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**11.8.4.1** Out-of-plane deflection due to service loads,  $\Delta_s$ , shall be calculated in accordance with Table 11.8.4.1, where  $M_a$  is calculated by 11.8.4.2.

**Table 11.8.4.1—Calculation of  $\Delta_s$**

$M_a$	$\Delta_s$	
$\leq (2/3)M_{cr}$	$\Delta_s = \left( \frac{M_a}{M_{cr}} \right) \Delta_{cr}$	(a)
$> (2/3)M_{cr}$	$\Delta_s = (2/3)\Delta_{cr} + \frac{(M_a - (2/3)M_{cr})}{(M_n - (2/3)M_{cr})} (\Delta_n - (2/3)\Delta_{cr})$	(b)

**11.8.4.2** The maximum moment  $M_a$  at midheight of wall due to service lateral and eccentric vertical loads, including  $P_s\Delta_s$  effects, shall be calculated by Eq. (11.8.4.2) with iteration of deflections.

$$M_a = M_{sa} + P_s\Delta_s \quad (11.8.4.2)$$

**11.8.4.3**  $\Delta_{cr}$  and  $\Delta_n$  shall be calculated by (a) and (b):

$$(a) \Delta_{cr} = \frac{5M_{cr}\ell_c^2}{48E_c I_g} \quad (11.8.4.3a)$$

$$(b) \Delta_n = \frac{5M_n\ell_c^2}{48E_c I_{cr}} \quad (11.8.4.3b)$$

## COMMENTARY

**11.8.4.1** Test data (Athey 1982) demonstrate that out-of-plane deflections increase rapidly when the service-level moment exceeds  $2/3M_{cr}$ . A linear interpolation between  $\Delta_{cr}$  and  $\Delta_n$  is used to determine  $\Delta_s$  to simplify the design of slender walls if  $M_a > 2/3M_{cr}$ .

Service-level load combinations are not defined in Chapter 5 of this Code, but they are discussed in Appendix C of ASCE/SEI 7. Appendixes to ASCE/SEI 7 are not considered mandatory parts of that standard. For calculating service-level lateral deflections of structures, Appendix C of ASCE/SEI 7 recommends using the following load combination:

$$D + 0.5L + W_a$$

in which  $W_a$  is wind load based on serviceability wind speeds provided in the commentary to Appendix C of ASCE/SEI 7. If the slender wall is designed to resist earthquake effects  $E$ , and  $E$  is based on strength-level earthquake effects, the following load combination is considered to be appropriate for evaluating the service-level lateral deflections

$$D + 0.5L + 0.7E$$