

High Rise Dubai to Mumbai

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High Rise in Dubai

A Short Pictorial History
Putting Dubai on the Map



Dubai World Trade Centre

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Office Tower
Tallest Building in the Gulf
149 m tall
Built 1978

Burj Al Arab

United Arab Emirates

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Luxury Hotel
Tallest Hotel in the World at the time
321m high
Built 1999

Emirates Towers



Two towers Office and Hotel

Office Tower 355m and Hotel Tower 309m

Built 2000

Burj Khalifa



Mixed Use Tower
Tallest Building in the World
830m high
Built 2010

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The Address Hotel

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Hotel Tower
5 star hotel
306m high
Built 2008

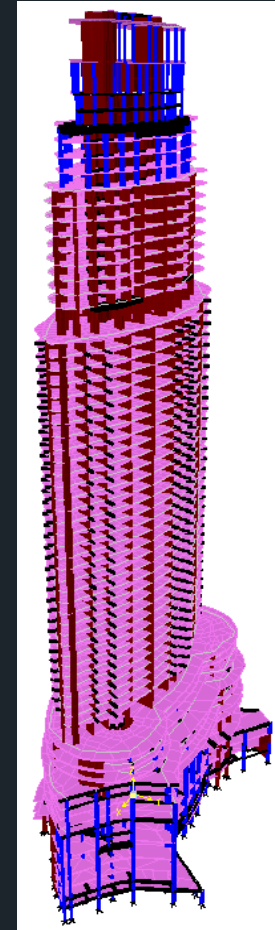
The Address Hotel



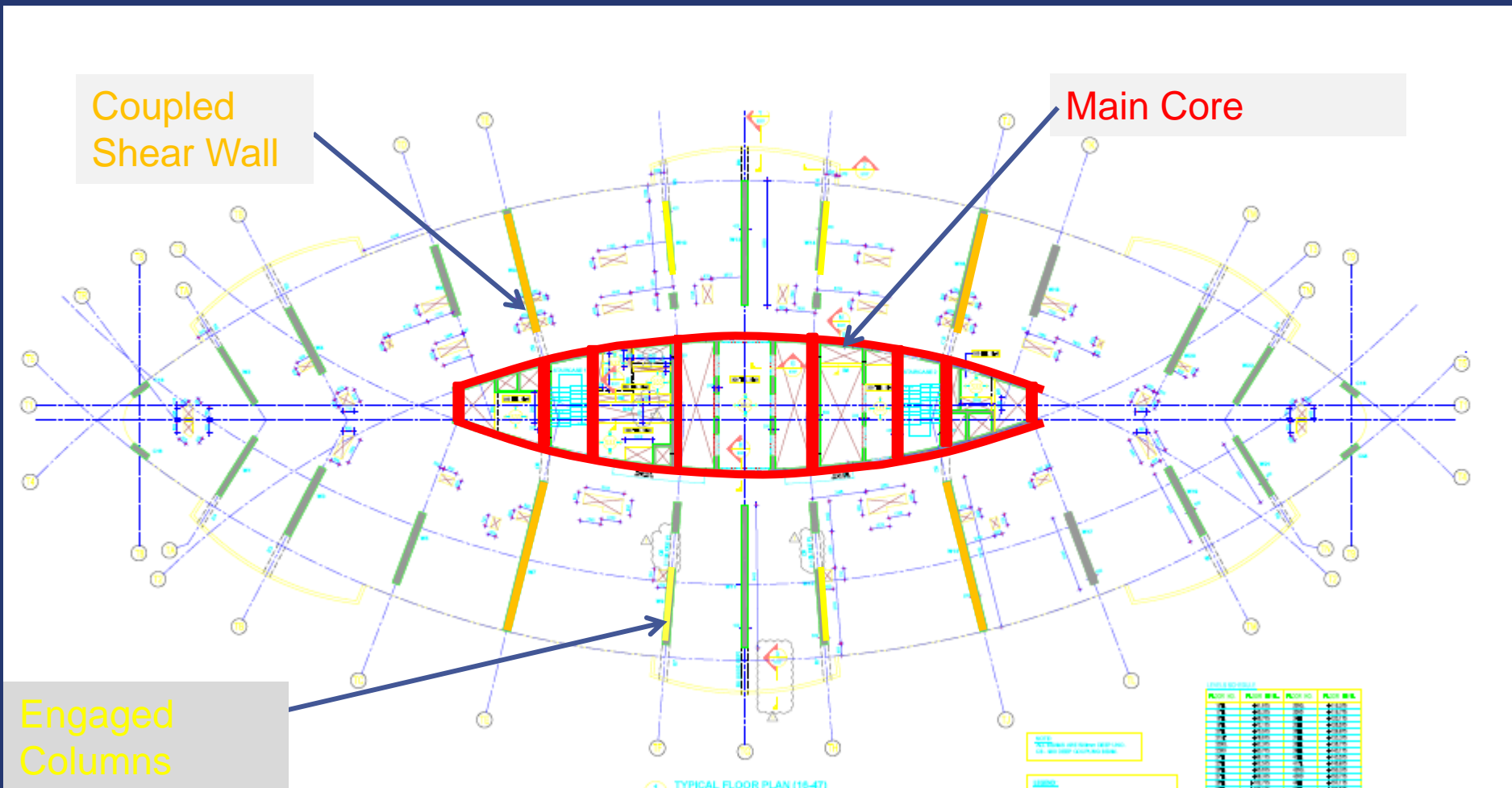
Structural Model of Concrete
Frame – Etabs

For overall stability and seismic
Analysis

Floors and foundation raft
- Robot



Stability system



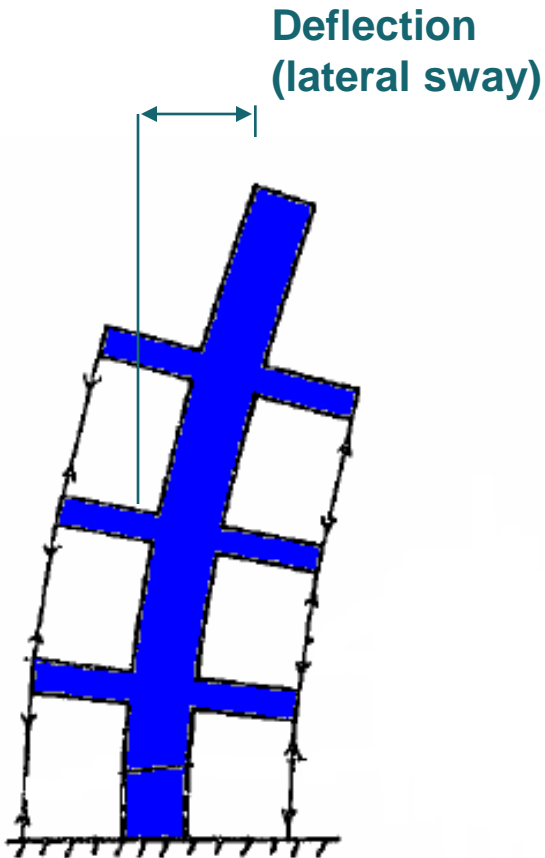
Aspect Ratio h/b 9 : 1

Main Core width 8.8m

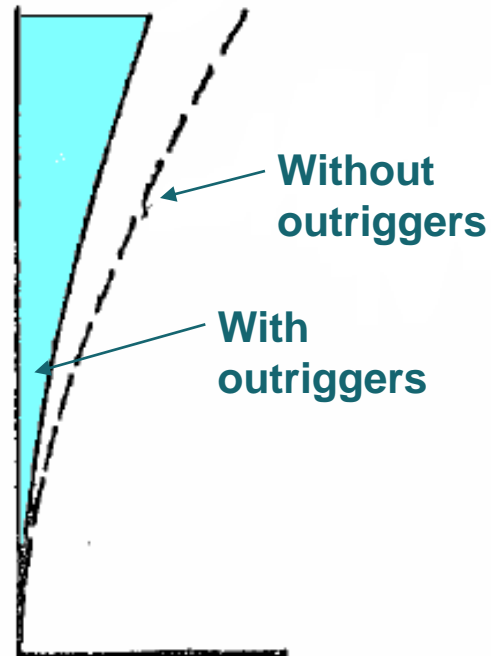
Main structure height 275 m

Highest concrete level 245 m

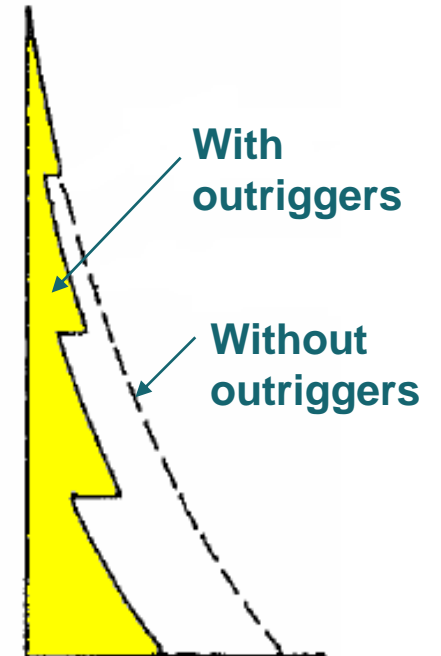
CORE WALL DEFLECTION AND MOMENT



Core wall with
outriggers



Deflection
(lateral sway)



Core wall
Moment

Wind Engineering ~ wind tunnel testing



When to test?

- > 10 Storeys in a hurricane area
- Over 25~30 stories in other areas
- Unusual shapes
- Complex surroundings (terrain or structures)
- When optimising cost and safety is key to project
- 1/400 – 1/600 model scale
- Proximity models for radius of 500 to 600 m

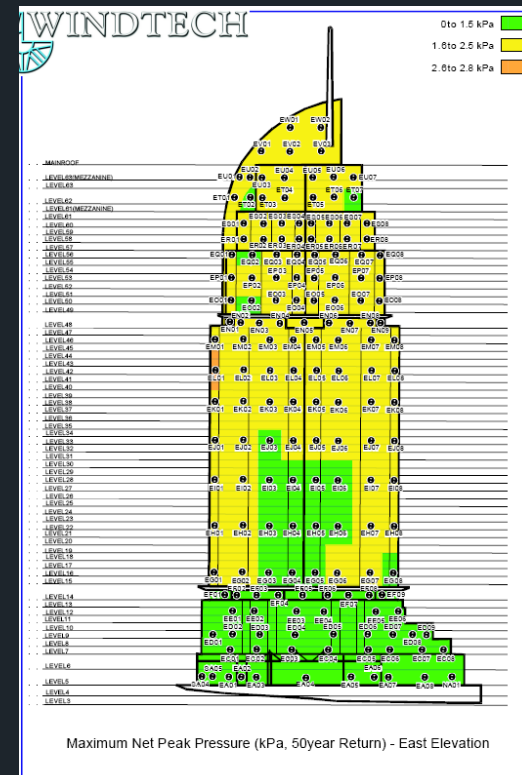
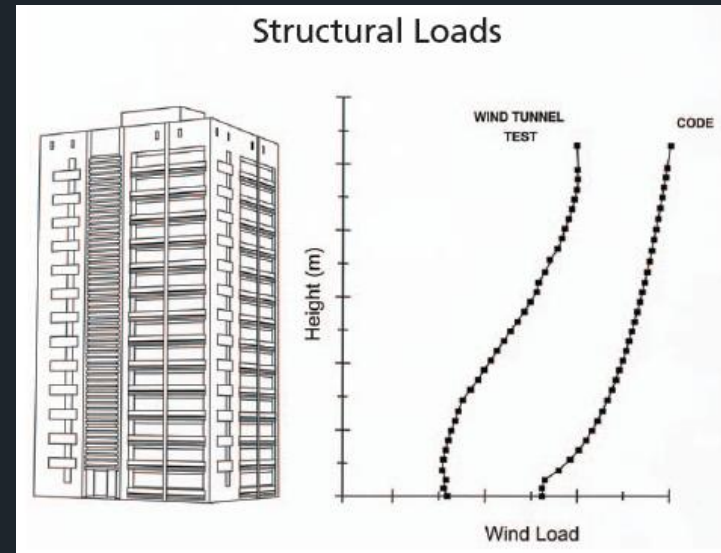
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Structural wind loads

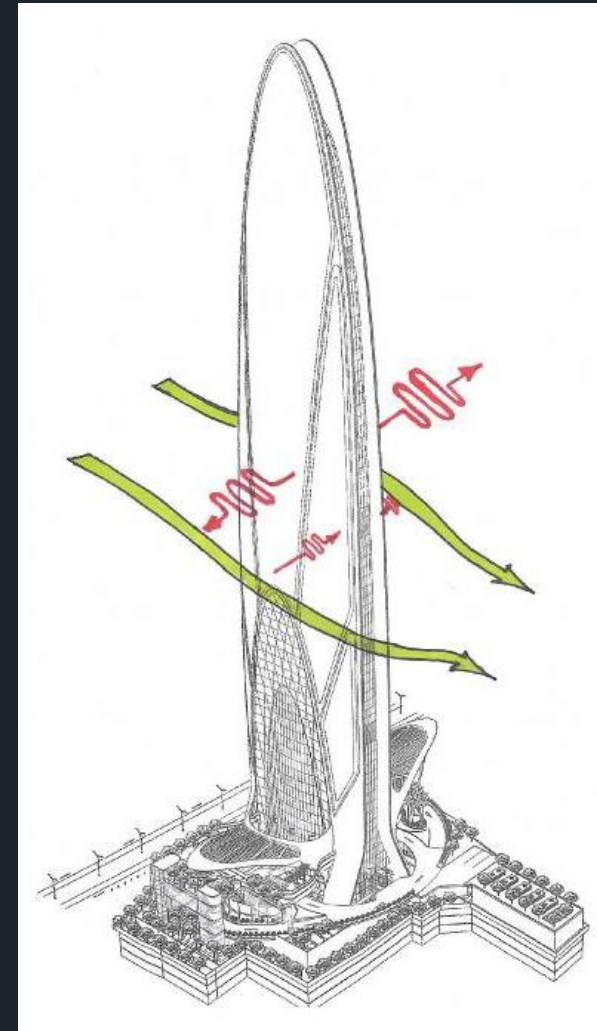
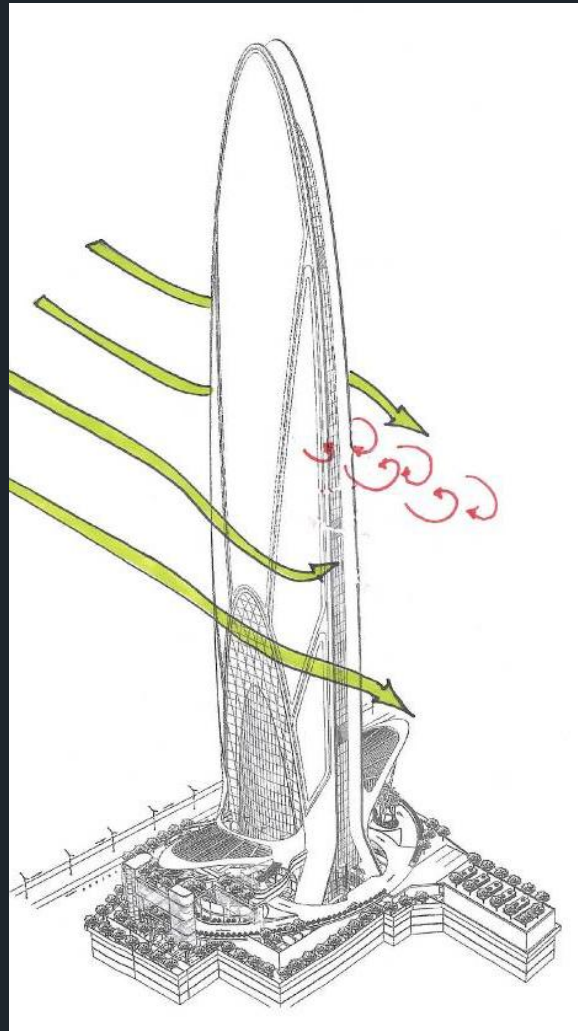
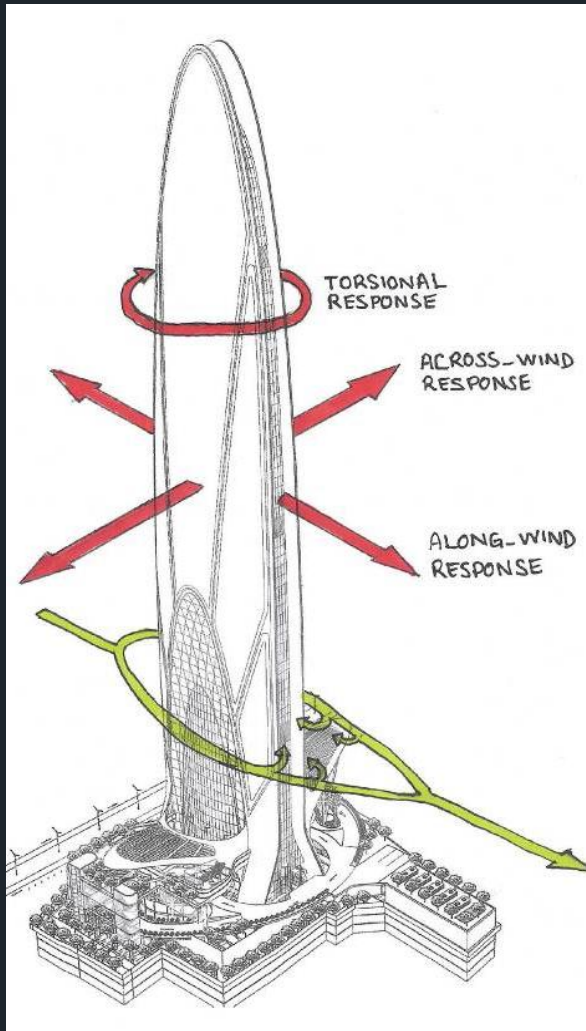
- Normal cases ~ wind load reduction of up to 40-50%
- Special cases ~ higher loads than code values
- ASCE recommends the minimum as 80% of code values

Cladding pressure diagrams

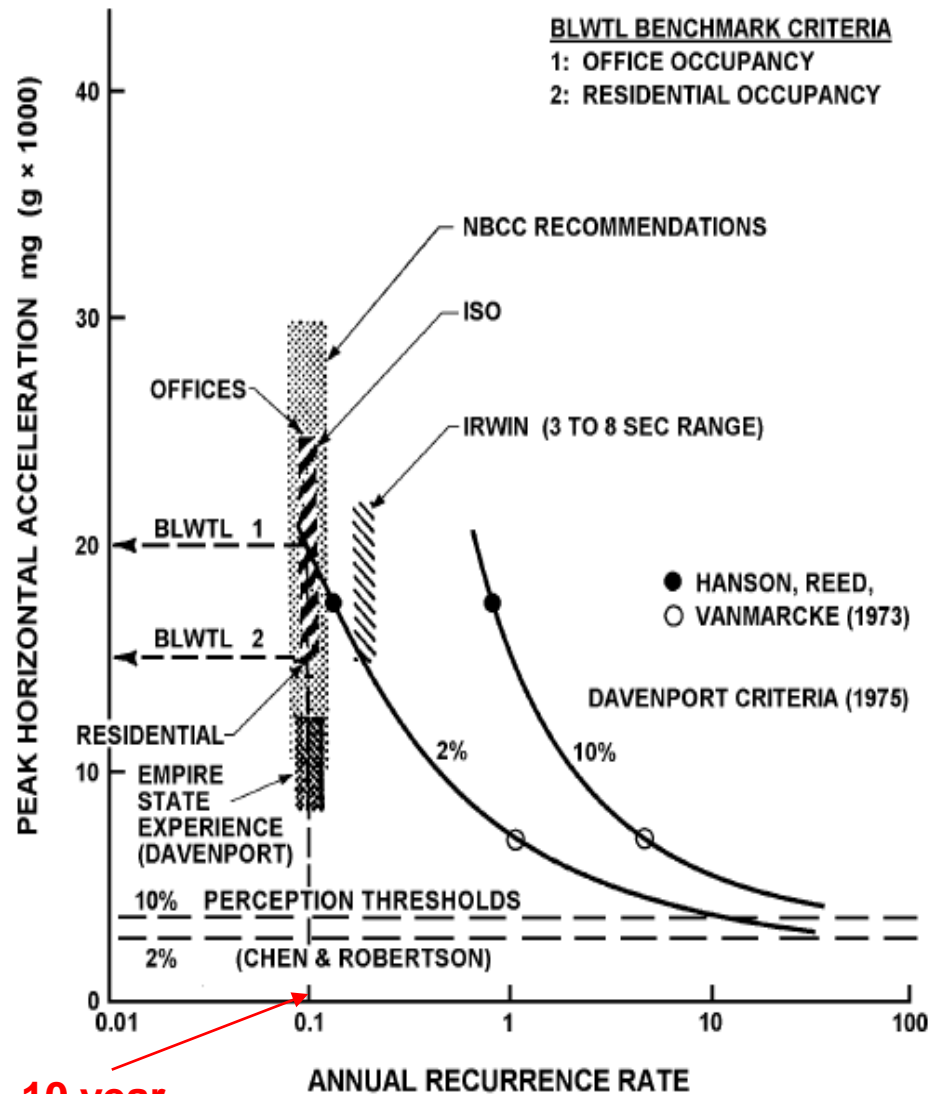
- Maximum pressure up to 2 to 3 times of average pressure



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Wind Engineering ~ criteria for occupant comfort



NBCC Standard

- Max. wind in 10 years
2% objection
- 5 milli-g: perception limit
- Residential:
15 milli-g (1.5% of gravity)
- Offices: 20 milli-g

Acceleration control

- Increasing lateral stiffness
- Increasing mass
- Adding dampers
- Change shape

Wind Engineering ~ criteria for occupant comfort

CTBUH guideline similar to assumptions in NBCC)

CTBUH Guidelines For Evaluating the Acceptability of Wind-Induced Motions of Tall Buildings*

STEP 1 – Evaluation of Horizontal Acceleration	Maximum Peak Effective Acceleration (milli-g)	
	1-Year	10-Year
Occupancy Type:		
- Residential	5 – 7	10 – 15
- Hotel	7 – 9	15 – 20
- Office	9 – 12	20 – 25

STEP 2 – Evaluation of Visual Effects	Maximum Peak Torsional Velocity (milli-rad/s)	
	1-Year	10-Year
All Occupancies	1.5	3

* These guidelines are given in a paper by N. Isyumov published in the Proceedings of the CTBUH World Congress, Amsterdam, 1995.

Wind Engineering ~ Wind Tunnel Testing

Useful tips

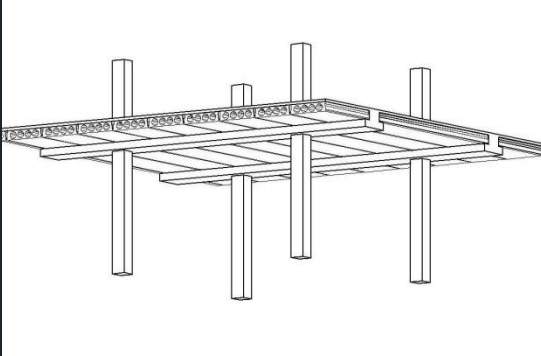
- Use the best
- Get a peer review
- Allow for additional interim testing (design is very iterative)
- Start as early as possible - at concept stage
- Costs:

Initial model: \$15,000

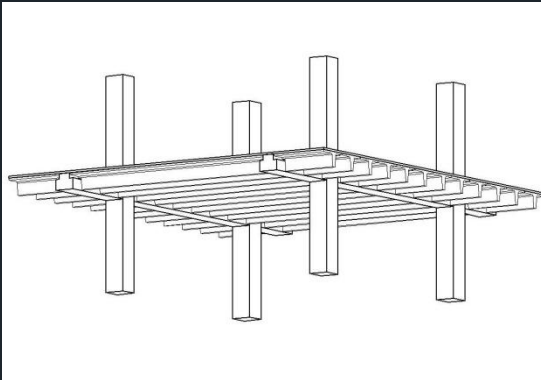
HF Force balance model: \$50,000

Aero-elastic Model: \$250,000

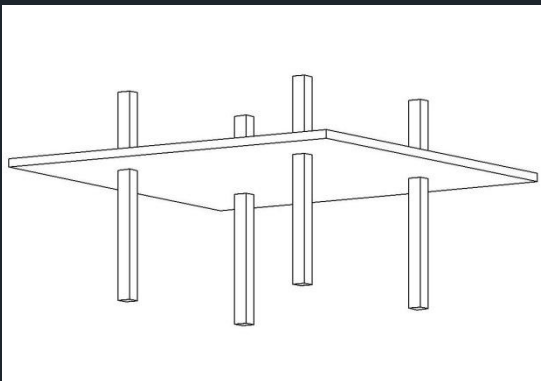
Floor Slab System



- Precast planks + structural topping
- Depths vary between 150 ~ 500mm

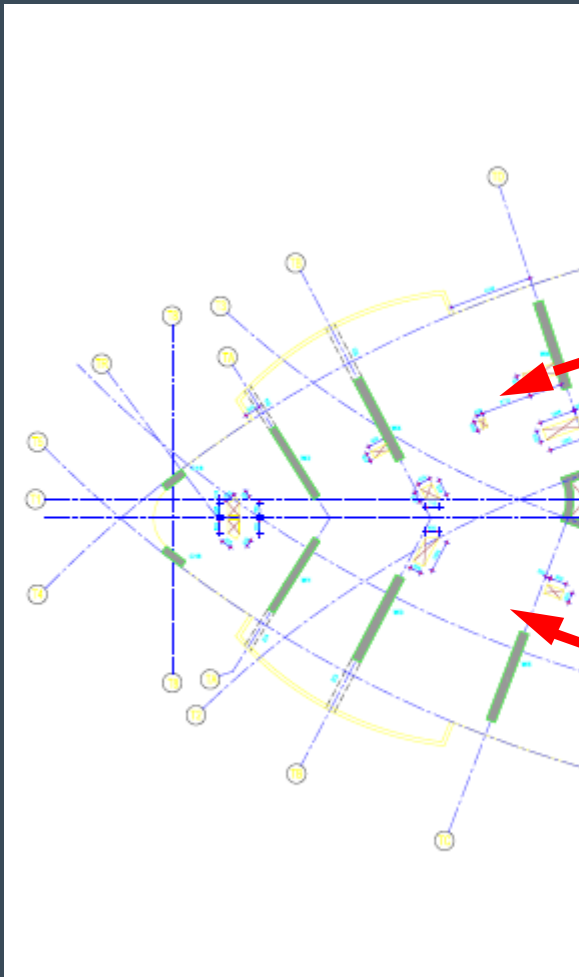


- Precast double T-Slabs + structural topping
- Overall depths up to 1.5 m larger spans



- PT /RC flat slab
- Overall depth varies depending on span

Floor Slabs

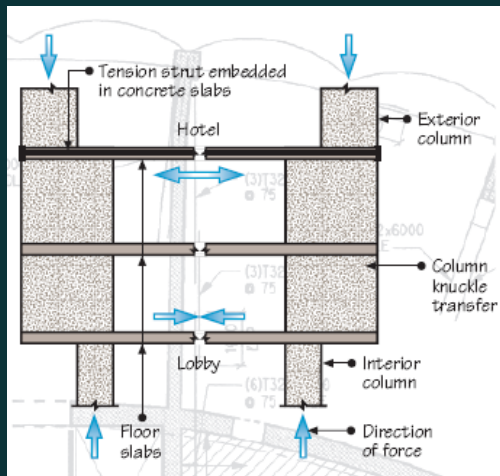
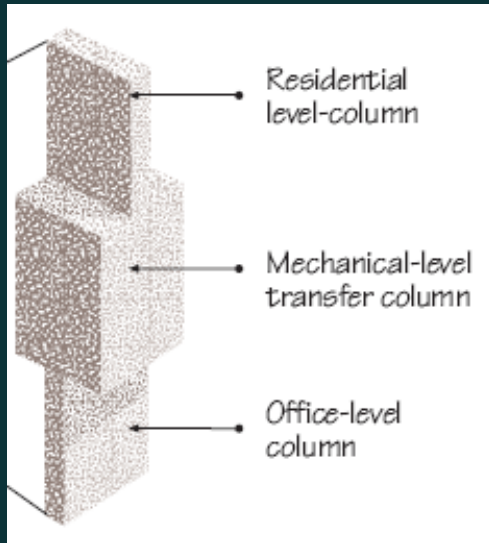


Post Tensioned One Way

Floor Cycle 4 to 5 days

Plant Room and lower levels reinforced concrete flat slabs

COLUMN TRANSFERS



Open space required in public spaces

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Concrete Grades C 57/70 to C 35/45
Reinforcement Grade 460

Tower piled raft 2.5m thick
Tower piles 1.2 m diameter bore piles
Number of tower piles 185
Piles skin friction in weak sandstone and conglomerates 50 m long

Summary of key data

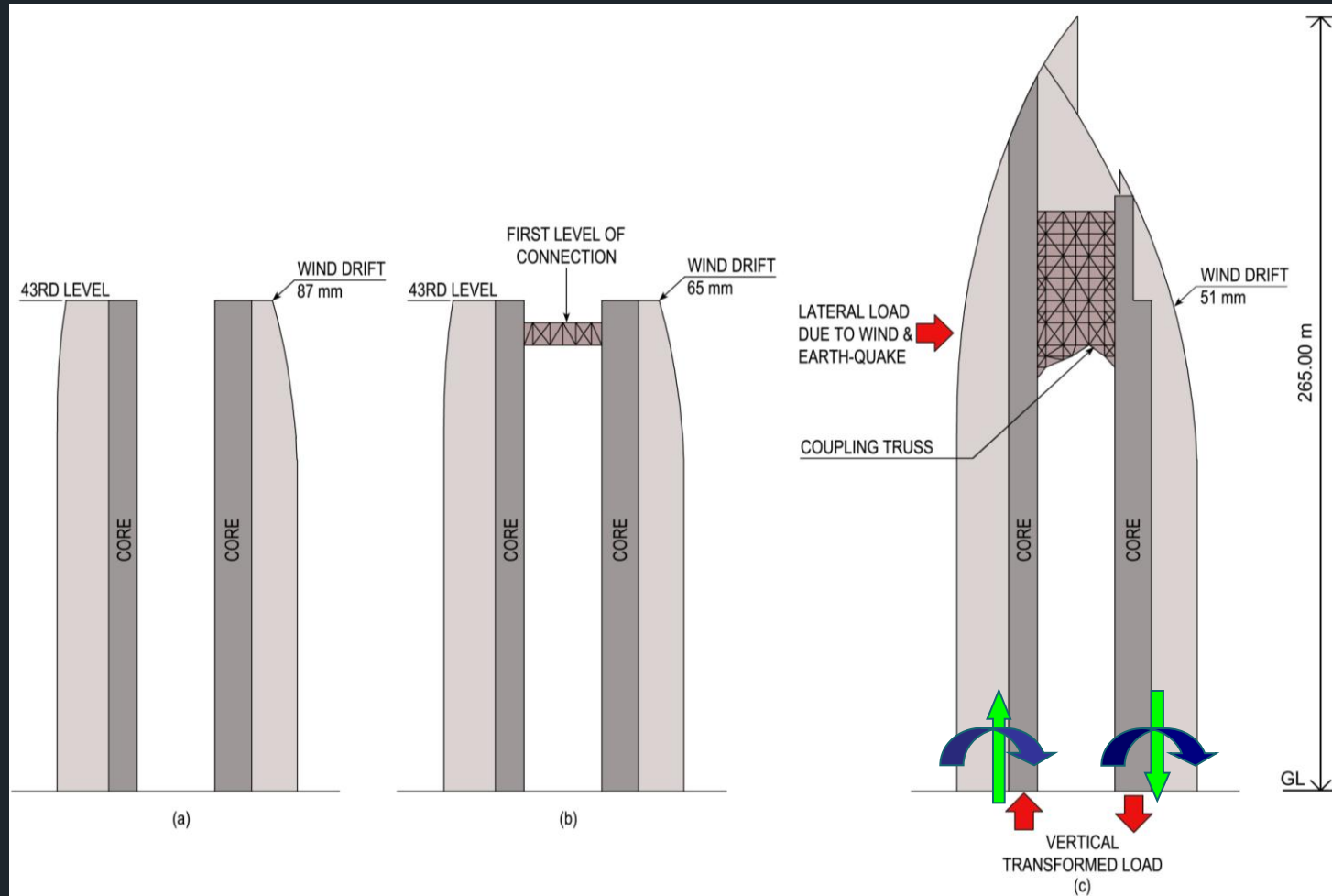
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Trump Hotel

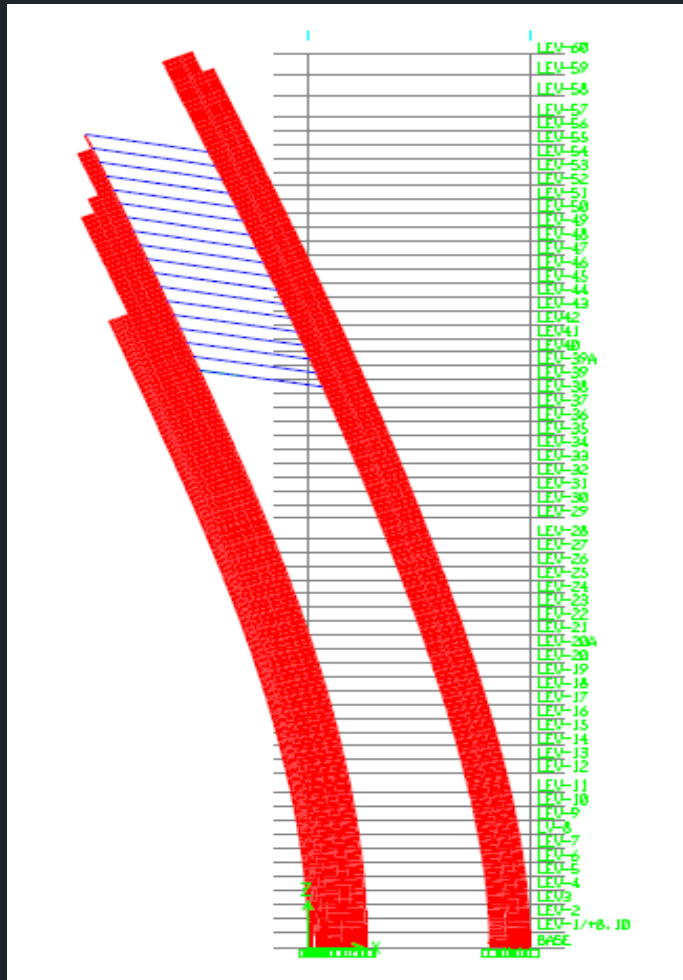
Trump Tower



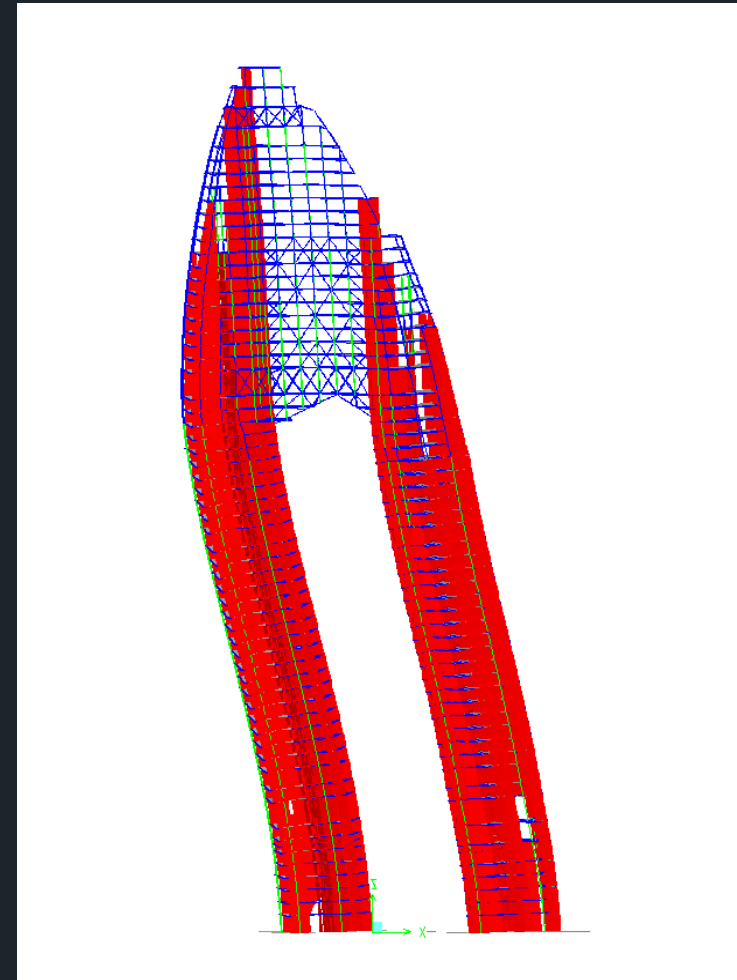
Hybrid Solutions Trump Tower



Trump Tower Coupling of the Concrete Cores

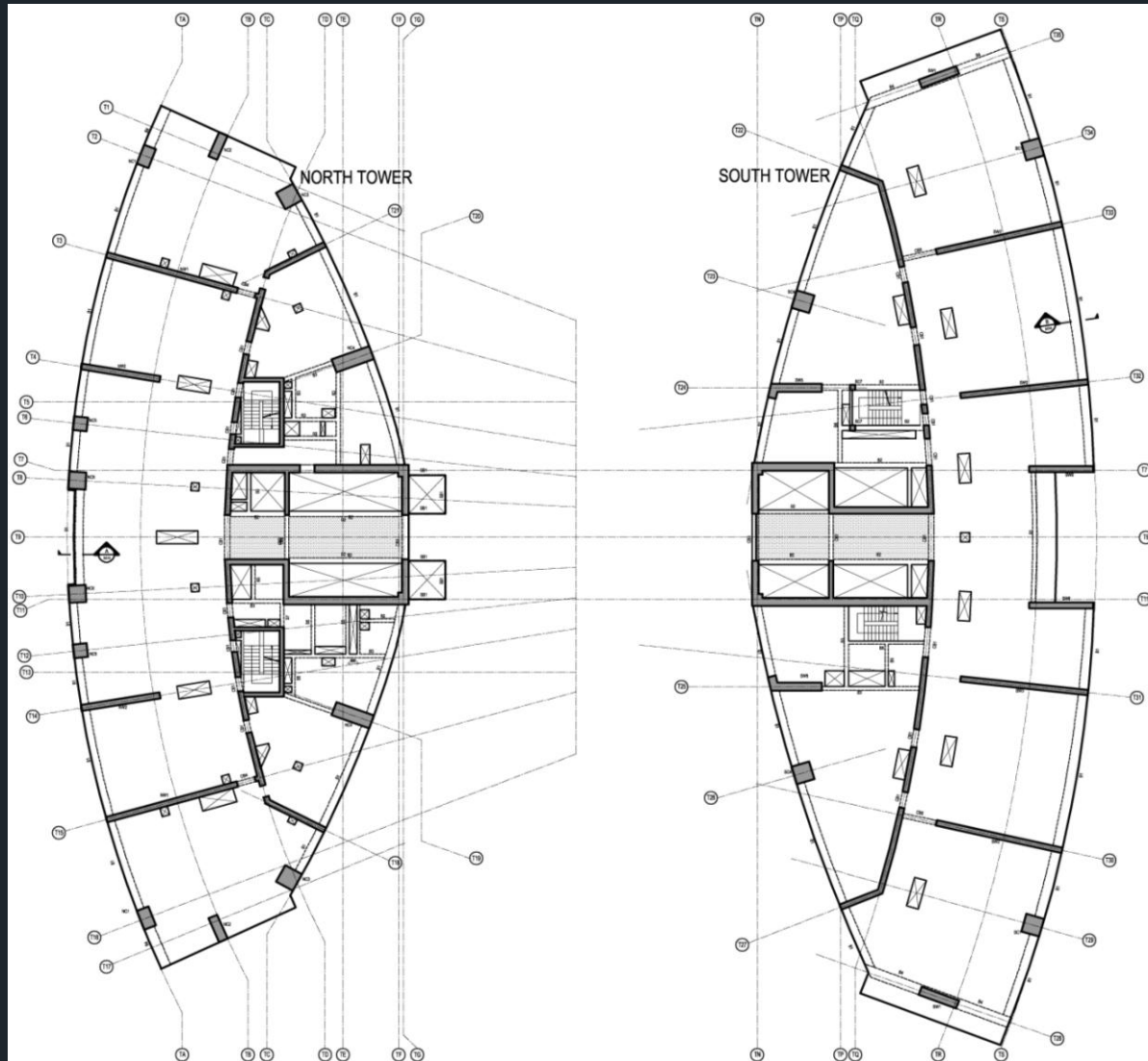


Lateral displacement of the core walls uncoupled

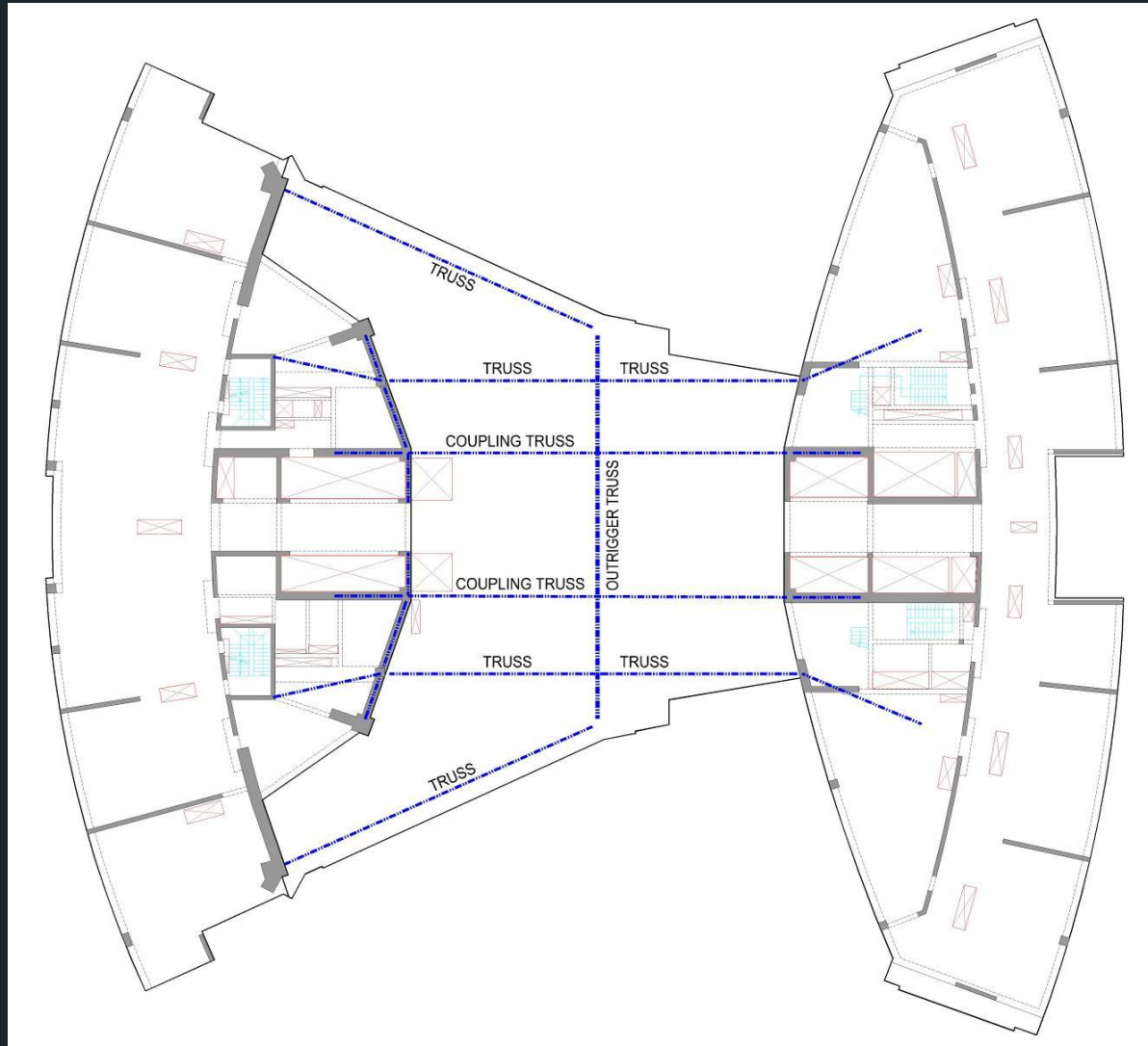


Coupling action reduces the lateral drift by over 70%

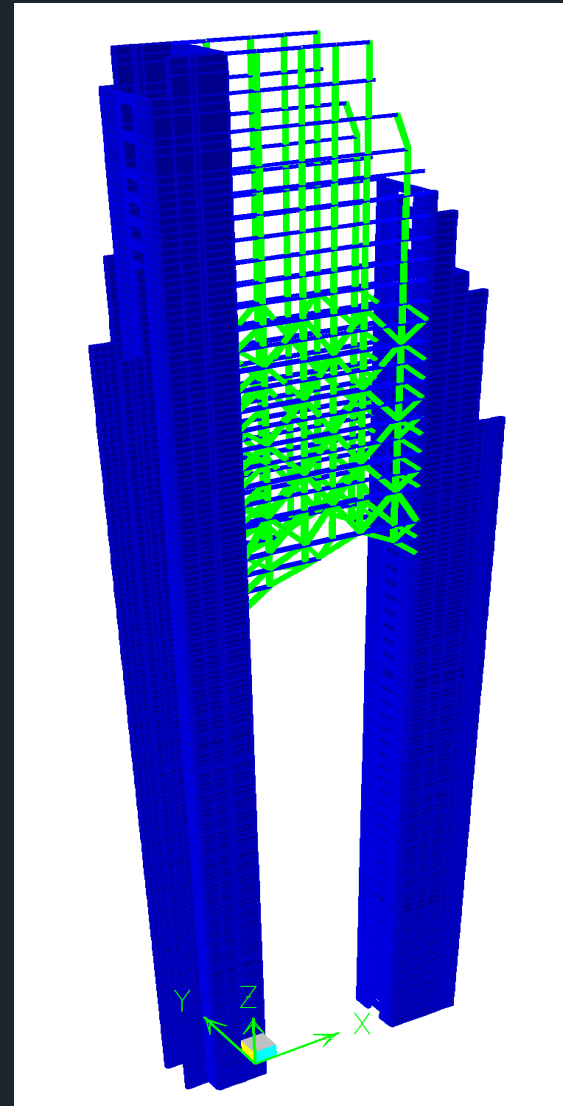
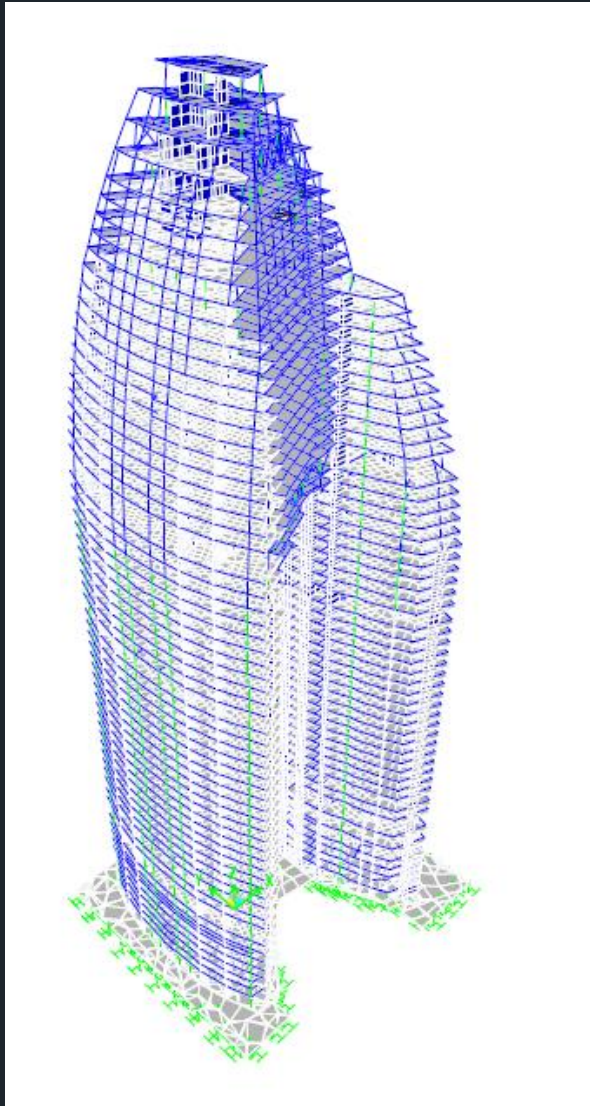
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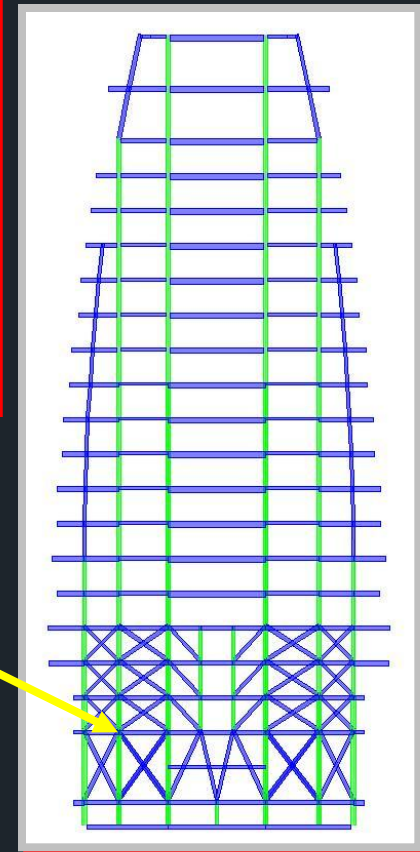
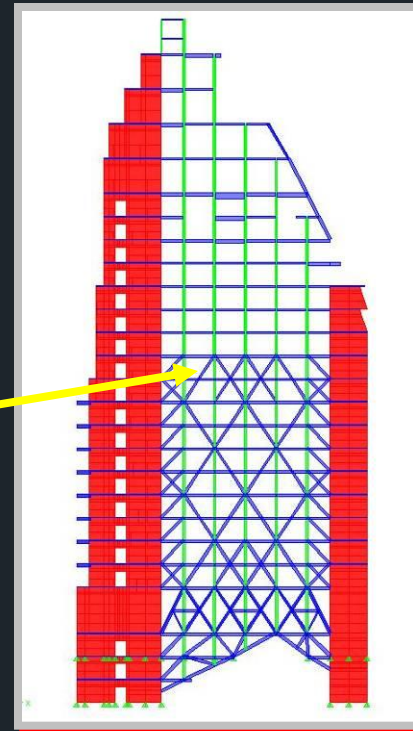
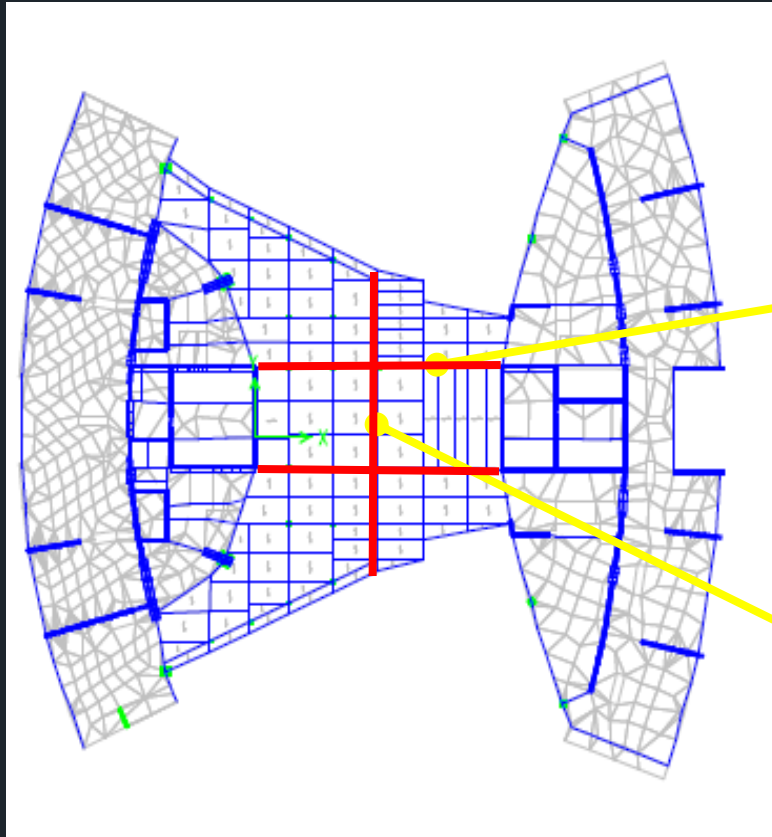
Trump Tower General Layout at Level 40



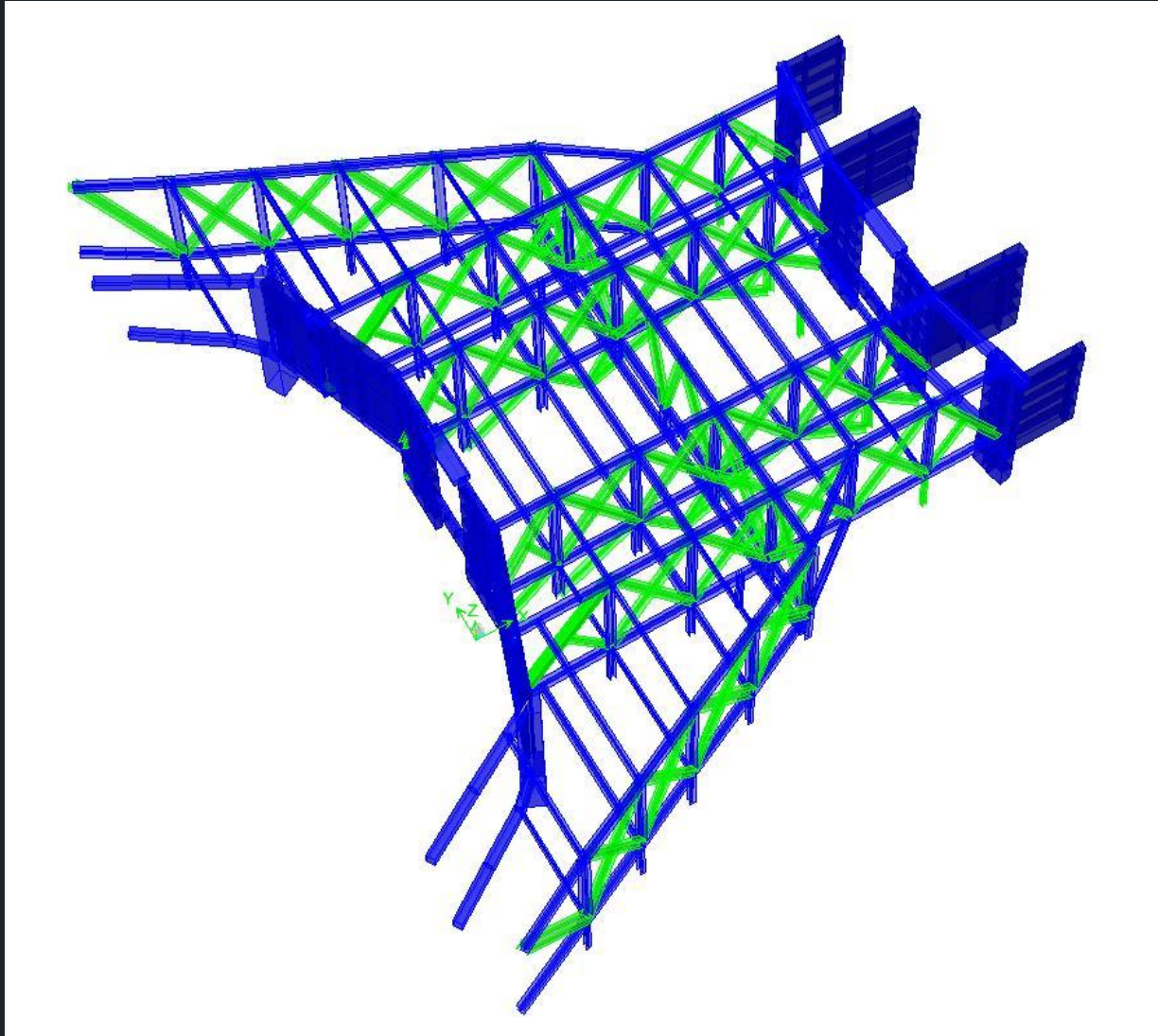
Trump Tower Structure & Primary Framing



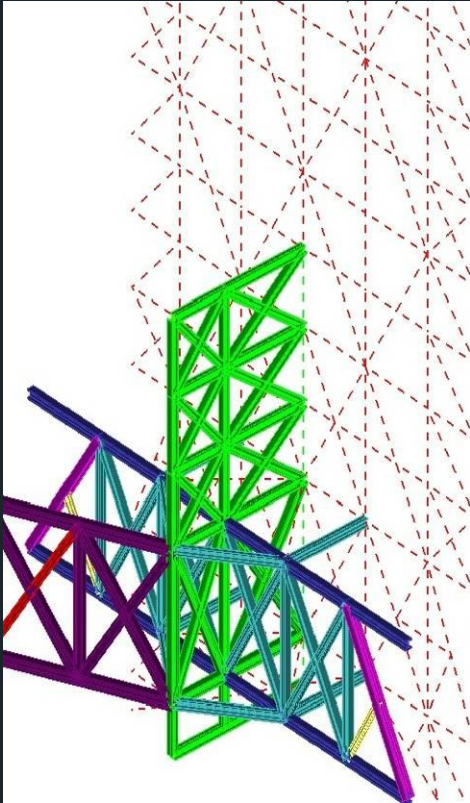
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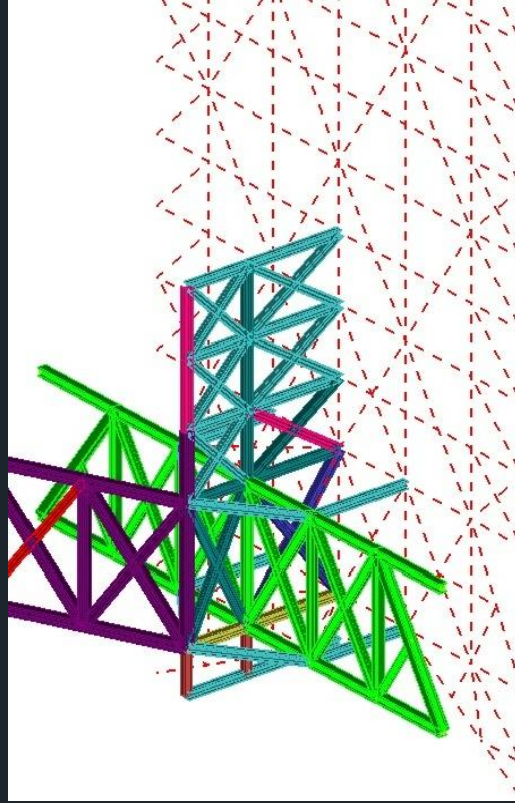
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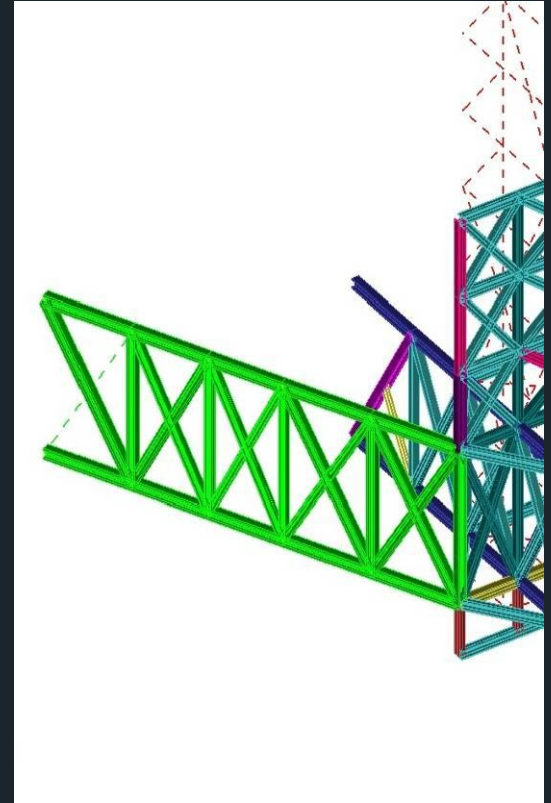
Trump Tower Hierarchy of Structure



Outrigger Cantilevers from
Coupling Trusses



Trusses Span Continuously
Between Outrigger and Walls.



Outer Trusses Span Between
Outrigger and Walls.

Adjustments

Two Parts

Column Shortening

Movement of Transfer Structure

Options Recommended

Column shortening to be overcome by adjusting the length of columns incrementally with height

Continuous jacking of columns during the construction stage

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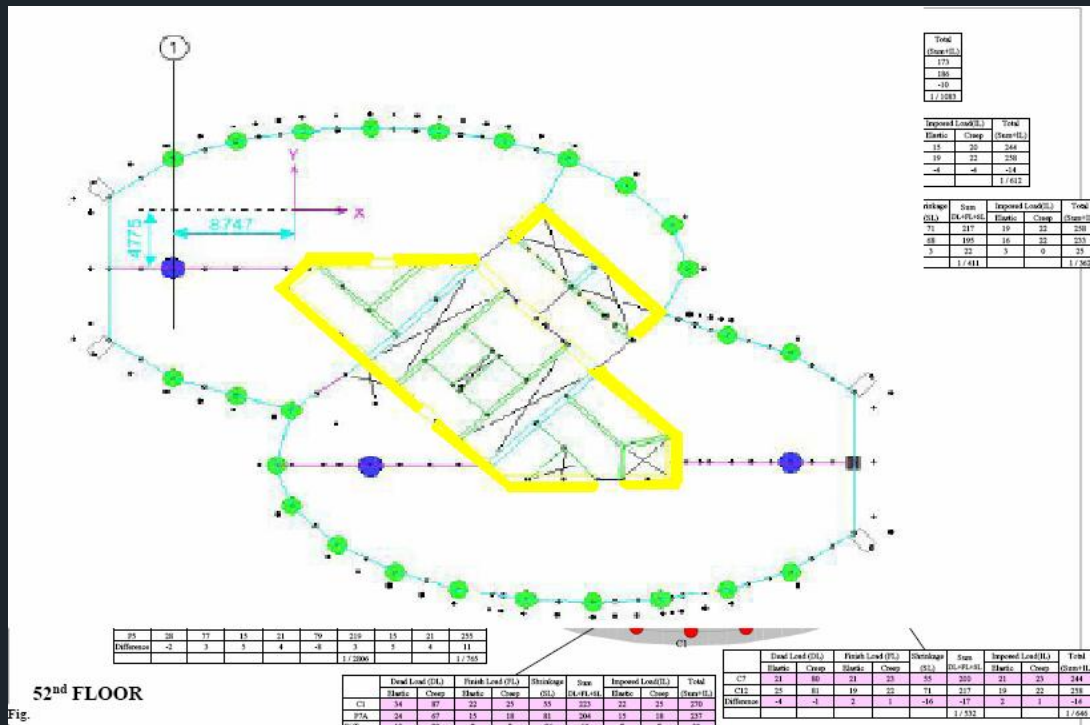
Almas Tower

Almas Tower Dubai (360m)

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COLUMN AND WALL SHORTENINGS



Nature of Shortenings:

- Columns - gravity elements: more shortening
- Core walls - lateral elements: less shortening

Shortenings result from:

- Elastic (axial loads)
- Creep
- Shrinkage
- Long-term effect

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- Column size/ length
- Concrete strength
- Conc. properties
- Member sizes
- Reinforcing amount
- Floor dead loads
- Superimposed loads
- Construction time
- Construction loads
- Humidity at curing
- Temperature

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Iris Bay

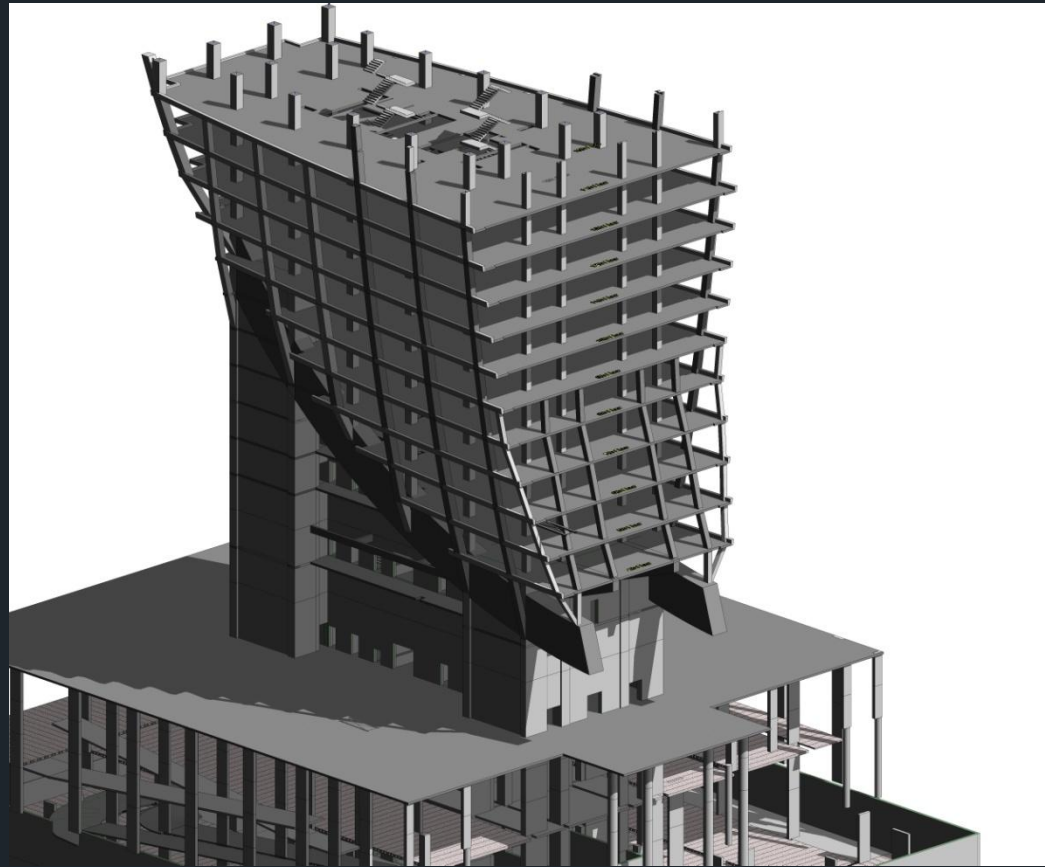
Iris Bay Dubai (174m)



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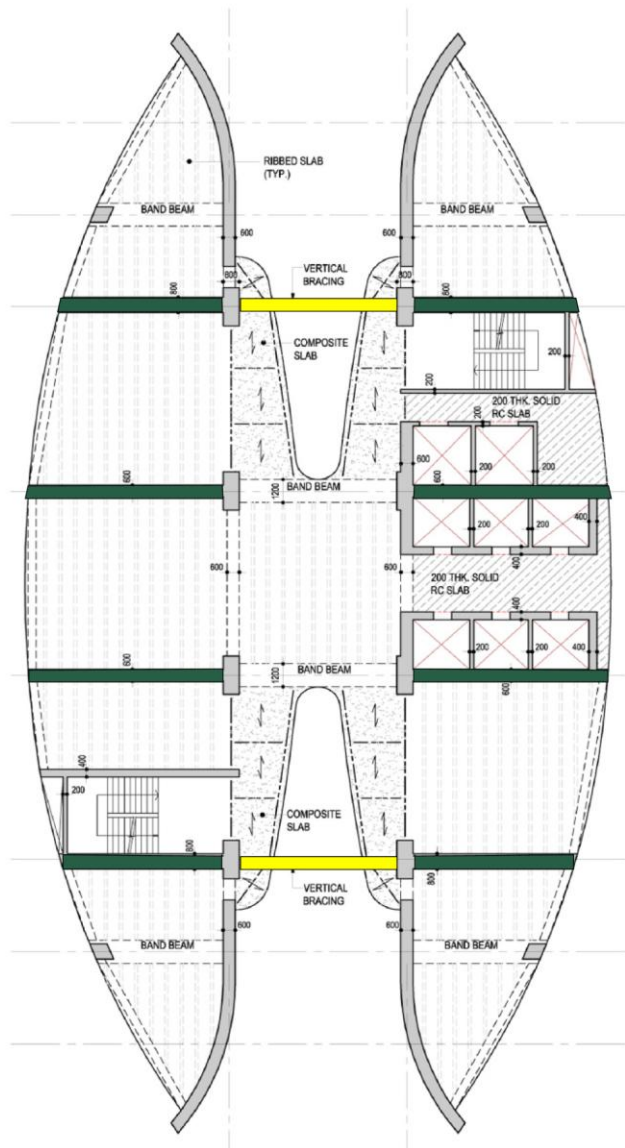


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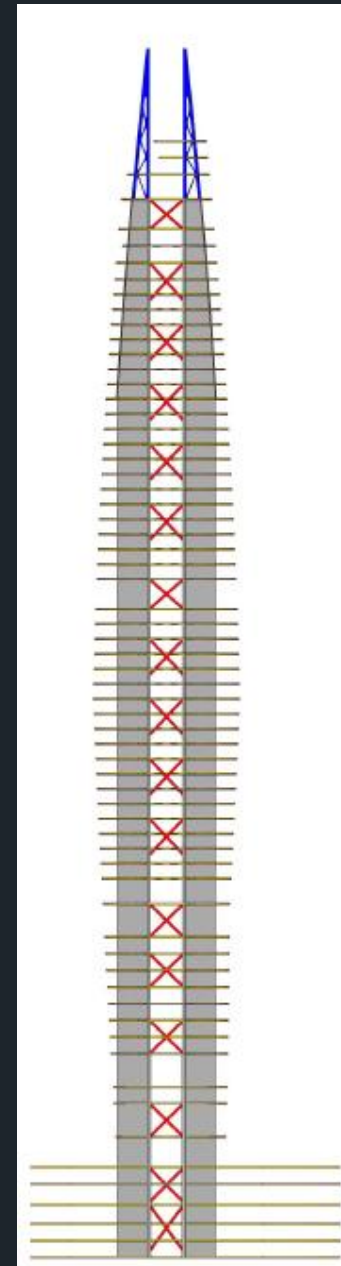
Namaste Hotel

Project in Mumbai

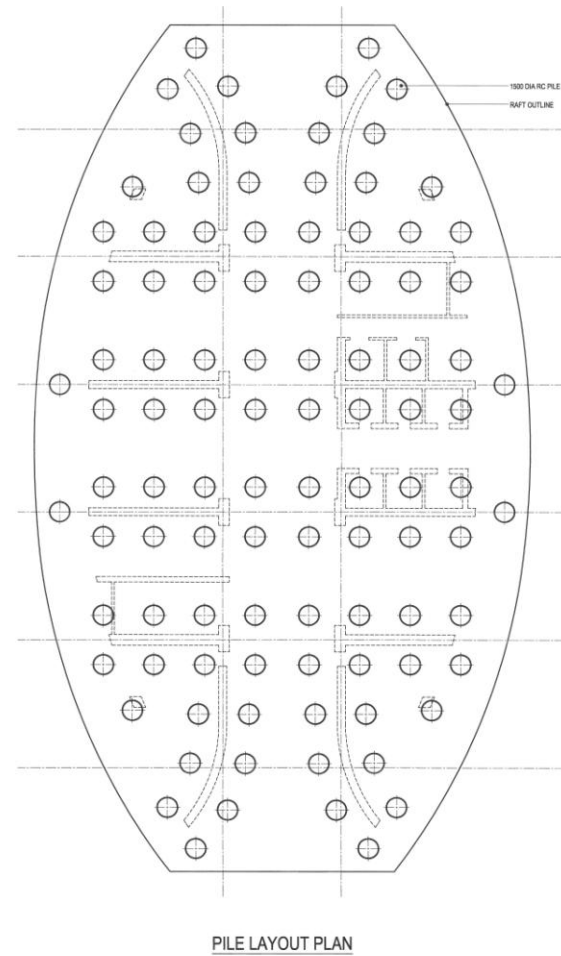
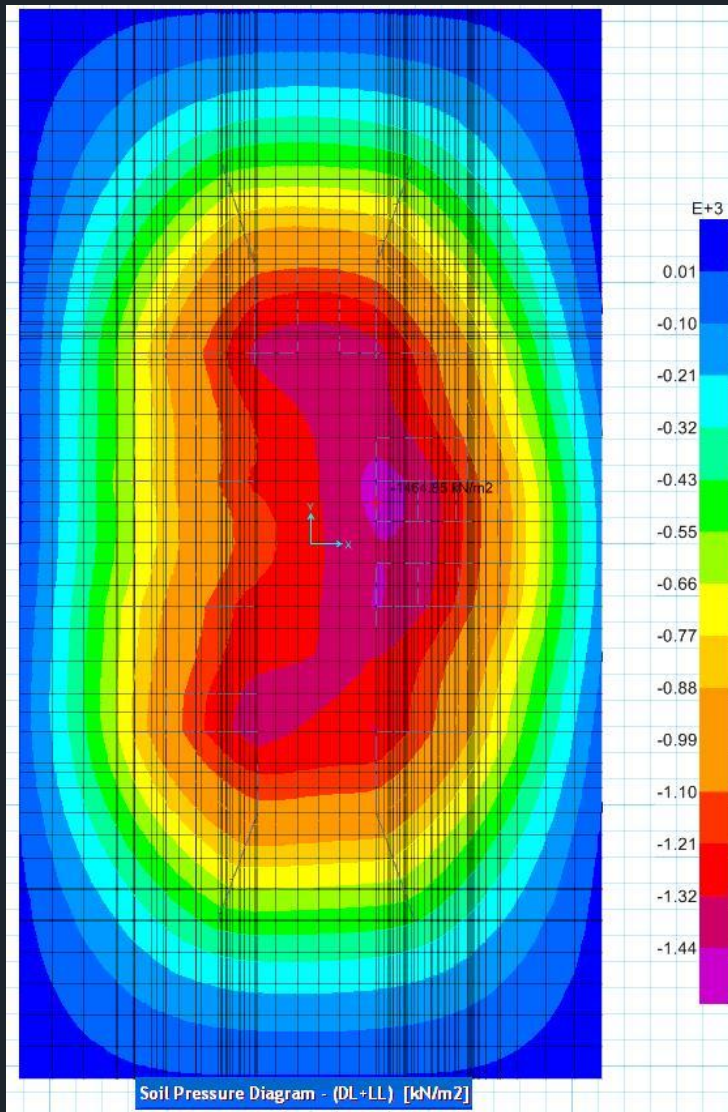
Lateral Stability



Magic number:
Height over
Depth ratio less
than 8 to 10



Foundation



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Other Aspects of High Rise



Design Codes

- Traditionally British Standards
- Due to location seismic considerations required throughout most of the GCC
- Trend towards adopting US codes (specially IBC) but a mix of codes prevalent
- Seismic provisions outlined in ASCE / AISC and ACI are key
- Seismic Zoning Low to Moderate UBC Zone 2A PGA 0.15g
- Seismic effects critical for low to medium rise buildings with wind governing the design for tall buildings



Materials

- Most buildings are of RC construction
- Steel becoming more widely used
- Floor plates are generally of PT
- Foundations usually piled
- Recent trend toward hybrid structures



Design Programme

- Usually very tight
- Procurement traditional – FIDIC
- Design stages RIBA
 - Stage C – Concept Design
 - Stage D – Preliminary / Schematic Design
 - Stage E / F – Detailed Design
 - Stage G – Tender Documentation
- Design duration typically 6 - 10 months
- Enabling works pack expected in stage D with piling information expected at the end of Stage D
- Engineering involvement at Concept Stage critical



Statutory Authorities

- Divided amongst a number of bodies
e.g three bodies in Dubai alone
- Reliant on 3D modelling
- Make use of a mix of design codes
- Require a peer review for very tall buildings
- Approval process can be time consuming