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## Preface

The Multidisciplinary Center for Earthquake Engineering Research (MCEER) is a national center of excellence in advanced technology applications that is dedicated to the reduction of earthquake losses nationwide. Headquartered at the University at Buffalo, State University of New York, the Center was originally established by the National Science Foundation in 1986, as the National Center for Earthquake Engineering Research (NCEER).

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The Center's Highway Project develops improved seismic design, evaluation, and retrofit methodologies and strategies for new and existing bridges and other highway structures, and for assessing the seismic performance of highway systems. The FHWA has sponsored three major contracts with MCEER under the Highway Project, two of which were initiated in 1992 and the third in 1998.

Of the two 1992 studies, one performed a series of tasks intended to improve seismic design practices for new highway bridges, tunnels, and retaining structures (MCEER Project 112). The other study focused on methodologies and approaches for assessing and improving the seismic performance of existing "typical" highway bridges and other highway system components including tunnels, retaining structures, slopes, culverts, and pavements (MCEER Project 106). These studies were conducted to:

- assess the seismic vulnerability of highway systems, structures, and components;
- develop concepts for retrofitting vulnerable highway structures and components;
- develop improved design and analysis methodologies for bridges, tunnels, and retaining structures, which include consideration of soil-structure interaction mechanisms and their influence on structural response; and
- develop, update, and recommend improved seismic design and performance criteria for new highway systems and structures.

The 1998 study, "Seismic Vulnerability of the Highway System" (FHWA Contract DTFH61-98-C-00094; known as MCEER Project 094), was initiated with the objective of performing studies to improve the seismic performance of bridge types not covered under Projects 106 or 112, and to provide extensions to system performance assessments for highway systems. Specific subjects covered under Project 094 include:

- development of formal loss estimation technologies and methodologies for highway systems;
- analysis, design, detailing, and retrofitting technologies for special bridges, including those with flexible superstructures (e.g., trusses), those supported by steel tower substructures, and cable-supported bridges (e.g.,suspension and cable-stayed bridges);
- seismic response modification device technologies (e.g., hysteretic dampers, isolation bearings); and
- soil behavior, foundation behavior, and ground motion studies for large bridges.

In addition, Project 094 includes a series of special studies, addressing topics that range from non-destructive assessment of retrofitted bridge components to supporting studies intended to assist in educating the bridge engineering profession on the implementation of new seismic design and retrofitting strategies.

The research discussed in this report was performed within Project 094, Task C3-3, "Seismic Retrofit of Steel Truss Piers." In this research, the existing experimental data on the behavior of concentrically braced frames (CBF) is reviewed to assess the extent of hysteretic energy achieved by bracing members in compression in past tests, and the extent of degradation of the compression force upon repeated cycling loading. The response of single story buildings and other case studies are also investigated to see trends in response and to develop a better understanding of the impact of some design parameters on the seismic response of CBF. While it is recognized that many parameters have an influence on the behavior of braced frames, the focus of this study is mostly on quantifying energy dissipation in compression and its effectiveness on seismic performance. Based on the experimental data review from previous tests, the normalized energy dissipation is found to typically decrease with increasing normalized displacements. The normalized degradation of the compression force envelope depends on $\mathrm{KL} / r$ and is particularly severe for $W$-shape braces. Based on dynamic analyses of a single story braced frame, a bracing member designed with bigger $R$ and larger KL/r results in a lower normalized cumulative energy ratio in both cases.


#### Abstract

Concentrically Braced frames (CBF) are expected to dissipate energy through yielding and postbuckling hysteresis behavior of bracing members during earthquake loads. The design and detailing requirements of seismic provisions for CBF were specified based on the premise that bracing members with low $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ and $\mathrm{b} / \mathrm{t}$ will have superior seismic performance. However, relatively few tests investigate the cyclic behavior of CBF. It is legitimate to question whether the compression member of CBF plays as significant a role as what has been typically assumed explicitly by the design provisions.

In this research, the existing experimental data is reviewed to assess the extent of hysteretic energy achieved by bracing members in compression in past tests, and the extent of degradation of the compression force upon repeated cycling loading. The response of single story buildings and other case studies are also investigated to see trends in response and to develop a better understanding of the impact of some design parameters on the seismic response of CBF. While it is recognized that many parameters have an influence on the behavior of braced frames, the focus of this study is mostly on quantifying energy dissipation in compression and its effectiveness on seismic performance.

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## NOTATIONS

| A | Cross Sectional Area, in ${ }^{2}$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{Ag}_{\mathrm{g}}$ | Gross Area, in ${ }^{2}$ |
| B | Gross Width of the Section, in |
| b/t | Width-to-Thickness Ratio |
| C | Numerical Constant Depending on Natural Period of the Structure and Soil Type |
| $\mathrm{C}_{\text {e }}$ | Elastic Seismic Response Coefficient |
| $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}$ | First Buckling Load of a Bracing Member, kips |
| $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}{ }^{\text {, }}$ | Design (Reduced) Buckling Capacity of a Bracing Member, kips |
| $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}{ }^{\prime \prime}$ | Compression Capacity of a Brace when the Frame Reaches it's Maximum Sway Deformation, kips |
| $\mathrm{Cr}_{\text {rn }}{ }^{\prime \prime}$ | Compressive Strength reached at the Displacement $\delta_{\mathrm{n}}$, kips |
| $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}{ }^{\prime} / \mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}\left(1^{\text {st }}\right)$ | Normalized Compressive Strength Obtained the First Time the Maximum Displacement, $\delta_{\mathrm{n}}$, is reached |
| $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}{ }^{\prime} / \mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}($ Last $)$ | Normalized Compressive Strength Obtained During the Last Cycle of Testing |
| $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}{ }^{\prime} / \mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}\left(1^{\text {st }} /\right.$ Last $)$ | Ratio of $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}{ }^{\prime} / \mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}\left(1^{\text {st }}\right.$ ) to $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}{ }^{\prime} / / \mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}($ Last $)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}_{\text {s }}$ | Seismic Coefficient |
|  | Numerical Coefficient Obtained from the Test Results |
| D | Dead Load, kips |
|  | Gross Depth of the Section, in |
| E | Modulus of Elasticity of Steel, ksi |
| $\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{C}}$ | Energy Dissipation of a Brace in Compression, kip-in |
| $\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{C}} / \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{T}}$ | Compressive Energy Normalized by the Corresponding Tensile Energy |
| $\mathrm{E}_{T}$ | Energy Dissipation of a Brace in Tension, kip-in |
| $\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{y}}$ | Specified Yield Stress of Steel, ksi |
| $\mathrm{F}_{\text {ye }}$ | Expected Yield Stress of Steel, ksi |
| I | Seismic Importance Factor |
|  | Moment of Inertia, in ${ }^{4}$ |


| KL/r | Slenderness Ratio |
| :---: | :---: |
| L | Live Load, kips |
|  | Bracing Member Length, in |
| $\mathrm{N}_{\mathrm{f}}$ | Fracture Life of Tube in Terms of Standard Cycles |
| $\mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{n}}$ | Nominal Axial Strength, kips |
| $\mathrm{P}_{\text {nt }}$ | Nominal Axial Tensile Strength of a Brace, kips |
| $\mathrm{Q}_{\mathrm{E}}$ | Effective Horizontal Seismic Forces Produced by the Base Shear, V |
| R | Structural Response Modification Factor |
| $\mathrm{R}_{\text {d }}$ | Reduction Factor that Accounts for Inelastic Behavior (a Value Related to the Ductile Performance of Structural Systems) |
| $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{w}}$ | Structural System Coefficient |
| $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{y}}$ | Ratio of the Expected Yield Strength ( $\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{ye}}$ ) to the Specified Yield Strength ( $\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{y}}$ ) |
| S | Snow Load, kips |
|  | Seismic Site Coefficient |
| t | Thickness of a Section, in |
| $\mathrm{T}_{1}$ | Fundamental Period of a Structure, second |
| $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{n}}$ | Natural Period of a Structure, second |
| $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{y}}$ | Tensile Yield Load of a Brace, kips |
| V | Base Shear of a Structure, kips |
| W | Total Dead Load and Applicable Portion of Other Loads, kips |
| Z | Seismic Zone Factor |
| $\delta$ | Axial Deformation of a Brace, in |
| $\delta_{\text {B }}$ | Axial Displacement at the Theoretical Onset of Elastic Buckling of the Brace, in |
| $\delta_{\text {n }}$ | Maximum Compressive Displacement at $\mathrm{n}^{\text {th }}$ Cycle, in |
| $\delta_{\text {T }}$ | Axial Displacement at the Onset of Brace Yielding in Tension, in |
| $\delta / \delta_{\text {B }}$ | Normalized Axial Displacement in Compression |
| $\Delta_{1}$ | Tension Deformation from the Load Reversal Point to $\mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{y}} / 3$ Point |
| $\Delta_{2}$ | Tension Deformation from $\mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{y}} / 3$ Point to the Unloading Point |
| $\Delta_{\mathrm{f}}$ | Fracture Life of Tube Proposed by Lee and Goel (1987) |
| $\Delta_{\mathrm{y}}$ | Tensile Yield Displacement of Tube |


| $\Delta_{f}^{*}$ | Fracture Life of Tube Proposed by Archambault et al. (1995) |
| :--- | :--- |
| $\Omega_{\mathrm{O}}$ | Horizontal Seismic Overstrength Factor |
| $\Phi_{\mathrm{c}}$ | Resistance Factor for Compression |

## SECTION 1

## INTRODUCTION

Braced frames have been used frequently to provide lateral resistance for wind and earthquakes, particularly in the eastern United States. During earthquakes, braced frames are expected to yield and dissipate energy through post-buckling hysteresis behavior of bracing members. However, to achieve this behavior, special ductile detailing is required. Many braced frame structures designed without such ductile detailing consideration have suffered extensive damage in past earthquakes, including failure of bracing members and their connections. Seismic provisions for the analysis, design, and detailing of Concentrically Braced Frames (CBF) were gradually introduced into seismic regulations and guidelines in California in the late 1970's (SEAOC 1978) and on a nationwide basis in the early 1990's (AISC 1992). In these documents, design and detailing requirements were specified based on the premise that bracing members with low $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ and $\mathrm{b} / \mathrm{t}$ will have superior seismic performance. The philosophy was that low $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ ensures that braces in compression can significantly contribute to energy dissipation. Upon buckling, flexure develops in the compression member and a plastic hinge eventually develops at the middle length of the brace, i.e., at the point of maximum moment. It is through the development of this plastic hinging that a member in compression can dissipate energy during earthquakes. Furthermore, in these code provisions, low $\mathrm{b} / \mathrm{t}$ limits were prescribed to prevent brittle failure due to local buckling. Indeed, the reversed cyclic loading induced by earthquakes leads to repeated buckling and straightening of the material at the local buckling location, which combined with very high strains present at the tip of the local buckle, precipitate low cycle fatigue.

Although much attention has been paid to Moment Resisting Frames (MRF) after the 1994 Northridge earthquake, with a large number of tests conducted since, relatively fewer tests exist that investigate the cyclic behavior of CBF. This is surprising given the reliance imposed on compression brace energy dissipation by the existing codes and guidelines. Furthermore, given the fact that for a relatively constant plastic hinge moment capacity at mid-span of the brace, the axial force applied to brace will decrease as a function of the amplitude of buckling, resulting in
strength degradation of the structural member in compression. It is legitimate to question whether the compression member plays as significant a role as what has been typically assumed explicitly by the design provisions. As a result, here, the existing experimental data is reviewed to assess the extent of hysteretic energy achieved by bracing members in compression in past tests, and the extent of degradation of the compression force upon repeated cycling loading. The response of single story buildings and other case studies are also investigated to see trends in response and to develop a better understanding of the impact of some design parameters on the seismic response of CBF.

This report is organized in six sections. SECTION 2 describes the literature review of experimental research on the behavior of bracing members and shows how experimental data have been collected and summarized, as part of the work reported here. SECTION 3 describes theoretical bracing models, the characteristics of a case study building (geometry and applied loads), and describes how bracing members were designed in this case study. SECTION 4 presents the results of limited sensitivity analyses to assess the significance of some design parameters on the seismic behavior of bracing members. In SECTION 5, the summary and conclusions of this study are presented. Finally, references are in SECTION 6.

## SECTION 2

## LITERATURE REVIEW

### 2.1 Review of Current Codes and Provisions

Regulations and guidelines for the seismic design of CBF can be found in the Recommended Lateral Force Requirements (SEAOC, 1999), NEHRP Recommended Provisions for Seismic Regulations for New Buildings (BSSC, 1997), and AISC Seismic Provisions (AISC, 1997). Conceptually, in all of these seismic provisions, the brace force that corresponds to elastic response of the structure is first calculated. It is then divided by a Structural Response Modification Factor, R, which quantifies the relative ability of a structural system to dissipate energy in a stable manner during earthquakes. Typically, MRFs have been assigned the largest response modification factor due to the ability of their energy dissipating elements (beam-tocolumn connections) to develop full moment-rotation hysteretic behavior, approximating very closely the ideal desirable hysteretic behavior up to large structural drifts and undergoing only slow progressive strength degradation at very large drifts (this being for a well detailed connection, obviously for a post-Northridge type detail). Generally, braced frames were assigned R factors on the order of $75 \%$ of the maximum value assigned to moment frames. This penalty is attributed mainly as a consequence of the less ideal energy dissipation provided by the compression brace, the observed pinching of the hysteretic curves of the brace frame due to the strength degradation of the compression brace, and the absence of effective strength hardening as typically occurs in moment frames.

Typically, the R factor is defined as:

$$
\begin{equation*}
R=R_{d} \Omega_{0} \tag{2.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $R_{d}$ is a reduction factor that accounts for inelastic behavior (a value related to the ductile performance of structural systems) and $\Omega_{0}$ is a reduction factor accounting empirically for inherent causes of structural overstrengths that elude accurate calculation. R values for various
types of structural steel systems designed per the LRFD design philosophy (Table I-C4-1 from AISC Seimic Provisions for Structural Steel Buildings 1997, based upon similar information in the 1997 NEHRP Provisions) are shown in Table 2.1. For concentrically braced frames, $\Omega_{0}$ is specified as 2.0 (it is 2.5 and 3.0 respectively for eccentrically braced frames and momentframes).

Table 2.1 Design factors for structural steel systems (Table I-C4-1 from AISC (1997) based upon similar information in the 1997 NEHRP Provisions)

| Structural Systems | R | $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{d}}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Braced Frame Systems: |  |  |
| Special Concentrically Braced Frames (SCBF) | 6 | 5 |
| Ordinary Concentrically Braced Frames (OCBF) | 5 | $41 / 2$ |
| Eccentrically Braced Frames (EBF) |  |  |
| With moment connections at columns away from link | 8 | 4 |
| Without moment connections at columns away from link | 7 | 4 |
| Moment Frame Systems: |  |  |
| Special Moment Frames (SMF) | 8 | 51/2 |
| Intermediate Moment Frames (IMF) | 6 | 5 |
| Ordinary Moment Frames (OMF) | 4 | $31 / 2$ |
| Special Truss Moment Frames (STMF) | 7 | 51/2 |
| Dual Systems with SMF Capable of Resisting 25 Percent of V: |  |  |
| Special Concentrically Braced Frames (SCBF) | 8 | 61/2 |
| Ordinary Concentrically Braced Frames (OCBF) | 6 | 5 |
| Eccentrically Braced Frames (EBF) |  |  |
| With moment connections at columns away from link | 8 | 4 |
| Without moment connections at columns away from link | 7 | 4 |
| Dual Systems with IMF ${ }^{*}$ Capable of Resisting 25 Percent of V: |  |  |
| Special Concentrically Braced Frames (SCBF) | 6 | 5 |
| Ordinary Concentrically Braced Frames (OCBF) | 5 | $41 / 2$ |

*OMF is permitted in lieu of IMF in Seismic Design Categories A, B and C.

Structural systems with large energy dissipation capacity have large $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{d}}$ values and hence are assigned higher R values, resulting in design for lower forces than systems with relatively limited energy dissipation capacity. The ductility reduction factor, $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{d}}$, is therefore tied to the inelastic characteristics of a structural system, such as energy dissipation and strength degradation. A structural system designed with a high R value but having a small energy dissipation capacity can fail prematurely when yielding during an earthquake. Therefore, the values of R have been established considering these factors, coupled with engineering judgment (ATC, 1995).

It is interesting that the design requirements for CBF have changed considerably over the various editions of the AISC Seismic Provisions from 1992 up until recent changes in Supplement No. 2 of the 1997 edition of AISC Seismic Provisions (AISC, 2000) in spite of little new experimental data. This evolution is reviewed below.

### 2.1.1 1992 Edition of AISC Seismic Provisions

The 1992 AISC Seismic Provisions for Structural Steel Buildings included requirements for CBF designed with a R factor of 5 . These requirements addressed issues related to width-to-thickness ratio, slenderness of brace members, connection requirements, and frame configuration. More specifically:

- Brace slenderness, $\mathrm{L} / \mathrm{r}$, was limited to $720 / \sqrt{F_{y}}$.
- The width-to-thickness ratio of brace elements had to be compact or non-compact, but not slender, using the compactness requirements limits defined by the AISC Load and Resistance Factor Design Specification for Structural Steel Buildings (AISC, 1993), with the exception that more stringent requirements were specified for circular sections $\left(1300 / \mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{y}}\right)$ and rectangular tubes $\left(110 / \sqrt{F_{y}}\right)$.
- The design strength of bracing member in axial compression was limited to $80 \%$ of the
calculated value, $\Phi_{\mathrm{c}} \mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{n}}$, to account for the strength degradation of braces subjected to repeated cyclic loading. It is noteworthy that this reduced compression strength, $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}$ ', is close to the average value obtained when using the following equation specified by the Recommended Lateral Force Requirements and Commentary (SEAOC, 1990)

$$
\begin{equation*}
C_{r}^{\prime}=\frac{C_{r}}{1+0.50\left(\frac{K L}{\pi r} \sqrt{\frac{0.5 F_{y}}{E}}\right)}=\frac{C_{r}}{1+0.5\left(\frac{K L / r}{C_{c}}\right)} \tag{2.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}{ }^{\prime}$ is the design (reduced) buckling capacity, $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}$ is the first buckling load of bracing member, $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ is the slenderness ratio, $\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{y}}$ is the yield stress of brace, and E is Young's modulus. For example, for an A36 steel brace with a slenderness ratio equal to $0, \mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}{ }^{\prime}=\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}$. If the slenderness ratio is increased to $720 / \sqrt{36}=120, C_{r}{ }^{\prime}=0.68 C_{r}$. Hence, the value of 0.8 specified by AISC (1992) is approximately equal to the average reduction factor over the permissible range of $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ for this type of system (although it is not known whether this was the rationale supporting the choice of this 0.8 factor). Some equations of buckling capacity suggested by codes and recommendations are shown in Figure 2.1.

- All brace connections were required to have sufficient strength to be able to develop full yielding (i.e. $\mathrm{A}_{\mathrm{g}} \mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{y}}$ ) of the brace.
- V and Inverted-V type bracing configurations were permitted provided that the brace members were designed for at least 1.5 times the required strength otherwise specified. The beam intersected by braces had to be continuous between columns and be capable of supporting all tributary dead and live loads assuming the bracing will not be present. K bracing were permitted following design philosophy similar to that of V and Inverted-V type brace frame.
- The above requirements could be waved for low-rise buildings of two stories or less as well as in roof structures under certain conditions.


### 2.1.2 1997 Edition of AISC Seismic Provisions

The premise driving changes in the design requirements of braced frames in the 1997 edition of the AISC seismic provisions was that CBF possess ductility far in excess of that previously ascribed to such systems, and that energy can be effectively dissipated after the onset of global buckling only if brittle failure due to local buckling, stability problems and connection failures are prevented. As a result, a new category, Special Concentrically Braced Frames (SCBF), was added to 1997 edition of AISC Seismic Provisions (AISC, 1997). SCBF were intended to exhibit superior stable and ductile behavior during major earthquakes and the requirements for braced frames specified in the previous edition (AISC, 1992) were retained for the design of Ordinary Concentrically Braced Frames (OCBF). The new seismic provisions included the following key features:

- Higher R factor of 6 was assigned to SCBF, while a R factor of 5 was specified for the OCBF (equivalent to the R factor used for CBF in 1992 edition).
- The slenderness ratio $(\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r})$ limit was raised to $\left(1000 / \sqrt{F_{y}}\right)$ for SCBF , but remained (720/ $\sqrt{F_{y}}$ ) for OCBF. Tang and Goel (1989) and Goel and Lee (1992) showed that the post-buckling cyclic buckling fracture life of bracing members generally increase with an increase in $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$, which justified the increased limit while maintaining a reasonable level of compressive strength.
- The brace strength reduction factor of 0.8 was eliminated for the SCBF, because this factor was deemed to have had little influence on the seismic response of CBF when superior ductile behavior was insured (as for SCBF). This 0.8 factor however remained for the design of OCBF.
- The width-to-thickness ratio (b/t) limits remained unchanged except for the added compactness limit for angles (reduced to $52 / \sqrt{F_{y}}$ in seismic applications).
- The ratio of the expected yield strength ( $\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{ye}}$ ) to the minimum specified yield strength ( $\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{y}}$ ), $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{y}}$, was added to the design connection force $\left(\mathrm{A}_{\mathrm{g}} \mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{y}}\right)$ for both OCBF and SCBF to recognize the material overstrength of the steel grade used.
- K bracing was not permitted for SCBF because the resulting unbalanced lateral forces from the braces that would be applied at mid-height of columns for this type of system may contribute to undesirable column failures.
- The V-type and Inverted-V-type OCBF design requirements followed the provisions specified for CBF of this configuration in the 1992 edition of the AISC Seismic Provisions. However, for SCBF, the requirement that braces in V-type and Inverted-V-type braced frames be designed for at least 1.5 times the required strength was eliminated. Because columns were not required to be designed following the capacity-design philosophy, the concern was that overly-strong bracing could lead to buckling of the columns in a frame, and may thus lead to collapse. Furthermore, beams in SCBF V-type and Inverted-V-type braced frames were required to be designed for the full unbalanced forces in braces at large inelastic deformations, namely $\mathrm{A}_{\mathrm{g}} \mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{y}}$ in the tension brace and $0.3 \Phi_{\mathrm{c}} \mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{n}}$ in the compression brace. Consequently to these two revisions, braced frame with these type of configurations have lighter braces, but significantly heavier beams.


### 2.1.3 2001 Revisions to the 1997 Edition of AISC Seismic Provisions

Recently, the 1997 edition of the AISC Seismic Provisions (AISC, 1997) was revised. Requirements for CBF were modified to simplify the provisions, as there were relatively few differences in the 1997 edition of AISC Seismic Provisions between OCBF and SCBF, and because it was believed that buildings in more severe seismic zones and having OCBF will not behave as well as desirable during earthquakes. These changes can be summarized as follows:

- The OCBF provisions, in the 1997 edition of the AISC Seismic Provisions were eliminated, except for the special dispensation (in Section 14.5) for low-rise buildings. Therefore it is the intent that SCBF be used for all braced frames where significant ductility is needed. For
the special case of low and light-weight buildings where OCBF are still permitted, it was judged that satisfactory behavior could be ensured by the use of the special load combinations which were present in the AISC seismic provisions since 1992. These equations, shown in Eq. 2.3 and 2.4, magnify the seismic forces by a value equivalent to the estimated structural overstrength, which results in an effective R of about 2.5 , deemed to provide sufficient strength to preclude the need for significant ductility of the system. These special load combinations are:

$$
\begin{align*}
& 1.2 D+0.5 L+0.2 S+\Omega_{0} Q_{E}  \tag{2.3}\\
& 0.9 D-\Omega_{0} Q_{E} \tag{2.4}
\end{align*}
$$

where $\Omega_{0}$ is the overstrength factor, D , L , and S are the dead, live, and snow load respectively, and $Q_{E}$ is the horizontal component of the specified earthquake forces.

- In all cases, the design strength of brace connections shall equal or exceed the expected tensile strength of the braces:

$$
\begin{equation*}
P_{n t}=R_{y} F_{y} A_{g} \tag{2.5}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{nt}}$ is the nominal tensile strength of braces, $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{y}}$ is the ratio of expected yield strength $\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{ye}}$ to the minimum specified yield strength $\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{y}}$, and $\mathrm{A}_{\mathrm{g}}$ is the gross area of braces. Note that the AISC Seismic Provisions, 1997 allowed connections to be designed for either the value obtained by Eq. 2.5 or "the maximum force, indicated by analysis, that can be transferred to the brace by the system", which in the latter case could have resulted in a strength that may be less than that of the braces themselves.

- All V-type and Inverted-V-type braced frames must be designed as SCBF following the same requirements as specified for SCBF in the 1997 edition of the AISC Seismic Provisions.
- Braces with $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ greater than $720 / \sqrt{F_{y}}$ are not be permitted in V or Inverted-V configurations.

The above changes in AISC Seismic Provisions for CBF, from the 1992 edition to the latest 2001 revisions to the 1997 edition, are summarized in Table 2.2.

Table 2.2 Changes in AISC CBF Provisions from 1992 to 2001

| Categories | 1992 Edition | 1997 Edition |  | 2001 Provisions* |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | OCBF | SCBF | OCBF** | SCBF |
| R | 5 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 6 |
| $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}{ }^{\text {, }}$ | $0.8 \Phi_{c} P_{n}$ | $0.8 \Phi_{c} P_{n}$ | $\Phi_{c} P_{n}$ | $0.8 \Phi_{c} P_{n}$ | $\Phi_{c} P_{n}$ |
| $(\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r})_{\text {max }}$. | $\frac{720}{\sqrt{F_{y}}}$ | $\frac{720}{\sqrt{F_{y}}}$ | $\frac{1000}{\sqrt{F_{y}}}$ | $\frac{720}{\sqrt{F_{y}}}$ | $\frac{1000}{\sqrt{F_{y}}}$ |
| $\left(\mathrm{b} / \mathrm{t}_{\text {max }}\right.$. | $\frac{1300}{F_{y}}$ for $F_{y}$ $\frac{110}{\sqrt{F_{y}}}$ for | $\frac{52}{\sqrt{F_{y}}}$ for <br> $\frac{1300}{F}$ for <br> $\frac{110}{\sqrt{F_{y}}}$ for | $\frac{52}{\sqrt{F_{y}}}$ for $\frac{1300}{F_{y}}$ for $\frac{110}{\sqrt{F_{y}}}$ for | $\frac{52}{\sqrt{F_{y}}}$ for <br> $\underline{1300}$ for <br> $\frac{110}{\sqrt{F_{y}}}$ for | $\frac{52}{\sqrt{F_{y}}}$ for $\square$ <br> $\underline{1300}$ for <br> $\frac{110}{\sqrt{F_{y}}}$ for $\square$ |
| Connection Force** | $A_{g} F_{y}$ | $R_{y} A_{g} F_{y}$ | $R_{y} A_{g} F_{y}$ | $R_{y} A_{g} F_{y}$ | $R_{y} A_{g} F_{y}$ |

All the provisions for OCBF were eliminated except for Low-Rise Building provision
*** Low-Rise and Roof Structures only
*** Where $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{y}}$ is the ratio of expected yield strength ( $\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{ye}}$ ) to the minimum specified yield strength ( $\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{y}}$ )

### 2.2 Brace Behavior and Design Issues

From the above, it appears that until the 1997 edition of the AISC Seismic Provisions, the emphasis was on promoting stocky braces. However, there exists a compelling argument that slender braces in some instances could have desirable behavior in the perspective that elastic global buckling means no damage to braces in compression. Hence, for a brace with large slenderness ratio, there would be no need to consider $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}$ ' since it would provide no energy dissipation in compression and no loss of compression capacity upon repeated cyclic loading. Interestingly, Eq. (2.2) would not predict this correctly. Furthermore, in absence of plastic hinging in the middle of the brace, there is no need to be concerned about low cycle fatigue life of the brace due to local buckling at that location.

Another issue that is debatable is the relevance of the factor $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}{ }^{\prime}$ for braces that are stockier and do yield in compression. In that case, the capacity of the brace in compression when the entire frame reaches it's maximum sway deformation, which will be defined as $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}$ " here, is more relevant than $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}{ }^{\prime}$. At the plastic hinge that develops in the middle of the brace, $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}{ }^{\prime \prime}$ drops as deformation increases. This means that at maximum sway, when the tension brace has yielded, only a small fraction of the original compression buckling strength of the other brace is effective. This drop in axial resistance of the brace after formation of plastic hinge is more severe for slender inelastic braces.

In light of these facts, one could argue that the design provisions should accurately account for the above effects. However no data on $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}$ " related to $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ could be found in the literature. Likewise, if energy dissipation is alleged to be so significant, it is surprising that the energy dissipation of braces in compression has never been quantified as part of extensive parametric experimental studies. To provide what seems to be important missing data, past experimental results are reviewed to quantify the energy dissipation of braces in compression (which is obtained by the compression force times the axial deformation as expressed graphically by the shaded area labeled $\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{C}}$ in Figure 2.3), and loss of compression strength, at various magnitudes of the axial deformation in compression, $\delta$, as a function of $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$, and for various types of structural shapes.

### 2.3 Experimental Data on the Hysteretic Energy and Strength Degradation of Braces

The experimental data on cyclic testing of braces have been reviewed, to the extend possible, to quantify the energy dissipation of braces in compression and loss of compression strength at various magnitudes of compressive axial displacements. For this purpose, experimental reports by Jain, Goel, and Hanson (1978), Black, Wenger, and Popov (1980), Zayas, Popov, and Mahin (1980), Astaneh-Asl, Goel, and Hanson (1982), Archambault, Tremblay, and Filiatrault (1995), Leowardi and Walpole (1996), and Walpole (1996) were collected. However, some data were excluded from review. First, bracing members tested as parts of X braced frames were not considered, because of the difficulty in accurately defining the KL/r values of these braces. Second, test specimens of hollow structural shapes built-up using double angles and or double
channels welded toe-to-toe were excluded, because these were typically reported to fail at their connections, resulting in non-conventional hysteretic behavior. Third, concrete filled tubular sections were also excluded, as they were considered to be a special case beyond the scope of this study. Finally, note that in some publications (journals and conference articles), the figures were hard to read because of their small size, and the technical reports and dissertations from which these figures originated could not be easily obtained. The resulting data set considered in this study is summarized in Table 2.3, described in terms of number of braces tested for each type of structural members. Furthermore, the results of this study will be made available on the MCEER User's Network, making it possible for other investigations to expand the data set in the future.

Table 2.3 Data set reviewed

| Reference | Section Types** |  |  |  |  |  |  | Total |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | W | A | DA | DC | T | P | WT |  |
| Black et al.(1980) | 9 | - | 4 | 1 | 3 | 5 | 2 | 24 |
| Zayas et al.(1980) | - | - | - | - | - | 6 | - | 6 |
| Lee and Goel (1987) | - | - | - | - | $7^{*}$ | - | - | $7^{*}$ |
| Jain et al.(1978) | - | 3 | - | - | 6 | - | - | 9 |
| Astaneh-Asl et al.(1982) | - | - | 14 | - | - | - | - | 14 |
| Archambault et al.(1995) | - | - | - | - | 7 | - | - | 7 |
| Leowardi and Walpole (1996) | 3 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3 |
| Walpole(1996) | - | - | - | - | 3 | - | - | 3 |
| Total | 12 | 3 | 18 | 1 | 26 | 11 | 2 | 73 |

Energy dissipation could not be calculated following the method outlined in this report due to the peculiar testing sequence adapted by Lee and Goel (1987).
${ }^{* *}$ Section Types
W : Wide Flange A : Single Angle T : Tube(Hollow)
P : Pipe WT : Structural Tee TC : Tube(Concrete Filled)
DA: Double Angle DC : Double Channel

Here, all quantitative information on energy dissipation and strength degradation has been generated from the hysteretic force-axial deformation curves of bracing members. A typical hysteretic curve for a brace tested under cyclic axial loading is shown in Figure 2.2. Note that in all cases, only the graphical data were available, and that quantification was achieved directly from those figures (although some were photocopied at a magnified scale to enhance precision of the readings).

### 2.3.1 Energy Dissipation of Brace in Compression

The energy dissipation of a brace for one compression cycle, $\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{C}}$, is equal to the work produced by the compression force times the axial deformation, $\delta$. As the compression decreases under increasing axial deformations, the energy can be obtained graphically by calculating the area under the force-axial deformation curve, as shown in Figure 2.3. Here, because the energy corresponding to each hysteretic loop is considered, note that the axial deformation in compression, $\delta$, is measured from the point of zero member force (which may not correspond to the original zero displacement position) up to the point of maximum compressive deformation, as illustrated in Figure 2.4.

Furthermore, to facilitate comparison between results from various experiments, all results are expressed in a normalized manner. The normalized compressive energy, $\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{C}} / \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{T}}$, is obtained by dividing the compressive energy by the corresponding tensile energy, $\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{T}}$, defined as the energy that would have been dissipated by the member in tension if the same maximum axial displacement was reached during unloading of the member after its elongation. This corresponding $\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{T}}$ is illustrated in Figure 2.3. Likewise, the axial displacements are normalized by the axial displacement value attained at the corresponding theoretical elastic buckling of the brace, $\delta_{\mathrm{B}}$. This value is defined as:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\delta_{B}=\frac{C_{r} L}{A E} \tag{2.6}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $L$ is the length of the specimen, $A$ is the cross sectional area of the specimen, $E$ is Young's modulus ( $=29000 \mathrm{ksi}$ ), and $C_{r}$ is the experimental buckling load as presented in Figure 2.5.

Note that the value of $\delta_{\mathrm{B}}$ is limited to $\delta_{\mathrm{T}}$ to account for stocky members that yield in compression prior to buckling, where $\delta_{\mathrm{T}}$ is the axial displacement attained when the brace yields in tension, and defined as:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\delta_{T}=\frac{T_{y} L}{A E} \tag{2.7}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $T_{y}$ is the tensile yield load defined as:

$$
\begin{equation*}
T_{y}=A F_{y} \tag{2.8}
\end{equation*}
$$

and where $F_{y}$ is the yield stress from the results of coupon test.

The normalized energy dissipated in compression during each hysteretic cycle is calculated for all the tests considered in this study. Detailed numerical results are provided in Appendix A for an example case; the complete set of results will be made available on the MCEER User's Network web site. A typical resulting plot of normalized energy as a function of normalized axial deformation is shown in Figure 2.6.

### 2.3.2 Strength Degradation of Brace in Compression

A number of manipulations were necessary to quantify the strength degradation of a brace upon repeated cycling. First, the compression excursions were extracted from the complete hysteretic force-displacement curve obtained from a test, and overlaid to start from the same zero displacement, as shown in Figure 2.5. As schematically shown in this figure, for the tests considered in the database, the magnitude of axial deformations typically increases upon subsequent cycles. In the first cycle, beyond first buckling (defined experimentally as $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}$ ), compressive strength of the brace progressively decreases; At the point of maximum displacement for that compressive excursion, $\delta_{1}$, the value of $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r} 1}$ " is reached, the numeral subscript indicating the cycle number. Hence, for any given cycle " $n$ ", the compressive strength $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{rn}}$ ", is reached at the maximum displacement $\delta_{\mathrm{n}}$ (note that only cycles that produce displacements exceeding the previously obtained values are considered by this procedure). These value of $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}{ }^{\prime}$, are then divided by $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}$ for normalization. This normalized strength is labeled $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}{ }^{,}$" $/ \mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}$ (first), the qualifier "first" implying "the strength obtained the first time this displacement
is reached". Figure 2.7 shows a typical curve obtained following this procedure. That curve can be considered a normalized force-displacement envelope of the brace in compression. Note that notation $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}{ }^{\prime \prime}$ is used to avoid confusion with the term $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}{ }^{\prime}$ which has been used in other codes and publications (CSA 1994 and Bruneau et al., 1998) and has a different meaning.

Strength degradation upon repeated cycling also occurs over the entire range of brace deformations, as exhibited by the force-deformation curves shown in Figure 2.5. As such, the brace compressive strength recorded during the last cycle of testing is also of interest. It can be calculated at each of the previously considered displacement points, $\boldsymbol{\delta}_{\mathrm{n}}$, as shown in Figure 2.8, giving results as typically shown in Figure 2.9. This normalized strength is labeled $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}{ }^{\prime}{ }^{\prime} / \mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}$ (last), the qualifier "last" implying "the strength obtained during the last cycle of testing".

Using the same displacement points to calculate both $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}{ }^{\prime} / / \mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}$ (first) and $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}{ }^{\prime}$ '/ $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}$ (last) makes it possible to calculate the ratio of these values. A large ratio indicates a considerable drop in strength at a specific displacement $\delta / \delta_{\mathrm{B}}$, whereas a lower ratio expresses a rather stable strength degradation from the first to last cycle. A typical result is shown in Figure 2.10. Note that in this report (and for the data on MCEER User's web site), Figures 2.6, 2.7, 2.9, and 2.10 are typically presented together for each case or group considered, as shown in Figure 2.11 for illustration purposes.

### 2.3.3 Fracture

Another factor that impacts behavior of braces is fracture upon local buckling. As indicated earlier, compression energy dissipation develops through plastic flexural hinging at mid-span of the brace. The large plastic curvatures that typically develop at that location can potentially lead to local buckling. Upon repeated cyclic loading, the local buckling and straightening of the material at that location induce cracks that may propagate and lead to fracture. No new models of this behavior are proposed here, but two existing models will be considered in SECTION 4 when reviewing analytical results on the behavior of braces. However, at this time, Table 2.4 reports when fractures were observed for the specimens reviewed in this study.

Table 2.4 Summary of information on the experimental data for braces

| KL/r | Reference | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Test ID } \\ & \text { (Type)* } \end{aligned}$ | $\left(\delta / \delta_{\mathrm{B}}\right)_{\text {max }}$ | $\delta_{\mathrm{T}} / \delta_{\mathrm{B}}$ | $\delta / \delta_{T}$ | Reported <br> Local <br> Buckling* | Reported Fracture |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $0-40$ | Zayas | 5(P) | 12.34 | 0.97 | 12.96 | X |  |
|  |  | 6(P) | 15.83 | 1.02 | 15.56 | X | X |
|  | Lee*** | 2(T) | 3.75 | 1.11 | 3.38 | X | X |
|  |  | 3(T) | 3.47 | 0.80 | 4.34 | X | X |
|  |  | 8(TC) | 5.27 | 0.92 | 5.71 |  |  |
|  | Jain | 4(T) | 18.53 | 1.68 | 11.02 |  |  |
|  | Leowardi | 3(W) | 30.86 | 1.03 | 29.93 |  |  |
|  | Walpole | 3(T) | 8.29 | 1.21 | 6.85 |  |  |
| 40-80 | Black | 2(W) | 29.75 | 1.23 | 24.11 |  |  |
|  |  | 7(W) | 19.87 | 1.13 | 17.61 | X |  |
|  |  | 9(DA) | 5.31 | 0.90 | 5.87 | X |  |
|  |  | 19(W) | 9.68 | 0.98 | 9.84 |  |  |
|  |  | 21(P) | 19.67 | 1.08 | 17.17 | X |  |
|  | Zayas | 1(P) | 15.99 | 1.37 | 11.63 | X |  |
|  |  | 2(P) | 12.71 | 1.13 | 11.24 | X | X |
|  |  | 3(P) | 2.75 | 1.55 | 1.77 | X | X |
|  |  | 4(P) | 4.89 | 1.88 | 2.60 | X | X |
|  | Lee ${ }^{* * *}$ | 1(T) | 3.97 | 1.21 | 3.29 | X | X |
|  |  | 4(T) | 8.26 | 1.16 | 7.12 | X | X |
|  |  | 5(T) | 12.74 | 1.71 | 7.43 | X | X |
|  |  | 6(T) | 6.41 | 1.26 | 5.09 | X | X |
|  |  | 7(T) | 5.65 | 1.24 | 4.55 | X | X |
|  |  | 9(TC) | 5.09 | 0.74 | 6.86 | X | X |
|  |  | 10(TC) | 4.79 | 0.74 | 6.45 | X | X |
|  |  | 11(TC) | 9.73 | 0.98 | 9.88 | X | X |
|  |  | 12(TC) | 6.78 | 1.04 | 6.53 | X | X |
|  |  | 13(TC) | 9.26 | 1.11 | 8.33 | X | X |
|  | Jain | 1(T) | 22.42 | 1.93 | 11.64 |  |  |
|  |  | 9(T) | 21.64 | 1.81 | 11.93 |  |  |
|  | Leowardi | 2(W) | 30.73 | 1.14 | 26.99 |  |  |
|  | Walpole | 2(T) | 16.34 | 1.22 | 13.39 |  |  |
| $80-120$ | Black | 3(W) | 9.53 | 1.17 | 8.11 |  |  |
|  |  | 4(W) | 24.28 | 1.22 | 19.94 |  |  |
|  |  | 5(W) | 33.79 | 1.63 | 20.75 |  |  |
|  |  | 8(DA) | 23.40 | 1.40 | 16.77 | X |  |
|  |  | 12(WT) | 30.89 | 1.39 | 22.16 | X |  |
|  |  | 13(WT) | 29.26 | 1.39 | 21.12 |  |  |
|  |  | 14(P) | 13.25 | 1.28 | 10.32 |  |  |
|  |  | 15(P) | 25.41 | 1.38 | 18.39 |  |  |
|  |  | 16(P) | 48.41 | 1.23 | 39.30 |  |  |
|  |  | 17(T) | 20.11 | 1.73 | 11.65 |  |  |
|  |  | 18(T) | 17.77 | 1.87 | 9.52 |  |  |
|  |  | 20(DA) | 11.19 | 1.55 | 7.21 |  | X(Stitch) |
|  |  | 22(T) | 10.68 | 2.44 | 4.37 |  |  |
|  |  | 23(W) | 13.42 | 1.00 | 13.37 |  |  |
|  |  | 24(P) | 11.58 | 1.42 | 8.14 |  |  |

Table 2.4 Summary of information on the experimental data for braces (continued)

| KL/r | Reference | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Test ID } \\ & \text { (Type)*** } \end{aligned}$ | $\left(\delta / \delta_{\mathrm{B}}\right)_{\text {max }}$ | $\delta_{\text {T }} / \delta_{\text {B }}$ | $\delta / \delta_{\text {T }}$ | Reported Local Buckling* | Reported <br> Fracture ${ }^{*}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 80-120 | Jain | 6(T) | 37.67 | 3.04 | 12.40 |  |  |
|  |  | 12A(T) | 43.02 | 3.66 | 11.75 |  |  |
|  |  | 15(T) | 14.21 | 1.13 | 12.63 |  |  |
|  |  | 2L(A) | 86.65 | 7.33 | 11.82 |  |  |
|  |  | 3L(A) | 56.81 | 4.72 | 12.03 |  |  |
|  | Astaneh-Asl | 2(DA) | 18.84 | 2.95 | 3.31 | X | X |
|  |  | 3(DA) | 27.71 | 1.81 | 15.28 |  |  |
|  |  | 5(DA) | 17.61 | 1.44 | 12.20 |  |  |
|  |  | 8(DA) | 28.66 | 1.55 | 18.50 | X |  |
|  |  | 16(DA) | 13.42 | 1.67 | 8.03 |  | X(Gusset) |
|  | Archambault | 1B(T) | 28.18 | 2.53 | 9.52 | X | X |
|  |  | $1 \mathrm{QB}(\mathrm{T})$ | 19.31 | 1.75 | 11.05 | X | X |
|  |  | 2B(T) | 32.75 | 2.27 | 14.41 | X | X |
|  |  | 4B(T) | 25.78 | 2.23 | 11.55 | X | X |
|  |  | 4QB(T) | 23.52 | 2.23 | 10.38 | X | X |
|  |  | 5B(T) | 42.62 | 2.59 | 16.44 | X | X |
|  | Leowardi | 1(W) | 45.86 | 0.98 | 46.79 |  |  |
|  | Walpole | 1(T) | 23.46 | 1.54 | 15.27 |  |  |
| 120-160 | Black | 1(W) | 38.02 | 2.58 | 14.76 |  |  |
|  |  | 6(W) | 32.66 | 1.84 | 17.78 |  |  |
|  |  | 10(DA) | 28.88 | 2.29 | 12.63 |  |  |
|  |  | 11(DC) | 41.03 | 1.72 | 23.90 |  |  |
|  | Jain | 4L(A) | 94.39 | 7.80 | 12.10 |  |  |
|  | Astaneh-Asl | 4(DA) | 66.34 | 3.10 | 21.42 |  | X |
|  |  | 6(DA) | 77.96 | 2.59 | 30.08 |  | X |
|  |  | 10(DA) | 23.90 | 2.15 | 11.10 |  | X(Gusset) |
|  |  | 11(DA) | 36.05 | 2.95 | 12.20 |  |  |
|  |  | 13(DA) | 78.20 | 2.85 | 27.40 |  |  |
|  | Archambault | 3B(T) | 77.38 | 3.85 | 20.10 | X | X |
| 160-200 | Astaneh-Asl | 1(DA) | 42.55 | 2.49 | 17.09 |  |  |
|  |  | 9(DA) | 106.25 | 5.29 | 20.08 |  |  |
|  |  | 15(DA) | 65.19 | 4.70 | 13.86 |  |  |
|  |  | 18(DA) | 67.35 | 3.74 | 18.03 |  | X(Gusset) |

* No check(X) means that it was not reported either because of good behavior or omission by researcher.
** Section Types: W=Wide Flange; $\quad \mathrm{A}=$ Single Angle; $\quad \mathrm{T}=$ Tube(Hollow);

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
\mathrm{P}=\text { Pipe; } & \mathrm{WT}=\text { Structural Tee; } \quad \mathrm{DA}=\text { Double Angle; } \\
\mathrm{DC}=\text { Double Channel; } & \mathrm{TC}=\text { Tube (Concrete Filled })
\end{array}
$$

*** Not considered in this study
**** Note: Ratios $\left(\delta / \delta_{\mathrm{B}}\right),\left(\delta_{\mathrm{T}} / \delta_{\mathrm{B}}\right)$, and $\left(\delta / \delta_{\mathrm{T}}\right)$ calculated by authors of this report.

### 2.4 Observations on Behavior

All results are presented, grouped over ranges of KL/r values, in Figures 2.11 to 2.15, showing the large scatter in data. The thicker line in these figures represents the average of all curves in each figure. Results are then presented again in Figure 2.16 to 2.26, but grouped per type of cross sections, namely for braces made of square hollow structural shapes (HSS) (a.k.a. tubes), W-shape, and double angles back-to-back. Results were also prepared for other types of crosssection, but are less conclusive due to sparseness of data; these are included in Appendix B for completeness. Typical results for some individual test results are also included in Appendix B to illustrate a sample from the complete data set to be included on the aforementioned MCEER web site. Finally, the obtained average curves, as a function of $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$, are grouped and summarized in Figure 2.27 for all types of cross-sections, and in Figures 2.28 to 2.30 respectively for W -shapes, square HSS, and double-angles back to back. Note that the average curves were computed over the entire range of $\delta / \delta_{\mathrm{B}}$ for which at least one specimen was tested; a resulting peculiarity of this decision is that the line of average results is sometimes seen to increase in a jagged manner as weaker specimens were not pushed to the same large $\delta / \delta_{\mathrm{B}}$ as the stronger specimens.

A number of observations can be made from these figures. First, while the normalized energy dissipation $\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{C}} / \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{T}}$ typically decreases with increasing normalized displacements $\delta / \delta_{\mathrm{B}}$, the ratios are consistently smaller for larger $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ values. This is not surprising as members with smaller $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ typically have a larger inertia, and thus larger plastic modulus, which translates in a larger plastic moment and energy dissipation at the mid-length plastic hinge. However, it is noteworthy that braces having KL/r in the 80-120 range do not have significantly more normalized energy dissipation in compression than those having a slenderness in excess of 120. This is significant considering the large number of braced frames designed and built with braces having a $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ of approximately 100. The rapid drop in energy dissipation effectiveness (down to 0.3 or less for braces having KL/r above 80) as the normalized displacement approximately exceed 3 is also significant; this suggests that reliance on the compression brace to dissipate seismic energy, while effective at very low KL/r, may be overly optimistic for the slenderness more commonly encountered in practice.

As a minor point, it is observed that a few values of $E_{C} / E_{T}$ counter-intuitively exceed 1.0 at low magnitudes of displacement. Closer scrutiny of the 7 specimens for which this was noted revealed this to be a consequence of errors introduced due to: (i) an initial near vertical returning down-slope segment of the hysteretic loops, and; (ii) the difficulty in accurately graphically reading the data or calculating Young's Modulus. In addition, as shown in Figure 2.31, for Specimen 9 by Black et al. (1980), the experimentally obtained buckling strength exceeded the tensile yield strength ( $\mathrm{A}_{\mathrm{g}} \mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{y}}$ calculated with the experimentally obtained $\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{y}}$ value) for reasons unexplained by the authors.

Reduction in the normalized $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}{ }^{\prime}{ }^{\prime} / \mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}($ first $)$ envelope is particularly severe for the W -shape braces, again having KL/r above 80 dropping to approximately 0.2 when the normalized displacements exceed 5. However, behavior is not significantly worse for $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ in the 120 to 160 range. In that perspective, tubes perform significantly better, over all slenderness range. The performance of double-angle braces is in between these two extremes. Observation of the results for $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}{ }^{\prime \prime} / \mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}($ last $)$ and $C_{r}{ }^{\prime}{ }^{\prime} / C_{r}$ (first/last) show that the compression capacity at low $\delta / \delta_{\mathrm{B}}$ values drops rapidly upon repeated cycling, and that $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}{ }^{\prime} / \mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}($ first $)$ is effectively equal to $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}{ }^{\prime}{ }^{\prime} / \mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}$ (last) at normalized displacements above 3 in most instances.

Hence, considering that a brace with $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ of 80 has a buckling load equal to $60 \%$ of yielding tensile force, when the braced bent will have reached its expected displacement ductility of 3 to 4 $\left(4 \delta_{\mathrm{T}}=4\left(\delta_{\mathrm{B}} / 0.6\right)=6.7 \delta_{\mathrm{B}}\right)$, the brace compression strength will have already dropped considerably to approximately $20 \%$ of its original buckling strength ( $40 \%$ for square HSS).

## Buckling Load Ratio



Figure 2.1 Equations of buckling capacity


Figure 2.2 Sample hysteresis of a brace under cyclic axial loading (Black et al., 1980)


Figure 2.3 Definition of dissipated energy ratio, $E_{C} / E_{T}$


Figure 2.4 Definition of axial displacement, $\delta$


Figure 2.5 Definition of normalized buckling capacity, $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}{ }^{\prime \prime} / \mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}\left(1^{\text {st }}\right)$
Hysteretic Energy Ratio


Figure 2.6 Example of normalized hysteretic energy data

## Buckling Load Ratio



Figure 2.7 Example of normalized maximum compression strength reached upon repeated cycling data, $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}{ }^{\prime \prime} / \mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}\left(1^{\text {st }}\right)$


Figure 2.8 Definition of normalized buckling capacity, $\mathrm{Cr} " / \mathrm{Cr}$ (Last)

## Buckling Load Ratio



Figure 2.9 Example of normalized maximum compression strength reached upon repeated cycling data, $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}{ }^{\prime \prime} / \mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}$ (Last)

## Buckling Load Ratio



Figure 2.10 Example of normalized maximum compression strength reached upon repeated cycling data, $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}$ " $/ \mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}\left(1^{\text {st }} /\right.$ Last $)$


Figure 2.11 All structural shapes with $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=0$ to 40 (Average shown by thicker line)


Figure 2.12 All structural shapes with $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=40$ to 80 (Average shown by thicker line)


Figure 2.13 All structural shapes with $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=80$ to 120 (Average shown by thicker line)


Figure 2.14 All structural shapes with $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=120$ to 160 (Average shown by thicker line)


Figure 2.15 All structural shapes with $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=160$ to 200 (Average shown by thicker line)


Figure 2.16 Structural Tubes with $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=0$ to 40 (Average shown by thicker line)


Figure 2.17 Structural Tubes with $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=40$ to 80 (Average shown by thicker line)


Figure 2.18 Structural Tubes with $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=80$ to 120 (Average shown by thicker line)


Figure 2.19 Structural Tubes with $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=120$ to 160 (Average shown by thicker line)


Figure 2.20 Wide Flanges with KL/r $=40$ to 80 (Average shown by thicker line)





Figure 2.21 Wide Flanges with $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=80$ to 120 (Average shown by thicker line)


Figure 2.22 Wide Flanges with $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=120$ to 160 (Average shown by thicker line)


Figure 2.23 Double Angles, back-to-back with KL/r $=40$ to 80 (Average shown by thicker line)


Figure 2.24 Double Angles, back-to-back with KL/r $=80$ to 120
(Average shown by thicker line)


Figure 2.25 Double Angles, back-to-back with KL/r = 120 to 160 (Average shown by thicker line)


Figure 2.26 Double Angles, back-to-back with KL/r $=160$ to 200
(Average shown by thicker line)


Figure 2.27 Averages of data by KL/r value ranges


Figure 2.28 Averages of data by $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ value ranges for tubular sections


Figure 2.29 Averages of data by $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ value ranges for wide flange section


Figure 2.30 Averages of data by KL/r value ranges for double angles, back-to-back

## Force-Displacement Curve (Black et al., 1980, Strut 9, 1st Cycle)



Figure 2.31 Hysteretic energy ratio from the first cycle of strut 9 (Black et al., 1980)

## SECTION 3

## NON-LINEAR DYNAMIC ANALYSES OF SINGLE STORY BRACED FRAMES

Non-linear dynamic analyses of a single story X-braced bay designed using various R factors and $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ values were conducted to investigate the demands on the braces and the effects of slenderness on the energy dissipation of the braces. In this section, the specifics of the building analyzed, the brace model considered, the ground motions, and software used are presented. Typical brace force-displacement hysteretic loops for various $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ and R factors obtained from these analyses are included in Appendix C. The complete set of results will be included on the aforementioned MCEER Users Network. Hysteretic energy calculations made using the results from these non-linear analyses will be used in SECTION 4, along with other parametric studies.

### 3.1 Specifics of the Building Analyzed

The building used for this study is a single story steel building with $38.5 \mathrm{~m} \times 38.5 \mathrm{~m}$ plan dimensions. Lateral bracing is provided by a single braced bay in each exterior frame. As such, this building is identical in geometry to the one designed by Tremblay (1999). The typical floor plan and elevation of this building are shown in Figure 3.1. The height of the braced frame is 3.8 m , its width 7.6 m . Columns were designed to resist gravity dead and live roof loads of 1.0 kPa ( 20.9 psf ) and $1.48 \mathrm{kPa}(31.0 \mathrm{psf}$ ) respectively. Beams needed not to be designed as the horizontal displacements at the top of columns were constrained to be the same. Braces were designed to resist the seismic loads only. Half of the building floor mass (by tributary area) was assigned to each braced frame to calculate the horizontal seismic design loads. These were also calculated in accordance with Uniform Building Code (ICBO, 1994) procedure, specified as:

$$
\begin{equation*}
V=C_{s} W \tag{3.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where, V is the base shear, W is the total dead load of 1339 kN ( 300 kips ), and $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{s}}$ is the seismic coefficient defined as:

$$
\begin{equation*}
C_{s}=\frac{C_{e}}{R_{w}} \tag{3.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

where, $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{w}}$ is the response modification factor (described in SECTION 2) and $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{e}}$ is called elastic seismic response coefficient and expressed as:

$$
\begin{equation*}
C_{e}=Z I C \tag{3.3}
\end{equation*}
$$

where, Z is the seismic zone factor, I is the importance factor taken as 1.0 , and C is the numerical constant, defined as:

$$
\begin{equation*}
C=\frac{1.25 S}{T_{1}^{2 / 3}} \tag{3.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

where, S is the site coefficient taken as 1.0 , and $\mathrm{T}_{1}$ is the fundamental period of the structure (calculated here from dynamic analyses).

Note that Z of 0.20 was used here, to match the design by Tremblay for Vancouver. Also, it is important to realize that based on the procedures described in the following section, the UBC equations only served to give a shape for the elastic design spectra to be divided by R for brace designs using the AISC LRFD format (and not as suggested by Eq. 3.2 which would have been applicable for an Allowable Stress Design approach).

### 3.2 Bracing Member Design

In this parametric study, as indicated previously, bracing members have been designed with various slenderness ratios (KL/r) and response modification factors (R). Five R factors were used for design and analysis, namely $1,2,4,6$, and 8 . Note that an $R$ factor of 6 is prescribed by the AISC Provisions (1997) for SCBF (as indicated in SECTION 2). Three values of brace slenderness ratios were considered, namely 50,100 , and 150 to represent stocky, moderate, and slender braces, respectively. As a result, 15 different bracing members were designed (five R
values times three $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ values). These frames have each been subjected to 6 different earthquake excitations, for a total of 90 non-linear dynamic analyses. Earthquakes used for analyses are summarized in Table 3.1.

Table 3.1 Earthquake records used

| Event | Station | Comp. | Scaled |  |  | Scale <br> Factor |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { PHA } \\ \left(\mathrm{mm} / \mathrm{s}^{2}\right) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { PHA } \\ (\mathrm{g}) \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{PHV} \\ (\mathrm{~mm} / \mathrm{s}) \end{gathered}$ |  |
| 1940 Imperial Valey, Ca | El Centro | S00E | 2406.8 | 0.25 | 3.3 | 0.70 |
| 1971 San Fernando, Ca | Hollywood Storage, L.A. | N90E | 1962.8 | 0.20 | 2.1 | 0.95 |
| 1971 San Fernando, Ca | Hollywood Storage, L.A. | S00W | 2282.9 | 0.23 | 1.7 | 1.36 |
| 1949 Western Washington, Wa | Olympia, Highway Test lab. | N04W | 1598.1 | 0.16 | 2.1 | 0.99 |
| 1983 Coalinga aftershock, Ca | Oil Fields Fire Station | N270 | 2538.6 | 0.26 | 1.6 | 1.20 |
| Simulated Motion, Mw=7.2 | $\mathrm{R}=70 \mathrm{~km}$ | - | 2271.4 | 0.23 | 1.9 | 2.12 |

The following design procedure (illustrated in Figures 3.2 and 3.3) was followed to ensure that the resulting strength of each braced frame matched its design spectrum value for the corresponding R and $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ values:
(a) The UBC design spectrum (Figure 3.3) was scaled-down by the target R value.
(b) The maximum specified base shear, V, from that spectrum (i.e. from the short-period plateau of the spectrum) was considered to initiate the design.
(c) For the specified design strength and target $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ value, the brace area, A, and inertia, I, were determined.
(d) The natural period, $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{n}}$, of the resulting braced frame was calculated.
(e) At the calculated period, the required base shear was read from the design spectrum. If this demand was different from the one considered in the previous iteration (or in step (b) for the first iteration), the new specified base shear was therefore considered in step (c) to redesign the brace. If the demand was identical to the one considered, the iteration processed ended.

Square Hollow Structural Sections (HSS), also known as tubes, were selected for all designs, as this was apparently the structural section type that was apparently the most frequently tested (as shown in Table 2.3). Note that member sizes (i.e. width and thickness of the square tubular sections) were selected to provide a strength that perfectly matched the brace forces resulting from the loads applied to the braced frames. These were calculated using the solver function in a spreadsheet program. The corresponding braces are therefore "virtual members" that have the desired properties but that may not correspond to an available shape listed in the AISC Manual (1992). Designs constrained to available structural shapes will be discussed in the following section. Calculation sheets for the 15 bracing members considered here are included in Appendix D.

### 3.3 Brace Models Considered

Analytical models to represent the cyclic behavior of steel bracing members have been developed by Jain et al. (1977), Gugerli and Goel (1982), Ikeda et al. (1984), Lee and Goel (1987), and Hassan and Goel (1991). These models simulate several important phenomena observed during the inelastic cyclic loading of braces, such as progressive deterioration of the compression buckling strength, and residual elongation due to plasticity. Lee and Goel (1987) and Hassan and Goel (1991) also included a model to compute the number of cycles prior to fracture.

Analytical models for steel bracing members can be classified into three general types, namely: (a) finite element models; (b) phenomenological (empirical) models, and; (c) physical models.

As one would expect, finite element models generally divide the brace into a series of small segments. Although these can provide the most realistic representation of brace behavior, this typically requires a very fine mesh and large-displacement analysis, which makes finite element models too complex for the linear-elastic or non-linear inelastic analysis of actual braced structures.

Phenomenological models of the cyclic behavior of braces have been developed and refined by Jain et al. (1977), Ikeda et al. (1984), Lee and Goel (1987), and Hassan and Goel (1991). These
models are based on simplified empirical rules which can mimic the observed axial force-axial displacement hysteretic curves of the bracing members. The axial force, axial stiffness, as well as a number of empirical parameters, are specified to define the hysteretic curve of a given brace. For computational efficiency, these models generally use linear segments to define the hysteretic loops. A schematic of the hysteresis rules used by the Ikeda and Mahin's model (1984) and the Hassan and Goel's model (1991) are shown in Figure 3.4 and 3.5, respectively. Models having fewer number of linear segments tend to be simpler and less computationally demanding, but the models having more segments can replicate more accurately the complex behavior of braces.

Brace models based entirely on physical behavior (physical brace models) were developed by Nonaka (1987), Gugerli and Goel (1982), and Ikeda and Mahin (1984) to simulate the cyclic buckling behavior of steel braces. Taddei (1995) implemented the Ikeda and Mahin model in Drain-2DX. This model is based on an analytical expression of the axial force ( P ) versus axial displacement ( $\delta$ ), describing the behavior of steel brace members. The P- $\delta$ expression still depends on some empirical characteristics, such as knowledge of the P-M interaction curve, value of the tangent modulus as it evolves during testing, and modeling of plastic hinge rotation at midspan.

The model divides a hysteretic cycle into six possible zones of behavior, over which simple formulations are used to approximate the physical characteristics. Figures 3.6 and 3.7 show the member geometry and zones of physical behavior, respectively.

In this study, the refined physical model was used for non-linear dynamic analysis. Though this model requires more computation time than the phenomenological model, it was deemed to capture more accurately the cyclic inelastic behavior of bracing members. Figures 3.8 and 3.9 show comparisons of the results with results obtained with the phenomenological and refined physical model, respectively.

### 3.4 Non-linear Dynamic Analyses

Six ground motions were used in the non-linear dynamic analyses. The characteristics of these
six earthquakes are presented in Table 3.1 and the time histories of the records are plotted in Figures 3.10 to 3.12 . With these ground motions, response spectra with $5 \%$ damping were constructed and scaled to match the UBC 94 Zone 2B spectra as much as possible over the range of periods from 0 to 3 , using least square method. The non-scaled and scaled response spectra are shown in Figures 3.13 and 3.14, respectively.

All non-linear dynamic analyses have been performed using Drain-2DX (Prakash and Powell, 1993), and the Ikeda and Mahin physical brace (element No. 5) implemented in Drain-2DX by Taddei (1995). P- $\delta$ effects were included in analyses, and $5 \%$ damping was used (mass proportional Rayleigh damping factors are presented in Table 3.2).

Table 3.2 Mass proportional damping factors, $\alpha$, used in analyses

| $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ | $\mathrm{R}=1$ | $\mathrm{R}=2$ | $\mathrm{R}=4$ | $\mathrm{R}=6$ | $\mathrm{R}=8$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 50 | 1.8008 | 1.0076 | 0.5966 | 0.4426 | 0.3563 |
| 100 | 2.3977 | 1.5391 | 0.9188 | 0.6767 | 0.5458 |
| 150 | 3.5939 | 2.5426 | 1.6894 | 1.2473 | 1.0062 |

The hysteresis loops obtained from the analysis of all bracing members considered are attached in Appendix C. The corresponding behaviors inferred from these results as well as from other analyses and parametric studies will be presented in the following section.


Figure 3.1 Building studied (Tremblay, 1999)


Figure 3.2 Bracing member design

Design Example ( $\mathrm{R}=\mathbf{2}, \mathrm{Kl} / \mathrm{r}=50$ )


Figure 3.3 Design Example for braced frame with $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=50$ and $\mathrm{R}=2$


Figure 3.4 Hysteretic rules of Ikeda and Mahin (1984)'s phenomenological model


Figure 3.5 Hysteretic rules of Hassan and Goel (1991)'s phenomenological model


Figure 3.6 Member geometry of refined physical theory model (Ikeda and Mahin, 1984)


Figure 3.7 Zone definitions of refined physical theory model (Bruneau et al., 1998)


Figure 3.8 Comparison of a test result (below) with results obtained using the phenomenological model (Hassan and Goel, 1991)


Figure 3.9 Comparison of a test result (below) with results obtained using the refined physical theory model (Ikeda and Mahin, 1984)

## GROUND ACCELERATION

## EL CENTRO (E1)



GROUND ACCELERATION HOLLYWOOD STORAGE, L.A., NE (E2)


Figure 3.10 Earthquake records

## GROUND ACCELERATION HOLLYWOOD STORAGE, L.A., SW (E3)



GROUND ACCELERATION
OLYMPIA, HIGHWAY TEST LAB. (E4)


Figure 3.11 Earthquake records (continue)

## GROUND ACCELERATION

OIL FIELDS FIRE STATION (E5)


GROUND ACCELERATION
SIMULATED MOTION, R=72km (E6)


Figure 3.12 Earthquake records (continue)

## RESPONSE SPECTRA(NON-SCALED) (5\% DAMPING)



Figure 3.13 Non-scaled response spectra

RESPONSE SPECTRA(SCALED) (5\% DAMPING)


Figure 3.14 Scaled response spectra

## SECTION 4

## PARAMETRIC AND CASE STUDIES

In this section, results from the non-linear dynamic analyses conducted in the previous section, are investigated and correlated with the experimental data reviewed in SECTION 2. In particular, the hysteretic energy ratios are related to $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ and R values. Ductile design procedures for CBF and case studies are discussed. Fracture life of tubular bracing members is also reviewed. For reasons indicated in the previous section, this parametric study is limited to structural tubes and pipes.

### 4.1 Normalized Cumulative Energy Demand Ratios

Normalized cumulative energy demand ratios $\left(\Sigma E_{C} / E_{T}\right)$ from experimental data and results of analyses are summarized in Tables 4.1 and 4.2, respectively. The cumulative energy from analyses of cases having small R values and large $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ could not be calculated because the bracing members remained in the elastic range, defined as zone OA and AB in Figure 3.7. These cases are noted as N/A in Table 4.2. The normalized cumulative energy ratios as a function of R for the cases having KL/r values of 50 and 150 are presented in Figures 4.1 and 4.2, respectively. The corresponding averages are compared in Figure 4.3. The range of normalized cumulative energy ratios obtained from the experimental data is contained within the shaded area in Figure 4.1. The average results are included in Figures 4.2 and 4.3 (a single experimental data point in the case of Figure 4.2). As shown in Figures 4.1 and 4.2, as R increases, the normalized cumulative energy ratio decreases. It is also observed that all the analysis results obtained are within the range of experimental data available. Figure 4.3 shows that increasing KL/r translates into a decrease in normalized cumulative energy ratios. This means that more slender members undergo less inelastic energy demand than stocky ones, irrespectively of the R value used in design.

Table 4.1 Cumulative energy ratios $\left(\Sigma \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{C}} / \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{T}}\right)$ from experimental data

| KL/r=50 (0-75) |  |  | KL/r=100 (75-125) |  |  | KL/r=150 (125-200) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Reference | Specimen I.D. | $\Sigma\left(\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{C}} / \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{T}}\right)$ | Reference | Specimen I.D. | $\Sigma\left(\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{C}} / \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{T}}\right)$ | Reference | Specimen I.D. | $\Sigma\left(\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{C}} / \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{T}}\right)$ |
| $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Black et } \\ \text { al.(1980) } \end{gathered}$ | 21 | 5.90 | Black et <br> al.(1980) | 17 | 3.21 | Archambault et al.(1995) | S3B | 2.28 |
| $\begin{array}{r} \hline \text { Zayas et } \\ \text { al. }(1980) \\ \hline \end{array}$ | 1 | 2.61 | Black et <br> al.(1980) | 18 | 2.42 |  |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { Zayas et } \\ & \text { al.(1980) } \end{aligned}$ | 2 | 4.28 | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { Black et } \\ & \text { al.(1980) } \end{aligned}$ | 22 | 3.50 |  |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Zayas et } \\ & \text { al.(1980) } \end{aligned}$ | 3 | 2.28 | Black et al.(1980) | 14 | 4.55 |  |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { Zayas et } \\ & \text { al. }(1980) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 4 | 3.02 | $\begin{gathered} \text { Black et } \\ \text { al.(1980) } \end{gathered}$ | 15 | 2.25 |  |  |  |
| $\begin{array}{r} \text { Zayas et } \\ \text { al.(1980) } \\ \hline \end{array}$ | 5 | 6.67 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Black et } \\ & \text { al.(1980) } \end{aligned}$ | 16 | 6.11 |  |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { Zayas et } \\ & \text { al. }(1980) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 6 | 8.22 | $\begin{gathered} \text { Black et } \\ \text { al.(1980) } \end{gathered}$ | 24 | 4.66 |  |  |  |
| $\begin{gathered} \text { Jain et } \\ \text { al.(1978) } \end{gathered}$ | 1 | 4.74 | $\begin{gathered} \text { Jain et } \\ \text { al.(1978) } \end{gathered}$ | 6 | 0.83 |  |  |  |
| $\begin{gathered} \text { Jain et } \\ \text { al.(1978) } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | 4 | 2.16 | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Jain et } \\ \text { al.(1978) } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | 12A | 0.72 |  |  |  |
| $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Jain et } \\ \text { al.(1978) } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | 9 | 1.70 | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Jain et } \\ \text { al.(1978) } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | 15 | 1.32 |  |  |  |
| $\begin{gathered} \text { Walpole } \\ (1996) \end{gathered}$ | 2 | 1.98 | $\begin{array}{\|l} \hline \text { Archambault } \\ \text { et al.(1995) } \\ \hline \end{array}$ | S1B | 2.22 |  |  |  |
| Walpole (1996) | 3 | 1.94 | Archambault et al.(1995) | S1QB | 1.19 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Archambault et al.(1995) | S2B | 2.30 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Archambault et al.(1995) | S4B | 2.26 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline \text { Archambault } \\ \text { et al.(1995) } \\ \hline \end{array}$ | S4QB | 0.95 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Archambault et al.(1995) | S5B | 2.44 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Walpole } \\ (1996) \end{gathered}$ | 1 | 1.51 |  |  |  |
| Average |  | 3.79 | Average |  | 2.50 | Average |  | 2.28 |
| max |  | 8.22 | max |  | 6.11 | Max |  | 2.28 |
| min |  | 1.70 | min |  | 0.72 | Min |  | 2.28 |

Table 4.2 Cumulative energy ratios $\left(\Sigma \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{C}} / \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{T}}\right)$ from analysis results

| KL/r=50 |  | $\Sigma\left(\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{C}} / \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{T}}\right)$ |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Earthquake | Element | $\mathrm{R}=1$ | $\mathrm{R}=2$ | $\mathrm{R}=4$ | $\mathrm{R}=6$ | $\mathrm{R}=8$ |
| E1 | Elem. 1 | N/A | 7.646 | 5.447 | 4.666 | 4.084 |
| E1 | Elem. 2 | N/A | 6.923 | 5.592 | 5.710 | 4.520 |
| E2 | Elem. 1 | N/A | 1.955 | 3.359 | 2.684 | 2.053 |
| E2 | Elem. 2 | N/A | 1.153 | 3.587 | 3.150 | 2.853 |
| E3 | Elem. 1 | N/A | 3.225 | 3.331 | 2.415 | 2.062 |
| E3 | Elem. 2 | N/A | 2.462 | 3.082 | 2.967 | 2.256 |
| E4 | Elem. 1 | N/A | 3.463 | 5.209 | 4.563 | 3.495 |
| E4 | Elem. 2 | N/A | 4.364 | 6.122 | 5.123 | 3.789 |
| E5 | Elem. 1 | N/A | 2.963 | 2.552 | 1.616 | 1.549 |
| E5 | Elem. 2 | N/A | 2.120 | 2.887 | 1.876 | 2.157 |
| E6 | Elem. 1 | N/A | 4.929 | 2.970 | 2.556 | 2.350 |
| E6 | Elem. 2 | N/A | 5.795 | 1.843 | 1.469 | 1.217 |
| Average |  | N/A | 3.916 | 3.832 | 3.233 | 2.699 |
| KL/r=150 |  | $\Sigma\left(\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{C}} / \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{T}}\right)$ |  |  |  |  |
| Earthquake | Element | $\mathrm{R}=1$ | $\mathrm{R}=2$ | $\mathrm{R}=4$ | $\mathrm{R}=6$ | $\mathrm{R}=8$ |
| E1 | Elem. 1 | N/A | N/A | N/A | 3.281 | 2.956 |
| E1 | Elem. 2 | N/A | N/A | 3.649 | 3.553 | 3.057 |
| E2 | Elem. 1 | N/A | N/A | N/A | 1.536 | 1.068 |
| E2 | Elem. 2 | N/A | N/A | N/A | 1.222 | 1.354 |
| E3 | Elem. 1 | N/A | N/A | N/A | 1.131 | 1.271 |
| E3 | Elem. 2 | N/A | N/A | N/A | 1.347 | 0.956 |
| E4 | Elem. 1 | N/A | N/A | 3.454 | 2.688 | 2.366 |
| E4 | Elem. 2 | N/A | N/A | 2.219 | 1.978 | 2.110 |
| E5 | Elem. 1 | N/A | N/A | N/A | 0.889 | 1.177 |
| E5 | Elem. 2 | N/A | N/A | N/A | 0.851 | 1.042 |
| E6 | Elem. 1 | N/A | N/A | 1.505 | 0.686 | 1.000 |
| E6 | Elem. 2 | N/A | N/A | 1.451 | 1.617 | 0.832 |
| Average |  | N/A | N/A | 2.456 | 1.732 | 1.599 |

Normalized cumulative energy ratios as a function of the width-to-thickness ratios (b/t) are presented in Figure 4.4 and Figure 4.5 for KL/r of 50 and 150 respectively. As mentioned in the previous section, the HSS bracing members used for the analyses do not correspond to actual members available in the AISC LRFD Manual of Steel Construction (1994). These virtual tubular members have $\mathrm{b} / \mathrm{t}$ ratios excessively large and cannot therefore be compared with the experimental data.

### 4.2 Alternative Approaches for Sensitivity Case Studies

### 4.2.1 Redesign Following AISC Ductile Design Procedures

Bracing members were designed following ductile design procedures (AISC, 1997; Bruneau et al., 1998). Ductile design starts with a strength design in accordance with the AISC LRFD Specification (1993) and minimum weight as design objective. In that process, tubular braces were selected. Then, members obtained from strength design are evaluated and modified as necessary to guarantee ductile response of the frame, by satisfying the limits on the $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ and $\mathrm{b} / \mathrm{t}$ ratios of braces specified for SCBF (AISC, 1997). Calculation sheets, following the ductile design procedures, are attached in Appendix E and resulting brace member sizes are summarized Table 4.3. Essentially, the design procedure follows the same approach as in SECTION 3, with the exception that available structural shapes are used, rather than specified section properties that may not correspond to sections currently produced. All resulting brace members are bigger than those designed following the design procedure outlined in SECTION 3. This is expected as bigger sections are typically obtained for ductile design when compared to strength design. However, because of the requirements for ductile designs, brace members ended up being the same for all cases, regardless of R values (from 1 to 6 ). As a result, they all behaved elastically, making all comparisons of hysteretic behavior a moot point in this case.

Table 4.3 Strength design and ductile design data

| R | Strength Design |  |  | Ductile Design |  | Code Limits |  |  |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
|  | Member(U.S.) | $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ | $\mathrm{b} / \mathrm{t}$ | Member(U.S.) | $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ | $\mathrm{b} / \mathrm{t}$ | $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ | $\mathrm{b} / \mathrm{t}$ |
| 1 | TS $7 \times 7 \times 1 / 4$ | 122.1 | 26.0 | TS $10 \times 10 \times 5 / 8$ | 88.5 | 14.0 | 101.0 | 15.4 |
| 2 | TS $6 \times 6 \times 1 / 4$ | 143.6 | 22.0 | TS $10 \times 10 \times 5 / 8$ | 88.5 | 14.0 | 101.0 | 15.4 |
| 4 | TS $5 \times 5 \times 3 / 16$ | 171.6 | 24.7 | TS $10 \times 10 \times 5 / 8$ | 88.5 | 14.0 | 101.0 | 15.4 |
| 6 | TS $5 \times 5 \times 1 / 8$ | 169.0 | 38.0 | TS $10 \times 10 \times 5 / 8$ | 88.5 | 14.0 | 101.0 | 15.4 |
| 8 | TS 4 1/2 x 4 $1 / 2 \times 1 / 8$ | 187.9 | 34.0 | TS $10 \times 10 \times 5 / 8$ | 88.5 | 14.0 | 101.0 | 15.4 |

### 4.2.2 Effects of $K L / r$ on $R$ and b/t ratios

To investigate the relationship between $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}, \mathrm{R}$, and $\mathrm{b} / \mathrm{t}$ without being constrained to actual available member sizes, bracing members were redesigned.For a desired $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ ratio corresponding to a given cross-sectional area and member length, member dimensions such as width, depth, and thickness were changed to obtain the necessary radius of gyration, r. The design procedure is otherwise identical to the one described in SECTION 3 and calculation sheets are attached in Appendix F. Results are summarized in Table 4.4 and compared in Figure 4.6 and Figure 4.7. The R values in Table 4.4 and Figure 4.6 were obtained as follows:
(a) The members designed in SECTION 3 for $\mathrm{R}=1,2,4,6$, and 8 and $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ value of 50 are kept as the "reference members" (i.e., unchanged).
(b) $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ is increased from 50 to 100 and 150 and the member is redesigned to satisfy the new $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ value but keeping the cross sectional area and length of member constant and only changing the width, depth, and thickness of the braces to achieve the new slenderness.
(c) The resulting brace member dimensions are used to calculate the brace strength (i.e., the elastic buckling capacity of the bracing member).
(d) From that bracing force, the contribution of the compression member to the base shear of strength of the frame is calculated, and assumed to be equal to the total base shear strength in this case (tension member strength is neglected).
(e) Modal analysis is performed to get the natural frequency $\left(\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{n}}\right)$ of the structure.
(f) The corresponding base shear at $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{n}}$ is found on the elastic design spectrum.
( g ) Dividing ( f ) by (d) gives the corresponding R value resulting from the member size change to have the target $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ without changing length or cross sectional area of the brace.

Here, strength of the frame is taken as equal to twice the strength of the compression brace which governs the design process when the brace is assumed to resist $\mathrm{V} / 2$. This neglects the possible overstrength provided by the tension brace, which would be included however in non-linear time history analysis of the resulting systems.

Table 4.4 Effects of KL/r on R and b/t ratios

| KL/r | R |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 50 | 1.0 | 2.0 | 4.0 | 6.0 | 8.0 |
| 100 | 1.8 | 3.2 | 6.3 | 9.5 | 12.7 |
| 150 | 4.0 | 7.1 | 14.3 | 21.4 | 28.5 |
|  | b/t |  |  |  |  |
| R | 1 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 8 |
| 50 | 667.1 | 1884.1 | 5355.7 | 9825.7 | 15115.2 |
| 100 | 166.0 | 470.3 | 1338.2 | 2455.8 | 3778.3 |
| 150 | 73.2 | 208.5 | 594.2 | 1090.9 | 1678.7 |
|  | $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{n}}$ |  |  |  |  |
| R | 1 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 8 |
| 50 | 0.37 | 0.62 | 1.05 | 1.42 | 1.76 |
| 100 | 0.37 | 0.62 | 1.05 | 1.42 | 1.76 |
| 150 | 0.37 | 0.62 | 1.05 | 1.42 | 1.76 |
|  | I |  |  |  |  |
| R | 1 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 8 |
| 50 | 29959.90 | 10618.18 | 3736.70 | 2037.03 | 1324.07 |
| 100 | 7489.96 | 2654.58 | 934.20 | 509.23 | 331.04 |
| 150 | 3328.87 | 1179.81 | 415.20 | 226.32 | 147.13 |

In that perspective, R is the ratio of the demand on the elastic response spectra at the period of the system divided by the strength calculated by the above procedure at the same period. Consequently, as $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ increases, the strength of the compression brace decreases, the corresponding assumed design strength of the frame reduces, and R increases.

As shown in Figure 4.6 and Figure 4.7, following the above procedure, $R$ increases and $b / t$ decreases for increasing values of $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$. In this context, a larger R means that structures with larger $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ have a greater ductility demand, and smaller $\mathrm{b} / \mathrm{t}$ means a higher resistance against local buckling. As seen in the previous section, a structure with a large R value has less normalized cumulative energy dissipation. Since R increases with $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$, this suggests that
increasing $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ in this case translate into decreasing normalized cumulative energy dissipation demand. These observations are based on the non-linear dynamic analyses reported here for $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ of 50 and 150 , and the assumption that the trends can be interpolated for other values of KL/r.

### 4.2.3 Effects of member length, $L$, on $R$

Another alternative design approach was adopted to investigate the relationship between $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ and R . In this approach, for each target $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ value, the bracing member lengths were increased while the member geometry (width, depth, and thickness) was kept constant. Design procedures otherwise followed those presented in SECTION 3 and calculation sheets are attached in Appendix G. The results of designs and R value calculations are summarized in Table 4.5 and Figure 4.8. Though the tensile strengths of bracing members $\left(\mathrm{A}_{\mathrm{g}} \mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{y}}\right)$ remained constant in this case, the buckling strength of the bracing members $\left(\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}\right)$ decreased for larger KL/r values. Again, increasing $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ results in higher R values and thus, higher ductility demands but lower normalized cumulative energy dissipation capability (based on data presented in SECTION 2). Note that these observations are subjected to the same limitations expressed in the previous section.

Table 4.5 Effects of member length (L) on R

| $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}(\mathrm{L})$ | R |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 50 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 4.00 | 6.00 | 8.00 |  |  |
| 100 | 1.40 | 2.81 | 5.62 | 8.44 | 11.25 |  |  |
| 150 | 2.77 | 5.51 | 11.06 | 16.59 | 22.12 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\mathrm{~T}_{\mathrm{n}}$ |
| $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}(\mathrm{L})$ | $\mathrm{R}=1$ | $\mathrm{R}=2$ | $\mathrm{R}=4$ | $\mathrm{R}=6$ | $\mathrm{R}=8$ |  |  |
| 50 | 0.37 | 0.62 | 1.05 | 1.42 | 1.76 |  |  |
| 100 | 0.53 | 0.88 | 1.49 | 2.01 | 2.49 |  |  |
| 150 | 0.64 | 1.08 | 1.82 | 2.46 | 3.05 |  |  |

### 4.3 Fracture Life of Tubular Bracing Members

Bracing members may suffer from large cyclic deformations under severe earthquakes. Previous studies (Tang and Goel, 1987 and Archambault et al., 1995) showed that some bracing members designed in full compliance with current code requirements, sometimes do not have sufficient ductility to survive the imposed deformations. The members cracked and fractured early due to severe local buckling in the regions of plastic hinges. In any concentrically braced frame, the braces provide the lateral stiffness and strength to the structure and are the elements that dissipate the seismic energy. Fracture of braces may lead to collapse. In this section, two different fracture criteria of tubular bracing members are reviewed. Note that wherever $\Delta$ is used in fracture models, it actually corresponds to the axial elongation of the brace, i.e., $\delta$ per the notation used in the rest of the report.

### 4.3.1 Tang and Goel Model

Tang and Goel (1987) introduced an empirical fracture criterion for rectangular tubular bracing members. This criterion requires a special calculation of the number of cycles that contribute to fatigue life. To count these cycles, Tang and Goel established the following rules applicable to a brace axial deformation time history (referring to Figure 4.9 to help explain some of these concepts):
(a) A full cycle is typically defined from one peak in compression to another. In-between these two compressive peaks, the brace member will typically be subjected to tension (although not always). For this discussion, displacements are taken as negative in the direction of greater compression. For example, in Figure 4.9, full cycles are defined from point 1 to 2, 2 to 3, etc.
(b) Only the half cycles from a compression peak to the point of maximum tension (or minimum compression) in a cycle are counted to contribute to fatigue life. In that perspective, in Figure 4.9 , cycle 1-2 contributes a value of 1 to the fatigue life calculation (i.e. a displacement of $\Delta / \Delta_{\mathrm{y}}=+1$ from the point 1 at $\Delta / \Delta_{\mathrm{y}}=-1$ to the peak displacement in tension at $\left.\Delta / \Delta_{\mathrm{y}}=0\right)$.
(c) A standard cycle is defined as the one contributing a value of 1.0 to the fatigue life
calculation.
(d) The effect of small deformations cycles (defined as deformations of less than the standard cycle, or, in other words, of less than $\Delta_{y}$ ) are deemed to only have a small effect on the fatigue life of bracing members, and are ignored. For example, cycle $0-1$ in Figure 4.9 would be ignored.
(e) The amplitude of cycles proportionally contribute to fatigue life. In other words, a cycle with an amplitude of $4 \Delta y$ is equal to 4 cycles of $\Delta y$. For example, in Figure 4.9 , cycle $2-3$ is equivalent to two cycles 1-2.

Figure 4.10 illustrates how a complex displacement time history is decomposed in a series of standard cycles following the above rules.

Following this criterion, the following fracture life model for tubular bracing members was proposed:

$$
\begin{gather*}
N_{f}=C_{s} \frac{(B / D)(60)}{[(B-2 t) / t]^{2}} \text { for } K L / r \leq 60  \tag{4.1a}\\
N_{f}=C_{s} \frac{(B / D)(K L / r)}{[(B-2 t) / t]^{2}} \text { for } K L / r>60 \tag{4.1b}
\end{gather*}
$$

where $\mathrm{N}_{\mathrm{f}}$ is the fracture life expressed in terms of standard cycles, $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{s}}$ is a numerical coefficient obtained from the test results, $B$ and $D$ are respectively the gross width and depth of the section (in inches), and t is thickness of the section (in inches).

Lee and Goel (1987) reformulated this model by considering the effect of $\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{y}}$ and eliminating the dependency on $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$. In this criterion, $\Delta_{\mathrm{f}}$ is used instead of $\mathrm{N}_{\mathrm{f}}$ to quantify the fracture life of a tubular bracing member. This method proceeds per the following steps.
(a) The hysteresis curves ( P vs. $\Delta$ ) is converted to a normalized hysteresis curves ( $\mathrm{P} / \mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{y}}$ vs. $\Delta / \Delta_{\mathrm{y}}$ ).
(b) The deformation amplitude (tension excursion in a cycle) is divided into two parts, $\Delta_{1}$ and $\Delta_{2}$, defined at the axial load $\mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{y}} / 3$ point, as illustrated in Figure 4.11. $\Delta_{1}$ is the tension
deformation from the load reversal point to $P_{y} / 3$, while $\Delta_{2}$ is from that $P_{y} / 3$ point up to the unloading point.
(c) $\Delta_{f, \text { exp }}$ is obtained by adding 0.1 times $\Delta_{1}$ to $\Delta_{2}$ in each cycle and summary summing up for all cycles up to the failure (i.e., by the equation $\Delta_{\mathrm{f}}=\Sigma\left(0.1 \Delta_{1}+\Delta_{2}\right)$ ).
(d) The theoretical fracture life, $\Delta_{\mathrm{f}}$ is expressed as follows:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\Delta_{f}=C_{s} \frac{\left(46 / F_{y}\right)^{1.2}}{[(B-2 t) / t]^{1.6}}\left(\frac{4 B / D+1}{5}\right) \tag{4.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $C_{s}$ is an empirically obtained constant calibrated from test results, and $F_{y}$ is the yield strength of the brace (ksi). The numerical constant $C_{s}$, originally given as 1335 by Lee and Goel (1987), was recalibrated using the test results of Gugerli and Goel (1982) and Lee and Goel (1987), and found to be 1560 by Hassan and Goel (1991). Fracture is assumed to occur when $\Delta_{\mathrm{f}, \mathrm{exp}}=\Delta_{\mathrm{f}}$.

### 4.3.2 Archambault et al. Model

Another criterion was presented by Archambault et al. (1995). This criterion re-introduced the effect of slenderness ratio, $\mathrm{KL} /$ r, on the basis that, based on a review of previous test results, the Tang and Goel model was noted to underestimate the fracture life of tubular bracing members having large slenderness ratios. Two distinct trends were noted for fracture life of bracing members as a function of $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$, depending on whether slenderness was lower or higher than 70 . They introduced the term, $\Delta_{f}^{*}$ (to differentiate it from $\Delta_{\mathrm{f}}$ used by Tang and Goel), and expressed fatigue life as follows:

$$
\begin{align*}
\Delta_{f}^{*} & =C_{s} \frac{\left(317 / F_{y}\right)^{1.2}}{[(B-2 t) / t]^{0.5}}\left(\frac{4 B / D+1}{5}\right)^{0.8} \times(70)^{2} \text { for } K L / r<70  \tag{4.3a}\\
\Delta_{f}^{*} & =C_{s} \frac{\left(317 / F_{y}\right)^{1.2}}{[(B-2 t) / t]^{0.5}}\left(\frac{4 B / D+1}{5}\right)^{0.8} \times(K L / r)^{2} \text { for } K L / r \geq 70 \tag{4.3b}
\end{align*}
$$

where the $\mathrm{C}_{s}$ value is empirically determined from the experimental results was given as 0.0257 , $\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{y}}$ is in MPa and all dimensions are in mm units.

### 4.3.3 Effects of KL/r and b/t on the Fracture Life

The graphical expression of the equations for fracture life of tubular bracing members proposed by Tang and Goel and Archambault et al. are presented in Figures 4.12 and 4.13, respectively and further compared in Figure 4.14 and 4.15. As indicated in the previous sections, fracture life of tubular bracing member depends on both slenderness ratio, KL/r, and the width-to-thickness ratio, $\mathrm{b} / \mathrm{t}$ (where $b / t=(B-2 t) / t$ for a square tube). Figure 4.13 and Eq. (4.3) show that fracture life does not depend on $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ for $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}<70$, and that intermediate and slender bracing members $(\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r} \geq 70)$ have a fracture life, rapidly increasing in proportion to the square of $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$. Width-tothickness ratio, $\mathrm{b} / \mathrm{t}$, also has an impact on fracture life, with bracing members having larger $\mathrm{b} / \mathrm{t}$ value surviving fewer cycles of large inelastic deformations.

### 4.4 General Observations

It is well known that inelastic cyclic behavior of CBFs largely depends on their slenderness ratios (KL/r) and width-to-thickness ratios (b/t). It is also generally agreed that width-tothickness ratio ( $\mathrm{b} / \mathrm{t}$ ) also has an impact on the fracture life. Bracing members with larger local $\mathrm{b} / \mathrm{t}$ values are more prone to develop local buckling and will consequently not survive many cycles of large inelastic deformations. Latest research by others indicate that intermediate and slender bracing members ( $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r} \geq 70$ ) have much superior fracture life, and this improvement rapidly increases in proportion to the square of $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ value.

A number of new observations can be made from the parametric and case studies conducted in this section. These depend closely on the assumptions used for the parametric studies.
(a) When a bracing member is designed with a bigger R value, then the normalized cumulative energy ratio decreases. At first, this may appear to be counterintuitive, as it is generally expected that a structure designed with a bigger R value will have a greater ductility demand,
resulting in more energy dissipation because of this larger deformation demand. However, this can be explained as follows. Recall, as explained in SECTION 2.3.1, that the energy dissipation of a brace in compression, $\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{C}}$, is obtained by calculating the area under the forceaxial deformation curve, i.e., corresponding to the compression force times the axial deformation. $\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{C}}$ is then normalized by the corresponding tensile energy, $\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{T}}$, and the sum of these values for each cycle, cumulated until the end of cyclic loading history, is defined as the normalized cumulative energy ratio $\Sigma\left(\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{C}} / \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{T}}\right)$. This means that the normalized cumulative energy in compression is not only a function of axial deformation, but also of the compression force and tensile yield strength. The earthquake loading history also has an effect on the normalized cumulative energy in compression. Figures 4.16 and 4.17 show the normalized cumulative energy ratios of braces designed with same $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ and R value, but subjected to different earthquakes. Trends are clear although exceptions occur in some cases. For example, for a $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ value of 50 and R values increasing from 2 to 4 , the normalized cumulative energy ratios decreased when Earthquake 1 was applied, but increased when Earthquake 2 was applied. Taking Earthquake 1 as a case study that is consistent with the general trend, to illustrate the effect of R on behavior, it is first possible to observe, as shown in Figures 4.18 and 4.19, that although the brace designed with the larger R value of 4 deformed more than the brace designed with R of 2 , the latter resists bigger forces. As the brace deforms more at R of 4, it suffers more strength degradation which translates into a lower normalized cumulative energy ratio. Exceptions occur when the amount of inelastic cycles for the case with greater R value overcome this effect, as shown in Figures 4.20 and 4.21 , where the bigger brace corresponding to the case with an R of 2 undergoes mostly cycles in the elastic range (without dissipating energy).
(b) When a bracing member is designed with larger $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ value, then the normalized cumulative energy ratio decreases. This is a consequence of the ratio of tensile and compressive strength as a function of $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$, which translates directly into a lower normalized energy ratio $\left(\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{C}} / \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{T}}\right)$ for more slender members. This can be illustrated schematically using Figure 4.22. In this example, the strength degradation of a brace after elastic buckling in compression (Equation 2.2 ) is considered for all cycles except the first. The normalized energy ratios for the $2^{\text {nd }}$ and following cycles of members with $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ of 50 and 150 are 0.64 and 0.10 , respectively, resulting in normalized cumulative energy ratios of 0.64 n and 0.10 n respectively after $n$
cycles. In this case, the member with $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ of 150 would have to undergo roughly 6.4 more cycles than the member with $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ of 50 to have the same resulting normalized cumulative energy ratios. Looking at results from the analyses using actual earthquakes, a similar trend was observed. For example, as shown in Figure 4.23 and Tables 4.6 and 4.7, though the slender brace (designed with $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ value of 150) experienced more inelastic cycle than the stocky brace (designed with $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ value of 50 ), the normalized cumulative energy in compression $\left(\Sigma\left(\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{C}} / \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{T}}\right)\right)$ of the stocky brace is still bigger than for the slender brace. Here, the normalized energy ratio $\left(\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{C}} / \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{T}}\right)$ of the stocky and slender brace in the $1^{\text {st }}$ cycle (the $1^{\text {st }}$ cycle with relatively large inelastic deformation) are respectively 0.39 and 0.11 , and in the $11^{\text {th }}$ cycle, 0.47 and 0.14 , respectively. The normalized cumulative energy ratios $\left(\Sigma\left(\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{C}} / \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{T}}\right)\right)$ are 5.22 and 3.45 , respectively, even though the slender brace experienced 1.76 times more inelastic cycles.

Table 4.6 Energy calculation for the brace with $\mathrm{R}=4, \mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=50$, and Earthquake 4

| No | Cycle | $\delta(\mathrm{mm})$ | $\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{C}} / \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{T}}$ | $\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{C}}$ | $\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{T}}$ |
| :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | $5^{\text {th }}$ | 7.71 | 0.18 | 23.63 | 132.58 |
| 2 | $6^{\text {th }}$ | 5.31 | 0.12 | 9.52 | 82.38 |
| 3 | $7^{\text {th }}$ | 8.56 | 0.20 | 30.18 | 149.90 |
| 4 | $8^{\text {th }}$ | 21.47 | 0.39 | 207.53 | 532.79 |
| 5 | $9^{\text {th }}$ | 21.77 | 0.39 | 214.75 | 546.54 |
| 6 | $10^{\text {th }}$ | 34.34 | 0.49 | 600.66 | 1223.84 |
| 7 | $11^{\text {th }}$ | 14.22 | 0.26 | 89.59 | 350.35 |
| 8 | $12^{\text {th }}$ | 10.66 | 0.23 | 49.92 | 212.80 |
| 9 | $13^{\text {th }}$ | 14.12 | 0.34 | 99.11 | 292.97 |
| 10 | $14^{\text {th }}$ | 26.56 | 0.50 | 391.33 | 786.29 |
| 11 | $15^{\text {th }}$ | 19.66 | 0.40 | 201.58 | 508.96 |
| 12 | $16^{\text {th }}$ | 28.61 | 0.28 | 242.25 | 879.78 |
| 13 | $17^{\text {th }}$ | 5.85 | 0.16 | 14.13 | 88.85 |
| 14 | $18^{\text {th }}$ | 23.60 | 0.47 | 299.35 | 635.14 |
| 15 | $19^{\text {th }}$ | 3.40 | 0.06 | 3.10 | 52.65 |
| 16 | $20^{\text {th }}$ | 21.73 | 0.39 | 231.20 | 594.41 |
| 17 | $21^{\text {st }}$ | 8.81 | 0.17 | 29.92 | 175.37 |
| 18 | $22^{\text {th }}$ | 1.84 | 0.02 | 0.61 | 25.03 |
| 19 | $23^{\text {rd }}$ | 3.69 | 0.06 | 3.26 | 57.39 |
| 20 | $24^{\text {th }}$ | 1.86 | 0.03 | 0.74 | 25.23 |
| 21 | $25^{\text {th }}$ | 3.52 | 0.08 | 6.12 | 72.76 |
|  | $\Sigma$ | 5.22 | 2748.48 | 7426.01 |  |

Table 4.7 Energy calculation for the brace with $\mathrm{R}=4, \mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=150$, and Earthquake 4

| No | Cycle | $\delta(\mathrm{mm})$ | $\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{C}} / \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{T}}$ | $\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{C}}$ | $\mathrm{E}_{\text {T }}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | $28^{\text {th }}$ | 22.38 | 0.11 | 779.30 | 7225.05 |
| 2 | $29^{\text {th }}$ | 1.23 | 0.01 | 3.23 | 221.70 |
| 3 | $30^{\text {th }}$ | 4.84 | 0.06 | 65.41 | 1160.55 |
| 4 | $31^{\text {st }}$ | 2.89 | 0.04 | 21.58 | 525.80 |
| 5 | $32^{\text {nd }}$ | 2.95 | 0.05 | 26.18 | 504.12 |
| 6 | $33^{\text {rd }}$ | 4.37 | 0.08 | 72.95 | 894.23 |
| 7 | $34^{\text {th }}$ | 1.31 | 0.04 | 4.66 | 113.71 |
| 8 | $35^{\text {th }}$ | 2.79 | 0.07 | 23.82 | 360.01 |
| 9 | $36^{\text {th }}$ | 2.33 | 0.06 | 14.61 | 246.19 |
| 10 | $37^{\text {th }}$ | 4.56 | 0.12 | 103.64 | 899.04 |
| 11 | $38^{\text {th }}$ | 10.89 | 0.14 | 442.26 | 3164.51 |
| 12 | $39^{\text {th }}$ | 2.13 | 0.05 | 10.86 | 206.87 |
| 13 | $40^{\text {th }}$ | 2.09 | 0.05 | 11.04 | 206.83 |
| 14 | $41^{\text {st }}$ | 2.96 | 0.05 | 18.25 | 341.70 |
| 15 | $42^{\text {nd }}$ | 0.92 | 0.03 | 1.77 | 70.72 |
| 16 | $43^{\text {rd }}$ | 1.41 | 0.03 | 4.33 | 144.25 |
| 17 | $44^{\text {th }}$ | 1.62 | 0.03 | 5.19 | 151.77 |
| 18 | $45^{\text {th }}$ | 1.90 | 0.04 | 8.22 | 193.37 |
| 19 | $46^{\text {th }}$ | 1.41 | 0.04 | 5.04 | 136.33 |
| 20 | $47^{\text {th }}$ | 5.81 | 0.13 | 167.67 | 1316.62 |
| 21 | $48^{\text {th }}$ | 1.98 | 0.05 | 9.06 | 194.26 |
| 22 | $49^{\text {th }}$ | 1.13 | 0.02 | 2.28 | 98.72 |
| 23 | $50^{\text {th }}$ | 1.24 | 0.03 | 3.30 | 123.72 |
| 24 | $51^{\text {st }}$ | 2.21 | 0.04 | 9.84 | 243.72 |
| 25 | $52^{\text {nd }}$ | 0.12 | 0.00 | 0.05 | 12.44 |
| 26 | $53^{\text {rd }}$ | 1.78 | 0.04 | 6.72 | 180.83 |
| 27 | $54^{\text {th }}$ | 4.50 | 0.11 | 93.01 | 831.49 |
| 28 | $55^{\text {th }}$ | 0.99 | 0.02 | 1.89 | 97.10 |
| 29 | $56^{\text {th }}$ | 1.70 | 0.04 | 6.38 | 161.53 |
| 30 | $57^{\text {th }}$ | 1.36 | 0.03 | 4.04 | 120.52 |
| 31 | $58^{\text {th }}$ | 1.01 | 0.04 | 2.64 | 70.98 |
| 32 | $59^{\text {th }}$ | 0.74 | 0.05 | 2.87 | 52.54 |
| 33 | $60^{\text {th }}$ | 0.62 | 0.17 | 3.11 | 18.21 |
| 34 | $61^{\text {st }}$ | 1.24 | 0.09 | 9.93 | 109.95 |
| 35 | $62^{\text {nd }}$ | 0.98 | 0.20 | 12.17 | 59.89 |
| 36 | $63^{\text {rd }}$ | 0.51 | 0.88 | 15.65 | 17.82 |
| 37 | $64^{\text {th }}$ | 0.94 | 0.41 | 29.56 | 72.65 |
| $\Sigma$ |  |  | 3.45 | 2002.51 | 20549.74 |

(c) Assuming behavior of the braced frames was driven by behavior of the compression member alone, when the braces are designed with bigger KL/r by changing the member dimensions (i.e., width, depth, and thickness) and keeping cross sectional area and length of the member constant, higher R values and thus, higher ductility demands are obtained. From point (a) above, this would also imply lower normalized cumulative energy demand. This is because these brace members designed with bigger KL/r have a smaller inertia, and corresponding R value are calculated by the procedure described in SECTION 4.2.3.
(d) Following the same design assumptions as in (c), when the bracing member is designed with bigger $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ value by increasing bracing member lengths but keeping member geometry (width, depth, and thickness) constant, this again results in higher R values and thus, higher ductility demands and lower normalized cumulative energy demands.
(e) When a bracing member is designed by following standard ductile design procedures, then bigger sections are obtained than when designed by following the strength design procedure. Restrictions on $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ and $\mathrm{b} / \mathrm{t}$ limitation in the ductile design procedure can lead to selection of member sizes that are totally unrelated to R values. The resulting large braces may in some cases remain elastic throughout the entire earthquake response which somehow renders the special ductile detail provisions paradoxical.

## Normalized Cumulative Energy Ratio (KL/r=50)



Figure 4.1 Normalized Cumulative Energy Ratios with KL/r $=50$
( $\mathrm{X}, \mathbf{\Delta}, \boldsymbol{\square}$, and $\bullet$ are analytical results for cases having R of $2,4,6$, and 8 respectively)
Normalized Cumulative Energy Ratio (KL/r=150)


Figure 4.2 Normalized Cumulative Energy Ratios with KL/r $=150$



Figure 4.3 Averages of Normalized Cumulative Energy Ratios

## Normalized Cumulative Energy Ratio (KL/r=50)



Figure 4.4 Normalized Cumulative Energy Ratios vs. b/t with KL/r $=50$

Normalized Cumulative Energy Ratio (KL/r=150)


Figure 4.5 Normalized Cumulative Energy Ratios vs. b/t with KL/r = 150

## R vs. KL/r



Figure 4.6 Effects of $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ on R
b/t vs. KL/r


Figure 4.7 Effects of $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ on $\mathrm{b} / \mathrm{t}$ ratios

R vs. KL/r


Figure 4.8 Effects of member length (L) on R

Note: Cycle 0-1 is ignored (small cycle), Cycle 1-2 is an unit cycle (simple sycle),


Figure 4.9 Typical cycles in a deformation history of Tang and Goel model (1987)


Figure 4.10 Equivalent conversion between hysteretic cycles and the standard cycles
of Tang and Goel model (1987)


Figure 4.11 Definition of $\Delta_{1}$ and $\Delta_{2}$ (Lee and Goel model)


Figure 4.12 Tang and Goel fracture life model


Figure 4.13 Archambault et al. fracture life model

## Fracture Life of Brace (Goel's Model)



Figure 4.14 Tang and Goel fracture life model by b/t

## Fracture Life of Brace (Tremblay's Model)



Figure 4.15 Archambault et al. fracture life model by b/t

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\mathbf{R}-\Sigma\left(\mathbf{E}_{\mathrm{C}} / \mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{T}}\right)(\mathrm{KL} / \mathbf{r}=50, \mathbf{E L M} 1)
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Figure $4.16 \Sigma\left(\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{C}} / \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{T}}\right)$ for a brace in X braced frames with $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=50$ (Member 1)


Figure $4.17 \Sigma\left(\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{C}} / \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{T}}\right)$ for a brace in X braced frames with $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=50($ Member 2$)$

## Axial Force - Displacement ( $\mathrm{R}=\mathbf{2}, \mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=50$ with Eq. 1, Member1)



Figure 4.18 Hysteretic curve for the brace designed with $\mathrm{R}=2$ and $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=50$ (Earthquake 1)

> Axial Force - Displacement $(\mathrm{R}=4, \mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=50$ with Eq.1, Member1)


Figure 4.19 Hysteretic curve for the brace designed with $\mathrm{R}=4$ and $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=50$ (Earthquake 1)

> Axial Force - Displacement $(\mathrm{R}=2, \mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=50$ with Eq.2, Member1)


Figure 4.20 Hysteretic curve for the brace designed with $\mathrm{R}=2$ and $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=50$ (Earthquake 2)

> Axial Force - Displacement $(\mathrm{R}=4, \mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=50$ with Eq.2, Member1)


Figure 4.21 Hysteretic curve for the brace designed with $\mathrm{R}=4$ and $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=50$ (Earthquake 2)


Figure 4.22 Comparison the schematically normalized cumulative energy ratios of braces with $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ of 50 and 150


Figure 4.23 Comparison of the normalized cumulative energy ratios of braces analyzed (Braces with R=4, Earthquake 4, and $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=50$ and 150)

## SECTION 5

## SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

### 5.1 Summary

A comprehensive review of regulations and guidelines for the seismic design of CBF showed that design requirements for CBF have changed considerably over the various editions of the AISC Seismic Provisions, from 1992 up until Supplement 2 of the 1997 edition of AISC Seismic Provisions (AISC, 2000). This is in spite of little new test results over that period. Much discussion is currently underway on the requirements that must be specified to achieve satisfactory seismic performance of CBF and an in-depth review of past data is timely.

The objective of this report was to review existing experimental data to assess the extent of hysteretic energy dissipation achieved by bracing members in compression and the extent of the degradation of braces compression strength upon repeated cycling loads. Past experimental results were reviewed to quantify these parameters at various magnitudes of the axial deformation in compression, $\delta$, as a function of $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$, and for various types of structural shapes. Results will be posted and available on the MCEER Users Network. An extensive database of these quantities was established. The response of single story buildings was also investigated along with a few additional case studies to outline trends in response and to develop a better understanding of the sensitivity of some design parameters on the seismic response of CBF. Issues relevant to fracture life of braces were also considered.

Results from the non-linear dynamic analyses of buildings having X-braced bay and designed using various R factors and $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ values were correlated with results from the experimental data, database, and observations were made on how normalized cumulative hysteretic energy ratios related to $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ and R values.

### 5.2 Conclusions

From the experimental data review and database constructed using results from previous tests, and dynamic analyses of single story braced frames, the following conclusions can be made.
(a) While the normalized energy dissipation $\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{C}} / \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{T}}$ typically decreases with increasing normalized displacements $\delta / \delta_{\mathrm{B}}$, the ratios are consistently smaller for larger KL/r values. Braces having moderate $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}(80-120)$ do not have significantly more normalized energy dissipation in compression than those having a slenderness in excess of 120. This is significant considering the large number of braced frames designed and built with braces having a $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ of approximately 100 . The rapid drop in energy dissipation effectiveness (down to 0.3 or less for braces having $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ above 80 ) as the normalized displacement approximately exceed 3 is also significant; this suggests that reliance on the compression brace to dissipate seismic energy, while effective at very low KL/r, may be overly optimistic for the slenderness more commonly encountered in practice.
(b) Reduction in the normalized $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}{ }^{\prime \prime} / \mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}$ (first) envelope is particularly severe for W -shape braces having $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ above 80 . However, behavior is not worse for $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ in the 120 to 160 range. In that perspective, tubes perform better, over all slenderness range. The performance of double-angle braces is in between these two extremes. Observation of the results for $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}{ }^{\prime} / \mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}$ (last) and $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}{ }^{\prime}{ }^{\prime} / \mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}($ first $/$ last $)$ show that the compression capacity at low $\delta / \delta_{\mathrm{B}}$ values drops rapidly upon repeated cycling, and that $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}{ }^{\prime} /{ }^{\prime} / \mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}$ (first) is effectively equal to $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}{ }^{\prime}{ }^{\prime} / \mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}$ (last) at normalized displacements above 3 in most instances.
(c) When a bracing member is designed with a bigger R value or a bigger $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ value, then the normalized cumulative energy ratio decreases. Assuming behavior of the braced frames was driven by behavior of the compression member alone, when the braces are designed with bigger $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ by changing the member dimensions (i.e., width, depth, and thickness) and keeping cross sectional area and length of the member constant, higher R values, and thus higher ductility demands, are obtained. From the point above, this would also imply lower normalized cumulative energy demand. Following the same design assumptions, when the
bracing member is designed with bigger $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ value by increasing bracing member lengths but keeping member geometry (width, depth, and thickness) constant, this again results in higher R values and thus, higher ductility demands and lower normalized cumulative energy demands. When a bracing member is designed by following standard ductile design procedures, then bigger sections are obtained than when designed by following the strength design procedure. Restrictions on $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}$ and $\mathrm{b} / \mathrm{t}$ limitation in the ductile design procedure can lead to selection of member sizes that are totally unrelated to R values. The resulting large braces may in some cases remain elastic throughout the entire earthquake response which somehow renders the special ductile detail provisions paradoxical.
(d) Consensus in the existing literature establishes that smaller width-to-thickness ratios help delay the brittle failure of bracing members; the higher resistance against local buckling translates into a higher cyclic fracture life of members.

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## APPENDIX A

## Example of Detailed Spreadsheet Data

(To Be Made Available on MCEER User's Network)

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|  |  |  | $0$ |  | $0$ | $0$ |  |  | $5$ |  | $\stackrel{\infty}{\infty} \times$ | $\ldots$ |  | $\times \times$ | $\times \times$ | $\times$ | W |  | 会要 | Bn | $9$ | $0$ |  | giv |  | $\cdots$ |  |  |  | $\underset{\sim}{2}$ |  | $\times$ | $\times$ |
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| $\begin{aligned} & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \end{aligned}$ | E | \％ |  | H: |  | S | 8 |  | $8$ |  | $\stackrel{\infty}{5} \times$ | ＊ | $\times \times$ | $\times \times$ | $\times$ |  | E 5 |  |  | $\underset{\sim}{4}$ | $\stackrel{3}{3}$ | $\underset{\sim}{m}$ | $\underline{6}$ | $\pm$ | $\cdots$ | $\stackrel{\square}{\square}$ |  | $\stackrel{9}{0}$ | $\underset{\substack{0 \\ \hline \\ \hline \\ \hline \\ \hline}}{ }$ | \％ |  | $\times$ |  |
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|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { क. } \\ & \frac{3}{s} \\ & \stackrel{y}{5} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $5$ | $\stackrel{\text { Win }}{=}$ | 尔 | $\infty$ | N－ | $\stackrel{\sim}{-}$ | $\stackrel{8}{\square}$ |  |  |  | $8$ | $8$ | $8$ |  | $\times$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { m} \\ & \frac{7}{s} \\ & \stackrel{y}{5} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 爰筞 |  |  | S | $\stackrel{3}{-}$ |  | $5$ |  |  |  |  |  | － | $\times$ | $\times$ |  |
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| $\begin{aligned} & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & 20 \end{aligned}$ | E © | b |  |  |  | $\underset{\sim}{\infty}$ | $\underset{O}{J}$ | $\underset{c}{m}$ | $\underset{i}{\circ}$ |  | $8$ | 8 | 8 | 8 |  |  |  | $=$ |  | $\underset{\sim}{4}$ | $0$ | $\underset{\sim}{9}$ | $8$ | $5$ | $\cdots$ | 5 | $\stackrel{\square}{\square}$ |  |  | ＊ | $\times \times$ | $\times$ |  |
| $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} n \\ \\ \\ \end{gathered}\right.$ | 刍 |  | $\stackrel{5}{6}$ | ${ }^{\text {con }}$ | ¢ | mom | $\underset{\sim}{8}$ | O | $\underset{\mathrm{c}}{\mathrm{c}} \mathrm{y}$ |  |  |  | $\stackrel{\infty}{\infty}$ |  |  |  | cis | $\underbrace{2}_{i}$ |  | $\stackrel{\infty}{\infty}$ | $\mathrm{c}_{0}$ | $\underset{\sim}{*}$ | $\bigcirc$ | \％ | － | 5 | 8 |  | $\overbrace{2}^{2}$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ |
|  |  |  | $\stackrel{\text { ¢ }}{\text { ¢ }}$ |  | $\sim$ |  |  | 0 |  | $\cdots$ | \％ |  | $\square \sim$ | $\stackrel{\sim}{\sim}$ | $\pm$ | $\pm$ |  |  |  | $\stackrel{\text { cher }}{ }$ | － | $\cdots$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | F | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\bigcirc$ |

Figure A． 1 Example of Results for specimens tested by Black et al．， 1980

## APPENDIX B

Investigation of Bracing Information


Figure B. 1 All structural shapes with $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=0$ to 40 (Average shown by thicker line)


Figure B. 2 All structural shapes with $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=40$ to 80 (Average shown by thicker line)


Figure B. 3 All structural shapes with $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=80$ to 120 (Average shown by thicker line)


Figure B. 4 All structural shapes with $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=120$ to 160 (Average shown by thicker line)


Figure B. 5 All structural shapes with $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=160$ to 200 (Average shown by thicker line)


Figure B. 6 Structural Tubes with $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=0$ to 40 (Average shown by thicker line)


Figure B. 7 Structural Tubes with $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=40$ to 80 (Average shown by thicker line)


Figure B. 8 Structural Tubes with $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=80$ to 120 (Average shown by thicker line)


Figure B. 9 Structural Tubes with $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=120$ to 160 (Average shown by thicker line)


Figure B. 10 Wide Flanges with $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=40$ to 80 (Average shown by thicker line)


Figure B. 11 Wide Flanges with $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=80$ to 120 (Average shown by thicker line)


Figure B. 12 Wide Flanges with $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=120$ to 160 (Average shown by thicker line)


Figure B. 13 Double Angles, back-to-back with KL/r $=40$ to 80
(Average shown by thicker line)


Figure B. 14 Double Angles, back-to-back with KL/r $=80$ to 120
(Average shown by thicker line)


Figure B. 15 Double Angles, back-to-back with KL/r = 120 to 160
(Average shown by thicker line)


Figure B. 16 Double Angles, back-to-back with KL/r $=160$ to 200
(Average shown by thicker line)


Figure B. 17 Structural Pipes with $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=0$ to 40 (Average shown by thicker line)


Figure B. 18 Structural Pipes with KL/r $=40$ to 80 (Average shown by thicker line)


Figure B. 19 Structural Pipes with $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=80$ to 120 (Average shown by thicker line)


Figure B. 20 Single Angles with KL/r = 80 to 120 (Average shown by thicker line)


Figure B. 21 Single Angles with KL/r = 120 to 160 (Average shown by thicker line)


Figure B. 22 Double Channels, back to back with KL/r $=120$ to 160
(Average shown by thicker line)


Figure B. 23 Structural Tees with KL/r $=80$ to 120 (Average shown by thicker line)

## APPENDIX C

## Hysteretic Curves

## Axial Force - Displacement ( $\mathrm{R}=4, \mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=50$ with Eq.6, Member1)



Figure C. 1 Axial Force - Displacement Curve with $\mathrm{R}=4, \mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=50$ and EQ. 6 Member1

## Axial Force - Displacement ( $\mathrm{R}=4, \mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=50$ with Eq.6, Member2)



Figure C. 2 Axial Force - Displacement Curve with $\mathrm{R}=4, \mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=50$ and EQ. 6 Member2

Axial Force - Displacement ( $\mathrm{R}=6, \mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=50$ with Eq. 6, Member1)


Figure C. 3 Axial Force - Displacement Curve with $\mathrm{R}=6, \mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=50$ and EQ. 6 Member1

## Axial Force - Displacement ( $\mathrm{R}=6$, KL/r=50 with Eq.6, Member2)



Figure C. 4 Axial Force - Displacement Curve with $\mathrm{R}=6$, KL/r=50 and EQ. 6 Member2

## APPENDIX D

## Bracing Member Design Calculation Sheets

Outcomes of Calculations Below

Detailed Calculations

1) Bracing Members for Element 䜤 in DRAIN-2DX) Control information

Figure D. 1 Outcomes of Calculations for $\mathrm{R}=1$ and $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=50$
Outcomes of Calculations Below

| $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{T} / \mathrm{C}_{1} \\ & \mathrm{R}=1 \end{aligned}$ | Pbr = | 411.69 | ( kN ) | $\mathrm{Fy}=$ | 35.0 | ( $\mathrm{kN} / \mathrm{Cm}^{2}$ ) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathrm{E}=$ | 20000.0 | ( $\mathrm{kN} / \mathrm{cm}^{2}$ ) | L = | 849.7 | (cm) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | B (cm) | D(cm) | t(cm) | $\mathrm{B}-2 \mathrm{t}$ (cm) | $A\left(\mathrm{~cm}^{2}\right)$ | Areq'd( $\mathrm{cm}^{2}$ ) | $1 .\left(\mathrm{cm}^{*}\right)$ | $\mathrm{l}_{\text {yrequr }}\left(\mathrm{cm}{ }^{\text {a }}\right.$ ) | $\mathrm{r}_{\text {( }}(\mathrm{cm})$ | $\mathrm{r}_{\text {yrequy }}(\mathrm{cm})$ | $Z_{1}\left(\mathrm{~cm}^{3}\right)$ | L ${ }^{\text {d }}$ | Py | Pcr |
| L ¢ $=100$ | 21.1 | 21.1 | 0.25 | 20.6 | 20.8564 | 20.8564 | 1505.83 | 1505.83 | 8.50 | 8.50 | 162.78 | 100 | 729.97 | 411.69 |

Detailed Calculations

1) Bracing Members for Element H5 $_{5}$ in DRAIN-2DX)

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Figure D. 2 Outcomes of Calculations for $\mathrm{R}=1$ and $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=100$
Outcomes of Calculations Below

| $\mathrm{R}=1$ | $\mathrm{E}=$ | 20000.0 | ( $\mathrm{kN} / \mathrm{cm}^{2}$ ) | $\mathrm{L}=$ | 849.7 | (cm) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | B (cm) | D(cm) | t (cm) | B-2t(cm) | $\mathrm{A}\left(\mathrm{cm}^{2}\right)$ | Areq'd $\left(\mathrm{cm}^{2}\right)$ | 1 ( $\mathrm{cm}^{*}$ ) | $\mathrm{I}_{\text {yrequ }}(\mathrm{cm})^{*}$ ) | $\mathrm{r}_{2}(\mathrm{~cm})$ | $\mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{y} \text { erequ }}(\mathrm{cm})$ | $Z_{1}\left(\mathrm{~cm}^{3}\right)$ | Lir | Py | Pcr |
| $\mathrm{L} / \hat{r}=150$ | 14.7 | 14.7 | 0.85 | 13.0 | 46.9268 | 46.9268 | 1505.83 | 1505.83 | 5.66 | 5.66 | 244.03 | 150 | 1642.44 | 411.69 |

Detailed Calculations
Figure D. 3 Outcomes of Calculations for $\mathrm{R}=1$ and $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=150$
Outcomes of Calculations Below

Detailed Calculations

Figure D. 4 Outcomes of Calculations for $\mathrm{R}=2$ and $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=50$
Outcomes of Calculations Below

Figure D. 5 Outcomes of Calculations for $\mathrm{R}=2$ and $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=100$
Outcomes of Calculations Below

Detailed Calculations

1) Bracing Members for Element ${ }^{W} 5$ in DRAIN-2DX) Controi information

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Figure D. 6 Outcomes of Calculations for $\mathrm{R}=2$ and $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=150$
Outcomes of Calculations Below

Detailed Calculations

Figure D. 7 Outcomes of Calculations for $\mathrm{R}=4$ and $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=50$
Outcomes of Calculations Below

Detailed Calculations

Figure D. 8 Outcomes of Calculations for $\mathrm{R}=4$ and $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=100$
Outcomes of Calculations Below

Detailed Calculations

Figure D. 9 Outcomes of Calculations for $\mathrm{R}=4$ and $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=150$
Outcomes of Calculations Below

Detailed Calculations

1) Bracing Members for Element 5 in DRAIN-2DX) | Control information |  |
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| $1^{151}$ Line | $\begin{gathered} \text { itt(l) } \\ 1 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Area(R) } \\ 0.71 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \mathrm{Rl}(\mathrm{R}) \\ 203.70 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{\|c} \hline \text { Effek(R) } \\ 1.0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Plamom(R) }(R) \\ 385.37 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Yiestr(R) } \\ 35.0 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline E 0(R) \\ 20000.0 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{\|c} \hline \text { Harden }(\mathrm{R}) \\ 0.0 \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $2^{\text {rd }}$ Line | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \text { ThetaO(R) } \\ 0.0 \end{array}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $3^{\text {max }}$ Line | $\begin{gathered} \text { isec(l) } \\ 31 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \text { Itermax(l) } \\ 100 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{c\|} \hline \text { tol(R) } \\ 0.00001 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { styp(R) } \\ & 0.00001 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |
| $4^{\text {n }}$ Line | $\begin{gathered} \text { Beta(R) } \\ 1.2 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{E} 1(\mathrm{R}) \\ 0.05 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{E} 2(\mathrm{R}) \\ 0.9 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{E} 3(\mathrm{R}) \\ 1.25 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{E} 4(\mathrm{R}) \\ & -0.25 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |
| $5^{\text {n }}$ Line | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { P12(R) } \\ 0.5 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \mathrm{a} 1(\mathrm{R}) \\ 1.0 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline b 1(R) \\ 0.0 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline c 1(R) \\ & -1.33 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { a2(R) } \\ 1.33 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \mathrm{b} 2(\mathrm{R}) \\ & -1.33 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} c 2(R) \\ 0 \end{gathered}$ |  |
| $6^{\text {n }}$ Line | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \text { Ratet(R) } \\ 1.0 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{\|c} \hline \text { Ratec(R) } \\ 1.0 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |


Figure D. 10 Outcomes of Calculations for $\mathrm{R}=6$ and $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=50$
Outcomes of Calculations Below

Detailed Calculations

Figure D. 11 Outcomes of Calculations for $\mathrm{R}=6$ and $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=100$
Outcomes of Calculations Below

Detailed Calculations

1) Bracing Members for Element $\begin{aligned} & \text { \# } 5 \text { in DRAIN-2DX) } \\ & \text { controi } n \text { formation }\end{aligned}$ | Control information |  |
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|  | 1 |


Figure D. 12 Outcomes of Calculations for $\mathrm{R}=6$ and $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=150$
Outcomes of Calculations Below

| $\mathrm{T} / \mathrm{C}_{1}$ <br> $\mathrm{R}=8$ | $\mathrm{Pbr}=$ | 16.05 | $(\mathrm{kN})$ | $\mathrm{Fy}=$ | 35.0 | $\left(\mathrm{kN} / \mathrm{cm}^{2}\right)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathrm{E}=$ | 20000.0 | $\left(\mathrm{kN} / \mathrm{cm}^{2}\right)$ | $\mathrm{L}=$ | 849.7 | $(\mathrm{~cm})$ |
|  | $\mathrm{B}(\mathrm{cm})$ | $\mathrm{D}(\mathrm{cm})$ | $\mathrm{t}(\mathrm{cm})$ | $\mathrm{B}-2 \mathrm{t}(\mathrm{cm})$ | $\mathrm{A}\left(\mathrm{cm}^{2}\right)$ | $\mathrm{Areq} \mathrm{c}^{\prime} \mathrm{d}\left(\mathrm{cm}^{2}\right)$ |
| $\mathrm{L} \hat{\mathrm{m}}=50$ | 41.6 | 41.6 | 0.00 | 41.6 | 0.4585 | 0.4585 |

Detailed Calculations

Figure D. 13 Outcomes of Calculations for $\mathrm{R}=8$ and $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=50$
Outcomes of Calculations Below

Detailed Calculations

Figure D. 14 Outcomes of Calculations for $\mathrm{R}=8$ and $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=100$
Outcomes of Calculations Below

Detailed Calculations

Figure D. 15 Outcomes of Calculations for $\mathrm{R}=8$ and $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=150$

## APPENDIX E

## Ductile Design Procedures

Outcomes of Calculations Below

Figure E. 1 Outcomes of Calculations for $\mathrm{R}=1$
Outcomes of Calculations Below

Figure E. 2 Outcomes of Calculations for $\mathrm{R}=2$
Outcomes of Calculations Below

Figure E. 3 Outcomes of Calculations for $\mathrm{R}=4$
Outcomes of Calculations Below

Figure E. 4 Outcomes of Calculations for $\mathrm{R}=6$
Outcomes of Calculations Below

Figure E. 5 Outcomes of Calculations for $\mathrm{R}=8$

## APPENDIX F

## Case Study 1 <br> (Effects of $\mathrm{KL} / \mathbf{r}$ on $\mathbf{R}$ and $\mathrm{b} / \mathbf{t}$ ratios)

Outcomes of Calculations Below

Detailed Calculations

1) Bracing Members for Element \#\# in DRAIN-2DX) Control information

Figure F. 1 Outcomes of Calculations for $\mathrm{R}=1$ and $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=50$
Outcomes of Calculations Below

Detailed Calculations
2) Bracing Members for Element $\$ 5$ in DRAIN-2DX)
Control information


| $1^{151}$ Line | $\begin{gathered} \text { itt(I) } \\ 1 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \text { Area(R) } \\ 10.37 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \text { Ril(R) } \\ 749.00 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Effek }(R) \\ 1.0 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \text { Plamon(R) } \\ 2833.89 \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Yiestr(R) } \\ 35.0 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \mathrm{EO}(\mathrm{R}) \\ 20000.0 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \text { Harden }(\mathrm{R}) \\ 0.0 \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $2^{\text {rd }}$ Line | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { ThetaO(R) } \\ 0.0 \end{gathered}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $3^{\text {max }}$ Line | $\begin{gathered} \text { isec(l) } \\ 31 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { itemax(l) } \\ 100 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \text { tol(R) } \\ 0.00001 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { styp }(R) \\ & 0.00001 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |
| $4^{\text {n }}$ Line | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Beta }(R) \\ 1.2 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{E} 1(\mathrm{R}) \\ 0.05 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { E2(R) } \\ 0.9 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { E3(R) } \\ & 1.25 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{E} 4(\mathrm{R}) \\ & -0.25 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |
| $5^{\text {n }}$ Line | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { P12(R) } \\ 0.5 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \mathbf{a} 1(\mathrm{R}) \\ 1.0 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline b 1(R) \\ 0.0 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline c 1(\mathrm{R}) \\ & -1.33 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \mathrm{a} 2(\mathrm{R}) \\ & 1.33 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \mathrm{b} 2(\mathrm{R}) \\ & -1.33 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline c 2(\mathrm{R}) \\ 0 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |  |
| $6^{\text {n }}$ Line | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Ratet }(\mathrm{R}) \\ 1.0 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Ratec }(R) \\ 1.0 \end{gathered}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |


Figure F. 2 Outcomes of Calculations for $\mathrm{R}=1$ and $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=100$
Outcomes of Calculations Below

| $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{T} / \mathcal{C}, \\ & \mathrm{R}=1 \end{aligned}$ | $\mathrm{Pbr}=$ | $\begin{array}{r} 363.09 \\ \hline 20000.0 \end{array}$ |  | $\mathrm{Fy}=$ | 35.0 | ( $\mathrm{kN} / \mathrm{cm}^{2}$ ) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | E |  | ( $\mathrm{kN} / \mathrm{cm}^{2}$ ) | L= | 849.7 | (cm) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | B (cm) | $D(\mathrm{~cm})$ | t (cm) | B-2t(cm) | $\mathrm{A}\left(\mathrm{cm}^{2}\right)$ | 1, $\mathrm{cm}^{*}$ ) | $1.8 \mathrm{ceq}\left(\mathrm{cm}^{*}\right)$ | r, $(\mathrm{cm})$ | vrequ ${ }^{\text {cmm }}$ | Z. $\left(\mathrm{cm}^{3}\right)$ | L* | Py | Pcr |
| $\mathrm{L} \dot{1}=150$ | 14.1 | 14.1 | 0.19 | 13.7 | 10.3739 | 332.89 | 332.89 | 5.66 | 5.66 | 53.98 | 150 | 363.09 | 91.01 |

Detailed Calculations

1) Bracing Members for Element ${ }^{5}$ in DRAlN-2DX) Control information

| One Line | $\begin{array}{c}\text { nimbt(I) } \\ 1\end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: |


| $1^{13}$ Line | $\begin{gathered} \text { itt(l) } \\ 1 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Area }(\mathrm{R}) \\ 10.37 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \mathrm{Rl}(\mathrm{R}) \\ 332.89 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Effek }(R) \\ 1.0 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Plamnom(R) } \\ 1889.21 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Yiestr( }(R) \\ 35.0 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline E 0(R) \\ 20000.0 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Harden }(R) \\ 0.0 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $2^{\text {rad }}$ Line | $\begin{array}{c\|} \hline \text { ThetaO(R) } \\ 0.0 \end{array}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $3^{\text {3m }}$ Line | $\begin{gathered} \text { isec(l) } \\ 31 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { itemax(l) } \\ 100 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{\|c\|c\|} \hline \text { tol(R) } \\ 0.00001 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline \text { styp }(R) \\ 0.00001 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  |  |  |  |
| $4^{\text {n }}$ Line | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Beta( } R \text { ) } \\ 1.2 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline E 1(R) \\ 0.05 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { E2(R) } \\ 0.9 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \mathrm{E} 3(\mathrm{R}) \\ 1.25 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { E4(R) } \\ & -0.25 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |
| $5^{\text {n }}$ Line | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { P12(R) } \\ 0.5 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \mathrm{a} 1(\mathrm{R}) \\ 1.0 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline b 1(R) \\ 0.0 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline c 1(R) \\ & -1.33 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \mathrm{a} 2(\mathrm{R}) \\ 1.33 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline b 2(R) \\ & -1.33 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{c} 2(\mathrm{R}) \\ 0 \end{gathered}$ |  |
| $6^{6}$ Line | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \text { Ratet(R) } \\ 1.0 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Ratec }(\mathrm{R}) \\ 1.0 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Figure F. 3 Outcomes of Calculations for $\mathrm{R}=1$ and $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=150$
Outcomes of Calculations Below

Detailed Calculations

Figure F. 4 Outcomes of Calculations for $\mathrm{R}=2$ and $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=50$
Outcomes of Calculations Below
Detailed Calculations

1) Bracing Members for Element $\$ 5$ in DRAIN-2DX) Controi hnformation

| $\mathrm{T} / \mathrm{C}_{1}$ | $\mathrm{Pbr}=$ |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{R}=2$ | 128.68 | $(\mathrm{kN})$ |  |
|  | $\mathrm{E}=$ | 20000.0 | $\left(\mathrm{kN} / \mathrm{cm}^{2}\right)$ |
|  | $\mathrm{B}(\mathrm{cm})$ | $\mathrm{D}(\mathrm{cm})$ | $\mathrm{t}(\mathrm{cm})$ |
| $\mathrm{L} / \mathrm{i}=100$ | 20.9 | 20.9 | 0.04 |



Figure F. 5 Outcomes of Calculations for $\mathrm{R}=2$ and $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=100$
Outcomes of Calculations Below


Figure F. 6 Outcomes of Calculations for $\mathrm{R}=2$ and $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=150$
Outcomes of Calculations Below

Detailed Calculations

Figure F. 7 Outcomes of Calculations for $\mathrm{R}=4$ and $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=50$
Outcomes of Calculations Below

Detailed Calculations

Figure F. 8 Outcomes of Calculations for $\mathrm{R}=4$ and $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=100$
Outcomes of Calculations Below

Detailed Calculations

Figure F. 9 Outcomes of Calculations for $\mathrm{R}=4$ and $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=150$
Outcomes of Calculations Below

Detailed Calculations

Figure F. 10 Outcomes of Calculations for $\mathrm{R}=6$ and $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=50$
Outcomes of Calculations Below

Detailed Calculations

Figure F. 11 Outcomes of Calculations for $\mathrm{R}=6$ and $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=100$
Outcomes of Calculations Below

Detailed Calculations

Figure F. 12 Outcomes of Calculations for $\mathrm{R}=6$ and $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=150$
Outcomes of Calculations Below

| $\mathrm{T} / \mathrm{C}_{1}$ <br> $\mathrm{R}=8$ | $\mathrm{Pbr}=$ | 16.05 | $(\mathrm{kN})$ | $\mathrm{Fy}=$ | 35.0 | $\left(\mathrm{kN} / \mathrm{cm}^{2}\right)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathrm{E}=$ | 20000.0 | $\left(\mathrm{kN} / \mathrm{cm}^{2}\right)$ | $\mathrm{L}=$ | 849.7 | $(\mathrm{~cm})$ |
|  | $\mathrm{B}(\mathrm{cm})$ | $\mathrm{D}(\mathrm{cm})$ | $\mathrm{t}(\mathrm{cm})$ | $\mathrm{B}-2 \mathrm{t}(\mathrm{cm})$ | $\mathrm{A}\left(\mathrm{cm}^{2}\right)$ | $\mathrm{Areq} \mathrm{c}^{\prime} \mathrm{d}\left(\mathrm{cm}^{2}\right)$ |
| $\mathrm{L} \hat{\mathrm{m}}=50$ | 41.6 | 41.6 | 0.00 | 41.6 | 0.4585 | 0.4585 |

Detailed Calculations

Figure F. 13 Outcomes of Calculations for $\mathrm{R}=8$ and $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=50$
Outcomes of Calculations Below

Figure F. 14 Outcomes of Calculations for $\mathrm{R}=8$ and $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=100$
Outcomes of Calculations Below

Detailed Calculations

1) Bracing Members for Element \#5 in DRAIN-2DX) 1) Bracing Members

Control Information | One Line | nimbt(l) |
| :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 |

| ${ }^{151}$ Line | $\begin{gathered} \text { itt(l) } \\ 1 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Area(R) } \\ 0.46 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \operatorname{Ri}(\mathrm{R}) \\ & 14.71 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Effek(R) } \\ 1.0 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Planom( } \mathrm{R} \text { ) } \\ 83.50 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Yiestr }(R) \\ 35.0 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline E 0(\mathrm{R}) \\ 2000.0 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{\|c} \hline \text { Harden }(R) \\ 0.0 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $2^{\text {rd }}$ Line | $\begin{array}{\|c} \hline \text { Theta0(R) } \\ 0.0 \end{array}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $3^{\text {nem }}$ Line | isec(l) $31$ | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \text { itemax(l) } \\ 100 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \text { tol(R) } \\ 0.00001 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{\|l} \hline \text { styp(R) } \\ 0.00001 \end{array}$ |  |  |  |  |
| $4^{\text {n }}$ Line | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Beta( }(\mathrm{R}) \\ 1.2 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { E1(R) } \\ 0.05 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { E2(R) } \\ 0.9 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \mathrm{E} 3(\mathrm{R}) \\ 1.25 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \mathrm{E} 4(\mathrm{R}) \\ & -0.25 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |
| $5^{\text {n }}$ Line | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { P12(R) } \\ 0.5 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { a1(R) } \\ 1.0 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline b 1(R) \\ 0.0 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline c 1(R) \\ & -1.33 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \mathrm{a} 2(\mathrm{R}) \\ 1.33 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline b 2(R) \\ & -1.33 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \mathrm{C2}(\mathrm{R}) \\ 0 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |  |
| $6^{\text {n }}$ Line | $\begin{array}{\|c} \hline \text { Ratet }(R) \\ 1.0 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{\|c} \hline \text { Ratec }(\mathrm{R}) \\ 1.0 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| 2) Design Iterations |  |  |  |  | $\theta=0.46364761$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| R=8 | KLir=150 | V(kN) | Pbr(kN) | Tn(sec.) |  |  |
|  | 1st | 92.06 | 51.46 | 0.99 |  |  |
|  | 2nd | 42.13 | 23.55 | 1.46 |  |  |
|  | 3rd | 32.51 | 18.18 | 1.66 |  |  |
|  | 4th | 29.85 | 16.68 | 1.73 |  |  |
|  | 5th | 29.04 | 16.23 | 1.76 |  |  |
|  | 6 th | 28.70 | 16.05 | 1.76 |  |  |
|  | 7th |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 8th | 8.04 | 4.02 | 1.76 |  |  |
|  | 9th | 229.64 |  |  |  | $\mathrm{R}=28.5449142$ |

Figure F. 15 Outcomes of Calculations for $\mathrm{R}=8$ and $\mathrm{KL} / \mathrm{r}=150$

## APPENDIX G

## Case Study 2 <br> (Effects of Member Length (L) on R)

Outcomes of Calculations Below

Figure G. 1 Outcomes of Calculations for $\mathrm{R}=1$
Outcomes of Calculations Below

Figure G. 2 Outcomes of Calculations for $\mathrm{R}=2$
Outcomes of Calculations Below

Figure G. 3 Outcomes of Calculations for $\mathrm{R}=4$
Outcomes of Calculations Below

Figure G. 4 Outcomes of Calculations for $\mathrm{R}=6$
Outcomes of Calculations Below

Figure G. 5 Outcomes of Calculations for $\mathrm{R}=8$

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