

# TRILLIUM TOWER

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- 3D Revit model used to avoid construction conflicts
- Faces created in jig to allow for accurate positioning
- Faces then joined together using floor beams
- Balsa sorted by stiffness with strongest pieces used in critical members

## **Architecture**

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FLOOR 12

FLOOR 11

FLOOR 4

- 1. Wave-inspired façade: evokes San Diego coastline
- 2. Roof-top garden: creates green collective space to reduce environmental footprint
- 3. Glass cladding: blends and adapts to surroundings





**TOWER IN** CONSTRUCTION

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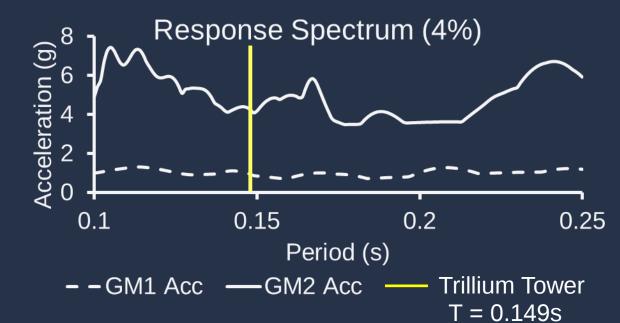


#### Design

- Asymmetrical structure with stiff L-shaped base
- Closed tube structure with exterior bracing
- Bracing schemes and column sections chosen for optimal centre of rigidity and period
- Floor plans provide continuous torsional load paths
- Detailed connections to prevent local failure & increase connection fixity to match model
- In-house Python program which creates and models permutations of parameters such as column section and bracing schemes in SAP2000. Over 15,000 towers modelled and analyzed
- Python script for centre of rigidity calculations
- Response spectra used to determine optimal period

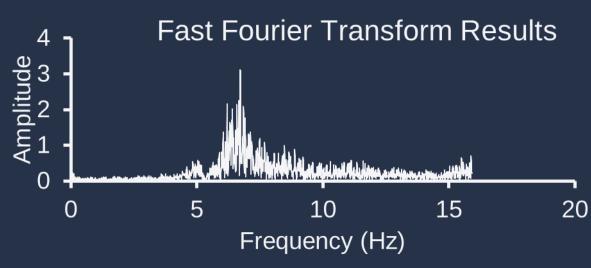
#### **Analysis** • SAP2000 Modal Time History Analysis

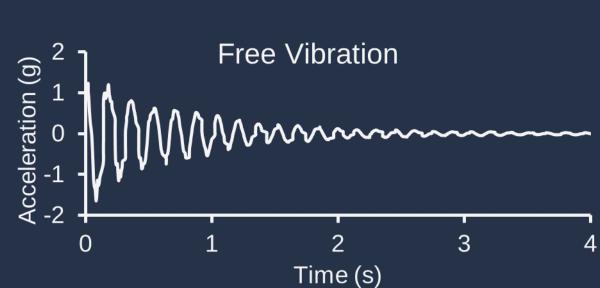
- Fixed connections
- Constant Damping
- Linear behaviour, confirmed by checking maximum member stresses
- Response Spectrum Analysis:
  - 4% damping ratio obtained from free vibration
  - CQC used as modes are closely spaced and interact heavily
  - Using 5 modes, 98% mass participation



### **Testing + Calibration**

- White Noise Test
  - FFT to obtain fundamental frequency
  - Adjust Young's Modulus of Balsa in SAP2000 to match period of constructed tower
- Free Vibration Test
  - Damping ratio, obtained from log decrement of exponential decay in test, used to calibrate SAP2000 model and response spectra





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