

or nonlinear response analysis utilizing realistic expected values of material strengths.

12.4.3.2 Load Combinations with Overstrength Factor

Where the seismic load effect with overstrength factor, E_m , defined in Section 12.4.3, is combined with the effects of other loads as set forth in Chapter 2, the following seismic load combination for structures not subject to flood or atmospheric ice loads shall be used in lieu of the seismic load combinations in either Section 2.3.2 or 2.4.1:

Basic Combinations for Strength Design with Overstrength Factor (see Sections 2.3.2 and 2.2 for notation).

5. $(1.2 + 0.2S_{DS})D + \Omega_o Q_E + L + 0.2S$
7. $(0.9 - 0.2S_{DS})D + \Omega_o Q_E + 1.6H$

NOTES:

1. The load factor on L in combination 5 is permitted to equal 0.5 for all occupancies in which L_o in Table 4-1 is less than or equal to 100 psf (4.79 kN/m²), with the exception of garages or areas occupied as places of public assembly.
2. The load factor on H shall be set equal to zero in combination 7 if the structural action due to H counteracts that due to E . Where lateral earth pressure provides resistance to structural actions from other forces, it shall not be included in H but shall be included in the design resistance.

Basic Combinations for Allowable Stress Design with Overstrength Factor (see Sections 2.4.1 and 2.2 for notation).

5. $(1.0 + 0.14S_{DS})D + H + F + 0.7\Omega_o Q_E$
6. $(1.0 + 0.105S_{DS})D + H + F + 0.525\Omega_o Q_E + 0.75L + 0.75(L_r \text{ or } S \text{ or } R)$
8. $(0.6 - 0.14S_{DS})D + 0.7\Omega_o Q_E + H$

12.4.3.3 Allowable Stress Increase for Load Combinations with Overstrength

Where allowable stress design methodologies are used with the seismic load effect defined in Section 12.4.3 applied in load combinations 5, 6, or 8 of Section 2.4.1, allowable stresses are permitted to be determined using an allowable stress increase of 1.2. This increase shall not be combined with increases in allowable stresses or load combination reductions otherwise permitted by this standard or the material reference document except for increases due to adjustment factors in accordance with AF&PA NDS.

12.4.4 Minimum Upward Force for Horizontal Cantilevers for Seismic Design Categories D through F

In structures assigned to Seismic Design Category D, E, or F, horizontal cantilever structural members shall be designed for a minimum net upward force of 0.2 times the dead load in addition to the applicable load combinations of Section 12.4.

12.5 DIRECTION OF LOADING

12.5.1 Direction of Loading Criteria

The directions of application of seismic forces used in the design shall be those which will produce the most critical load effects. It is permitted to satisfy this requirement using the procedures of Section 12.5.2 for Seismic Design Category B, Section 12.5.3 for Seismic Design Category C, and Section 12.5.4 for Seismic Design Categories D, E, and F.

12.5.2 Seismic Design Category B

For structures assigned to Seismic Design Category B, the design seismic forces are permitted to be applied independently in each of two orthogonal directions and orthogonal interaction effects are permitted to be neglected.

12.5.3 Seismic Design Category C

Loading applied to structures assigned to Seismic Design Category C shall, as a minimum, conform to the requirements of Section 12.5.2 for Seismic Design Category B and the requirements of this section. Structures that have horizontal structural irregularity Type 5 in Table 12.3-1 shall use one of the following procedures:

- a. **Orthogonal Combination Procedure.** The structure shall be analyzed using the equivalent lateral force analysis procedure of Section 12.8, the modal response spectrum analysis procedure of Section 12.9, or the linear response history procedure of Section 16.1, as permitted under Section 12.6, with the loading applied independently in any two orthogonal directions. The requirement of Section 12.5.1 is deemed satisfied if members and their foundations are designed for 100 percent of the forces for one direction plus 30 percent of the forces for the perpendicular direction. The combination requiring the maximum component strength shall be used.
- b. **Simultaneous Application of Orthogonal Ground Motion.** The structure shall be analyzed