

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{Sx} &= \frac{0.85V_{bx}}{V_{bCx}} Q_{Cx} \\ Q_{Sy} &= \frac{0.85V_{by}}{V_{bCy}} Q_{Cy} \end{aligned} \tag{2.18}$$

In the case where V_{bCx} or V_{bCy} is not less than 85% of the corresponding base shear V_{bx} or V_{by} , then $Q_{Sx} = Q_{Cx}$ or $Q_{Sy} = Q_{Cy}$ shall be used in **2.4.6**.

2.4.6. Directional Combination

Directional combination procedures given in **2.3.5** for Equivalent Seismic Load Method are applicable with Q_x and Q_y replaced by Q_{Sx} and Q_{Sy} , respectively.