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## ABSTRACT

This investigation attempts to evaluate procedures related to the design of tall steel building frames for stability. Behavior of frames under various loading conditions are discussed along with analyses used to predict this behavior.

Traditional procedures used for the design of steel structures for stability are outlined along with proposed modifications of these design procedures. A model that can be used to predict the ultimate strength of restrained columns permitted to sway is outlined. This model is used to evaluate the predictions of various design methods.

The PΔ procedure for the design of steel structures for stability is outlined. The rational and accuracy of this method is investigated. A model for the analysis of inelastic sway subassemblages is developed and the effect of inelastic beam response on the behavior of restrained sway members is studied. A stability check for use with the PΔ procedure is proposed.

Examples of a multi-storey building frame designed using different design methods are presented along with a second order elastic-plastic analysis of these frames. Recommendations for the design of tall steel structures for stability are made.

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| A | cross sectional area of member |
| C | stability function |
| $C_e$ | Euler buckling load |
| $C_f$ | factored axial load |
| $C_r$ | factored compressive resistance of the member |
| d | depth of the section |
| E | modulus of elasticity |
| f | shape factor |
| $G, G_u, G_L$ | coefficients required for effective length calculation |
| $H'_i$ | fictitious sway force at level i |
| $H_n$ | lateral load applied at storey n |
| h | storey height |
| I | moment of inertia of member |
| $I_c$ | column moment of inertia |
| $I_G, I_B$ | girder moment of inertia |
| K | effective length factor |
| $K_F$ | effective length factor calculated on the basis of frame buckling |
| $K_S$ | effective length factor calculated on the basis of storey buckling |
| $K_T$ | effective length factor calculated using traditional methods |
| [K] | stability stiffness matrix |

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| $L$ | number length |
| $L_c$ | length of column |
| $L_G, L_B$ | length of girder |
| $M_{AB}, M_{AD}$ | bending moment |
| $M_f, M_{fx}, M_{fy}$ | factored bending moment |
| $M_{f1}$ | smaller factored end moment of a beam column |
| $M_{f2}$ | larger factored end moment of a beam column |
| $M_n$ | moment at the column top in storey n |
| $M_p$ | plastic moment capacity of member |
| $M_{pc}$ | reduced plastic moment in the presence of axial load |
| $M_r, M_{rx}, M_{ry}$ | factored bending resistance; joint resisting function |
| $M_T$ | moment at column top |
| $P, P_n$ | column axial load |
| $P_{cr}$ | critical axial load |
| $Pe'$ | Euler buckling load |
| $\Sigma P_i$ | sum of the axial loads at level i |
| $P_{pL}$ | rigid plastic collapse load |
| $\{P\}$ | primary axial forces |
| $P_y$ | axial yield load for the member |
| $Q_{AB}$ | uniformly distributed load applied to member AB |
| $Q_n$ | lateral shear carried by the member in storey n |
| $r, r_x$ | radius of gyration |

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| $R1$ | sway effects ratio |
| $S$ | stability function |
| $X$ | distance from support to the segment centre |
| $\{X\}$ | unrestrained joint deformations |
| $V_{AB}$ | end shear for member AB |
| $V_i'$ | artificial shear at level i |
| $V_i$ | deflection in segment i |
| $w_p$ | uniform load required to form a plastic hinge |
| $Z$ | plastic section modulus |
| $\alpha$ | load factor |
| $\alpha_i$ | slope of segment i |
| $\beta$ | moment amplifier |
| $\gamma$ | column end rotation |
| $\Delta, \Delta_i$ | sway deflection |
| $\delta_i$ | length of segment i |
| $\theta$ | joint rotation |
| $\lambda$ | load factor |
| $\sigma_y$ | yield stress |
| $\phi$ | curvature |
| $\omega, \omega_x, \omega_y$ | equivalent moment factor |

# CHAPTER I

## INTRODUCTION

With the construction of many taller buildings, an increased concern has become evident about the overall stability of these increasingly slender structures. Confusion in this aspect of the design of tall buildings has arisen from the fact that the analyses used by the designer to compute the distribution of forces and moments throughout the structure do not include those aspects of the behavior of the structure relating to the overall stability of the structure. Thus, the results of these analyses must be adjusted empirically to reflect the stability effects (1).

Traditionally, the adjustment for the neglect of stability effects is made in the interaction equations for the design of beam columns (24). First, the structure must be classified as either "sway permitted" or "sway prevented". Then, the effective length factor, K, and the equivalent moment factor, $\omega$, are calculated depending on how the structure is classified. These factors are then used in the stability interaction equation (24,43):

$$\frac{C_f}{C_r} + \frac{\omega M_f}{M_r (1 - \frac{C_f}{C_e})} \leq 1.0 \qquad (1.1)$$

where:

$M_f$ = maximum end moment on the member produced by the factored loads

$C_f$ = axial load on the member produced by the factored loads

$C_r$ = the factored compressive resistance developed by the member if

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subjected to an axial load

$M_r$ = the factored moment resistance developed by the member if subjected to loads causing bending moments without signifi-cant axial force

$C_e = \dfrac{286,000A}{(KL/r_x)^2}$, the elastic buckling strength of the member where $KL/r_x$ represents the slenderness ratio in the plane of bending.

Traditionally, it had been assumed that if the structure con-tained a stiff vertical truss or shear wall, translation would be effectively prevented and the columns could then be designed as "sway prevented" members. In the absence of a stiff vertical element, resis-tance to lateral sway must be provided by the flexural resistance of the beams and columns in the structure and the columns were then designed as "sway permitted" members.

The use of various terms in Equation (1.1) to adjust for the neglect of the stability effects in the analyses of the structure has been an area of considerable controversy, particularly, when considering the design of beam columns in tall structures (3,4). As a result, there have been a number of proposals to rationalize and improve the design of beam columns for stability effects (5,6,7,8,9). Most of the attention given to the problem has focused on attempts to correlate the mathema-tical bifurcation of equilibrium states with the actual stability pro-blem. The main object of many of these proposals has been to develop a more rational effective length or K factor to use in the interaction equations. The use of the K factor in the interaction equations has been based on empirical considerations, and thus, any change in the K factor itself must reflect the nature of its use.

Recently, a departure from the traditional approach has been proposed (10,11,12,38,39). This method has been called the PΔ method for stability design.

The method proposed that either a rigorous or an approximate second order analysis be performed on the structure so that the effect of axial loads on the deformed geometry of the structure is considered. Thus, the distribution of moments and forces in the members of a structure will include those most significant stability effects. It is further proposed that if the stability effects have been included in the analyses, the members may be designed on the basis of the "sway prevented" condition while if these effects have not been included, the structure must be designed as "sway permitted". It is also suggested, therefore, that the classification of structures as "sway permitted" or "sway prevented" should be based only on whether stability effects are included in the analysis of the structure.

The purpose of this dissertation is to study the implications of the proposed PΔ method and to propose any modifications or limitations that may be required. Included in this study will be an evaluation of other design methods, both existing and proposed.

Before exploring the use of the PΔ method, an understanding of the behavior of structures under various loading systems is required. An outline of the behavior of frames subjected to both vertical loads and to a combination of horizontal and vertical loads is presented in Chapter II. This behavior is illustrated by the results of a number of experiments performed on various types of frames (16,17,18,20).

The traditional method of accounting for stability effects is

outlined in Chapter III. In this Chapter, a model is developed for predicting the ultimate strength of restrained beam-column permitted to sway. An elastic-plastic analysis of this model is used to illustrate the manner in which the traditional methods account for second order effects. This model is also used throughout the dissertation to illustrate various factors effecting the strength and behavior of beam-columns.

As a result of the extensive research into the behavior of beam columns, many proposals have been made to the design of such members for stability effects. As suggested by Lay (3), when a new method for design is introduced, the pros and cons of this method are seldom discussed with respect to those of other proposals. The object of Chapter IV is to discuss various recent proposals and to relate the implications of these proposals to those of the PΔ technique.

The PΔ method is outlined in detail in Chapter V as originally proposed. The investigation of various limitations of the PΔ method is described in Chapter V. The results of analyses are introduced to confirm the method, and the accuracy and convergence of the approximate second order analysis is discussed. The significance of the various second order effects considered are reviewed. The effect of inelastic beam behavior on column restraint, the effects of initial out of plumbs, the effect of axial loads on column stiffness, the effect of overall frame stiffness, and other factors that may have some influence on stability of frames are discussed.

The lack of specific information on the effect of inelastic beam response on the behavior of beam-column subassemblages lead to the development of an analysis in Chapter VI to predict such behavior. The

results of the analysis are confirmed by comparison to various experimental results. The results of the analyses are then used to examine the effect of inelastic beam response on the stability of beam-column subassemblages.

To illustrate the use of the P-Delta technique for the design of tall building frames, design examples are presented in Chapter VII. In this chapter, a 26-storey building frame is designed using both the P-Delta technique and traditional design techniques and a proposal is presented for designing without consideration of second order effects. The resulting member sizes are compared and the final designs are analyzed using a second order elastic-plastic analysis to compare the behavior of the different frames. In addition, a "leaned frame" is also designed using the P-Delta technique to examine the behavior of a frame subjected to large sway effects.

The recommendations developed from the investigation are presented in Chapter VIII. A summary of the investigation and conclusions reached are presented in Chapter IX.

# CHAPTER II

## BEHAVIOR OF FRAMES

### 2.1 INTRODUCTION

The significance of second order effects is more clearly understood when related to the behavior of frames under various loading conditions. Of particular importance is the relationship between the behavior of frames as predicted by various analytical models and the actual behavior of frames as observed in experimental models.

Extensive research has been conducted in recent years to investigate the behavior of unclad multi-storey frames and their components (13,27). This research has included both analytical and experimental studies. The experimental approach has been to test relatively large-scale simple frames, designed so that the stability effects are similar to those predicted in portions of multi-storey frames.

In this chapter, a number of analytical models used to predict the behavior of frames will be discussed. The behavior predicted by these analyses shall then be compared with experimental behavior to demonstrate the significance of second order effects to the response of building frames.

### 2.2 ANALYSIS OF FRAMES

The behavior of a frame can be described in terms of the relationship between applied loads and the resulting deformations (1). The prediction of this relationship depends on the material properties, loading history, and considerations of equilibrium and compatibility.

The discrepancy between the behavior predicted by the analysis and the "true" behavior as observed during tests depends on the sophistication of the mathematical model used in the analysis, (31). The sophistication of the model used is dependent on the desired accuracy and the availability of computational facilities and funds, (31). For design, the model used should include all those factors which significantly influence the behavior of the actual structure.

To illustrate the behavior of a frame as predicted by various mathematical models, the simple frame shown as an inset to Figure 2.1 will be used. The behavior of this frame can be described by the relationship between increasing load, P, and the lateral movement of the frame at the top, Δ.

Of particular importance to the analysis are assumptions involving material properties and frame geometry. When material properties are said to be elastic the relationship between stress and strain for the material shall be considered to be linear without limit. When the material is assumed to be elastic-plastic, the stress strain relationship will be linear until the plastic limit, then followed by a region of unlimited deformation at constant stress.

When a first order analysis is used, the loads are considered to act on the undeformed geometry of the frame. In the case of the second order analysis, the effect of loads shall be considered to act on the deformed or deflected shape of the frame.

If the frame in Figure 2.1 is analyzed for increasing vertical loads and γ set to zero, members initially geometrically perfect, using a first order elastic analysis, the solution of this frame would

give zero displacements for all loads except the critical loads, (31).
At the critical loads, the deflections of the frame are indeterminate.
and the load-deformation curve bifurcates or divides into two branches,
(31). Real frames do not bifurcate in such a manner as they are never
geometrically perfect and this bifurcation only results from a mathema-
tical representation of the real frame, (31). The elastic buckling
load is, however, a useful tool in predicting a upper limit of member
behavior. The elastic buckling load, $P_{cr}$, is shown as the upper dashed
line in Figure 2.1.

If the lateral load is increased in proportion with the
vertical loads, and a first order elastic analysis is used, the load
deformation relationship shall be linear as shown in Figure 2.1 as
curve A. When a second order elastic analysis is used, however, the
load deformation response of the frame will be non-linear as shown in
Figure 2.1 as curve B. In the limit approaching infinite deformation,
the second order elastic response approaches the elastic buckling load,
$P_{cr}$ (1).

If the material response of the frame is no longer perfectly
elastic, another critical load may be reached before the elastic
buckling load. This critical load results from the formation of a
plastic mechanism in the frame (1). The critical load is shown as $P_{pl}$
in Figure 2.1 for a rigid plastic analysis. As in the case of the
buckling load, the deflections are indeterminate for a rigid plastic
first order analysis. If a second order rigid plastic analysis is used,
the loads must decrease to maintain equilibrium as shown in Figure 2.1
(1).

As a result, when a first order elastic-plastic analysis is used, the load deformation response predicted for the frame is shown as curve C. The limit of the first order elastic-plastic analysis is the first order rigid plastic limit. The results of a second order elastic-plastic analysis are shown as curve D. The difference between the first order and second order elastic-plastic curves is a measure of the $P\Delta$ effects for a given frame and loading condition (1).

The "true" frame behavior is depicted by curve E as shown in Figure 2.1. The discrepancy between the results of a second order elastic-plastic analysis and the "true" behavior is the result of gradual penetration of the yielded zones, residual stresses, initial imperfections and strain hardening. This difference will vary depending on particular frame geometry and stiffness, material properties, and the loading conditions.

## 2.3  BEHAVIOR OF FRAMES SUBJECTED TO COMBINED GRAVITY AND LATERAL LOADS

### 2.3.1  UNBRACED FRAMES

To examine the behavior of an unbraced frame subjected to combined loading, a simple single-storey frame will be used (16). The test of this frame has been designed so that the stability effects are similar to those predicted in portions of multi-storey frames.

The inset to Figure 2.2 shows a single-storey, single-bay frame subjected to constant vertical loads and to a lateral load, H, which deflects the frame in a sidesway mode (16). The lateral deflection at the beam level is denoted by $\Delta$. The upper broken lines depict the behavior predicted by a first order elastic-plastic analysis, while,

lower dashed curve represents that predicted by a similar second order analysis. The results observed during the test of the frame are represented by the full lines joining the solid circles.

The significant stages in the response of the frame are denoted by A, B, and C in Figure 2.2. Stage A on the actual response curve is the stage corresponding to the (nominal) formation of the first plastic hinge. The corresponding stage, as predicted by the first order analysis, is denoted as B in Figure 2.2. As shown, the inclusion of second order effects has significantly reduced the load corresponding to the attainment of the ultimate capacity in the critical member. These effects have also produced increases in the deflections and corresponding moments and shears throughout the frame at each stage of loading.

At Stage C, the structure has reached its maximum capacity. Beyond this stage, equilibrium can only be maintained by a reduction of the lateral load. This stage is assumed to correspond to failure of the structure, although under particular loading conditions, this is not necessarily the case (1).

The structure shown in the inset to Figure 2.2 was designed plastically so that full moment redistribution could occur beyond Stage A. In a similar structure designed according to elastic design techniques, Stage A would correspond to the limit state of the frame since the lateral bracing spacing and plate slenderness provisions are sufficient only for the critical member to reach its ultimate capacity and permit only minor redistribution of moments.

## 2.3.2. FRAMES WITH STIFF VERTICAL BRACING ELEMENTS

A number of tests have been performed on frames which contain vertical bracing systems (17, 18). An example is the frame shown as an inset to Figure 2.3 (18) which contained a concrete shear wall to provide resistance to lateral movement. The test was designed to simulate a portion of a multi-story building. The vertical loads were held constant, while the horizontal loads were applied to the frame in increments. The experimental response is shown as the solid line joining the circles. As in the previous example, Stage A represents the formation of the first plastic hinge in the test, while Stage B represents the prediction of the first hinge by the first order elastic analysis. Stage C is the ultimate load of the frame.

The results of the first order elastic-plastic analysis are shown by the upper broken line. The results of a second order elastic-plastic analysis are shown by the dashed line. The second order ysis gives an adequate prediction of the behavior of the frame. Thus, inspite of the presence of a stiff vertical shear wall, the second order effects cause a significant difference between the first order prediction and test result.

Similar results were observed in tests of braced steel frames (17). In these studies, simple steel frames with diagonal bracing were subjected to increasing horizontal loads, one frame with columns subjected to axial loads, another frame with no axial loads on the columns. The load deformation behavior of these frames was significantly different. The differences in behavior were mainly due to the second order effects introduced by the presence of the axial loads (17).

A theoretical study was performed by Davison and Adams to examine the stability of braced multi-storey frames (14). For this study, an elastic-plastic second order analysis was developed to predict the behavior of both braced and unbraced frames. This analysis was used to predict the behavior of two twenty-four storey building frames, one braced and one unbraced, each designed to resist the same loading conditions (13). The results of these analyses showed that the diagonally braced frame deflected more than the unbraced frame at all loads up to the factored design loads. As a result, a comparison of first and second order analyses of the braced twenty-four storey frame showed that the ultimate load factor was reduced 36% by the PΔ effects.

## 2.4 BEHAVIOR OF FRAMES SUBJECTED TO GRAVITY LOADS ONLY

As outlined in section 2.2, when a geometrically perfect frame is subjected to concentric axial loads such as the frame shown as an inset to Figure 2.4, the deflections are zero until a critical load is reached, $P_{cr}$. At the critical load, however, any minor perturbation will cause the frame to lurch into a sidesway deflected shape (19). If small deflection theory is used to determine the critical load, the value of the sidesway deflection is indeterminate as implied by the horizontal dashed line in Figure 2.4. The large deflection theory, however, would predict the load deflection curve shown by the solid line in Figure 2.4. This implies a slight increase in load carrying capacity after the critical load is attained, but as the frame deflects further, inelastic action decreases frame stiffness and a decrease in the equilibrium load results (19).

Real frames, however, are not perfect. Initial curvatures are introduced in individual members during manufacture. Initial sways are introduced to members during erection, and loads are seldomly applied in a concentric manner as assumed in the analysis. As a result, the imperfect frame begins to sway laterally with increasing applied loads. At low loads, the sway is usually small, however, as inelastic action occurs in various members of the frame with a corresponding re-duction of frame stiffness, the deflections increase rapidly as shown by the broken curve in Figure 2.4. As the load approaches the critical value, the deflections increase rapidly and the frame fails through in-elastic stability (19).

Large-scale tests of a three storey, unbraced frame subjected to vertical loads only (shown as an inset to Figure 2.5) were performed by McNamee (20). As both frame geometry and applied loads are symme-trical, a first order analysis will not predict deflections. The ulti-mate strength can be predicted by rigid plastic analysis. The ultimate strength would be reached when a beam mechanism forms at P = 27 kips.

The load deflection relationship observed from test results, however, shows the frame deflecting with increasing load as a result of initial imperfections introduced during fabrication and erection. A second order analysis can be performed by assuming small lateral loads (¼ of 1% of P) are applied to the frame to simulate initial eccentrici-ties (19). The results of this second order analysis are shown as the dashed line in Figure 2.5.

During the test, the first plastic hinge occurred at Stage

A, and failure occurred at Stage B as a result of inelastic instability. The behavior of the frame was quite similar to the behavior of a frame subjected to combined loading and the second order elastic-plastic analysis gave a realistic prediction of this behavior.

## 2.5 SUMMARY

As outlined in the previous section of this chapter, a first order prediction of the behavior of tall building frames overestimates both stiffness and strength of the frame, even when the frame contains a stiff vertical bracing element. In each case, the inclusion of the P-Delta effects in the analysis has resulted in a more realistic prediction of frame behavior. In addition, it has been shown that behavior of frames subjected to gravity loads is similar in all respects to that of frames with combined loading.

When the moments and forces used for member design are obtained from the results of a first order analysis, the design procedures must include an allowance for second order effects. Traditional procedures used to account for the neglect of second order effects will be outlined in Chapter III. Proposals to modify the traditional procedures will be outlined and examined in Chapter IV. A proposal to include the second order effects directly in analysis of structures will be outlined in Chapter V.
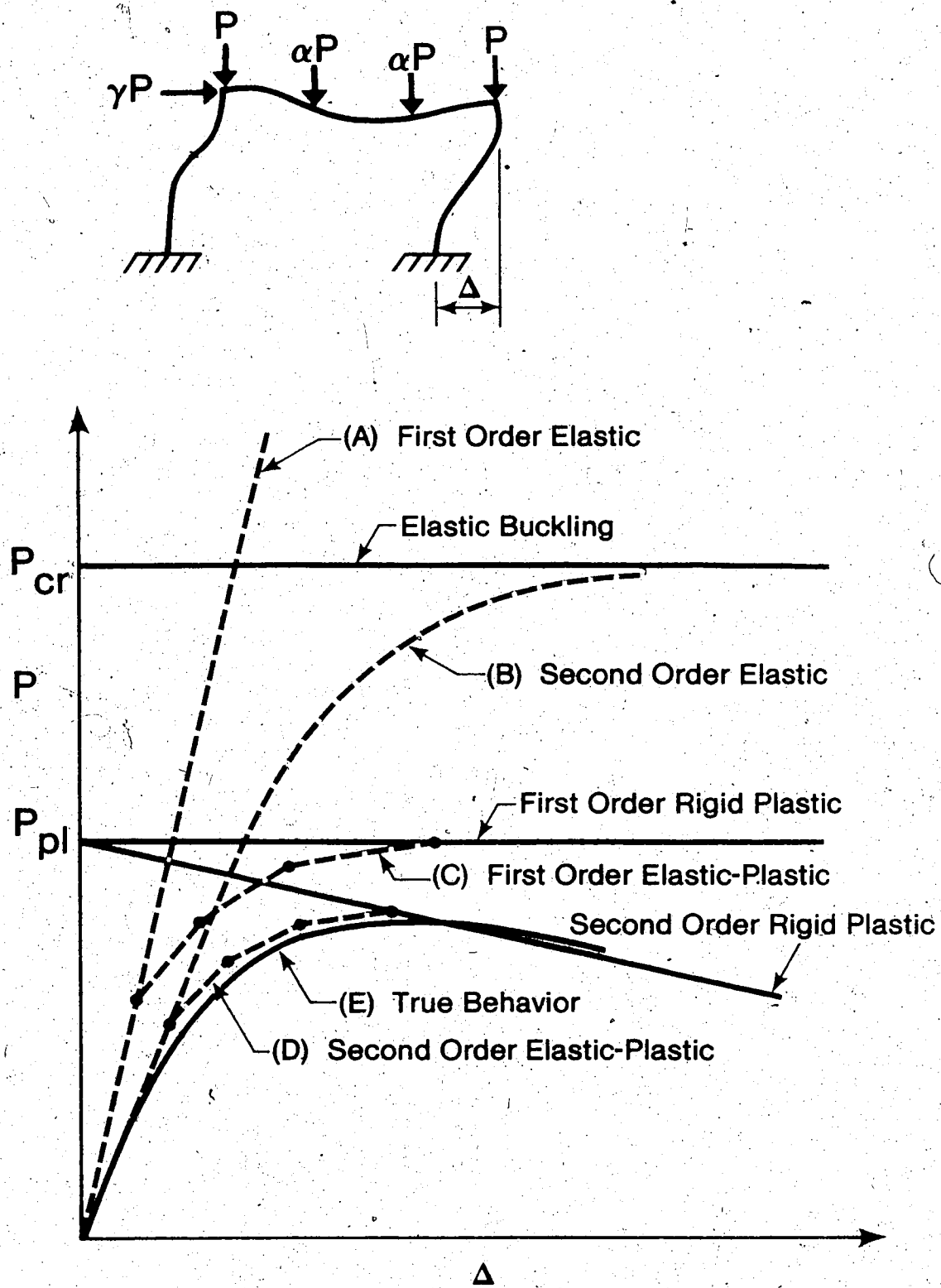
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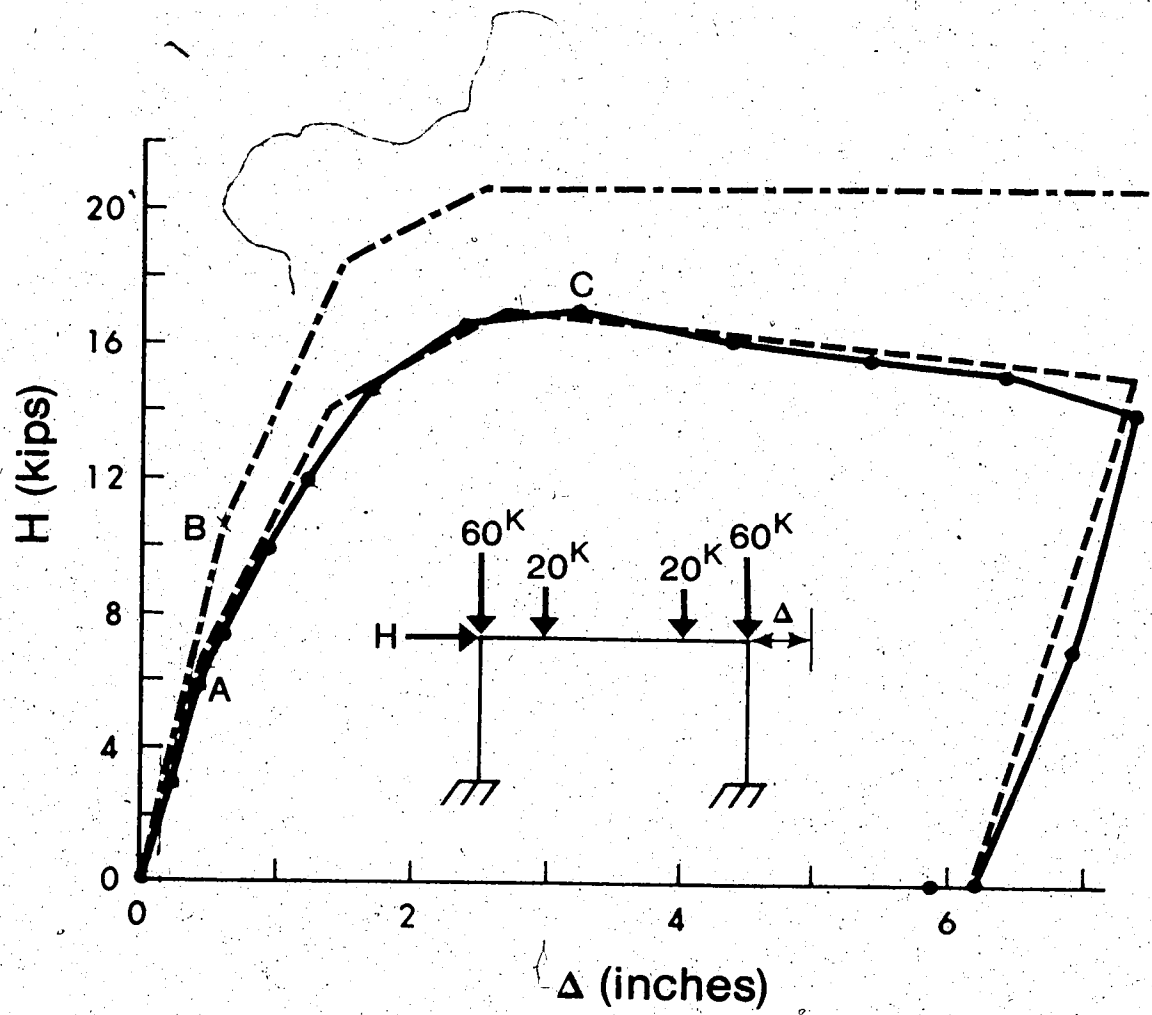
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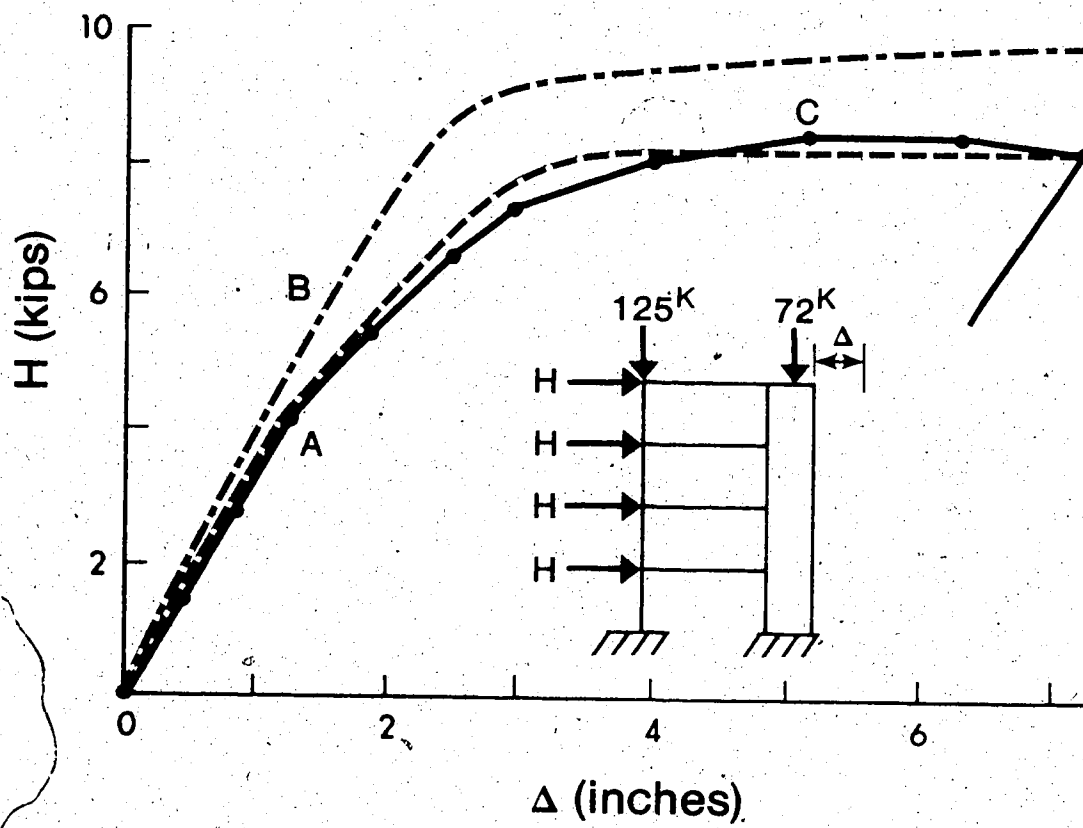
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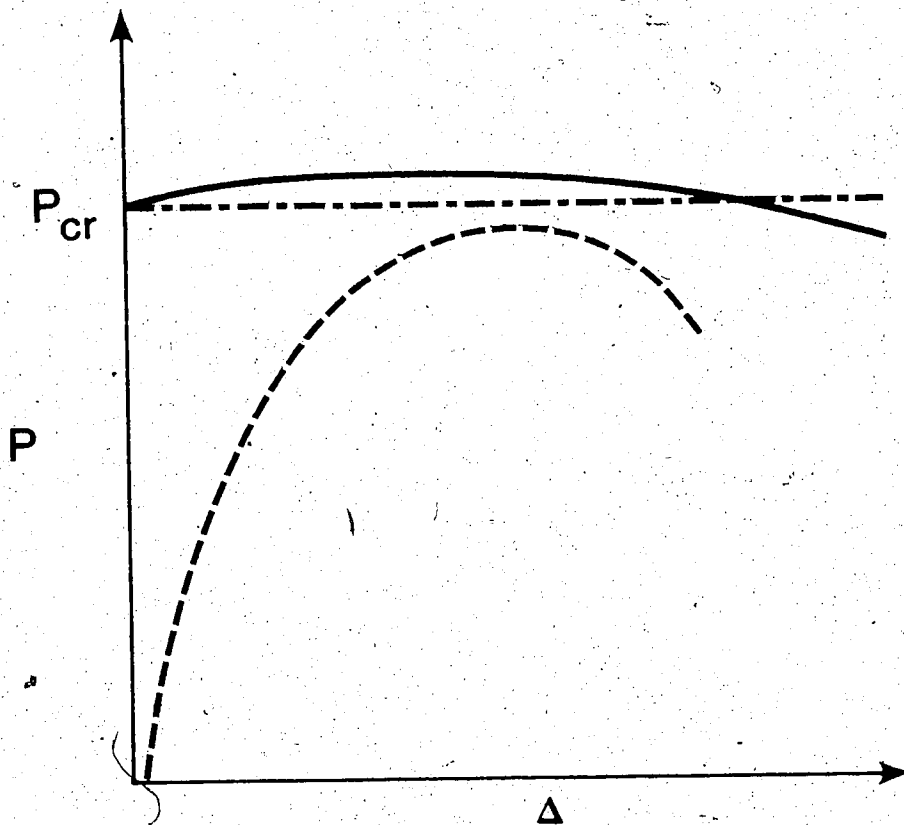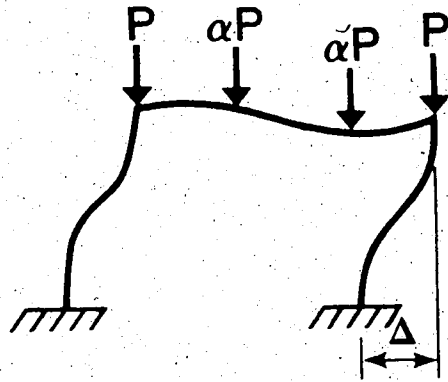
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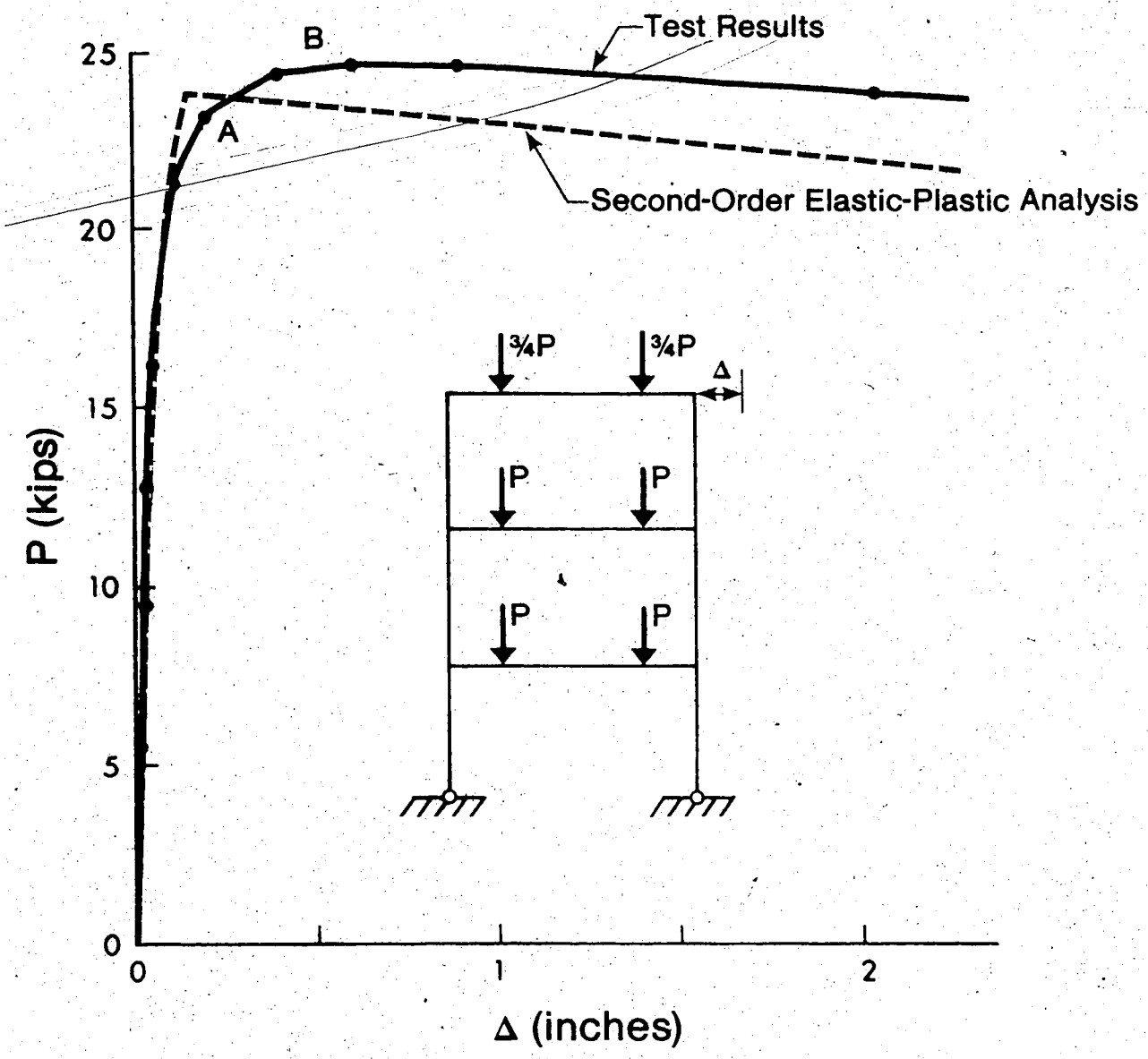
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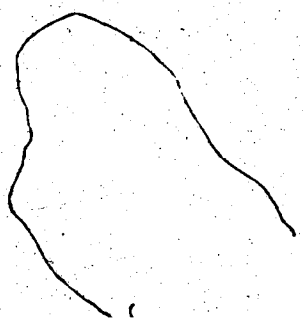
# CHAPTER III

## REVIEW OF THE TRADITIONAL DESIGN PROCEDURE

### 3.1 INTRODUCTION

In the previous chapter, the various methods for the analysis of planar frames were briefly presented. At present, the analysis used for the design of a structure is generally a first order elastic analysis. The bending moments obtained for the beams are then used directly to design the girders, while the axial forces and moments for the columns are used in the interaction equations to check the column design.

As shown in the previous chapter, a first order analysis overestimates the stiffness and strength of the structure, whether the frame contains a stiff vertical bracing element or depends on member stiffness to resist lateral movement. In order to compensate for the apparent discrepancy between "true" behavior and behavior predicted by a first order analysis, the member selection has been empirically adjusted (10).

In this chapter, the traditional method of compensation for second order effects shall be reviewed. The limits obtained from the traditional method will then be compared to the results of an ultimate strength analysis of restrained beam columns permitted to sway.

### 3.2 ULTIMATE STRENGTH OF RESTRAINED BEAM COLUMNS PERMITTED TO SWAY

The model used to determine the ultimate strength of a beam column is based on the subassemblage technique (13). A subassemblage is

an isolated portion of a large frame that reflects the behavior of the
frame as a whole. For example, in the case of an unbraced frame, the
frame will deform as shown in Figure 3.1a.

To determine the strength of a column in a frame, it may be
convenient to isolate the column segment and its neighboring members
from the frame and treat this beam column subassemblage as a unit (13).
Figure 3.1b shows a subassemblage that represents the structural action
of column AB in the frame. In this subassemblage, the effects of mem-
bers excluded from the subassemblage itself are represented by springs.

When studying the behavior of column AB in the subassemblage,
the effect of adjacent beams and columns may also be represented by
springs to obtain a restrained column permitted to sway as shown in
Figure 3.1c (13).

In multi-storey buildings, the stiffness does not vary appre-
ciably from storey to storey, especially in the storeys removed from the
top and bottom of the building. Thus, in a swayed position, the columns
are bent in double curvature with a point of inflection near the mid-
height of the column. The behavior of a column may then be represented
by a simpler subassemblage in which a pin is placed at mid-height in the
column as shown in Figure 3.2a.

The forces acting on this subassemblage and the deformed
configuration of the column are shown in Figure 3.2b (13). In this
Figure

$M_n$ = moment at the top of the column

$M_r$ = the restraining moment of the beams

$M_{n-1}$ = the moment in the column in the storey above

$P_n$ = axial load transferred to the column top

$Q_n$ = horizontal shear carried by this column

$\Delta_n$ = storey deflection

From statics, the moment at the upper end of the column is

$$M_n = \pm (Q_n) \frac{h}{2} - P_n \frac{\Delta_n}{2} \tag{3.1}$$

Where $Q_n$ is the lateral resistance of the column and is re-lated to the lateral load applied to the storey, $H_n$, by the distribution factor, $\lambda$, in the equation

$$Q_n = \lambda \ \Sigma \ H_n \tag{3.2}$$

Using equation 3.1, the moment at the top of the column $M_n$ may be compared to the moment in the column above, $M_{n-1}$. Since $\Sigma H_n >$ $\Sigma H_{n-1}$, $P_n > P_{n-1}$ and $\lambda$ can be assumed to be equal above and below the floor (relative stiffness of the members above and below the floor are nearly equal), then $M_{n-1}$ will likely be less than $M_n$ (13). In fact, if the deflection $\Delta_n$ is greater to or equal than $\Delta_{n-1}$, $M_n$ will always be numerically larger than $M_{n-1}$. Therefore, $M_{n-1}$ may be conservatively considered equal to $M_n$ (13).

Equilibrium of moments of the upper joint requires

$$M_r = -M_{n-1} - M_n \tag{3.3}$$

but

$$M_n = M_{n-1} \tag{3.4}$$

therefore,

$$M_r = -2M_n \tag{3.5}$$

By compatability

$$\frac{\Delta_n}{h} = \theta - \gamma \tag{3.6}$$

the shear equilibrium equation is given by

$$-M + P\frac{\Delta}{2} + \frac{Qh}{2} = 0 \tag{3.7}$$

or non-dimensionally (13)

$$\frac{Qh}{2Mpc} = -\frac{M}{Mpc} + \frac{P\Delta}{Mpc} = -\frac{M}{Mpc} + \frac{(\frac{P}{Py})(\frac{h}{r})(\frac{d}{2r})(\frac{\Delta}{h})}{2.36\ f(1-P/Py)} \tag{3.8}$$

however, for most wide-flange shapes (13)

$$\frac{d}{2r} = 1.15 \tag{3.9}$$

and

$$f = 1.11 \tag{3.10}$$

therefore,

$$\frac{Qh}{2Mpc} = -\frac{M}{Mpc} + \frac{(\frac{P}{Py})(\frac{h}{r})(\frac{\Delta}{h})}{2.28(1-P/Py)} \tag{3.11}$$

The behavior of a frame may then be solved for a given $\frac{h}{r}, \frac{P}{Py}$ and restraining function, Mr. The restraining function, the effective resistance to rotation provided by the beam to the column is given by (35)

$$Mr = K\frac{E\ I_G}{L_G\ Mpc}\quad \theta Mpc \tag{3.12}$$

where     K = restraining coefficient

K = 6 for a beam for which end rotations are equal

K = 3 for a beam pinned at the far end.

For the purpose of this analysis, beams shall be assumed to be elastic and fixed at both ends. Thus, if there are two beams framed into a column

$$Mr = \frac{6 \, \Sigma}{Mpc} \left(\frac{E \, I_G}{L_G}\right) \quad \theta \, Mpc \tag{3.13}$$

however

$$Mpc = 1.18 \, Mp \, (1-P/Py) \tag{3.14}$$

where

$Mp$ is the plastic moment for the column, $\sigma_y Z$, therefore,

$$Mp = \sigma_y Z = f \frac{I_C \sigma_y}{d/2} = 1.11 \frac{I_C}{d/2} \sigma_y \tag{3.15}$$

Substituting equations 3.14, 3.15 into 3.13 and multiplying top and bottom by h and r, the following expression is obtained for the resisting moment.

$$Mr = \frac{6E \, (\Sigma \frac{I_G}{L_G}) \frac{d}{r}}{1.18 \, (1.11) \, (\frac{2I_C}{h})(\frac{h}{r}) \, \sigma_y \, (1-P/Py)} \quad \theta \, Mpc \tag{3.16}$$

This expression for the resisting moment can be further sim-
plified by using equation 3.9 and noting the boundary condition term used in evaluating the effective length factor for columns in multi-storey buildings, G, is given by (1)

$$G = \frac{\Sigma \, I_C/L_C}{\Sigma \, I_G/L_G} = \frac{2 \, I_C/h}{\Sigma \, I_G/L_G} \tag{3.17}$$

The resulting expression for the resisting moment of the beam in terms of h/r, G, P/Py, $\sigma_y$/E, reduced plastic moment for the columns, Mpc and joint rotation, $\theta$, is given by equation 3.18.

$$Mr = \frac{5.27}{G \frac{h}{r} \frac{\sigma_y}{E} (1 - \frac{P}{Py})} \quad \theta \, Mpc. \tag{3.18}$$

As a result, the ultimate strength behavior of a beam column

may be predicted given column slenderness, h/r, axial load, P/Py,

material properties, σy/E, and relative stiffnesses of members at the

restraining joint, G. An example calculation is given in Table 3.1 and

results plotted in Figure 3.3.

First, a series of joint rotations, θ, are assumed and the

corresponding restraining moments Mr are calculated. The corresponding

column end rotation, γ, can then be obtained from column moment-rotation

charts (13). The deflections are then obtained using equation 3.6.

Finally, the shear equilibrium equation (equation 3.8) is used to solve

for the shear resistance of the column in terms of the column moment,

M/Mpc and the second order shears, PΔ/Mpc. If this process is repeated

for a number of values of joint rotation, θ, a full load-deformation re-

lationship for a given column with a constant axial load can be obtained.

Plotted in Figure 3.3 are the load-deflection curve and the

column end moment-deflection curve for a given column and constant axial

load. The difference between these curves is the PΔ term. This type of

analysis has been compared to experimental results and found to give a

reasonable prediction of a restrained column permitted to sway (21,22).

3.3 DESIGN OF BEAM COLUMNS USING INTERACTION EQUATIONS

At present, for steel structures in Canada, a designer has

the option of using one of two standards (40). CSA S16-1969 permits the

designer to use allowable stress design for all structures and permits

plastic design of portions of certain structures (2). CSA S16.1-1974

permits the use of Limit States Design of all aspects of steel structures

(24). For the purpose of this dissertation, the design of beam-columns

shall be outlined using the interaction equation as specified in CSA S16.1-1974. The basis for the development of the interaction equations in each standard, however, remains essentially the same (43).

In order to comply with the requirements of CSA S16.1-1974, class 1 or class 2, sections of I-shaped members subjected to combined axial load and bending moment must satisfy three equations (24). The first equation satisfies the requirement that the beam shall not fail in pure biaxial bending by ensuring that:

$$\frac{Mfx}{Mrx} + \frac{Mfy}{Mry} \leq 1.0 \tag{3.19}$$

where, Mfx and Mfy are the bending moments about the x and y axis of the member respectively under factored load and Mrx and Mry are the factored moment resistance of the member about the x and y axis of the member respectively.

The member is then checked for sufficient strength to resist local failure due to combined axial force and bending in the following equation:

$$\frac{Cf}{Cr} + \frac{0.85 \ Mfx}{Mrx} + \frac{0.60 \ Mfy}{Mry} \leq 1.0 \tag{3.20}$$

where:

Cf = the compressive force in the member under factored load; factored axial load

Cr = factored yield load for the member.

Finally, the member must be checked for failure by overall instability. This condition is checked by using the third interaction

equation:

$$\frac{Cf}{Cr} + \frac{\omega x \ Mfx}{Mrx(1 - \frac{Cf}{Cex})} + \frac{\omega y \ Mfy}{Mry(1 - \frac{Cf}{Cex})} \leq 1.0 \qquad (3.21)$$

where, in this case:

Cr = factored compressive resistance of the member if

       axial load only is present,

Ce = Euler buckling load = $286,000A/(KL/r)^2$

       where $(\frac{KL}{r})$ represents the effective slenderness ratio

       in the plane of bending and A is the cross-sectional area,

$\omega$ = the coeefficent used to determine the equivalend bending

       effect in steel columns.

If the primary bending moment is not uniform over the member

length, the strength of the column will be increased. To account for

this strength increase, an equivalent moment factor, $\omega$, is computed by

choosing one of the following formulae:

a)

$$\omega = 0.6 + 0.4 \ \frac{M_{f1}}{M_{f2}} \quad \text{but not less than 0.4} \qquad (3.22)$$

where, $M_{f1}$ and $M_{f2}$ are the larger and smaller moments respectively

acting at the ends of the member. $M_{f1}$ and $M_{f2}$ are both positive if

the member is deformed into single curvature and $M_{f1}$ is negative if

the member is in double curvature.

b) $\qquad\qquad\qquad\qquad \omega = 0.85 \qquad\qquad\qquad (3.23a)$

for members bent in double curvature or subject to moment at one end.

or

$$\omega = 1.00 \qquad (3.23b)$$

for members bent in single curvature due to moments at each end.

Traditionally, the choice between case a (equation 3.22) and case b (equation 3.23a or 3.23b) was based on the manner in which lateral forces were resisted by the frames (2). If the lateral forces applied to the frame were resisted by a stiff vertical bracing system, the frame was classified as sway prevented and equation 3.22 would be used to calculate $\omega$. If, however, only the flexural stiffness of the compression members was used to resist lateral forces, the frame is classified as sway permitted and either equation 3.23a or equation 3.23b is used.

In the stability interaction equation (equation 3.21), the term $1/(1 - Cf/Ce)$ is an amplification factor that accounts for the secondary moments produced by axial loads acting on the deformed member. The effect of boundary conditions at the member ends are included in the calculation of the effective length of the member, KL, which in turn is used to calculate the term Ce in the amplification factor. As a result, the calculation of the effective length has a direct influence on the magnification of the moments in the member to account for second order effects. In addition to its use in moment magnification, the effective length factor is also used in the calculation of the factored compressive resistance of the column, Cr.

The physical significance of the effective length of a member can only be related to axially loaded members. The effective length of a member is the distance between theoretical points of inflection of

the deflected shape of a member at the point of buckling (31). Thus, the calculation of the effective length for a member depends on whether the frame is assumed to buckle in a sway prevented mode or in a sway permitted mode (31).

A procedure for evaluating the effective length factor, K, for both sway permitted and sway prevented frames was developed by Julian and Lawrence (48), and is outlined by Galambos (1). The effective length factor is calculated in terms of the following parameter:

$$G = \frac{\Sigma \ I_C/L_C}{\Sigma \ I_G/L_G}$$

(3.24)

In the sway permitted case, the effective length factor, K, is obtained by the solution of (1)

$$\frac{G_L \ G_U \ (\pi/K)^2 - 36}{6 \ (G_L + G_U)} = \frac{(\pi/K)}{Tan(\pi/K)}$$

(3.25)

In this equation, the L and U subscripts refer to the upper and lower end of the column respectively. In the sway prevented case, the following equation is used (1)

$$\frac{G_U \ G_L \ (\pi/K)^2}{4} + \frac{(G_U + G_L)}{2} \ \frac{1 - \pi/K}{Tan(\pi/K)}$$

$$+ \frac{2 \ Tan \ (\pi/2K)}{\pi/K} = 1$$

(3.26)

As a result, to calculate the effective length of the member when using equation 3.22, the frame must be first classified as "sway prevented" or "sway permitted". Traditionally, this classification has

been made on the basis of the method used in the structure to resist
lateral loads, that is, whether a stiff vertical bracing element is in-
cluded in the frame (2).

## 3.4 COMPENSATION FOR SECOND ORDER EFFECTS

The manner in which a compensation is made for the second
order effects in the traditional design method is illustrated by con-
sidering the behavior of a restrained column permitted to sway as out-
lined in Section 3.2.

The example column is assumed to have a yield strength of 36
ksi, a slenderness ration, h/r = 40, and is restrained top and bottom by
elastic beams so that G (Equation 3.24) is equal to 2. The model used
for analysis is shown as an inset to Figure 3.4. The interaction be-
tween axial load and resisting moment of the column at ultimate strength
can be predicted by using the analysis developed in Section 3.2 and cal-
culating the resistance of the column to lateral load for a given axial
load. The axial load applied is non-dimensionalized as $P/P_y$ where $P_y$
is the yield load of the column. The resistance of the column to
lateral load at ultimate strength is non-dimensionalized as $Qh/2M_p$
where $M_p$ is the plastic moment of the column. This relationship is
shown as the lower solid line in Figure 3.4.

In addition, the interaction between the moment at the top of
the column at ultimate load, $M_T/M_p = Qh/2M_p + P\Delta/M_p$, and the axial in
the column is shown as upper solid line. The difference between these
curves at any specific value of axial load is the second order moment
at the ultimate load.

The ultimate strength predicted by the interaction equations is the envelope of the combined interaction equations. For the case of a member classified as sway prevented, this envelope is shown as the upper dashed line in Figure 3.4 as bounded by Equation 3.19, Equation 3.20, and equation 3.21($\omega$ and K based on the sway prevented model). This limit is a reasonable prediction of the maximum moment in the member at ultimate strength (upper solid curve). If the second order effects are effectively resisted by some other members in the structure such as a bracing system or a shear wall, then the interaction equations give a realistic prediction of beam column behavior.

If, however, the frame has been classified as sway permitted, the ultimate strength predicted by the interaction equations is the envelope shown as the lower broken line in Figure 3.4 bounded by equation 3.21 with $\omega$ and K based on the sway prevented model along with equations 3.20 and 3.21. This envelope gives a somewhat conservative prediction of the ultimate strength interaction of a restrained column permitted to sway as shown by the lower solid curve in Figure 3.4.

Thus, for a given value of axial load, P/Py, if a structure is classified as sway permitted, the ultimate moment for the column is limited by lower dashed curve. For example, for P/Py = .6, M/Mp = 0.26. The ultimate strength of the beam column is predicted by the upper dashed curve, M/Mp = .47. The difference between the limiting moment for a sway permitted column and the ultimate moment of the column is the compensation for second order moments when using the interaction equations. This compensation is based on the classification of the frame as sway permitted or sway prevented and the resulting differences in the equiva-

lent moment factor, $\omega$, and the effective length factor, K, used in equation 3.21.

A further comparison of the ultimate strength of restrained columns permitted to sway and the limit predicted by equation 3.21 with $\omega$ and K based on the sway permitted model is shown in Figures 3.5, 3.6, and 3.7 for various values of G and h/r. In general, the interaction equation is a conservative prediction of the ultimate strength of the column. This result confirms an analysis by Yura and Galambos for single storey frames (26).

3.5  SUMMARY

While the results of a first order analysis may be used directly in the interaction equations, the second order effects are indirectly compensated for in the design by use of a "sway permitted" model for calculation of certain terms in the stability interaction equation. This approach to beam column design has been confirmed to be at least conservative in this chapter and in previous studies (26). The somewhat conservative nature of the traditional method for design of beam columns has lead to proposals to change this design method (4,5,6,7).

However, there has been no attempt to compensate for second order effects when the design is controlled by member strength (Equation 3.20 and Equation 3.21) or to compensate for second order effects in beams.

## TABLE 3.1

### ANALYSIS OF RESTRAINED COLUMN PERMITTED TO SWAY

G = 2.0    H/R = 40    σy = 36    P/Py = 0.60

| θ (Assumed) | MR/MPC (EQ. 3.18) | M/MPC (EQ. 3.5) | γ (M-γcurve) | Δ/H (EQ. 3.6) | QH/MPC (EQ. 3.11) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 0.00373 | 1.0 | -0.50 | -0.0019 | 0.00563 | 0.353 |
| 0.00447 | 1.2 | -0.60 | -0.0023 | 0.00677 | 0.423 |
| 0.00522 | 1.4 | -0.70 | -0.0028 | 0.00802 | 0.491 |
| 0.00596 | 1.6 | -0.80 | -0.0033 | 0.00926 | 0.558 |
| 0.00634 | 1.7 | -0.85 | -0.0038 | 0.01014 | 0.585 |
| 0.00671 | 1.8 | -0.90 | -0.0043 | 0.01101 | 0.613 |
| 0.00690 | 1.85 | -0.925 | -0.0048 | 0.01170 | 0.620 |
| 0.00697 | 1.87 | -0.935 | -0.0050 | 0.01197 | 0.623 |
| 0.00704 | 1.89 | -0.945 | -0.0052 | 0.01224 | 0.625 |
| 0.00708 | 1.90 | -0.950 | -0.0053 | 0.01238 | 0.627 |
| 0.00712 | 1.91 | -0.955 | -0.00554 | 0.01266 | 0.625 |
| 0.00745 | 2.00 | -1.000 | -0.00910 | 0.01655 | 0.568 |
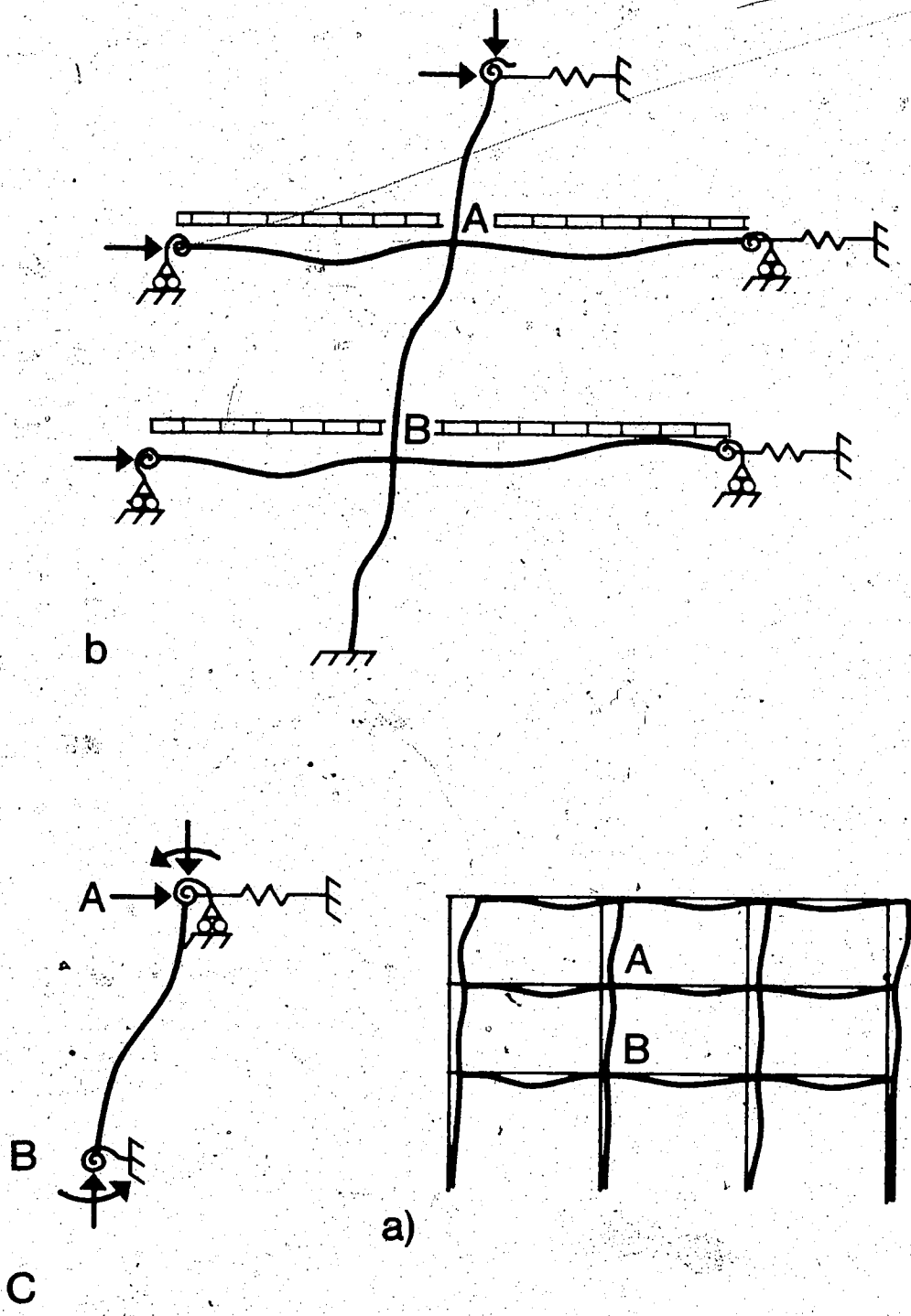
Figure 3.1  Unbraced Frame, Sway Subassemblage and Restrained Column

Figure 3.2  Restrained Column Model

$$\frac{Qh}{2M_{pc}}$$

$$\frac{M}{M_{pc}} = \frac{Qh}{2M_{pc}} + P\Delta$$

$$\frac{Qh}{2M_{pc}}$$

$$\frac{\Delta}{h}$$
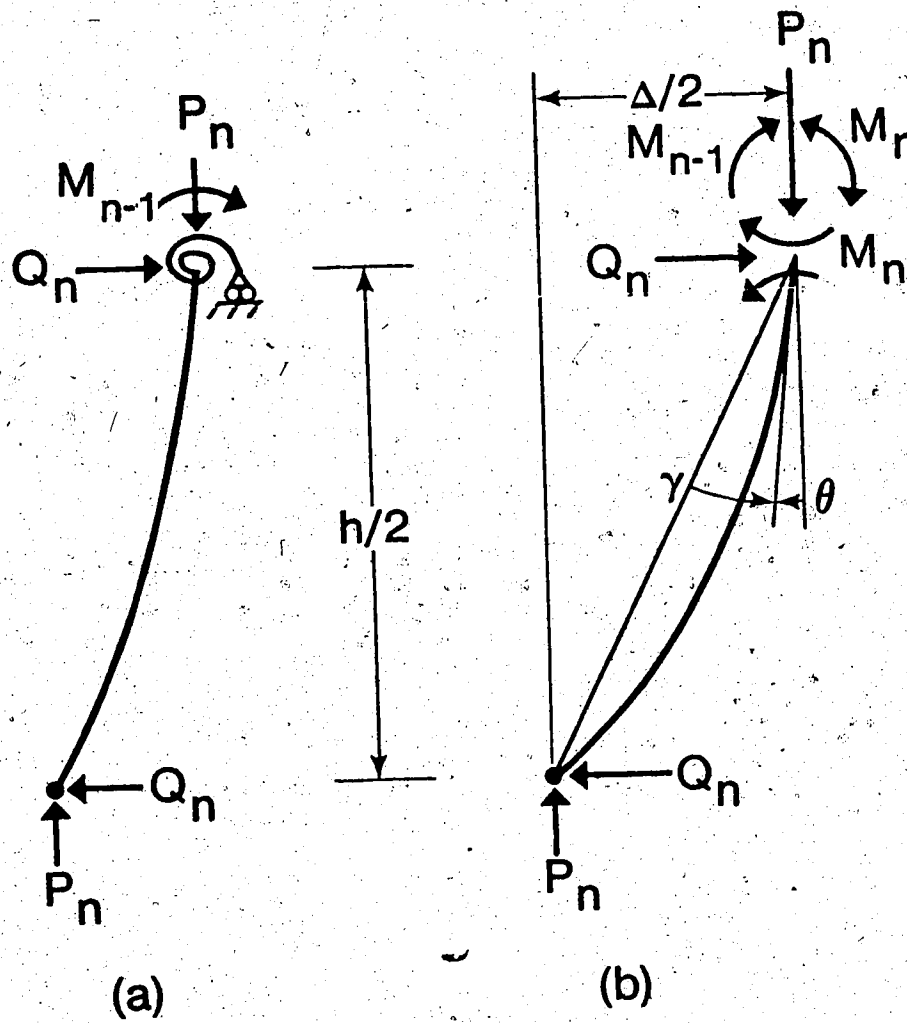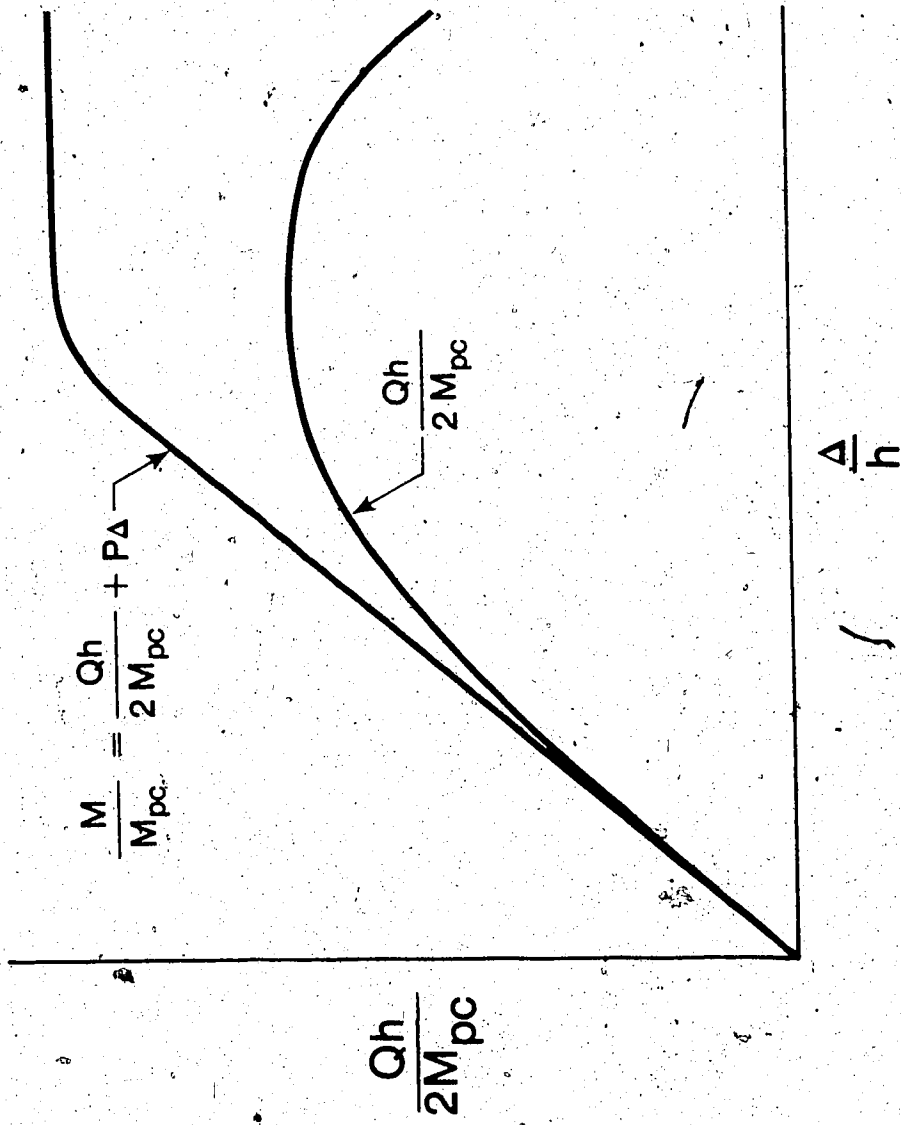
Figure 3.3 Column Moment and Sway Resistance vs Sway
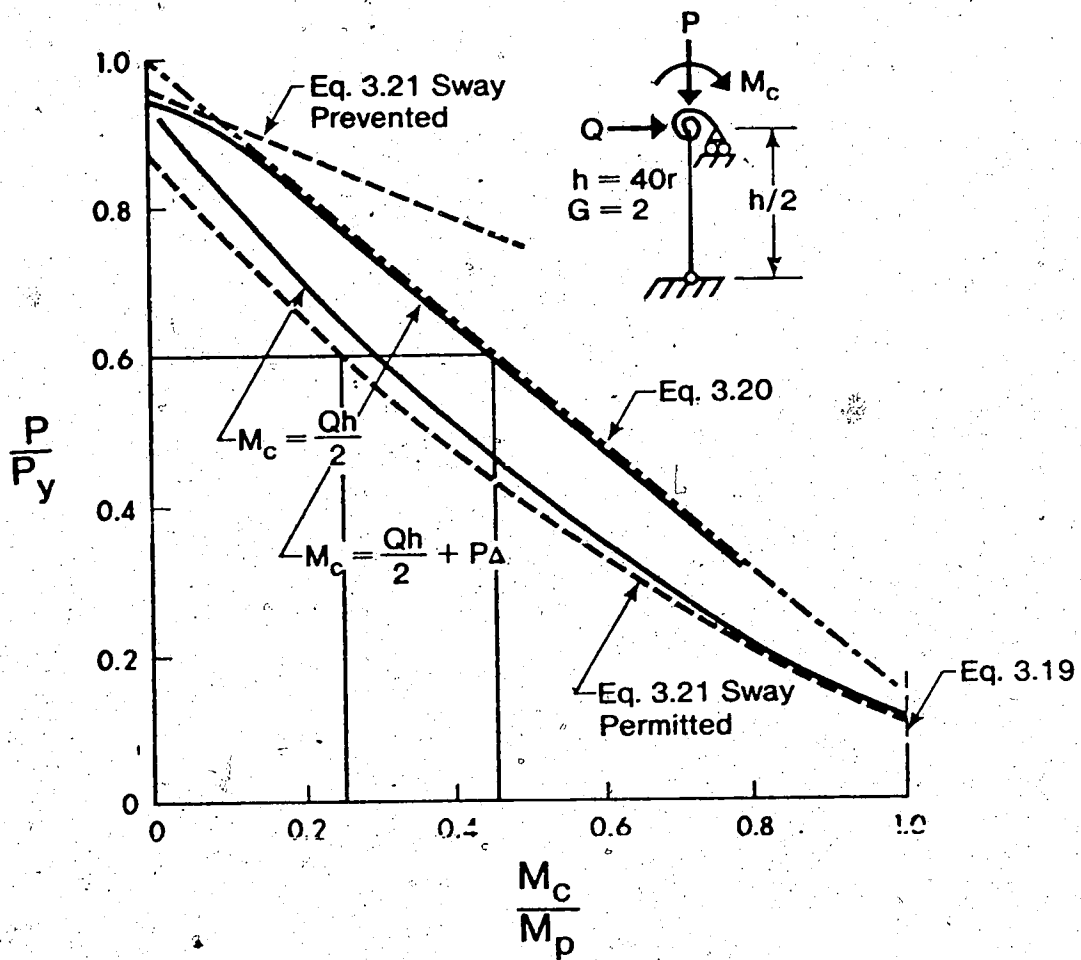
Figue 3.4  Interaction Relationship, H/R = 40, G = 2

$G = 0.5 \quad \sigma_y = 36$

- - - - - Eq. 3.21 Sway Permitted
——————— Ultimate Strength Analysis

h/r = 20

h/r = 60

$\dfrac{P}{P_y}$

$\dfrac{M}{M_p}$
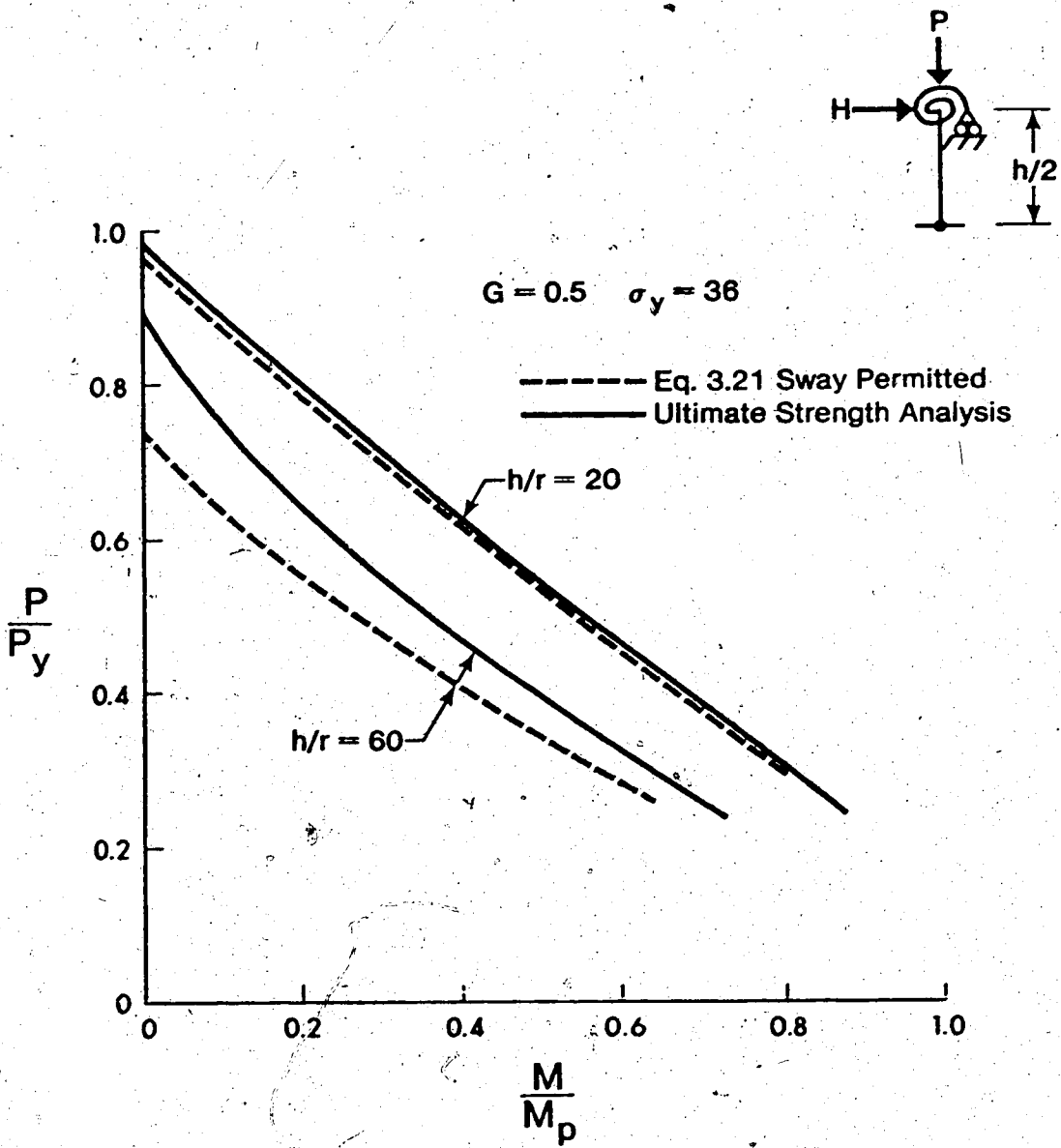
Figure 3.5 Interaction Predictions, G = 0.5
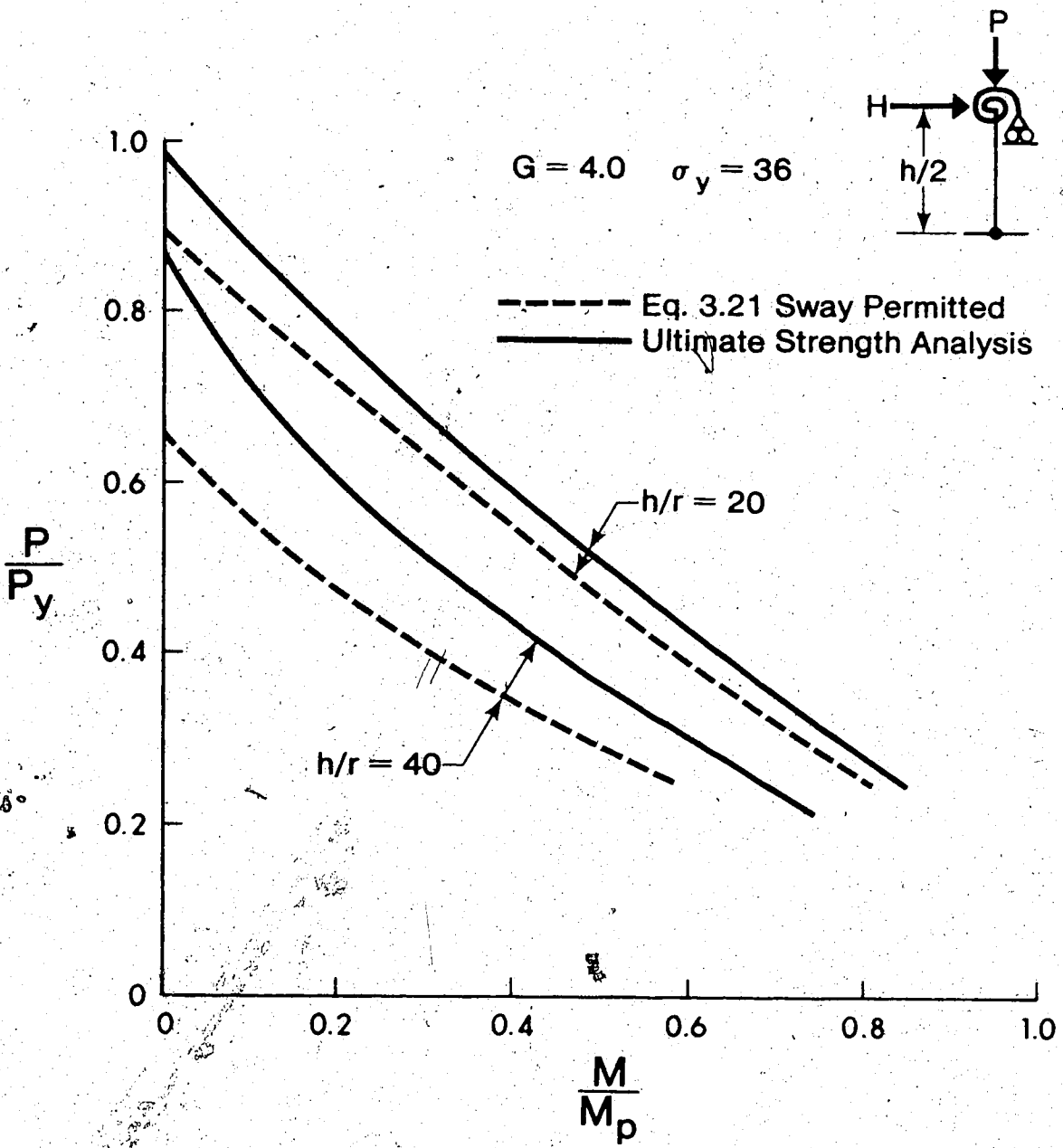
Figure 3.6  Interaction Predictions, G = 4.0
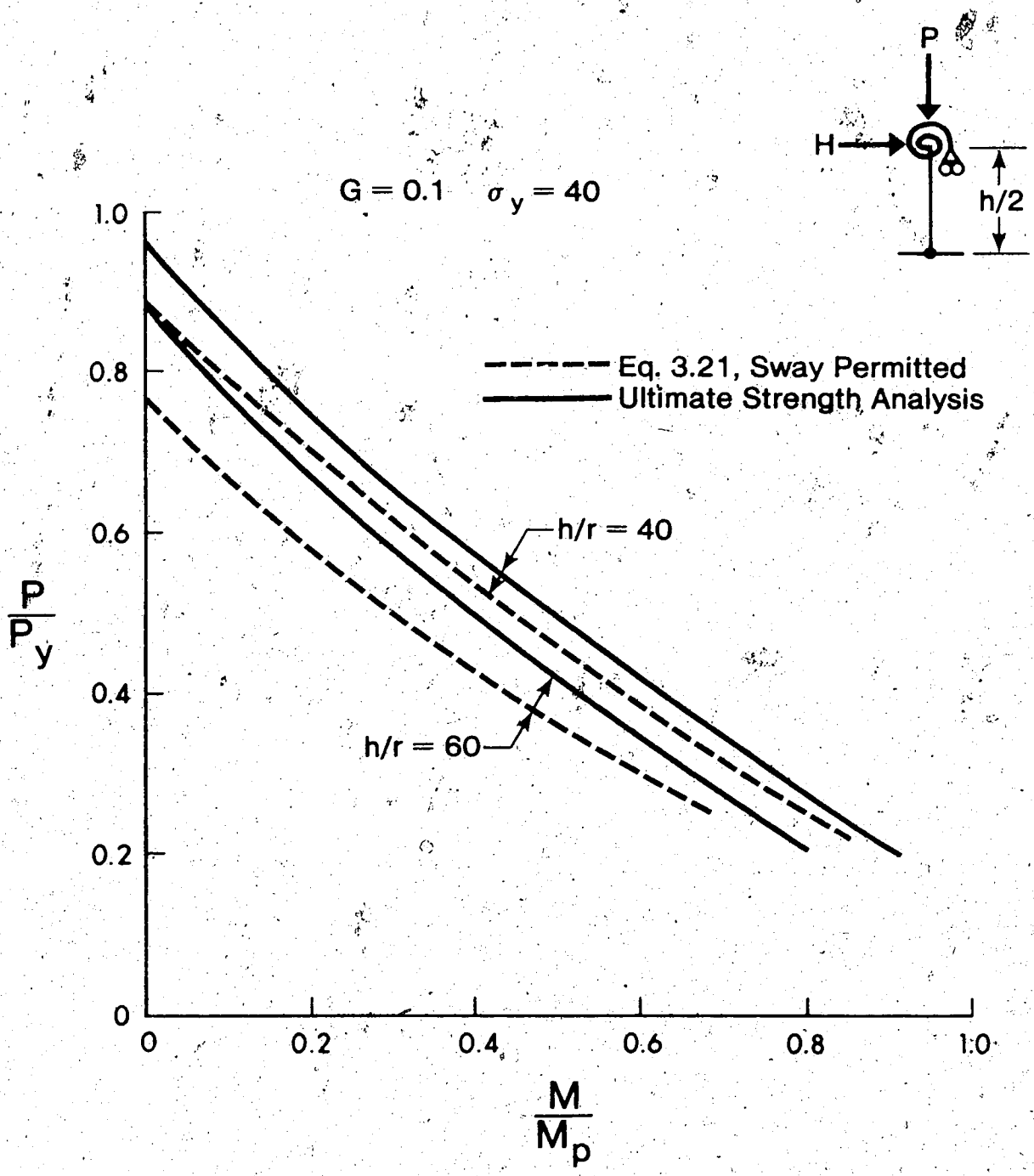
Figure 3.7  Interaction Prediction G = 0.1

CHAPTER IV °

PROPOSED MODIFICATIONS TO THE TRADITIONAL METHOD

4.1 INTRODUCTION

In the previous chapter, the use of the effective length factor, K, along with the equivalent bending moment coefficient, $\omega$, to compensate for second order effects, has been discussed. Most criticisms of the traditional method for the design of beam-columns have been based not on the use of K and $\omega$ in the stability interaction equation (Equation 3.21), but on the model used to calculate K(4).

The traditional method for the calculation of K assumes that all columns of the frame buckle simultaneously, and effectively, the columns cannot provide support to each other (1). As a result, a number of modifications have been suggested that would consider the lateral restraint provided by other columns of the frame (4,6) or the rotational restraint that could be provided by other columns framed into the column in question (6,30).

Yura has questioned the use of only elastic properties of members in the calculation of the effective length of a column (7). Yura proposed a method for the calculation of an effective length based on a model that would include inelastic behavior of columns. Yura has also proposed a method of considering the leaning action of a flexible frame on a more rigid frame through a modification of the effective length factor (7).

The object of this chapter is to outline these proposed mo-

difications to the traditional method of beam column design and discuss
the implications of these proposals with respect to the stability effects
in building frames.

## 4.2 K FACTORS DETERMINED BY FRAME BUCKLING ANALYSES

The effective length concept relates the buckling load of a
member with given end conditions to the buckling load of the same member
with ends effectively pinned and translation prevented by the equation

$$K^2 = \frac{Pe}{Pcr} \qquad (4.1)$$

where K is the effective length factor

$Pe = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{L^2}$ is the Euler buckling load

Pcr is the buckling load of the column in question.

The problem, when determining the K factor for a given column
in a multi-storey building frame, is to relate the effect of other mem-
bers of the frame to the stability of the column in question.

At the time the traditional method was developed for calcu-
lation of K factors, the buckling solution of a large frame was too com-
plex for available computation facilities (1). The traditional model
used to determine effective length factors was based on a series of sim-
plifying assumptions.

The columns of the frame were assumed to buckle simultane-
ously (1), thus, the column in question could not be supported laterally
by other columns in the frame. In addition, the restraining moments of

the beams were assumed to be distributed between the column in question
and the other column framed into the joint in the ratio of the I/L values
of the two columns (1). The implications of these assumptions have been
the focus of many of the proposals to modify the calculation of the
effective length factor, K (4,6,50).

With the advent of more sophisticated electronic digital
computers, buckling solutions of larger structural systems have been
developed. Haldorson and Wang (29), developed a program for the stabi-
lity analysis of frameworks. To determine the buckling loads for a
structural framework, the effects of axial loads are included in the
formulation of member stiffness resulting in a stability stiffness matrix
for the structure, [K], (29).

For a structural system whose members are subjected to axial
loads only, neglecting axial deformations, the joint loads relative to
the unrestrained joint deformations are zero. That is, at bifurcation,
only the critical primary axial forces are capable of maintaining equi-
librium and compatible deformation without external forces (42). In
matrix form

$$\{P\} = [K] \{X\} = 0 \qquad (4.2)$$

where $\{P\}$ are the primary axial forces

$\{X\}$ are the unrestrained joint deformations

$[K]$ is the stability stiffness matrix.

For the non-trivial solution, the determinant of the stabi-
lity matrix, $[K]$, must be zero (29). For a structure with an axial
loading system, the axial loads may be varied by an axial load factor,
N, resulting in a variation to the stability stiffness matrix $[K]$. The

critical load factor, $N_{cr}$, may be determined by varying the load factor by increments, checking the value of the determinant of [K]. The value of $N_{cr}$ lies between increments of N for which the determinant of [K] changes from positive to negative in sign (42).

The effective length factor for each axially loaded member of the frame can then be calculated based on the critical buckling load factor for the frame. For example, for the $n^{th}$ member of the frame, given the applied axial load for that member, $P_n$, and the Euler buckling load for that member $P_e$, the effective length of the member, $K_n$, is given by

$$K_n = \sqrt{\frac{P_e}{N_{cr} P_n}} \qquad (4.3)$$

While Holdorson and Wang used a frame buckling analysis to determine effective length factors of axially loaded members, they did question the use of these effective length factors in the determination of allowable stresses (29). They suggested, however, that the effective lengths used in present specifications were defective because the effect of the relative values of axial loads on the effective length ratios were not included. In conclusion, Holdorson and Wang believed that the incorporation of the ultimate strength theory with a second order structural analysis beyond the elastic range was perhaps a more logical approach upon which approximate methods of design practice should be based (29).

An approximate method for the determination of frame buckling loads was developed by Edmonds and Medland (6). The method involved the determination of a "reserve lateral stiffness" for the columns of a

storey (6). The critical load factor for a storey is determined when

this reserve lateral stiffness becomes zero. The critical load factor

for the frame is the smallest of the critical load factors determined

for the stories. The critical load factor was then used to determine

effective length factors based on frame buckling (6). Edmonds and Med-

land concluded that columns proportioned using traditional methods to

determine the K factor were seriously under-designed when compared to

those proportioned using the overall frame critical load factor to es-

tablish the effective length (6).

To examine the implications of the use of effective length

factors based on frame buckling for the design of beam columns, an ana-

lysis of a ten-storey frame was performed using the method proposed by

Edmonds and Medland (6). The frame used in the analysis was the ten-

storey frame designed using an allowable stress method in the Lehigh

Lecture Notes (13). The member sizes for the frame are shown in Figure

4.1. The results of the analysis are shown in Table 4.1. In this

Table, and for the purpose of this discussion, the effective length

factors based on a solution of Equation 3.25 are designated as $K_T$, the

effective length factors based on the buckling load factor for the total

frame are designated as $K_F$ and effective length factors based on the

buckling load factor of each storey are designated as $K_S$. The buckling

load factors for each storey are also shown in Table 4.1 as $\lambda c$.

A comparison between the traditional effective length factors,

$K_T$, and the effective length factors based on frame buckling, $K_F$, shows

that in nearly all cases, for a given column, $K_T$, is greater than, $K_F$.

This discrepancy is particularly significant in the stories near the top

of the frame. The significance of the difference between factors ob-
tained by each method can be obtained by plotting the stability inter-
action equation (Equation 3.21) using each K factor. The limits obtained
can then be compared to an ultimate strength interaction prediction as
outlined in Chapter 3.

The interaction between axial load, $P/Py$ and ultimate moment
$M/Mp$, predicted by series of ultimate strength analyses of column 1 of
storey nine of the frame is shown as the solid line in Figure 4.2. The
interaction predicted by Equation 3.21 with $\omega = .85$ and $K = K_T$ is shown
as the broken line in Figure 4.2. The interaction predicted by Equation
3.21 with $\omega = .85$ and $K = K_F$ is shown as the dashed line in Figure 4.2.
The results of similar analyses of column 2 of storey nine are shown in
Figure 4.3.

In each case, the interaction limit predicted by Equation
3.21 with $K = K_T$ is slightly conservative when compared to the results
predicted by the ultimate strength analysis. If, however, $K = K_F$ is
used in Equation 3.21, the interaction limit predicted is considerably
more conservative when compared to the results of the ultimate strength
analysis.

The conservative nature of the limits obtained when an effe-
tive length factor based on frame buckling is used in Equation 3.21
arises from an improper application of this effective length rathe than
an incorrect derivation of the effective length. The physical i r er-
pretation of effective lengths of members of a frame only relate to
frames in which members are subjected to axial loads. The effectiv
length derived on the basis of frame buckling represents the theoretical

distance between points of inflection at the instant of buckling (31).

If there are large variations in member stiffness and loading as may often be found in tall structures, the actual buckling of the frame becomes quite localized. This phenomena is illustrated by a comparison of the theoretical critical load for each floor in Table 4.1. For this particular frame, the variation of critical load factors from floor to floor is considerable, from 13.04 in storey two to 27.98 in storey ten. The buckling of the frame is the result of conditions that exist in storey two and adjacent stories, and is not significantly influenced in this case by conditions in the top stories of the structure.

The effect of the use of a $K_F$ for the design of the members of this example frame would be that members in stories nine and ten would be proportioned for conditions that exist in storey two of the frame. There, however, is no relationship between the second order effects that occur in stories nine and ten and the critical buckling of storey two of the frame. Thus, the use of a K factor based on the critical buckling of the frame would result in even more conservative design and does not reflect a more rational approach to compensation for second order effects in the frame.

Effective lengths calculated on the basis of the critical loads for each storey could be of interest. These storey buckling K factors, $K_S$ as shown in Table 4.1, would reflect only local conditions and could reflect the supporting of more critical columns by other members in that storey.

This supporting of one member in a storey by the other members of a storey is illustrated in storey nine of the example. For

column 3 in storey nine, $K_S = 0.70$. A $K'$ factor of less than one implies the member is effectively braced against sidesway buckling. In this case, the support is provided by other columns in the storey rather than a bracing system. The result of this analysis confirms a suggestion by Lay that less critically loaded columns in a framing system can provide support to neighboring columns, in effect, preventing these columns from buckling in a sway permitted mode (5). It must be noted, however, that while the effective length factors for certain columns of the frame have been decreased as a consequence of the support provided by a less critically loaded column, there is a corresponding increase in the effective length of the supporting columns. For example, for column 1 in storey nine, $K_S = 1.77$, while $K_T = 1.68$.

To examine the use of $K_S$ in Equation 3.21, a comparison was made of the ultimate strength interaction between $P/Py$ and $M/Mp$, as predicted by the analysis of Chapter 3 and the prediction obtained using Equation 3.21 and $K = K_S$ for column 2 of storey nine. The results of these analyses are shown in Figure 4.4. The ultimate strength analysis is shown as the solid curve. Equation 3.21 with $K = K_S$ is shown as the dashed curve. For a large range of values of $P/Py$, the interaction limit predicted by Equations 3.21 and $K = K_S$ is unconservative. For a similar analysis of column 1 in storey nine, the interaction predicted by Equation 3.21 and $K = K_S$ is shown as conservative in Figure 4.5.

Thus, if the effective length factor was to include the influence of the members of the storey in question, in some cases, the resulting designs may be unsafe in the limit state for that individual member (24). While the reserve capacity of supporting members of the

frame, such as column 1, may result in a sufficient lateral load capacity

for the frame as a whole, this implies, however, a re-distribution of

load carrying capacity between members of the frame that is not per-

mitted when using elastic design techniques (2,24).

## 4.3 EVALUATION OF END RESTRAINTS PROVIDED TO COLUMNS

To evaluate the buckling load for an individual column of a

frame, the rotational restraint provided by other members framed into

the ends of this column must be determined. If the joints of the frame

are assumed to be rigid, then the end restraint provided to a column is

measured by the moment developed at the joint per unit rotation of the

joint. The moment developed at a joint A of a member, $M_{AB}$, by a rotation

at joint A of $\theta_A$, a rotation at the far end of the member of $\theta_B$, and a

relative sway of the ends of the member, $\rho$, is given by

$$M_{AB} = \frac{EI_{AB}}{L_{AB}} (S\theta_A + SC\theta_B - S(1 + C)\rho) \qquad (4.4)$$

where S and C are stability functions dependent on the axial load in the

member, $P/P_E$ (32).

In the case of a beam, the axial load is negligible, there-

fore, $C = \frac{1}{2}$ and $S = 4$. In addition, the sway is zero. Thus, if $\theta_A$ is

assumed equal to $\theta_B$, the restraining function provided by a beam to the

column is given by

$$M_{AB} = 6 \frac{EI_{AB}}{L_{AB}} \theta_A \qquad (4.5)$$

The case of an axially loaded member framing into the joint

(usually a column above or below the column to be designed) is consi-

derably more complex. The restraining moment provided by Equation 4.4 depends on the axial load in the member as well as the relative movement of the joints as the member buckles. As a result, the restraining moment can have a positive or negative value. A positive value of restraining moment implies that the axially loaded member will restrain the rotation of the joint. A negative moment implies that the restraint provided by the beams at the joint must be divided between the columns above and below the joint.

To facilitate the calculation of effective length factors in complex frames with various loading conditions, all columns were assumed to buckle simultaneously (1). The resisting moments supplied by the beams were divided between columns in proportion to the relative I/L values of the columns. This assumption is reflected in the term G given by

$$G = \frac{\Sigma I_G / L_G}{\Sigma I_C / L_C}$$

(4.6)

used in Equations 3.25 and 3.26 to determine sway permitted and sway prevented K factors.

Lay, however, suggested that the assumptions used to derive Equation 4.6 were overly conservative. He suggested a more exact solution of the critical loads for columns or at least Equation 4.6 should be adjusted to reflect the influence of axial loads on members framing into the column in question. Lay suggested an alternative form for the calculation of G that would be preferable in all situations (30).

$$G' = \frac{\frac{I \text{ column}}{L \text{ column}} \text{ being designed}}{\Sigma(1 - P/P_e)\frac{I}{L} \text{ all other members}} \tag{4.7}$$

Lay, unfortunately, did not study the effect of using an effective length factor calculated on the basis of Equation 4.7 in the beam column interaction equations. To study the effect of the use of Equation 4.7 on the stability interaction equation (Equation 3.21), an ultimate strength analysis was performed on an elastic plastic beam column subassemblage as outlined in Chapter 3. The solid line in Figure 4.6 illustrates the interaction between axial load and ultimate moment for a subassemblage in which $h/r = 20$, $G = 2$, and $\sigma_y = 36$. To obtain a value of $G'$ using Equation 4.7, $P/P_E$ was assumed to be 0.1 and $I_c/L_c$ was assumed equal for each storey. Therefore,

$$G = \frac{\Sigma \; I_c/L_c}{\Sigma \; I_B/L_B} = 4 \tag{4.8}$$

or

$$\Sigma \; I_B/L_B = .5 \frac{I_c}{L_c}$$

Thus, in Equation 4.7

$$G' = \frac{I_c/L_c}{.5 \; I_c/L_c + (1 - .1)I_c/L_c} = .71 \tag{4.9}$$

This value of $G'$ is used in Equation 3.25 to obtain an effective length factor, $K$, of 1.22. Using this value for $K$, Equation 3.21 was plotted as the dashed line in Figure 4.6. For all values of $P/P_y$, the interaction predicted by Equation 3.21 and $K = 1.22$ is slightly unconservative. Similar results are shown in Figure 4.7 for $h/r = 40$,

$G = 2$, $\sigma = 36$.

Thus, the use of a revised value for end restraint provided by Equation 4.7 may lead to designs that are slightly unconservative when compared with the results of an ultimate strength interaction of a beam-column subassemblage. While Lay's suggestion may provide a more realistic value for the buckling load of a column, the use of such a K factor when designing beam columns is questionable.

## 4.4 EFFECT OF INELASTIC COLUMN ACTION

Another modification to the calculation of the effective length factor, K, has been proposed by Yura (7). Yura questioned the use of elastic column stiffness to evaluate effective joint restraint when the actual column stiffness may be reduced due to yielding caused by residual strains in addition to the strains caused by the applied load. Yura developed an expression that allows for inelastic column behavior in the calculation of the constant, G, (Equation 4.6) that is used in Equations 3.25 and 3.26 to calculate the K for a restrained column.

In Yura's proposal, an elastic value of G is calculated using Equation 4.6. This value is then modified by

$$\text{Ginelastic} = \frac{F_a}{F_e'} \text{Gelastic} \qquad (4.10)$$

where $F_a$ is the allowable stress for a column subject to axial load only

$F_e'$ is the allowable stress in a column using Euler's equation and a factor of safety of 1.92.

In the case of an elastic column Fa=Fe' and there is no

modification of G. Yura suggested that in the case of an inelastic

column, Equation 4.10 should be applied iteratively until G has converged

to the smallest possible value (7). For each iteration, the values Fe'

and Fa are based on the K calculated in the previous cycle. Yura

suggested that K would converge to 1 for most inelastic columns.

In the original proposal, Yura only considered the use of

the inelastic K factor for the case of axially loaded members. Adams

(33), however, questioned the use of such a K factor in the interaction

equation for beam columns (Equation 3.21). In his reply, Yura,

suggested that an inelastic K factor should only be applied when calcu-

lating the allowable stress when only axial load is present and should

not be applied to the moment magnification (34).

To study the implications of Yura's proposed K factor for

the design of beam columns, K factors calculated using his method were

used in Equation 3.21 and the resulting interaction curve was compared

with the prediction of the ultimate strength analysis outlined in Sec-

tion 3.2. The results of these analyses are shown in Figures 4.8 and

4.9 for h/r's of 20, 40, and 60, and Gelastic of 0.5 and 4.0. In all

cases, σy = 36 ksi. It must be noted that Yura's proposal was related

to an allowable stress specification, while in this study, all analyses

have been performed using a Limit States Design procedure (24). Thus,

Equation 4.10 is modified to

$$\text{Ginelastic} = \frac{C_r}{C_e} \text{Gelastic} \qquad (4.11)$$

where $C_r$ is the factored compressive resistence of a member for axial

load, and

$C_e$ is the elastic buckling load.

The differences between the results of Equations 4.10 and 4.11 were found to be small (less than 5%).

While the K factors calculated using Yura's suggestion were reduced from the K factors calculated from an elastic model, in no case, did the K factor actually reduce to 1 as Yura suggested (7).

As seen in Figure 4.8 and 4.9, the interaction predicted by Equation 3.21 using an inelastic K factor (shown as the dashed line) is quite close to the interaction predicted by the ultimate strength analysis (shown as the solid lines) for h/r = 20 for G = 0.5 and G = 4.0. As the column slenderness (h/r) increases, however, the interaction predicted using the inelastic K factor becomes conservative when compared to the ultimate strength prediction.

Thus, while Yura's proposal does provide an excellent prediction for low values of column slenderness (when inelastic action in columns is more prevalent), the procedure does not provide a more consistent margin of safety for all values of column slenderness than K factors based on an elastic model. Indeed, as a practical design method, the proposed method has some disadvantages. The procedure can involve lengthy calculations that may not result in significant material savings. In addition, the designer may be confused by the use of two different K factors in the same equation.

In his discussion of the original paper, Adams questioned the consideration of inelastic column behavior while ignoring the reduction of beam stiffness due to inelastic action. Experimental studies

have shown that there is little reduction to column strength due to beam

yielding unless the beam has become fully plastic ( 44, 45 ). To date,

however, there has been no experimental or analytical confirmation of

the suggestion that inelastic column behavior will increase the effec-

tive end restraint on the column.

The results of the analyses performed in this section does

show that the use of K factors based on inelastic column action does

provide a reasonable prediction of beam column behavior, particularly

at low slenderness ratios. It is important to note that a large per-

centage of columns used in medium height buildings will be found in this

slenderness range.

Subject to the practical limitations discussed, Yura's pro-

posal does appear to have merit when applied to a limit states design

approach to design of building frames. This method, however, does not

appear to be a further rationalization of design for stability, only a

method whose results are a reasonable prediction of member behavior for

a range of member sizes.

4.5 FRAMES WITH MEMBERS OF VARYING STIFFNESSES

As outlined in Section 4.2, a major problem in the design of

beam columns is relating the overall stability of the structure or a

critical portion of the structure to the design of a particular member.

This problem is particularly difficult when a column with ends effec-

tively pinned is supported by a column with rigid end restraints. In

the traditional procedures, a pin ended column that is not supported by

a bracing system (sway-permitted) is considered to have an effective

length that approaches infinity. Thus, the allowable axial load for the member is zero.

In addition to his suggested method for calculating K on the basis of inelastic column stiffness, Yura also proposed methods for evaluating the overall capacity of a frame in which the columns vary in stiffness (7, 34). In the initial paper, Yura suggested that a storey of a plane frame should be designed to satisfy the criteria that the sum of the vertical forces applied to the members of the frame shall be less than or equal to the sum of the resistance to vertical load of all members of the storey. If a column is effectively pin ended, the resistance of that column to vertical forces in the sway condition is zero. To ensure that the frame does not fail by the buckling of one member, each member is checked for its ability to carry its own load with K based on the sway prevented condition.

In his later discussion of the paper, Yura extended this concept to design of beam columns by suggesting the moment magnifier, β, (an ultimate strength form) be replaced with

$$\beta = \frac{1}{1 - \Sigma P / \Sigma P'_e} \qquad (4.12)$$

in the stability check (Equation 3.21) for each member where
$\Sigma P$ = sum of the axial forces in the storey in question,
$\Sigma P'_e$ = sum of the elastic buckling resistances for each member in the storey (note for K => ∞, $P'_e$ => 0).

The effect of this proposal is that the form of moment magnification is related to the overall stability of the storey. To study this proposal, the analysis outlined in Section 3.2 was modified to con-

sider a beam column subassemblage linked to pin ended column. This was accomplished by multiplying $P \Delta/h$ in the shear equilibrium equation by an integer factor, n. The interaction as predicted by the stability equation was found by the following:

$$\frac{C_f}{C_r} + \frac{\omega M_f}{M_r(1 - \frac{\Sigma C_f}{\Sigma C_e})} \leq 1.0 \qquad (4.13a)$$

where $\Sigma C_f$ is $nC_f$ and $\Sigma C_e$ is $C_e$ for the supporting column.

The comparison of these interaction curves for various values of h/r, G, and n are shown in Figures 4.10, 4.11, and 4.12. In each case, the theoretical ultimate strength interaction is shown as the solid line and the corresponding prediction, using Equation 4.13a with K based on the traditional model is shown as the dashed line. For the examples shown, although the factor of safety is not consistent for all values of h/r and G, Equation 4.13a provides a reasonable prediction of member ultimate strength.

More recently, however, Kanchanalai, has presented a modification to Yura's proposal (49). In limit states form, Equation 3.13a would be modified as (49):

$$\frac{C_f}{C_r} + \frac{M_f}{M_r(1 - \frac{\Sigma C_f}{\Sigma C_e})} \leq 1.0 \qquad (4.13b)$$

The object of this equation would be to check member strength.

In addition, the stability of each storey .ould be checked by (49):

$$\frac{\Sigma C_f}{\Sigma C_r} \leq 1.0 \qquad (4.14)$$

In his study of the design of beam-columns, Kanchanalai, showed that the moment magnifier in Equation 4.12 provided a somewhat conservative prediction of second order moments in rigid frames. Kanchanalai also compared the predicted moment-axial load interaction provided by Equation 4.13b with the results of an ultimate strength analysis for single storey rigid frames. While the resulting curves showed that Equation 4.13b could provide a reasonable prediction of member behavior, the single storey model used is not well related to actual member behavior in multi-storey frames.

The prediction provided by Equation 4.13b of the interaction between moment and axial load for the model outlined in Section 3.2 is shown as the broken line in Figures 4.10, 4.11, and 4.12. In each case, the prediction is quite conservative when compared with the ultimate strength analysis. Thus, while the use of the moment magnifier as suggested by Yura, does provide a method for considering "leaned frames" using traditional effective length procedures, the modification presented by Kanchanalai is not justified.

While Kanchanalai performed experiments in an attempt to confirm the validity of Equation 4.14, he did not consider the effect of this limit on the "leaned frame" system. The limit impc,ed by this equation can be considered for a given h/r, G, $\sigma_y$ and n oy .e expression:

$$\frac{P}{P_y} = \frac{C_r}{A\sigma_y n} \tag{4.15}$$

Thus, for $h/r = 20$, $G = 0.5$, $\sigma_y = 36$ and $n = 4$, the value of $P/P_y$ would be limited to 0.22. As shown in Figure 4.10, this limit is not related to the actual ultimate strength of the subassemblage.

The use of this Equation 4.14 for a mixed framing system could result in the design of the more rigid members of the system to carry the vertical loads applied to all members of the system. In reality, each member should be designed to carry its design axial load, while the more rigid members may be required to carry the second order (or sway) effects of the other members in the system. Thus, Equation 4.14 does not necessarily reflect the behavior of the mixed framing system.

## 4.6 SUMMARY

The thrust of most proposals to modify the design of structures for stability has been some modification of the effective length factors used in the design of axially loaded members. The rational used is that the model traditionally used for the calculation of effective lengths does not reflect true structural behavior. The main problem is to relate the overall stability of a structure to the design of a specific member.

Unfortunately, the proposed modifications have only dealt with the calculations of the effective length factors and not how or why these factors are applied to design formulae. Since the use of

effective length factors in design formulae reflects an essentially empirical method of accounting for neglected second order effects, a more rational model for the calculation of the effective length does not necessarily result in a more rational accounting for second order effects.

In this chapter, the results predicted when a proposed effective length factor was used in the stability interaction equation (Equation 3.21) were compared to the predicted member response obtained for an ultimate strength analysis. This comparison is a measure of how the proposed modification actually predicts member strength when used in design formulae.

None of the proposed methods provided a consistent prediction of member behavior. In some cases, the predictions provided were unrealistically conservative. In other cases, the prediction of member strength for combined axial load and bending was unconservative. In no case was there an actual assessment of overall structural stability under combined loading. A truly rational design method should adequately predict member behavior and provide an assessment of the overall stability of the structure.

## TABLE 4.1

## EFFECTIVE LENGTH FACTORS FOR TEN STORY FRAME

| Column | Story | $K_T$ | $K_F$ | $K_S$ | $\lambda_C$ |
|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------------|
| 1 | 1 | 1.43 | 1.45 | 1.35 | 15.20 |
| 2 | 1 | 1.31 | 1.24 | .15 | |
| 3 | 1 | 1.34 | 1.27 | .17 | |
| 4 | 1 | 1.52 | 1.53 | .42 | |
| 1 | 2 | 2.01 | 1.93 | 1.93 | 13.04 |
| 2 | 2 | 1.67 | 1.63 | 1.63 | |
| 3 | 2 | 1.75 | 1.67 | 1.67 | |
| 4 | 2 | 2.27 | 2.02 | 2.02 | |
| 1 | 3 | 2.03 | 1.87 | 1.71 | 15.50 |
| 2 | 3 | 1.72 | 1.64 | 1.50 | |
| 3 | 3 | 1.80 | 1.61 | 1.48 | |
| 4 | 3 | 2.30 | 1.87 | 1.72 | |
| 1 | 4 | 2.12 | 2.00 | 1.91 | 14.39 |
| 2 | 4 | 1.82 | 1.75 | 1.67 | |
| 3 | 4 | 1.88 | 1.72 | 1.64 | |
| 4 | 4 | 2.40 | 2.01 | 1.92 | |
| 1 | 5 | 2.11 | 1.85 | 1.75 | 14.48 |
| 2 | 5 | 1.82 | 1.63 | 1.54 | |
| 3 | 5 | 1.82 | 1.47 | 1.40 | |
| 4 | 5 | 2.32 | 1.73 | 1.65 | |
| 1 | 6 | 1.97 | 2.04 | 1.87 | 15.54 |
| 2 | 6 | 1.69 | 1.79 | 1.64 | |
| 3 | 6 | 1.67 | 1.62 | 1.48 | |
| 4 | 6 | 2.11 | 1.92 | 1.75 | |

TABLE 4.1 (cont'd)
EFFECTIVE LENGTH FACTORS FOR TEN STORY FRAME

| Column | Story | $K_T$ | $K_F$ | $K_S$ | $\lambda_C$ |
|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------------|
| 1 | 7 | 1.88 | 1.90 | 1.69 | 16.51 |
| 2 | 7 | 1.58 | 1.50 | 1.33 | |
| 3 | 7 | 1.58 | 1.37 | 1.22 | |
| 4 | 7 | 2.00 | 1.69 | 1.50 | |
| 1 | 8 | 1.80 | 2.24 | 1.91 | 17.92 |
| 2 | 8 | 1.47 | 1.75 | 1.49 | |
| 3 | 8 | 1.45 | 1.61 | 1.37 | |
| 4 | 8 | 1.91 | 1.99 | 1.70 | |
| 1 | 9 | 1.68 | 2.28 | 1.77 | 21.76 |
| 2 | 9 | 1.34 | 1.52 | 1.18 | |
| 3 | 9 | 1.24 | 0.91 | 0.70 | |
| 4 | 9 | 1.76 | 1.98 | 1.53 | |
| 1 | 10 | 1.62 | 3.85 | 2.63 | 27.98 |
| 2 | 10 | 1.25 | 2.34 | 1.60 | |
| 3 | 10 | 1.10 | 1.39 | 0.95 | |
| 4 | 10 | 1.56 | 3.40 | 2.32 | |

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W16 x 45  W16 x 36  W16 x 36

0  W14 x 48  W21 x 55  W12 x 40  W16 x 40  W8 x 28  W16 x 40  W12 x 40

9  do  do  do

8  W14 x 68  do  W14 x 61  do  W14 x 48  do  W14 x 48

7  W21 x 62  W16 x 50  W16 x 50

6  W14 x 95  do  W14 x 103  do  W14 x 78  do  W14 x 74

5  do  do  do

4  W14 x 127  W24 x 68  W14 x 136  W18 x 55  W14 x 119  W18 x 55  W14 x 111

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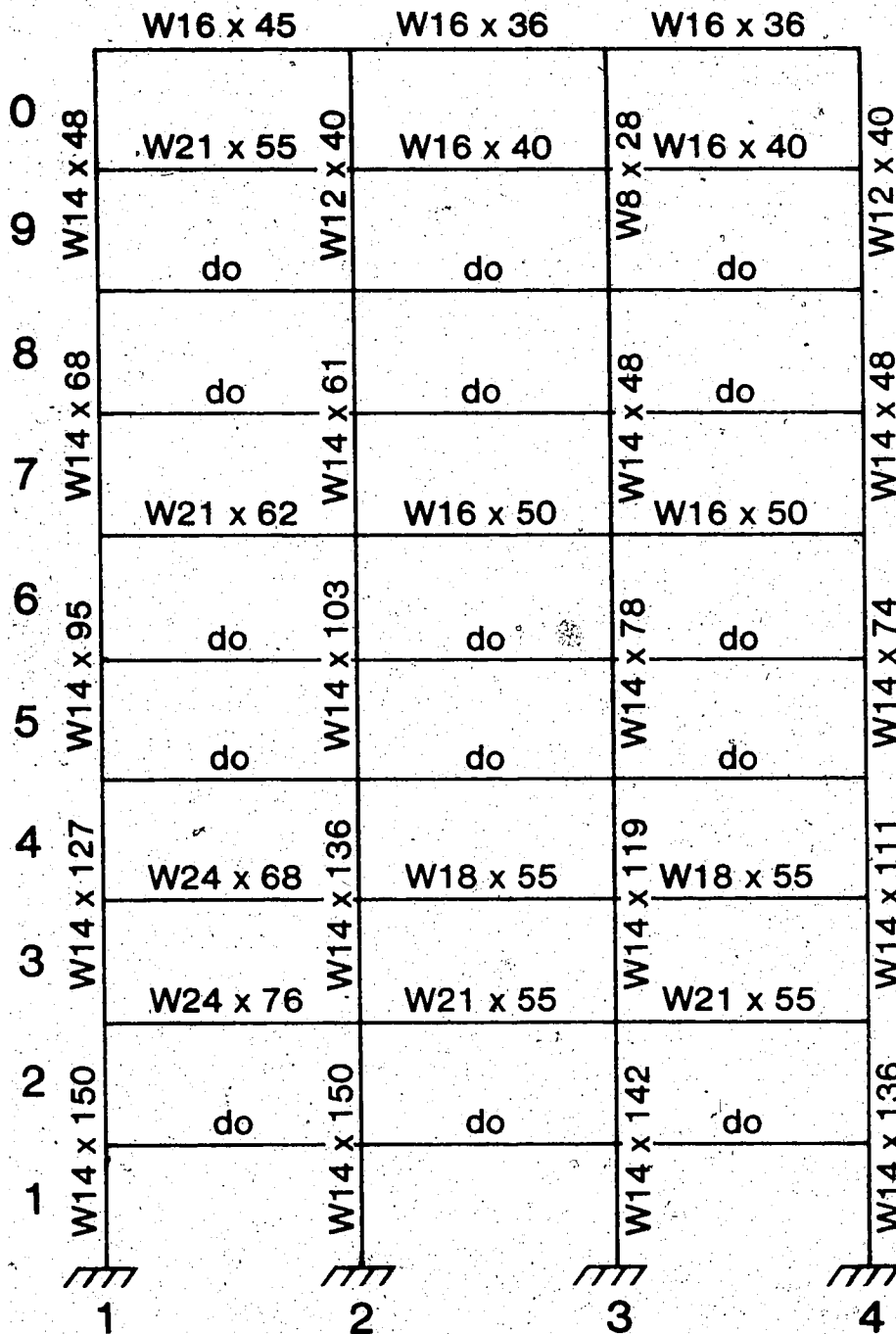
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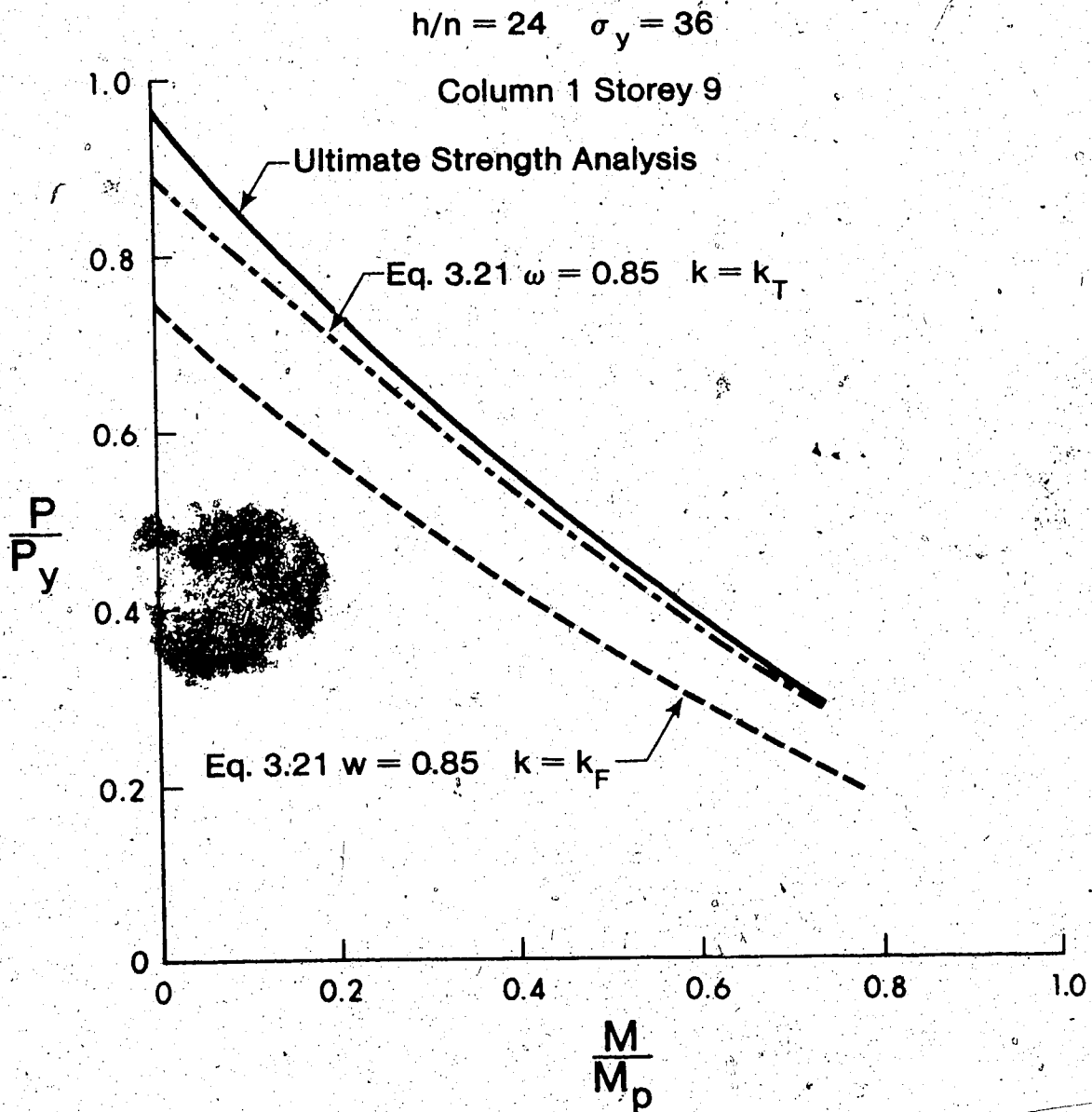
Figure 4.2  Interaction Prediction Using Frame Buckling K Factor

h/r = 28   $\sigma_y$ = 36 ksi
Column 2 Storey 9

Ultimate Strength Analysis

Eq. 3.21
$\omega$ = 0.85   k = $k_T$

Eq. 3.21
$\omega$ = 0.85   k = $k_F$

$\dfrac{P}{P_y}$

$\dfrac{M}{M_p}$
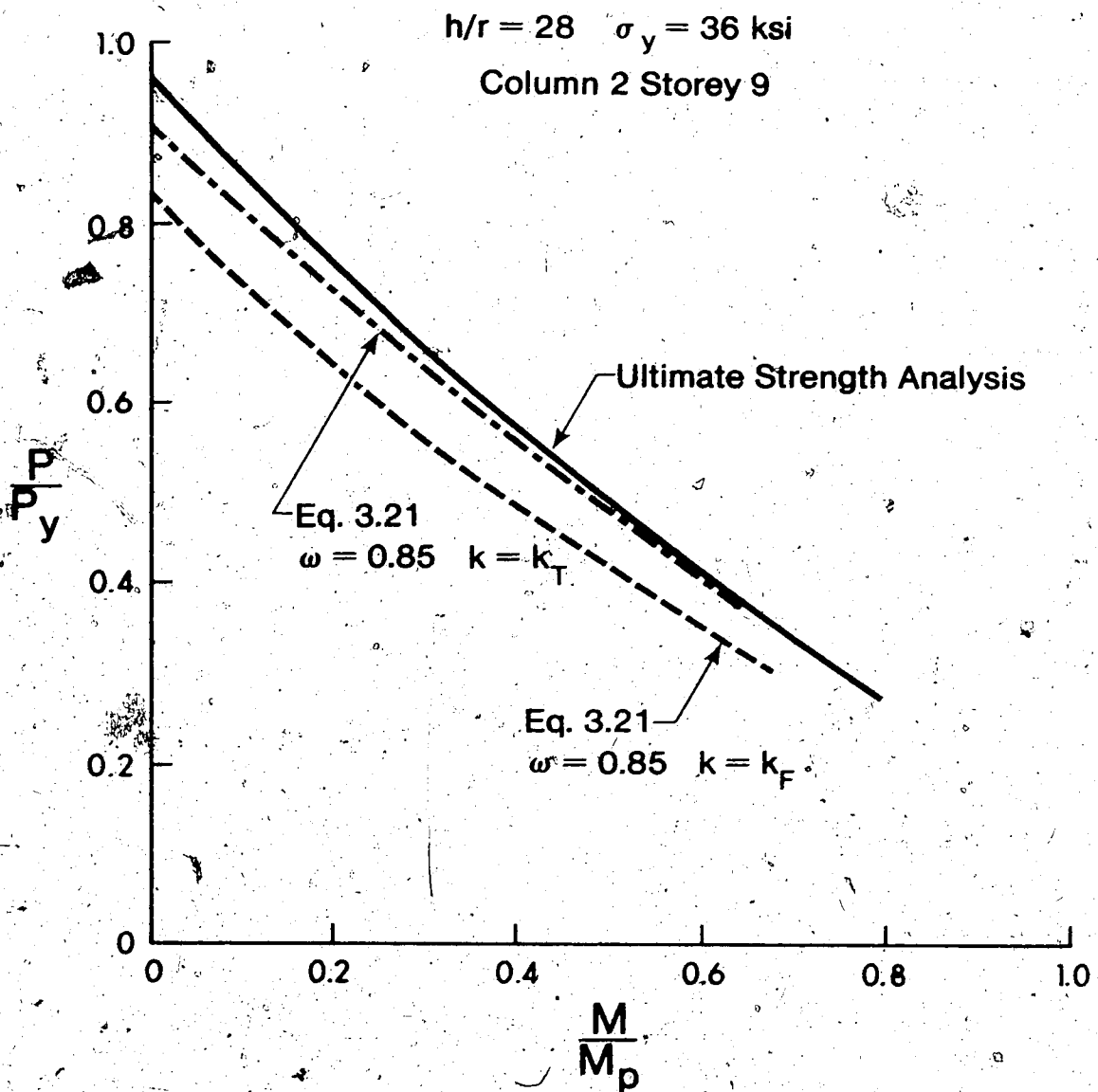
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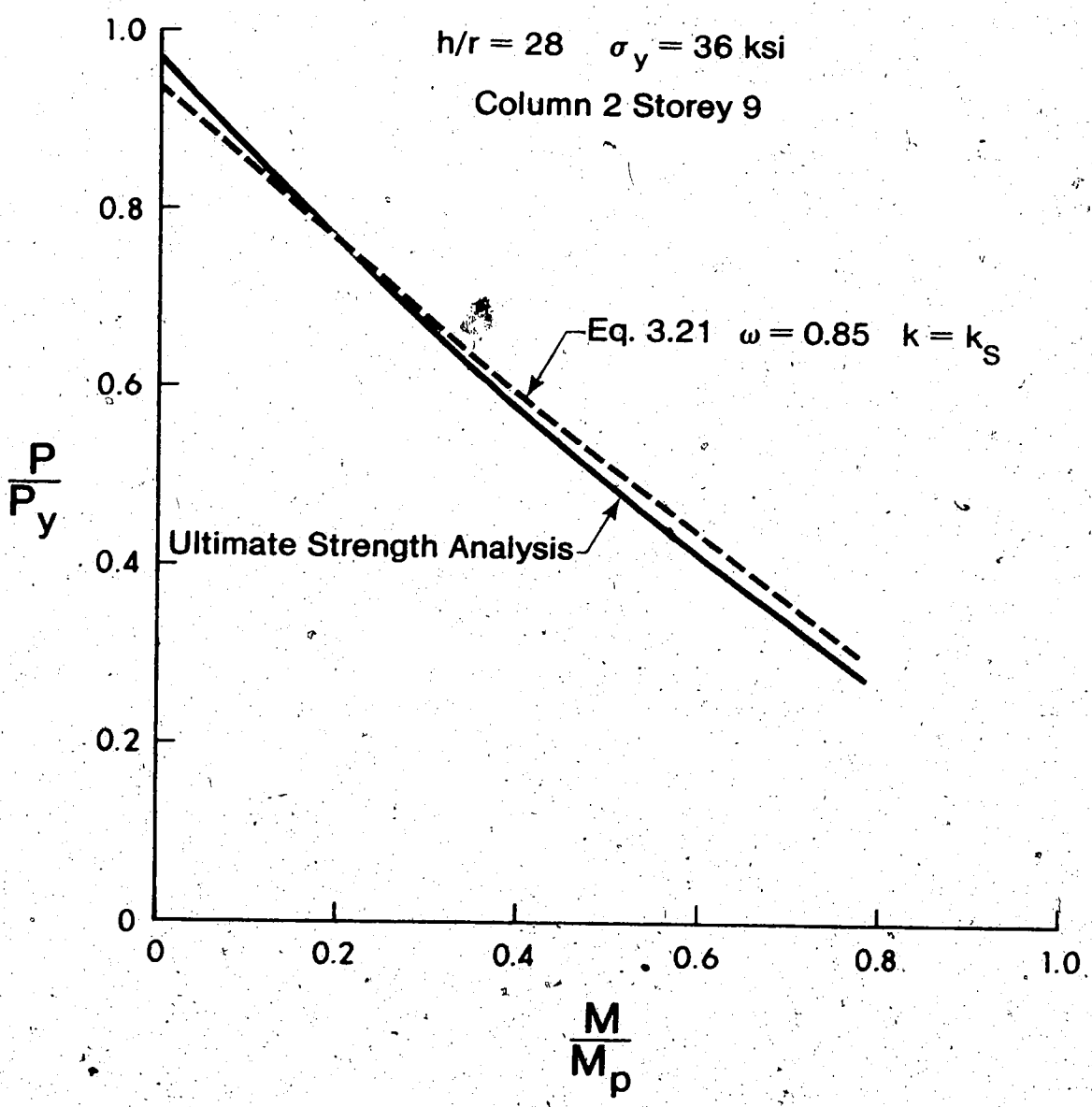
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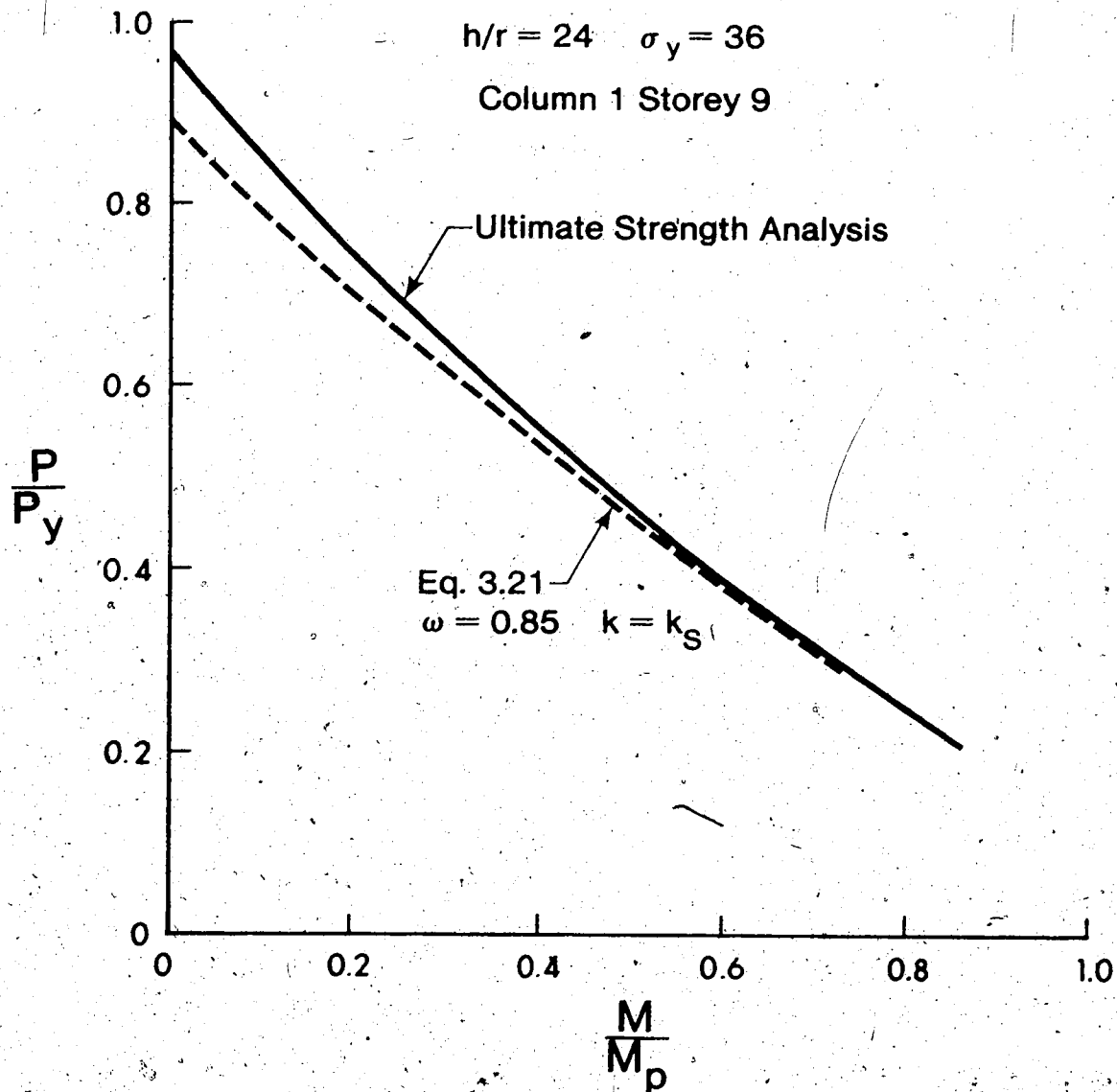
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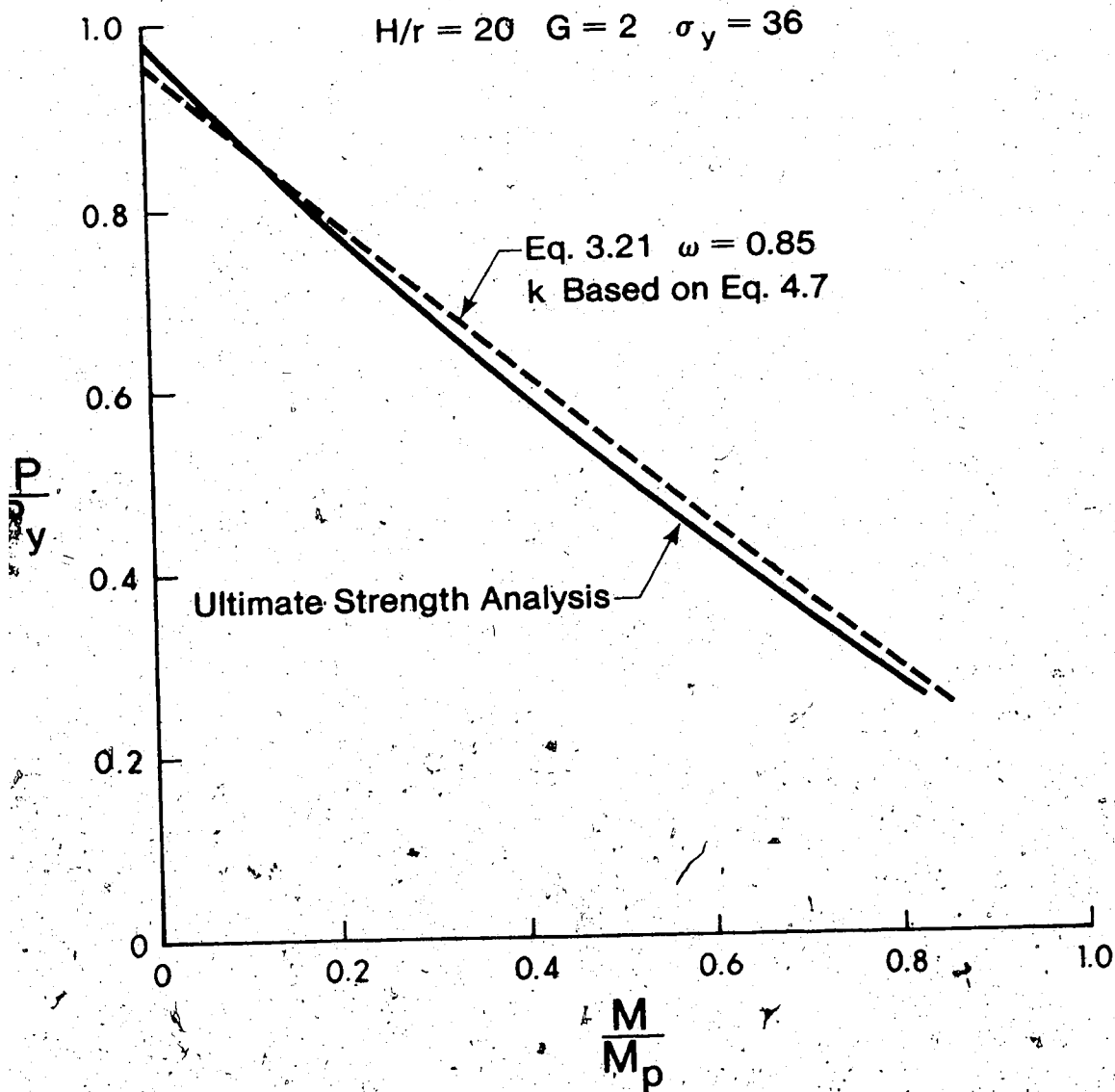
Figure 4.6 Interaction Prediction Using Lay's Modified K Factor

$h/r = 40 \quad G = 2 \quad \sigma_y = 36$
$G' = .53$

Ultimate Strength

Eq. 3.21 $\omega = 0.85$
k Based on Eq. 4.7

$\dfrac{P}{P_y}$

$\dfrac{M}{M_p}$
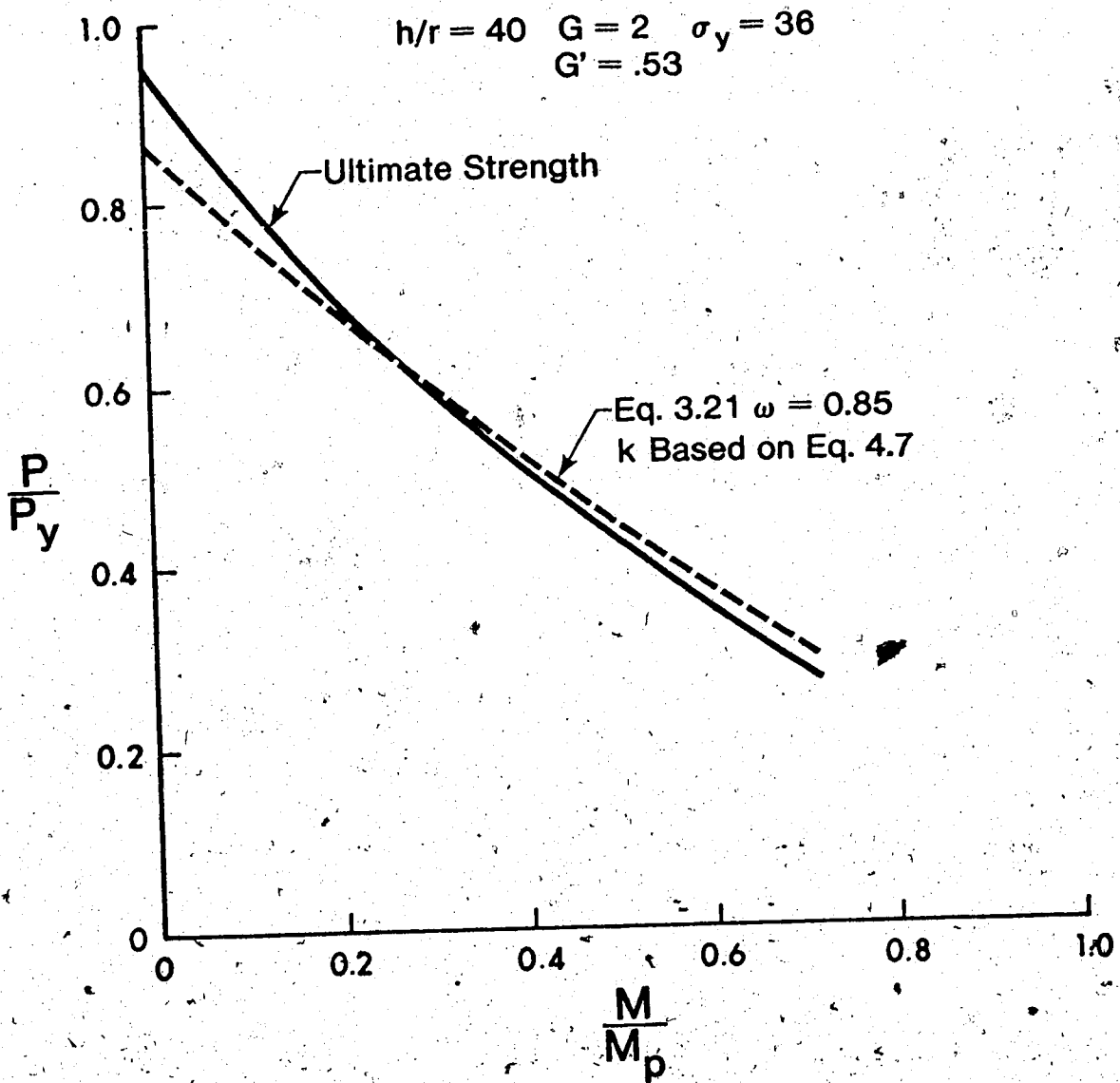
Fig. 4.7 Interaction Prediction Using Lay's Modification Factor
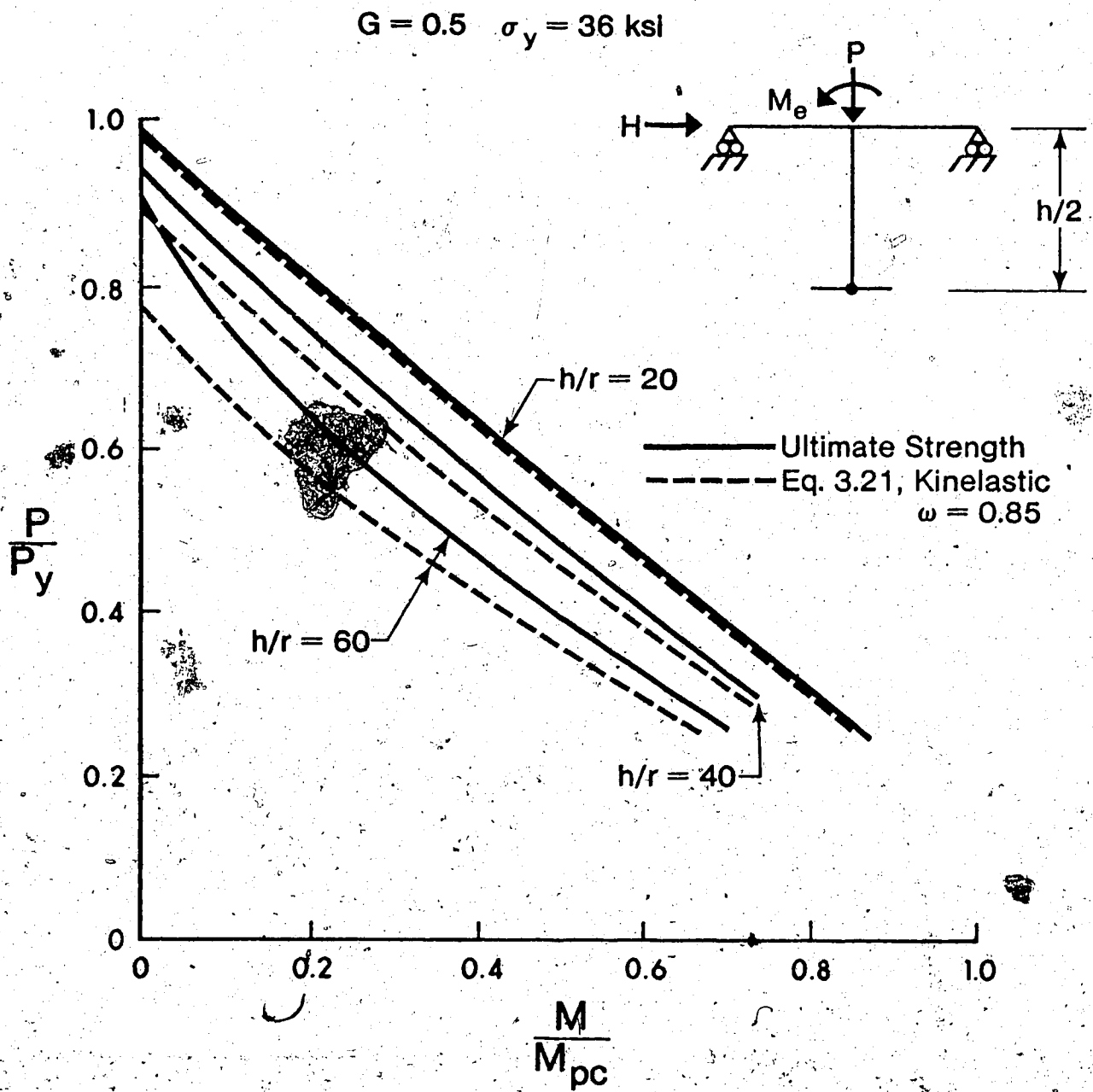
Figure 4.8 Interaction Prediction Using Inelastic K Factors
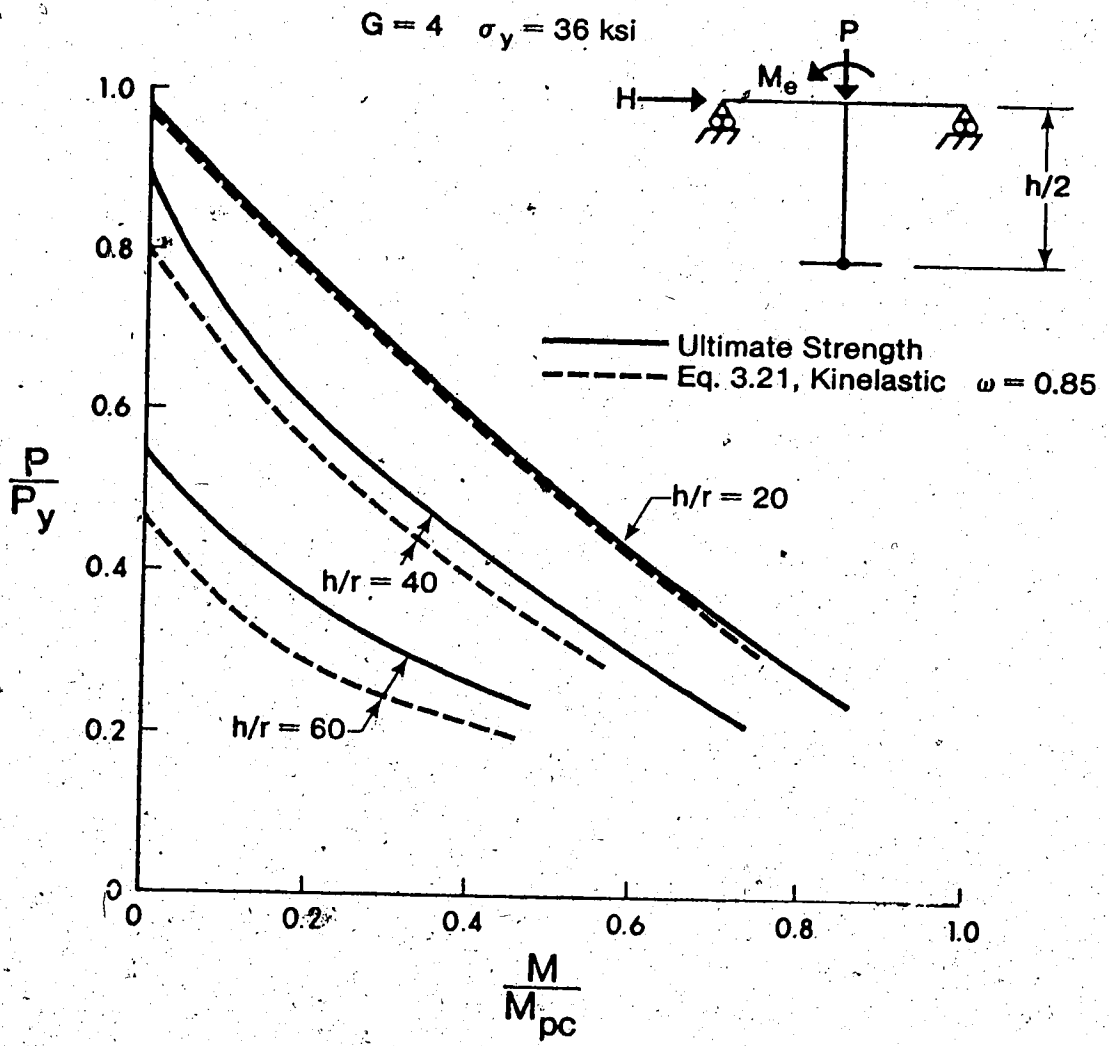
Figure 4.9 Interaction Predictions Using inelastic K
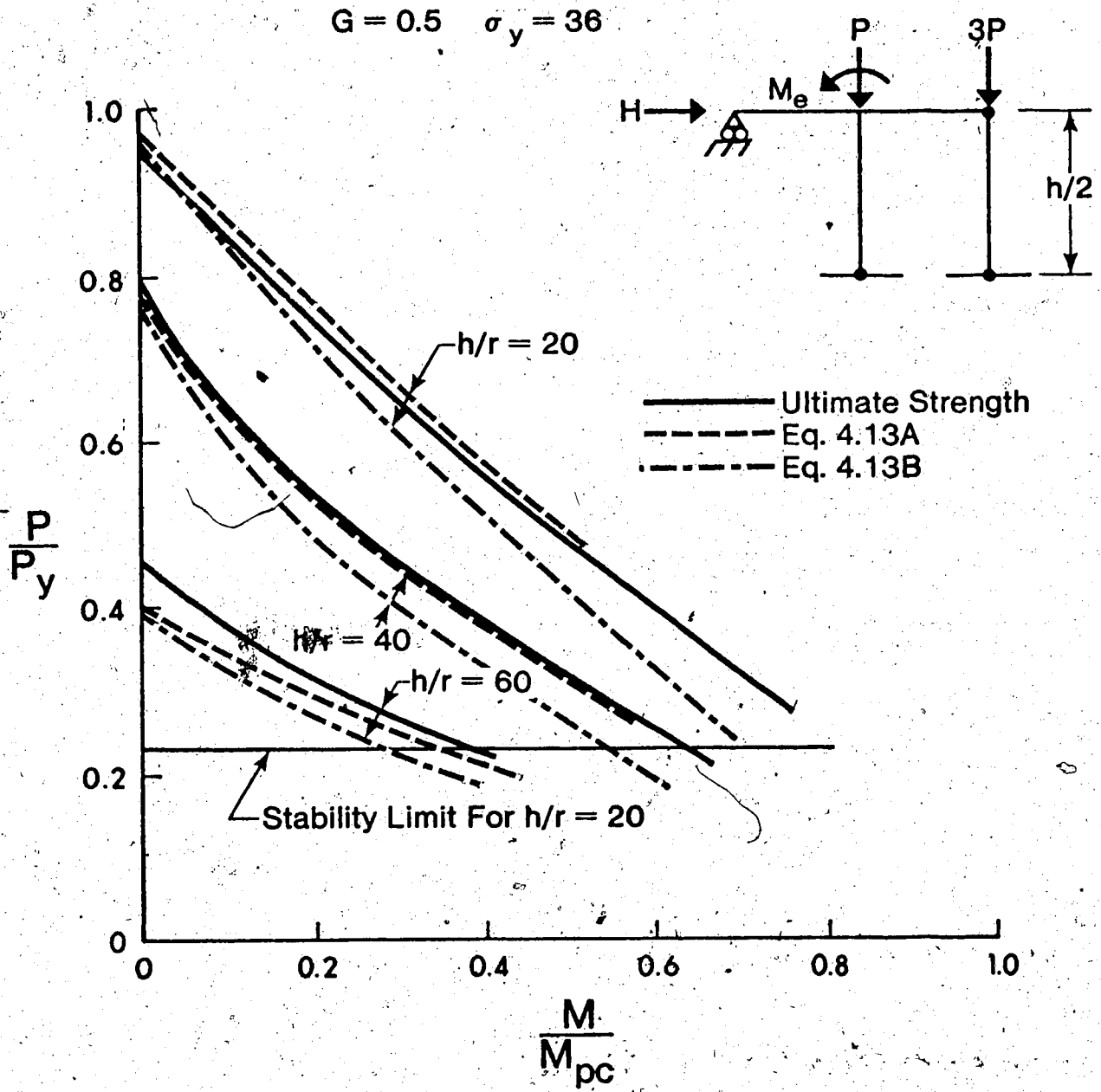
Figure 4.10  Interaction Predictions Using Equation 4.13
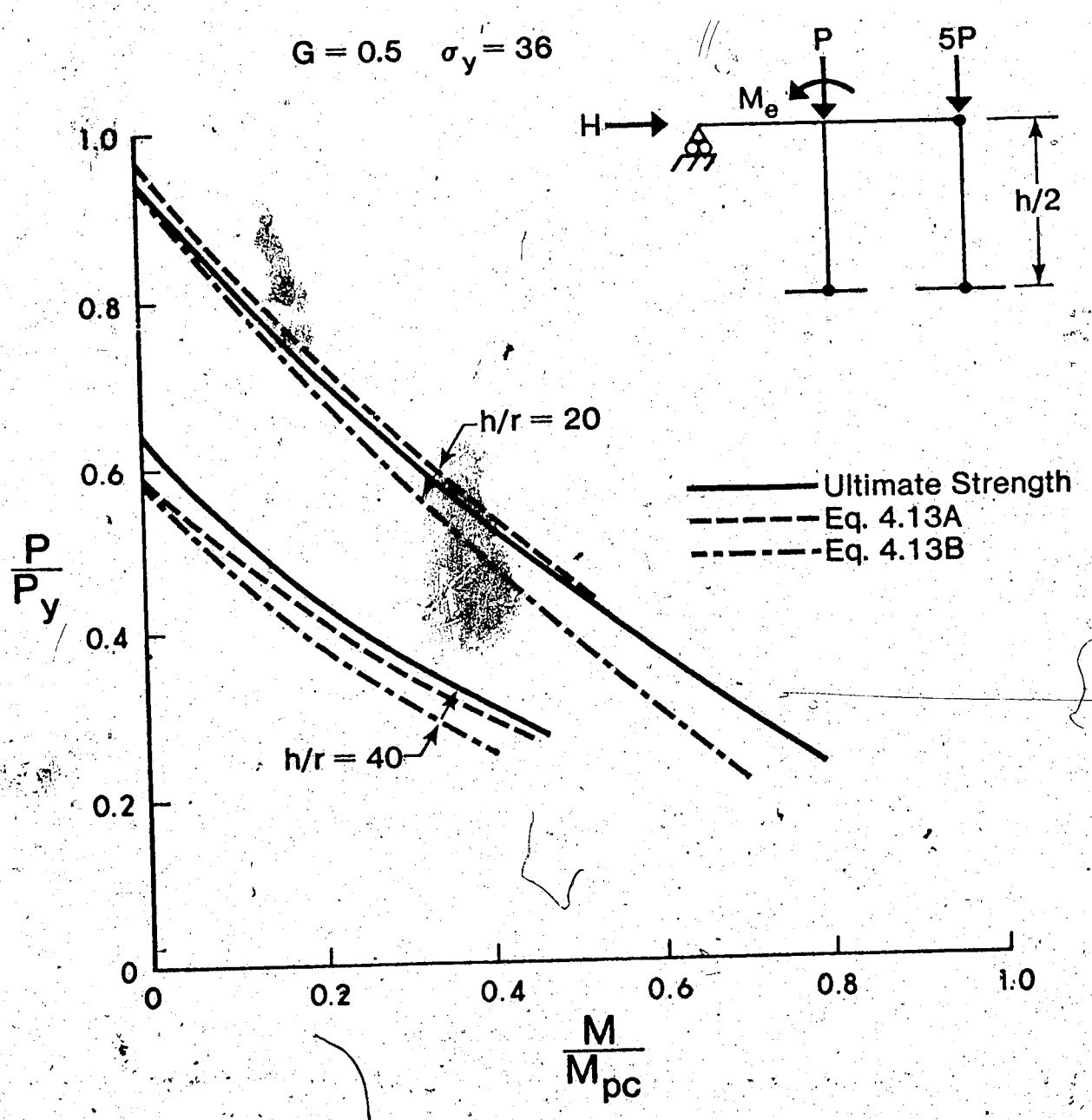
Figure 4.11 Interaction Predictions Using Equation 4.13

$G = 4 \quad h/r = 20 \quad \sigma_y = 36$
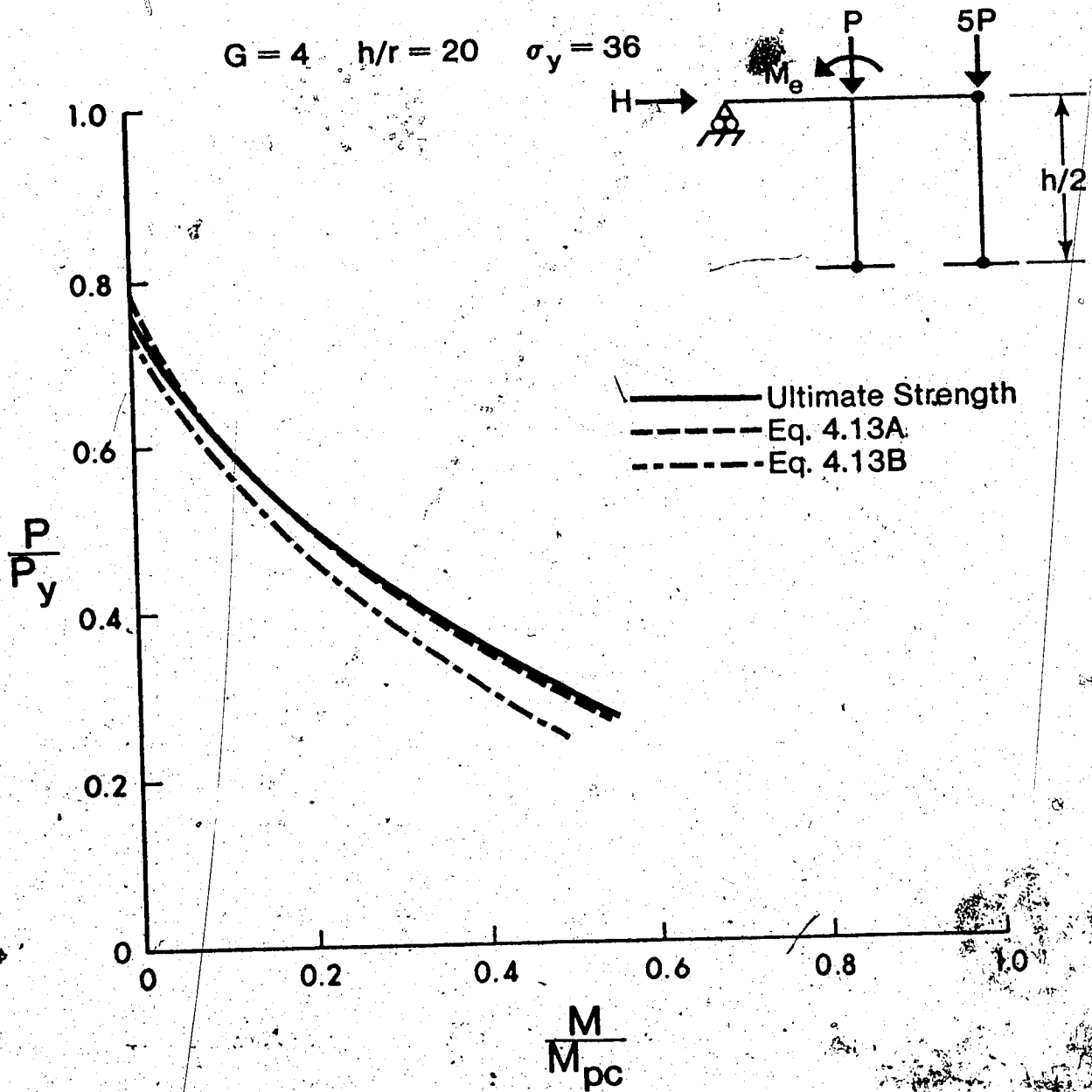


Figure 4.12 Interaction Predictions Using Equation 4.13

# CHAPTER V

# COLUMN DESIGN BY THE P DELTA PROCEDURE

## 5.1 INTRODUCTION

The analyses used to determine the distribution of bending moments and internal forces throughout the structure are generally first order. This type of analysis neglects the effect of sway deformations on the shear equilibrium equations, and also, the influence of axial force on the stiffness of the members (1). A first order analysis overestimates both the stiffness and the strength of a frame (1).

If the axial forces are significant, a better indication of the distribution of the interal moments and forces in the structure is obtained by using a second order analysis. In a second order analysis, the shear equilibrium equations are formulated on the deformed structure. In other words, the secondary moments produced by the vertical loads acting through the sway displacements of the structure are accounted for in the analysis. These secondary moments and forces are termed the $P\Delta$ effects. The influence of axial force on the column stiffness may also be considered.

In this Chapter, the P Delta Procedure of column design will be outlined. Factors that can effect design using the P Delta Procedure are discussed as well as limitations that may be required. Factors to be discussed include, inelastic beam action, effect of axial load on column stiffness, frame flexibility, and other pertinent behavior.

## 5.2   P DELTA DESIGN PROCEDURE

The difficulties with the present design procedure arise from the fact that the neglect of the $P\Delta$ forces in the analysis of the structure is only imperfectly compensated for in the selection procedure for individual members.  These difficulties could be overcome by performing analyses which do include the second order effects.  Standard computer programs are available to perform a second order analysis, but the use of these programs for the analysis of a large frame are expensive (14,42).  The results of a standard first order analysis may be easily modified to include the $P\Delta$ effect.

The initial step in the modification procedure is to compute the sway forces.  The lateral and vertical loads are first applied to the system, and the lateral displacements, denoted as $\Delta_i$ in Figure 5.1, are computed by first order theory.  The floor level is denoted by i.  The additional storey shears due to the vertical loads are then computed:

$$V_i' = \frac{\Sigma P_i}{h_i} \; (\Delta_{i+1} - \Delta_i) \qquad (5.1)$$

where   $V_i'$ = additional shear in storey i due to the sway forces,

$\Sigma P_i$ = sum of the column axial loads in storey i.

$h_i$ = height of storey i; and,

$\Delta_{i+1}, \; \Delta_i$ = displacements of level i + 1 and i, respectively.

The sway forces due to the vertical loads, $H_i'$, are then computed as the difference between the additional storey shears at each level:

$$H_i' = V_{i-1}' - V_i' \qquad (5.2)$$

The sway forces, $H_i$, are added to the applied lateral loads, and the structure re-analyzed. When the $\Delta_i$ values at the end of a cycle are nearly equal to those of the previous cycle, the method has converged, and the resulting forces or moments in every member now include the P$\Delta$ effect.

The method described above is applicable to both the combined loading case and to the vertical load only case. In both cases, the deflected shape under the applied loads is determined and the sway forces calculated using Equations (5.1) and (5.2). The sway forces are then applied to the structure and the deflected shape again determined. In some instances, for the vertical load only case, the initial application of the vertical loads will not produce a significant sway displacement of the storey. In these cases, initial sway forces may be computed on the basis of a storey rotation equal to the probable erection tolerance.

Once the process has converged, the moments and forces include an allowance for the P$\Delta$ effect. In most cases for practical structures, the convergence is extremely fast and the first iteration produces acceptable results (11).

Since the P$\Delta$ moments have now been included in the analysis, they need not be accounted for in the design. Thus, the design of the beam-columns may be based on Equations 3.19, 3.20, and 3.21, but with the computation of K based on the sway prevented model and $\omega$ given by Equation 3.22. This procedure requires that the columns and girders be designed for increased moments to resist the P$\Delta$ effect.

The procedure suggested is basically equivalent to designing

on the envelope provided by the upper dashed lines (Equation 3.21 with K

based on the sway prevented model and $\omega$ given by Equation 3.22) and the

broken line (Equation 3.20) in Figure (5.2). In effect, the total moment

capacity of the member is now to be matched against the total (primary

and $P\Delta$) bending moment applied to the member, as shown by the upper

solid line in Figure (5.2). For the condition shown in Figure (5.2),

the interaction equations provide a close estimate of the ultimate capa-

city of the member.

The designer would simply analyze the structure to be con-

sidered under the various load combinations considered significant. In

each case, the sway forces would be computed and added to the applied

lateral loads on the structure. The influence of these additional loads

would be evaluated and, if necessary, a second iteration could be per-

formed in the analysis. The normal limit state would be used in the

girder design, while the columns would be evaluated using the interaction

equations with K based on the sway prevented model and $\omega$ evaluated as

for the sway prevented case (1).

When using an allowable stress design, however, the use of

equations 5.1 and 5.2 to obtain sway forces may result in an underesti-

mation of moments at point of ultimate capacity in the critical member.

Thus, Equation 5.1 must be modified for use in allowable stress design.

This modification is presented in Appendix A.

5.3 EFFECT OF INELASTIC ACTION

In the $P\Delta$ technique described above, the bending moment and

force distributions are computed on the basis of an elastic analysis of

the structure, which includes the P$\Delta$ effect. The various elements in the structure will accept the moments and forces caused by the P$\Delta$ effect in proportion to their stiffnesses. Since the P$\Delta$ effects are known and are included in the analysis, the designer need not provide a reserve of strength in selecting the actual member.

The limit states design technique generally implies that a safety index is maintained against the attainment of the ultimate capacity of a critical member. Except for limited recognition of moment redistribution, the attainment of the ultimate capacity at one location in the critical member is assumed to correspond to the ultimate strength of the structure.

At this stage of loading, however, some inelastic deformation will have occurred in various parts of the structure. For example, using published moment-rotation relationships for beams under moment-gradient (27,37), the rotations corresponding to the attainment of the ultimate moment capacity, $M_p$, are approximately 1.3 times those which would be computed on the basis of elastic action. Similar results have been obtained from tests intended to simulate other structural configurations (27). Although only one or a few members may yield before the first plastic hinge has formed, these limited inelastic deformations will tend to increase the P$\Delta$ effect above that computed on the basis of elastic action.

In addition to the inelastic action described above, columns subjected to high axial loads may yield along their lengths due to the strains caused by the axial loads. This situation will occur when the axial load is greater than 0.7 times the yield load, assuming that the

maximum residual stress is $0.3 F_y$ (27).

Theoretically, yielding of the flange tips will result in a reduced stiffness for the column and increased deflections (and thus, $P\Delta$ effects) above those computed elastically. In most cases, however, the axial column loads (at the load level corresponding to the attainment of the ultimate capacity of the critical member) are below the level required to cause significant yielding. Where the members are subjected to high axial loads, the sway deflections will be increased above those computed elastically, only for that portion of the loading history for which the axial loads exceed 0.7 times the yield load.

Theoretically then, the $P\Delta$ forces should be based on deflections that exceed those calculated on the basis of elastic behavior. Because of the conservative nature of the column design procedure (1) and because the test results on large scale specimens have not revealed significant inelastic deflections at the loads corresponding to the formation of the first plastic hinge (27), the $P\Delta$ technique ignores inelastic deflections. The influence of member yielding will be considered at length in the following chapter.

## 5.4 EFFECT OF FRAME FLEXIBILITY

As outlined in section 5.2, the $P\Delta$ Procedure implies that the member capacity appropriate to the sway prevented condition is available to resist computed moments and forces in the member. In a braced structure, if the bracing system is designed to resist both applied lateral forces and sway forces, the full capacity of the member is available to resist the applied moments and forces. For unbraced

structures, this may not always be true.

Consider the column shown in Figure 5.3(a) subjected to an axial load P and a transverse load H. The column is pinned at the base and restrained by a rotational spring at the top. The spring represents the restraining action of the girders as the column is permitted to sway. In the deformed position shown in Figure 5.3(b), the column end moment, $M_C$, must be equal to:

$$M_C = Hh + P\Delta \tag{5.3}$$

and must be equal and opposite to the girder (spring) end moment. For compatibility, the end rotation of the column, $\gamma$, (from its chord) and the girder end rotation, $\theta$, are related by:

$$\Delta/h = \gamma + \theta \tag{5.4}$$

The results of an analysis of the system are shown in Figure 5.3(c), where the moment capacities used up by the various forces are plotted against the deflection, $\Delta$. The P$\Delta$ term is shown as the dashed line, while the resisting moment developed at the column top ($M_C$ = Hh + P$\Delta$) is shown as the upper solid curve. This curve reaches a maximum value of $M_{pc}$, the reduced plastic moment capacity of the member. The lower solid curve plots the portion of the resisting moment used by the first order moment (Hh). From Equation 5.3, this curve reaches a maximum where the rate of change of the resisting moment is equal to the P$\Delta$ effect:

$$\frac{\partial (Hh)}{\partial \Delta} = \frac{\partial M_C}{\partial \Delta} - P \tag{5.5}$$

The deformation at this stage is lower than that corresponding to the attainment of the maximum moment capacity $M_{pc}$. Thus, even though

the P$\Delta$ moments are included in the analysis (in the P$\Delta$ method), the full moment capacity, $M_{p\alpha}$, is still not available to resist the total calculated moments.

To illustrate this point, the results of several analyses of beam columns free to sway are shown in Figures 5.2, 5.4, and 5.5. The column is shown in the insert to each figure and the results correspond to the attainment of the ultimate load capacity. The resisting moment at the top of the column, $M_c$, is non-dimensional and $M_c/M_p$ and plotted against the axial load ratio, $P/P_y$, as shown by the lower solid curve in the figures. The portion used by primary moment, $M_c = Hh/2 + P\Delta$ is shown as the upper solid curve. For a given $P/P_y$ value, the difference between the two curves is a measure of the moment required to resist the P$\Delta$ effect.

In these figures, the upper dashed curve representes the results of the stability interaction equation (24).

$$\frac{C_f}{C_r} + \frac{\omega M_f}{M_r(1 - \frac{C_f}{C_e})} \leq 1.0 \qquad (5.6)$$

based on the sway prevented model. The lower dashed curve represents Equation 5.6 based on the sway permitted model. The broken curve represents the strength equation (24,43).

$$\frac{C_f}{C_r} + \frac{0.85 M_F}{M_r} \leq 1.0 \qquad (5.7)$$

The envelope provided by Equation 5.6 with w and K based on the sway prevented condition and Equation 5.7 has been found to provide an adequate prediction of the ultimate strength of beam columns whose

ends are prevented from translation (31). When a structure contains a stiff vertical bracing system that has been proportioned to carry all lateral forces plus sway effects, the behavior of beam columns is governed by local stability or strength and the design of these members can be based on the interaction equations using the sway prevented model. In the case of a structure that relies on the bending stiffness of beam to column joints to resist lateral forces, the column moment includes the sway effects (Equation 5.3), and thus, the behavior of individual members is influenced by the overall stability of the structure. Thus, the envelope provided by the sway prevented interaction equations no longer provides an adequate prediction of column end moment at ultimate load for all loading cases.

For $h/r = 40$ and $G = 2$ (Figure 5.2), the difference between the moment at ultimate load predicted by the analysis (upper solid line) and the envelope provided by the sway prevented interaction equations (upper broken and dashed lines) is quite small for all values of $P/P_y$. In this case, the stability effects are small and therefore, have less effect on the failure than the bending resistance of the total resistance of the column (as shown by the upper member). In Figures 5.2, 5.4, and 5.5, G represents the ratio of column to girder stiffness.

$$G = \frac{\Sigma I_c/h}{\Sigma I_g/L} \tag{5.8}$$

In the case of a more flexible column, $h = 60r$, as shown in Figure 5.4, the envelope no longer adequately predicts the ultimate strength for higher values of $P/P_y$. The same is true for Figure 5.5 in which the beam stiffness has been decreased, $h = 40r$, $G = 10$. In each

case, the presence of large second order effects causes a loss of lateral load capacity before the ultimate strength predicted by the interaction equations is reached.

The implication of this behavior is that structures designed using the PΔ procedure may fail due to overall stability before the individual members attain the ultimate moment predicted by the sway prevented interaction equations. This difference is only significant, however, when the sway effects become excessive. This condition may result from excessive deflections (the frame is too flexible) or excessive vertical loads applied to the storey or a combination of both.

To examine possible limits that could be imposed to avoid a stability failure at factored loads, an elastic analysis of the restrained column permitted to sway was performed. In this case, both beams and columns were assumed to be elastic. The solution was derived using the slope deflection equations. The resulting subassemblages were analyzed for various combinations of $h/r$, $G$, $\sigma_y$, and $P/P_y$.

Initially, a dummy lateral load was applied and a first order deflection and second order deflection were obtained for that load. For a given member size, end restraint, strength, and axial load, a lateral shear was calculated that would satisfy the interaction equations (Equations 3.19, 3.20, and 3.21). The second order deflection was then calculated at design loads to explore a relationship between the stability problem and the deflection index. The relationship between axial load, $P/P_y$, and the resulting deflection for the applied design load is shown in Figure 5.6 for various combinations of $h/r$, $G$, and $\sigma_y$.

As the axial load in the column increases, the limiting

bending moment specified by the interaction equations must decrease, thus, the lateral load that can be carried by the beam-column subassemblage must also decrease. As a result, the deflection obtained from the application of the design lateral load is found to decrease with increasing axial load $(P/P_y)$ in Figure 5.6. Thus, there are values of axial load for which the difference between the ultimate column moment predicted by analysis and the ultimate column moment predicted by the sway prevented interaction equations is significant, yet the sway index is within the required limits. For example, when $h/r = 60$, $G = 2$, $\sigma_y = 36$, and $P/P_y = .7$, there is a significant difference between the column moment at failure and the limited predicted by Equation 3.20. The results of the elastic analysis shows a working load sway index $\Delta/h = 0.0016$. Thus, a stability problem can exist even when the deflection is well within suggested limits for the allowable deflection (24).

While it is likely that in a structure of practical and normal load distribution the stability problem may be overcome by designing the structure to a reasonable drift limit (51), there may be exceptional frames for which this criteria may not be sufficient. In the case of a structure subjected to large vertical loads and relatively small lateral loads, a stability problem can exist even if the sway index is satisfied. This situation would be particularly critical if design is governed by the vertical load only case, when relative lateral sways are small. One possible example of such a structure would be the case of a "leaned frame" in which a flexible frame is linked to a more rigid frame that is designed to carry all sway effects. In such a case, the deflection may be within specified limites, while the sway forces may be considerable.

To obtain a more generally applied limit, the nature of the stability problem must be examined. If a simple rigid frame subjected to vertical loads is perturbed by the application of a lateral load H, the structure will sway due to the lateral load an amount δ. The effect of the lateral load acting on the deflected shape is the equivalent of an additional shear, ΔH. This additional shear results in an additional sway Δδ which results in another additional effective shear. If the stability effects are small, an equilibrium position is obtained quite rapidly. If the stability effects are significant, the equilibrium position of the frame is more difficult to obtain without a significant number of iterations. To examine this phenomena, the approximate analysis outlined in section 5.2 was performed on a variety of elastic subassemblages. The number of iterations required to provide a difference between sway calculated from successive approximations of less than 3% was obtained. The results are shown in Figure 5.7 as number of interactions for convergence versus $P/P_y$ for values of h/r, G, $\sigma_y$. When results are compared with Figures 5.2, 5.4, and 5.5, the onset of the stability problem corresponds to a rapid increase of the number of iterations required for convergence. In addition, the final deflection obtained by the approximate analysis was compared with the true second order deflection obtained when the sway term is included in the slope deflection equations. The apparent error in the approximate analysis increased rapidly as the number of iterations required for convergence increased as shown in Figure 5.7. Thus, there appears to be a correlation between the convergence of the second order analysis and the error introduced by using the sway prevented interaction equations to

predict the moment in a sway permitted column at ultimate load. For the examples shown, this error will be reasonably small if the number of iterations for a difference of successive approximations of 3% does not exceed 5.

If a stability problem exists, however, this process may be time consuming. In addition, if a direct second order solution is used, the existence of a stability problem may not be obvious. A more practical limit may be derived from the fact that the cause of the stability problem is the existence of sway effects (PΔ shears) that are large when compared to applied shears.

A ratio that is an indicator of the magnitude of the stability effects can be obtained from the results of a first order analysis. If the sum of shears applied to a storey is ΣH and the sum of additional sway forces applied to the storey (Equation 5.2) calculated from the first order analysis is ΣH', then

$$R1 = \frac{\Sigma H'}{\Sigma H} \qquad (5.9)$$

This ratio is plotted in Figure 5.8 versus axial load $P/P_y$ for various combinations of h/r, G, and $\sigma_y$ of the elastic subassemblage. When compared with Figures 5.2, 5.4, and 5.5, and the rate of convergence in Figure 5.7, the onset of a stability problem can be predicted by a ratio, R1, of 0.50.

Thus, if the sway effects ratio, R1, is greater than 0.5 for any storey of a frame, a stability problem exists and convergence of the approximate PΔ analysis will be slow. An analysis of the convergence of the approximate PΔ method by MacGregor and Hage showed that

convergence to a difference of successive approximations of 5% will occur if Rl $\leq$ 0.55 (51).

The ratio of sway effects, Rl, may also be used as an indicator of the significance of second order effects to the analysis. When the values of this ratio for a structure are generally low, say 0.03, the error, if the second order effects are neglected completely, will be approximately 3% (51). Thus, when this ratio is less than a specified value for lower structures with small axial loads, there would be no need to perform a second order analysis or account for second order effects.

## 5.5 EFFECT OF AXIAL LOAD ON MEMBER STIFFNESS

Normally, the distribution of moments throughout a structure is determined on the basis of an elastic analysis which neglects the influence of column axial loads on the stiffness of the individual members. In the presence of an axial compressive force, the stiffness of a member is reduced (1). This reduction is a function of $\sqrt{PL^2/EI}$, where P denotes the axial load on the member, L the member length, E denotes the modulus of elasticity, and I the moment of inertia in the plane of bending.

The general slope deflection equation for an axially loaded member relating end moment at A to rotations at A and B, $\theta_A$ and $\theta_B$, and a relative end movement, is given by (1).

$$M_A' = \frac{EI_x}{L} (C\theta_A + S\theta_B - \rho(C + S))$$

where C and S are stability functions dependent on $\sqrt{PL^2/EI}$. If axial load P is assumed to be zero, then C = 4 and S = 2. To explore the

effect of axial load on the analysis of frames, the elastic subassemblage outlined in section 5.4 was analyzed using $C = 4$ and $S = -2$, and then, analyzed again with C and S depending on $\sqrt{PL^2/EI}$ for a variation of $P/P_y$, $h/r$, G, and $\sigma_y$. The results of these analyses are shown in Figure 5.9 as the percent error in deflection when $C = 4$ and $S = 2$ are used in the analysis versus the value $\sqrt{PL^2/EI}$.

The errors were found to vary as the stiffness of the subassemblage varied. For the subassemblages studied, the error in calculated deflection was less than 2% if the value of $\sqrt{PL^2/EI}$ was less than 1.2. For values of $\sqrt{PL^2/EI}$ greater than 1.2, consideration must be given to including the effects of axial load on member stiffness.

For most structures of practical proportions, the value of $\sqrt{PL^2/EI}$ is considerably less than 1.2. For the design example discussed in chapter 7, the use of $C = 4$ and $S = 2$ was found to produce an error of considerably less than 1% in both sways and member forces and moments when compared with an exact analysis.

## 5.6 SUMMARY

The design of beam-columns using the PΔ procedure has been outlined. An approximate method for obtaining a second order analysis from the results of a first order analysis has also been presented. A comparison between limits predicted by the PΔ Procedure and the results of a second order elastic plastic analysis of beam columns shows a good correlation, except when failure is governed by a stability failure. This stability problem can be avoided by a simple check of the magnitude of the sway effects during the analysis of the structure.

Since the accuracy of the PΔ Procedure depends on the accuracy of the prediction of the deflected shape of the structure, all effects that can increase the deflections, hence, the second order shears must be considered. The effect of axial load on column stiffness and inelastic behavior of members have been considered. The effect of axial load on the resulting deflection was found to be less than 2% if $\sqrt{PL^2/EI}$ is less than 1.2. The effect of inelastic action will require further analysis and will be examined in chapter 6. It is suggested, however, that all effects that may be significant to the calculation of deflection must be considered when a PΔ Procedure is employed. Such effects may include effect of column shortening, effect of shear on joints, and any effect that may cause significant deflection.

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$$H'_i = V'_i - V'_{i-1}$$
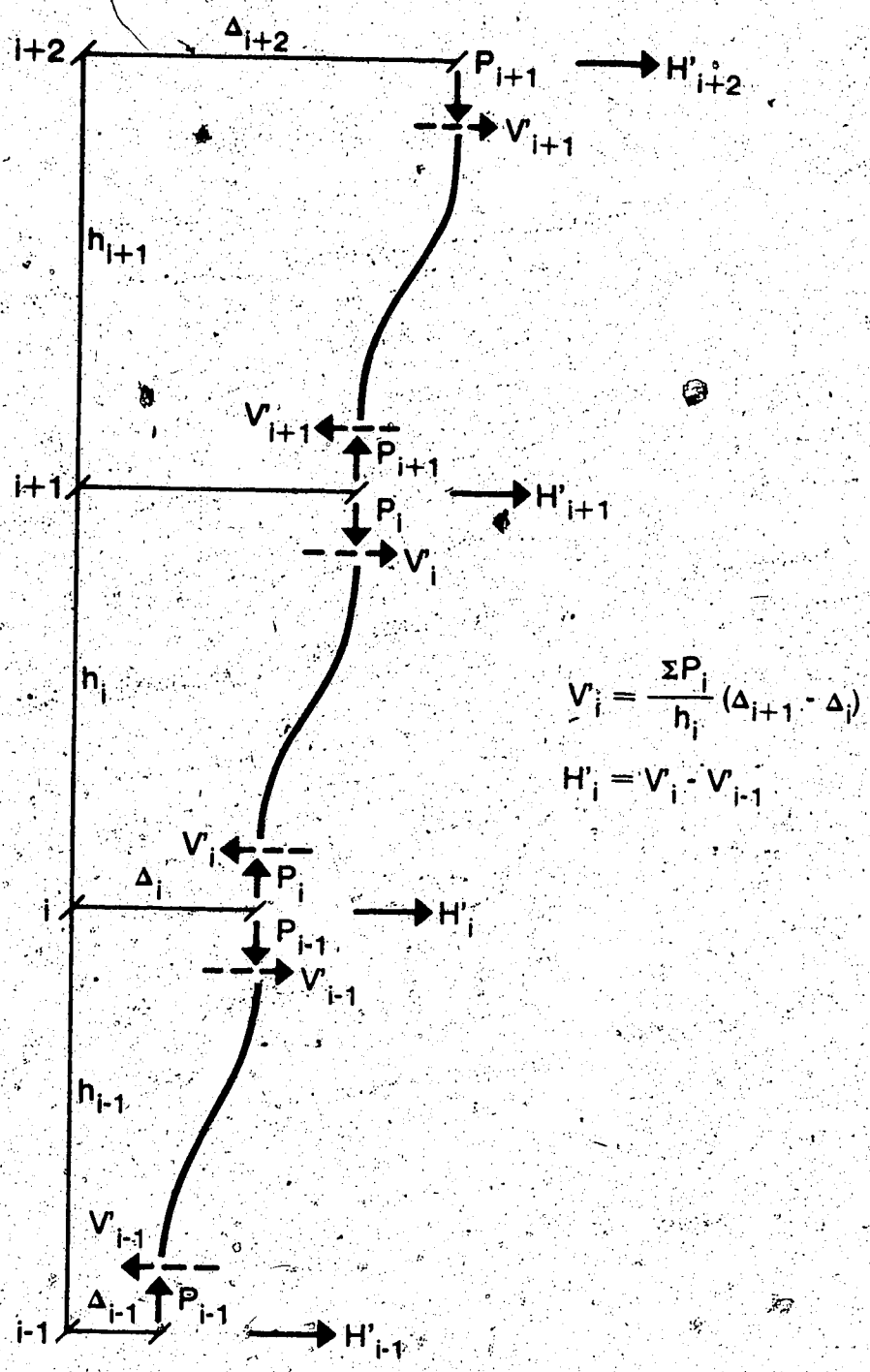
Figure 5.1  Sway Forces Due To Vertical Loads

$$h = 40r \quad G = 2 \quad \sigma_y = 36 \text{ ksi}$$
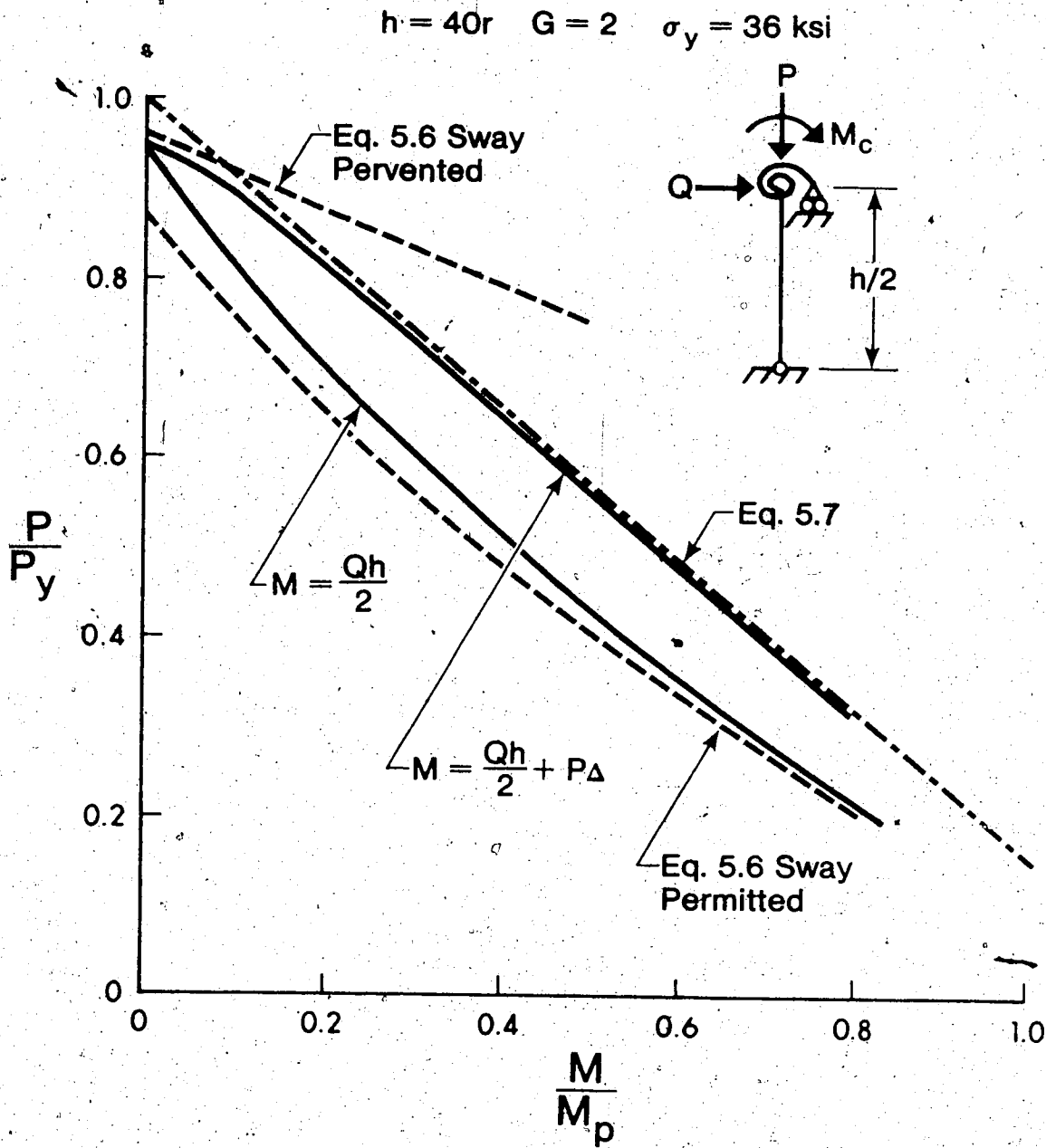


Figure 5.2  Interaction Relationships, h/r = 40  G = 2

(a)

(b)
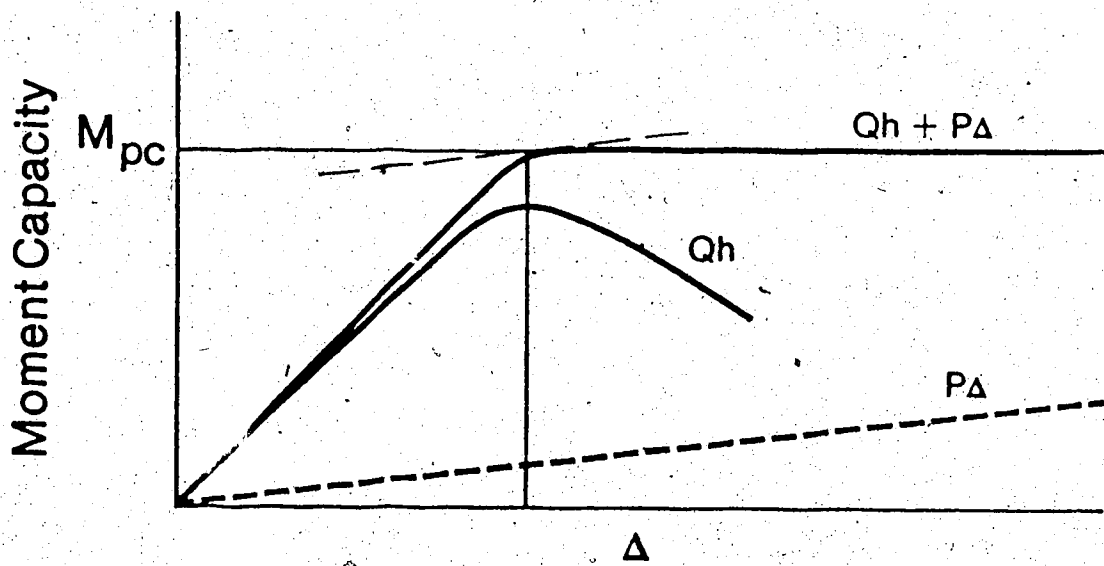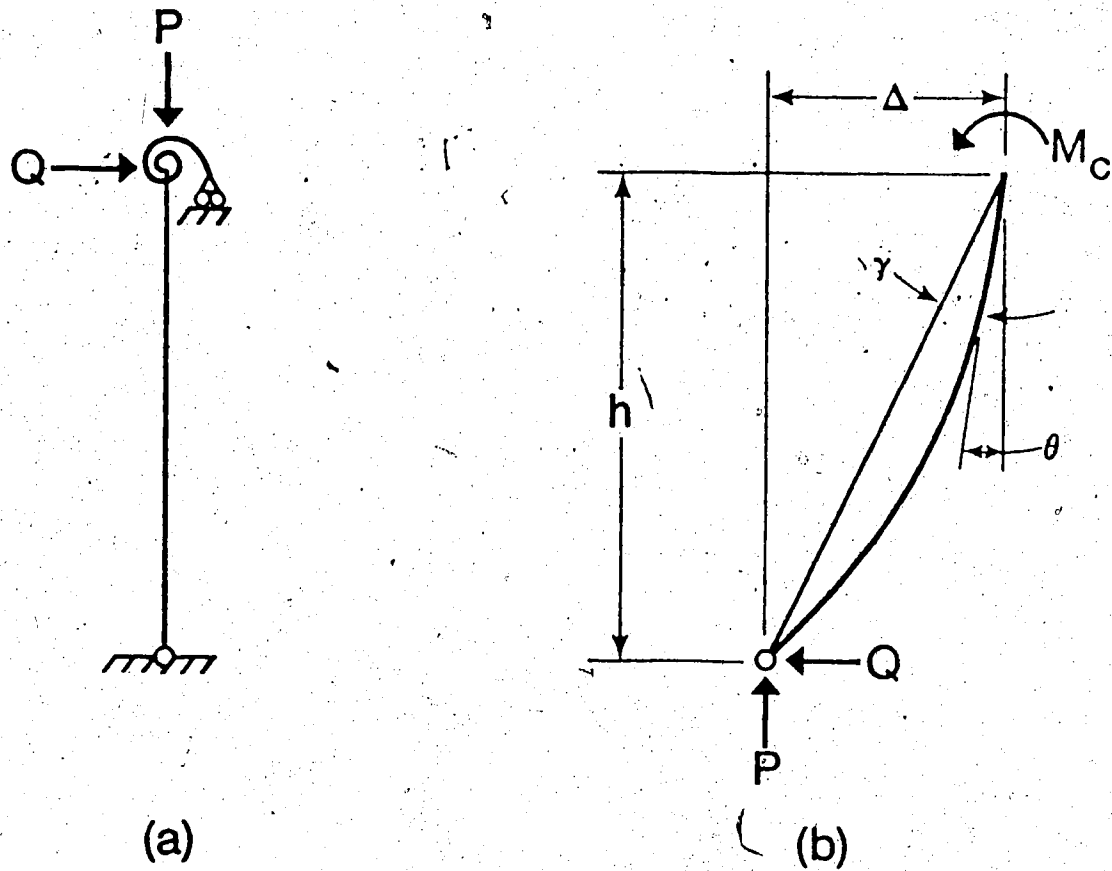
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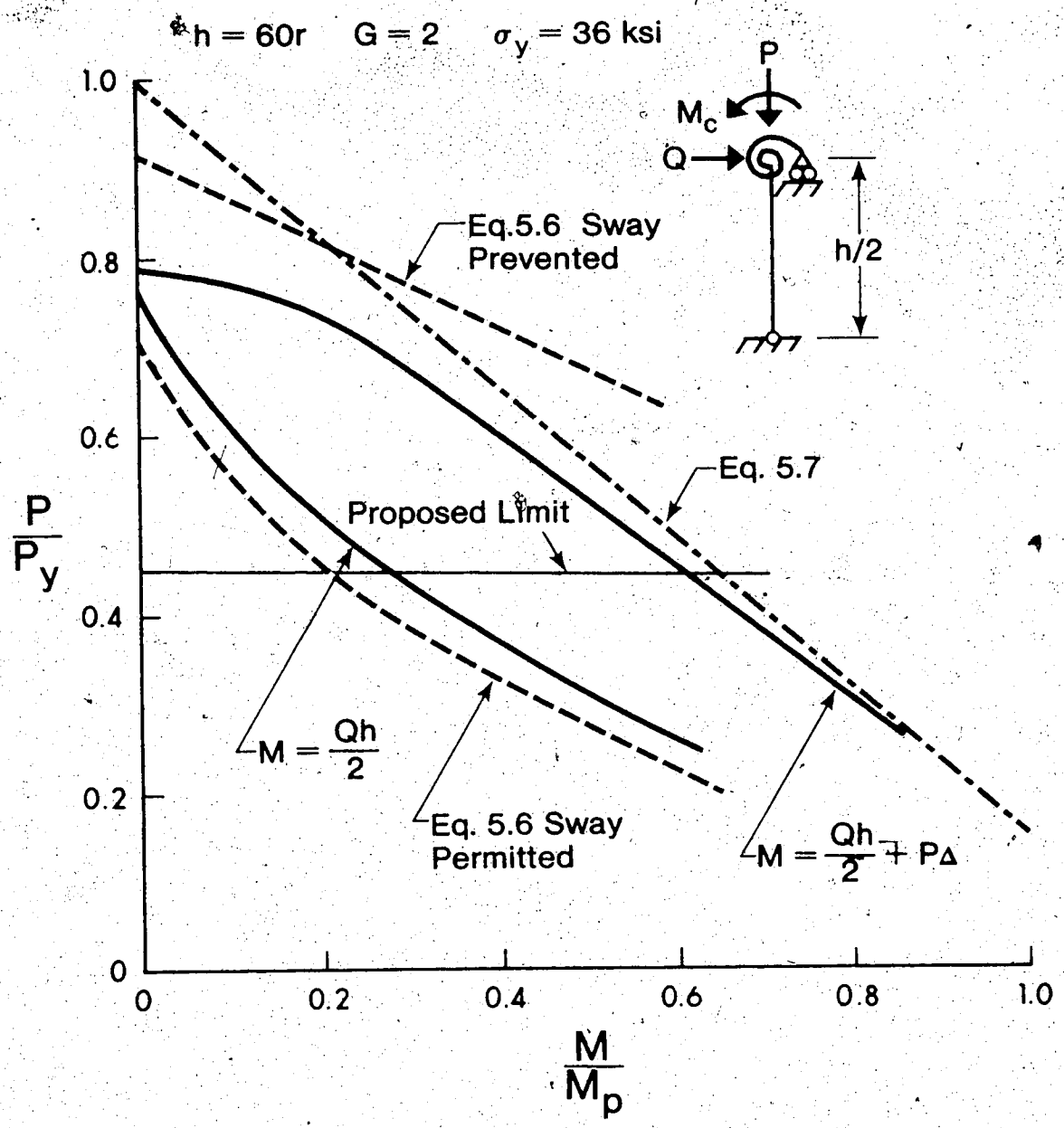
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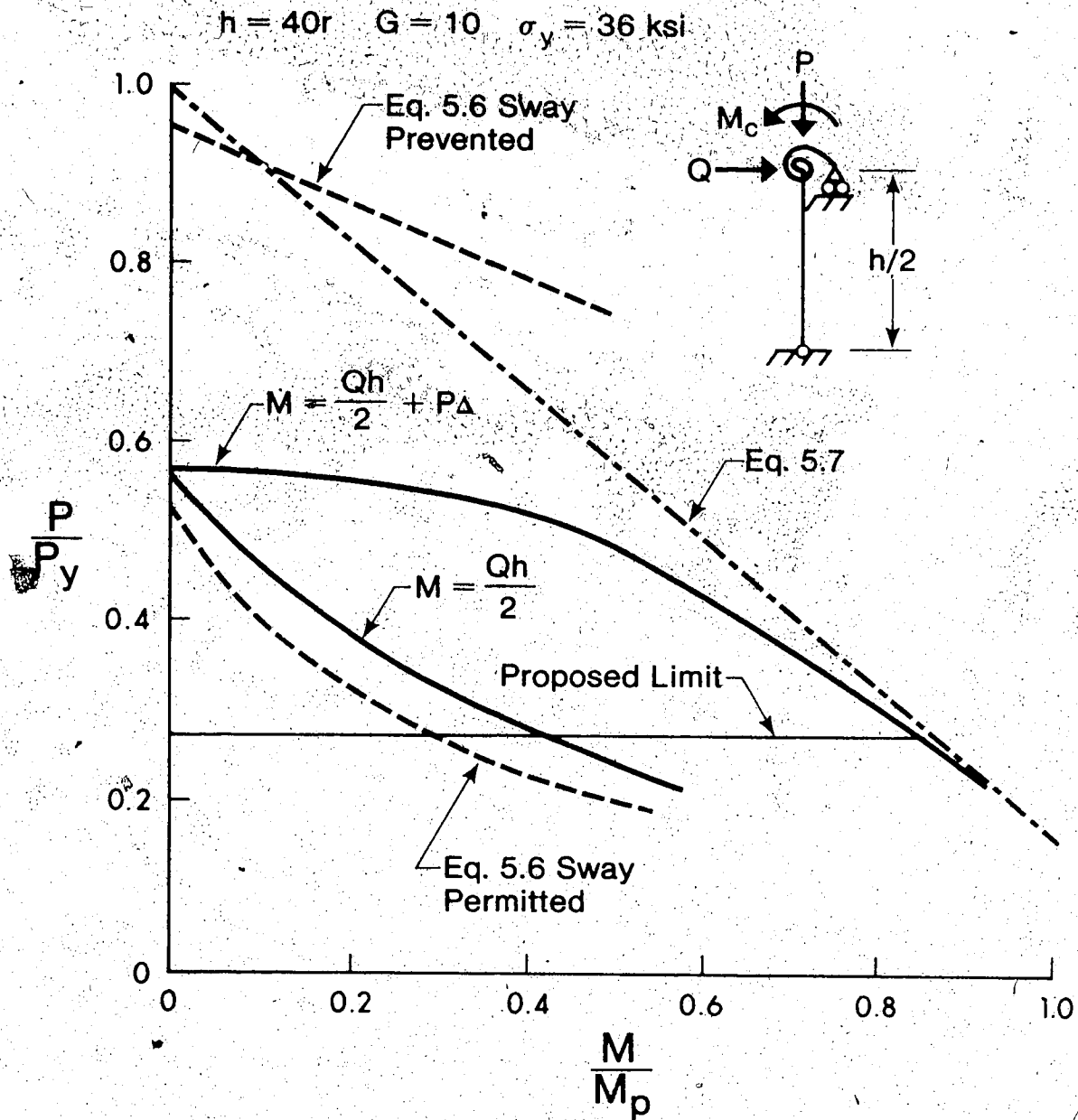
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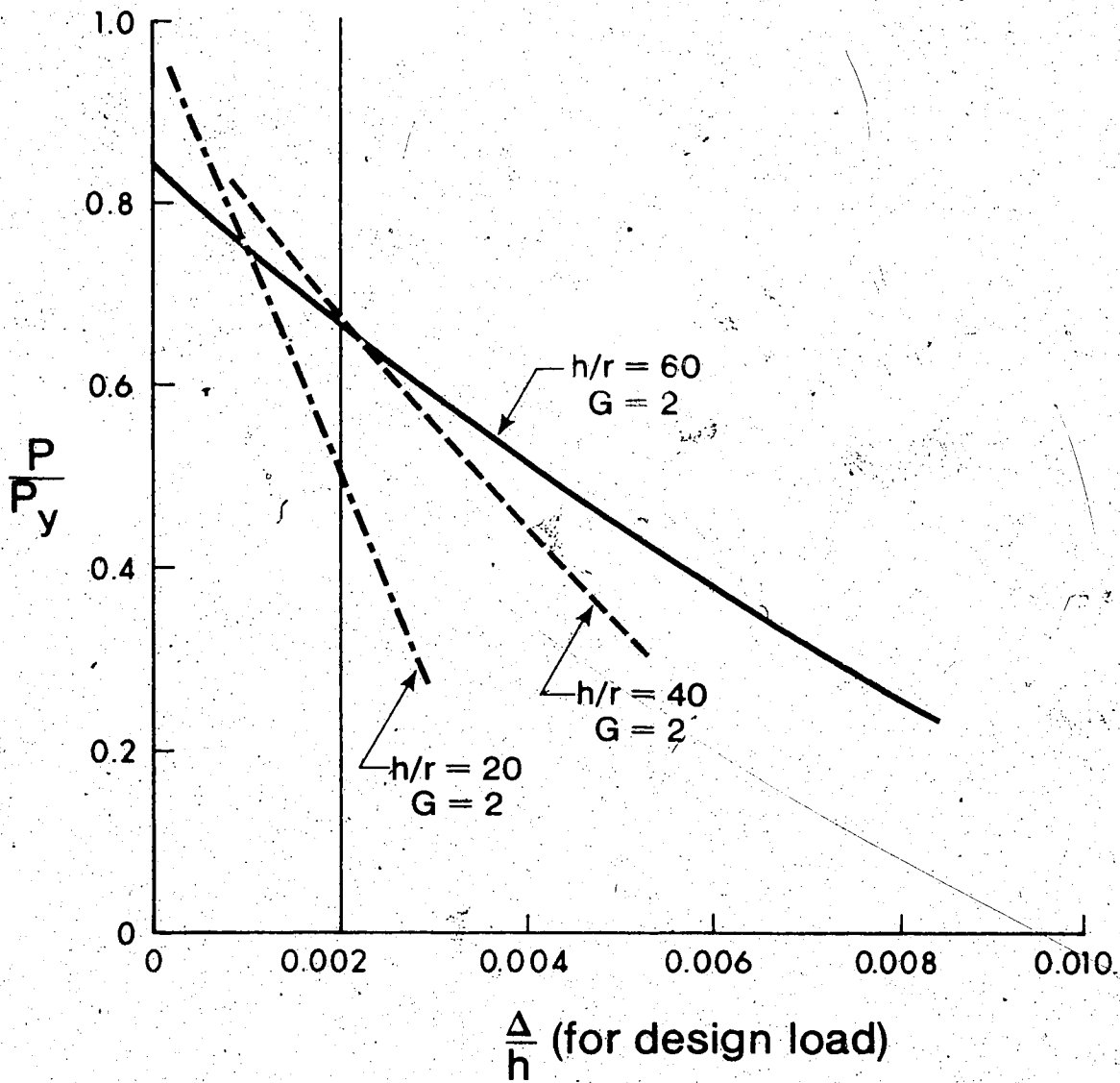
Figure 5.6  P/Py vs Sway At Specified Load

$\sigma_y = 36$

No. Of Iterations Required For Convergence
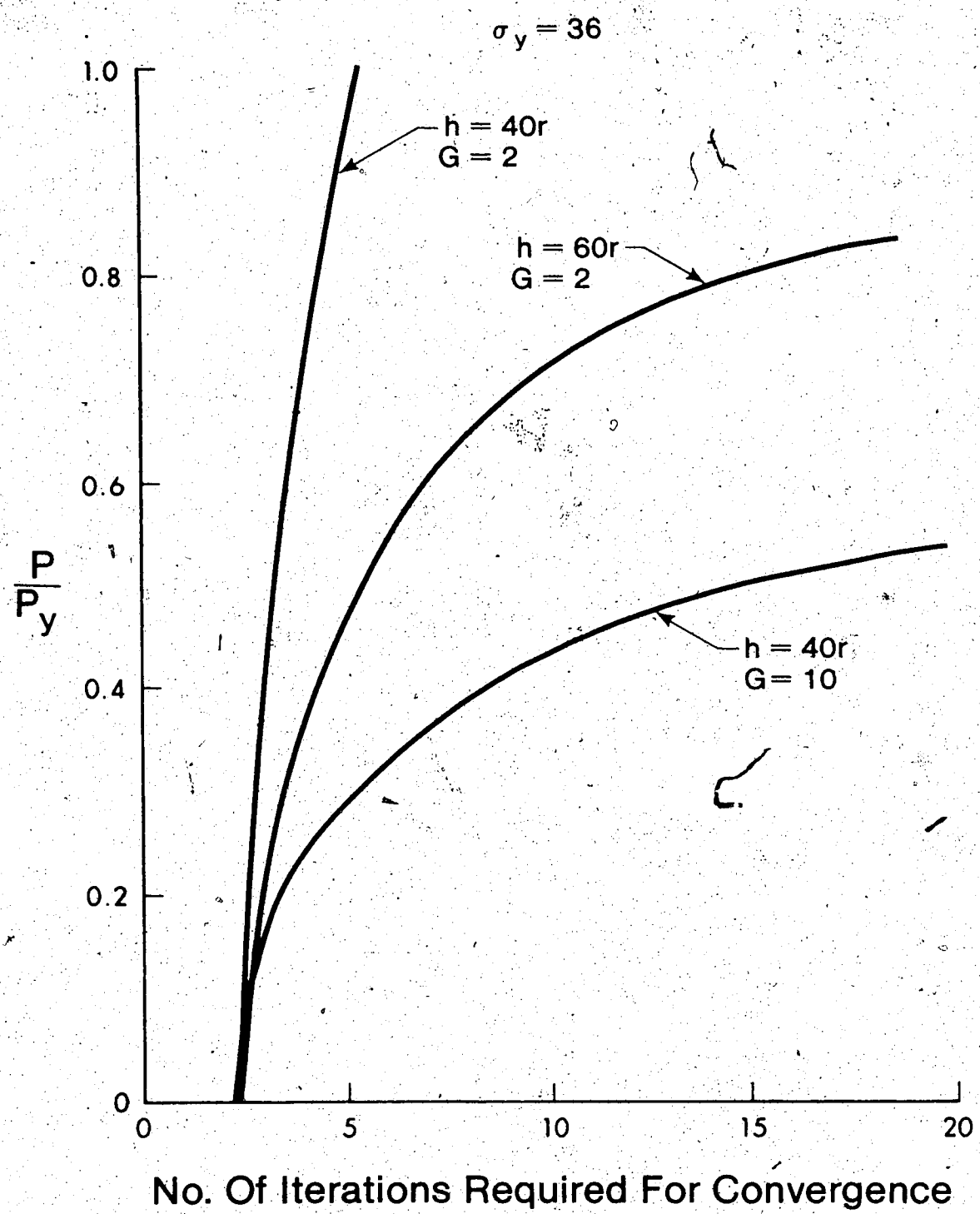
Figure 5.7  P/Py vs No. Of Iterations For Convergence of P-Δ Analysis
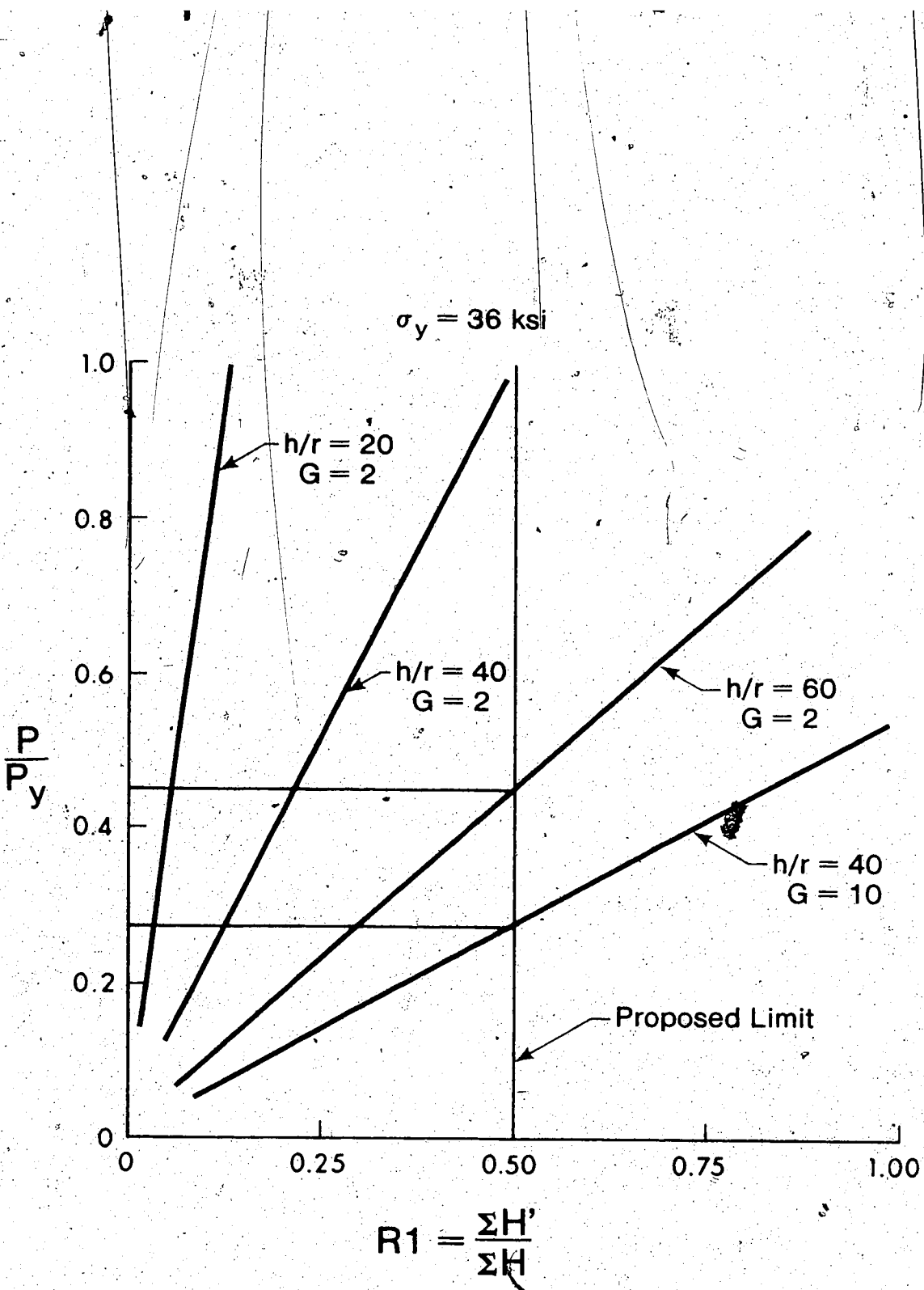
Figure 5.8  P/Py vs Sway Effects Ratio
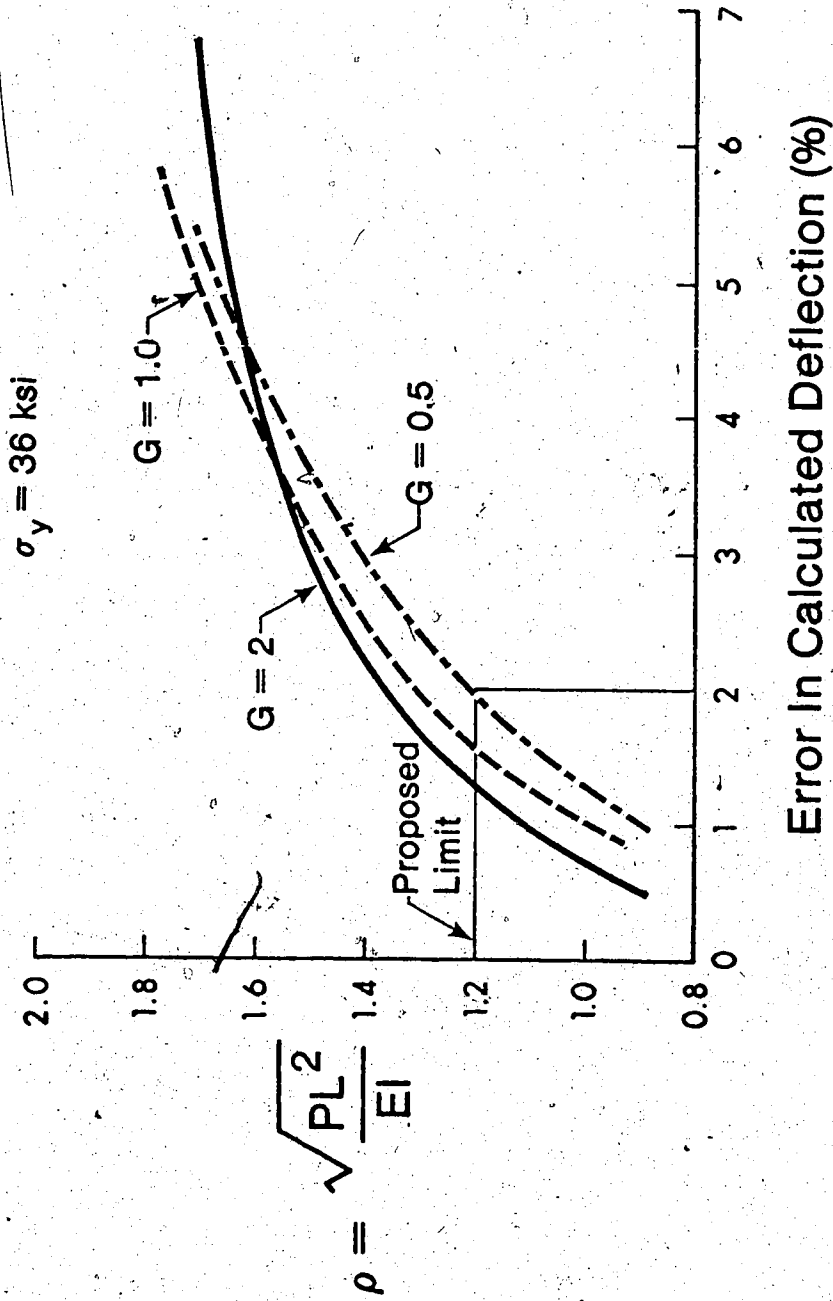
Figure 5.9 $\sqrt{PL^2/EI}$ vs Error In Calculated Deflection

CHAPTER VI

EFFECT OF INELASTIC BEAM RESPONSE ON BEAM COLUMN BEHAVIOR

6.1   INTRODUCTION

When the $P\Delta$ design procedure is used to design columns in a structure as outlined in Chapter V, it is essential that the model used in the analysis predicts the behavior of the structure accurately. In the traditional design procedure, the results of the analysis have been adjusted to account for the differences between actual frame response and the behavior predicted by the analysis. When the $P\Delta$ procedure is used, this adjustment is not applied.

The analysis used to predict the behavior of the structure normally assumes a perfectly elastic plastic response for the restraining effect of the beams on the columns as shown by the solid line in Figure 6.1. The effect of residual stresses and gradual penetration of yield results in a rounding off of the moment-curvature curve for a beam as shown by the dashed line in Figure 6.1(43).

The resulting restraint provided by the beam to the column is less than predicted in an analysis that assumes the beam is elastic until the plastic moment of the beam or columns is reached. Consequently, the results of the analysis may overestimate the stiffness of the structure and result in an unconservative prediction of the second order effects at the limit state. The effect of gradual plastification of the beam was discussed by Daniels and Lu(35). While they suggested that the shear resistance of the storey would be reduced, they also

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suggested that this reduction would be insignificant when the assumptions on which the subassemblage method are based or considered (35). The results of large scale tests has tended to confirm this assertion at present (16,17,18,20,21). Since an analysis that will predict the effect of gradual plastification of restraining beams on the behavior of beam columns has not been developed, the significance of this effect cannot be confirmed.

The analysis used in the previous chapters has assumed an elastic restraining function at the upper joint in the column. In this chapter, a second order analysis that predicts the behavior of beam columns restrained by both elastic-plastic and inelastic restraining functions will be developed. The behavior predicted by this analysis will be compared to other analyses and experiments. The differences between the behavior of columns with elastic-plastic and inelastic restraining functions will be considered with emphasis on the prediction of the limit state of the column.

## 6.2 INELASTIC ANALYSIS OF SUBASSEMBLAGES

The model used to predict the effects of inelastic beam restraints on beam column behavior is based on the beam column subassemblage as outlined in Chapter 3 and shown in Figure 6.2. To include the effects of gradual plastification, a numerical integration procedure, outlined in Reference 13, is used to model inelastic beam behavior. Boundary conditions are satisfied by compatability conditions and equilibrium equations applied. The material properties for the beams are provided by the moment-curvature relationship that is specified for each particular problem.

The far ends of the beams, B and C, are assumed to be res-
trained by elastic springs. The stiffness of each spring is specified
by the relative stiffness of the joint, B or C, with respect to joint A.
Thus, a rotation at joint A, $\theta_A$, is accompanied by a rotation at joint
B, $\theta_B$, where

$$\theta_B = f(\theta_A) \qquad (6.1)$$

The function of Equation 6.1 may be determined using a pro-
cedure outlined by Daniels and Lu(35) or the joints may simply be
assumed to have equal stiffness. In the case where the far end is
pinned, the solution is simplified by setting the moment at the far end
of the beam to zero and allowing the far end of the beam to rotate
freely.

The forces acting on the beam and the column of the sub-
assemblage are shown in Figure 6.3. To obtain the relationship between
applied lateral shear and joint deflection, the joint A is given an
arbitrary rotation $\theta_A$. The equilibrium of the beam is enforced by a
summation of moments about A in Figure 6.3a to calculate $V_{AB}$:

$$V_{AB} = \frac{(M_{AB} + M_{BA} + (Q_{AB} \; L_{AB}^2)/2)}{L_{AB}} \qquad (6.2)$$

To perform the integration, the beam is broken up into a
number of segments, N. The size of each segment should be approximately
equal to the radius of gyration of the beam, (13). The bending moment
at the centre of each segment is calculated by

$$BM = V_{AB}X - (Q_{AB} \; X^2)/2 - M_{AB} \qquad (6.3)$$

where X is the distance from the end of the beam to the centre of the

segment. Knowing the bending moment in each segment, the curvature of each segment can be found from the specified moment-curvature relationship.

The moment-curvature relationship used at this point will define the type of restraint provided by the beam to the column. In the computer program developed for this analysis, the moment-curvature relationship is described by a series of points joined by straight line segments. A horizontal segment of the M-$\phi$ curve is described by two points with a finite, but very small slope between them. Essentially, any moment-curvature relationship can be specified at this point. Examples of elastic, elastic-plastic, and inelastic M-$\phi$ curves are shown in Figure 6.4 and the corresponding input data for each curve are listed in Tables 6.1, 6.2, and 6.3.

The curvature obtained from this M-$\phi$ curve is used to calculate the deflection at the end of the segment in the equation (13):

$$V_i = V_{i-1} + \alpha_{i-1} \delta_i - \frac{\delta_i^2 \phi_i}{2} \qquad (6.4)$$

where:

$V_i$ = deflection at the end of the $i^{th}$ segment

$V_{i-1}$ = deflection at the end of the $i-1^{th}$ segment

$\alpha_{i-1}$ = the slope at the end of the $i-1^{th}$ segment

$\delta_i$ = the length of the $i^{th}$ segment

$\phi_i$ = the curvature of the $i^{th}$ segment.

The slope at the end of any segment, $\alpha_i$, can be found by,

(13);

$$\alpha_i' = \alpha_i - 1 - \delta_i \phi_i \qquad\qquad (6.5)$$

Using Equations (6.4) and (6.5), the beam is integrated to obtain the slope and deflection at the far end. As the beam is supported at the far end, the deflection must be zero. This deflection can be altered by varying the near end joint moment, $M_{AB}$. The slope at the far end of the beam is controlled by the rotation of joint B. Thus, having specified a relationship between the rotations of joints A and B, for a given rotation at A the required joint rotation at B, $\theta_B$, can be calculated. The slope at the far end of the beam must then be equal to the rotation of the far end joint, $\theta_B$. If this condition is not satisfied, the far end moment $M_{BA}$ is adjusted until the condition is satisfied.

A satisfactory solution for the beam is obtained by adjusting the end moments $M_{AB}$ and $M_{BA}$ until both of the end conditions are satisfied. If these conditions are satisfied, then the beam is compatible with the specified boundary conditions and is in equilibrium.

Each beam is considered separately and a set of joint moments $M_{AB}$ and $M_{AC}$ are obtained. Then, for equilibrium of the joint,

$$- M_{AD} + M_{ext} + M_{AB} + M_{AC} + (V_{AB} - V_{AC})d/2 = 0 \qquad\qquad (6.6)$$

if $M_{ext} = M_{AD}$, that is, the columns share the resisting moment, then:

$$M_{AD} = - (M_{AB} + M_{AC} + (V_{AB} - V_{AC}) d/2)2 \qquad\qquad (6.7)$$

where   d is the column width.

Having calculated the end moment for the column, $M_{AD}$, using Equation (6.7), the corresponding end rotation for the column, $\gamma$, can be obtained using a moment-rotation curve. Examples of moment-rotation

curves are given in Reference 25. These curves were developed using the numerical integration procedure outlined in Reference 13.

The sway that results from the joint rotation $\theta_A$ and the column end rotation $\gamma$ is found by

$$\Delta/h = \theta_A - \gamma \tag{6.8}$$

In the case when the column has an initial sway due to manufacturing or erection, this sway may be included in Equation 6.8 as $(\Delta/h)_{imp}$

$$\Delta/h = \theta A - \gamma + (\Delta/h)imp \tag{6.9}$$

The shear resistance of the subassemblage, $Q$, is obtained by a summation of moments about A in Figure 6.3b.

$$Q = M_{AD} - P\frac{\Delta}{h} \tag{6.10}$$

By repeating this procedure for different joint rotations $\theta_A$, the full load-deflection curve may be obtained for a given sub-assemblage.

## 6.3 COMPUTER PROGRAM

The analysis described in the preceding section was programmed in Fortran IV for the IBM 360/67 system. In this section, the logic of the program and the function of each subroutine is briefly described. The program is outlined in Appendix B; the nomenclature of the program in section B.1, the flow diagrams in section B.2, the input data in section B.3 and the program listing is presented in section B.4.

The analysis proceeds in the following manner:

1. The beam properties are input, including section properties, length, loading and a moment-curvature relationship as graph co-ordinates.

2.  The column properties are input, including section properties, length, yield stress, P/Py and column moment vs end rotation relationship as graph co-ordinates.

3.  The initial joint rotation, joint rotation increments, initial imperfection, relative joint rotations are input.

4.  All initial calculations required in the program are performed, such as, beam and column stiffness, and plastic moments, initial fixed end moments and other values.

5.  Using the fixed end moments as an initial guess, the left hand beam is integrated, boundary conditions are checked, end moments are adjusted as required, and the process is repeated until boundary conditions are satisfied.

6.  Step 5 is repeated for the right hand beam. The signs used for the integration of the right hand beam are altered as the integration direction has been reversed.

7.  After both beams are satisfied, the column end moment is calculated. The column end rotation is calculated from the moment end rotation relationship.

8.  Column deflection is calculated, and column shear is calculated. Column deflection and shear are output along with beam end moments and column moment.

9.  Joint rotation is increased and steps 5 to 8 are repeated. The end moments at the conclusion of step 8 are used as initial trial values.

10. The program continues until the column reaches plastic moment or a specified number of joint increments have been repeated.

The main program controls the analysis and calculates and

outputs final results. Subroutine READ inputs and echo checks data. Subroutine CALC calculates beam and column properties required by the analysis. Subroutine BEAM checks boundary conditions and alters end moments to satisfy boundary conditions. Subroutine SUM integrates the beam using the moment curvature curve provided to find far end rotation and deflection. Subroutine COLUMN uses the moment-rotation data to calculate column end rotation.

## 6.4 COMPARISON WITH EXISTING ANALYSIS

To confirm the logic and accuracy of the proposed analysis, a comparison was made between the results given by Daniels and Lu (35) and the results of the proposed inelastic analysis. For comparison, a subassemblage was used with $h/r = 24$ and beams that provide an equivalent resisting moment of $M_r = 250 \ \theta M_{pc}$. To simplify the analysis, pin connections were assumed at the far ends of the beams. The results of these analyses are shown in Figure 6.5 with the Daniels and Lu analysis shown as the solid curve and the proposed analysis as points on the curve. There is an excellent agreement between the results of these two analyses. This difference results from the calculation of the beam resisting moment at the column centreline. Daniels and Lu used the centre to centre column distance to approximate the resisting moment, (35), while the proposed analysis calculates the true column centreline moment by including the beam shears in Equation (6.6). In a sway frame, the column shears effectively increase resisting moment, while the effect of Daniels' and Lu's assumption is to decrease resisting moment.

If a beam load is included, and elastic-perfectly plastic

beam response is specified, the curves in Figure 6.6 are obtained. The
lower solid curve is obtained using Daniels' and Lu's analysis (35),
while the upper dashed curve represents the results of the inelastic
analysis procedure. The location of the plastic hinge in the beam
differs in each case. Daniels and Lu assume the plastic hinge occurs at
the column face (35), while the use of numerical integration in the in-
elastic analysis procedure results in the formation of a hinge a finite
distance from the column face. Tests have shown the latter assumption
may be more realistic (37).

A comparison between the results of the inelastic analysis
procedure and the results of subassemblage analyses (35) shows a good
agreement when elastic and elastic-plastic beam responses were specified.
Differences between the analyses result from the apparent locations of
plastic hinges and hence, the point on the load-deflection curve at
which the beam stiffness is reduced due to hinge formation. The hinge
location in the proposed analysis does not appear to be inconsistent
with actual frame behavior (27).

## 6.5  COMPARISON WITH EXPERIMENTAL DATA

The inelastic analysis was used to predict the behavior of
a number of experiments performed by Kim and Daniels (21,22). The
first set of experiments included tests on restrained columns permitted
to sway (21). The second set of experiments included two unbraced
subassemblages (22).

For these analyses, the inelastic beam response shown by
the moment-curvature relationship in Figure 6.1 was specified (1).

These M-$\phi$ curves were applied with and without the effects of strain

hardening. While the typical moment-curvature relationship for a wide-

flange beam should include the effects of strain hardening, the reduc-

tion of moment carrying capacity brought on by local or lateral buckling

must also be considered.

For the sake of the analysis, the point loading used in the

experiment was approximated by an equivalent uniformly distributed load.

The intensity of this applied load was chosen to provide end moments

consistent with the end moments resulting from the point loads in the

experiment.

The results of test RC-1, a windward restrained column are

shown in Figure 6.7, (21), as the solid line joining points. The bro-

ken line is an analysis using an elastic-plastic beam response. The

dashed line is the result of an inelastic beam response, (21). The

analysis is only adequate as a prediction in this case. The results of

this experiment are questioned, as during the experiment, one of the

rollers was found to be jamming. In addition, the frame was found to

have an initial out of plumb that was not measured. The analysis was

corrected for this out of plumb by approximating the initial $\Delta/h$. The

behavior predicted by the inelastic analysis is more consistent with the

actual behavior than the behavior predicted using an elastic perfectly

plastic beam response.

The results of test RC-2, an interior restrained column are

shown as the solid line in Figure 6.8 (21). The results of an inelastic

analysis are shown as the dashed line in the Figure. The analysis pro-

vides an excellent prediction of behavior. Discrepancies between the

predicted and actual behavior beyond the ultimate load appear to b[blot]ue to the difficulty in predicting the effect of strain hardening and local buckling in both beam and column near ultimate load.

The results of test RC-3, a leeward restrained column are shown as the solid line in Figure 6.9 (21). The prediction based on the inelastic analysis is shown as the dashed line in the Figure. The results of the inelastic analysis provide a reasonable prediction of the initial portion of the load deflection curve. There are, however, apparent discrepancies in the later stages of the curve. Again, these discrepancies are likely due to the effects of strain hardening. In the report on the test results, the restrained column was found to attain a moment of M/Mpc = 1.25.

The results of an experiment of an unbraced subassemblage are shown in Figure 6.10(22) as the solid curve. This subassemblage, SA-1, was designed to simulate the top stories of a building. An analysis was performed by breaking the subassemblage into three restrained columns and specifying an inelastic beam response. The column load in each case was assumed to be the column load at failure. The results of these analyses were summed to give the resulting broken curve in Figure 6.10. This analysis provided an excellent prediction of actual behavior. The slight discrepancy in the ultimate load (1%) is likely due to the difficulty in predicting the effects of strain hardening.

The results of experiment SA-2 are shown as the solid curve in Figure 6.11(22). In this case, the subassemblage was designed to approximate the behavior of the lower stories of a tall building. The prediction based on the proposed inelastic analysis shown as a solid

curve in Figure 6.11 provides a close agreement with the experimental results. Analyses performed by Kim and Daniels are shown by the dashed and broken lines in the figure (22).

## 6.6 BEHAVIOR OF INELASTIC BEAM COLUMN SUBASSEMBLAGES

### 6.6.1 EFFECT OF LOAD SEQUENCE

The behavior of the subassemblage outlined in Section 6.2 will depend on the nature and sequence of loads applied to the members of the subassemblage. The subassemblage may be subjected to beam loads, $w$, column axial loads, $P$, and a lateral sheer, $H$, as shown in Figure 6.2. When using Limit States Design Procedures, the critical load for the subassemblage is defined as the load or combination of loads at which the factored resistance of any member is equal to the effect of factored loads (24). For beams, this limit is usually defined by yield or plastification of the beam. For columns, the failure may be due to local yield or plastification or an overall stability failure.

Theoretically, if a perfect symmetrical subassemblage is subjected to gravity loads only, the limit state may be reached due to plastification of the beam or column or a buckling of the column. Concern has been raised of the effect of gradual penetration of yielded regions in both beams and columns on the buckling of restrained columns (7,33). This problem was discussed in chapter 3 and is a source of continued research (44,45).

Real structures, however, are not perfect. Initial imperfections and load eccentricities produce sway (P-Delta) forces. The actual behavior of the subassemblage is not unlike that of a subassemblage

subjected to a lateral load. For a sidesway subassemblage, the limit state may be reached due to local plastification of the beam or column or a loss of load carrying capacity due to overall instability of the subassemblage. The point of overall instability is reached when the lateral shear resistance of the restrained column is less than the sway effects plus any applied lateral shear.

The problem then is to define under what load combination or sequence a gradual plastification can significantly affect the occurrence of the limit state. Initially, only non-proportional loading will be considered. A constant vertical gravity load shall be applied and the horizontal shear will be varied. This type of load sequence is more likely to occur naturally as large variations of gravity load (snow or occupancy) do not normally occur simultaneously with large variations of lateral load (wind or earthquake).

To examine the effect of loading on the behavior of inelastic subassemblages, a subassemblage with $h/r = 30$ and $G = 1.5$ was analyzed using an elastic perfectly plastic beam response and then reanalyzed with an inelastic beam response as defined by the beam moment curvature relationship (see Figure 6.1). For these analyses, the beam loads were varied up to a maximum of $w = 0.6 \, wp$, where wp is the load that results in a beam failure under gravity loads only. The beam loads were held constant while the sidesway response of the subassemblage was obtained using the analysis outlined in Section 6.2.

The results of an analysis of the subassemblage with $w = .6 \, wp$ are shown in Figure 6.12. The elastic plastic analysis is shown as the solid line, the inelastic analysis is the dashed line.

The results of each analysis are essentially identical except for the range of loads at which the beams form leeward hinges. The effect of these hinges are apparent first in the inelastic analysis as the sub-assemblage response softens due to gradual penetration of the yielded zone. After the hinges have formed in the elastic-plastic model, the two curves converge again. The ultimate loads obtained are nearly identical for each analysis. The ultimate load for the inelastic analysis was actually slightly greater when strain hardening was included in the beam response. A similar analysis for $w = 0.45\ wp$ is shown in Figure 6.13. Again, the responses predicted by both elastic-plastic and inelastic analyses are similar except for range of loads at which inelastic action occurs. There is virtually no difference between ultimate loads.

For each of these analyses, the ultimate load resulted from an overall stability failure rather than a local strength failure. The plastification of the beam affected the failure by reducing the res-training function at the joint. A comparison of limit states for each analysis is extremely difficult as the limit state of the inelastic restrained subassemblage is quite difficult to define. If, however, the limit state is defined as full plastification of the beam, the limit state as predicted by the inelastic model would be greater than that assumed for an elastic-plastic model.

The specific concern, however, is to determine the effect of inelastic beam response on the behavior of a beam column at the limit state. While there was a local divergence of the curves predicted by the different beam responses, the ultimate loads predicted by each ana-

lysis were very close. This lack of distinction between the results predicted by differing beam response relates to the ultimate conditions. In each case, beam hinges were fully developed and the restraining moments provided by the beams were essentially equal to the beam plastic moment. Thus, when considering the ultimate load, it matters not how the beam developed a plastic moment, whether by gradual penetration of yield or by developing a plastic hinge "instantaneously", after plastification has taken place the restraint provided by the beam in each case is the same. Since in each case, the restraining effect of the beam on the column is effectively the same, there will not be a significant difference in overall column behavior.

As a result, when considering the restraining effect of an inelastic beam on a column, it is important to apply the load condition that will significantly affect the behavior of an inelastically restrained column. If the restraining beams are fully elastic or fully plastic when the column attains ultimate load, the fact that the beam behaves inelastically during its loading history will have little effect on the column response. If, however, the beam is in an inelastic state, that is partial penetration of the yielded zone at or near the ultimate load for the subassemblage, the resulting increase in the deflection may lower the apparent ultimate load due to an increase in second order effects. Thus, when the effect of inelastic beams are studied, the beam loads should be adjusted to reflect inelastic beam response at the ultimate load of the subassemblage.

This critical condition may be attained using both proportional and non-proportional loading. Since the range of loads at which

this critical condition can develop is small, there will be essentially

no distinction between the results obtained using each type of loading.

For ease of obtaining this loading condition, non-proportional loading

will be used.

## 6.6.2 EFFECT OF FRAME STIFFNESS

As outlined in the previous section, the effect of inelastic

beam response is likely to be more pronounced if the beam is inelastic,

but not plastic at the point when the ultimate load of the subassemblage

is reached. In addition, this effect is likely to be more pronounced

when the sway effects are greater. To study this behavior, subassem-

blages of various values for h/r, G, P/Py with $\sigma y$ = 44 ksi were ana-

lyzed using both elastic-plastic and inelastic beam responses. Typical

results of these analyses are presented.

The subassemblages used for these analyses were symmetric

beam-column subassemblages with the far ends of the beam pinned. While

the use of beams with pinned ends reduced computing time considerably,

the nature of the response of the subassemblage was not altered. In

each case, the development of a plastic hinge in the beam gradually re-

duces the restraint provided to the column joint. The beam loads were

selected by successive trials to produce an inelastic beam response

without full plastification at the critical load for the subassemblage.

For this study, significant strain hardening was not included.

The results of the analyses for h/r = 20, G = 2 are shown in

Figure 6.14 for P/Py = 0.7. The curves for each type of analysis were

almost identical. Similar results were obtained for other values of

P/Py.

The results of the analyses for h/r = 40, G = 2 are shown in Figure 6.15 for P/Py = 0.7. Again, the behavior predicted by both elastic-plastic and inelastic analyses were almost identical. There was a slight difference in ultimate load obtained from the analysis, but this difference was relatively insignificant.

The results of the analyses for h/r = 60, G = 2 are shown in Figure 6.16 for P/Py = 0.6. In this case, there was a significant difference between the ultimate load predicted by inelastic beam behavior and the elastic-plastic beam behavior. The discrepancy between ultimate strengths predicted by inelastic and elastic-plastic analyses became even more pronounced for h/r = 40, G = 10 and P/Py = 0.5 as shown in Figure 6.17.

Thus, the difference between a column's response to lateral load when restrained by an elastic-plastic beam or an inelastic beam varies as the column slenderness, the restraining function, and the axial load. The softening effect of gradual penetration of yielding was found to be significant only beyond the stability limit established in Chapter V. If the sway effects in a frame are significant, the inelastic response of beams can significantly reduce the ultimate strength of the frame (and hence, the limit state of the column). If the sway effects are not significant, the effect of beam yielding is not significant.

6.6.3 BEHAVIOR OF A ONE-STOREY BEAM COLUMN SUBASSEMBLAGE

In the previous sections, the response of simple beam-column

subassemblages were analyzed to examine the effects of inelastic beam restraint on the stability of beam-columns. In real structures, the overall stability of a planar bent is a function of all the separate responses of beam-columns summed together. In this section, the effect of local inelastic behavior on the overall performance of the frame bent will be discussed. This behavior is particularly important when using plastic analysis for the design of a structure.

To study the overall response of a frame, the subassemblage used in the analysis by Daniel and Lu (35) was considered (see Figure 6.18). The storey was broken up into four basic subassemblages. Each subassemblage was analyzed using the program outlined in Section 6.3 with the beam moment-curvature relationship defined by (a) elastic-plastic behavior; (b) inelastic behavior; (c) inelastic behavior with strain hardening as shown in Figure 6.1. The results of the separate subassemblages were then summed to obtain an overall load deflection response for that storey of the frame.

When the elastic-plastic response is compared to the inelastic response, as shown in Figure 6.19, there is a slight difference only near ultimate load. If a strain hardening function is included in the beam response, as shown in Figure 6.20, there is no apparent difference between ultimate loads. In each case, the load for formation of the first hinge, which is effectively the limit state for this portion of the structure, was found to be effectively the same for each type of analysis.

Thus, when overall frame behavior is considered, local losses in frame stiffness due to inelastic action are often compensated for by

the behavior of other members in the frame and the effects of strain hardening. A general conclusion for all structures, particularly those designed using plastic analysis, would require considerably more study of this point, possibly including large-scale tests.

## 6.7 SUMMARY

In this chapter, a procedure was developed to analyze inelastic beam-column subassemblages restrained by inelastic beams. An inelastic beam is defined as a beam subjected to gradual penetration of the yielded zone, including the effects of residual strains. The results predicted by this analysis were confirmed by a comparison with the results of various tests. Unfortunately, only one of the tests available contained significant inelastic behavior. The proposed analysis did provide significantly better predictions of the behavior of restrained columns permitted to sway.

The analysis was then used to predict the effect of inelastic beam response on the behavior of various beam-column subassemblages. The inelastic beam behavior was found to 'soften' the response of these subassemblages for a short period of load history, but only effect the ultimate strength of 'flexible' columns when the failure of the column accompanied the inelastic behavior.

When the behavior of a frame that included several restrained columns was considered, there was little difference found between the response of an elastic-plastic analysis and an inelastic analysis that included strain hardening.

## TABLE 6.1 - ELASTIC PLASTIC
### MOMENT - CURVATURE DATA

| M/MP | $\phi / \phi$ P |
|---|---|
| 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 0.9990 | 0.9990 |
| 1.0000 | 11.0000 |
| 1.1000 | 800.0000 |

## TABLE 6.2 - INELASTIC
### MOMENT - CURVATURE DATA

| M/MP | $\phi / \phi$ P |
|---|---|
| 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 0.6260 | 0.6260 |
| 0.7910 | 0.8040 |
| 0.8550 | 0.8940 |
| 0.8840 | 0.9480 |
| 0.8990 | 0.9830 |
| 0.9430 | 1.1620 |
| 0.9750 | 1.5200 |
| 0.9840 | 1.8800 |
| 0.9940 | 3.1300 |
| 0.9985 | 4.9100 |
| 0.9995 | 7.6000 |
| 1.0000 | 10.3000 |
| 1.0010 | 28.1000 |
| 1.1800 | 800.0000 |

TABLE 6.3 - INELASTIC - STRAIN HARDENING
MOMENT CURVATURE DATA

| M/MP | $\phi/\phi$ P |
|---|---|
| 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 0.6260 | 0.6260 |
| 0.7910 | 0.8040 |
| 0.8550 | 0.8940 |
| 0.8840 | 0.9480 |
| 0.8990 | 0.9830 |
| 0.9430 | 1.1620 |
| 0.9750 | 1.5200 |
| 0.9840 | 1.8800 |
| 0.9940 | 3.1300 |
| 0.9980 | 4.9100 |
| 0.9990 | 7.6000 |
| 1.0000 | 10.3000 |
| 1.4440 | 28.1000 |
| 1.6700 | 178.0000 |
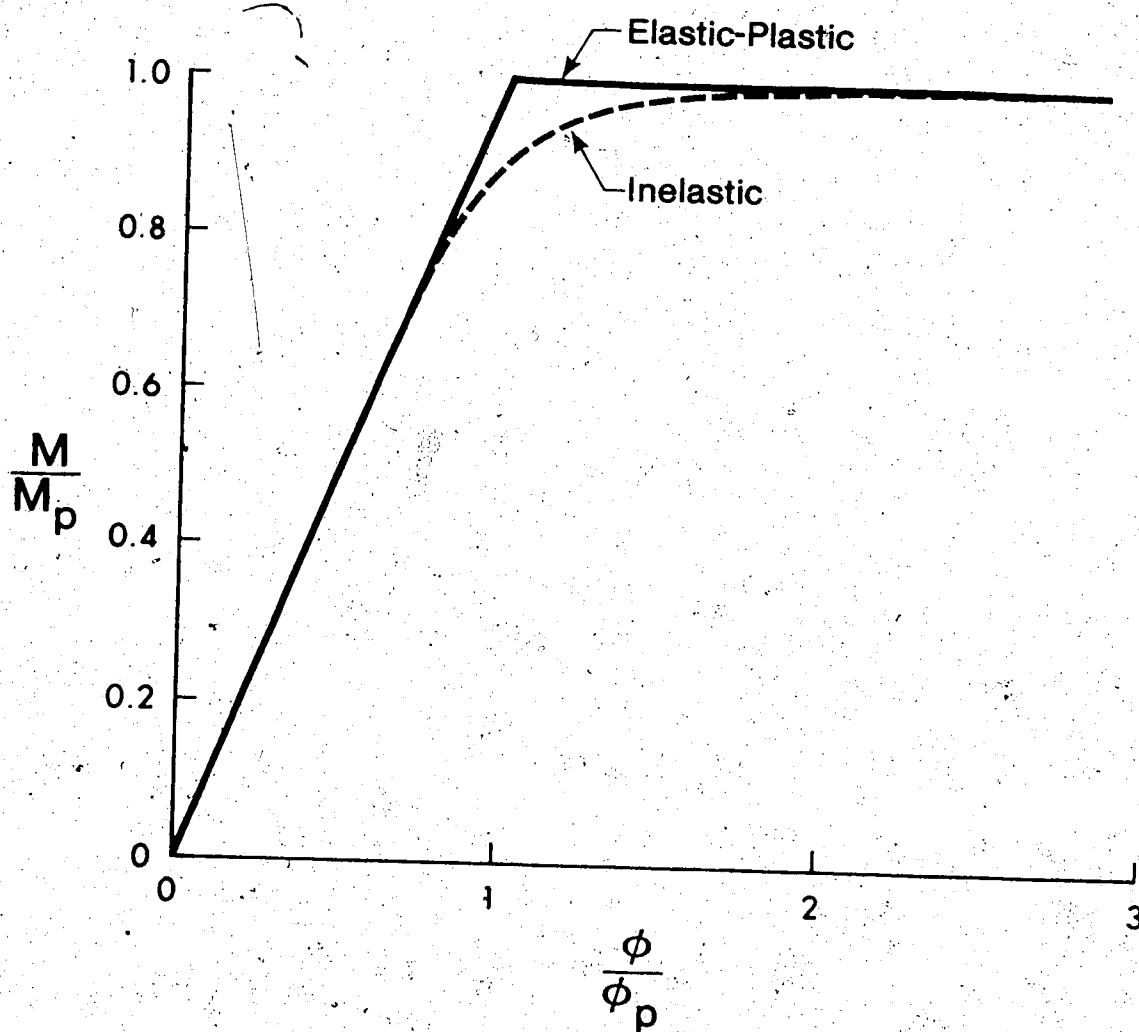
Figure 6.1 Inelastic M-$\phi$ Response
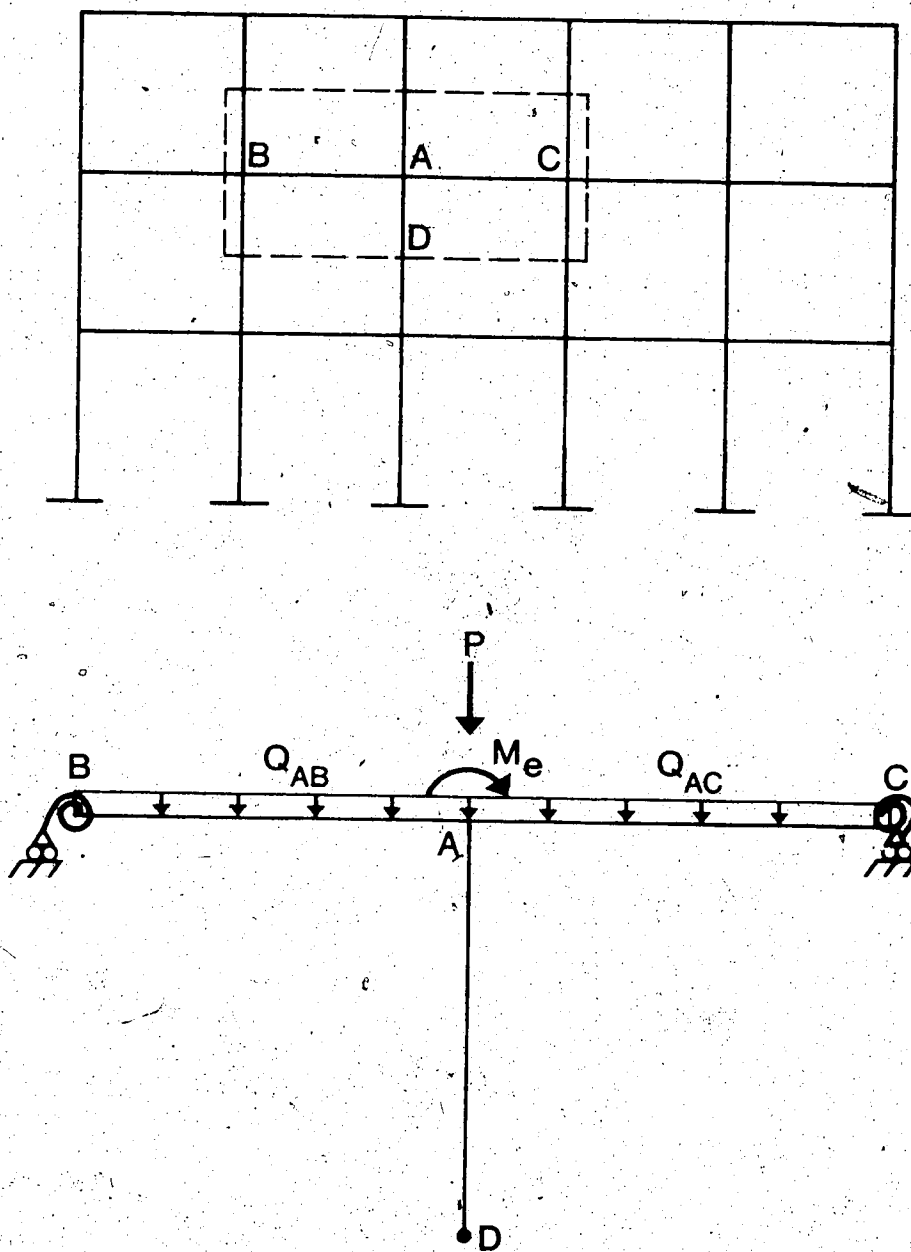
Figure 6.2 Model For Inelastic Analysis

$M_{BA}$ $V_{BA}$ $Q_{AB}$ $x$ $M_{AB}$ $V_{AB}$

B  A

**Figure 6.3a Beam Forces**

$\Delta/2$ $M_{exT}$ $P$

$M_{AB} + M_{AC} + (V_{AB} - V_{AC})/d/z$

$M_{AD}$

A

$\gamma$ $\theta$

D $\leftarrow Q_h$

$P$
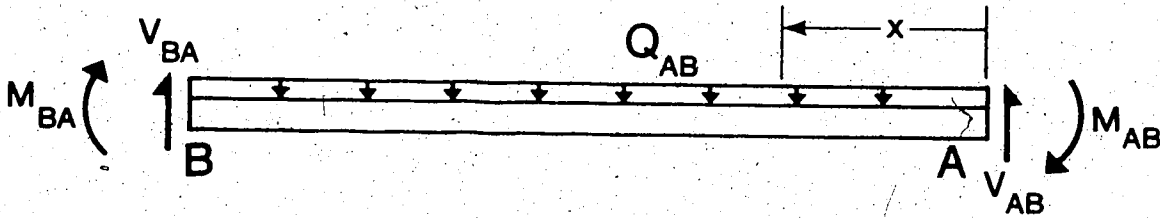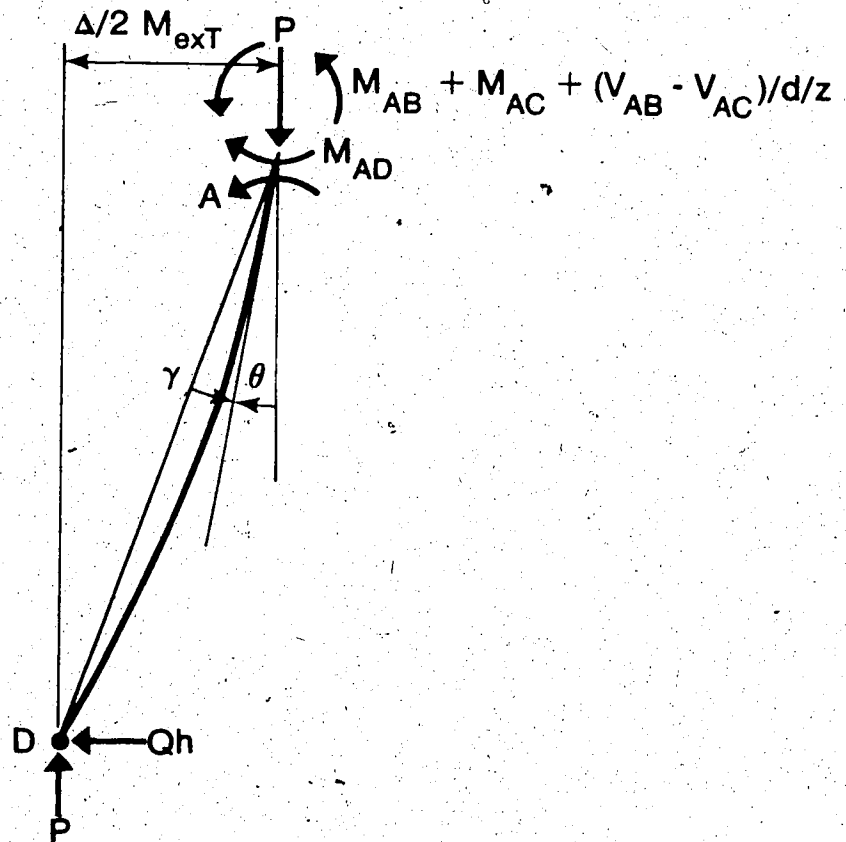
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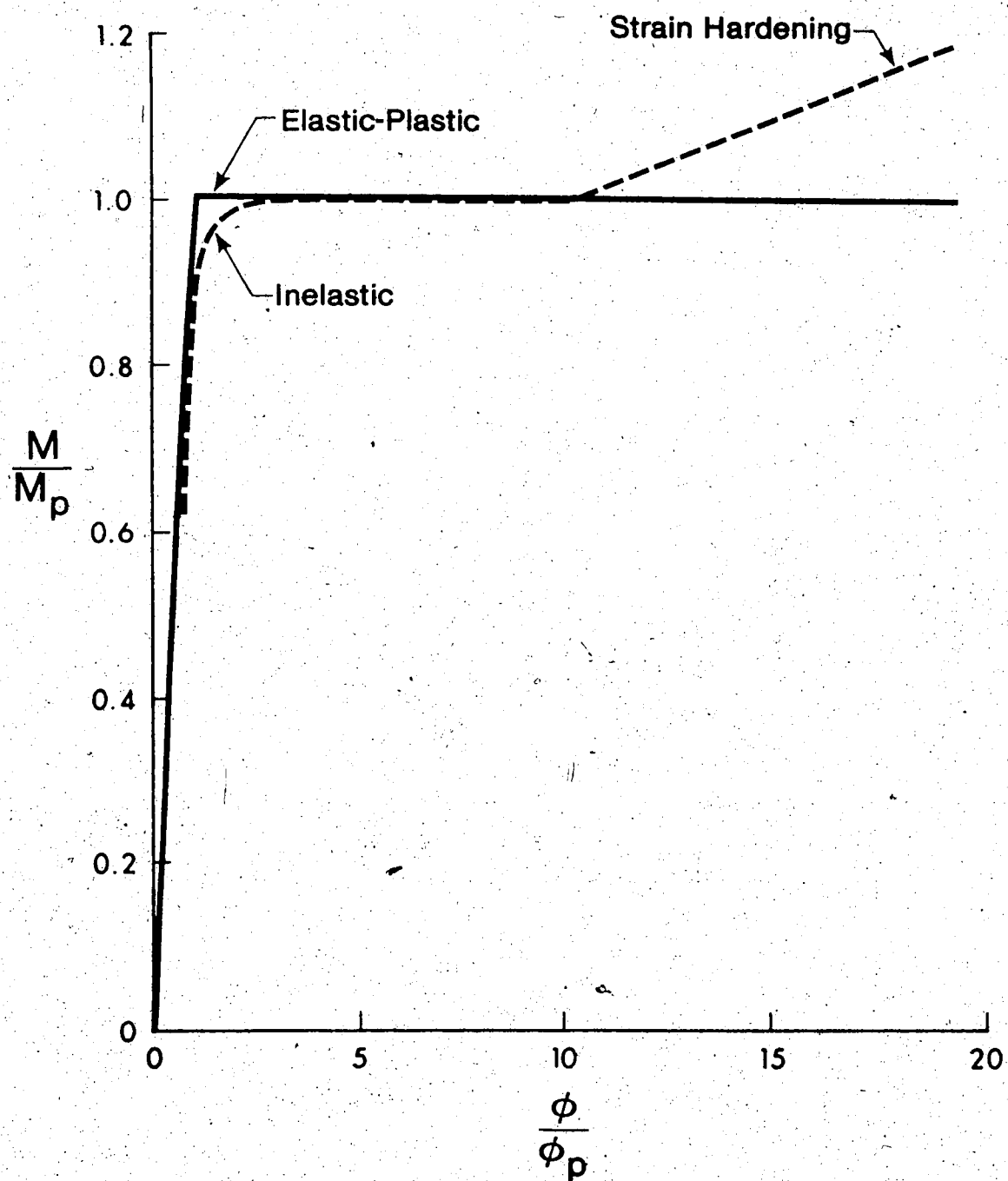
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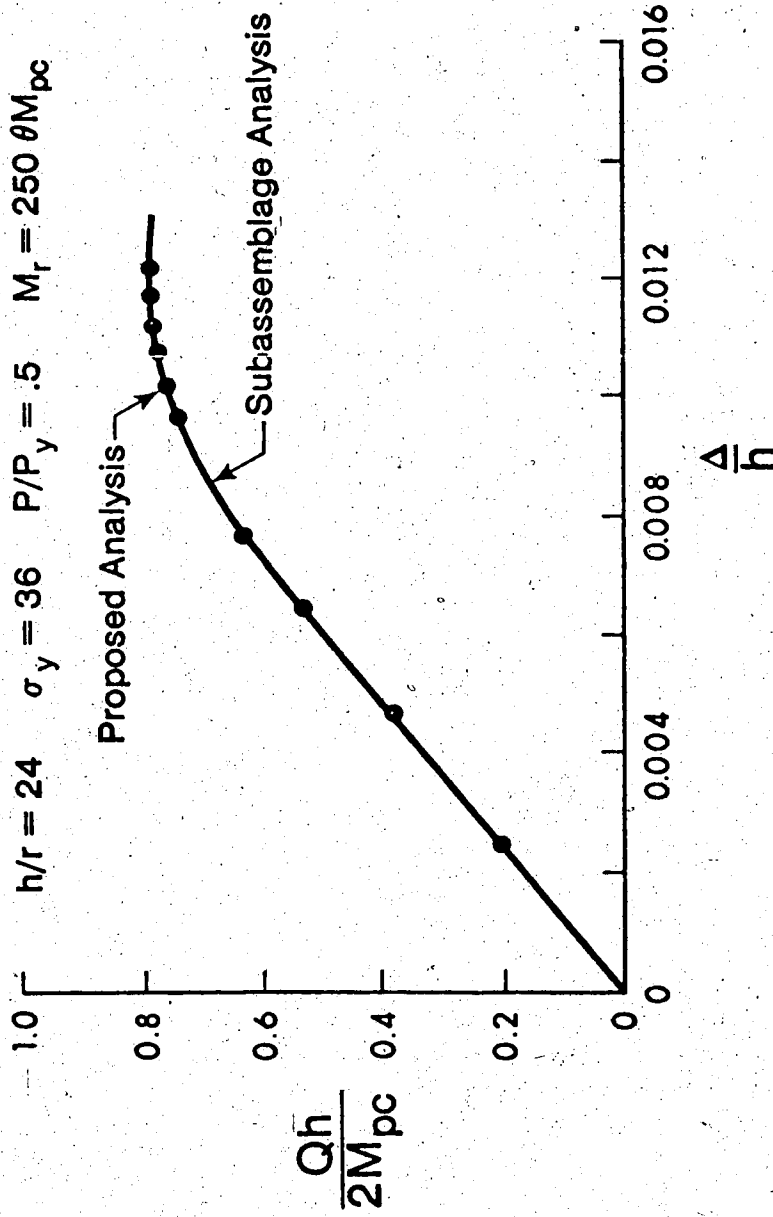
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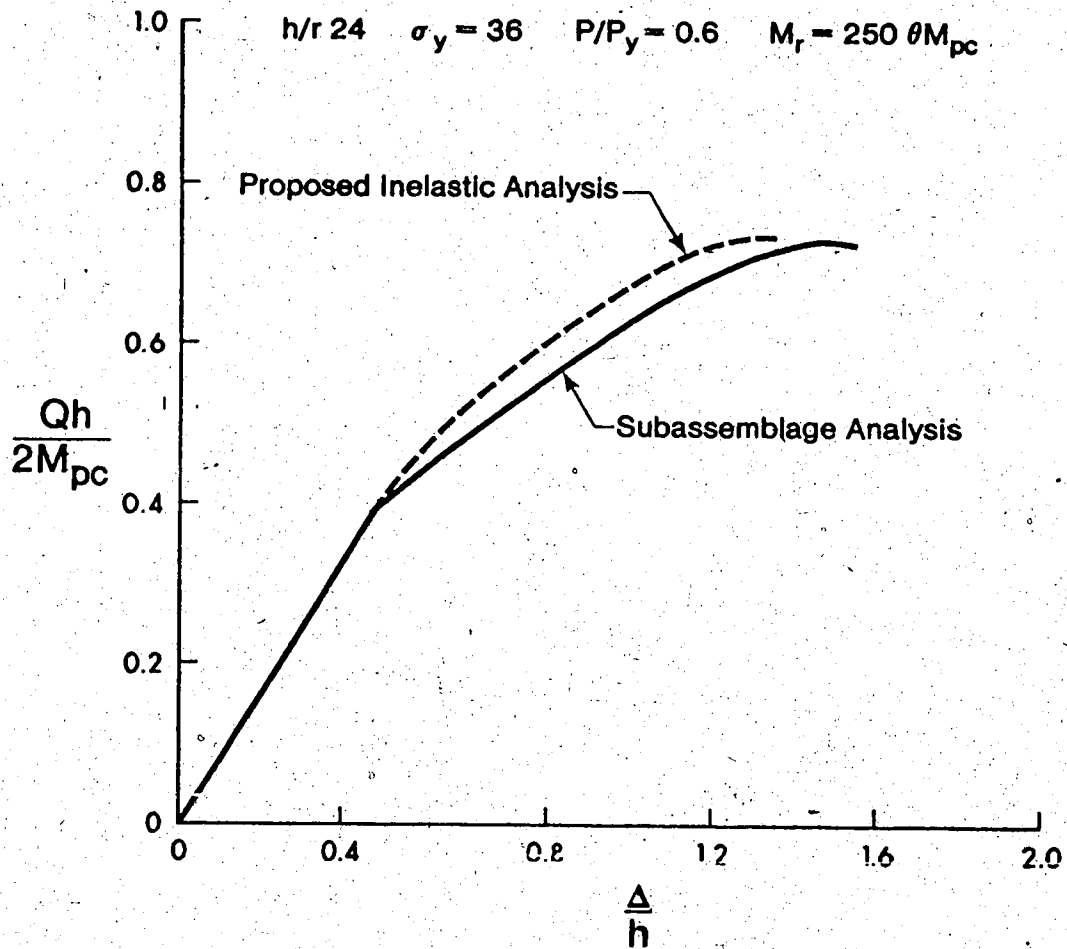
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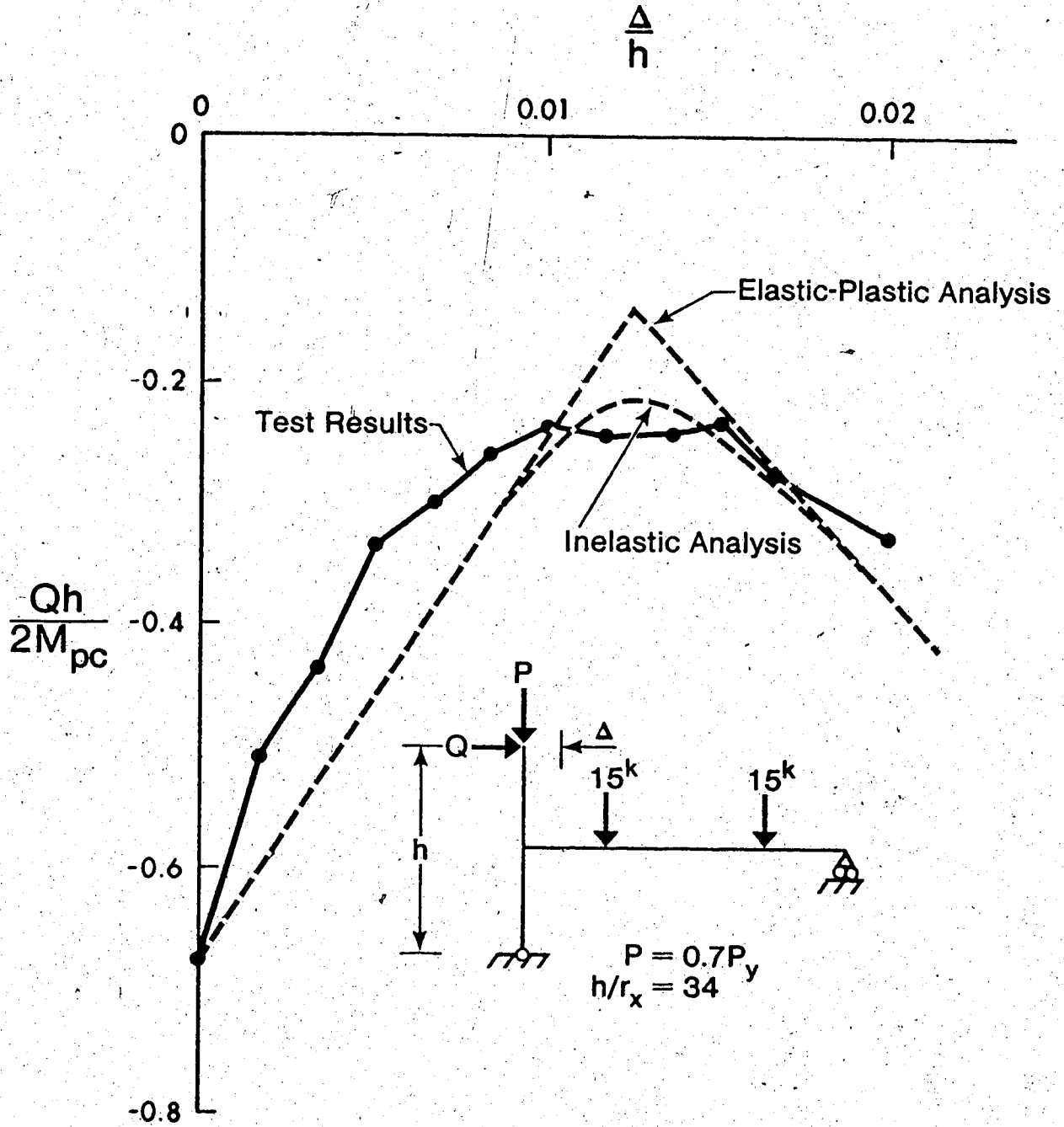
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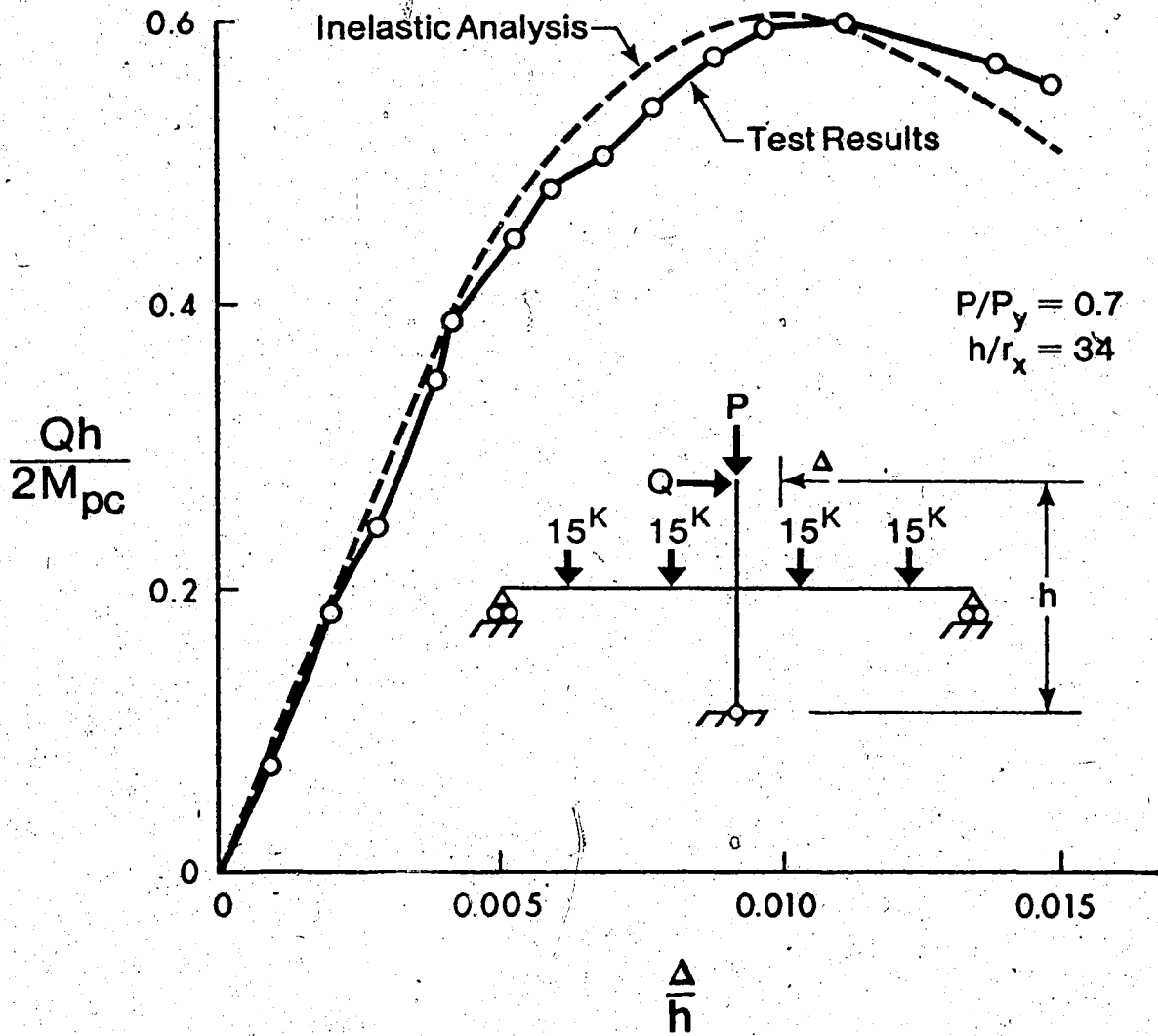
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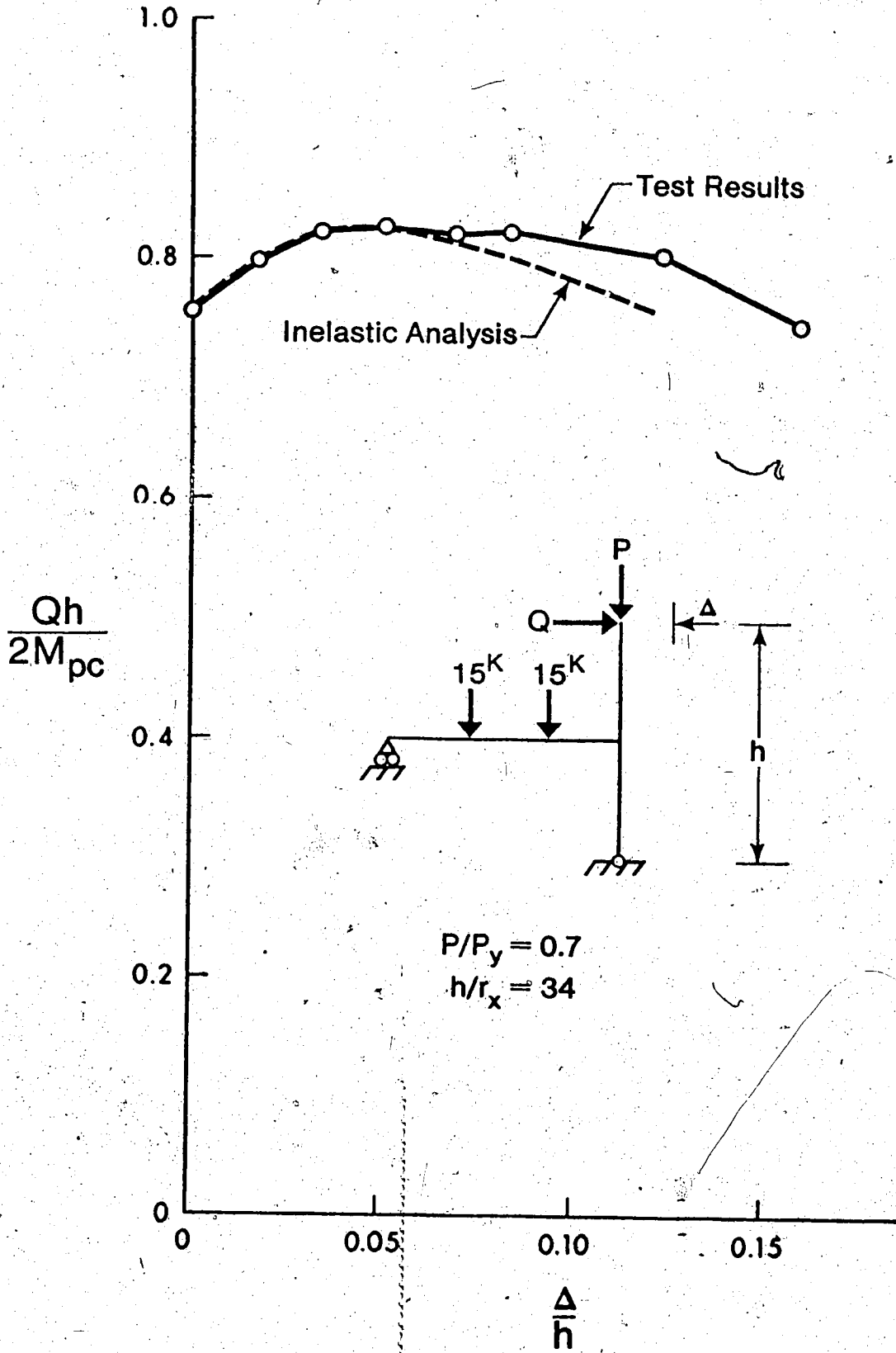
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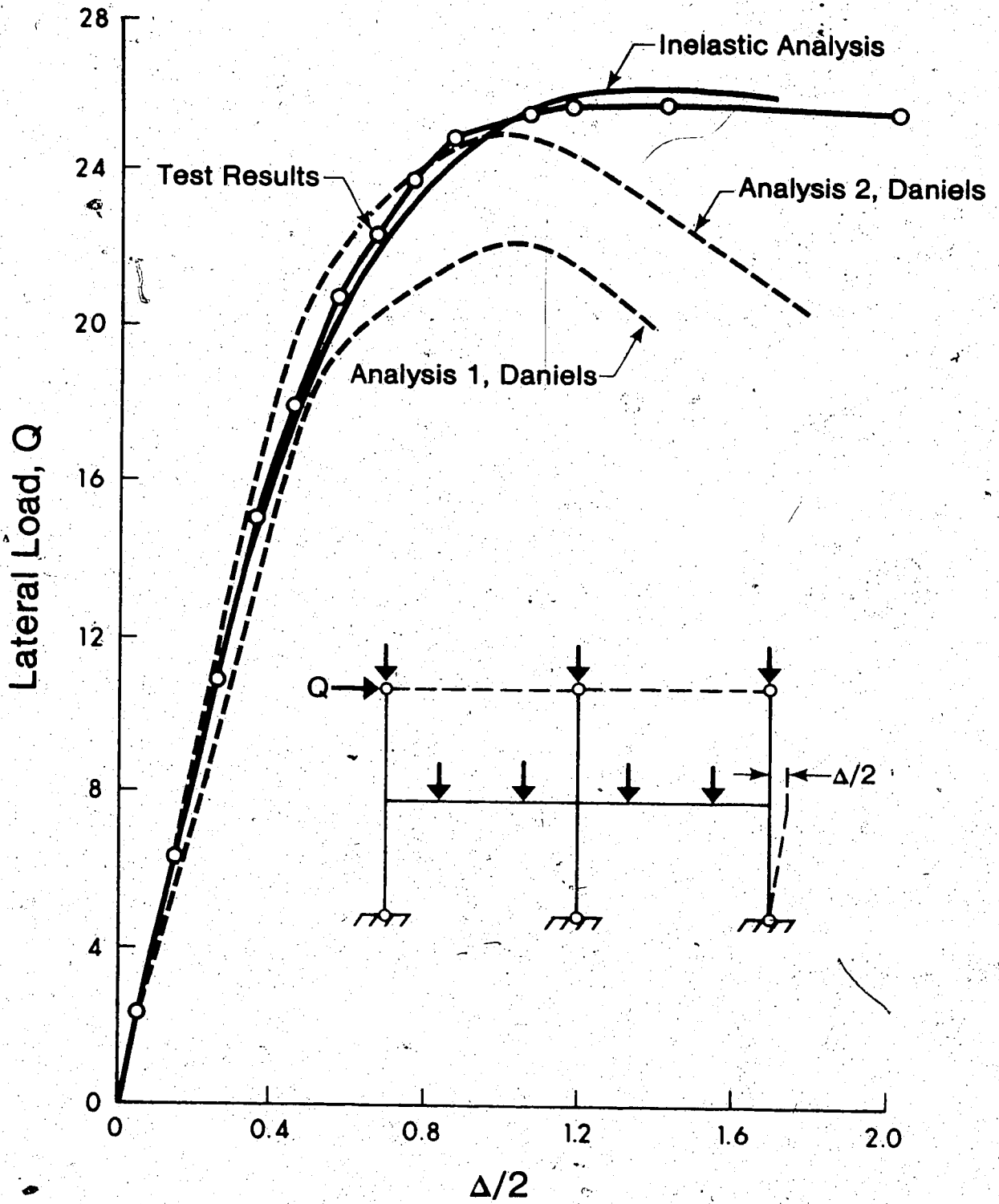
Figure 6.10 Lateral Load Versus Drift Behavior For Example SA-1
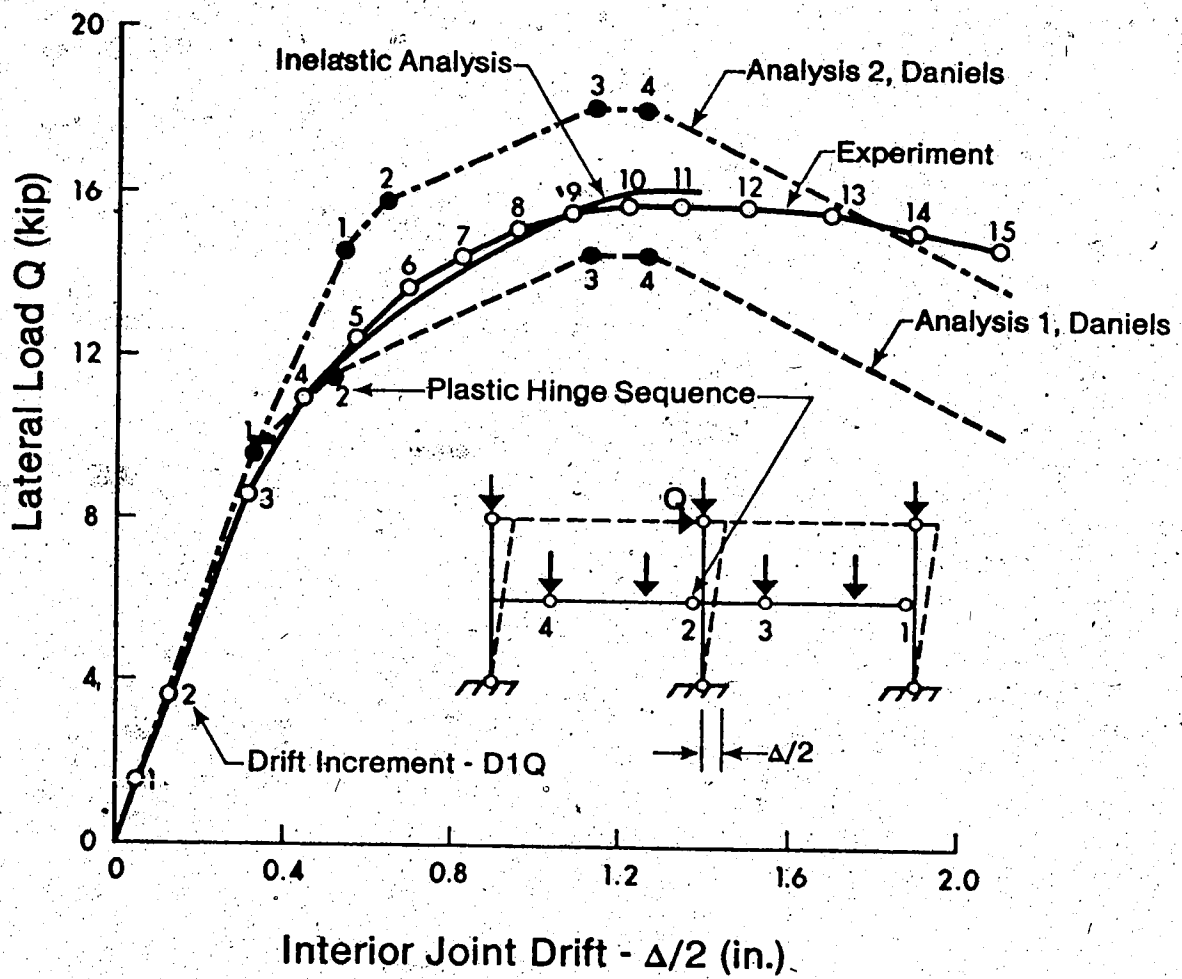
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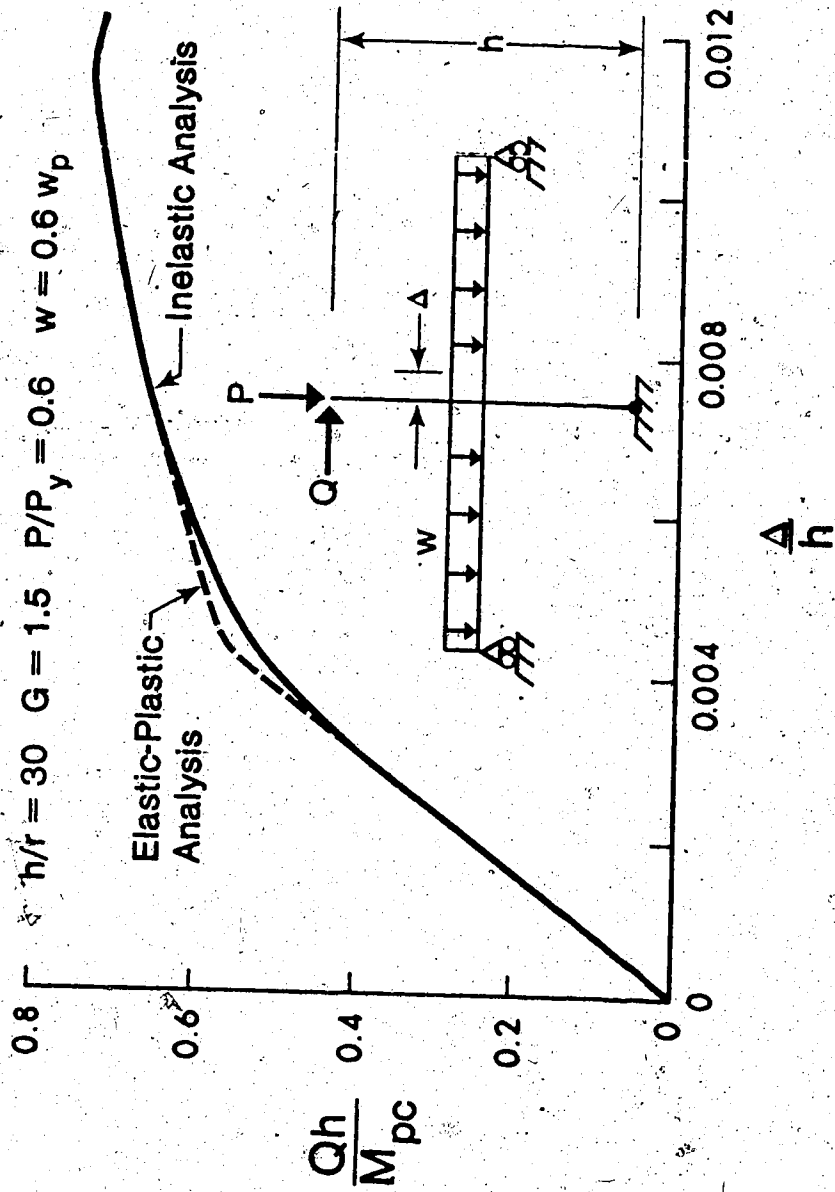
Figure 6.12 Comparison Between Elastic-Plastic And Inelastic Analysis, W = .6Wp

$h/r=30$ $G=1.5$ $P/P_y=0.6$ $w=0.45\,w_p$

Elastic-Plastic Analysis

Inelastic Analysis

$\dfrac{Qh}{M_{pc}}$

$\dfrac{\Delta}{h}$

0.8  0.6  0.4  0.2  0

0.004  0.008  0.012
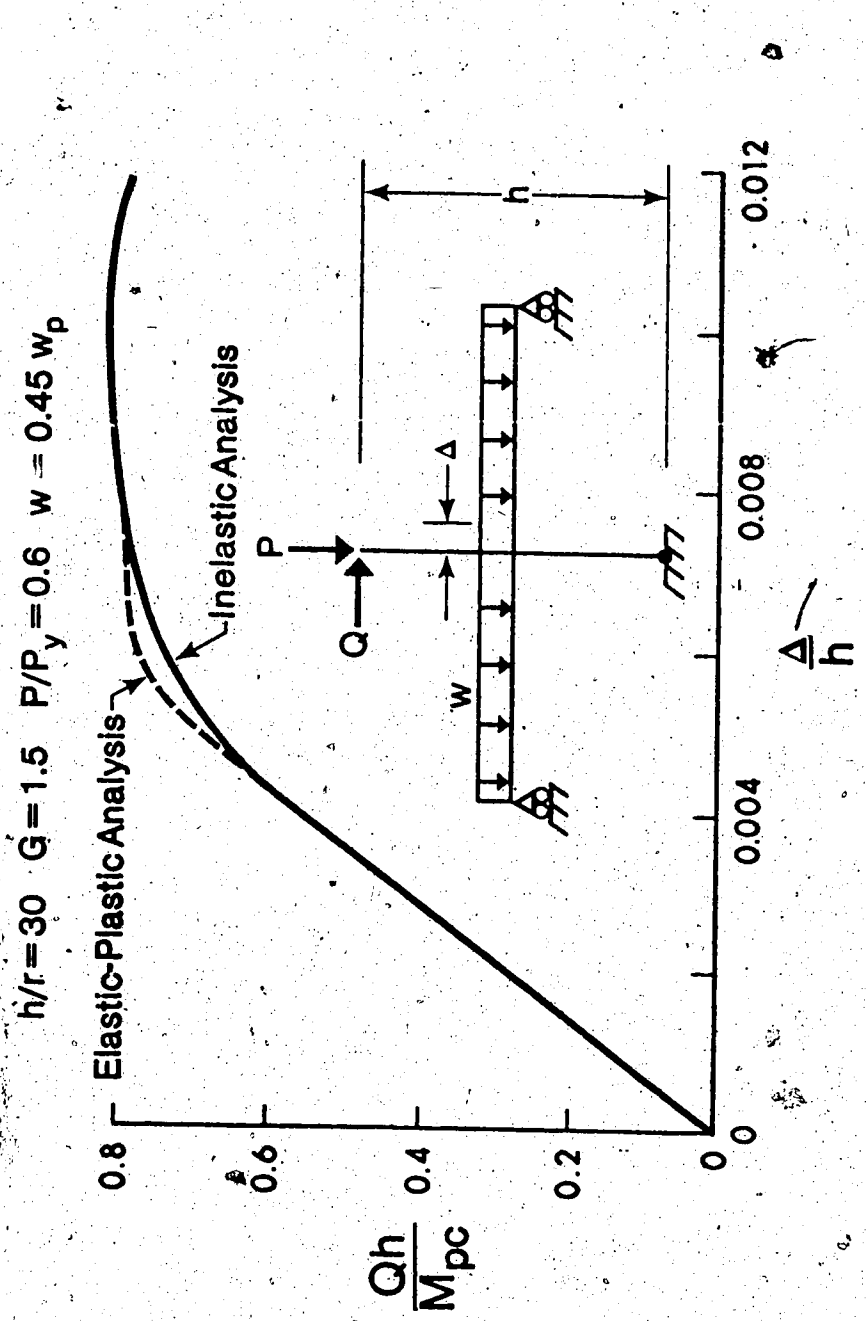
Figure 6.13 Comparison Between Elastic-Plastic And Inelastic Analysis, $W = 0.45W_p$

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$h/r = 20$  $G = 2$  $\sigma_y = 36$  $P/P_y = 0.6$

Elastic Plastic And
Inelastic Curves
Are Indistinguishable

$\dfrac{Qh}{2M_{pc}}$
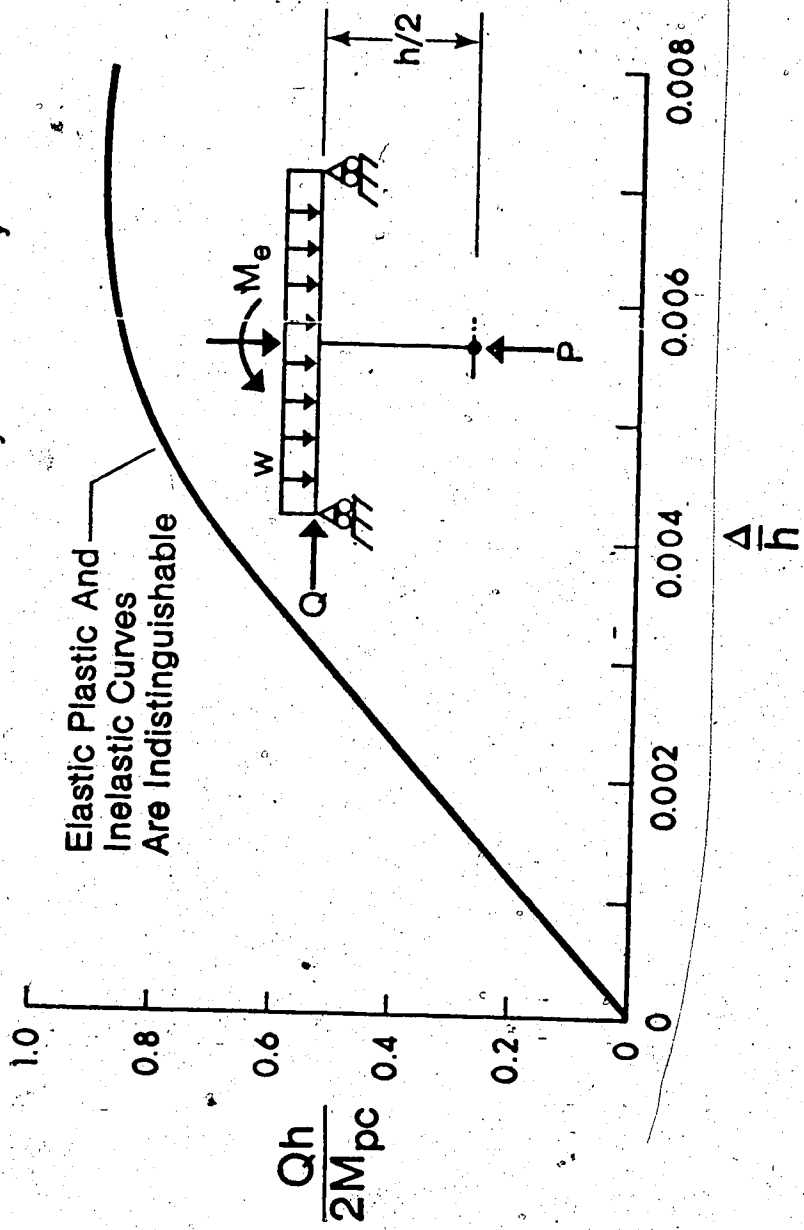
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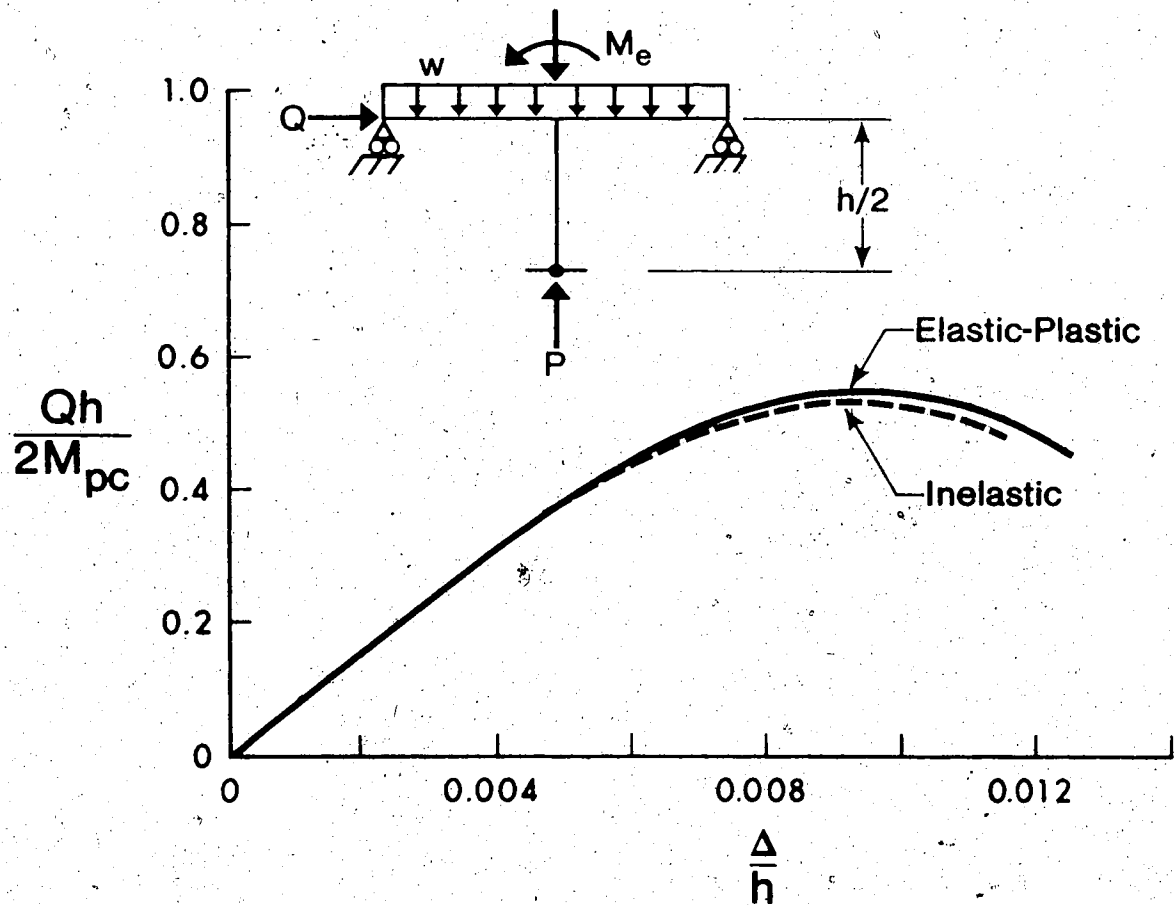
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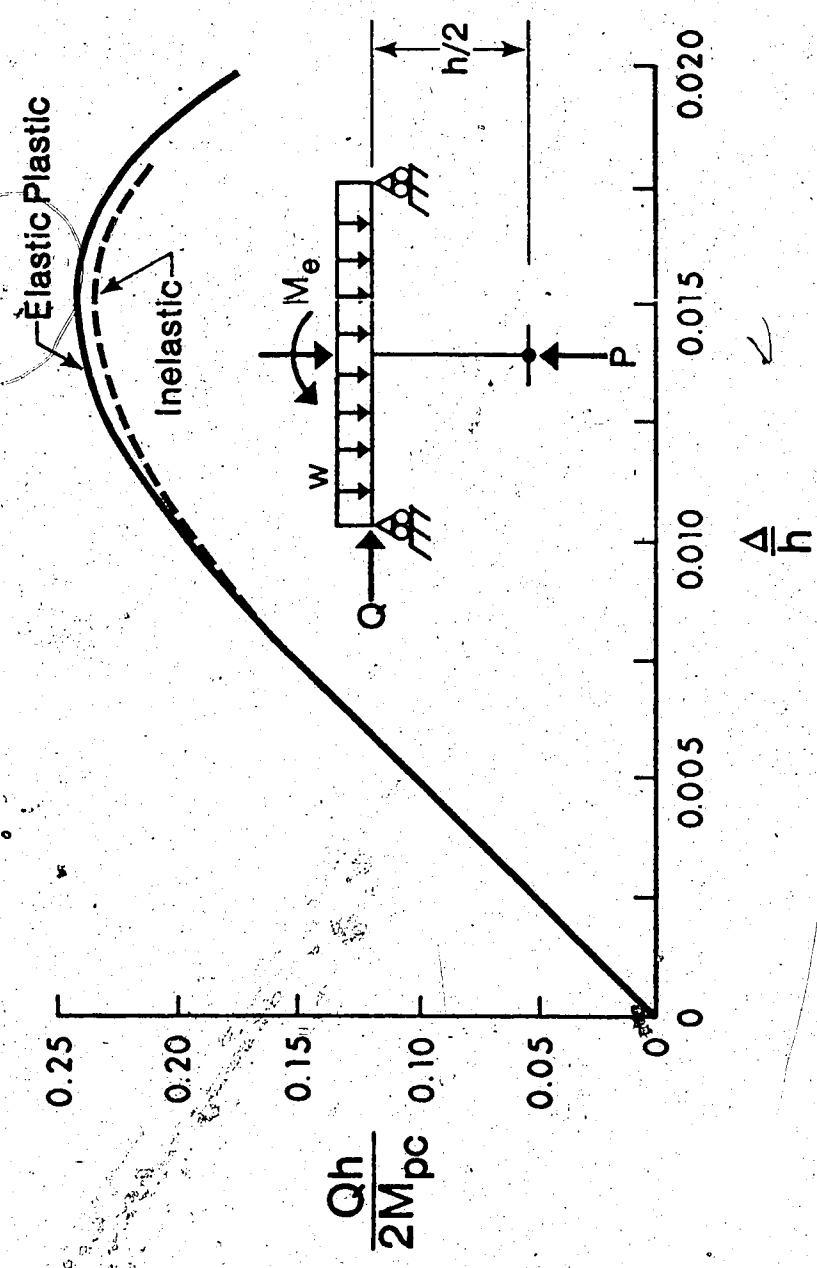
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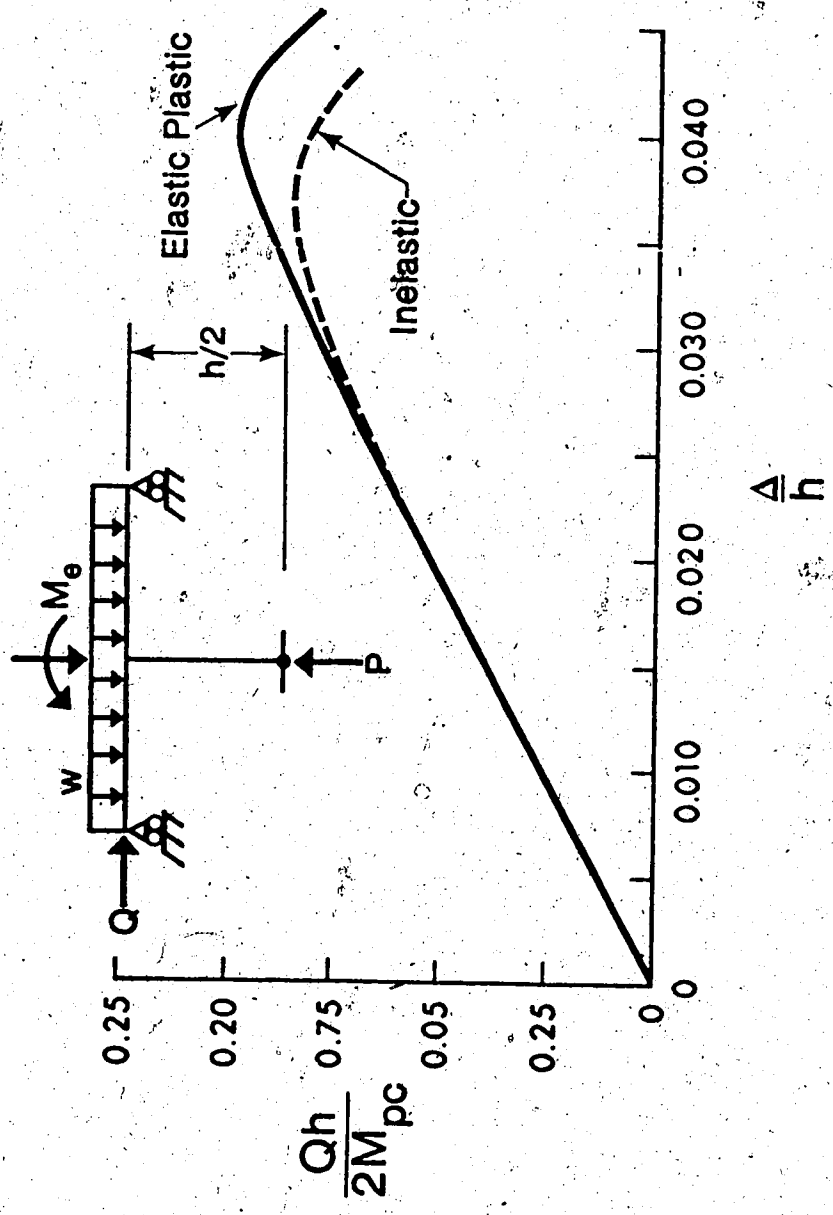
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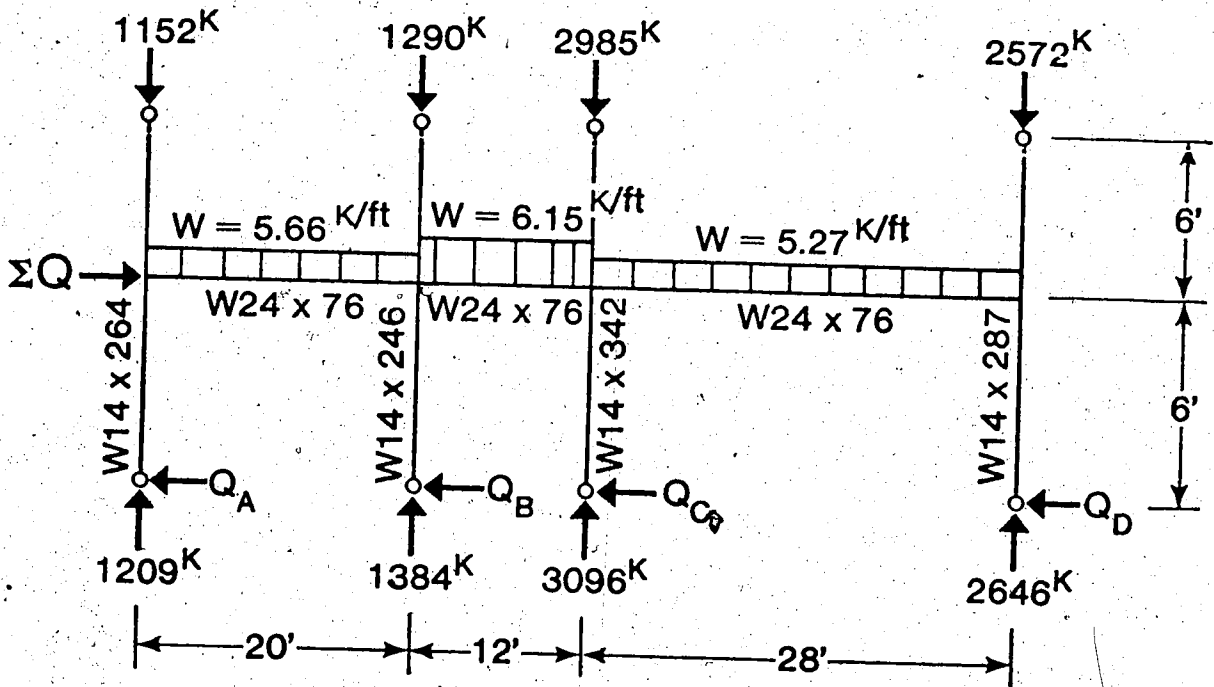
Figure 6.18 Example Frame Analyzed Using Inelastic Analysis
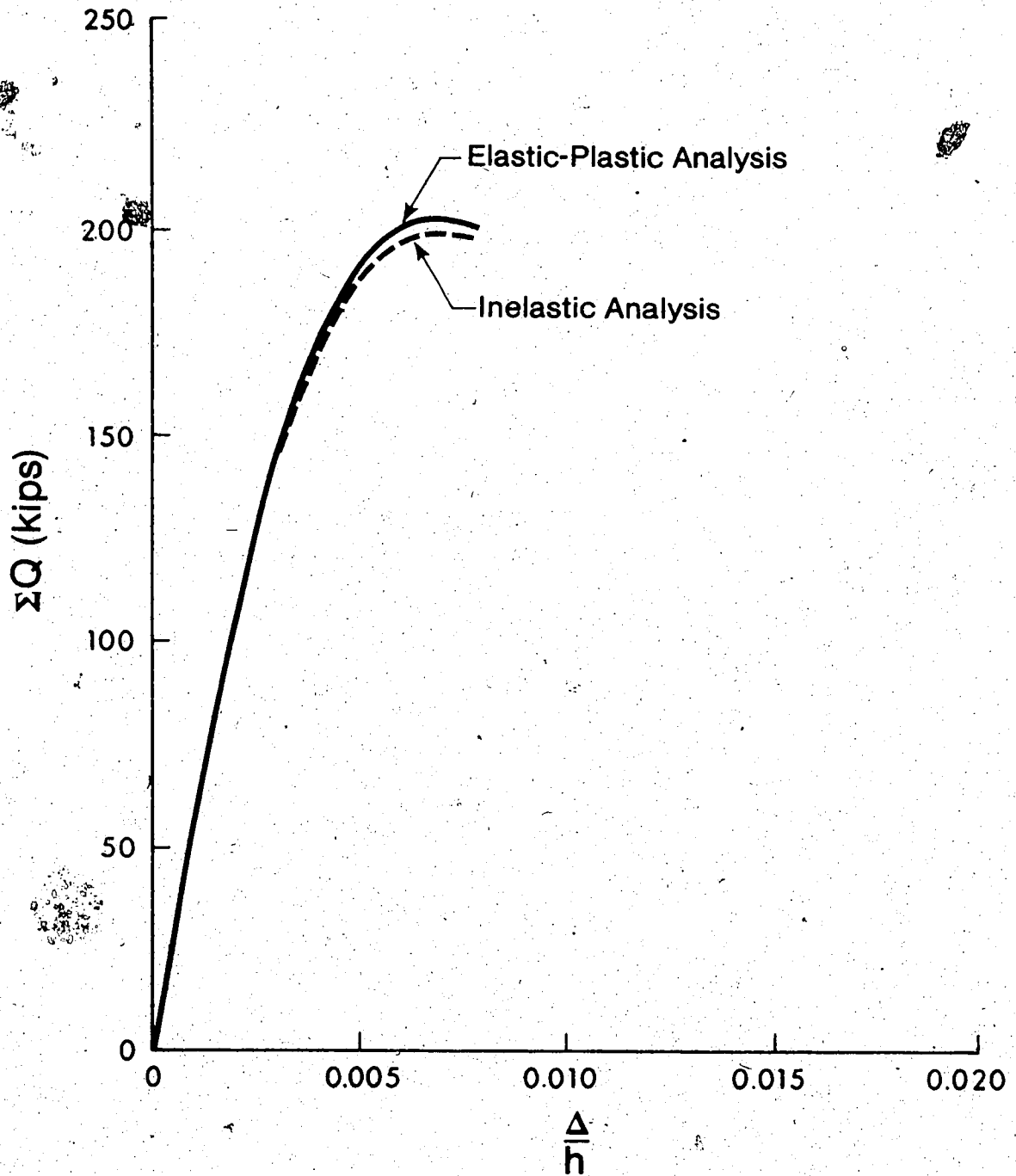
Figure 6.19  Load-Sway Relationships For Elastic-Plastic And Inelastic
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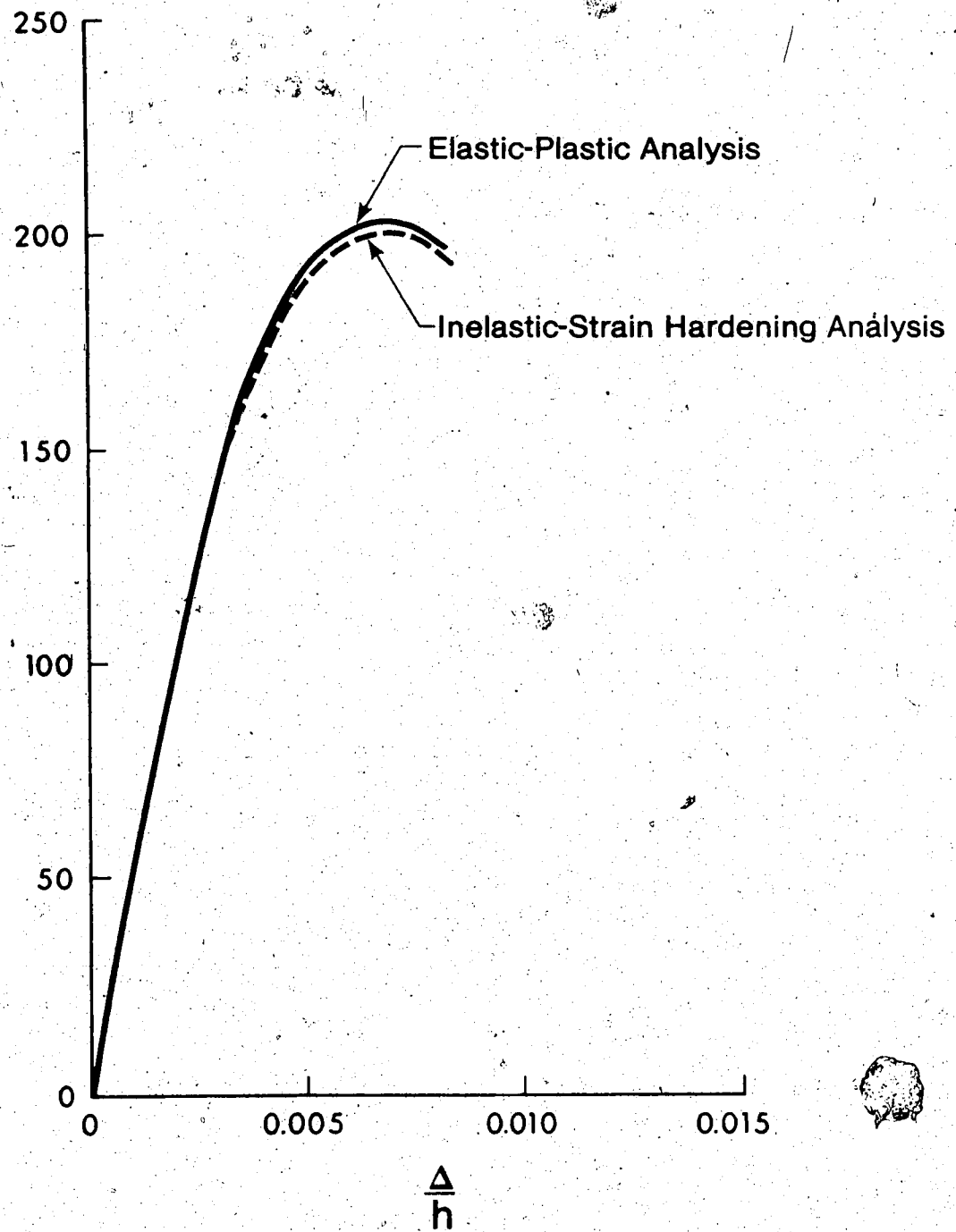
Figure 6.20  Load-Sway Relationships For Elastic-Plastic And Inelastic Strain Hardening Analysis Of Example Frame

CHAPTER VII

DESIGN EXAMPLES

## 7.1 INTRODUCTION

In the previous chapters, the PΔ procedure for the design of
beam columns has been outlined and compared with traditional design
procedures. Discrepancies between design assumptions for the PΔ proce-
dure and actual frame behavior have been outlined and limits to the
suggested design procedure have been discussed.

In this chapter, an example building frame will be designed
using both traditional design procedures and the proposed PΔ procedure.
The frame will also be designed using a proposal to neglect PΔ effects
altogether (46). In addition, an example of the design of a "leaned
frame" will be presented. The behavior of the frames that result from
each design procedure will be compared using a second order elastic-
plastic analysis (14).

## 7.2 FRAME DESIGNS

The design loading and frame geometry for this study was
selected from a study performed at Lehigh (46). The frame is a 26-
storey, three-bay symmetrical frame as shown in Figure 7.1. The design
loads are shown in Figure 7.1. The member sizes used for preliminary
analyses of the structure were the sizes resulting from Design 3 of the
Lehigh Study (46). This particular frame was chosen for this study as
it was representative of typical medium to high office buildings that
could be expected often in practice rather than an extreme structural

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form. A moderate wind load was used in this study as it is believed
the influence of P-Delta moments is reduced by higher wind loads (46).

For the purpose of this design, the following assumptions
were made:

1. ASTM A36 steel is used for beams and columns.

2. All members are oriented with their webs in the plane
   of the frames and are subjected to strong-axis
   bending.

3. The frames are braced in the out-of-plane direction
   at the joints and this bracing system is designed
   for sway effects. The column ends are effectively
   pinned for weak axis buckling.

4. Lateral-torsional buckling of the beams is pre-
   vented by the floor system.

5. Local buckling of flanges and webs does not occur.

6. Member lengths are defined by their centrelines.

7. The National Building Code of Canada live load re-
   duction formula is used to compute the beam and
   column loads.

8. Wall and parapet loads are applied as concentrated
   loads at the exterior joints.

9. Wind loads are applied as concentrated loads at the
   exterior joints.

10. No composite action occurs between the beams and
    the floor system.

11. Behavior of frames is assumed to be linear and elastic.

The frames were designed for the effects of combined vertical and lateral loads or vertical loads only whichever produced the more critical effect. In each case, the preliminary analyses were performed using the computer program outlined in Reference 14. The beams were proportioned to resist the moments developed in the preliminary analysis.

The column sizes were chosen by a computer program prepared for this investigation. This program was used to provide a consistency of column size choice for each specified design method and resulting member loads. To ensure consistency, no design over-stress was allowed. The column selection was performed as follows:

1. Design axial loads and end moments were input from the results of the preliminary analysis.

2. Preliminary member sizes were used to calculate effective length factors based on the model specified by the design procedure.

3. A series of prospective column sizes were input along with member properties in tabular form. These prospective columns were input in order of increasing member weight.

4. The suitability of each column, in order of increasing weight, was checked in the beam column interaction equations (Equations 5.6 and 5.7) and Equation 7.1.

$$\frac{Mf}{Mr} \le 1.0 \qquad\qquad (7.$$

where     Mf is the factored column moment

          Mr is the factored bending resistance of the

column.

If the column size failed any one of these conditions, this size was rejected and the next member size was tried. The first size to satisfy all conditions was output as the design size for that loading condition.

5. The final column was selected on the basis of the most critical column size for exterior columns and interior columns and interior columns based on a two-storey height of column.

The differences between design procedures used were as follows:

Design A

For Design A, the beams and columns were proportioned using CSA S16.1-1974 (24). The analysis used to obtain factored member loads and forces was a second order elastic analysis that included the effect of axial load on member stiffness and axial shortening of columns. Thus, when checking the suitability of members, $\omega$ and K were calculated using the sway prevented models; the ratio R1 was checked for each storey.

Design B

For Design B, the beams and columns were proportioned using CSA S16.1-1974. The factored member loads and moments were obtained from the results of an elastic first order analysis of the preliminary design. Thus, when checking the suitability of column members $\omega$ and K were calculated using the sway permitted models.

Design C

To provide a comparison between a frame designed using a P-

Delta limit states design and a frame designed using traditional allow-
able stress procedures, a frame was designed using CSA S16-1969 (2).
The working loads were obtained from the results of a first order ana-
lysis of the frame under specified loads. Thus, the column suitability
was checked using the sway permitted model to check the column inter-
action equations as specified in CSA S16-1969 (2).

The resulting member sizes are summarized for each design
method in Table 7.1.

## 7.3  ANALYSES OF DESIGN EXAMPLES

Each of the frames designed as outlined in the previous
section were analyzed using an incremental elastic-plastic second order
analysis (14). For this analysis, dead loads were multiplied by a dead
load factor of 1.25, then held constant. The live loads and wind loads
were increased proportionately by increments of loads factor, $\lambda$, equal
to 0.01.

In the case of vertical loads only, the effect of initial
eccentricities were simulated by applying a small lateral shear equi-
valent to the sum of vertical loads acting on the storey multiplied by
the assumed initial deformation, 0.002 in/in. Recent studies have
shown this assumption to be overly conservative (47); however, this
value was consistent with the allowance presently suggested and with
the value of initial imperfection used for the design of frame A (24).

The results of the analyses of the frames subject to combined
loading are shown in Figure 7.2. The results of Design A are shown as
the solid line, the results of Design B are shown as the dashed line,

and the results of the analysis of Design C are shown as the broken line. In each case, load factor $\lambda$, is plotted against frame sway, $\Delta$. As the increments used for $\lambda$ were 0.01, the apparent accuracy of critical points on these curves is approximately 1%.

For Design A, the first hinge occurred at $\lambda = 1.18$. The progression of hinges to failure is shown in Figure 7.3. At ultimate load, $\lambda = 1.33$, (specified by a negative value for the determinate of the stiffness matrix), there were 39 beam hinges and 51 column hinges. At specified load, $\lambda = 0.7$, the overall sway index $= 0.00237$.

For Design B, the first hinge occurred at $\lambda = 1.07$. The progression of hinges to failure is shown in Figure 7.4. At ultimate load, $\lambda_u = 1.34$, there were 71 beam hinges and 15 column hinges. At specified loads, $\lambda = .7$, the overall sway index $= 0.0025$.

For Design C, the first hinge occurred at $\lambda = 1.17$. The progression of hinges to failure is shown in Figure 7.5. At ultimate load, $\lambda = 1.46$, there were 57 beam hinges and 28 column hinges. At working loads for allowable stress design, $\lambda = 0.75$, the overall sway index $= 0.00244$.

The results of the analyses of the example frames under vertical loads only are shown in Figure 7.6. The results of the analysis of Design A are shown as the solid curve. The first hinge occurs at $\lambda = 1.81$, while ultimate load is reached at $\lambda = 2.12$ due to yielding in critical columns in the 21st storey. The results of the analysis of Design B are shown as the dashed line in Figure 7.6. The first hinge occurs at $\lambda = 2.09$ and the ultimate load at $\lambda = 2.49$ due to yielding of critical columns in the 17th storey. The results of the

analysis of Design C are shown as the broken line in Figure 7.6. The first hinge occurred at $\lambda$ = 2.26 with failure due to yielding in the top stories at $\lambda$ = 2.74.

## 7.4 DISCUSSION OF DESIGN EXAMPLES

### 7.4.1 COMPARISON OF DESIGN A AND DESIGN B

Since Design A is an example of a design using the P$\Delta$ technique and Design B is an example of the traditional allowance for sway effects, a comparison of these examples is a direct comparison of these two design techniques. A comparison of the member sizes shows that the inclusion of second order effects in the analysis results in larger sizes for the beams as the P$\Delta$ procedure includes the second order moments in design of the beams. The more rational approach to design of columns in the P$\Delta$ technique leads to generally smaller column sizes. The estimated weight of Design A is 395,900 pounds which is 4% less than the 411,300 pound weight of Design B.

For the P$\Delta$ design procedure, the column sizes were found to be governed by the strength interaction equation, Equation (3.20). The sway effects ratio, RI, was found to vary between 0.09 and 0.12, well within the limits suggested in Chapter 5. The column sizes in the traditional design procedure were mainly governed by the stability interaction equation, Equation (3.21).

Since the analysis used to study the behavior of the frames does not include out-of-plane effects, there was some question as to the validity of the assumption that members were only laterally braced at storey levels. This assumption is certainly more realistic when the

behavior of real frames are considered. To check this point, a design
of each frame was performed using the assumption that the frame is com-
pletely braced in the out-of-plane direction. The resulting member
sizes were exactly the same as found when members were only braced at
storey levels. For the $P\Delta$ design, since the member sizes were con-
trolled by member strength, there was no effect if the members were
braced at storey levels. In the case of the traditional design, it was
found that $K_x L/r_x$ was always greater than $K_y L/r_y$ for these larger mem-
ber sizes, hence, this assumption had no effect on the design.

A comparison of the results of the analysis of each frame
shows that Design A is approximately 5% stiffer at working loads.
Design A developes a plastic hinge at $\lambda = 1.18$. For limit states design,
the margin of safety for combined live loads is 0.70 times 1.5. There
is, however, an additional allowance to account for material perfor-
mance of 1/0.9. Thus, the resulting factor of safety for combined
loading is 1.17. Design A satisfies this factor of safety.

For Design B, however, the first hinge is formed at $\lambda = 1.07$
which is less than the specified safety factor 1.17. This premature
hinge formation results from neglect of the second order moments in the
design of the beams. While a redistribution of moments in the frame
allows a continued increase in load carrying capacity of Design B beyond
$\lambda = 1.17$, there is no allowance for this redistribution of moments un-
less beams are designated as Class 1 sections and are properly braced.

A comparison of the frames at ultimate load shows that the
frames fail at nearly the same load, but in somewhat different manners.
Design A develops considerably more column hinges while the failure of

Design B is essentially related to the formation of beam hinges. As a result, Design B exhibits more overall lateral sway at failure and thus, tends to absorb more energy before collapse.

Thus, a design using the $P\Delta$ technique, may tend to produce a strong beam, weak column structure; while the traditional technique tends to produce a weak beam, strong column structure. The tendency for traditionally designed frames to be somewhat more flexible can lead to design being controlled by deflection criteria. Thus, the beam sizes may have to be increased to meet frame stiffness requirements and modify the failure pattern.

A comparison of the results of the vertical loads only analysis shows that design has been controlled by the combined loading case and neither frame is critical for vertical loads. The ultimate load for Design B is somewhat higher than the ultimate load of Design A as the behavior under vertical load is more controlled by column size.

7.4.2 DISCUSSION OF DESIGN C

Since allowable stress design procedures used the traditional method exclusively to allow for sway effects, Design C was included in this dissertation to compare the results of traditional allowable stress design to a limit states $P\Delta$ design. The estimated weight of Design C is 424,200 pounds or 7% more than Design A.

Design C is approximately 4% stiffer than Design A at working loads. The first hinge occurred at $\lambda = 1.17$, essentially the same as Design A. Design C, however, has been designed for an effective factor of safety, of S.F. = 0.75/0.60 = 1.25. Thus, Design C does not meet the

factor of safety specified for the design method. This apparent inconsistency results from neglect of the second order moments for the design of the beams.

The ultimate load for Design C is slightly higher than Design A (9%). In addition, the failure of Design C was more ductile with failure related to beam hinges.

The comparison between designs resulting from a limit states design using the PΔ technique and a traditional allowable stress design shows that each design has essentially the same load factor at the limit state, while the limit states design shows an appreciable material savings. The allowable stress design does result in a more favourable collapse condition and considerably more reserve in load capacity and energy absorption.

## 7.5. FRAMES DESIGNED WITHOUT CONSIDERING FRAME STABILITY

A further design procedure has been presented in the Column Research Council Guide based on research at Lehigh into the behavior of several building frames designed using various methods (31,46). For this design procedure, it is suggested that a frame can be designed using the results of a first order analysis, but with $K = 1.0$ and $\omega = 0.6 - 0.4 M_{f1}/M_{f2} \geq 0.4$ if the following conditions are met:

1. The axial loads in the columns are such that $C_f/C_r$ and $C_f/\phi AFy$ are both less than 0.75.

2. The maximum in-plane slenderness ratio does not exceed 35.

3. The bare frame first order sway index is controlled by

$$\Delta/H < (1/7)\Sigma V/\Sigma P$$

where:

H = storey height

$\Delta$ = drift of storey due to $\Sigma V$

$\Sigma V$ = total storey shear

$\Sigma P$ = total gravity load on the storey.

In the Lehigh Study (46), seven frames, varying from a ten-storey, five-bay to a forty-storey, two-bay, were designed using the $P\Delta$ procedure, the traditional effective length procedure, and using the method outlined above. The frames designed using these methods were then analyzed under various loading procedures using a second order elastic-plastic analysis. Based on the results of these analyses, the authors recommended that frames may be designed without consideration of second order effects as long as the conditions outlined earlier in this section were met.

Unfortunately, there were some serious oversights in the study. In designing the frame using the $P\Delta$ procedure, the beams were apparently proportioned using first order moments; thus, the resulting beam sizes were identical for each design. When the $P\Delta$ procedure is properly applied, the resulting beams will be larger, and thus, the frame stiffness will likely increase.

When the design procedure proposed by the authors was applied, it was assumed that columns were completely braced out-of-plane, thus, $K_x L/r_x$, governed the column size. This was not consistent with the assumptions made for the other design methods. For the other designs, the columns were assumed to be braced only at the storey levels in the

out-of-plane direction. The authors were effectively comparing frames
designed under different support conditions making comparisons unrea-
listic.

Finally, the authors were more concerned with a comparison of
behavior at ultimate strength of the frames, whereas, for both allowable
stress design and limit states design procedures, the limit state for
the structure is reached when any member reaches a critical stress or
ultimate strength. Therefore, the load factor for the formation of the
first hinge is extremely important. In the study, there was little
variation of the load factor at first hinge between the different de-
signs. This, however, reflects the fact that the beams were the same
for all designs and initial hinges were formed in the beams. When the
PΔ procedure is properly applied, larger beams will result and hence,
the hinges will form later, as found in Design A.

To further evaluate the Lehigh design proposal, the example
frame was also designed using a first order analysis, but with K = 1.0
in both directions and $\omega = 0.6 - 0.4 M_{f1}/M_{f2} \geq 0.4$. The ratio $C_f/\phi AF_y$
was checked for each column. In addition, the column slenderness ratios
and the sway indices were also checked against the suggested limits.

The design of the frame proved to be quite difficult in this
case. The original proposal was made for an allowable stress procedure,
while for this dissertation, stability design using Limit States Design
was evaluated. Thus, the suggested ratio for axial loads may not be
directly applicable and should possibly be modified. In the original
proposal, there was no suggested action for the cases when this ratio
exceeded. In the design example, if the member sizes were increased

until the ratio was satisfied, the resulting column sizes were considerably larger than the previous examples. For this design example, the ratio was not considered for member selection, but was calculated for discussion.

As in the previous examples, the frame was considered braced laterally at storey levels. For this design procedure, this assumption will affect final member sizes, however, to be consistent with the other designs and normal practice, the same assumption was made. The resulting member sizes are shown in Table 7.1. In this Table, the design method has been designated as Design D. The axial load ratio for the critical members varied between 0.77 and 0.85 for combined loading with values as high as 0.92 for the case of axial loads only. The column in-plane slenderness ratio limit and sway index limit were easily satisfied.

In most cases, the resulting column sizes were the same as the sizes for Design A. A number of the exterior columns were smaller in Design D than those resulting from Design A. The beam sizes were identical to those sizes resulting from Design B. The total weight for the structure was approximately 381,800 pounds, the lightest of all example frames.

The results of a second order elastic-plastic analysis of Design D are shown as the solid line in Figure 7.7. The first hinge formed at $\lambda = 1.06$ with the ultimate conditions reached at $\lambda = 1.23$. The resulting structure had an overall working load sway index of 0.00247, approximately 9% greater than the sway index for Design A. At ultimate load, there were 46 beam hinges and 39 column hinges. The hinge pattern is shown in Figure 7.8. The frame underwent considerable

deformation before failure.

## 7.6  DESIGN OF A LEANED FRAME

To examine the behavior of a more extreme structural form designed using the PΔ technique, the example frame was re-designed. In this case, however, it was assumed the frame supported laterally the two adjacent frames. The rigid frame carries all lateral forces through the bending resistance of the beam to column joints. In the adjacent frames, the beam to column joints were designed to transfer only shear. Thus, the adjacent frames are only designed to carry vertical loads.

The lateral shears applied to the non-rigid frames, whether wind loads, or second order shears are transferred to the rigid frame by the diaphragm action of the floors. They accentuate the stability effects in this problem, the effective wind force was reduced by a factor of three. Thus, in spite of the fact that the central rigid frame is required to carry all lateral forces applied to the flexible frames, the total design lateral load applied to the frame was the same as the other examples.

The analysis of the frame is facilitated by linking the rigid frame to a flexible column that carries all of the vertical load applied to the flexible frames. The second order effects from the flexible frame are thus passed to the supporting frame by a link. This procedure was used by Davison for the analysis of leaned sub-assemblages (14). The model used for the analysis was later confirmed by modifying Davison's program to include the second order effects of

the leaned frame directly in the shear equilibrium equation. The

results of the analyses using this modified program were essentially

the same as those obtained from the leaned frame model.

Since the second order effects for the flexible frame have

been accounted for, along with the applied wind forces in the design of

the rigid frame, the flexible frame may be designed as a sway prevented

frame. A design such as this would not be allowed using traditional

procedures. The rigid frame was designed on the basis of a second

order analysis of the linked frame model. A check of the sway effects

ratio, Rl, defined in Chapter V, showed this value varied between 0.40

and 0.42 for storeys of the frame. These values approach the limit

suggested in Chapter V. The member sizes for the rigid frame are shown

in Table 7.2. The resulting member sizes show a significant increase

in column sizes.

The resulting frame was then analyzed using the second order

elastic-plastic analysis for combined loading. The results of this

analysis are shown in Figure 7.9. The first hinge developed at $\lambda$ =

1.18, an acceptable value for limit states design. The structure failed

suddenly due to overall instability at $\lambda$ = 1.21. At ultimate load,

there were nine girder hinges and five column hinges as shown in Figure

7.10.

At working loads, the first order sway index, $\Delta h$ for the

structure was 0.0168, with a maximum storey sway, $\Delta/h$, of 0.00189

These values are within acceptable limits. The maximum second order

sway for the structure at working loads, $\Delta h$, was 0.00028, slightly

'higher than an acceptable lateral sway (24). It is possible that an unusual structure with significant sway effects may have an acceptable sway index. Thus, the suggested check of the stability ratio appears to be justified, although continued research into this type of failure is warranted.

## 7.7 SUMMARY

In this chapter, a number of different design techniques were applied to the same frame. A comparison of the resulting designs and their behavior as predicted by a second order elastic-plastic analysis showed the following:

a) Design A, a limit states design using the P$\Delta$ technique, results in the lighter structure when compared to traditional design procedures. This structure performs quite satisfactorily under both specified and factored loads. This design does result in a collapse condition that is predominantly column hinges, with less capacity to absorb energy.

b) Design B, a limit states design with traditional provision for sway effects, results in a somewhat heavier structure than Design A. Design B, however, is somewhat more flexible and forms hinges at a factor of safety less than required by the standard. The collapse condition, however, is predominantly beam hinges with more capacity to absorb energy.

c)   Design C, a traditional allowable stress design, is
     considerably heavier than Design A.  Design C does
     perform satisfactorily at specified and factored
     loads.  In addition, this design has a somewhat
     higher capacity to absorb energy before collapse.

d)   Design D, a design procedure in which second order
     effects are neglected if certain conditions are met,
     results in the lightest structure, if the axial
     load ratio is ignored.  If this ratio is applied as
     suggested, the resulting column sizes were unrea-
     listically larger than the other designs.  It must
     be noted that this axial load ratio was arbitrarily
     assigned in the original study and a rational dis-
     cussion of this ratio is not possible.  The analy-
     sis of the resulting frame showed a somewhat more
     flexible structure that did not satisfy limit
     states criteria and reached ultimate conditions at
     a significantly lower load factor than other designs.

     In addition to these comparitive designs, an example of a
"leaned frame" design was performed.  The leaned frame was designed to
develop significant sway effects beyond the limits suggested in Chapter
V.  While the structure satisfied limit states criteria, the sudden
stability failure was developed just past the limit state.  The results
of this example tends to confirm the concern over structures with sta-
bility problems.

TABLE 7-1  MEMBER SIZES FOR DESIGN EXAMPLES

## Beams

| Levels | Design A | Design B | Design C | Design D |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2 | W27x84 | W24x84 | W27x84 | W24x84 |
| 3 | W27x84 | W24x84 | W27x84 | W24x84 |
| 4 | W27x84 | W24x84 | W27x84 | W24x84 |
| 5 | W27x84 | W24x84 | W27x84 | W24x84 |
| 6 | W27x84 | W24x84 | W27x84 | W24x84 |
| 7 | W27x84 | W24x84 | W24x84 | W24x84 |
| 8 | W24x84 | W24x84 | W24x84 | W24x84 |
| 9 | W24x84 | W24x76 | W24x84 | W24x84 |
| 10 | W24x84 | W24x76 | W24x84 | W24x76 |
| 11 | W24x84 | W24x76 | W24x76 | W24x76 |
| 12 | W24x76 | W24x76 | W24x76 | W24x76 |
| 13 | W24x76 | W24x68 | W24x76 | W24x68 |
| 14 | W24x76 | W24x68 | W24x76 | W24x68 |
| 15 | W24x76 | W24x68 | W24x68 | W24x68 |
| 16 | W24x68 | W24x68 | W24x68 | W24x68 |
| 17 | W24x68 | W24x68 | W24x68 | W24x68 |
| 18 | W24x68 | W24x61 | W24x68 | W24x61 |
| 19 | W24x61 | W24x61 | W24x68 | W24x61 |
| 20 | W24x61 | W24x61 | W24x61 | W24x61 |
| 21 | W24x61 | W24x55 | W24x61 | W24x55 |
| 22 | W24x55 | W24x55 | W24x61 | W24x55 |
| 23 | W24x55 | W21x55 | W24x61 | W21x55 |
| 24 | W24x55 | W21x55 | W24x61 | W21x55 |
| 25 | W21x55 | W21x55 | W24x61 | W21x55 |
| 26 | W21x55 | W21x55 | W24x55 | W21x55 |
| 27 | W18x40 | W21x44 | W24x49 | W21x44 |

## Columns

| Levels | | Design A | Design B | Design C | Design D |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1-3 | EXT | W14x342 | W14x342 | W14x342 | W14x314 |
|  | INT | W14x398 | W14x426 | W14x426 | W14x298 |
| 3-5 | | W14x287 | W14x314 | W14x314 | W14x264 |
|  | | W14x342 | W14x370 | W14x398 | W14x342 |
| 5-7 | | W14x246 | W14x287 | W14x287 | W14x237 |
|  | | W14x314 | W14x342 | W14x342 | W14x314 |
| 7-9 | | W14x228 | W14x246 | W14x246 | W14x211 |
|  | | W14x287 | W14x314 | W14x314 | W14x287 |
| 9-11 | | W14x202 | W14x219 | W14x228 | W14x193 |
|  | | W14x246 | W14x287 | W14x287 | W14x264 |
| 11-13 | | W14x184 | W14x202 | W14x202 | W14x167 |
|  | | W14x219 | W14x246 | W14x246 | W14x246 |
| 13-15 | | W14x158 | W14x176 | W14x176 | W14x150 |
|  | | W14x193 | W14x211 | W14x219 | W14x193 |
| 15-17 | | W14x136 | W14x150 | W14x158 | W14x127 |
|  | | W14x167 | W14x184 | W14x184 | W14x167 |
| 17-19 | | W14x119 | W14x127 | W14x136 | W14x111 |
|  | | W14x142 | W14x150 | W14x158 | W14x142 |
| 19-21 | | W14x103 | W14x103 | W14x111 | W14x103 |
|  | | W14x111 | W14x111 | W14x127 | W14x111 |
| 21-23 | | W14x 78 | W14x 84 | W14x103 | W14x 78 |
|  | | W14x 84 | W14x103 | W14x103 | W14x103 |
| 23-25 | | W14x 61 | W14x 61 | W14x 68 | W14x 61 |
|  | | W14x 61 | W14x 61 | W14x 68 | W14x 61 |
| 25-27 | | W10x 49 | W8x 48 | W10x 49 | W14x 48 |
|  | | W8x 35 | W8x 40 | W8x 40 | W8x 35 |

## TABLE 7.2

### MEMBER SIZES FOR LEANED FRAME

| Beams | | | Columns | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Levels | Sizes | | Levels | Sizes |
| 2 | W30x99 | | 1-3 EXT | W14x342 |
| 3 | W30x99 | | INT | W14x398 |
| 4 | W30x99 | | 3-5 | W14x314 |
| 5 | W30x99 | | | W14x342 |
| 6 | W30x99 | | 5-7 | W14x287 |
| 7 | W30x99 | | | W14x342 |
| 8 | W30x99 | | 7-9 | W14x246 |
| 9 | W27x94 | | | W14x314 |
| 10 | W27x94 | | 9-11 | W14x219 |
| 11 | W27x94 | | | W14x287 |
| 12 | W27x94 | | 11-13 | W14x193 |
| 13 | W27x84 | | | W14x246 |
| 14 | W27x84 | | 13-15 | W14x176 |
| 15 | W24x84 | | | W14x219 |
| 16 | W24x84 | | 15-17 | W14x150 |
| 17 | W24x76 | | | W14x184 |
| 18 | W24x76 | | 17-19 | W14x127 |
| 19 | W24x68 | | | W14x150 |
| 20 | W24x68 | | 19-21 | W14x103 |
| 21 | W24x61 | | | W14x127 |
| 22 | W24x61 | | 21-23 | W14x 84 |
| 23 | W21x55 | | | W14x103 |
| 24 | W21x55 | | 23-25 | W14x 61 |
| 25 | W21x55 | | | W14x 68 |
| 26 | W21x55 | | 25-27 | W14x 48 |
| 27 | W21x44 | | | W14x 48 |
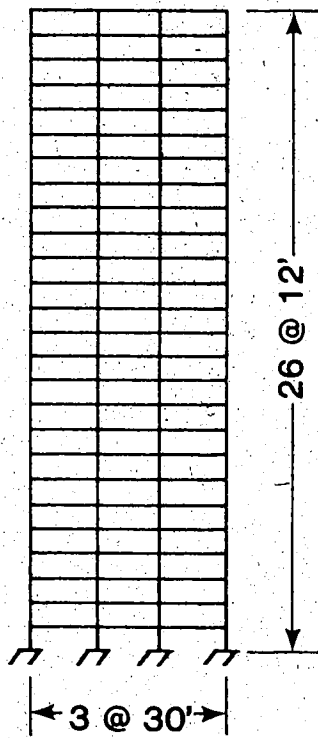
Story-Bay    26-3

Spacing  30 ft.

Roof Load
    Live  30 psf
    Dead  40 psf
Floor Load
    Live  75 psf
    Dead  50 psf
Wall (Story) 18 kips
Wind Load  20 psf

Figure 7.1  Frame Geometry And Loading
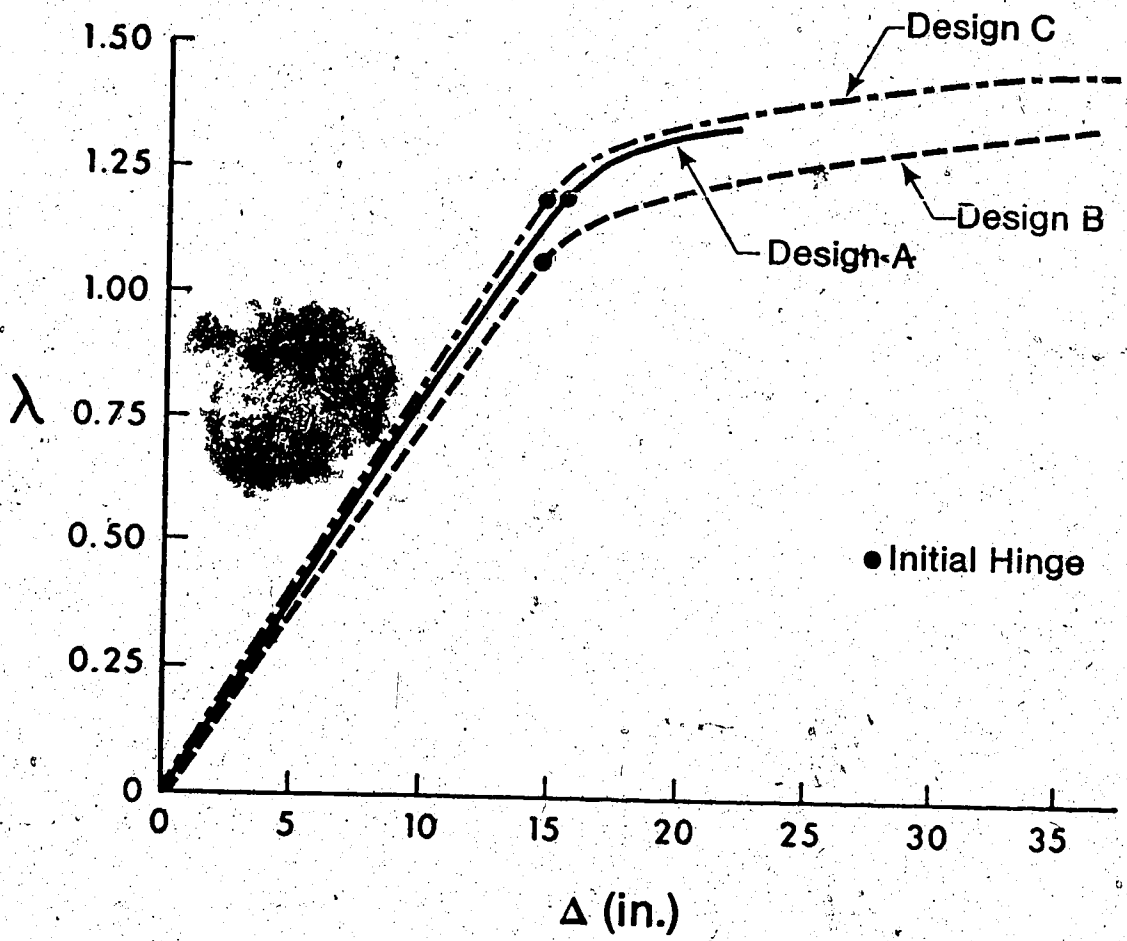
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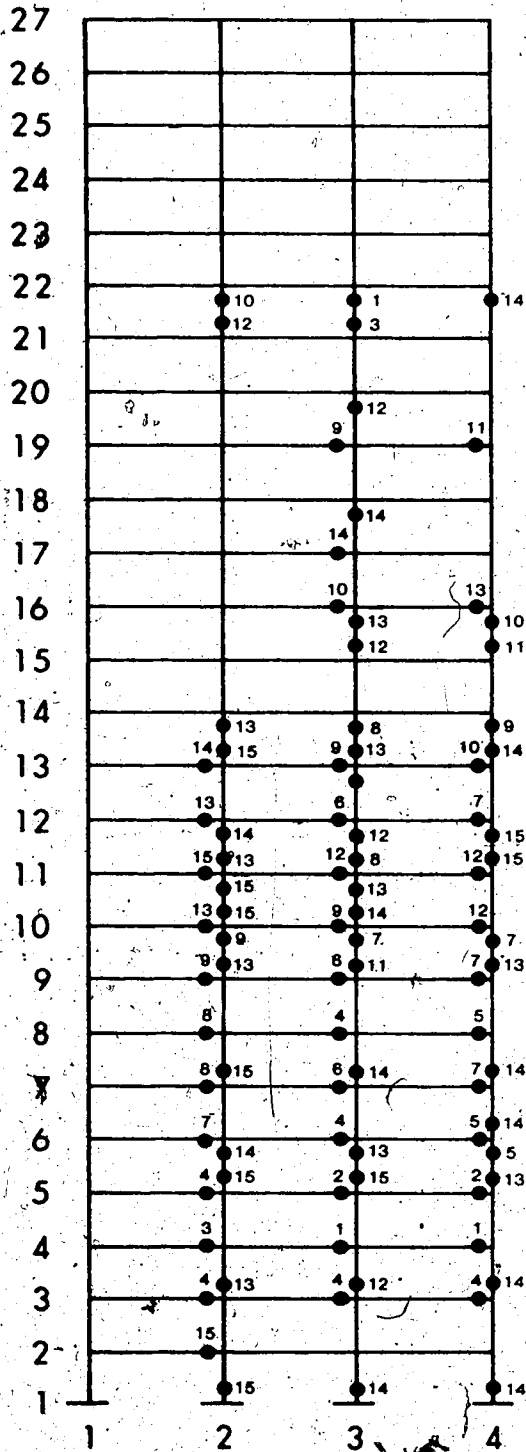
**Figure 7.3 Hinge Pattern For Design A Combined Loading**
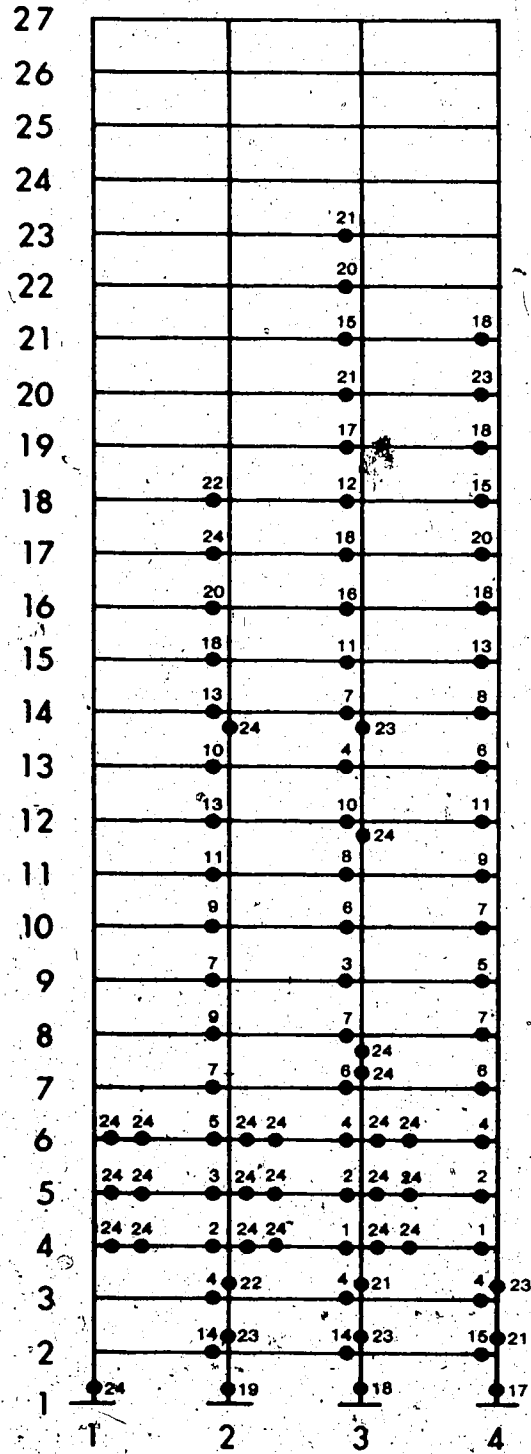
Figure 7.4 Hinge Pattern For Design B Combined Loading

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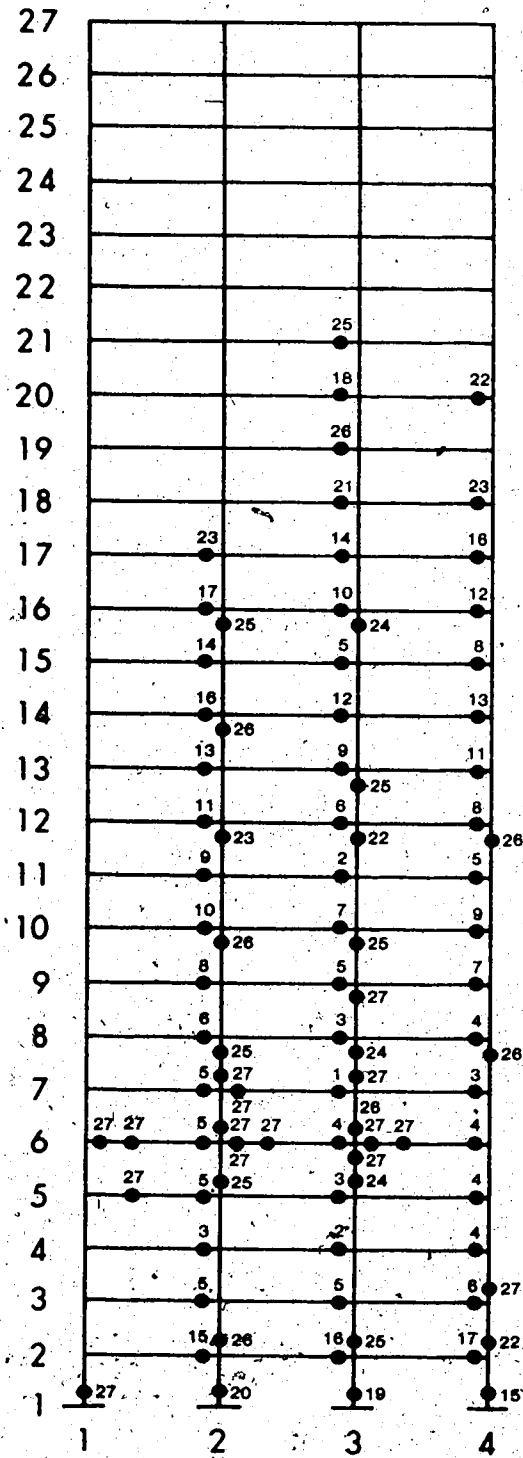
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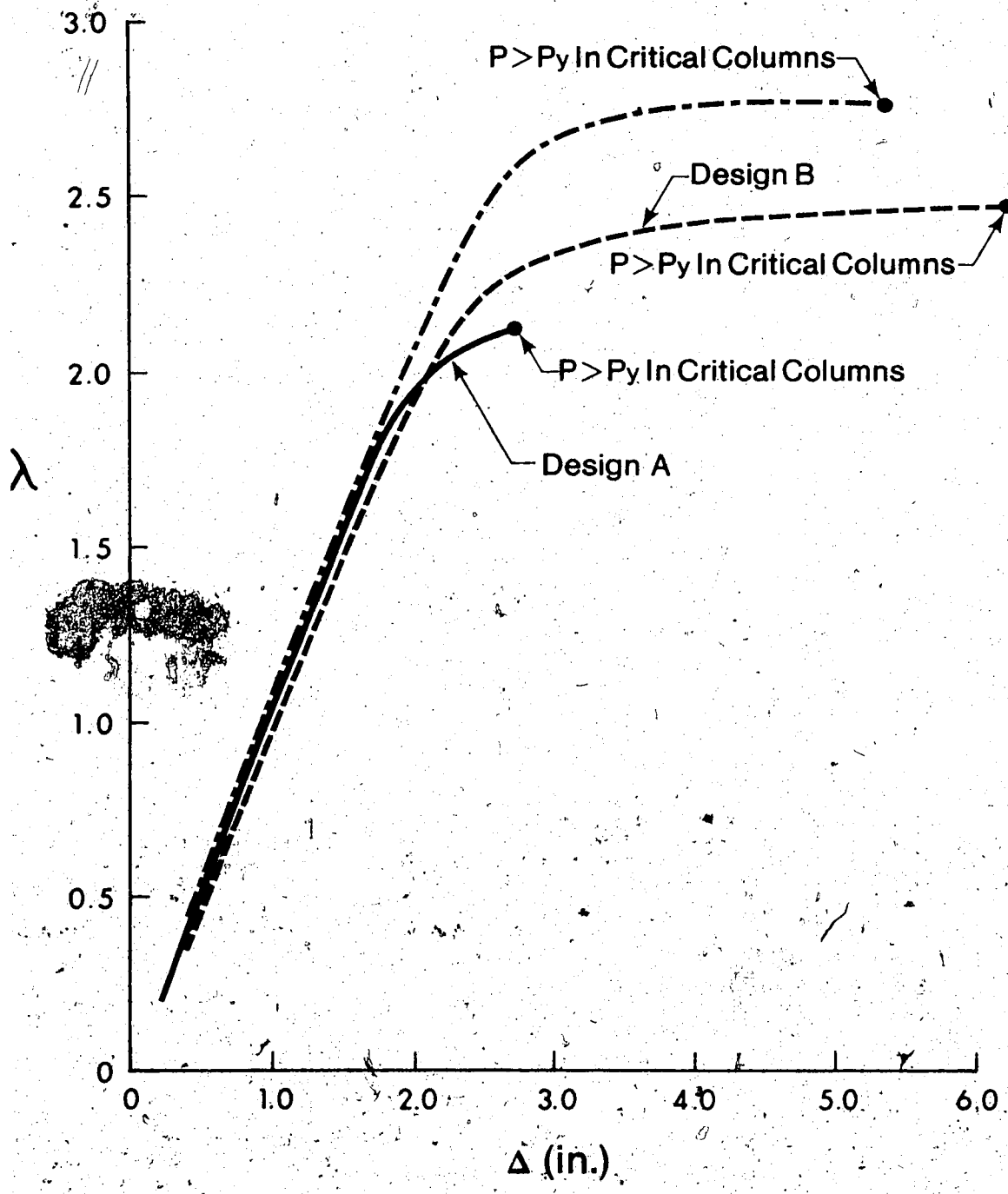
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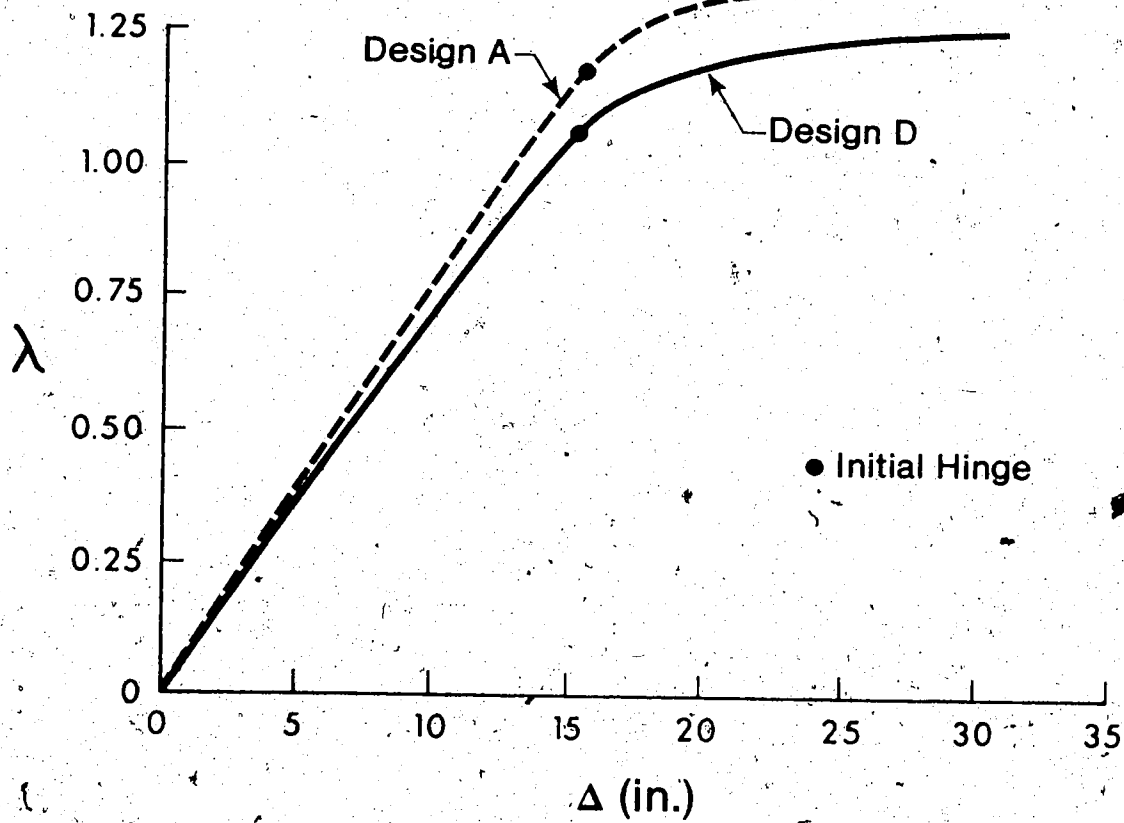
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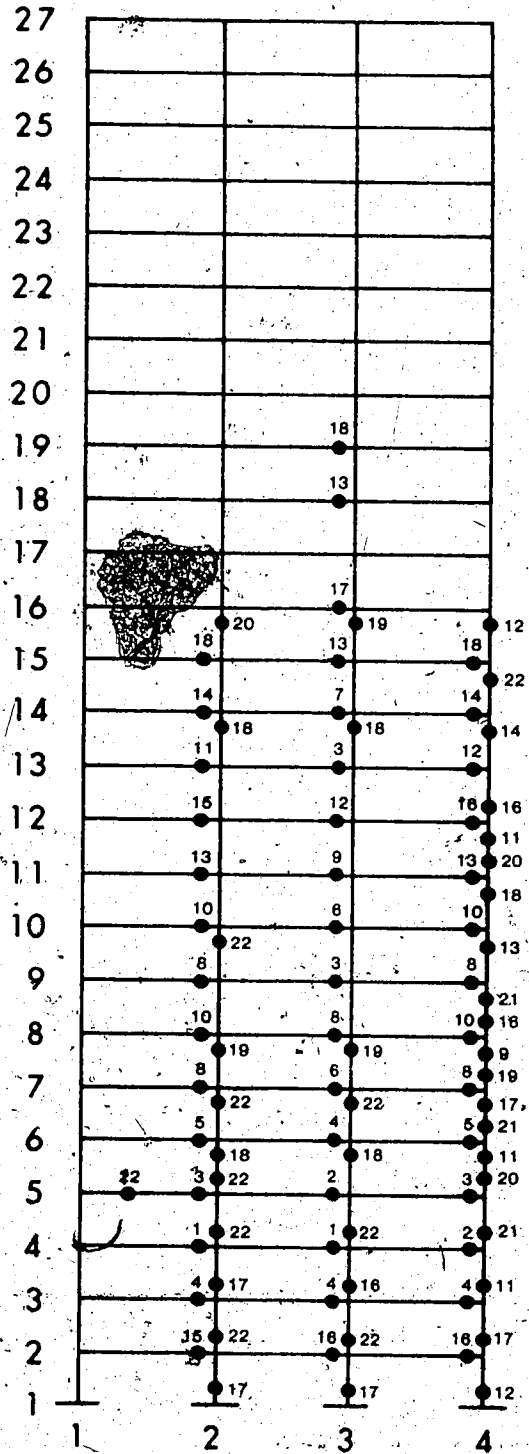
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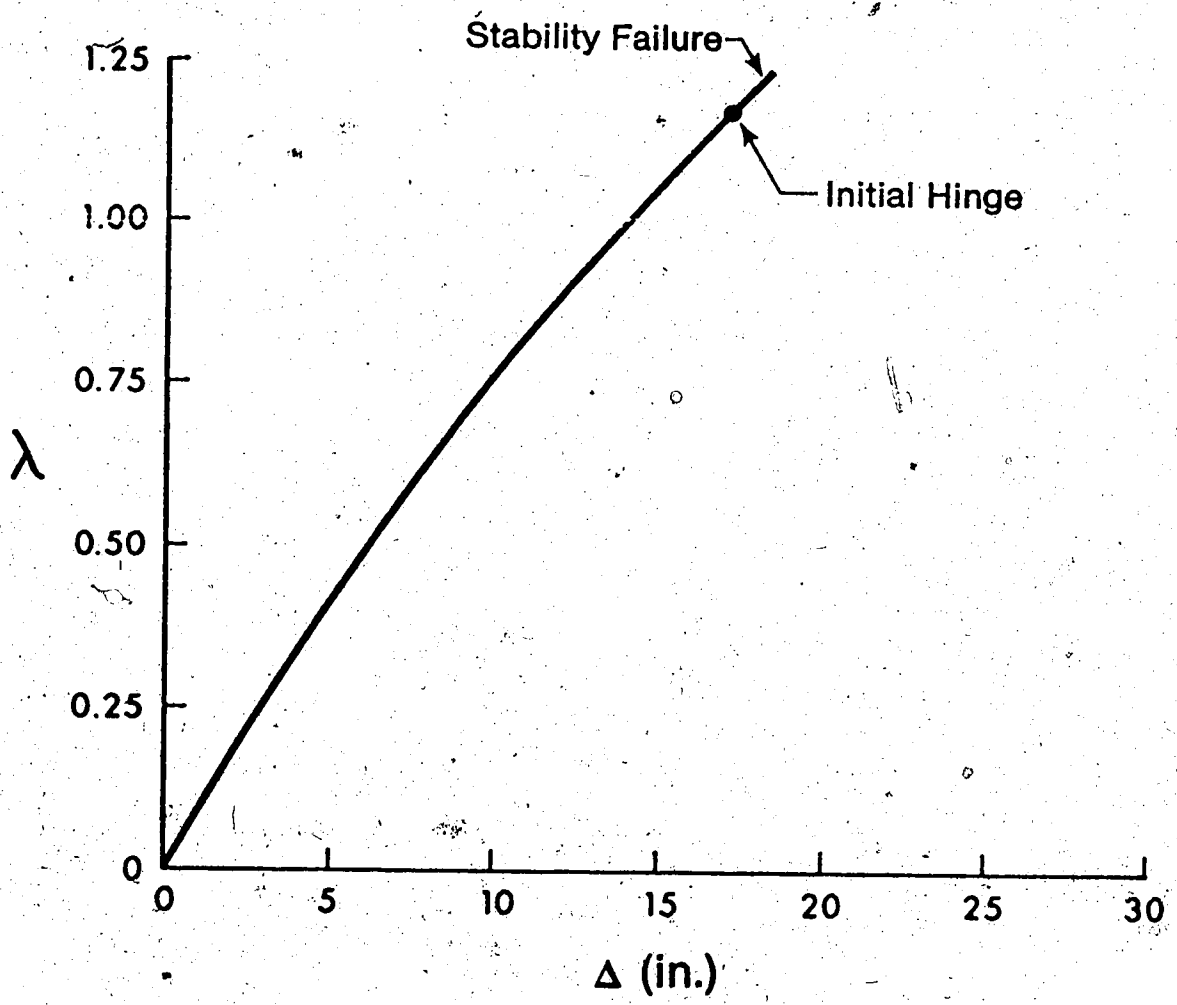
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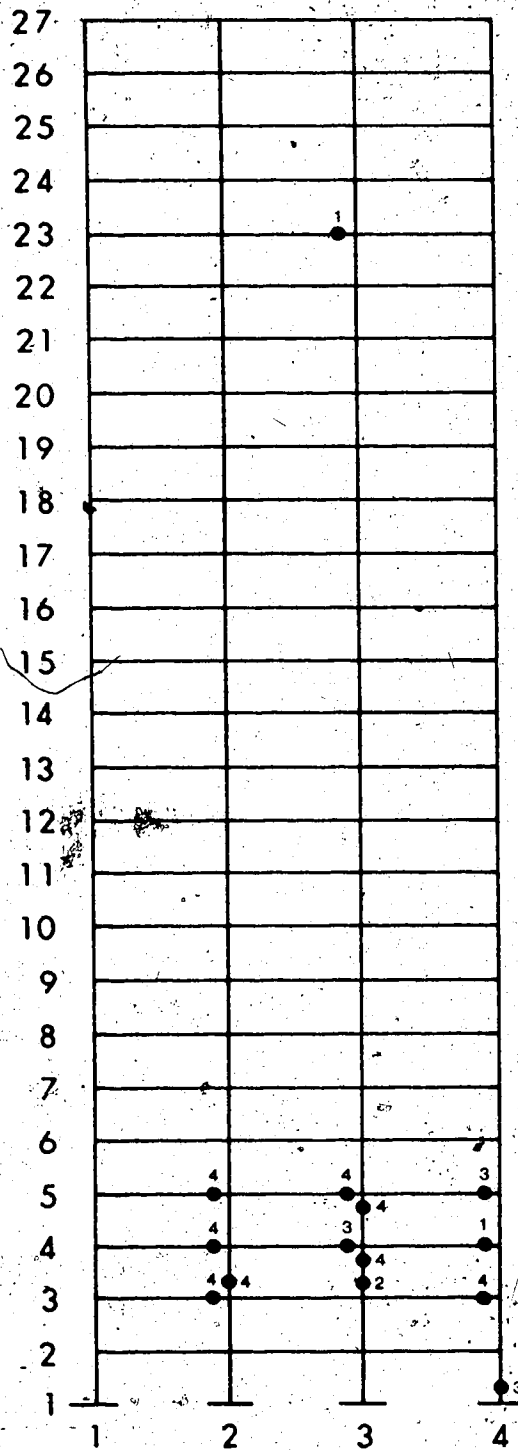
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# CHAPTER VIII

## DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

### 8.1 INTRODUCTION

The problems related to the design for stability of steel structures have been outlined in the previous chapters along with a number of proposed design methods. Particular emphasis has been placed on the design of structures using the $P\Delta$ procedure and the use of the interaction equations (Equation 3.20 and 3.21) to account for the stability of structures.

The object of this chapter is to draw together the information presented in the previous chapters and develop recommendations for the design of steel structures for stability.

### 8.2 DESIGN OF STEEL STRUCTURES FOR STABILITY

As outlined in previous sections, the main problem when designing a structure is to relate the design of a particular member to the overall stability of the structure. Traditionally, sway effects have been neglected when performing the analysis of the structure. As outlined in Chapter II, the sway effects can be significant when predicting the behavior of structures whether those structures are braced or unbraced. When sway effect ($P\Delta$ effects) are included in the analysis, the resulting prediction of the behavior of frames subjected to both combined loading and vertical loads only is found to be extremely close to behavior predicted by experiments.

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The discrepancy between the behavior of a real frame and the results of a first order analysis is traditionally accounted for by the distinction between a "sway prevented" and a "sway permitted" structure and the resulting K factor and ω factor. The K factor is also used to account for effect of end restraints on the behavior of a beam column. The K factor results from the use of a mathematical model to predict the buckling of an individual member of the structure, while considering the influence of other members in the structure. There is, however, no relationship between the mathematical model used to predict the sway permitted K factors and the second order moments developed in the frame. Thus, the use of the K factor in the interaction equation (Equation 3.21) amounts to an empirical prediction of the ultimate strength of a restrained column permitted to sway.

In effect, each individual member will resist the factored loads without failure due to overall instability or local material failure. This implies that the members in that storey will not fail as a unit due to an overall instability. There is, however, no specific check of the stability of the structure itself.

## 8.3 PROPOSED MODIFICATIONS TO TRADITIONAL PROCEDURES

As outlined in previous chapters, the model traditionally used to calculate the effective length factor, K, is based on a series of simplifying assumptions. Thus, K, when based on the sway permitted case, reflects only the effects of end conditions for an isolated member when the structure is on the verge of buckling in a sidesway mode. Thus, a number of proposals have been developed as attempts to reflect

in some way, the overall buckling of the frame itself.

Edmonds and Medland suggested that the effective length factors could be calculated on the basis of the buckling of the frame itself (6) as shown in Chapter III. A comparison between the interaction predicted by an ultimate strength analysis and the interaction predicted by Equation (3.21) with K based on the frame buckling condition showed the proposal to be unrealistically conservative. This discrepancy arises from the fact that the stability of a beam column is not related to a mathematical prediction of the critical load for a perfect frame. The frame buckling load is often related to the behavior of a specific store, in the frame, and thus, cannot be expected to relate to the behavior of members far removed from the area of weakness.

An apparently more rational approach would be to consider the buckling of each storey separately and calculate K based on the buckling load of each storey. A comparison between the interaction predicted when a K factor is based on a storey buckling and the ultimate strength of the member shows that, in some cases, the storey buckling K is over-conservative, and in other cases, this factor results in an unconservative prediction of member strength. Thus, the resulting structure may satisfy overall stability requirements, while not satisfying individual member strength. For Limit States Design, this procedure would be unacceptable (24).

Lay suggested a procedure that would consider the effect of axial load on member stiffness when considering the restraint provided to the ends of a column (5,30). At present, members with axial load above and below the column in question are assumed to be on the

verge of buckling and thus, share the restraint provided by the beams
to the beam-column joint. While Lay's proposal will reduce the stiff-
ness of columns framing into the joint, it will never result in a
negative stiffness as presently assumed. When a K factor calculated by
Lay's procedure is used in Equation (3.21), the interaction predicted
is unconservative when compared to the results of an ultimate strength
analysis. This is another case in which the adjustment of the K factor
did not consider the actual use of this factor in practice.

Lay also proposed a method for classifying members in struc-
tures as sway prevented in structures without stiff vertical bracing
elements (5,30). While studies in Chapter IV showed that when consi-
derations frame buckling of one storey can result in members that are
effectively sway prevented, in fact, other members in the same storey
that are supporting the more flexible columns may weaken by the resulting
leaning action. Before a member can be classified as sway prevented on
the basis of support provided by other members, some provision of the
effect this action has on the supporting members must be made to ensure
overall stability of the frame. As outlined when dealing with Med -
land's suggestions, the requirements of a limit states design procedure
may not be met when a re-distribution of load carrying capacity takes
place in the frame (24).

Yura developed proposals for the adjustment of the effective
length for inelastic column behavior and for the consideration of over-
all frame instability. As shown in Chapter IV, the use of a K factor
based on inelastic column behavior results in a reasonable prediction
of beam column strength for stockier columns often used in the design

of buildings of medium height. In other cases, however, the prediction remained quite conservative.

While Yura's initial proposal for moment magnification in mixed framing systems provided a reasonable prediction of the ultimate strength of the supporting member, the stability check as proposed in Equation 4.14 does not reflect the actual stability of the structure. The stability of a structure is not related simply to the sum of the axial load resistances of the members, but the ability of the structure to resist sway effects.

In each of these proposals, the approach has been to attempt to provide a more rational model for the calculation of the effective length factor. Each proposal would increase considerably the calculations required for the design of beam columns. Yet, the proposals do not provide a consistent allowance for the second order moments in beam columns or provide any allowance for second order moments in beams. There is no certainty that any of these proposals will actually ensure overall stability.

## 8.4  THE PΔ PROCEDURE

The alternative to a design based on the results of a first order analysis corrected by use of effective length factors would be direct calculation of second order moments as outlined in Chapter V. If the second order effects have been included in the analysis, than the members may be designed for member strength and stability as predicted when the interaction equations are used with the sway prevented K and ω factors.

A comparison between this prediction and the column end moments at ultimate strength of a restrained column permitted to sway shows that the member may not attain the predicted end moments before failure due to member instability. This discrepancy between predicted member strength and actual member strength has been shown to increase when the effect of inelastic beam response is considered in Chapter VI. The inelastic response of beams was found to only have a significant effect on restrained columns that are susceptible to a stability failure and only when beam yielding corresponds to the column ultimate strength.

The discrepancy between the ultimate strength predicted by the P$\Delta$ procedure and the ultimate strength predicted by analysis arises when the member fails due to instability before the ultimate moment of member is reached. This instability results when second order effects become significantly large compared to member strength and stiffness. Analyses of restrained columns in Chapter V have shown that this instability can be predicted by comparing sway effects to applied loads.

When an approximate second order analysis is used, the possibility that a stability problem exists may be examined by calculating the ratio of increase in shears due to second order effects to the applied lateral shears. If this ratio is greater than 0.5 for any storey, that storey can be defined as unstable and member sizes must be increased to provide more stability. When a direct calculation of second order effects is used (14,41), a first order analysis should also be performed and the same ratio should be calculated and checked.

Thus, when the P$\Delta$ procedure is used for design of members in a structure, the members will be designed for actual conditions that

exist at the limit state. The prescribed checks of sway effects at limit state will serve as a check of overall stability of the structure. The $P\Delta$ procedure provides a method of designing for member strength and checking for structural stability at the same time. It must be emphasized that the second order analysis must include any effect that can significantly effect deflections, and therefore, sway effects.

The design examples for a 26-storey building frame show that the $P\Delta$ procedure results in a structure that is lighter yet stiffer than the structure designed using the traditional effective length procedures. In fact, the frame designed using the traditional procedures reached a limit state before factored design loads were reached. Thus, the traditional procedure may result in unsafe designs unless provision is made to ensure moment re-distribution can take place. This problem may have been avoided in the past by the effect of higher apparent factors of safety that result when the allowable stress design technique is used, as in design example C. It must be noted, however, that the failure of the frame designed using the $P\Delta$ technique was related to a series of column hinges. Thus, the frame did not display the ability to absorb large amounts of energy before failure.

The design and analysis of a structure that developed significant sway effects showed that a problem with stability effects can exist for a "leaned structure" when the $P\Delta$ design technique is used. This example was not conclusive, however, possibly because of the difficulty in modelling the "leaned structure" for the analysis. Further study or experiments may be required in this area.

A proposal to neglect the $P\Delta$ effects altogether under certain

conditions was also studied. This study was quite difficult as the
proposal dealt with allowable stress design and some aspects of the
proposal were not well defined. If all limits are applied as suggested,
there would be few structures that could be designed using this propo-
sal except for a few low structures. A design example of a medium
height structure using this proposal resulted in an unsatisfactory
structure when one of the proposed limits was ignored. If, however,
this limit had been applied, the resulting column sizes were unrealis-
tically over-sized. This particular limit, the ratio of axial load to
axial resistance for columns appeared to be quite arbitrarily assigned.

## 8.5 RECOMMENDATIONS

### 8.5.1 DESIGN RECOMMENDATIONS

On the basis of the results of this investigation, the
following recommendations are made with reference to the Canadian Stan-
dard S16.1 "Steel Structures for Buildings - Limit States Design" (24).
Structures designed in accordance with Clause 8.6.1 and 8.6.2,
for which sway effects produced by vertical loads acting on a structure
in its displaced configuration, should only use effective length fac-
tors and equivalent moment factors based on the sway prevented condition
if a stability check of the structure is satisfied. This stability
check shall be satisfied for a specific storey if the ratio of the sum
of artifical lateral loads produced at or above the floor level caused
by the vertical forces acting through the first order displacement,
divided by the sum of the applied lateral shears at or above the floor

level is less than 0.50. In equation form, this requirement is:

$$\frac{\Sigma H'_i}{\Sigma H_i} < 0.50 \qquad (8.1)$$

where:

H'$_i$ is the artifical lateral load produced at the

ith storey above the floor in question due to the

vertical loads acting through the first order dis-

placed configuration of the frame.

H$_i$ is the applied lateral force at the ith storey

above the floor in question.

The artificial lateral load can be calculated by referring to

Figure 8.1.

$$H'_i = V'_{i-1} - V'_i \qquad (8.2)$$

where:

V'$_i$ = the artificial shear in storey i due to

sway forces is given by:

$$V'_i = \frac{\Sigma P_i}{h_i} (\Delta_{i+1} - \Delta_i) \qquad (8.3)$$

where:

$\Sigma P_i$ = sum of the column axial loads in storey i

h = height of storey i

$\Delta_{i+1}$; $\Delta_i$ = first order displacements of level

i + 1 and i, respectively.

For the case of vertical loads only, the applied lateral

forces shall be considered as the artificial forces caused by gravity

loads acting on initially out-of-plumb members (47).

The second paragraph in Clause 8.6.1 of CSA S16.1 "Steel

Structures for Buildings - Limit States Design" (24), refers to certain structures for which sway effects may be neglected. It is recommended that this clause only be applied if the ratio

$$\frac{\Sigma H'_i}{\Sigma H_i} < 0.03 \qquad\qquad (8.4)$$

is satisfied, thus, the error in neglecting second order effects would be less than 3%.

It is also recommended that consideration be given to any phenomena that may have a significant effect on the deflections calculated in the second order analysis. Specifically, if the axial loads in the members are so large that

$$\sqrt{\frac{C_f L^2}{E I}} > 1.20 \qquad\qquad (8.5)$$

where:

$C_f$ = the factored axial load in the member

L = the member length

E = Young's modulus

I = moment of inertia in the plane of bending for the member

then the effects of axial load on member stiffness should be considered.

In the cases when structures are designed using the provisions of Section 8.6.3 of CSA S16.1 "Steel Structures for Buildings - Limit States Design" (24), in which a first order analysis is used and sway effects are compensated for by use of the sway permitted K and ω factors, provision for beam hinging must be made. It is recommended that provisions be made that for structures designed in accordance with Clause

8.6.3 shall have beams that satisfy (24):

    a)  the width-thickness ratio requirements of a Class

        1 section as given in Clause 11.2.

    b)  the steel used has $F_y < 0.80 F_u$ and exhibits the

        load strain characteristics necessary to achieve

        moment distribution.

    c)  are laterally braced near the columns in accor-

        dance with Clause 13.7.

These provisions would assure that early beam hinges caused

when second order effects in beams are neglected will not result in

local failure before the specified load factor.

It is further recommended that in view of the material pre-

sented in Chapter IV, that when the results of a first order analysis

is used for design, the traditional model for calculation of a sway per-

mitted K factor be used. While this model provides results that are

somewhat conservative and the model itself may not reflect actual struc-

tural behavior, the results provided by this model are apparently

provide a relatively consistent factor of safety for individual member

strength and structural stability.

## 8.5.2 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FURTHER RESEARCH

With respect to the design of structures using the P$\Delta$ method,

it is recommended that further design examples be studied to confirm

the stability problem and check the value of the stability effects

ratio suggested. To this end, it is suggested that large scale experi-

ments of "leaned structures" be performed to further confirm the stabi-

lity problem. It is also suggested, that some of these tests be designed to produce significant stability effects due to inelastic action in restraining beams.

With respect to proposed modifications of the method for calculating the effective length factor, K, it is suggested that any modified K factor should be checked for its use in Equation (3.21). The interaction predicted by Equation (3.21) using the modified K should provide a reasonable agreement with the interaction predicted by an ultimate strength analysis of a restrained column permitted to sway as outlined in Chapter III. If the prediction provided is unconservative, evidence should be provided that the premature loss of lateral load capacity of one or more members of the frame does not affect the overall stability of the structure.
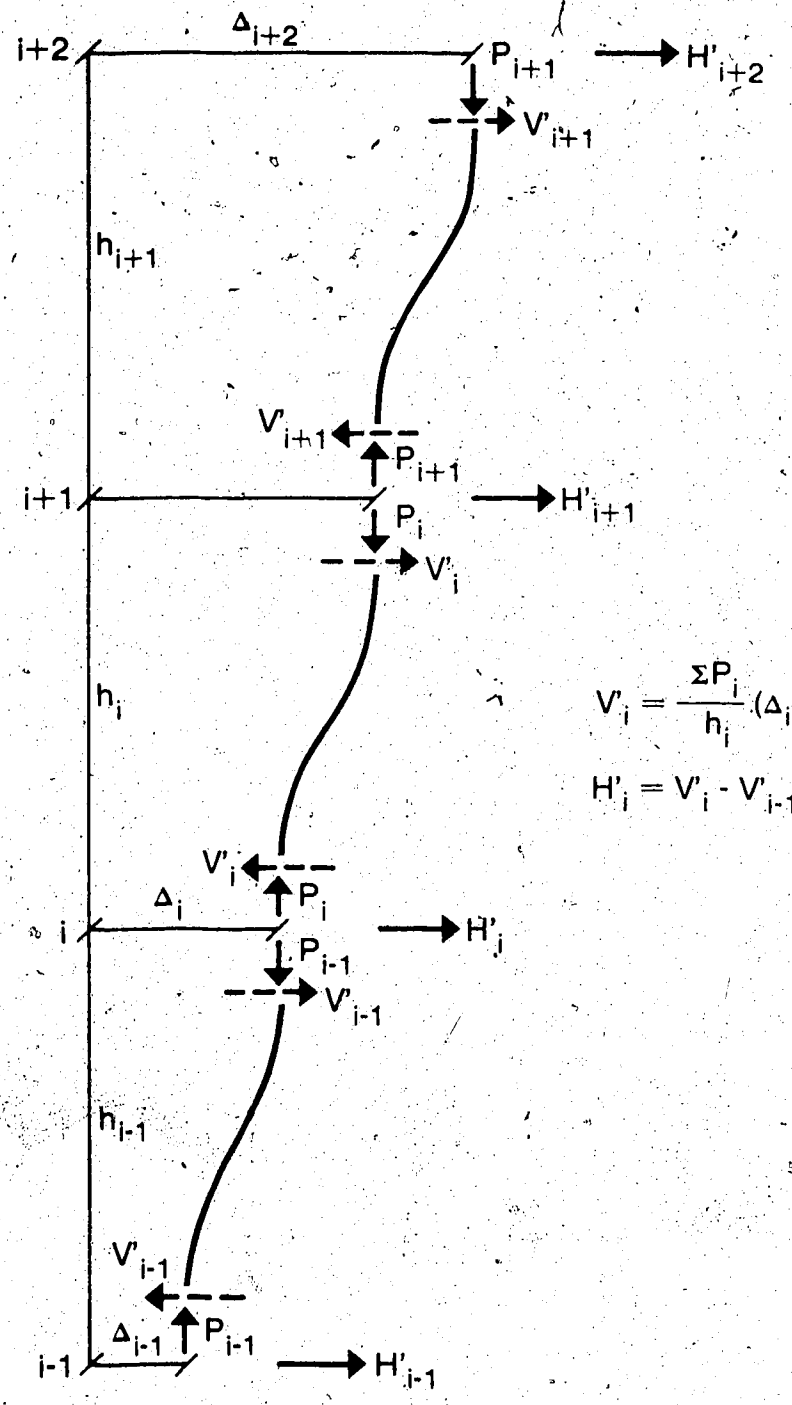
$$V'_i = \frac{\Sigma P_i}{h_i}(\Delta_{i+1} - \Delta_i)$$

$$H'_i = V'_i - V'_{i-1}$$

Figure 8.1  Sway Forces Due To Vertical Loads

# CHAPTER IX

## SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

### 9.1 SUMMARY

Methods for the design of tall steel building frames for stability have been investigated in this thesis. First, the behavior of frames, both braced and unbraced, subjected to combined loading and vertical loads only was outlined. Various analytical models that can be used to predict the behavior of building frames were discussed.

It was shown that a first order analysis over-estimates the strength and stiffness of a structure, while a second order analysis (an analysis that includes PΔ forces) provides a reasonable prediction of structural behavior.

When a first order analysis is used, there must be an adjustment in the design procedure to account for the neglected second order effects. The traditional method for adjustment for second order effects has been presented, along with a number of proposed modifications to the traditional method. Analyses were performed to ascertain the effect of these modifications on the design of members.

A proposal to include second order effects in the analyses of structures, and thus, negate the adjustments required for design has been outlined. Analyses were performed to check the accuracy of the PΔ procedure. It was found that the PΔ procedure can be unconservative if the structure is approaching a stability failure. Limits were proposed to ensure the stability of structures designed by the PΔ procedure.

An analysis was developed to study the effect of inelastic beam response on the behavior of restrained columns permitted to sway. The inelastic beam response was found to reduce the apparent strength of restrained columns that are subject to stability failures. For members that fall within the limits proposed to measure sway effects, the effect of an inelastic beam response was found to be negligible.

An example building frame was designed using a number of different design procedures. The resulting members sizes were compared and the behavior of the resulting frames were predicted using a second order elastic-plastic analysis.

The results of the investigation were discussed and a number of recommendations were made for the design of steel structures for stability. Suggestions for the course of further studies were also put forth.

## 9.2 CONCLUSIONS

The PΔ procedure for the design of building frames provides for a rational design of steel frames as long as provision is made to assure the overall stability of the structure. Such a provision can be made by comparing the artificial shear forces predicted using the results of a first order analysis of the structure to the applied lateral forces. Although a structure that satisfies the criteria for lateral sway will not likely be subject to a stability problem, only a check of sway effects as outlined will ensure that stability criterion are satisfied.

The softening of member response caused by inelastic behavior

of beams was found to be only significant when the sway effects in the member are significant. Thus, when the structure satisfies criteria for structural stability, the limit state of the structure will not be influenced by inelastic action in beams caused by gradual penetration of the yielded zones.

Second order effects should only be neglected in the analysis if such effects are shown to be negligible in the analysis or if provisions are made in the design procedures to allow for neglected second order effects. An acceptable procedure for allowing for neglected second order effects is the use of sway permitted models for the calculation of effective length factors, K, and equivalent moment factors, $\omega$. When this procedure is used, however, provision should be made for premature beam hinges since no allowance is made for second order moments in beams.

Since the use of a sway permitted effective length factor reflects an essentially empirical adjustment for neglected second order effects, the development of a more rational effective length factor does not necessarily result in a better prediction of member behavior. Proposed modifications to the effective length factor studied did not provide a more consistent prediction of member strength than the traditional effective length factor, when used in the stability interaction equation. Any future modifications of the traditional procedure for the calculation of effective length factors should be justified not be the rational of the effective length calculation, but by the use of this factor in design equations.

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# APPENDIX A

## CALCULATION OF STABILITY EFFECTS
## FOR ALLOWABLE STRESS DESIGN.

An approximate analysis for the calculation of stability effects has been presented in Section 5.2. This analysis has been presented for the Limit States Design Technique. The analysis must be modified when using Allowable Stress Design. Equation A-1 is modified by the inclusion of a load factor, $\alpha$, to:

$$V_i' = \frac{\alpha \Sigma P_i}{H_i} (\Delta_{i+1} - \Delta_i) \qquad (A-1)$$

where:

$V_i'$ = additional shear in story i due to the sway forces,

$\Sigma P_i$ = sum of the column axial loads in story i,

$\alpha$ = the load factor,

$H_i$ = height of story i, and

$\Delta_{i+1}, \Delta_i$ = displacements of level i + 1 and i, respectively.

The sway forces due to the vertical loads, $H_i'$, are then computed as the difference between the additional story shears at each level:

$$H_i' = V_{i-1}' - V_i' \qquad (A-2)$$

Equations (A-1) and (A-2) require that the sway forces be computed on the basis of the factored axial loads even though the purpose of the computation is to assess the magnitude of the P$\Delta$ effect at working loads.

This apparent inconsistency may be explained with reference to Figure (A-1), a plot of the load deflection relationship for a typical structure subjected to vertical loads, W, and horizontal loads, H.

The response is assumed to be shown by the solid curve. Two stages on the curve are of interest; that at which the critical member reaches its ultimate capacity, corresponding to the lateral load, $H_2$; and the working load level, $H_{2W}$, respectively.

In the allowable stress design technique the ultimate capacity of the member is divided by a factor of safety, $\alpha$, to arrive at the allowable capacity at the design load level. In North American Specifications this load factor is usually 1.70 and the implication in this technique is that since the resistance of the member can increase by a factor of $\alpha = 1.70$ between the working load level and the attainment of the ultimate capacity, the forces on the structure should increase by this same factor.

Since both the vertical and horizontal loads increase on the structure, the deflection corresponding to $H_2$, that is $\Delta_2$, is more than 1.7 times the deflection $\Delta_{2W}$. This is because, although the shears dues to the applied horizontal forces have increased by a factor of 1.7, the P$\Delta$ shears have increased by more than this amount since (see Equation A-1) both the vertical loads and the deflections increase during the loading history. However, if the story shears (Equation A-2) are computed on the basis of factored vertical loads, as suggested, this is equivalent to using

an increased deflection at working load level, $\Delta_{2W}$ in Figure
(A-1) in the computation of the $P\Delta$ forces. Under this procedure
the story shears (and therefore, the bending moments and axial
forces) corresponding to the attainment of the ultimate capacity
in the critical member will be 1.70 times those at the working
load level.

When using limit states design, however, there is no
need to apply the load factor in Equation (A-1), as the load factor
has already been applied in the analysis.

The figure contains the following labels and equations:

$$V'_i = \frac{\alpha \Sigma P_i}{h_i} (\Delta_{i+1} - \Delta_i)$$

$$H'_i = V'_i - V'_{i-1}$$
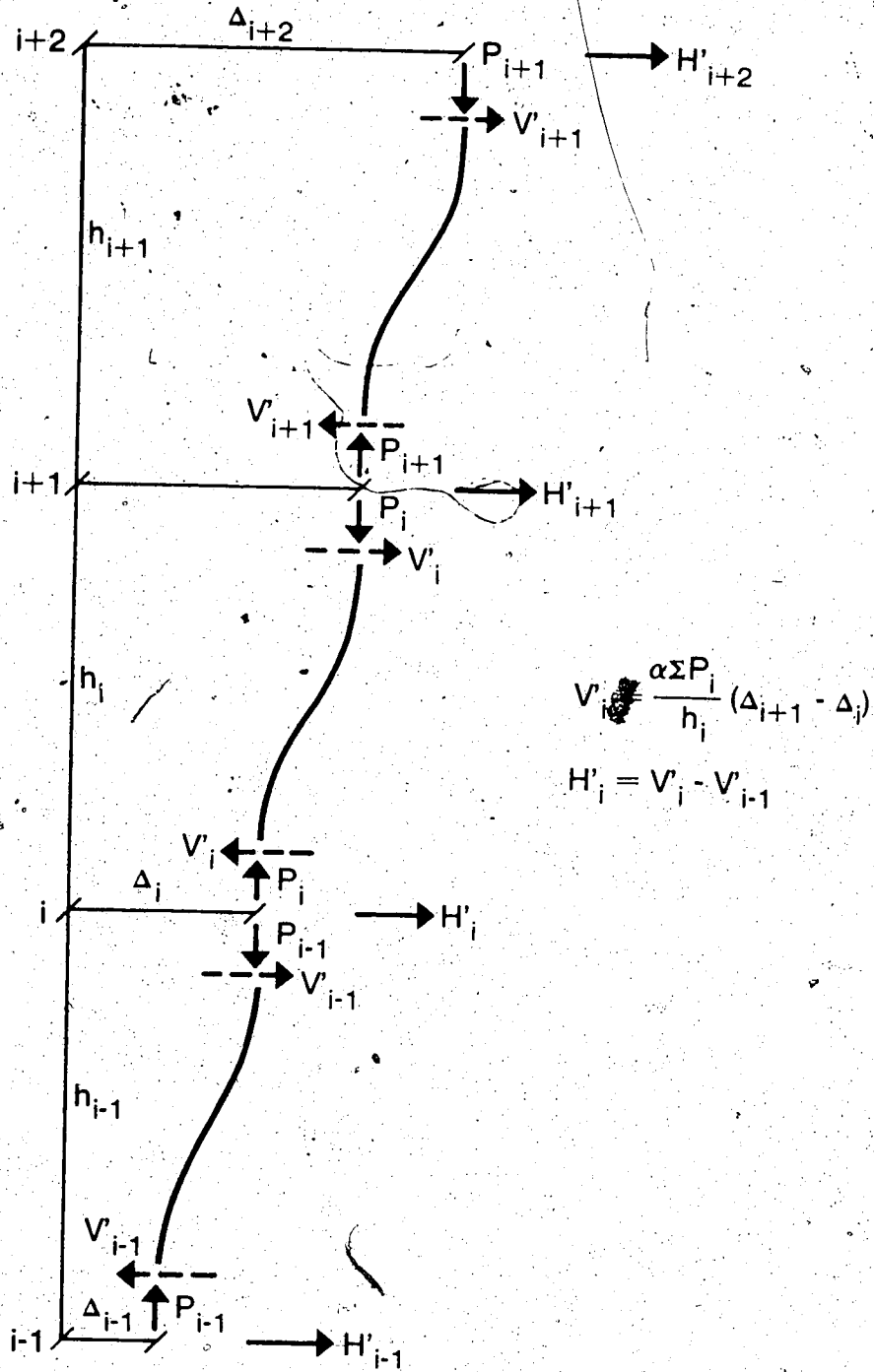
**Figure A.1  Sway Forces Due To Vertical Loads**

# APPENDIX B

## COMPUTER PROGRAM

The computer program presented herein for the inelastic analysis of restrained columns permitted to sway, was developed for an IBM 360 - model 67 computer with Michigan Terminal System. The program was developed for an interactive type of terminal use and is most efficient when used in this manner.

The interactive use allows a changing of analysis constraints to speed the analysis process. When the program was run on batch on an IBM 360 - model 50 computer at Lakehead University, the selection of the initial values for joint rotation and the joint rotation increments proved time consuming. The author and the University of Alberta disclaim any responsibility for the misuse of the program, nor will they be responsible for errors in the listing.

## B.1     NOMENCLATURE FOR COMPUTER PROGRAM

| | |
|---|---|
| ABM, ACM | - final girder end moments (K-in.) |
| ADM, ADMI | - column end moment, non-dimensionalized |
| ADMY | - column end moment (K-in.) |
| ALPHAX, ALX, ALX1 | - vertical displacement at girder end divided by girder lengths |
| AXM | - girder end moment (K-in.) |
| AXV | - girder end shear (K) |
| BC | - curvature for moment-curvature relationship |
| BI, CI | - girder moment in inertia (in.$^4$) |
| BL, CL | - girder length (in.) |
| BM | - moment for moment-curvature relationship |
| BMB, BMC, BMF, BMX | - near end girder moment, non-dimensionalized |
| BMD | - bending moment at centre of girder segment, non-dimensionalized |
| BML, BMR | - far end girder moments, non-dimensionalized |
| BQ, CQ | - girder load (K/ft.) |
| BRM | - total girder resisting moment, non-dimensionalized |
| BS, CS | - girder plastic modulus (in.$^3$) |
| CM | - moment from column moment-end rotation relationship |

| | |
|---|---|
| CR | - end rotation from column moment-<br>end rotation relationship |
| DA | - column area $(in.^2)$ |
| DELTA | - length of beam segment (in.) |
| DI | - column moment of inertia $(in.^4)$ |
| DIFF, DIFF2 | - factors used to check convergence |
| DL | - column length (in.) |
| DM, DM2 | - changes in girder end moments<br>to force convergence |
| DP, P. | - column axial load (K) |
| DTHA | - increment in girder-column joint rotation |
| BTHB, DTHC | - constant function used to relate far end to<br>near end joint rotations |
| DTH1, DTH2, DTH3 | - functions used to check for convergence |
| DZ | - column plastic modulus $(in.^3)$ |
| E | - Young's modulus (29000 KSI) |
| FMB, FMC | - trial girder end moments (K-in.) |
| FY | - yield strength (KSI) |
| GA | - column end rotation (radians) |
| H | - lateral shear resistance of subassemblage,<br>non-dimensionalized |
| INDEX | - control index for far ends pinned case |
| NP | - number of points specified for analysis |
| NPB | - number of points in girder moment-<br>curvature relationship |

NPC — number of points in column moment-end rotation relationship

PCM — maximum column moment before column failure, non-dimensionalized

PHI — curvature of girder segment

PHIYB, PHIYC — girder yield curvatures, (radians)

PM — column reduced plastic moment (K-in.)

PY — column yield load (K)

PYB, PYC — girder plastic moments (K-in.)

RM — moment of horizontal resisting shear about far joint (K-in.)

RO — joint sway ($\Delta/h$)

RO1MP — initial imperfection ($\Delta/h$)

SIGN — control sign for direction of integration

SIGN B, SIGN C — control sign for convergence check

SLOPE — slope of moment-curvature or moment-end rotation relationships

TH — slope of girder segment

THA — rotation of beam-column joint (radians)

THB, THC, THX — rotation of joint at far end of the girder (radians)

TOL, TOL2 — tolerances for convergence checks

TX — function used in convergence checks

XAM — girder end moment (K-in.)

V — deflection of girder segment (in.)

# B2  Flow Diagram



Figure B.1 Flow Diagram Main Program

```
        ┌───┐
        │ 1 │
        └───┘
          │
          ▼
  ╱────────────────────╲      yes
 ╱ Does Column Moment   ╲────────────────┐
 ╲  Exceed Maximum      ╱                 │
  ╲────────────────────╱                  │
          │ no                            │
          ▼                               │
     ( Call Colum )                       │
          │                               │
          ▼                               │
    ┌──────────────┐                      │
    │Calculate Sway│                      │
    └──────────────┘                      │
          │                               │
          ▼                               │
    ┌──────────────────┐                  │
    │Calculate Horizontal│                │
    │ Shear Resistance │                  │
    └──────────────────┘                  │
          │                               │
          ▼                               │
  ╱─────────────────────────────╲         │
 ╱ Print Shear, Sway, Joint Rotation,     │
 ╲ Girder Moments, Column Moment ╱         │
  ╲─────────────────────────────╱         │
          │                               │
          ▼                               │
    ┌──────────────────────┐              │
    │Increase Joint Rotation│             │
    └──────────────────────┘             │
          │                               │
          ▼                               │
 ┌───┐ no ╱────────────────────────────╲  │
 │ 2 │───╱ Has The Maximum Number Of     ╲ │
 └───┘   ╲ Analysis Points Been Exceeded ╱ │
          ╲────────────────────────────╱  │
          │ yes                           │
          ▼◄─────────────────────────────┘
       ┌──────┐
       │ Stop │
       └──────┘
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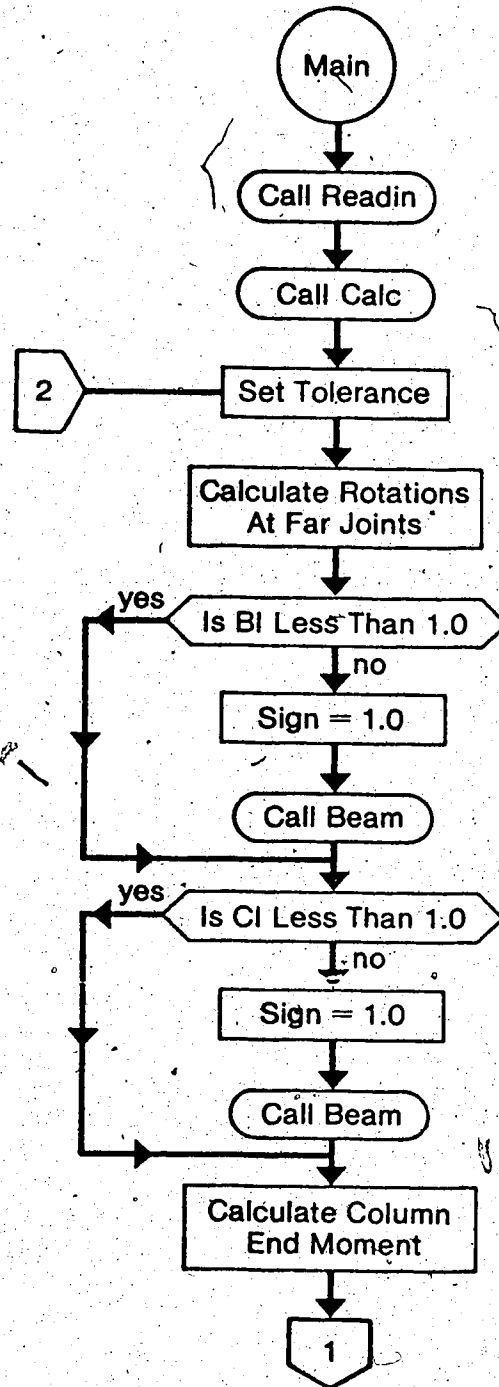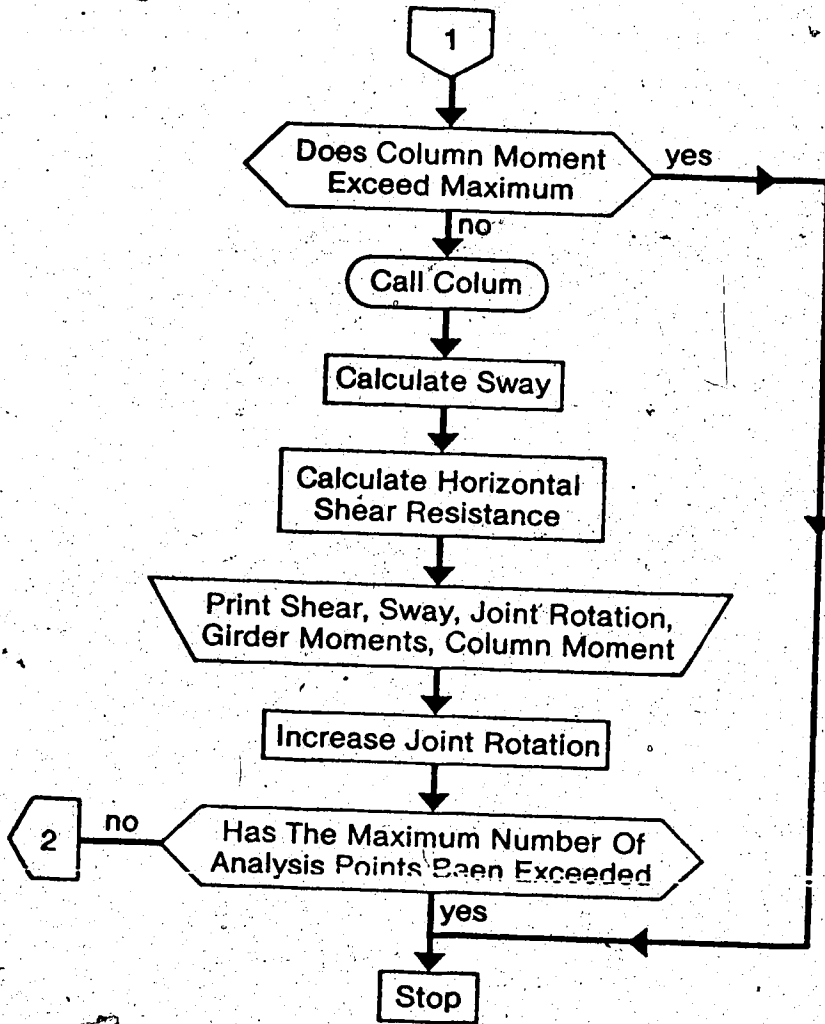
Figure B.1 Flow Diagram Main Program (continued)
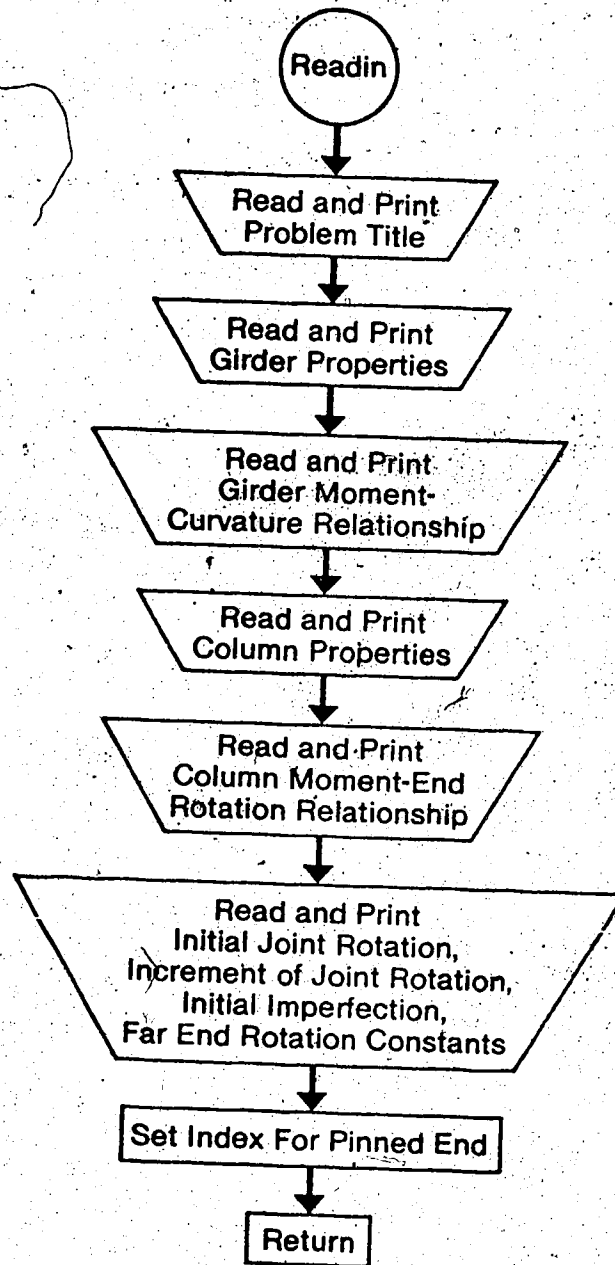
Figure B.2 Flow Diagram Subroutine Readin

```
        ( Calc )
           │
           ▼
   ┌─────────────────┐
   │ Initialize Certain│
   │   Variables      │
   └─────────────────┘
           │
           ▼
  no  ⟨ Is Far End Pinned ⟩
           │ yes
           ▼
   ┌─────────────────┐
   │ Calculate Initial│
   │ End Moments Using│
   │   M = WL²/8      │
   └─────────────────┘
           │
           ▼
   ┌─────────────────┐
   │ Calculate Initial│
   │ End Moments Using│
   │   M = WL²/12     │
   └─────────────────┘
           │
           ▼
   ┌─────────────────┐
   │ Divide Moments   │
   │By Beam Plastic Moments│
   └─────────────────┘
           │
           ▼
   ┌─────────────────┐
   │ Calculate Column Yeild│
   │Load and Reduced Plastic│
   │     Moment       │
   └─────────────────┘
           │
           ▼
        [ Return ]
```

Moment calculation nodes:

$M = WL^2/8$

$M = WL^2/12$
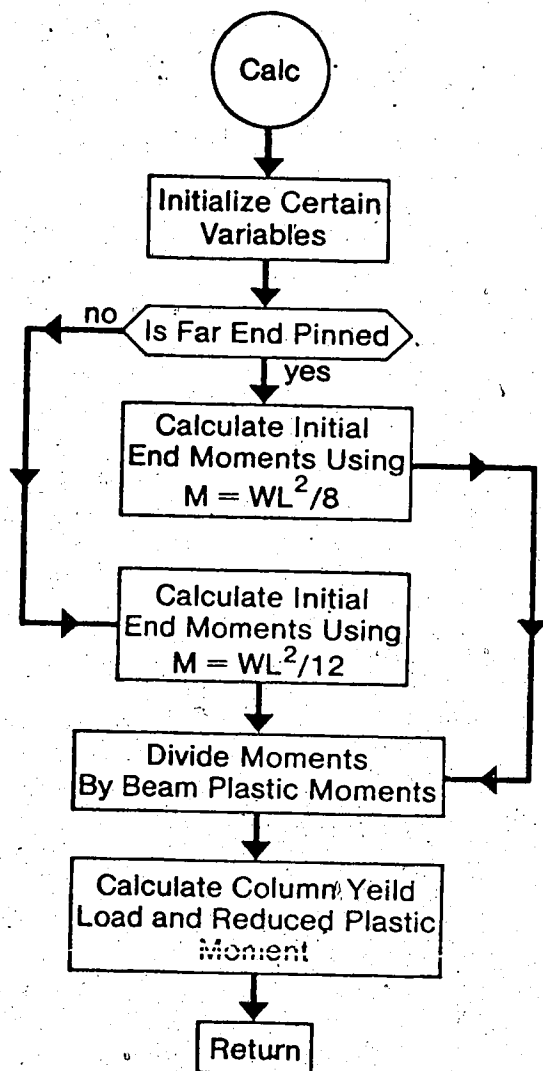
Figure B.3 Flow Diagram Subroutine Calc
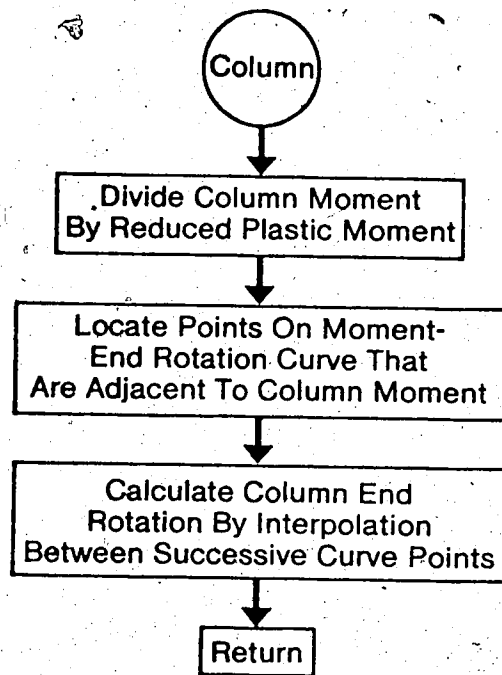
Figure B.4 Flow Diagram Subroutine Column

```
                    ( Beam )
                       │
                       ▼
          ┌─────────────────────────┐
          │  Set Change Of Moment   │
          │     Increment Size      │
          └─────────────────────────┘
                       │
                       ▼
          ┌─────────────────────────┐
          │    Calculate Girder     │◄──────────────────┐
          │       End Shear         │                   │
          └─────────────────────────┘                   │
                       │                                 │
                       ▼                                 │
                 (  Call Sum  )                          │
                       │                                 │
                       ▼                                 │
   yes ◄────⟨  Is The Far End                ⟩          │
          ◄─⟨ Of The Girder Pinned           ⟩          │
          │           │ no                              │
          │           ▼                                 │
   yes    │  ⟨ Is The Far End Slope          ⟩          │
      ◄───┼──⟨ Equal To The Far              ⟩          │
          │  ⟨ End Joint Rotation            ⟩          │
          │           │ no                              │
          │           ▼                                 │
          │  ┌─────────────────────┐                    │
          │  │ Adjust Moment At The│───────┐            │
          │  │ Far End Of The Girder│      │            │
          │  └─────────────────────┘       │            │
          │           │                    ▼            │
   yes    ▼           ▼                                 │
      ◄─⟨ Is The Deflection At The ⟩                    │
      ◄─⟨ Far End Of The Girder Zero ⟩                  │
          │           │ no                              │
          │           ▼                                 │
          │  ┌─────────────────────┐                    │
          │  │  Adjust The Near End│────────┐           │
          │  │    Girder Moment    │        │           │
          │  └─────────────────────┘        ▼           │
          │           │                                 │
          │           ▼                                 │
          │  ⟨ Has The Maximum      ⟩   no              │
          │  ⟨ Number of Cycles Been⟩──────────────────┘
          │  ⟨ Exceeded             ⟩
          │           │ yes
          │           ▼
          │     ( Call Exit )
          │           
          ▼           
          ──────────► [ Return ]
```

Figure B.5 Flow Diagram Subroutine Beam

```
                    ┌─────────┐
                    │   Sum   │
                    └────┬────┘
                         ↓
          ┌──────────────────────────┐
          │    Initialize Slope,     │
          │  Deflection, Distance    │
          │    To Segment Centre     │
          └──────────────┬───────────┘
                         ↓
          ┌──────────────────────────┐
          │   Calculate Segment      │
          │        Length            │
          └──────────────┬───────────┘
                         ↓
          ┌──────────────────────────┐
     ┌4   │   Calculate Distance     │
          │       To Segment         │
          └──────────────┬───────────┘
                         ↓
          ┌──────────────────────────┐
          │   Calculate Segment      │
          │        Moment            │
          └──────────────┬───────────┘
                         ↓
          ┌──────────────────────────┐
          │ Locate Points On Moment- │
          │ Curvature Relationship That│
          │ Are Adjacent To Segment  │
          │        Moment            │
          └──────────────┬───────────┘
                         ↓
          ┌──────────────────────────┐
          │  Calculate Cuvature Of   │
          │ Segment By Interpolation │
          │ Between Successive Moments│
          └──────────────┬───────────┘
                         ↓
                     ┌───────┐
                     │   3   │
                     └───────┘
```

Figure B.6 Flow Diagram Subroutine Sum

```
      ┌───┐
      │ 3 │
      └─┬─┘
        ▼
┌──────────────────┐
│ Calculate Segment│
│   Deflection     │
└────────┬─────────┘
         ▼
┌──────────────────┐
│ Calculate Segment│
│     Slope        │
└────────┬─────────┘
         ▼
┌───┐ no  ╱──────────────╲
│ 4 │────   Is This The
└───┘      Last Segment
            ╲──────────────╱
                  │ yes
                  ▼
        ┌──────────────────┐
        │  Set End Slope   │
        │ Equal To Slope   │
        │ Of Last Segment  │
        └────────┬─────────┘
                 ▼
        ┌──────────────────┐
        │ Set End Deflection│
        │ Equal To Deflection│
        │ Of Last Segment  │
        └────────┬─────────┘
                 ▼
           ┌─────────┐
           │ Return  │
           └─────────┘
```

Figure B.6 Flow Diagram Subroutine Sum (continued)

## B.3   INPUT DATA

The data for the program is input in the following order:

1. Problem identification label (2A6) column and girder properties identified (ie. elastic, inelastic, etc.) 2A6.

2. Girder properties (one card for each girder), section modulus, length, plastic modulus, load (4F10.0), if there is no beam on one side of the column set section modulus to zero.
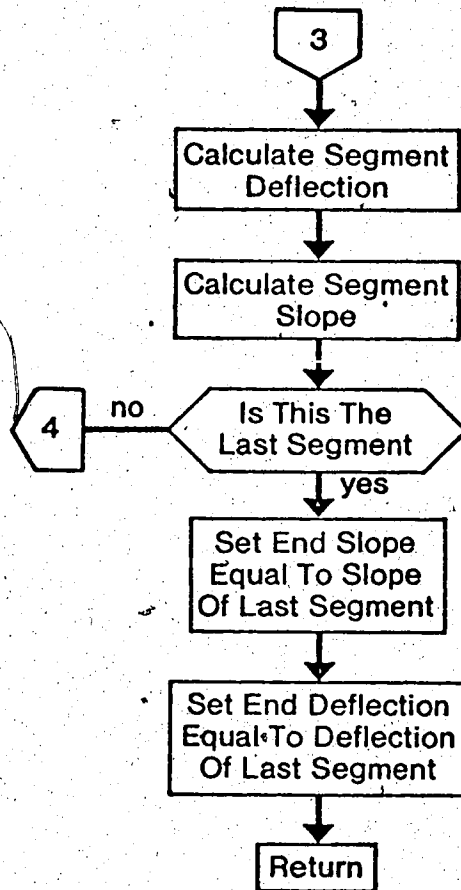
3. Number of point in moment-curvature relationship (I2)

4. Girder curvature for moment-curvature data in increasing order starting from zero (8F10.0).

5. Girder moments for moment-curvature data in increasing order starting from zero (8F10.0).

6. Column data on one card, section modulus, length, plastic modulus, area, yield strength (5F10.0).

7. Number of point in the column moment-end rotation relationship (I2).

8. Corresponding column moments and end rotations in increasing order, one set for each card (2F10.0).

9. Column P/PY value (F10.0).

```
      IMPLICIT REAL*8(A-H,O-Z)
      DIMENSION BM(20),BC(20),CR(20),CM(20)
 99   CALL READIN (BL,BQ,CL,CQ,NP,ROIMP,CR,CM,PM,NPC,BM,BC,THA,DTHA,NPB,
     1BI,BS,CI,CS,DI,DL,DZ,DA,FY,DP,DTHB,DTHC,INDEX)
      CALL CALC (BMB,BMC,PYB,PYC,PHIYB,PHIYC,BL,BQ,CL,CQ,PM,BI,BS,CI,CS,
     1DZ,DA,FY,DP,E,P,PY,BML,BMR,INDEX)
 800  DO 997 ID=1,NP
      TOL =DABS(THA*0.0025)
      THB=THA*DTHB
      THC=THA*DTHC
      IF (TOL.GT.0.0000005) TOL=0.0000005
      ABM=0.0
      IF (BI.LT.1.0) GO TO 100
      SIGN=1.0
      CALL BEAM (BL,BQ,ABM,TOL,PYB,PHIYB,ALPHAB,BMB,SIGN,THA,BM,BC,NPB,T
     1HB,BML,INDEX,ABV)
 100  ACM=0.0
      IF (CI.LT.1.0) GO TO 200
      SIGN=-1.0
      CALL BEAM (CL,CQ,ACM,TOL,PYC,PHIYC,ALPHAC,BMC,SIGN,THA,BM,BC,NPB,T
     1HC,BMR,INDEX,ACV)
 200  ADM=-(ABM+ACM+((ABV-ACV)*(DI*1.18/DZ)))/2.0
      PMC=CM(NPC)*PM
      ADM1=DABS(ADM)
      IF (ADM1.GT.PMC) GO TO 999
      CALL COLUMN (ADM,GA,CR,CM,PM,NPC)
      RO=THA-GA
      RO=RO+ROIMP
 600  RM=-ADM-(P*RO*DL)
      H=PM/PM
      BRM=DABS((2.*ADM)/PM)
      BMB=ABM/PYB
      BMC=ACM/PYC
      WRITE (6,70) H,RO,THA,BMB,BML,BMC,BMR,BRM
 70   FORMAT (/,F8.3,2F12.6,5F8.3)
      THA=THA+DTHA
 997  CONTINUE
      GO TO 99
 999  IF (N9.EQ.1) GO TO 991
      THA=THA-DTHA
      DTHA=DTHA/10.
      THA=THA+DTHA
      N9=1
      GO TO 800
 991  WRITE (6,998)
 998  FORMAT (///,'  COLUMN HAS FAILED ')
      STOP
      END
      SUBROUTINE READIN (BL,BQ,CL,CQ,NP,ROIMP,CR,CM,PM,NPC,BM,BC,THA,DTH
     1A,NPB,BI,BS,CI,CS,DI,DL,DZ,DA,FY,DP,DTHB,DTHC,INDEX)
      IMPLICIT REAL*8(A-H,O-Z)
      DIMENSION BM(20),BC(20),CR(20),CM(20)
 55   READ (5,67,END=9) FR,AME,COLUM,BEAM
 67   FORMAT (4A6)
      READ (5,1)BI,BL,BS,BQ
 1    FORMAT (4F10.0)
      READ (5,1)CI,CL,CS,CQ
```

```
      READ (5,2) NPB
    2 FORMAT (I2)
      READ (5,3) (BC(I),I=1,NPB)
      READ (5,3) (BM(I),I=1,NPB)
    3 FORMAT (8F10.0)
      READ (5,10) DI,DL,DZ,DA,FY
   10 FORMAT (5F10.0)
      READ (4,2) NPC
      DO 111 I=1,NPC
  111 READ (4,3) CM(I),CR(I)
      READ (4,4) PY
    4 FORMAT (F10.0)
      DP=PY*FY*DA
      WRITE (6,30) FR,AME,COLUM,BEAM
   30 FORMAT ('1 SOLUTION OF SUBASSEMLAGE ',2A6,/,'COLUMN IS ',A6,'BEAM
     1 IS ',A6,//)
      WRITE (6,5) PY
    5 FORMAT ('    P/PY=',F6.2,//)
      WRITE (6,40)
   40 FORMAT ('    BEAM PROPERTIES ',//,'      I      L      S      Q
     1 ',/)
      WRITE (6,31) BI,BL,BS,BQ
      WRITE (6,31) CI,CL,CS,CQ
   31 FORMAT (4F8.1)
      WRITE (6,70)
   70 FORMAT (//,'       M/MP          PHI/PHI Y ',/)
      DO 71 I=1,NPB
   71 WRITE (6,72) BM(I),BC(I)
   72 FORMAT (2F14.4)
      WRITE (6,44)
   44 FORMAT (/ '    COLUMN PROPERTIES ',//)
      WRITE (6,32) DI,DL,DZ,DA,FY,DP
   32 FORMAT ('       I      L      Z      A      FY      P ',//,6
     1F8.1,//)
      WRITE (6,73)
   73 FORMAT (/,'       M/MPC          TH ',/)
      DO 74 I=1,NPC
   74 WRITE (6,75) CM(I),CR(I)
   75 FORMAT (2F15.6)
      READ (5,66) THA,DTHA,ROIMP,DTHB,DTHC,NP
   66 FORMAT (5F10.0,I5)
      WRITE (6,482) DTHB,DTHC
  482 FORMAT (/,'    THA=',F7.3,' THB    THC=',F7.3,' THB ',/)
      WRITE (6,483) ROIMP
  483 FORMAT ('    INITIAL IMPERFECTION RO =',F10.6,/)
      INDEX=1
      IF (DTHB.LT.0.001) INDEX=2
      WRITE (6,46)
   46 FORMAT('1    H        RO      THETA    MBA    MAB    MBC
     1  MCB      MR/MPC ')
      GO TO 8
    9 CALL EXIT
    8 RETURN
      END
      SUBROUTINE CALC (BMB,BMC,PYB,PYC,PHIYB,PHIYC,BL,BQ,CL,CQ,PM,BI,BS,
     1CI,CS,DZ,DA,FY,DP,E,P,PY,BML,BMR,INDEX)
      IMPLICIT REAL*8(A-H,O-Z)
      E=29000.
      BQ=BQ/12.
      CQ=CQ/12.
```

```
      PYB=PY*BS
      PYC=PY*CS
      IF (INDEX.EQ.1) GO TO 100
      P=DP
      PMB=BQ*BL**2/8.
      PMC=CQ*CL**2/8.
      BML=0.0
      BMR=0.0
      GO TO 200
  100 P=DP
      PMB=BQ*BL**2/12.
      PMC=CQ*CL**2/12.
      BML=-PMB/PYB
      BMR=PMC/PYC
  200 BMB=PMB/PYB
      BMC=-PMC/PYC
      PHIYB=PYB/E/BI
      PHIYC=PYC/E/CI
      PY=PY*DA
      PM=1.18*DZ*PY*(1.-P/PY)
      RETURN
      END
      SUBROUTINE COLUMN (ADM,GA,CR,CM,PM,NPC)
      IMPLICIT REAL*8(A-H,O-Z)
      DIMENSION BM(20),BC(20),CR(20),CM(20)
      ADMY=ADM/PM
      SIGN=1.
      IF (ADMY.LT.0.0) SIGN=-1.
      ADMY=DABS(ADMY)
      DO 29 J=1,NPC
      IF (ADMY.LT.CM(J)) GO TO 28
   29 CONTINUE
   28 SLOPE=(CM(J)-CM(J-1))/(CR(J)-CR(J-1))
      GA=(((ADMY-CM(J-1))/SLOPE)+(CR(J-1)))*SIGN
      RETURN
      END
      SUBROUTINE SUM (XL,XQ,AXM,AXV,PYX,PHIYX,ALPHAX,SIGN,BM,BC,THA,NPB,
     1TH)
      IMPLICIT REAL*8(A-H,O-Z)
      DIMENSION BM(20),BC(20),CR(20),CM(20)
      TH=THA
      X=0.0
      V=0.0
      DELTA=XL/50.
      DO 100 N=1,50
      RN=N
      SIGNB=1.
      X=RN*DELTA-(DELTA/2.)
      BMD=AXV*X-XQ*X**2/2.-(SIGN*AXM)
      IF(BMD.GT.0.0) SIGNB=-1.
      BMD=DABS(BMD/PYX)
      DO 9 J=1,NPB
      IF (BMD.LT.BM(J)) GO TO 8
    9 CONTINUE
    8 SLOPE=(BM(J)-BM(J-1))/(BC(J)-BC(J-1))
      PHI=(((BMD-BM(J-1))/SLOPE)+BC(J-1))*PHIYX*SIGNB*SIGN
      V=V-PHI*DELTA**2/2.+TH*DELTA*SIGN
      TH=TH-PHI*DELTA
      XI=RN*DELTA
      BMD=BMD*(-SIGNB)
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    2 FORMAT (F6.1,4F15.8)
  100 CONTINUE
      ALPHAX=V/XL
  666 FORMAT (4F14.9)
  130 RETURN
      END
      SUBROUTINE BEAM (XL,XQ,AXM,TOL,PYX,PHIYX,ALPHAX,BMX,SIGN,THA,BM,BC
     1,NPB,THX,BMP,INDEX,AXV)
      IMPLICIT REAL*8 (A-H,O-Z)
      DIMENSION BM(20),BC(20),CR(20),CM(20)
      DM=0.010
      IF (BMX.EQ.0.0) BMX=10.*THA
      DO 800 NX=1,100
      JX=NX/2
      BX=NX
      SX=R/2.
      TX=SX-NX
      DM=0.010
      DO 200 NT=1,200
      DM2=0.01
      DO 500 NQ=1,200
      AXM=BMX*PYX
      XAM=BMP*PYX
      AXV=((BMX*SIGN*PYX)+(BMP*SIGN*PYX)+((XQ*(XL**2))/2))/XL
      CALL SUM (XL,XQ,AXM,AXV,PYX,PHIYX,ALPHAX,SIGN,BM,BC,THA,NPB,TH)
      IF (INDEX.EQ.2) GO TO 400
      TOL2=TOL
      DTH1=(THX-TH)
      DTH2=DABS(DTH1)
      IF (TX.GT.0.0) GO TO 400
      IF (DTH2.LT.TOL2) GO TO 400
      IF (NQ.EQ.1) GO TO 600
      DIFF2=DTH3/DTH1
      IF (DIFF2.GT.0.0) GO TO 600
      BMP=BMP-(DM2*SIGNC)
      DM2=DM2/10.
      GO TO 500
  600 DTH3=DTH1
      SIGNC=1.0
      IF (DTH1.LT.0.0) SIGNC=-1.0
      BMP=BMP+(DM2*SIGNC)
  500 CONTINUE
      WRITE (6,778)
      CALL EXIT
  400 ALX=DABS(ALPHAX)
      IF (ALX.LT.TOL) GO TO 888
      IF (NT.EQ.1) GO TO 100
      DIFF=ALPHAX/ALX1
      IF (DIFF.GT.0.0) GO TO 100
      BMX=BMX-(DM*SIGND*SIGN)
      DM=DM/10.
      GO TO 200
  100 ALX1=ALPHAX
      SIGND=1.0
      IF (ALPHAX.LT.0.0) SIGND=-1.0
      BMX=BMX+(DM*SIGN*SIGND)
  200 CONTINUE
      WRITE (6,779)
  777 FORMAT (///'    NO CONVERGENCE ')
  779 FORMAT (///'    NO CONVERGENCE 2 ')
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 778 FORMAT (///'    NO CONVERGENCE 1')
     CALL EXIT
 888 IF (INDEX.EQ.2) GO TO 999
     IF (ALX.LT.TOL.AND.DTH2.LT.TOL2) GO TO 999
 800 CONTINUE
     WRITE (6,777)
 999 AXM=BMX*PYX
     RETURN
     END
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