criteria !!!



SYMBOLS:

- Ser - service limit state I
- Str - strength limit state I
- Ext I - extreme event limit state I
- Ext II - extreme event limit state II
- B' - effective footing width (ft)
- q₀ - net bearing stress (ksf), 0.0 assumed to be FG at toe
- q_u - gross uniform bearing stress (ksf)
- h1 = Top of footing to top of short bar
- h2 = Top of footing to top of bar
- h3 = Top of footing to top of bar
- Zone 1 = Top half of stem height
- Zone 2 = Bottom half of stem height
- ∞ - Bundle of two bars



DESIGN NOTES:

- DESIGN: AASHTO LRFD Bridge Design Specifications, 4th Edition with California Amendments
 - LS: Varied surcharge on level ground surface
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 - SEISMIC: K_H = 0.2, K_V = 0.0
 - SOIL: φ = 34°, γ = 120 pcf
 - REINFORCED CONCRETE: f'_c = 3,600 psi, f_y = 60,000 psi
 - LOAD COMBINATIONS AND LIMIT STATES:
 - Service I: 0 = 1.00DC+1.00EV+1.00EH+1.00LS
 - Strength I: 0 = αDC+βEV+γEH+1.75LS
 - Extreme I: 0 = 1.00DC+1.00EV+1.00EH+1.00EQD+1.00ECE
 - Extreme II: 0 = 1.00DC+1.00EV+1.00EH+1.00CT
- Where:
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B	4'-8"	4'-9"
F	1'-4"	1'-4"
BATTER	1/2:12	1/2:12
SPACING "S"	9"	9"
⊕ BARS	-	-
⊕ BARS	-	-
⊕ BARS	#6	#6
⊕ BARS	#5	#5
h1	-	-
h2	-	-
h3	-	-
ZONE 1 ⊕ BARS	#5 ⊕ 18	#5 ⊕ 18
ZONE 2 ⊕ BARS	#5 ⊕ 18	#5 ⊕ 18
ZONE 1 ⊕ BARS	#4 ⊕ 18	#4 ⊕ 18
ZONE 2 ⊕ BARS	#4 ⊕ 18	#4 ⊕ 18
Ser: B', q ₀	6.8, 0.7	6.5, 1.0
Str: B', q ₀	6.6, 1.6	5.0, 1.8
Ext I: B', q ₀	5.2, 1.1	4.7, 1.5
Ext II: B', q ₀	2.6, 2.2	2.7, 2.6

DESIGN H	4'	6'	8'	10'	12'	14'	16'	18'	20'	22'	24'	26'	28'	30'	32'	34'	36'
H	6'-10"	7'-0"	7'-3"	7'-7"	8'-4"	9'-7"	10'-9"	12'-0"	13'-3"	14'-6"	15'-9"	17'-1"	18'-5"	19'-10"	21'-2"	22'-7"	24'-0"
C	2'-2"	2'-3"	2'-3"	2'-4"	2'-6"	3'-0"	3'-6"	4'-0"	4'-6"	5'-0"	5'-6"	6'-0"	6'-6"	7'-2"	7'-8"	8'-2"	9'-0"
B	4'-8"	4'-9"	5'-0"	5'-3"	5'-10"	6'-7"	7'-3"	8'-0"	8'-9"	9'-6"	10'-4"	11'-1"	11'-11"	12'-8"	13'-6"	14'-5"	15'-0"
F	1'-4"	1'-4"	1'-4"	1'-4"	1'-6"	1'-8"	1'-8"	1'-9"	1'-9"	1'-11"	2'-2"	2'-5"	2'-10"	3'-3"	3'-6"	4'-0"	4'-3"
BATTER	1/2:12	1/2:12	1/2:12	1/2:12	1/2:12	1/2:12	1/2:12	1/2:12	1/2:12	1/2:12	1/2:12	1/2:12	1/2:12	1:12	1:12	1:12	1:12
SPACING "S"	9"	9"	9"	9"	9"	9"	9"	9"	9"	9"	9"	9"	9"	9"	9"	10"	8"
⊕ BARS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
⊕ BARS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#7	#7	#7	#7	#7	#7	#7	#7	#8
⊕ BARS	#6	#6	#6	#6	#6	#6	#7	#7	#8	#9	#9	#10	#10	#10	#10	#11	#11
⊕ BARS	#5	#5	#5	#5	#5	#5	#5	#5	#5	#5	#5	#5	#5	#5	#5	#5	#5
h1	-	-	-	-	-	-	5'-9"	5'-10"	8'-0"	9'-0"	10'-11"	11'-0"	12'-11"	13'-0"	13'-0"	12'-7"	11'-6"
h2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10'-3"	13'-0"	14'-7"	17'-0"	18'-0"	20'-5"	19'-0"	20'-2"	20'-2"
h3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21'-2"	21'-10"	24'-0"	24'-0"
ZONE 1 ⊕ BARS	#5 ⊕ 18	#5 ⊕ 18	#5 ⊕ 18	#5 ⊕ 18	#5 ⊕ 18	#5 ⊕ 18	#5 ⊕ 18	#5 ⊕ 18	#5 ⊕ 18	#5 ⊕ 18	#5 ⊕ 18	#5 ⊕ 18	#5 ⊕ 18	#5 ⊕ 18	#5 ⊕ 18	#5 ⊕ 18	#5 ⊕ 18
ZONE 2 ⊕ BARS	#5 ⊕ 18	#5 ⊕ 18	#5 ⊕ 18	#5 ⊕ 18	#5 ⊕ 18	#5 ⊕ 18	#5 ⊕ 18	#5 ⊕ 18	#5 ⊕ 18	#5 ⊕ 18	#5 ⊕ 18	#5 ⊕ 18	#5 ⊕ 18	#5 ⊕ 18	#5 ⊕ 18	#5 ⊕ 18	#5 ⊕ 18
ZONE 1 ⊕ BARS	#4 ⊕ 18	#4 ⊕ 18	#4 ⊕ 18	#4 ⊕ 18	#4 ⊕ 18	#4 ⊕ 18	#4 ⊕ 18	#4 ⊕ 18	#4 ⊕ 18	#4 ⊕ 18	#4 ⊕ 18	#4 ⊕ 18	#4 ⊕ 18	#4 ⊕ 18	#4 ⊕ 18	#4 ⊕ 18	#4 ⊕ 18
ZONE 2 ⊕ BARS	#4 ⊕ 18	#4 ⊕ 18	#4 ⊕ 18	#4 ⊕ 18	#4 ⊕ 18	#4 ⊕ 18	#4 ⊕ 18	#4 ⊕ 18	#4 ⊕ 18	#4 ⊕ 18	#4 ⊕ 18	#4 ⊕ 18	#4 ⊕ 18	#4 ⊕ 18	#4 ⊕ 18	#4 ⊕ 18	#4 ⊕ 18
Ser: B', q ₀	6.8, 0.7	6.5, 1.0	2.1, 3.3	6.0, 1.6	6.3, 2.0	7.5, 2.1	8.6, 2.2	9.8, 2.3	11.0, 2.4	12.1, 2.5	13.2, 2.8	14.4, 2.9	15.5, 3.1	16.8, 3.3	18.0, 3.5	19.2, 3.7	20.6, 3.7
Str: B', q ₀	6.6, 1.6	5.0, 1.8	6.2, 3.3	3.0, 3.3	3.2, 4.0	4.3, 3.8	5.3, 3.7	6.4, 3.7	7.4, 3.8	8.2, 4.1	9.0, 4.4	9.9, 4.6	10.7, 4.9	11.7, 5.2	12.6, 5.4	13.6, 5.8	14.6, 5.9
Ext I: B', q ₀	5.2, 1.1	4.7, 1.5	9.2, 3.1	3.4, 2.8	4.8, 4.8	3.2, 5.3	3.6, 5.7	4.1, 6.1	4.6, 6.4	5.0, 6.9	5.3, 7.6	5.8, 8.1	6.1, 8.9	6.7, 9.4	7.1, 10.0	7.5, 10.7	8.2, 10.9
Ext II: B', q ₀	2.6, 2.2	2.7, 2.6	8, 3.1	2.9, 3.6	3.7, 3.6	5.2, 3.3	6.7, 3.1	8.3, 3.0	9.8, 3.0	11.2, 3.1	12.5, 3.2	13.9, 3.4	15.2, 3.6	16.7, 3.8	18.0, 4.0	19.3, 4.2	20.8, 4.3

NO PILE OPTION ?

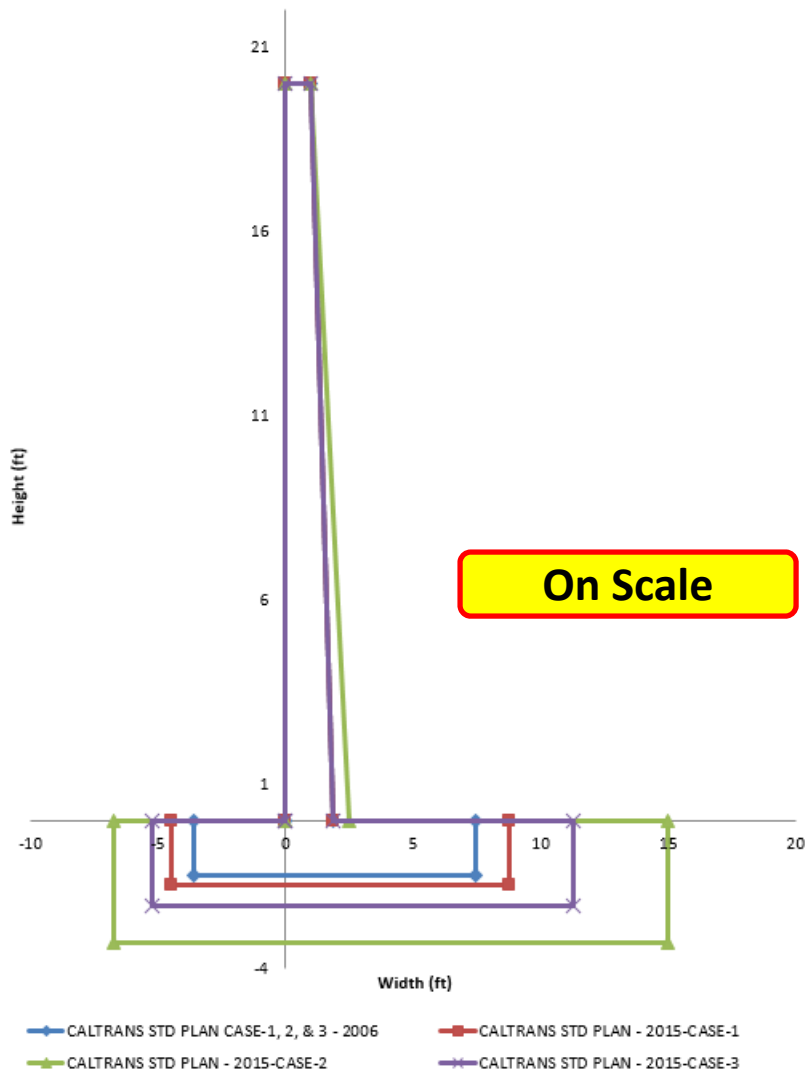
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RETAINING WALL TYPE 1 (CASE 1)

GEOMETRY COMPARISON CALTRANS STD PLANS 2006 vs 2015

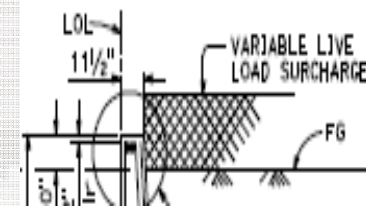
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	2006 All Load Cases	2015 Load Case-1	2015 Load Case-2	2015 Load Case-3
H - Height -ft	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
W -Footing Width -ft	11.00	13.25	21.75	16.50
T -Wall Top -ft	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Batter (1: xx)	½:12	½:12	5/8:12	½:12
F -Footing thickness -ft	1.50	1.75	3.33	2.33
C -Toe to Back Face -ft	3.58	4.50	6.75	5.25

GEOMETRY COMPARISON CALTRANS STD PLANS 2006 vs 2015

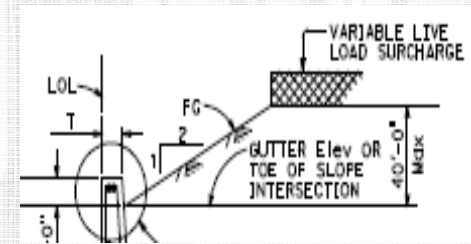
RW GEOMETRY BASED CALTRANS - 2006 vs 2015 STD PLANS



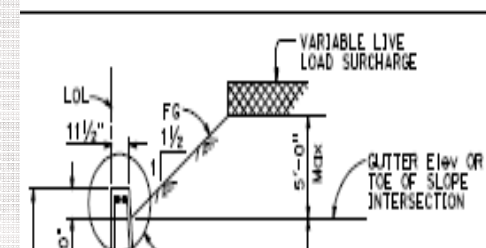
LOAD CASE - 1



LOAD CASE - 2



LOAD CASE - 3



QUANTITY & COST COMPARISION ASD/LRFD – CALTRANS STD PLANS 2006 vs 2015

EXCAVATION PER LINEAR FT OF RETAINING WALL				
Description	CALTRANS STD PLAN			
	2006 All Load Cases	2015 Load Case-1	2015 Load Case-2	2015 Load Case-3
Excavation - CY	46.00	58.00	127.00	81.00
Increase - %	0 %	26 %	178 %	76 %

BACKFILL PER LINEAR FT OF RETAINING WALL				
Description	CALTRANS STD PLAN			
	2006 All Load Cases	2015 Load Case-1	2015 Load Case-2	2015 Load Case-3
Backfill - CY	26.00	31.00	50.00	38.00
Increase - %	0 %	20 %	95 %	50 %

QUANTITY & COST COMPARISON ASD/LRFD – CALTRANS STD PLANS 2006 vs 2015

CONCRETE PER LINEAR FT OF RETAINING WALL				
Description	CALTRANS STD PLAN			
	2006 All Load Cases	2015 Load Case-1	2015 Load Case-2	2015 Load Case-3
Concrete - CY	237	244	300	260
Increase - %	0 %	3%	27%	10 %

STEEL PER LINEAR FT OF RETAINING WALL				
Description	CALTRANS STD PLAN			
	2006 All Load Cases	2015 Load Case-1	2015 Load Case-2	2015 Load Case-3
Steel - lbs	304	287	376	330
Increase - %	0 %	- 6 %	24 %	9 %

COST COMPARISON ASD/LRFD – CALTRANS STD PLANS 2006 vs 2015

Concrete	\$ 500.00 /CY
Steel	\$ 2.00 /CY
Excavation	\$ 50.00 /CY
Backfill	\$ 40.00 /CY

COST PER LINEAR FT OF RETAINING WALL				
Description	CALTRANS STD PLAN			
	2006 All Load Cases	2015 Load Case-1	2015 Load Case-2	2015 Load Case-3
Cost per ft	\$ 5120	\$ 5240	\$ 6600	\$ 5660
Increase - %	0.00%	2.5 %	29 %	11 %

+ ROW Cost if Applicable

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2006 - STANDARD PLAN WALL & XS SHEETS DESIGN CRITERIA

2006 STD PLAN

No Criteria is shown on Std Plans

From Our Past Practice,

- $K_h = 0.3$ (50% of Site Adjusted PGA = 0.6 g)
- Seismic Force @ 0.6 H
- Bearing Pressure - with single number of Allowable Bearing Pressure
- **One Std Plan for All 3 Loading Cases**

Earth Pressure Application - Caltrans

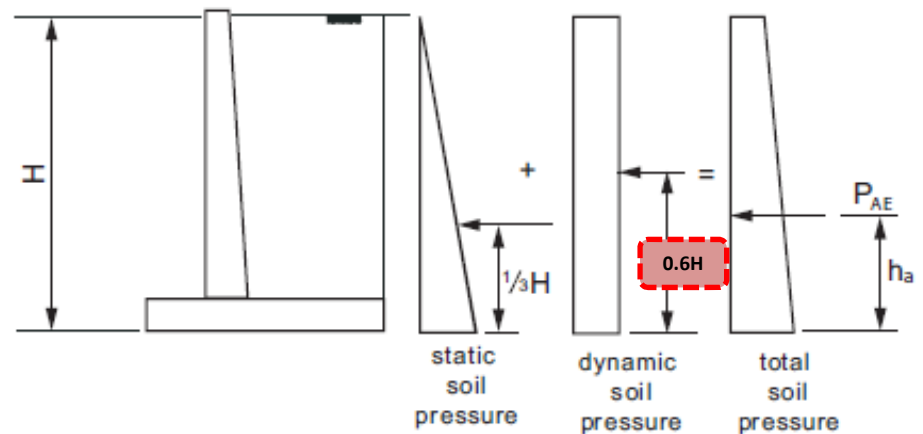


Figure 3 Seismic Loading
(Reference: 2010 California Amendments)

Earth Pressure Application - Caltrans

2015 - STANDARD PLAN WALL & XS SHEETS DESIGN CRITERIA

2015 STD PLAN

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SOIL: $\phi = 34^\circ, \gamma = 120$ pcf

REINFORCED CONCRETE: $f'_c = 3,600$ psi
 $f_y = 60,000$ psi

LOAD COMBINATIONS AND LIMIT STATES:

Service I $Q = 1.00DC + 1.00EV + 1.00EH + 1.00LS$

Strength I $Q = aDC + \phi EV + \eta EH + 1.75LS$

Extreme I $Q = 1.00DC + 1.00EV + 1.00EH + 1.00EQD + 1.00EQE$

Extreme II $Q = 1.00DC + 1.00EV + 1.00EH + 1.00CT$

Where:

Q: Force Effects

a: 1.25 or 0.90, Whichever Controls Design

ϕ : 1.35 or 1.00, Whichever Controls Design

η : 1.50 or 0.90, Whichever Controls Design

DC: Dead Load of Structure Components

EH: Horizontal Earth Fill Pressure

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EQE: Seismic Earth Pressure

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CT: Vehicular Collision Force

Different Std Plan for Each load Cases

2014 Dated XS SHEETS

DESIGN DATA

Design: AASHTO LRFD Bridge Design Specifications, 4th edition with California Amendments

WS: 33 psf on sound wall
LS: Varied surcharge on level ground surface

EQE: Mononabe-Okabe Method
 $k_h = 0.3$
 $k_v = 0.0$

Soil: $\phi = 34^\circ$
 $\gamma = 120$ pcf

Reinforced Concrete: $f'_c = 3600$ psi
 $f_y = 60,000$ psi

Load Combinations and Limit States

Service I $Q = 1.00DC + 1.00EV + 1.00EH + 1.00LS + 0.30WS$

Service II $Q = 1.00DC + 1.00EV + 1.00EH + 1.00WS$

Strength I $Q = aDC + \beta EV + 1.50EH + 1.75LS$

Strength III $Q = aDC + \beta EV + 1.50EH + 1.40WS$

Strength V $Q = aDC + \beta EV + 1.50EH + 1.35LS + 0.40WS$

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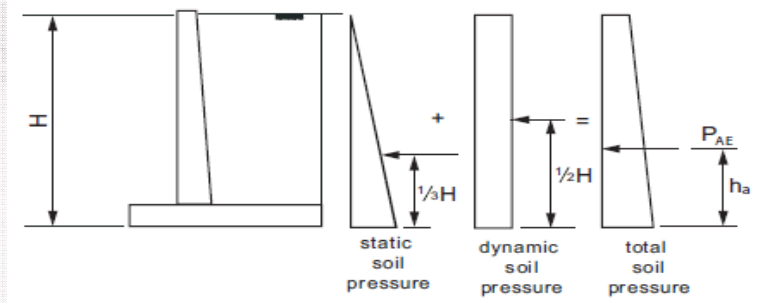


Figure 3 Seismic Loading
(Reference: 2010 California Amendments)

SPECIAL DESIGN ?

Geometry Constrains ?

Seismic $K_h \geq 0.2$?

Bearing Pressure Capacity – NG ?

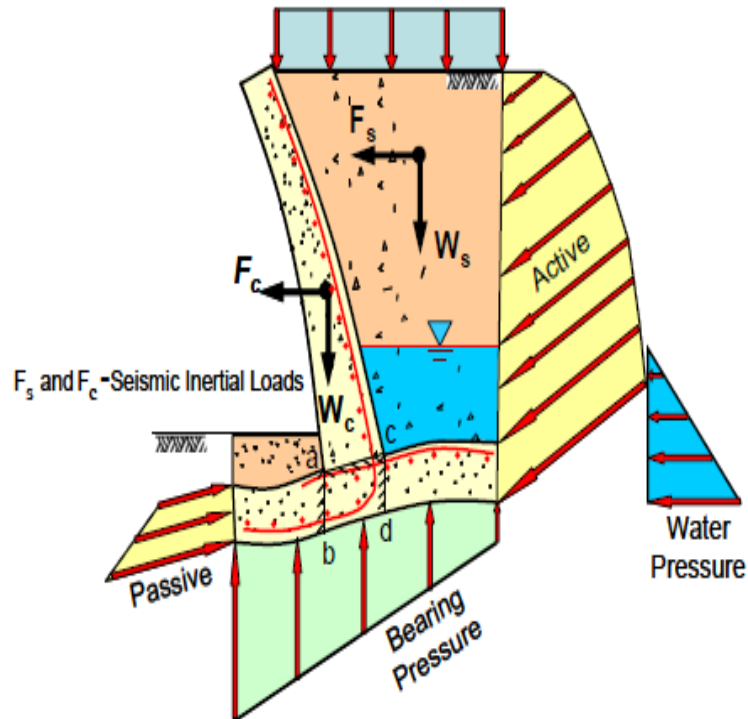


SPECIAL DESIGN

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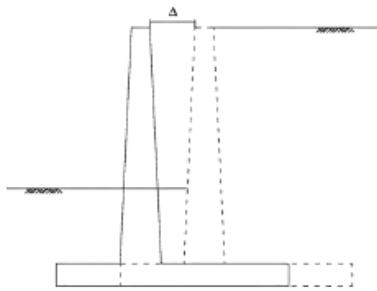
a. Loading

Strength/ Service/ Extreme
Load Cases

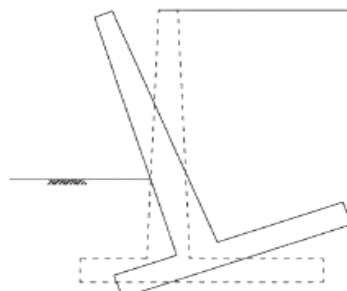
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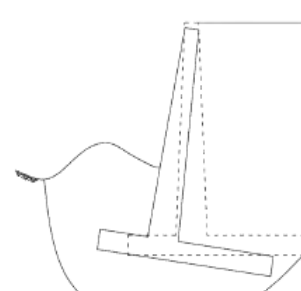
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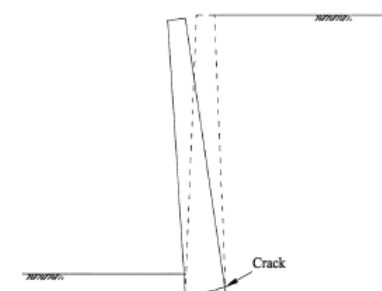
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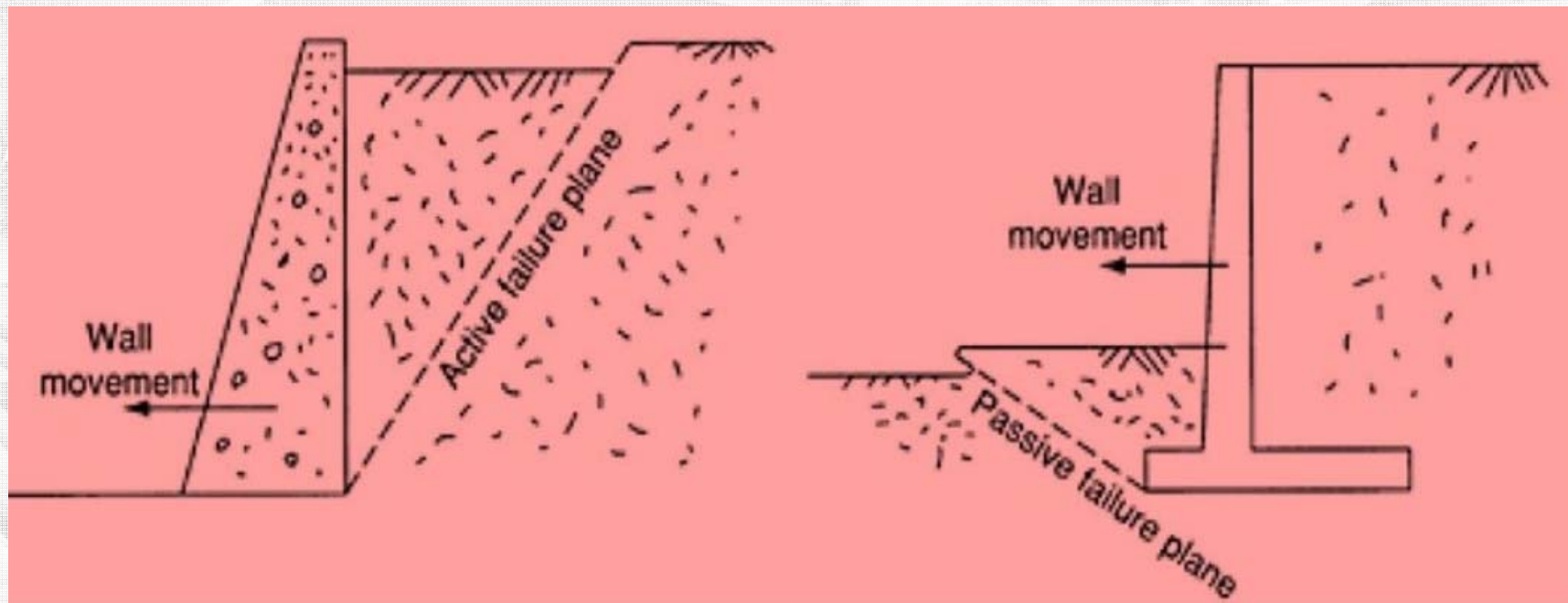


STRUCTURAL

STATIC EARTH PRESSURE

a. Active Earth Pressure

b. Passive Earth Pressure



STATIC EARTH PRESSURE

Rankine Theory

$$K_a = \cos \beta \frac{\cos \beta - (\cos^2 \beta - \cos^2 \phi)^{1/2}}{\cos \beta + (\cos^2 \beta - \cos^2 \phi)^{1/2}}$$

$$K_p = \cos \beta \frac{\cos \beta + (\cos^2 \beta - \cos^2 \phi)^{1/2}}{\cos \beta - (\cos^2 \beta - \cos^2 \phi)^{1/2}}$$

For the case where β is 0, the above equations simplify to

$$K_a = \tan^2 \left(45 - \frac{\phi}{2} \right) = \frac{1 - \sin(\phi)}{1 + \sin(\phi)}$$

$$K_p = \tan^2 \left(45 + \frac{\phi}{2} \right) = \frac{1 + \sin(\phi)}{1 - \sin(\phi)}$$

Coulomb Theory

$$K_a = \frac{\cos^2(\phi - \theta)}{\cos^2 \theta \cos(\delta + \theta) \left(1 + \sqrt{\frac{\sin(\delta + \phi) \sin(\phi - \beta)}{\cos(\delta + \theta) \cos(\beta - \theta)}} \right)^2}$$

$$K_p = \frac{\cos^2(\phi + \theta)}{\cos^2 \theta \cos(\delta - \theta) \left(1 - \sqrt{\frac{\sin(\delta + \phi) \sin(\phi + \beta)}{\cos(\delta - \theta) \cos(\beta - \theta)}} \right)^2}$$

Trial Wedge Method

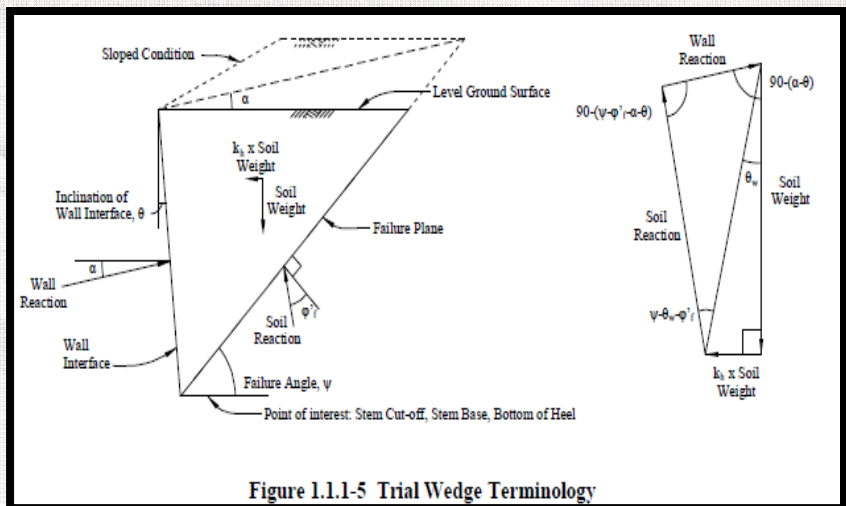
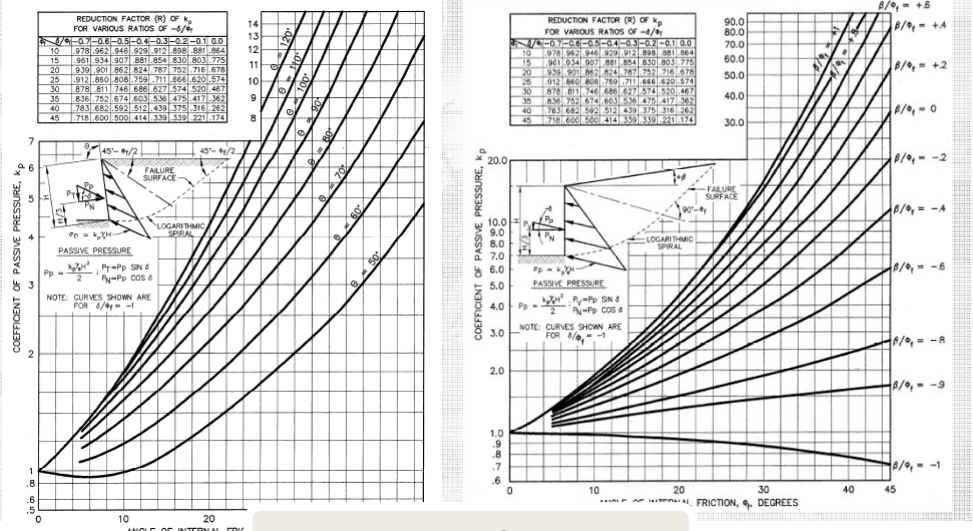


Figure 1.1.1-5 Trial Wedge Terminology

Log Spiral Method



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STATIC EARTH PRESSURE

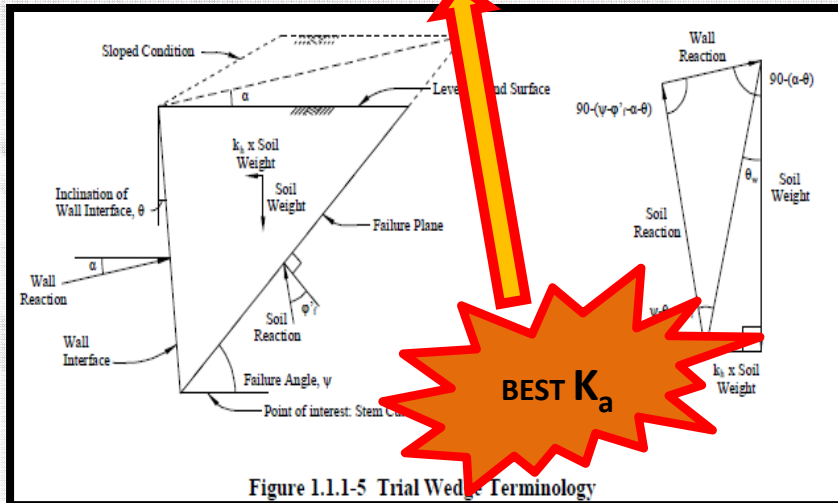
Why?

1. Any friction angle/Slope
2. Broken Slope
3. Cohesive Soils
4. Multi-layer Soil

Why?

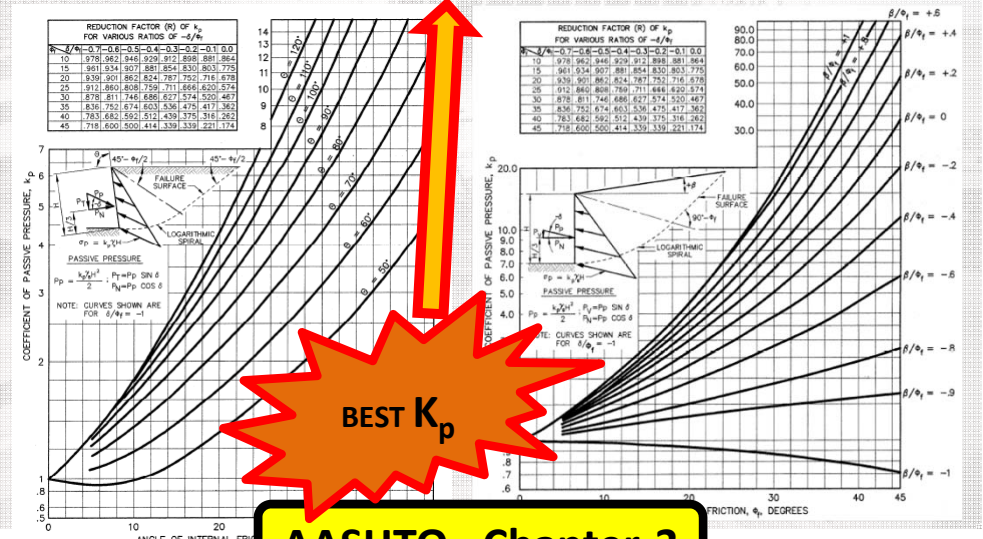
1. Curve Failure Surface
2. Wedge solutions are unconservative for large friction angles
3. 5% H Movement required to mobilize full passive pressure

Trial Wedge Method



BEST K_a

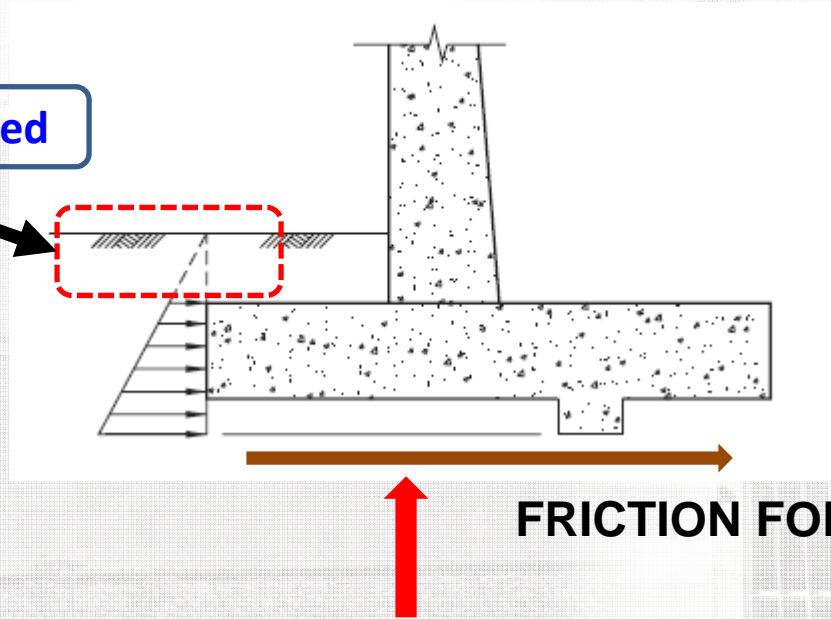
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PASSIVE EARTH PRESSURE & FRICTION FORCE

Resistance Not Considered



FRICTION FORCE:

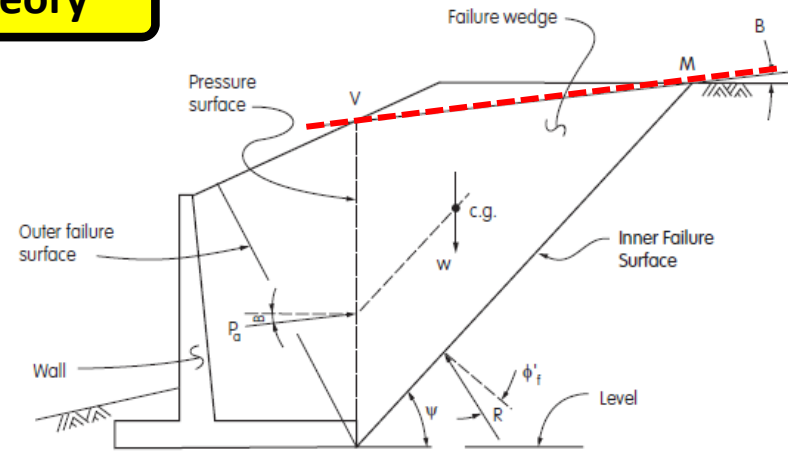
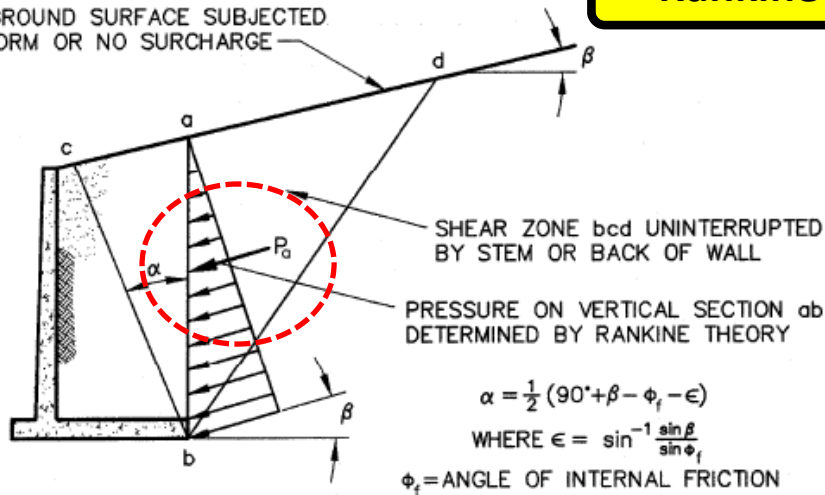
1. Based on Soil-Footing Friction Force
2. Same Friction Coefficient for Entire Length of Wall

$$\mu = \tan \left(\frac{2}{3} \text{Friction Angle} \right)$$

DIRECTION OF EARTH PRESSURE

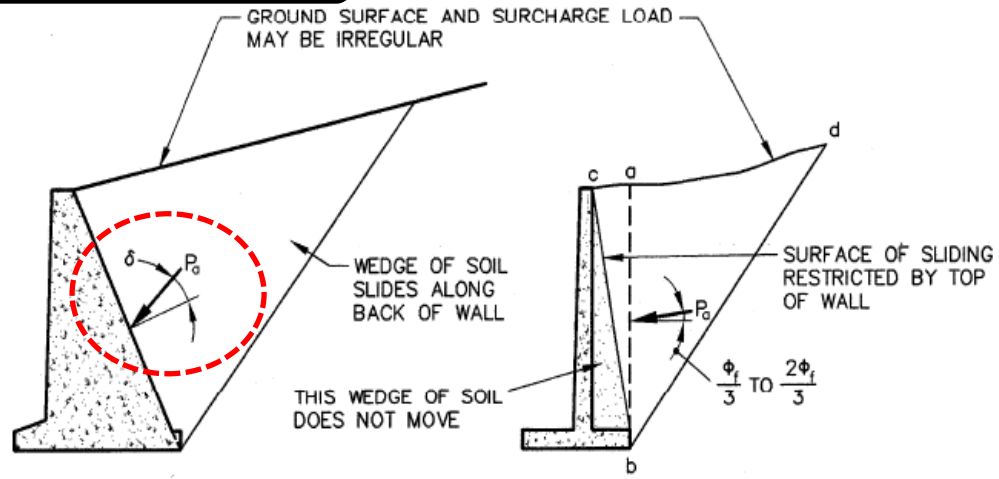
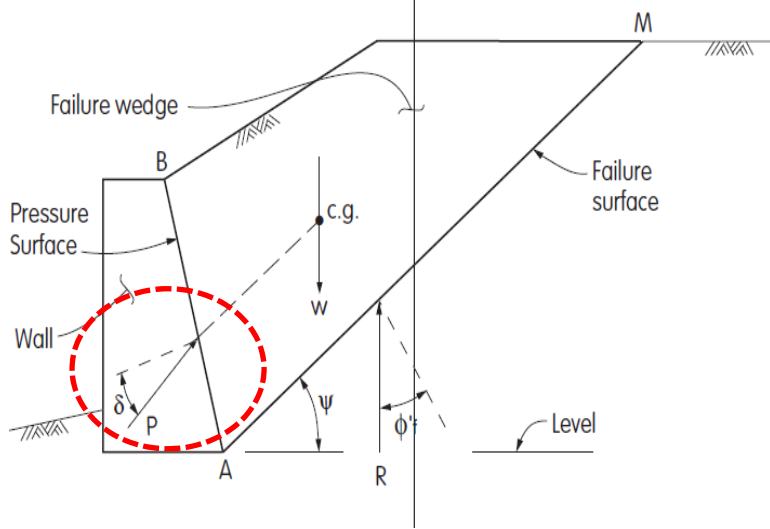
Rankine Theory

PLANE GROUND SURFACE SUBJECTED TO UNIFORM OR NO SURCHARGE



The direction of P_0 is parallel to a line, VM

Coulomb Theory



SURCHARGE LOAD

Different in LFD & LRFD

Uniform Load

Table 3.11.6.4-1—Equivalent Height of Soil for Vehicular Loading on Abutments Perpendicular to Traffic

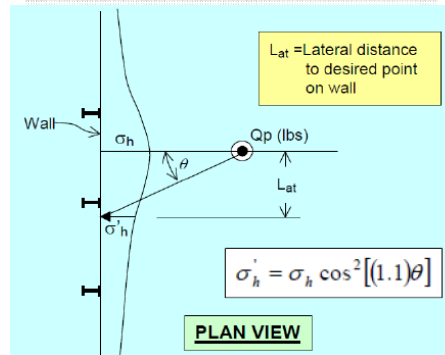
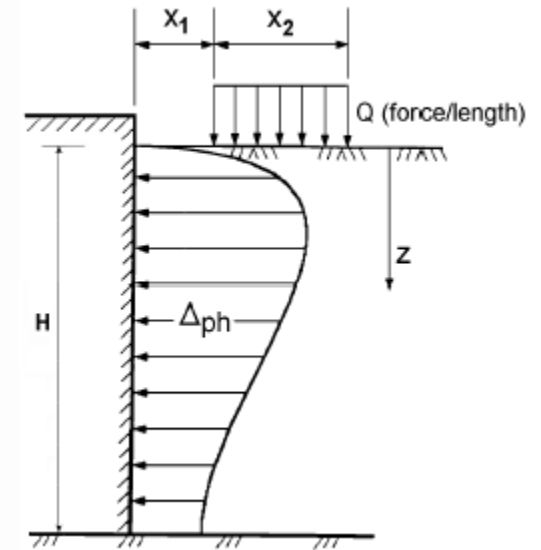
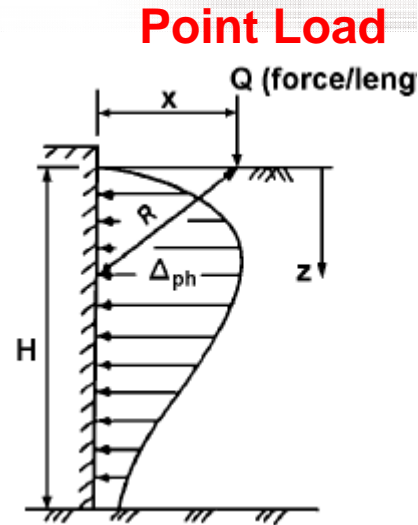
Abutment Height (ft)	h_{eq} (ft)
5.0	4.0
10.0	3.0
≥ 20.0	2.0

Table 3.11.6.4-2—Equivalent Height of Soil for Vehicular Loading on Retaining Walls Parallel to Traffic

Retaining Wall Height (ft)	h_{eq} (ft) Distance from wall backface to edge of traffic	
	0.0 ft	1.0 ft or Further
5.0	5.0	2.0
10.0	3.5	2.0
≥ 20.0	2.0	2.0

NEW IN LRFD

The load factor for both vertical and horizontal components of live load surcharge shall be taken as specified in Table 3.4.1-1 for live load surcharge.



$$\Delta_{ph} = \frac{Q}{\pi Z} \left(\frac{1}{A^3} - \frac{1-2\nu}{A + \frac{Z}{X_2}} - \frac{1}{B^3} + \frac{1-2\nu}{B + \frac{Z}{X_1}} \right) \quad (3.11.6.2-4)$$

in which:

$$A = \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{Z}{X_2}\right)^2} \quad (3.11.6.2-5)$$

$$B = \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{Z}{X_1}\right)^2} \quad (3.11.6.2-6)$$

$$\Delta_{ph} = \frac{4Q}{\pi} \frac{X^2 Z}{R^4} \quad (3.11.6.2-3)$$

LFD – 2ft Surcharge Always

SURCHARGE LOAD CONT

BACKFACE OF WALL

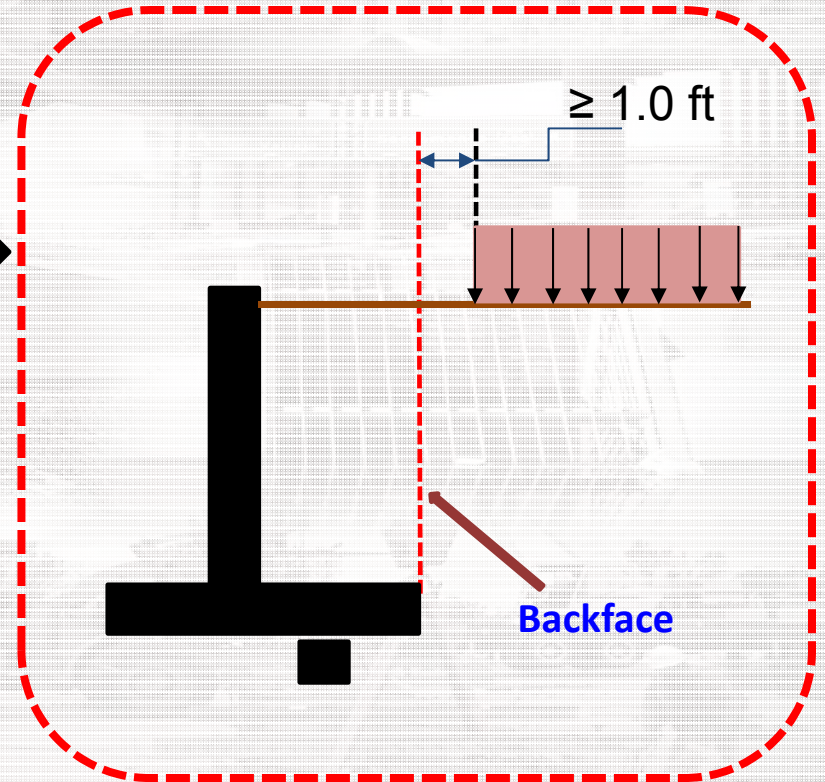
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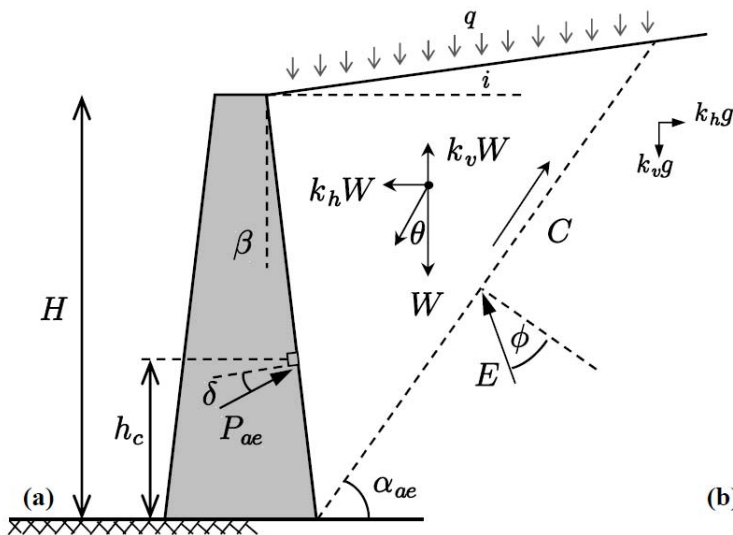
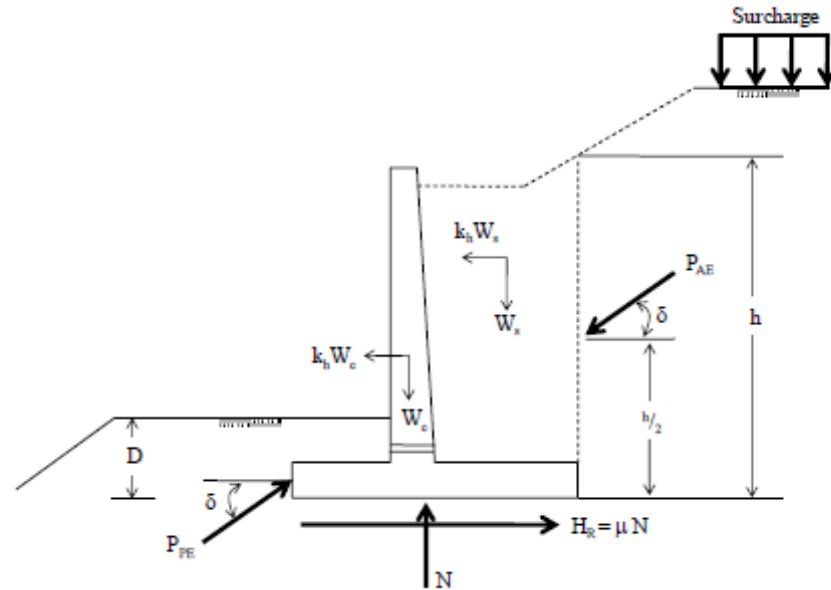
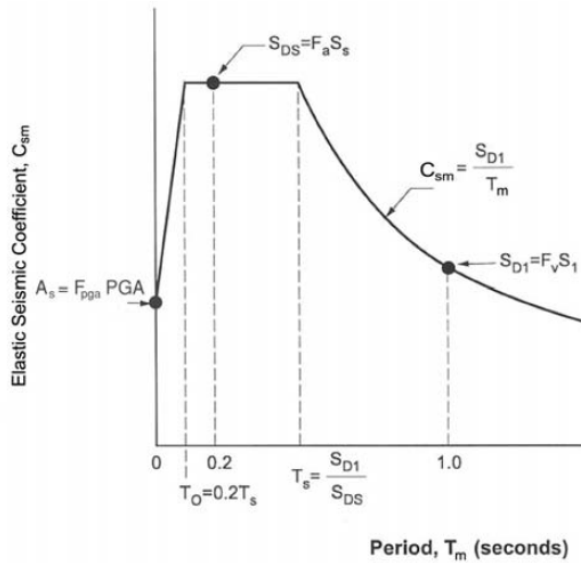
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SEISMIC EARTH PRESSURE



What is K_h ?
50% of Adj. PGA ?

CURRENT RW SEISMIC CRITERIA

K_h = Coefficient of Horizontal Acceleration

AASHTO LRFD 11.5.4.2

11.5.4.2—Extreme Event I, No Analysis

A seismic design shall not be considered mandatory for walls located in Seismic Zones 1 through 3, or for walls at sites where the site adjusted peak ground acceleration, A_s , is less than or equal to 0.4g, unless one or more of the following is true:

- Liquefaction induced lateral spreading or slope failure, or seismically induced slope failure, due to the presence of sensitive clays that lose strength during the seismic shaking, may impact the stability of the wall for the design earthquake.
- The wall supports another structure that is required, based on the applicable design code or specification for the supported structure, to be designed for seismic loading and poor seismic performance of the wall could impact the seismic performance of that structure.

The no-seismic-analysis option should be limited to internal and external seismic stability design of the wall. If the wall is part of a bigger slope, overall seismic stability of the wall and slope combination should still be evaluated.

These no-seismic-analysis provisions shall not be considered applicable to walls functioning as support piers for bridges.

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Memorandum

*Flex your power!
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To: ALL STAFF
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Date: June 13, 2013

From: PHILIP J. STOLARSKI *PJS*
State Materials Engineer
Deputy Division Chief
Materials Engineering and Testing Services
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Division of Engineering Services

Subject: Seismic Design and Selection of Standard Retaining Walls

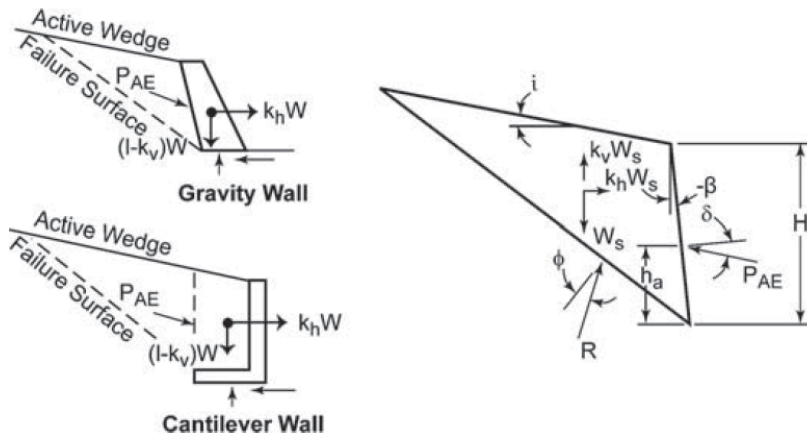
When providing geotechnical recommendations for type selection of retaining walls during planning and design phases, the job site should be evaluated to ensure seismic design criteria used for development of the LRFD standard plans are applicable.

According to standard plan sheets dated April 2012, the seismic criteria threshold for standard retaining walls are; Coefficient of Horizontal Acceleration, $k_h = 0.2$ and Coefficient of Vertical Acceleration $k_v = 0.0$, except for concrete retaining walls supporting soundwalls where $k_h = 0.3$ and $k_v = 0.0$ are used. The $k_h = 0.2$ is roughly based on using 1/3 Peak Ground Acceleration (PGA), therefore, at sites where the PGA is equal to or less than 0.6g, the retaining walls shown in the Standard Plans are applicable. For sites with PGA greater than 0.6g, the standard plans are not applicable, and DES/Structure Design should design the retaining walls as special design walls. Include the seismic assessment in geotechnical reports to the District Project Engineer as early as possible during planning or design phases of the project development process, so that appropriate functional units can be notified and resources be allocated.

**Adj PGA \leq 0.4 g \Rightarrow NON
SEISMIC WALL**

$K_h = 1/3 * \text{Adj PGA}$

Mononobe-Oakabe Method



Seismic Active Earth Pressure

$$P_{AE} = 0.5 \gamma H^2 (1 - k_v) K_{AE}$$

Seismic Passive Earth Pressure

$$P_{PE} = 0.5 \gamma H^2 (1 - k_v) K_{PE}$$

$$K_{AE} = \frac{\cos^2(\phi - \theta - \beta)}{\cos \theta \cos^2 \beta \cos(\delta + \beta + \theta)} \times \left[1 - \sqrt{\frac{\sin(\phi + \delta) \sin(\phi - \theta - i)}{\cos(\delta + \beta + \theta) \cos(i - \beta)}} \right]^{-2}$$

$$K_{PE} = \frac{\cos^2(\phi - \theta + \beta)}{\cos \theta \cos^2 \beta \cos(\delta - \beta + \theta)} \times \left[1 - \sqrt{\frac{\sin(\phi + \delta) \sin(\phi - \theta + i)}{\cos(\delta - \beta + \theta) \cos(i - \beta)}} \right]^{-2}$$

γ = unit weight of soil (ksf)

H = height of wall (ft)

ϕ = friction angle of soil ($^\circ$)

θ = arc tan ($k_h / (1 - k_v)$) ($^\circ$)

δ = angle of friction between soil and wall ($^\circ$)

k_h = horizontal acceleration coefficient (dim.)

k_v = vertical acceleration coefficient (dim.)

i = backfill slope angle ($^\circ$)

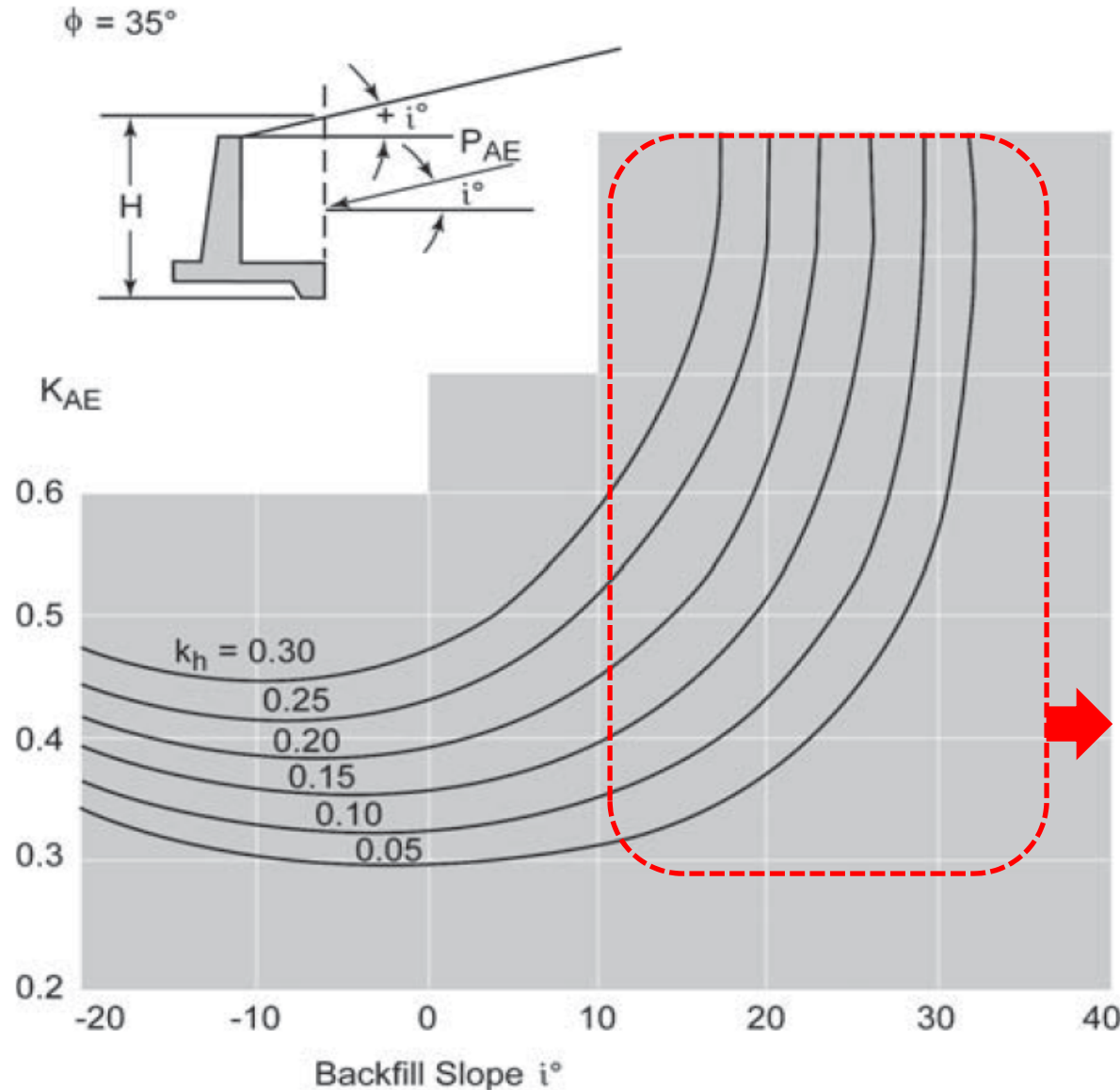
β = slope of wall to the vertical, negative as shown ($^\circ$)

SEISMIC EARTH PRESSURE vs BACKFILL SLOPE

Based on Mononobe-Oakabe
(M-O) Equation

- Only Cohesion less Soils
- Only Constant Slope
- Not to use for Passive Seismic Earth Pressure (AASHTO 11.6.5.5)
- Modest Increase with Slope Angle & excessively Conservative

REF: NCHRP Report – NR611



RETAINING WALL DESIGN

Mononobe Oakabe Theory - Seismic Modification

$$P_{AE} = \frac{W \left[(1 - k_v) \tan(\alpha - \phi) + k_h \right] - CL \left[\sin \alpha \tan(\alpha - \phi) + \cos \alpha \right] - C_A H \left[\tan(\alpha - \phi) \cos \omega + \sin \omega \right]}{\left[1 + \tan(\delta + \omega) \tan(\alpha - \phi) \right]^* \cos(\delta + \omega)}$$

A11.3.2-1

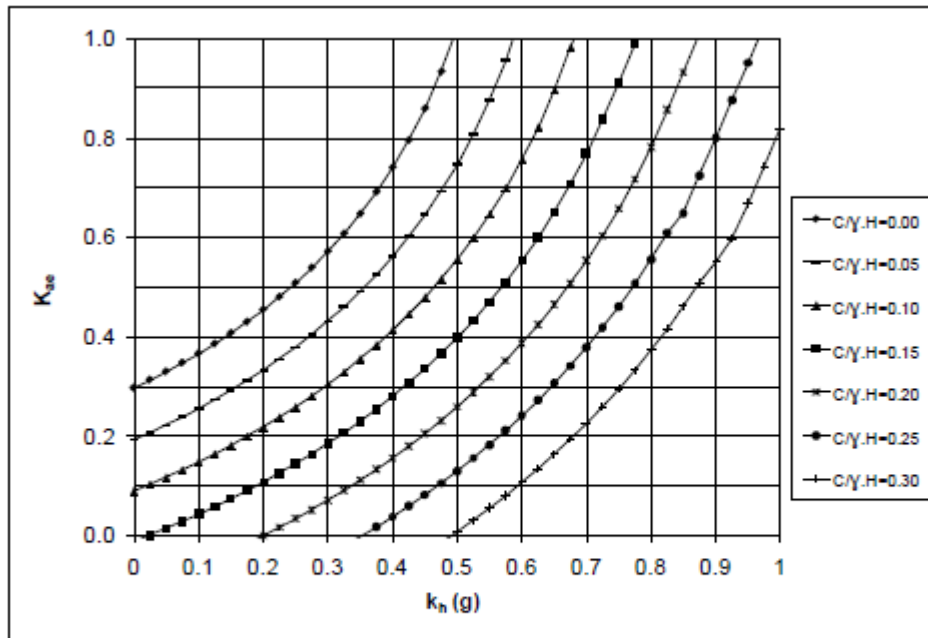


Figure A11.3.2-2—Seismic Active Earth Pressure Coefficient for $\phi = 30$ degrees (c = soil cohesion, γ = soil unit weight, and H = retaining wall height)

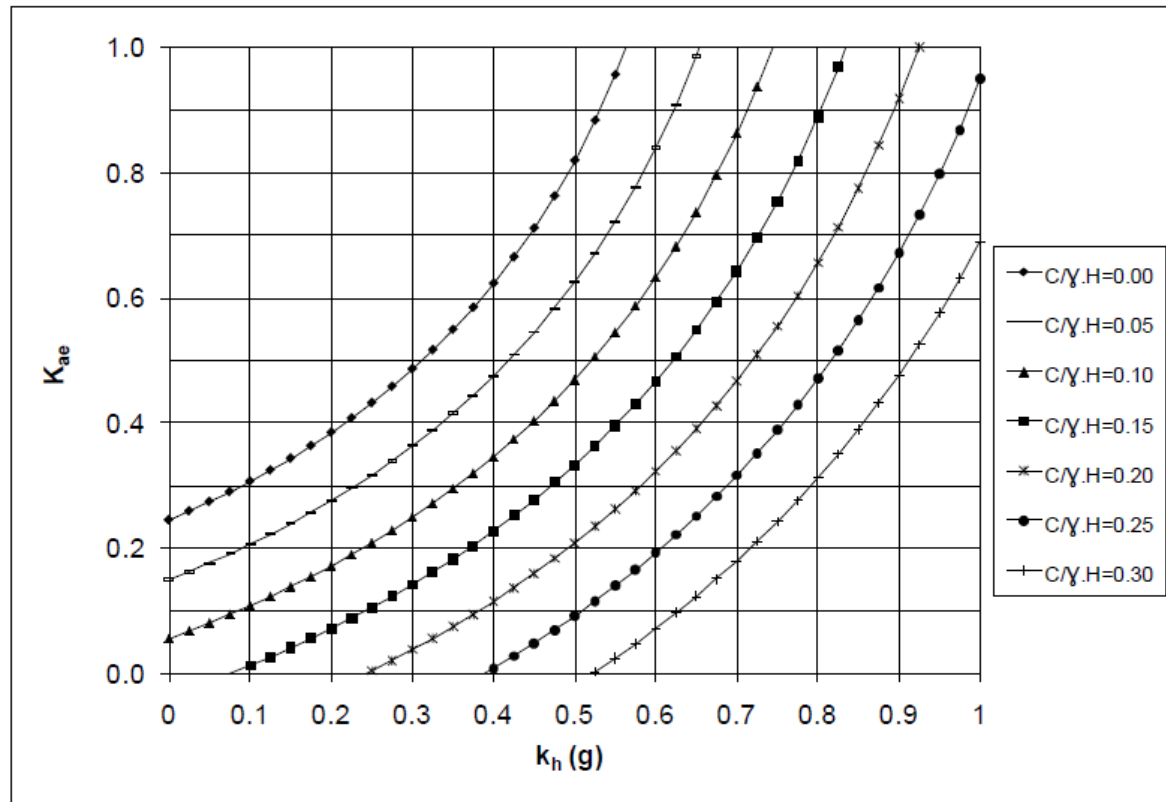
Note: $k_h = A_s = k_{h0}$ for wall heights greater than 20 ft. This could be H or h as defined in Figure A11.3.1-1.

$\phi = 30$ degrees

REF: AASHTO LRFD Chapt. 11

RETAINING WALL DESIGN

Mononobe Oakabe Theory - Seismic Modification

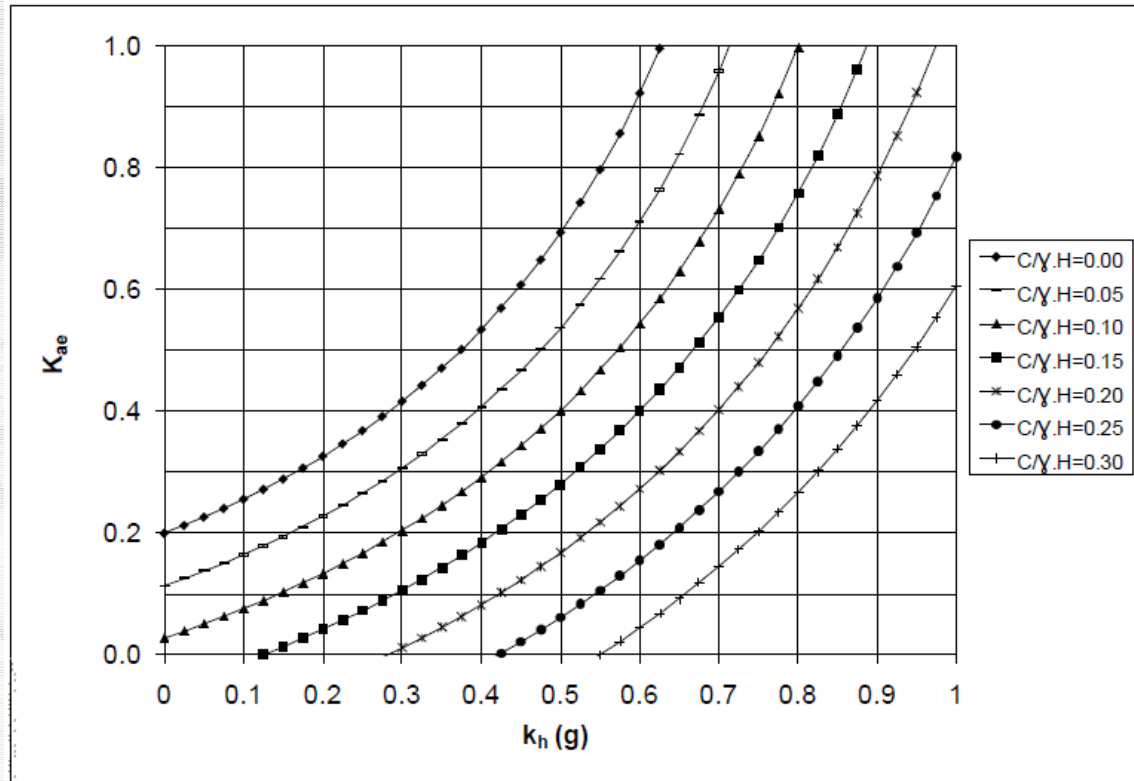


$\phi = 35$ degrees

Figure A11.3.2-3—Seismic Active Earth Pressure Coefficient for $\phi = 35$ degrees (c = soil cohesion, γ = soil unit weight, and H = retaining wall height)

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Mononobe Oakabe Theory - Seismic Modification



$\phi = 40$ degrees

Figure A11.3.2-4—Seismic Active Earth Pressure Coefficient for $\phi = 40$ degrees (c = soil cohesion, γ = soil unit weight, and H = retaining wall height)

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RETAINING WALL DESIGN

Seismic Passive Pressure-Modification for Cohesion

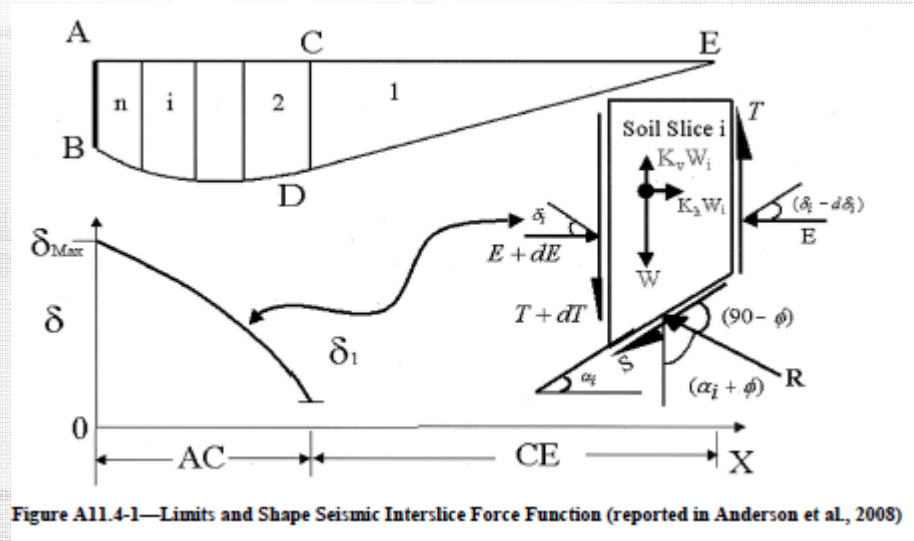


Figure A11.4-1—Limits and Shape Seismic Interslice Force Function (reported in Anderson et al., 2008)

$$dE_i = \frac{W_i(1 - K_v)[\tan(\alpha_i + \phi) - K_h] + C L_i [\sin \alpha_i \tan(\alpha_i + \phi) + \cos \alpha_i]}{[1 - \tan \delta_i \tan(\alpha_i - \phi)]^* \cos \delta_i} \quad (\text{A11.4-1})$$

$$P_P n = \frac{\sum_1^i dE}{[1 - \tan \delta_w \tan(\alpha_w - \phi)]^* \cos \delta_w} \quad (\text{A11.4-2})$$

$$K_P n = \frac{2P_P}{\gamma h^2} \quad (\text{A11.4-3})$$

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RETAINING WALL DESIGN

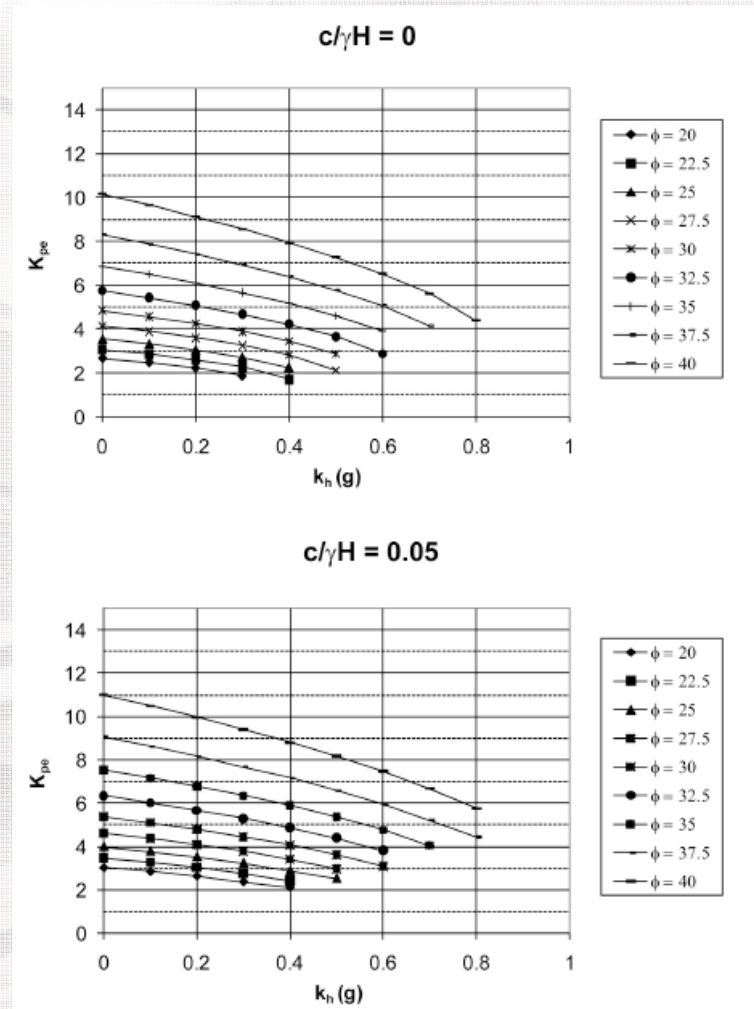
Seismic Passive Pressure-Modification for Cohesion

Based on Log Spiral
Procedure

C = Cohesion

H = Height of Wall

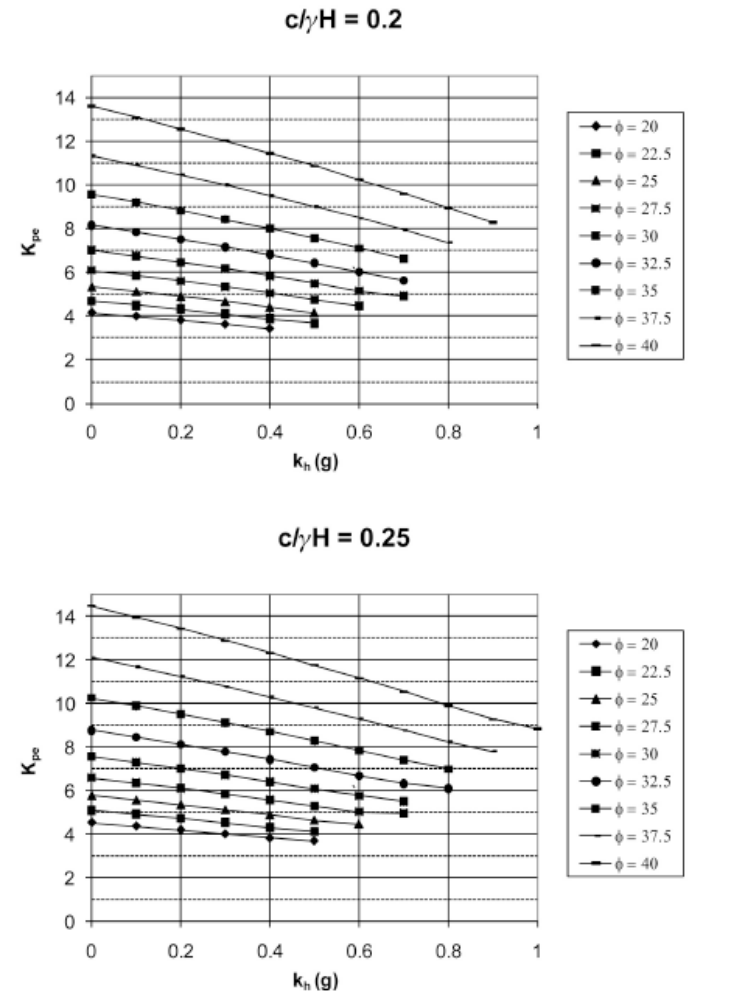
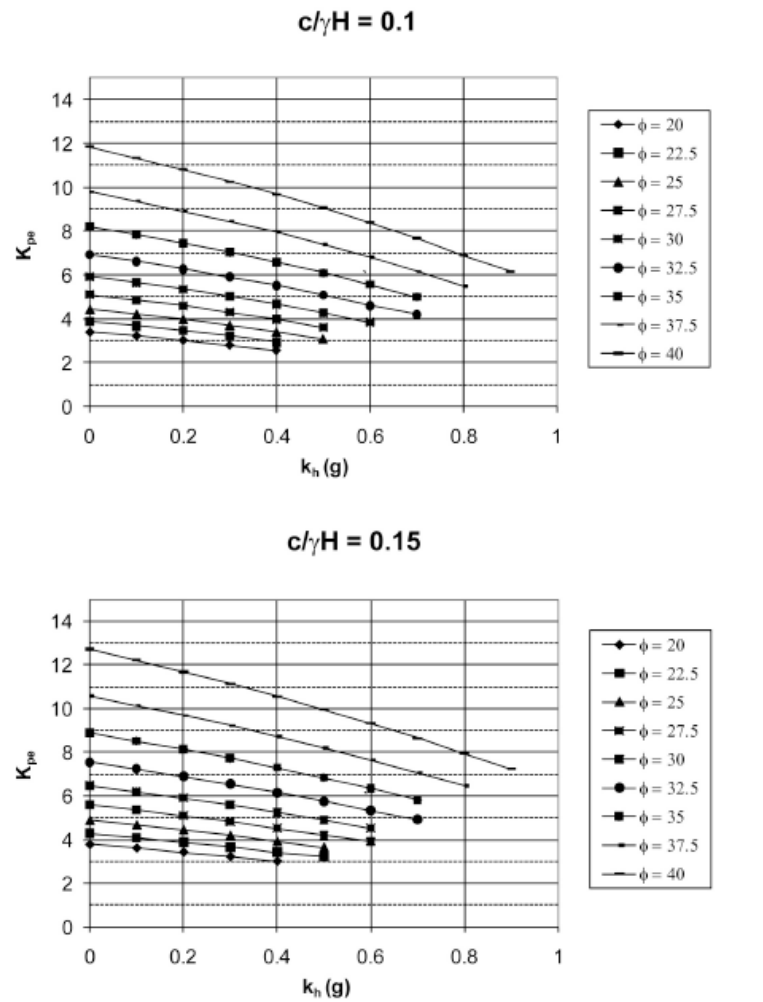
γ = Soil Unit Weight



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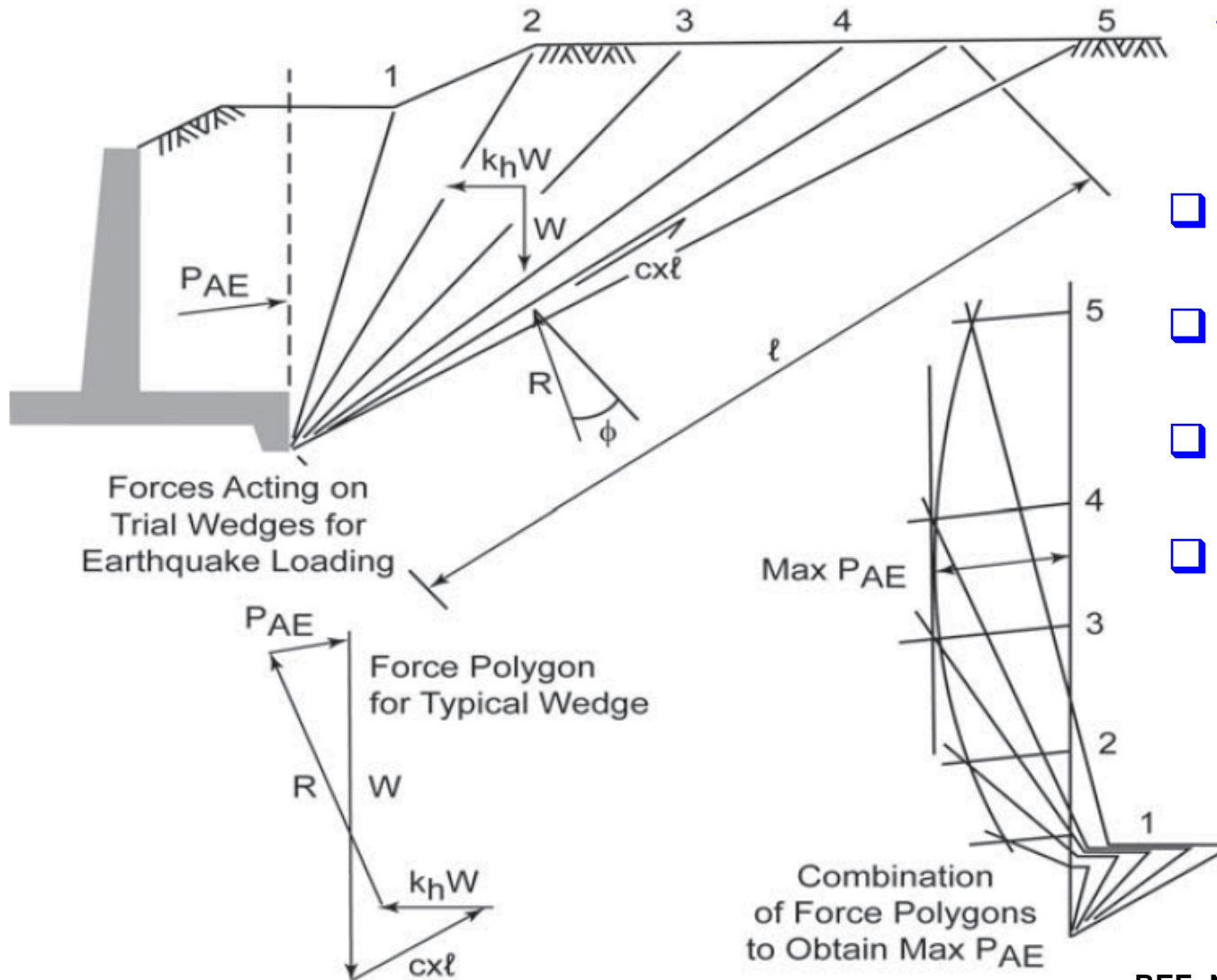
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TRIAL WEDGE - SEISMIC



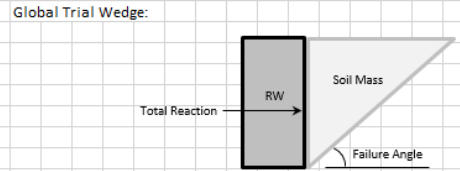
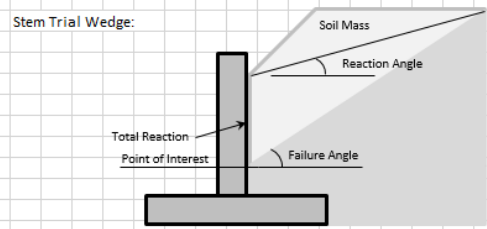
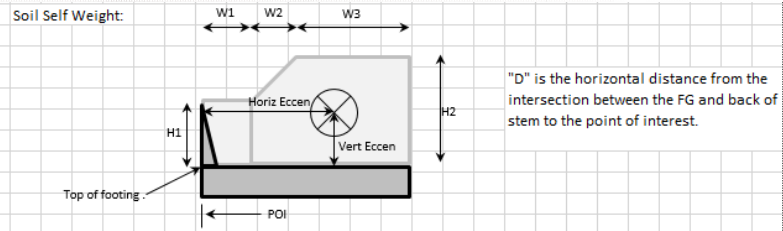
Why Trial Wedge Method?

- Broken Slope
- Cohesion
- Any Geometry
- Multilayer Soil

REF: NCHRP Report – NR611

TRAIL WEDGE – NOT A BLACKBOX

EXCEL MACRO



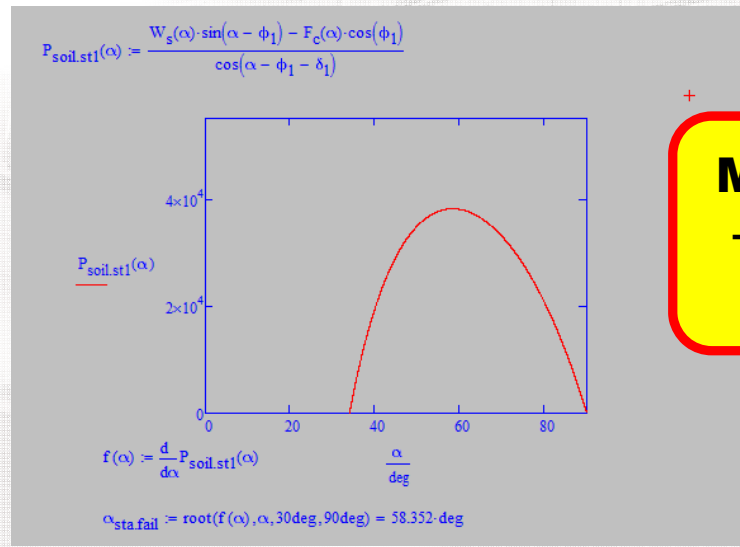
Minimum trail wedge failure angle: 0.4445 rad
 Trial wedge iteration step size: 0.01 rad

Run Trial Wedge Analysis

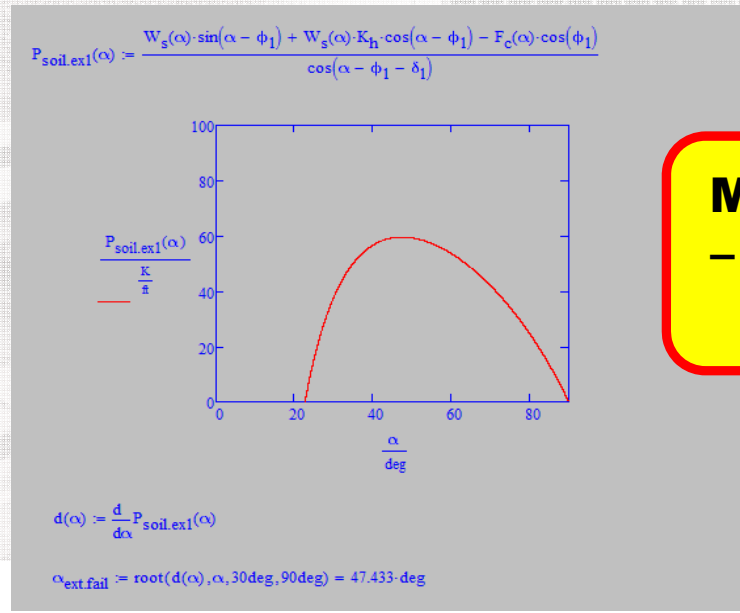
Static and Seismic Trial Wedge analysis and Soil Weight

Stem Static Soil Pressure (Strength/Service):

H	POI	Soil H	Angle to Toe	Angle to Top	Failure Angle	React Angle	Wt of Mass	Cohes Length	Total React.	P _{LS}	P _{As}
(ft)	(ft)	(ft)	(rad)	(rad)	(rad)	(rad)	(K)	(ft)	(K/ft)	(kips)	(kips)
31.0	0.00	31.00	1.326	1.113	1.040	0.211	42.20	41.7	18.91	0.25	0.12
	2.61	28.39	1.298	1.078	1.005	0.211	38.60	39.6	15.89	0.25	0.12
	7.50	23.50	1.232	1.000	1.035	0.220	23.97	32.0	10.49	0.00	0.00
	12.40	18.60	1.136	0.902	1.025	0.138	14.78	24.0	6.45	0.00	0.00
	15.50	15.50	1.051	0.827	1.015	0.050	10.17	18.9	4.46	0.00	0.00
	21.70	9.30	0.784	0.637	0.990	0.000	3.78	11.1	1.58	0.00	0.00
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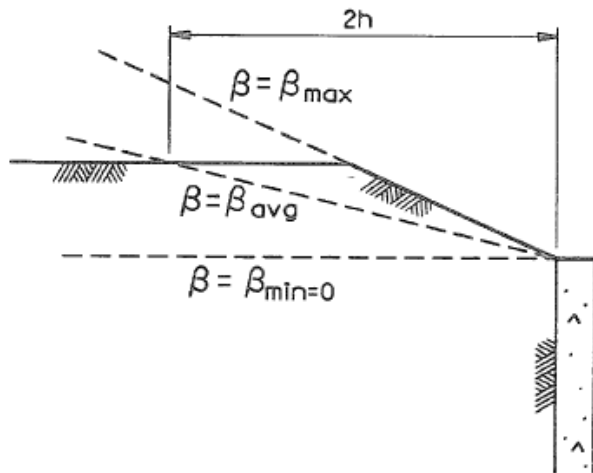


MATHCAD – STATIC EARTH

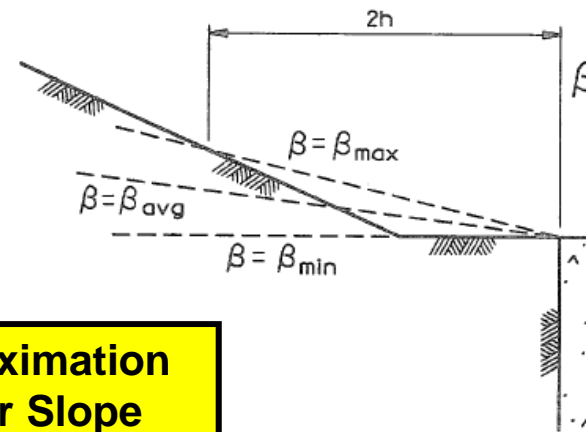


MATHCAD – SEISMIC EARTH

COHESION & IRREGULAR BACKFILL



$\beta_{avg} = \beta$ at $x = 2h$
 $h =$ Wall height



$\beta_{avg} = \frac{\beta_{max} - \beta_{min}}{2}$
 β_{max} calculated at
 $x = 2h$

Slope Approximation for Irregular Slope

Critical value of α is between α calculated using β_{min} and β_{max} . Use β_{avg} for first trial.

Rankine's theory was modified to include Cohesion with the following formulas:

$$\sigma_a = \gamma \cdot h \cdot K_a - 2C\sqrt{K_a}$$

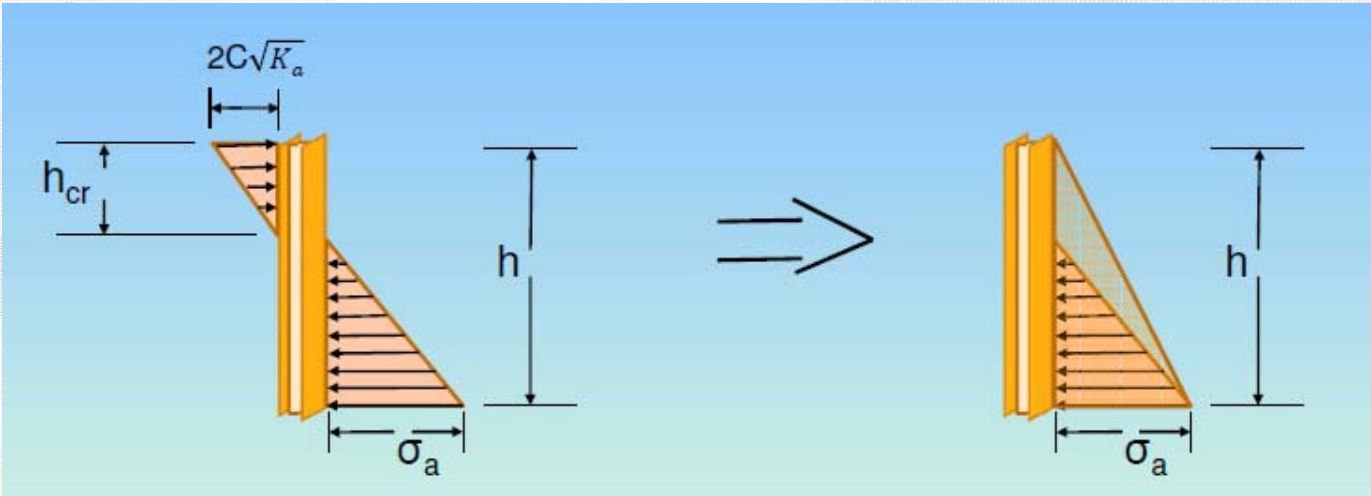
$$\sigma_p = \gamma \cdot h \cdot K_p + 2C\sqrt{K_p}$$

- The active lateral earth pressure (σ_a) should not be less than 0.25 times the vertical stress ($\sigma_v = \gamma \cdot h$) at any depth¹.
- $K_{apparent} = \sigma_a / (\gamma \cdot h) \geq 0.25$
- Laboratory testing should be required to support soil parameters resulting in $K \leq 0.25$

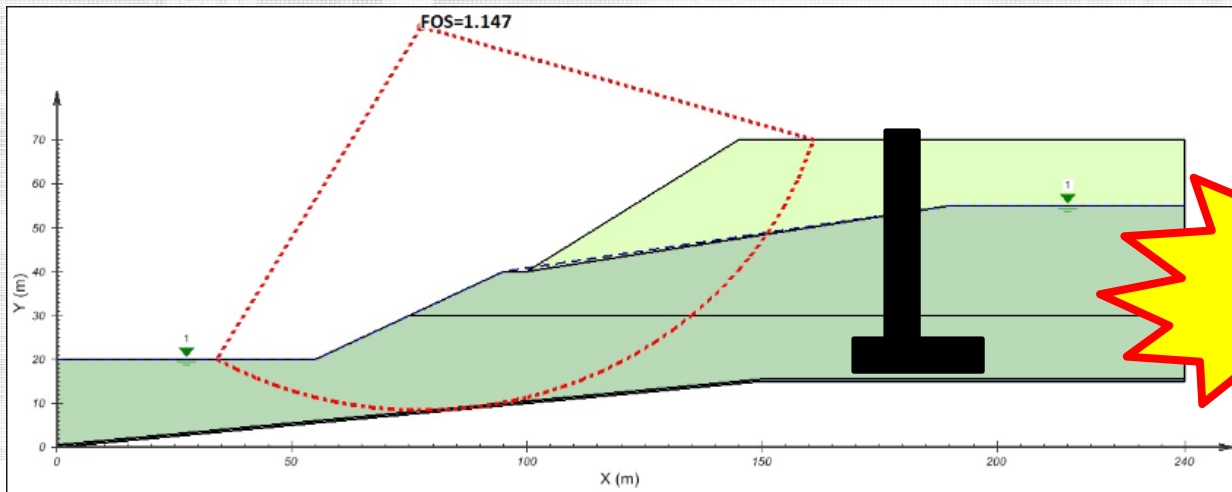
Bells Relationship for Cohesion

COHESION & MULTI LAYER SOIL

Soil Pressure Distribution for Cohesive soil



Multi-Layer Soil



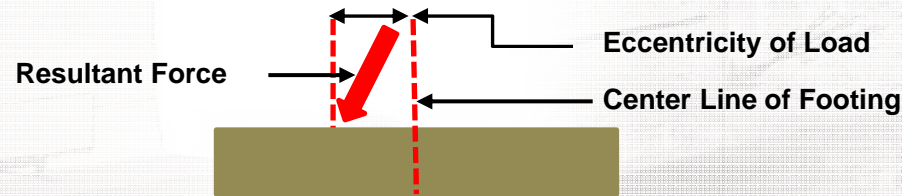
OUTLINE

- Geometry & Cost Comparison ASD/LRFD
- Standard Walls vs Special Design Walls
- LRFD Retaining Wall Design Background
- **Summary of Reasons For Changes**
- Other Type of Walls
- Conclusion

REASONS FOR CHANGES

- LRFD/CALTRANS Eccentricity Limit Requirements
- LRFD/CALTRANS Live Load Surcharge Load Application Requirements
- LRFD/CALTRANS Seismic Load Application Requirements
- LRFD/CALTRANS Seismic Inertia Force Application Requirements
- LRFD/CALTRANS Strength/Service/Extreme Load Combination with Max-Min Factor Design Requirements
- LRFD/CALTRANS Rectangular Bearing Pressure

ECCENTRICITY LIMITS



AASHTO	Service	Strength	Seismic
2007	NA	W/2 Soil 3W/4-Rock	Both Soil and Rock 2W/3 – EQ=0.0 8W/10 – EQ=1.0
2010	NA	W/2 Soil 3W/4-Rock	Both Soil and Rock 2W/3 – EQ=0.0 8W/10 – EQ=1.0
2012	NA	2W/3 Soil 9W/10-Rock	Both Soil and Rock 2W/3 – EQ=0.0 8W/10 – EQ=1.0
2014	NA	2W/3 Soil 9W/10-Rock	Both Soil and Rock 2W/3 – EQ=0.0 8W/10 – EQ=1.0

The load factor for live load in Extreme Event Load Combination I, γ_{EQ} , shall be determined on a project-specific basis.

CALTRANS – SERVICE ONLY – Limit W/6

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SURCHARGE LOAD

LFD – 2 ft or 240 psf Surcharge Always

Different in LFD & LRFD

Table 3.11.6.4-1—Equivalent Height of Soil for Vehicular Loading on Abutments Perpendicular to Traffic

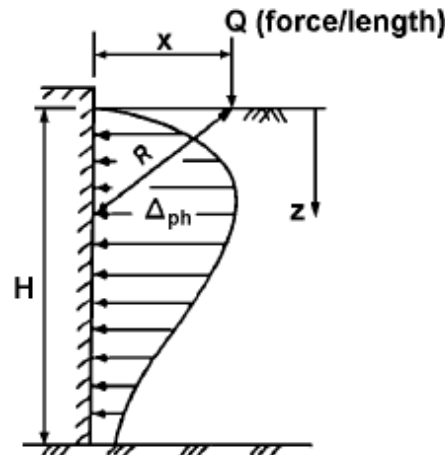
Abutment Height (ft)	h_{eq} (ft)
5.0	4.0
10.0	3.0
≥ 20.0	2.0

Table 3.11.6.4-2—Equivalent Height of Soil for Vehicular Loading on Retaining Walls Parallel to Traffic

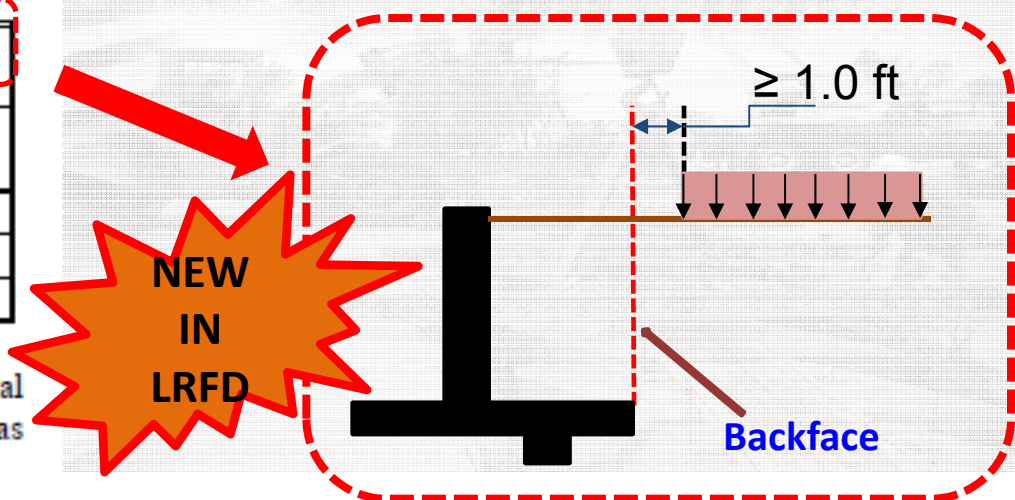
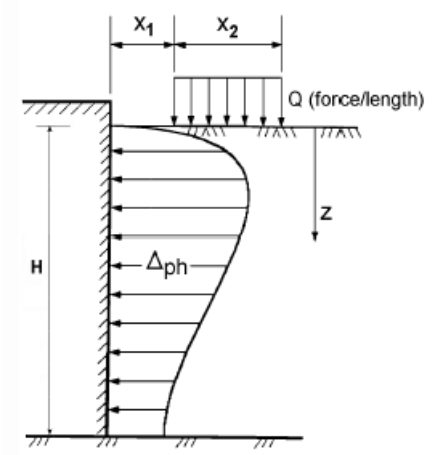
Retaining Wall Height (ft)	h_{eq} (ft) Distance from wall backface to edge of traffic	
	0.0 ft	1.0 ft or Further
5.0	5.0	2.0
10.0	3.5	2.0
≥ 20.0	2.0	2.0

The load factor for both vertical and horizontal components of live load surcharge shall be taken as specified in Table 3.4.1-1 for live load surcharge.

Point Load



Uniform Load

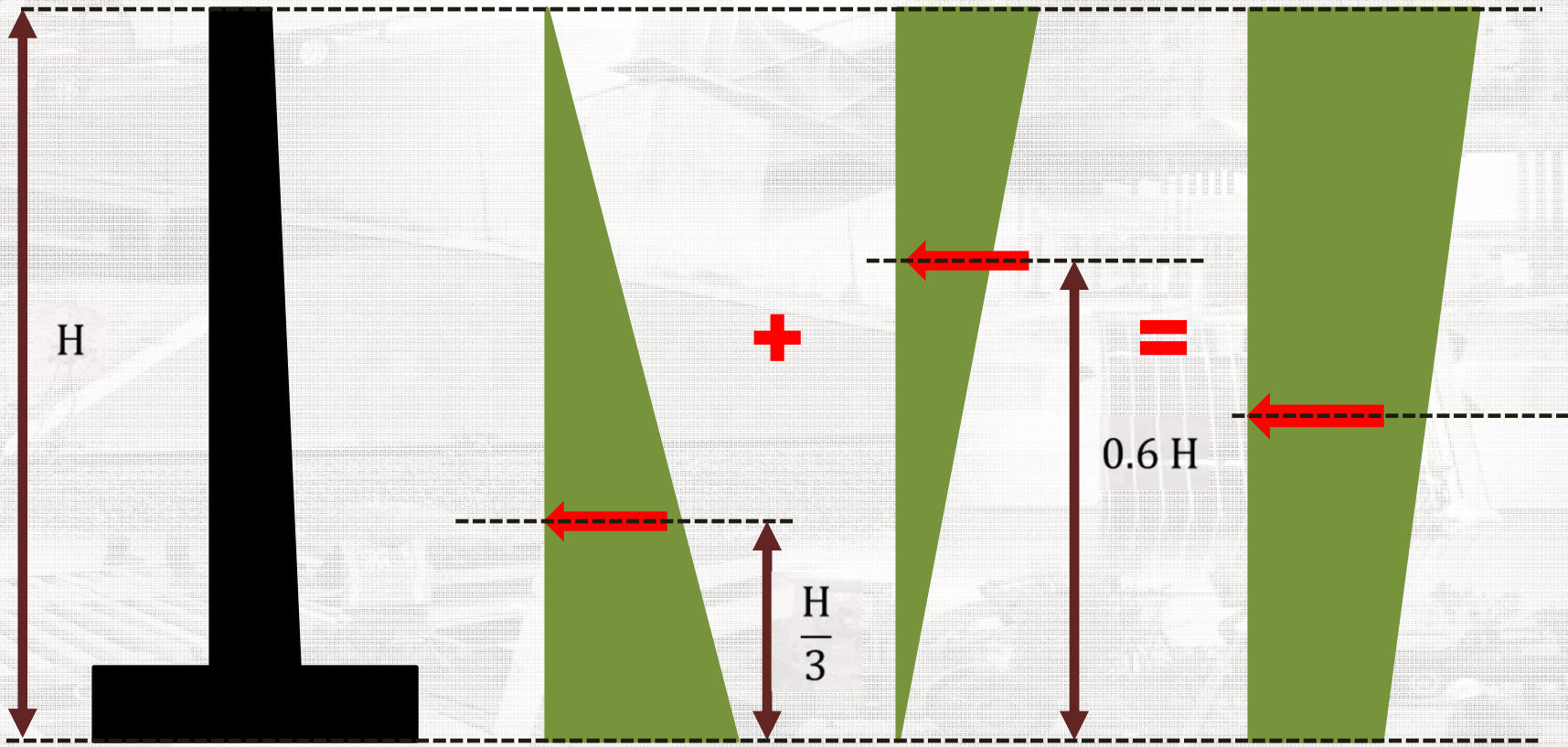


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SEISMIC LOAD LOCATION

2007 AASHTO



STATIC
SOILPRESSURE

SEISMIC ONLY
SOILPRESSURE

TOTAL
SOILPRESSURE

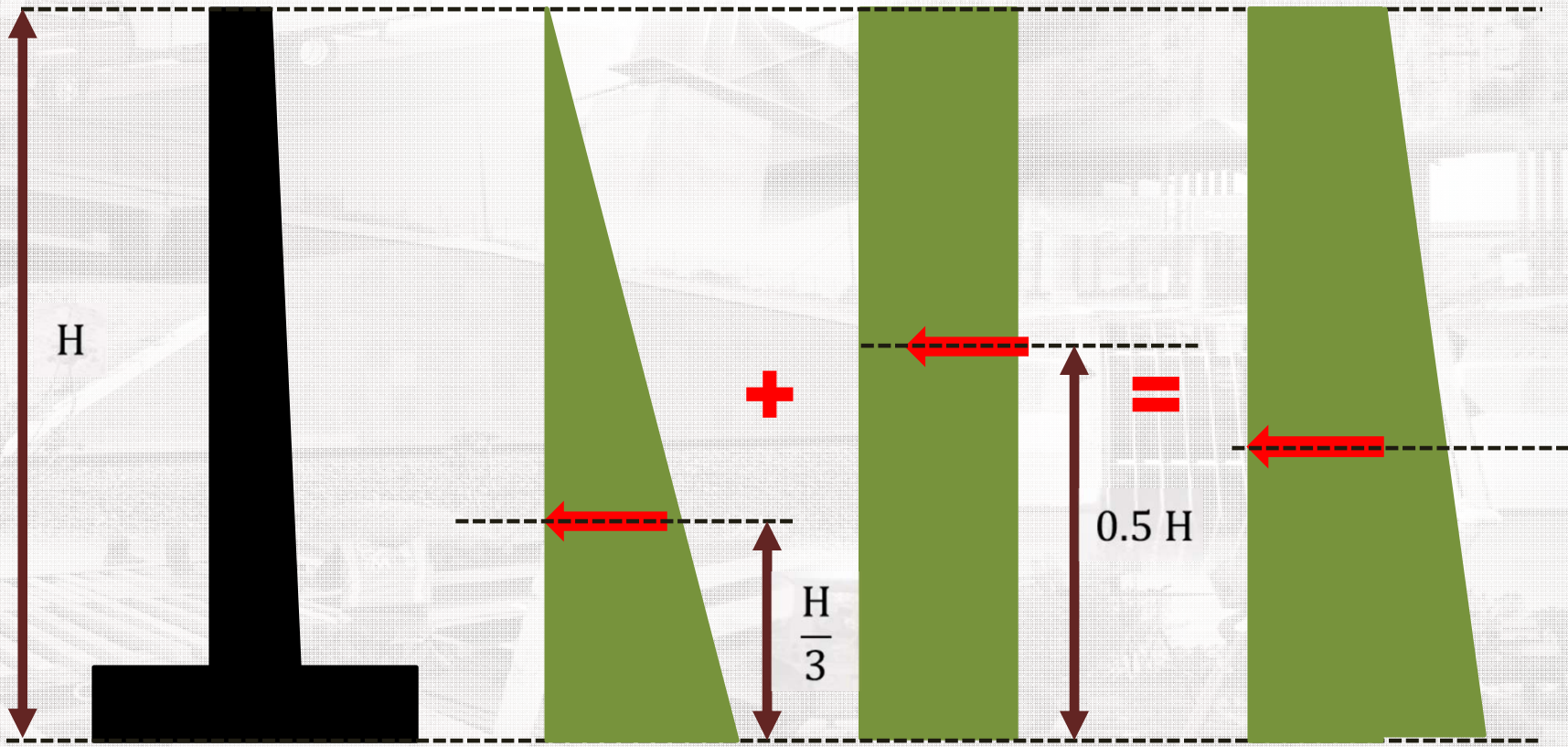
K_a

$K_{ae} - K_a$

K_{ae}

SEISMIC LOAD LOCATION

2010 AASHTO



STATIC
SOILPRESSURE

K_a

SEISMIC ONLY
SOILPRESSURE

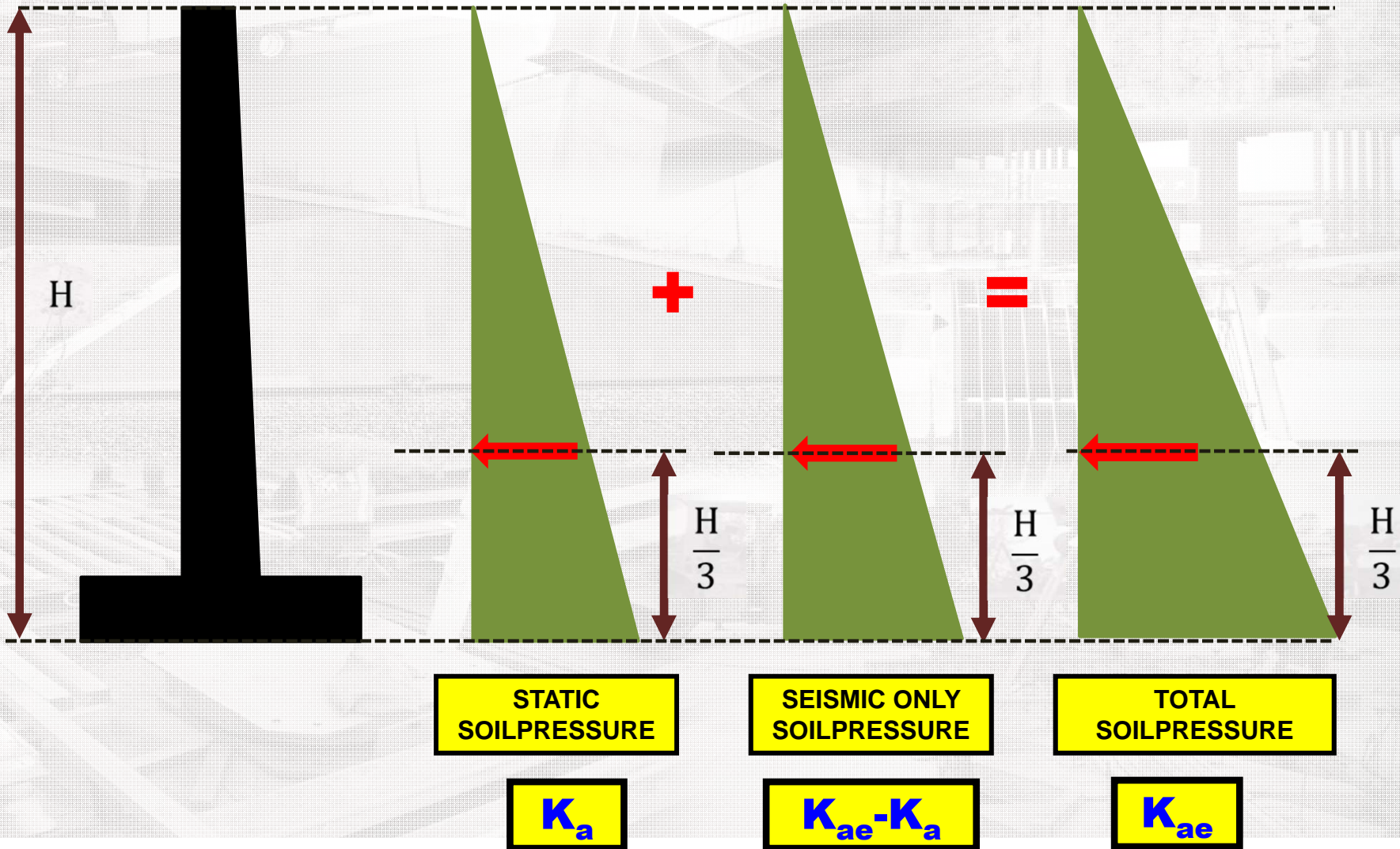
$K_{ae} - K_a$

TOTAL
SOILPRESSURE

K_{ae}

SEISMIC LOAD LOCATION

2012 & 2014 AASHTO

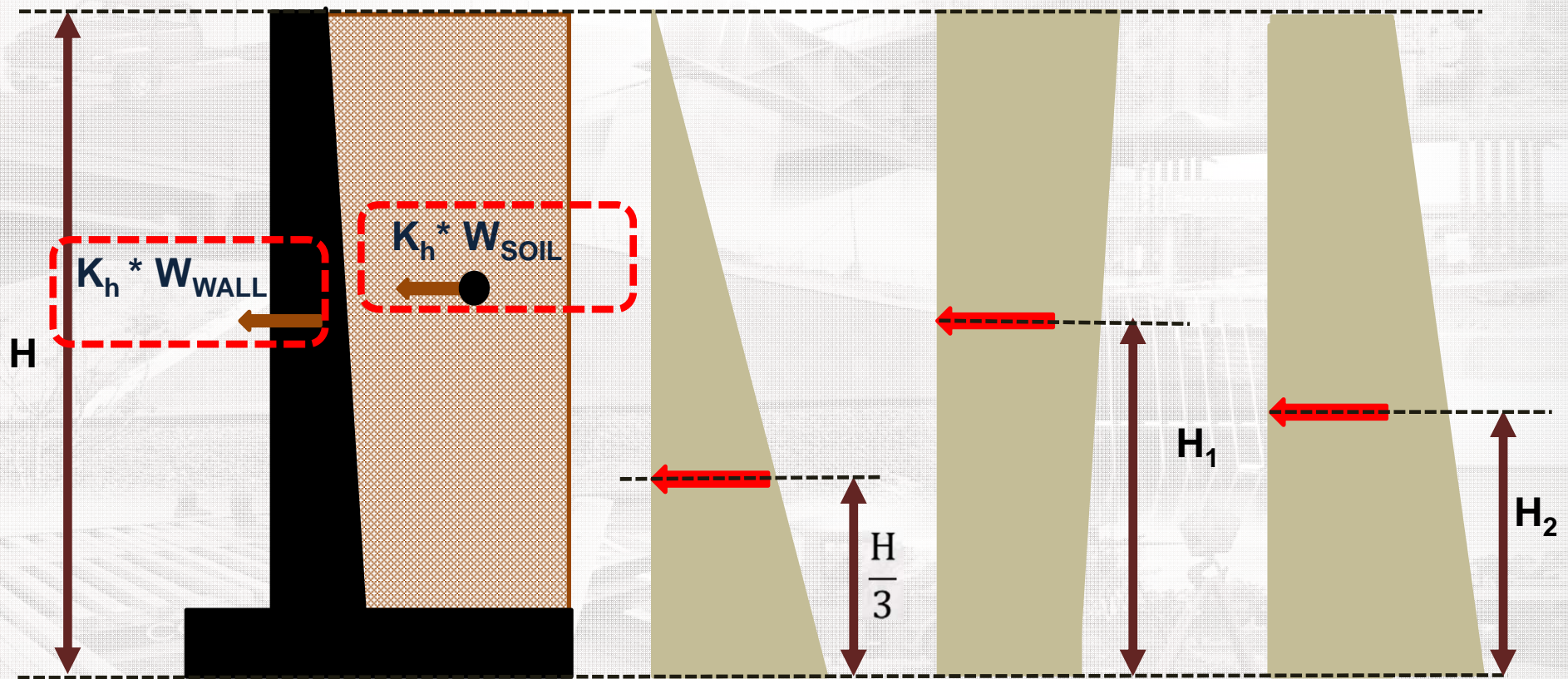


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SEISMIC INERTIA LOAD

CONCEPT



- 1. WALL INERTIA FORCE
- 2. SOIL MASS OVER HEEL INERTIA FORCE

STATIC SOILPRESSURE

$$K_a$$

SEISMIC ONLY SOILPRESSURE

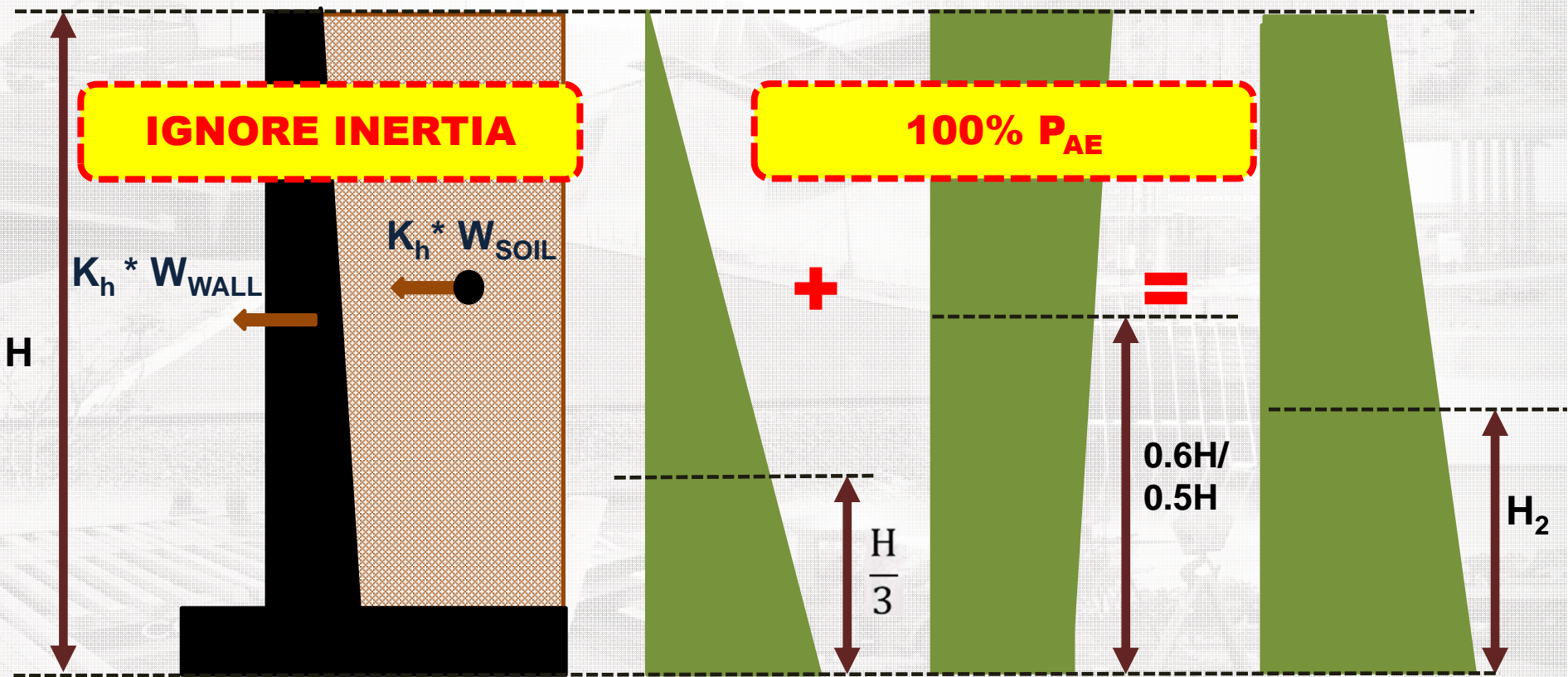
$$K_{ae} - K_a$$

TOTAL SOILPRESSURE

$$K_{ae}$$

SEISMIC INERTIA LOAD

BEFORE 2012 AASHTO



IGNORE INERTIA

100% P_{AE}

AASHTO-2007

11.8.6 Seismic Design

The effect of earthquake loading shall be investigated using the Extreme Event I limit state of Table 3.4.1-1 with resistance factor $\phi=1.0$ and load factor $\gamma_p=1.0$ and an accepted methodology.

In general, the pseudo-static approach developed by Mononobe and Okabe may be used to estimate the equivalent static forces provided the maximum lateral earth pressure, active and passive are computed using a seismic coefficient $k_s=0.5A$. Forces resulting from wall inertia effects may be ignored in estimating the seismic lateral earth pressure. Refer to Appendix A.

STATIC SOILPRESSURE

K_a

SEISMIC ONLY SOILPRESSURE

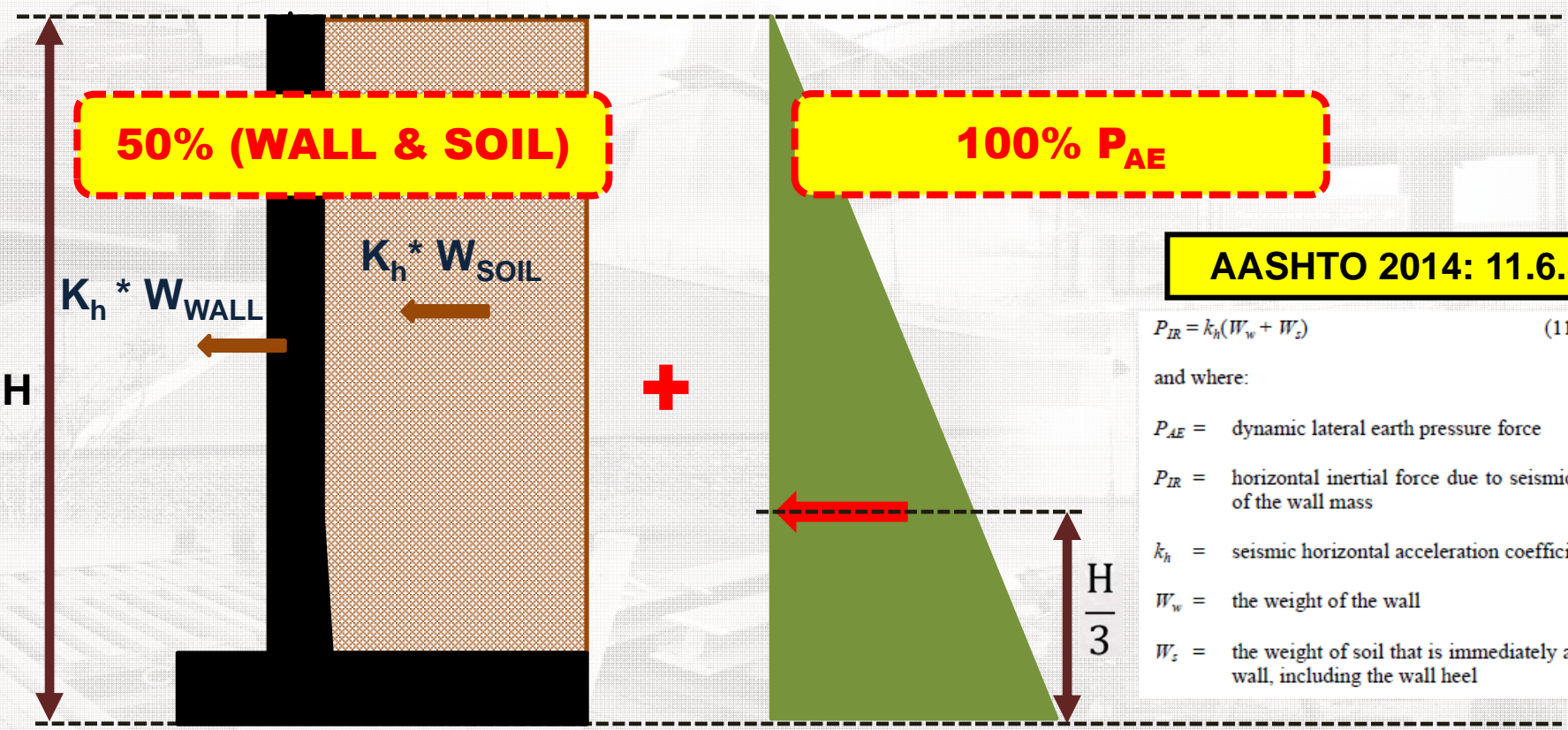
K_{ae}-K_a

TOTAL SOILPRESSURE

K_{ae}

SEISMIC INERTIA LOAD COMBINATIONS

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$$P_{IR} = k_h(W_w + W_s) \quad (11.6.5.1-1)$$

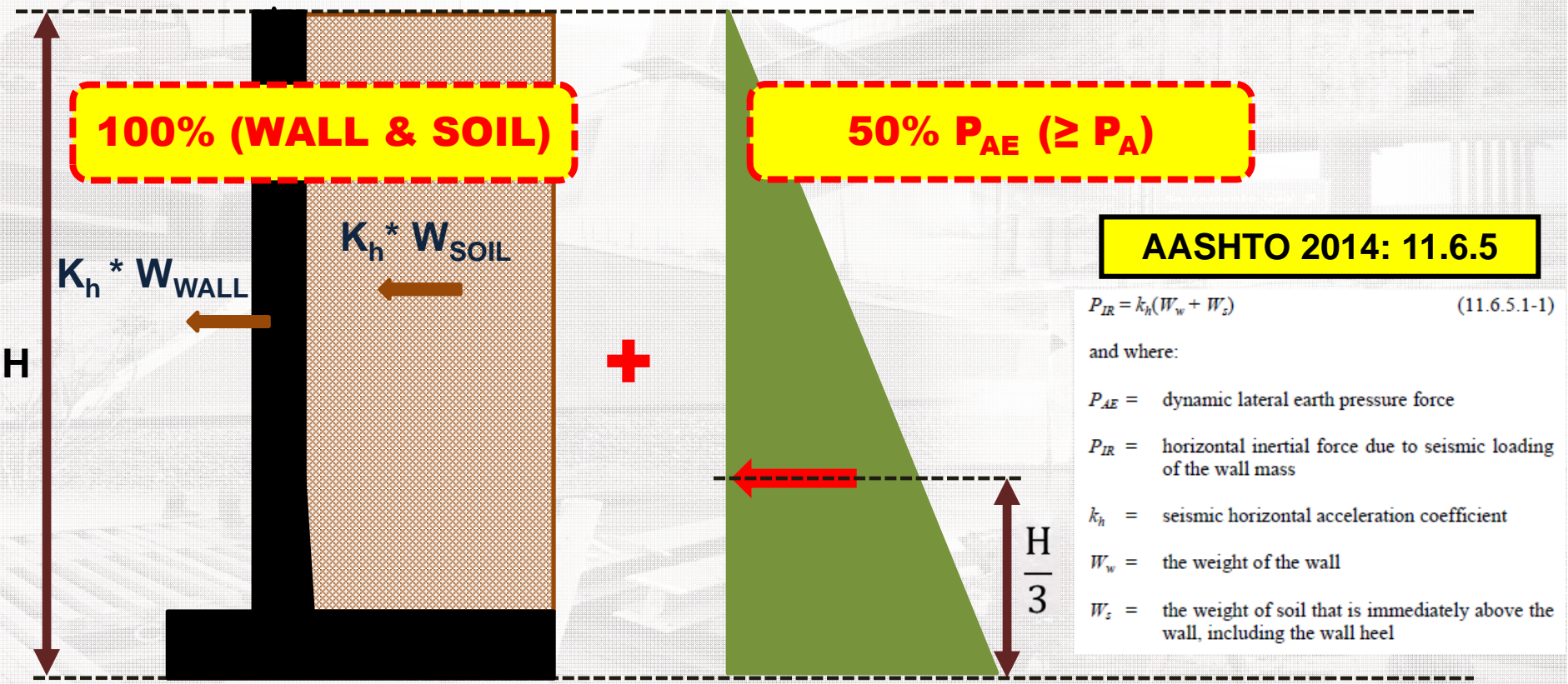
and where:

- P_{AE} = dynamic lateral earth pressure force
- P_{IR} = horizontal inertial force due to seismic loading of the wall mass
- k_h = seismic horizontal acceleration coefficient
- W_w = the weight of the wall
- W_s = the weight of soil that is immediately above the wall, including the wall heel

- Combine 100 percent of the seismic earth pressure P_{AE} with 50 percent of the wall inertial force P_{IR} and
- Combine 50 percent of P_{AE} but no less than the static active earth pressure force (i.e., F_1 in Figure 11.10.5.2-1), with 100 percent of the wall inertial force P_{IR} .

SEISMIC INERTIA LOAD COMBINATIONS

2012 & 2014 AASHTO



INERTIA LOAD CASE-2

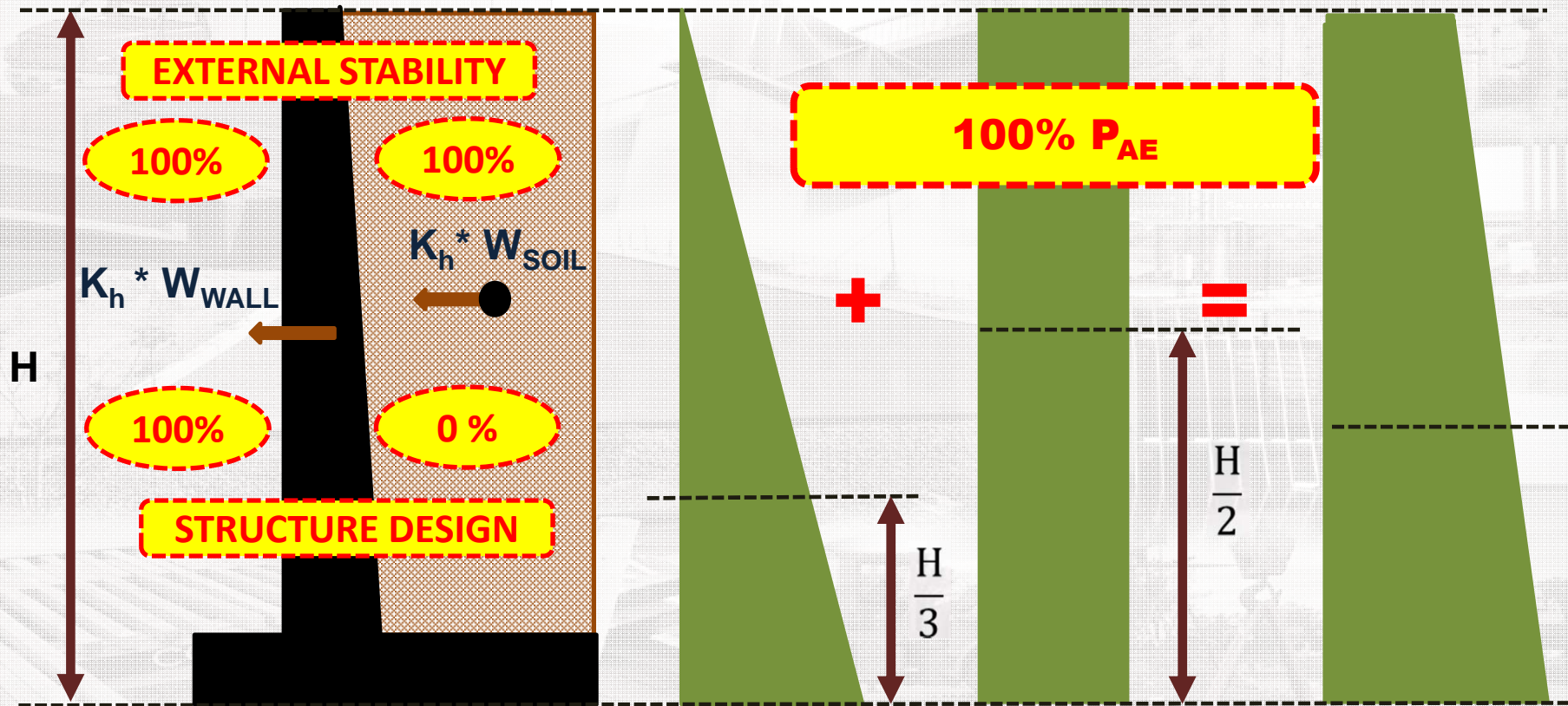
TOTAL SEISMIC SOILPRESSURE

K_{ae}

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- Combine 50 percent of P_{AE} but no less than the static active earth pressure force (i.e., F_1 in Figure 11.10.5.2-1), with 100 percent of the wall inertial force P_{IR} .

SEISMIC INERTIA LOAD

CALTRANS



INERTIA FORCE COMPONENT	EXTERNAL STABILITY	STRUCT DESIGN	STATIC SOILPRESSURE	SEISMIC ONLY SOILPRESSURE	TOTAL SOILPRESSURE
WALL & FOOTING	YES	YES	K_a	$K_{ae} - K_a$	K_{ae}
SOIL MASS OVER HEEL	YES	NO			

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- LRFD/CALTRANS Rectangular Bearing Pressure

AASHTO LOAD COMBINATIONS

Table 3.4.1-1 Load Combinations and Load Factors.

Load Combination Limit State	DC DW EH EV ES EL	LL IM CE BR PL LS	WA	WS	WL	FR	TU CR SH	TG	SE	Use One of These at a Time			
										EQ	IC	CT	CV
STRENGTH I (unless noted)	γ_p	1.75	1.00	—	—	1.00	0.50/1.20	γ_{TG}	γ_{SE}	—	—	—	—
STRENGTH II	γ_p	1.35	1.00	—	—	1.00	0.50/1.20	γ_{TG}	γ_{SE}	—	—	—	—
STRENGTH III	γ_p	—	1.00	1.40	—	1.00	0.50/1.20	γ_{TG}	γ_{SE}	—	—	—	—
STRENGTH IV	γ_p	—	1.00	—	—	1.00	0.50/1.20	—	—	—	—	—	—
STRENGTH V	γ_p	1.35	1.00	0.40	1.0	1.00	0.50/1.20	—	—	—	—	—	—
EXTREME EVENT I	γ_p	γ_{EQ}	1.00	—	—	1.00	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
EXTREME EVENT II	γ_p	0.50	1.00	—	—	1.00	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
SERVICE I	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.30	1.0	1.00	1.00/1.20	—	—	—	—	—	—
SERVICE II	1.00	1.30	1.00	—	—	1.00	1.00/1.20	—	—	—	—	—	—
SERVICE III	1.00	0.80	1.00	—	—	1.00	1.00/1.20	—	—	—	—	—	—
SERVICE IV	1.00	—	1.00	0.70	—	1.00	1.00/1.20	—	—	—	—	—	—
FATIGUE— LL, IM & CE ONLY	—	0.75	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

EH-Max + EV-Max
EH-Max + EV-Min
EH-Min + EV-Max
EH-Min + EV-Min

Table 3.4.1-2 Load Factors for Permanent Loads, γ_p

Type of Load, Foundation Type, and Method Used to Calculate Downdrag	Load Factor		
	Maximum	Minimum	
DC: Component and Attachments	1.25	0.90	
DC: Strength IV only	1.50	0.90	
DD: Downdrag	Piles, α Tomlinson Method	1.4	0.25
	Piles, λ Method	1.05	0.30
	Drilled shafts, O'Neill and Reese (1999) Method	1.25	0.35
DW: Wearing Surfaces and Utilities	1.50	0.65	
EH: Horizontal Earth Pressure	• Active	1.50	0.90
	• At-Rest	1.35	0.90
	• AEP for anchored walls	1.35	N/A
	• Locked-in Erection Stresses	1.00	1.00
EV: Vertical Earth Pressure	• Overall Stability	1.00	N/A
	• Retaining Walls and Abutments	1.35	1.00
	• Rigid Buried Structure	1.30	0.90
	• Rigid Frames	1.35	0.90
	• Flexible Buried Structures other than Metal Box Culverts	1.95	0.90
	• Flexible Metal Box Culverts	1.50	0.90
ES: Earth Surcharge	1.50	0.75	

Different in ASD & LRFD

Big Envelope with Max-Min Factors

Resulted Bigger Geometry

AASHTO LOAD COMBINATIONS

Table 3.4.1-1 Load Combination

Load Combination Limit State	DC DD DW EH EV ES EL	LL IM CE BR PS LS					
STRENGTH I (unless noted)	γ_p	1.1					
STRENGTH II	γ_p	1.2					
STRENGTH III	γ_p	—					
STRENGTH IV	γ_p	—					
STRENGTH V	γ_p	1.35	1.00	0.40	1.0	1.00	0.50/1.20
EXTREME EVENT I	γ_p	1.00	1.00	—	—	1.00	—
EXTREME EVENT II	γ_p	0.50	1.00	—	—	1.00	—
SERVICE I	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.30	1.0	1.00	1.00/1.20
SERVICE II	1.00	1.30	1.00	—	—	1.00	1.00/1.20
SERVICE III	1.00	0.80	1.00	—	—	1.00	1.00/1.20
SERVICE IV	1.00	—	1.00	0.70	—	1.00	1.00/1.20
FATIGUE—LL, IM & CE ONLY	—	0.75	—	—	—	—	—

100 % P_{AE} + 50% Inertia
50% P_{AE} * + 100% Inertia
 (* - 50% $P_{AE} \geq P_A$ (STATIC))

Load Combination	DC	DD	DW	EH	EV	ES	EL
100% P_{AE} + 50% Inertia	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
50% P_{AE} * + 100% Inertia	0.50	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00

EH-Max + EV-Max
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DD: Downdrag Drilled shafts, λ Method and Reese (1999) Method	1.25	0.35
DW: Wearing Surfaces and Utilities	1.50	0.65
EH: Horizontal Earth Pressure	1.50	0.90
EH: Horizontal Earth Pressure	1.35	0.90
EH: Horizontal Earth Pressure	1.35	N/A
EL: Local Earth Surcharge	1.00	1.00
EV: Vertical Earth Pressure	1.00	N/A
EV: Vertical Earth Pressure	1.35	1.00
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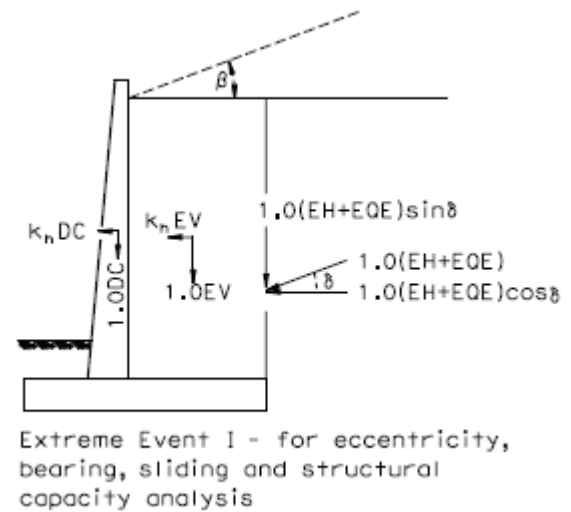
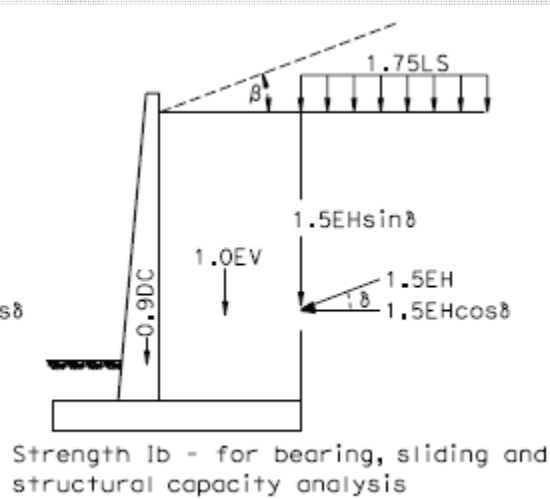
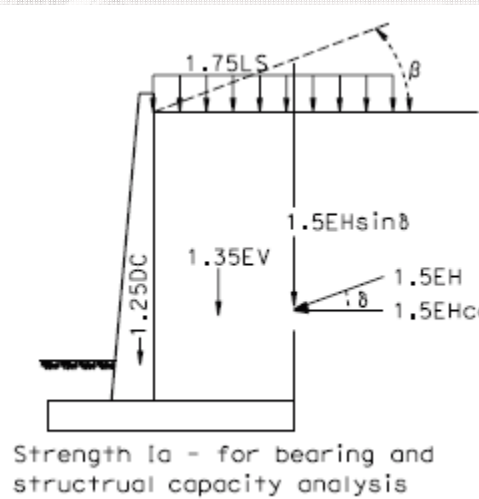
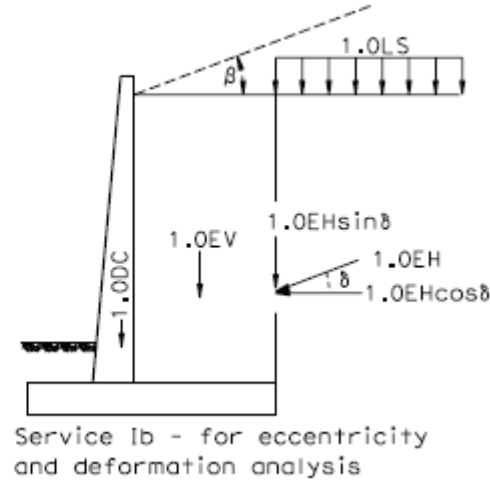
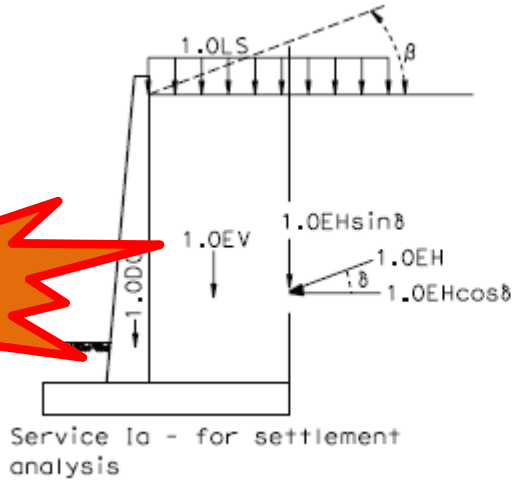
8 COMBINATIONS FOR EXTREME EVENT

CALTRANS LOAD COMBINATIONS

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Service-1a

Service - 1b



Strength - 1a

Strength - 1b

Extreme-1

CALTRANS REQUIRED CHECKS

Minimum Analyses for Earth Retaining System Design

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Table 1 Analysis for ERS Design

Limit State	Service I	Strength Ia	Strength Ib	Extreme Event I (Seismic)
Bearing Stresses*	X	X	X	X
Eccentricity	X			X
Sliding			X	X
Structural Service Performance	X			
Structural Capacity		X	X	X

* To be checked against actual project conditions before use of the Standard

AASHTO LRFD vs CALTRANS

CHECK		AASHTO	CALTRANS
BEARING	SERVICE	YES-SETTLEMENT	YES-SETTLEMENT
	STRENGTH	YES	YES
	EXTREME	YES	YES
ECCENTRICITY	SERVICE	NO	YES
	STRENGTH	YES	NO
	EXTREME	YES	NO
SLIDING	SERVICE	N/A	N/A
	STRENGTH	YES	YES
	EXTREME	YES	YES
STRUCTURAL DESIGN	SERVICE	YES - CRACKING	YES - CRACKING
	STRENGTH	YES	YES
	EXTREME	YES	YES

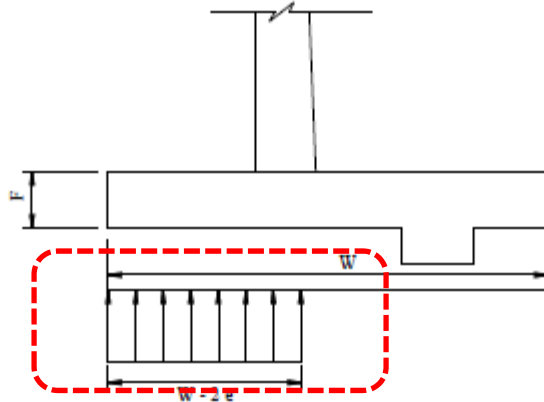
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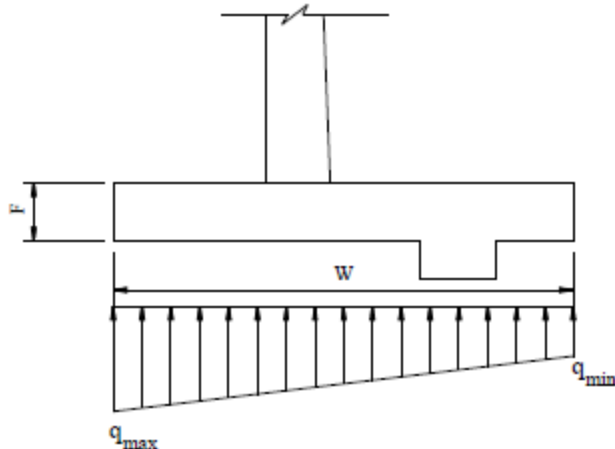
BEARING PRESSURE

A. GEOTECHNICAL BEARING PRESSURE:

For geotechnical soil bearing pressures evaluation, soil pressure is distributed as uniformly distributed pressure below the footing for a length of $(W-2e)$ (where e -eccentricity). Following figure shows soil pressure distribution.



B. SOIL PRESSURE FOR STRUCTURAL DESIGN:



Soil Pressure Reporting: (q_u, B')

Plastic Soil – For Geotechnical Pressure Evaluation

$$\sigma_v = \frac{\sum V}{B - 2e} \quad (11.6.3.2-1)$$

$$\sigma_{vmax} = \frac{\sum V}{B} \left(1 + 6 \frac{e}{B} \right) \quad (11.6.3.2-2)$$

$$\sigma_{vmin} = \frac{\sum V}{B} \left(1 - 6 \frac{e}{B} \right) \quad (11.6.3.2-3)$$

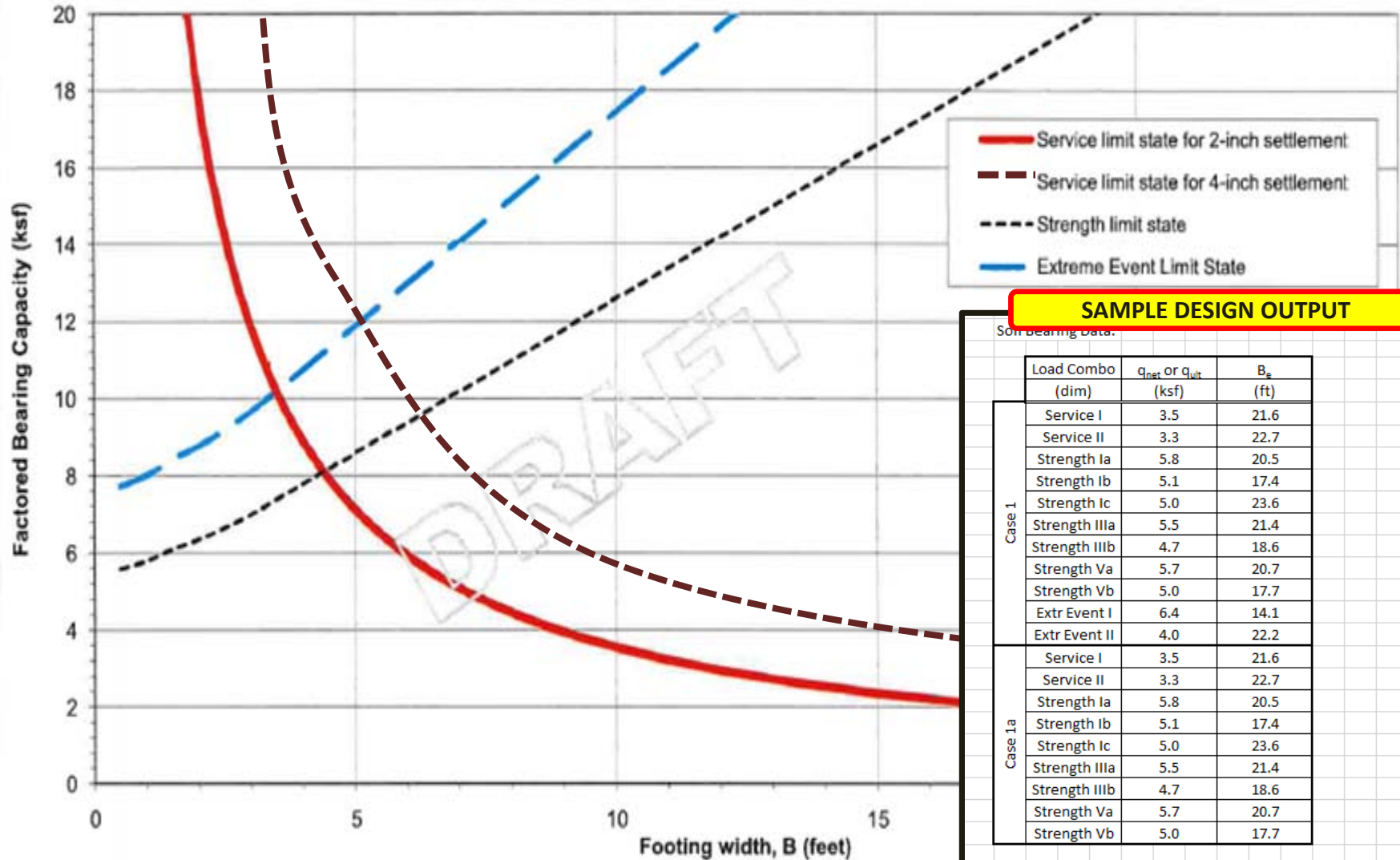
If resultant force is outside the middle one third of footing width,

$$\sigma_{vmax} = \frac{2 \sum V}{3[(B/2) - e]} \quad (11.6.3.2-4)$$

$$\sigma_{vmin} = 0 \quad (11.6.3.2-5)$$

Triangular Pressure Distribution Critical for Structural Design

LRFD BEARING CAPACITY -SAMPLE



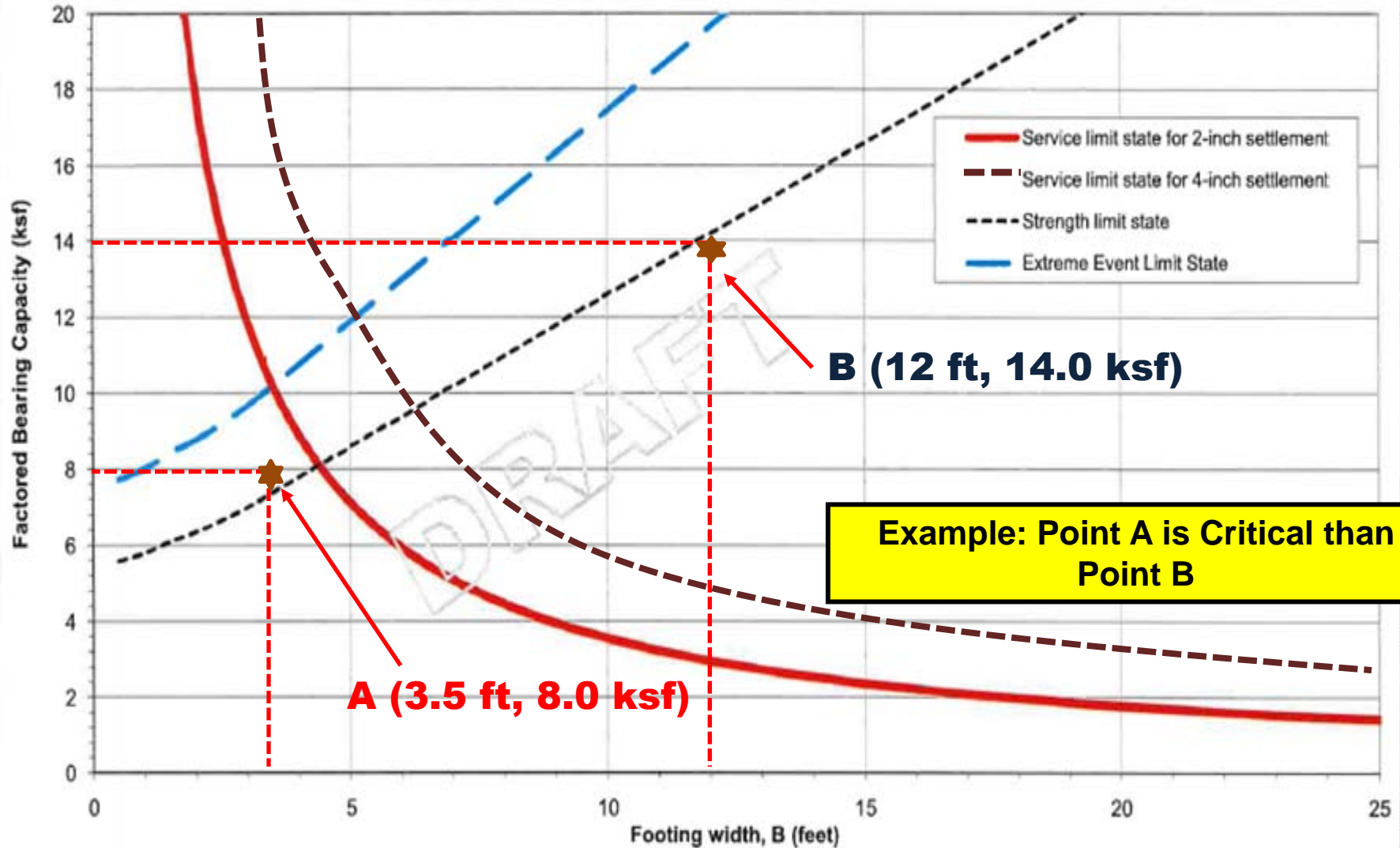
SAMPLE DESIGN OUTPUT

Soil bearing data:

Load Combo (dim)	q_{inst} or q_{ult} (ksf)	B_e (ft)	
Case 1	Service I	3.5	21.6
	Service II	3.3	22.7
	Strength Ia	5.8	20.5
	Strength Ib	5.1	17.4
	Strength Ic	5.0	23.6
	Strength IIIa	5.5	21.4
	Strength IIIb	4.7	18.6
	Strength Va	5.7	20.7
	Strength Vb	5.0	17.7
	Extr Event I	6.4	14.1
Extr Event II	4.0	22.2	
Case 1a	Service I	3.5	21.6
	Service II	3.3	22.7
	Strength Ia	5.8	20.5
	Strength Ib	5.1	17.4
	Strength Ic	5.0	23.6
	Strength IIIa	5.5	21.4
	Strength IIIb	4.7	18.6
	Strength Va	5.7	20.7
Strength Vb	5.0	17.7	

Case 1: No live load surcharge placed over heel
 Case 1a: With live load surcharge placed over heel, as applicable

LRFD BEARING CAPACITY EVALUATION – STRENGTH LIMIT STATE EXAMPLE



Example: Point A is Critical than Point B

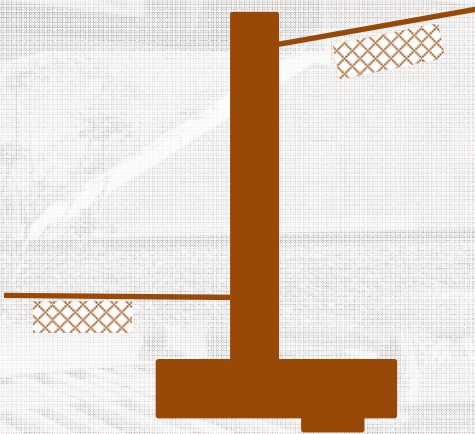
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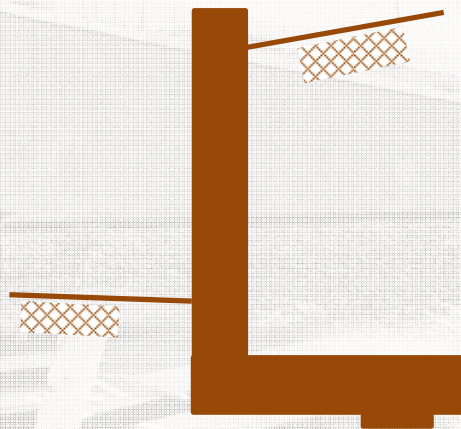
TYPE OF RETAINING WALLS

Cantilever Type Walls

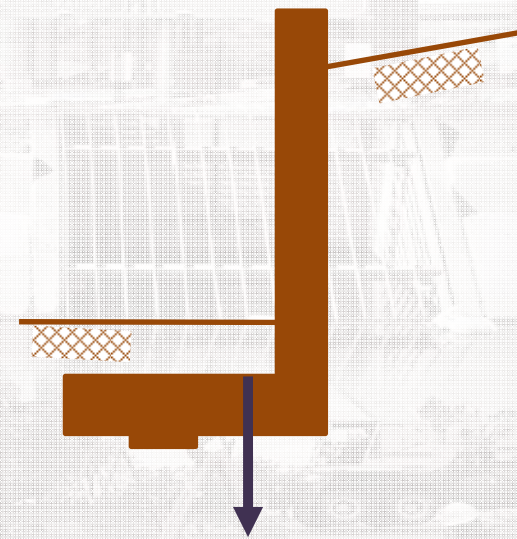
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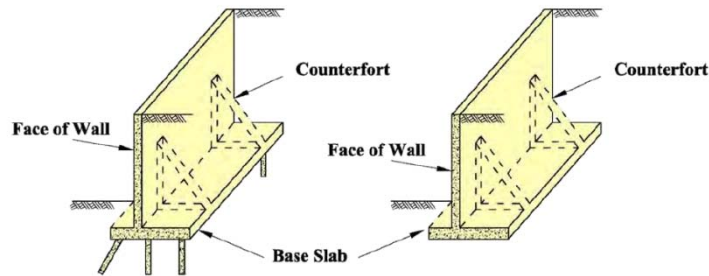
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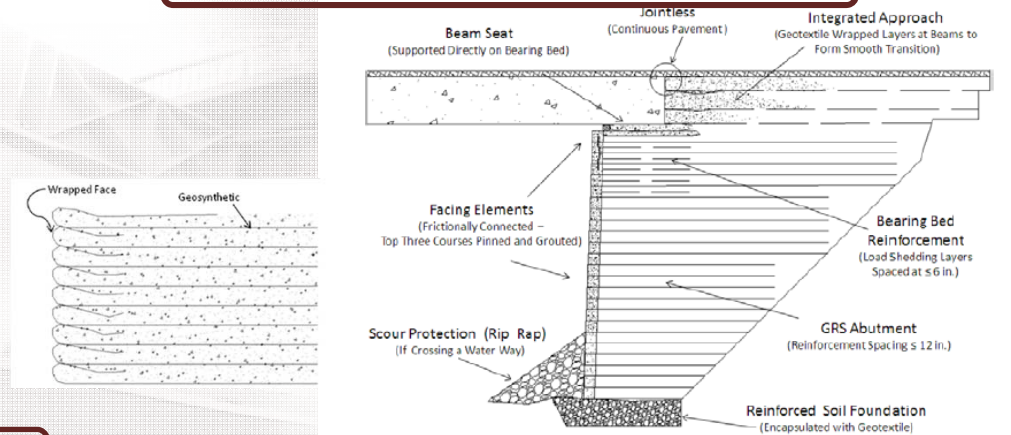
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TYPE OF RETAINING WALLS

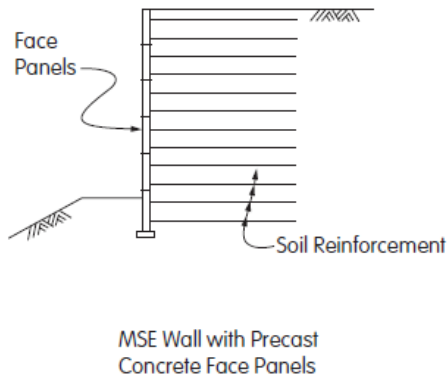
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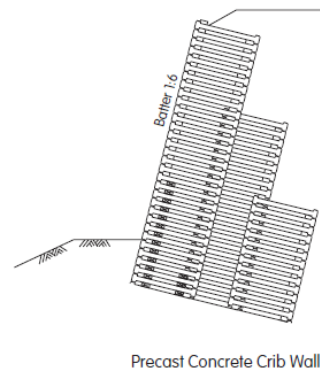
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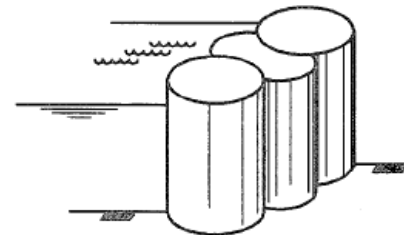
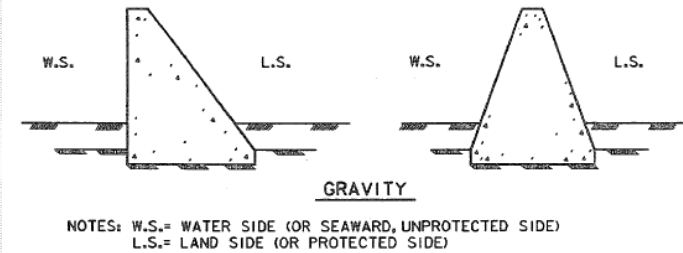
MSE Walls



Crib Walls



Gravity Walls



- CSM (Concrete-Soil-Mix) Wall
- DSM (Deep-Soil-Mix)
- Secant Pile Walls

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CONCLUSION

- Retaining Wall Geometry has significantly changed because of LRFD Design Criteria compare to ASD
- LRFD Design Criteria Constantly changed from 2007 to 2014.
- AASHTO significantly reduced Design Requirements in Recent LRFD Codes compare to 2007 LRFD Code.
- DOTs' Issues Interim Memorandums to Amend AASHTO LRFD Requirements.

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