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SUMMARY

The primary objective of this research is to evaluate the effect of Alkali-Silica Reaction (ASR) and Delayed Ettringite Formation (DEF) on the structural performance of High Mast Illumination Pole (HMIP) foundations and if needed, to recommend a possible retrofitting method to strengthen them and prevent further damage.

To achieve this goal, six full-scale field tests were conducted in the Houston area. Two types of drilled shafts were examined: 16-anchor drilled shafts supporting 150-ft high HMIPs; and 20-anchor drilled shafts supporting 175-ft high HMIPs. One of the 20-anchor drilled shafts was repaired by wrapping with Carbon Fiber-Reinforced Polymer (CFRP) laminate. Observed performance under field tests was also evaluated in the context of the design wind loads of the AASHTO Specifications (2001) and ASCE 7-05 (2005). Failure modes and the related load-transfer mechanisms were investigated and some design recommendations were suggested for better design of drilled shafts.

CHAPTER 1: INTRODUCTION

1.1 BACKGROUND

High Mast Illumination Poles (HMIPs) are commonly used in many states of the US to illuminate large areas such as plazas, parking lots, stadiums and expressway toll-gates. The height of these HMIPs (from 100 to 175 ft) permits the use of fewer poles and more uniform illumination.

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) was one of the first state transportation agencies to use HMIPs. HMIPs with heights of 150 ft were erected in Dallas in the 1970s, followed by many more elsewhere in the state. Previous TxDOT-sponsored studies (Hasselwander *et al.* 1974; Calzadilla 1982; Jirsa *et al.* 1984) investigated the behavior of single and group anchor bolts used for HMIP foundations, and found that clear cover and bearing area were the major variables influencing the strength of such anchor bolts. A recent study (Lawrence *et al.* 1999) reveals that many HMIP foundations constructed by TxDOT near Houston in the late 1980's had developed premature concrete deterioration due to a combination of alkali-silica reaction (ASR) and delayed ettringite formation (DEF). Little research has been conducted on the effects of such deterioration on the behavior of anchor bolts. In this study, the behavior of anchor bolts in concrete drilled shafts with ASR/DEF damage is evaluated.

1.2 HMIP FOUNDATIONS

Because of their height, HMIP structures are very flexible laterally, and are susceptible to loads from wind and traffic. The photographs in Figure 1.1 show typical deflected shapes of HMIPs under strong winds.



Figure 1.1 HMIPs under Wind Loading (courtesy of Florida DOT)

Many failures of HMIP structures have been reported in recent years, and subsequent investigations have revealed the following problems for HMIPs and their foundations (Wood and Starnater 2005):

- (1) fatigue-prone details;
- (2) insufficient tensioning of anchor bolts; and
- (3) premature concrete deterioration of drilled shafts.

Figure 1.2 shows examples of HMIP/Foundation failures. The primary cause of these failures was hurricane level wind loads. A significant number of drilled shafts constructed in the late 1980's are now exhibiting concrete deterioration due to ASR/DEF (Figure 1.3). Such deterioration causes severe cracks in drilled shafts. At first glance, such cracks would be expected to significantly decrease the capacity of the anchor bolts.



Figure 1.2 Failure of HMIPs and their Foundations (courtesy of Florida DOT)



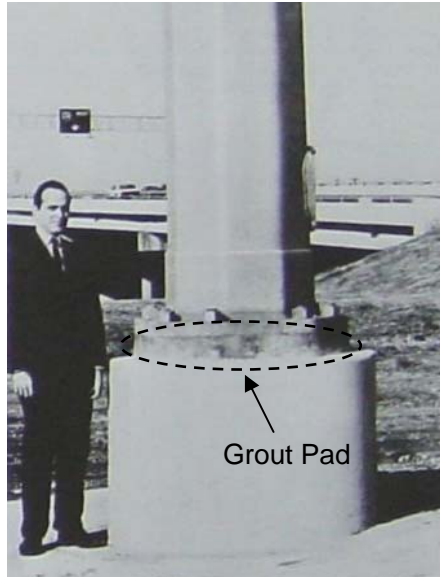
Figure 1.3 ASR/DEF Damage in Drilled Shafts

Consider the design equation proposed by Jirsa *et al.* (1984) for the tensile capacity of deep anchors in drilled shafts:

$$T_n = 140A_b\sqrt{f'_c} \left[0.7 + \ln \left(\frac{2C}{D_w - D} \right) \right] K_s \leq A_{sm}f_y \quad (\text{lbs}) \quad \text{Eq. (1.1)}$$

- where
- T_n = nominal tensile capacity of an anchor bolt
 - A_b = net bearing area (in.²), not greater than $4D^2$ nor less than the projecting area of the nut.
 - A_{sm} = mean tensile area of anchor bolt (in.²)
 - D = bolt diameter (in.)
 - D_w = diameter (in.) of the washer or anchor plate, where a continuous template or anchor plate is used for a group of anchor bolts. The washer diameter may be taken as the diameter of a circle concentric with the bolt and inscribed within the template or anchor plate. D_w shall not be taken greater than 8 times the thickness of the washer, plate or template.
 - C = clear cover to bolt (in.)
 - K_s = spacing reduction factor = $0.02S + 0.40 \leq 1.0$
 - S = center-to-center bolt spacing (in.)
 - f'_c = concrete compressive strength (psi)
 - f_y = yield strength of the bolt material (psi)

Eq. (1.1) indicates that tensile strength of deep anchor bolts in drilled shafts are most significantly affected by concrete cover and concrete tensile strength, both of which may be adversely affected by cracking associated with ASR/DEF. The compressive capacity of deep anchors in drilled shafts was not considered in Eq. (1.1), as the gap between the HMIP and concrete foundation was grouted at that time, as shown in Figure 1.4. With the grout pad, the compression forces are transferred by the grout to the drilled shaft, and anchor bolts act as tension members only. Because the grout pads were found to trap moisture and cause corrosion in anchor bolts, however, grout pads have not been used in Texas since the 1980's. As a result, both the tension and the compression forces generated by HMIPs have to be transferred through anchor bolts. Little research has been conducted on the compressive strength of these anchor bolts in drilled shafts without grout pads.



(a) HMIP Foundation in 1970's
(from Texas Highways 1970)



(b) HMIP Foundation in 1989

Figure 1.4 HMIP Foundations in Texas

1.3 FIELD EVALUATION OF PERFORMANCE

To evaluate the effect of ASR/DEF on the performance of drilled shafts and the behavior of anchor bolts, full-scale field tests were conducted in the Houston area, at the intersection of US 59 South and the Sam Houston Tollway (Beltway 8), as shown in Figure 1.5. Six HMIP foundations were tested. Of these, four were existing foundations with ASR/DEF damage, and two were newly constructed for test purposes and hence undamaged.

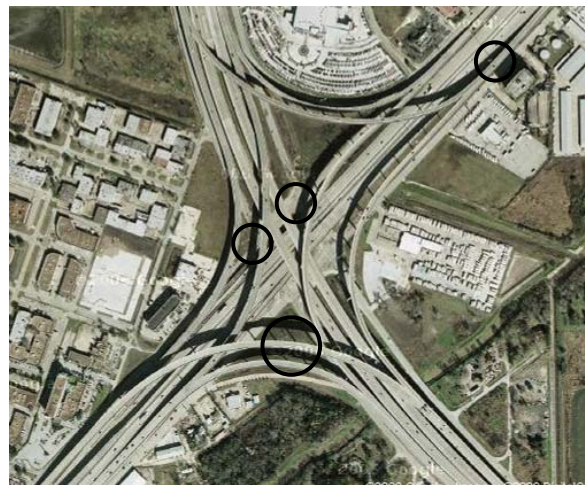
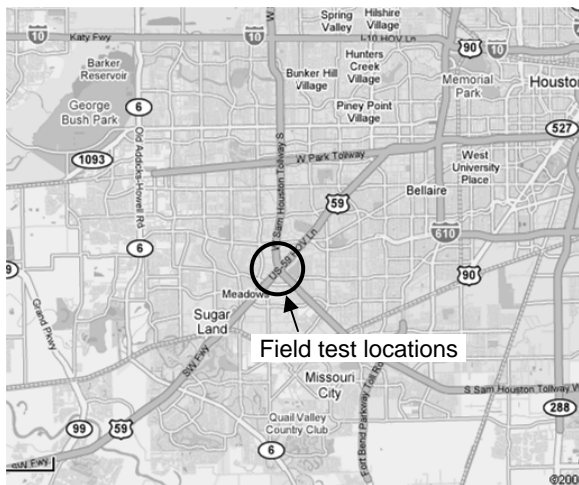


Figure 1.5 Locations of Tested Drilled Shafts in Houston

1.4 OBJECTIVE AND SCOPE

The objective of this testing project is to evaluate the effect of ASR/DEF on the structural performance of HMIP foundations and if needed, to recommend a possible retrofitting method to strengthen them and prevent further damage. To achieve this goal, six full-scale field tests were conducted in the Houston area. Two types of drilled shafts were examined: 16-anchor drilled shafts supporting 150-ft high HMIPs; and 20-anchor drilled shafts supporting 175-ft high HMIPs. One of the 20-anchor drilled shafts was repaired by wrapping with carbon fiber-reinforced polymer (CFRP) laminate. Observed performance under field tests was also evaluated in the context of the design wind loads of the AASHTO *Specifications* (2001) and ASCE 7-05 (2005).

In Chapter 2, a review of literature related to ASR and DEF, behavior of anchor bolts, and TxDOT design details for HMIP foundations is provided. In Chapter 3, field tests on six full-scale concrete drilled shafts are described. In Chapter 4, the results of those tests are presented. In Chapter 5, the responses of tested drilled shaft specimens are compared and effects of ASR/DEF are summarized; the load-transfer mechanism between anchor bolts and the shaft is investigated; and modifications are recommended to current design provisions for such anchorages. In Chapter 6, the current design provisions of the TxDOT *Bridge Design Manual* (2001) and ACI 318-05 (2005) are examined. In Chapter 7, the wind-load provisions of the AASHTO *Specifications* (2001) and ASCE 7-05 (2005) are summarized and those wind-load provisions are compared with probable wind loads for HMIPs and hence their foundations. In Chapter 8, the work is summarized, principal conclusions are presented, and recommendations for implementation and further research are noted.

CHAPTER 2: LITERATURE REVIEW

2.1 INTRODUCTION

In this chapter previous pertinent research is discussed and synthesized. Several background areas are of interest: the mechanisms of ASR/DEF and its associated damage in concrete structures; previous research on the behavior of deep anchor bolts in drilled shafts; and TxDOT Standard Design Details for HMIPs and their shaft foundations.

2.2 PREMATURE CONCRETE DETERIORATION DUE TO ALKALI-SILICA REACTION (ASR) AND DELAYED ETTRINGITE FORMATION (DEF)

Within the past 10 years, a variety of TxDOT structures have exhibited premature concrete damage from Alkali-Silica Reaction (ASR) or Delayed Ettringite Formation (DEF), singly or in combination. ASR was first identified as a concrete durability problem in the early 1940's, and significant research has been conducted on it since that time. DEF was first identified as a potential problem in heat-cured concrete during the early 1980's. It has been the subject of considerable research since then. In the first part of this literature review, the basics of each deterioration mechanism are discussed.

2.2.1 Alkali-Silica Reaction (ASR) (Boenig et al. 2002)

ASR is a reaction between siliceous aggregate and high-alkali pore water in the surrounding cementitious matrix. A high alkali concentration in the pore water provides the hydroxyl ions that react with the silica to form a gel at the interface between the cementitious matrix and the aggregate. This gel grows as it absorbs water from the environment, consequently generating expansive forces that can produce map cracking or surface popouts. ASR deterioration requires the following conditions:

- high alkali concentration in the pore water;
- aggregate with reactive silica; and
- water.

As a result, ASR is sensitive to the specific materials used in concrete, as well as the location and condition of the concrete.

2.2.2 Delayed Ettringite Formation (DEF) (Boenig et al. 2002)

Ettringite, a normal hydration product, is a reaction between sulfates, calcium aluminates and water. Primary ettringite, which forms before the concrete sets, is not deleterious. Damage is caused by DEF in the hardened concrete. Delayed ettringite forms from a reaction between decomposed primary ettringite and water, creating nests of ettringite in the paste. Research indicates that high amounts of sulfur, contributed by the clinker, may be another source of the reaction. In both cases, exposure to water over time causes the ettringite to reform, producing expansive forces. DEF, like ASR, shows as map cracking. DEF deterioration requires the following conditions:

- decomposed ettringite or high amounts of sulfur; and
- water.

2.2.3 Effect of ASR/DEF

The essential question is how to quantify the effect of ASR/DEF-related concrete deterioration for the overall structural performance. It has been frequently assumed that ASR/DEF-caused expansion is closely related to a loss of structural capacity. Even though qualitative measurement has been frequently used to evaluate the severity of concrete deterioration due to ASR/DEF, there are no quantitative guidelines. Clayton *et al.* (1990) conducted five different strength test methods for ASR-damaged concrete specimens, which test results are summarized in Figure 2.1, and concluded that that any strength test conducted on a specimen quantifies the performance of the material in relation to that method of test only and does not necessarily reflect the performance of the material in its structural context. It can be observed from Figure 2.1 that ASR does not produce a significant effect on compression and tensile splitting strengths of concrete specimens. This emphasizes the need to have a full-scale testing in order to evaluate the effect of ASR/DEF on structural performance.

A series of investigations were conducted at the University of Texas at Austin (Fúnez 1999; Boenig *et al.* 2002; Roche 2001; Memberg *et al.* 2002) to assess the structural performance of in-service bridges with ASR/DEF damages under the support of the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT Study 1857). Flexural, shear and fatigue tests on full-scale prestressed concrete box girders and strand-pullout tests on slice specimens were conducted to investigate ASR/DEF effect on the structural performance. In addition, field observations were made to monitor crack widths of five TxDOT bridge structures over three years. The following are the conclusions made from TxDOT Study 1857:

- ASR/DEF damage caused a reduction in bond strength between prestressing strands and concrete. In splice specimens taken from full-scale prestressed box girders, 40% reduction of average bond strength was observed;
- Capacity of prestressed girders with ASR/DEF damages was governed by other mechanisms than bond failure of prestressing strands. No strand bond failure was observed from full-scale prestressed box girder tests;
- Severity of cracks on outside faces was not found to be a good indicator of interior damage.

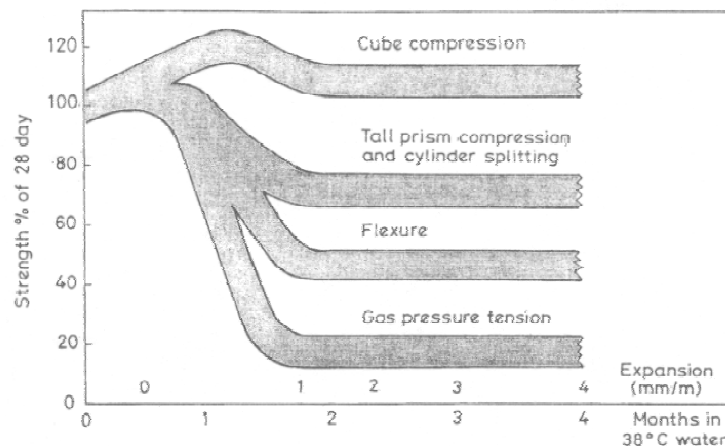


Figure 2.1 Effect of ASR on Strengths of Concrete Specimens (Clayton *et al.* 1990)

2.3 PREVIOUS RESEARCH ON DEEP ANCHOR BOLTS USED IN DRILLED SHAFTS

Deep anchor bolts or threaded rods with nuts are commonly used to connect HMIPs to their reinforced concrete foundations. TxDOT has sponsored several research projects to investigate the behavior of such anchor bolts and to develop design guidelines. In this section, pertinent research related to deep anchor bolts of the type commonly used in drilled shafts is summarized. Some relevant anchor design provisions from ACI 318-05 are also noted.

2.3.1 Research by Hasselwander, Jirsa and Breen (1974)

The primary objectives of research by Hasselwander, Jirsa and Breen (1974) were to evaluate the effects of bolt diameter, embedment length, clear cover, and bearing area on the behavior of high-strength anchor bolts loaded in tension. In addition, a series of exploratory tests were conducted to determine the influence of cyclic loading, lateral loading, bolt grouping, and transverse reinforcement on the bolt behavior. Anchor bolts up to 1-3/4 in. in diameter with specified yield strengths ranging from 50 to 130 ksi were tested.

This study showed that a deep anchor bolt transfers load to the concrete by a sequence of mechanisms: steel-to-concrete bond; bearing against the anchor head; and finally, wedging action by a cone of crushed and compacted concrete ahead of the anchor head. In the mechanism, shown in Figure 2.2, load is resisted by a cone of concrete wedging against the concrete cover. The test results indicated that clear cover and bearing area were the major variables influencing the tensile strength of such anchor bolts.

Results from the exploratory tests indicated that cyclic loads at or below service level did not adversely affect anchor bolt stiffness or strength. Transverse reinforcement (in the form of hairpins along the bolt in front of the anchor head) significantly increased the strength of deep anchor bolts with relatively thin cover.

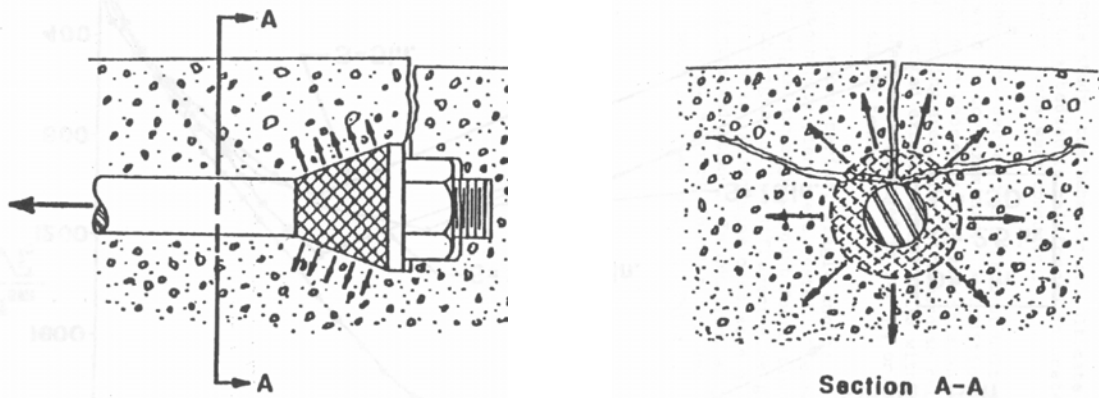


Figure 2.2 Conditions around Anchorage after Formation of Concrete Cone (Hasselwander *et al.* 1974)

2.3.2 Research by Calzadilla (1982)

Calzadilla (1982) investigated the behavior and ultimate capacity of high-strength anchor bolt groups embedded in reinforced concrete piers, with particular attention to the effect of bolt spacing on group capacity. The effect of clear cover, of variable anchorage lengths in a bolt group, and transverse reinforcement was studied but in a limited range.

Anchor bolts with 1-3/4 in. diameter and 105 ksi specified yield stress were arranged in 4-bolt groups and tested to failure in simple tension. The bolts were observed to fail in a wedge-splitting mode. The

response of the anchor bolts was measured in terms of bolt force versus slip curves. The group interaction was evaluated by comparing the actual strength of bolts in a group with the predicted capacity for an isolated bolt with similar geometry. The test results indicated that the ultimate capacity of bolts in a group embedded at close spacing (8.9 in. to 13.5 in.) was 30% less than that of 4 isolated anchors.

2.3.3 Research by Jirsa, Cichy, Calzadilla, Smart, Pavlucik, and Breen (1984)

Jirsa *et al.* (1984) evaluated the effects of bolt-group interaction by comparing the average experimentally observed capacity of deep anchor groups with the predicted capacity of isolated bolts with similar geometry. Bolts with a diameter of 1-3/4 in. and a yield stress of 105 ksi were tested. As bolt spacing decreased, the reduction in strength significantly increased. Based on the available data, Hasselwander's equation was modified to produce an equation for the nominal tensile capacity of group anchors as governed by concrete:

$$T_u \leq \phi T_n \quad \text{Eq. (2.1)}$$

where T_u is the factored bolt tensile capacity, ϕ is a capacity reduction factor of 0.75, and T_n is the nominal tensile capacity of an anchor bolt with embedment length not less than $12(D_w - D)$.

The nominal tensile capacity of anchor bolt (T_n) can be calculated by:

$$T_n = 140A_b \sqrt{f'_c} \left[0.7 + \ln \left(\frac{2C}{D_w - D} \right) \right] K_s \leq A_{sm} f_y \quad (\text{lbs}) \quad \text{Eq. (2.2)}$$

where A_b = net bearing area (in.²), not greater than $4D^2$ nor less than the projecting area of the nut.
 A_{sm} = mean tensile area of anchor bolt (in.²)
 D = bolt diameter (in.)
 D_w = diameter (in.) of the washer or anchor plate, where a continuous template or anchor plate is used for a group of anchor bolts. The washer diameter may be taken as the diameter of a circle concentric with the bolt and inscribed within the template or anchor plate. D_w shall not be taken greater than 8 times the thickness of the washer, plate or template.
 C = clear cover to bolt (in.)
 K_s = spacing reduction factor = $0.02S + 0.40 \leq 1.0$
 S = center-to-center bolt spacing (in.)
 f'_c = concrete compressive strength (psi)
 f_y = yield strength of the bolt material (psi)

2.3.4 ACI 318-05 APPENDIX D

For anchor bolts of HMIP foundations, concrete side-face blowout under tension loading is the most likely failure mode because of long embedment length, small concrete cover, large amount of longitudinal reinforcement, spirals and large size of anchor bolts. For a single headed anchor with deep embedment close to edge ($c_{a1} < 0.4h_{ef}$), the nominal side-face blowout strength, N_{sb} , is expressed in ACI 318-05 Appendix D as:

$$N_{sb} = 160c_{a1} \sqrt{A_{brg}} \sqrt{f'_c} \quad \text{Eq. (2.3)}$$

(D-17) in ACI 318-05

where: c_{a1} = minimum edge distance from the center of anchor bolt to the edge of concrete (in.)
 h_{ef} = effective embedment length of anchor bolt (in.)
 A_{brg} = bearing area of the head of stub or anchor bolt (in.²)
 f'_c = concrete compressive strength (psi)

The modification factor of $(1 + c_{a2}/c_{a1})/4$ is applied if $c_{a2} < 3c_{a1}$, where c_{a2} is the distance from the center of the anchor bolt to the edge of concrete in the direction perpendicular to c_{a1} . For multiple anchors with $c_{a1} < 0.4h_{ef}$, the nominal side-face blowout strength of the group of anchors is calculated as:

$$N_{sbg} = \left(1 + \frac{s}{6c_{a1}} \right) N_{sb} \quad \text{Eq. (2.4)}$$

(D-18) in ACI 318-05

where s is spacing of the outer anchors and N_{sb} is obtained from Eq. (2.3) without the modification factor.

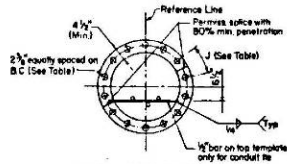
2.4 TxDOT DESIGN DETAILS FOR HMIP FOUNDATIONS

Most ASR/DEF-damaged concrete pile foundations in the Houston area were constructed in the late 1980's in accordance with the TxDOT *Standard Design Details* (1986, revised 1998), shown in Figure 2.3 and Figure 2.4. The required diameter and length of the drilled shaft, the number of anchor bolts and the diameter of anchor bolt circle are based on the design wind speed and the cross-section of the HMIP. The focus of this report is to investigate the influence of ASR/DEF-related damage on the drilled-shaft foundations of HMIPs with a basic design wind speed of 100 mph and pole heights of 150 and 175 ft. The details of the anchor bolts for the drilled shafts required for these HMIP are given in the Anchor Bolt Table in Figure 2.3 and Figure 2.4.

The design wind speed used in Figure 2.3 and Figure 2.4 is the fastest-mile wind speed, which was used by the 1994 AASHTO *Standard Specifications for Structural Supports for Highway Signs, Luminaires and Traffic Signals* (AASHTO 1994). In the 2001 AASHTO *Specifications*, wind-load calculations were revised to in terms of three-second gust wind speed. According to the AASHTO design wind speed map around Houston area, the fastest-mile design wind speed of 100 mph in Figure 2.3 and Figure 2.4 is roughly equivalent to a three-second gust design wind speed of 130 mph.

Texas Cone Penetrometer Test (Tables) in Figure 2.3 and Figure 2.4 show that 60-in. diameter drilled shafts are required for both 150-ft and 175-ft HMIPs. The required shaft diameter for a 175-ft HMIP was increased to 66 in. in the 1998 TxDOT *Standard Design Details* (Figure 2.4). Figure 2.3 and Figure 2.4 also show that anchor bolts are required to be anchored with nuts and a template plate, intended to hold the embedded ends of the anchors in the correct position and also increase their pullout capacity. Nuts are required to be tack-welded to the template to prevent floating during concrete placement.

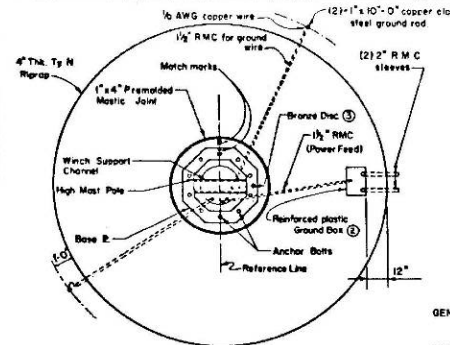
Even though it is not clear in the 1986 TxDOT *Standard Design Details* (Figure 2.3), the Anchor Bolt Table of Figure 2.4(b) illustrates that either an 8-sided or a 12-sided HMIP can be used, depending on the required number of anchor bolts and the required diameter of the anchor bolt circle. Examination of anchor-bolt details for 150- and 175-ft HMIP in the 1986 TxDOT *Standard Design Details* (Figure 2.3) indicates that the HMIP foundations constructed in accordance with the 1986 TxDOT Standard Design Details require the use of an 8-sided pole (Figure 2.4(b)). This observation supports the fact that 8-sided poles were mostly used for 150 ft and 175 ft HMIPs by TxDOT. The 1998 TxDOT *Standard Design Details* for HMIP are shown in Figure 2.5, in which required details for HMIP with heights of 150 ft and 175 ft are indicated in the gray box.



TOP AND BOTTOM ANCHOR BOLT TEMPLATE

ANCHOR BOLT TABLE

Design	Pole Height ft	Dia. in	Length	No. of Bolts	Bolt Circle B.C.	Angle
100	17.5	2 1/4	4'-7"	25	4'6"	18°
100	15.0	2 1/4	4'-10"	16	4'2"	22.5°
100	12.5	2 1/4	4'-10"	12	3'8"	30°
100	10.0	2 1/4	4'-10"	15	5'4"	36°
80	15.0	2 1/4	4'-10"	10	3'7"	36°



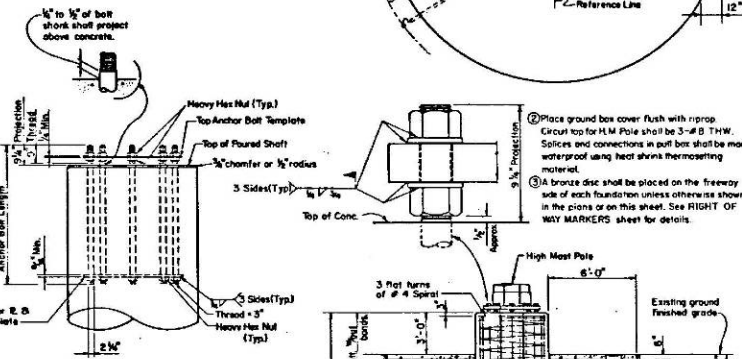
DRILLED SHAFT LENGTH

Pole No.	Location	Ground Elev.	Top Sh. Elev.	Avg. N. Dia.	Shaft Length
ALL	17.5' POLES			15	60 41
ALL	15.0' POLES			15	60 34
ALL	12.5' POLES			15	54 29
ALL	10.0' POLES			15	54 20

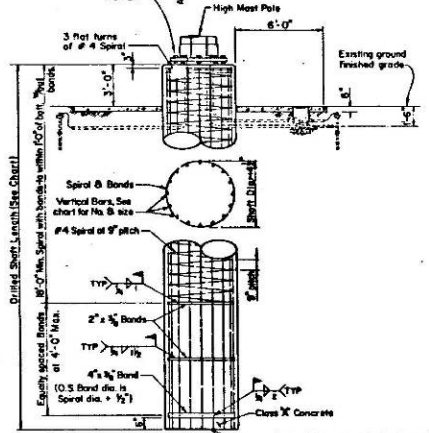
Anchor Bolts and Nuts (not to be) galvanized.
Bronze Disc (one per pole) to be used. Must be selected during plan preparation.

GENERAL NOTES:

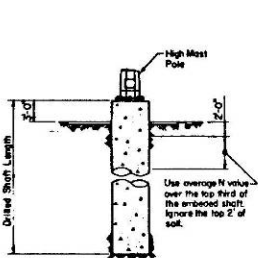
- Concrete shall be Class "A". Reinforcing shall conform to Item 440. Unless otherwise noted, the welded steel bands may be replaced with spiral as shown on the foundation details.
- Anchor Bolts shall conform to ASTM A193-B7 or A687. Nuts for A193 bolts shall conform to ASTM A194 or 2H. Nuts for A687 bolts shall conform to ASTM A194 or 2H or A663 or D or better. Washers shall conform to ASTM F436 and shall be galvanized. Threads for anchor bolts shall be rolled or cut threads of 8 pitch or unified coarse thread series except for A193 bolts which shall be 8 pitch thread series. If rolled, the diameter of the unthreaded portion shall not be less than the minimum pitch diameter nor more than the maximum major diameter of the threads. Threads shall have Class 2 fit tolerances.
- Unless otherwise noted, the upper 14 inches of anchor bolts and the top anchor bolt nuts shall be galvanized. If anchor bolts are rolled, not to be galvanized the upper 14 inches shall be pointed with two coats of zinc-rich coating containing a minimum of 95 percent zinc and meeting Federal Specification DD-P-2035A. Exposed nuts shall also be pointed with the same zinc-rich paint if bolts are pointed.
- Threads of anchor bolts shall be coated with pipe joint compound prior to installation of upper nuts when erecting pole. After poles are plumb and in permanent alignment, the exposed upper threads of pointed bolts are to be cleaned and an additional coating of the zinc-rich paint applied to seal the bolt thread-nut joint.
- Anchor bolts shall be placed in foundation so there are always two bolts on reference line.
- The anchor bolt and template assembly shall be rigidly held in position during concrete placement. The top templates may be removed after the concrete has achieved its initial set.
- Conduit shall be held in place with bar attached to upper template, and shall be capped prior to placing concrete.
- After the pole has been plumbed in its final position, lock weld top and bottom anchor bolt nuts to washers and washers to base plate in three places for each washer. Do not weld to bolt. Galvanizing in tack areas must be repaired by zinc-rich paint.
- Drilled shaft lengths as determined from the foundation design chart or other acceptable methods are listed in the above summary table. Type "N" Ribcap as shown on the foundation detail shall not be paid for separately, but shall be considered subsidiary to the drilled shafts.



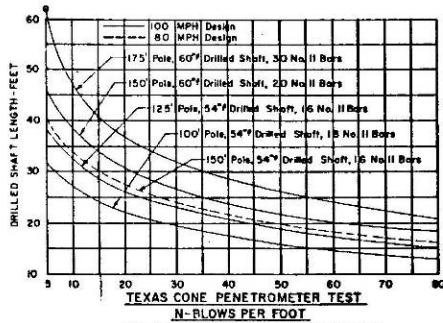
ANCHOR BOLT ASSEMBLY
(See Anchor Bolt Table for number of bolts required)



DRILLED SHAFT FOUNDATION DETAIL



DRILLED SHAFT



TEXAS CONE PENETROMETER TEST N-BLOWS PER FOOT

FOUNDATION DESIGN

Do not estimate below 5 Blows/FT. A special design will be required for soil less than 5 Blows/FT.

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Figure 2.3 Standard Design Detail for HMIP Foundation (1986)

2.5 DESIGN REQUIREMENTS FOR ANCHOR BOLTS USED IN HMIP FOUNDATIONS

The deep anchor bolts commonly used to connect an HMIP to drilled-shaft foundations may be designed by a number of different provisions. In this section, those are reviewed briefly.

2.5.1 AASHTO Specifications (2001)

The AASHTO *Standard Specifications for Structural Supports for Highway Signs, Luminaires, and Traffic Signals* (2001) govern the structural design of HMIP foundations. Even though those requirements address the design of anchor bolts, those designs are required to meet the condition that “*anchor bolts shall be embedded in concrete with sufficient cover, length, and anchorage to ensure that the anchor bolts will reach their minimum tensile strength prior to failure of the concrete.*” The AASHTO *Specifications* also allow anchor bolts to be designed based on accepted engineering practices or by full-scale testing.

2.5.2 TxDOT Bridge Design Manual (2001)

The TxDOT *Bridge Design Manual* (2001) is generally based on the 2001 AASHTO *Specifications*. Because the AASHTO *Specifications* provide little information on the design of anchor bolts, the TxDOT *Bridge Design Manual* allows the use of the design equation proposed by Jirsa *et al.* (1984). Few guidelines for the required factor of safety in designing anchor bolts are provided, except that: “*Certainly, the anchorage should develop the service load tension in the bolts. Preferably, a reasonable factor of safety should be provided.*” In this report, when the experimentally observed capacities of drilled shafts are compared with required design values, the required factor of safety is taken consistent with that of ASCE 7-05 and ACI 318-05.

2.6 WIND-INDUCED LOADS

Wind loads govern the design of HMIPs and their foundations. Design wind loads are assumed to correspond to 8-sided HMIPs, since those match with the 16- and 20-anchor shafts studied in this research. TxDOT Design Details for 8-sided HMIPs for 150 ft and 175 ft heights are shown in Figure 2.5.

Based on the HMIP details of that figure, the required design wind loads for drilled shafts were estimated using AASHTO *Specifications* (2001), as shown in Figure 2.6. The basic design wind speed was 130 mph (3-second gust), as specified for Houston in the AASHTO *Specifications* (2001). The results are summarized in Table 2.1, which shows that the design base shear forces generated by the wind load are relatively small and the flexural moments are the most critical loads in evaluating the performance of HMIP drilled shafts. Based on this observation, a test setup was planned to provide flexural moments to HMIP drilled shafts using a hydraulic actuator. The detailed descriptions of the test setup are provided in Chapter 3. The wind-load calculation procedure of the AASHTO *Specifications* is also explained in more detail in Chapter 5.

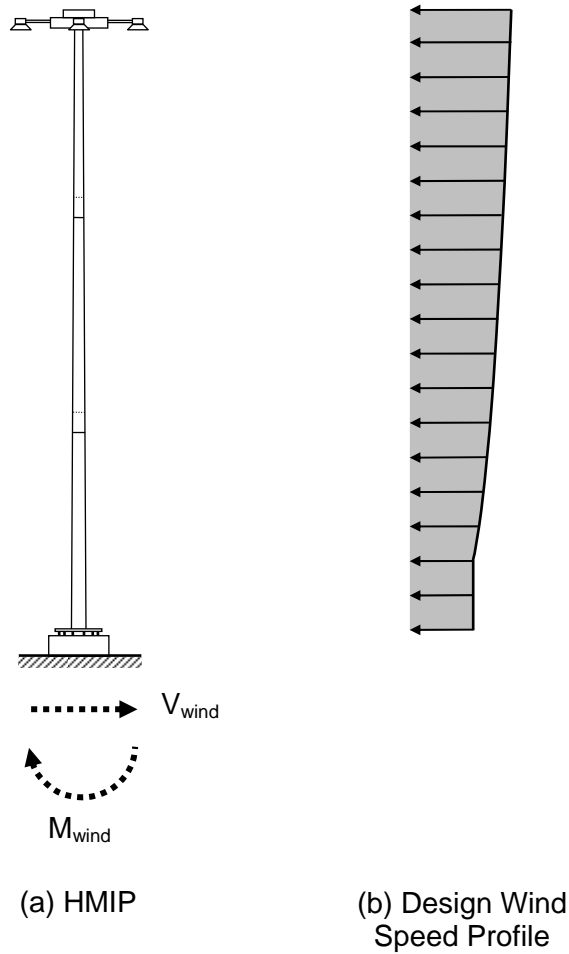


Figure 2.6 Wind-Induced Loads on HMIP Foundation

Table 2.1 Wind-Induced Design Loads for 8-sided HMIP Foundations at Design Wind Speed (3-second gust) of 130 mph (AASHTO 2001)

Type of HMIP Foundation	Height of HMIP	Design Base Moment	Design Base Shear
16-Anchor Drilled Shaft	150 ft	1,731 ft-kip	20 kips
20-Anchor Drilled Shaft	175 ft	2,435 ft-kip	27 kips

CHAPTER 3: EXPERIMENTAL PROGRAM

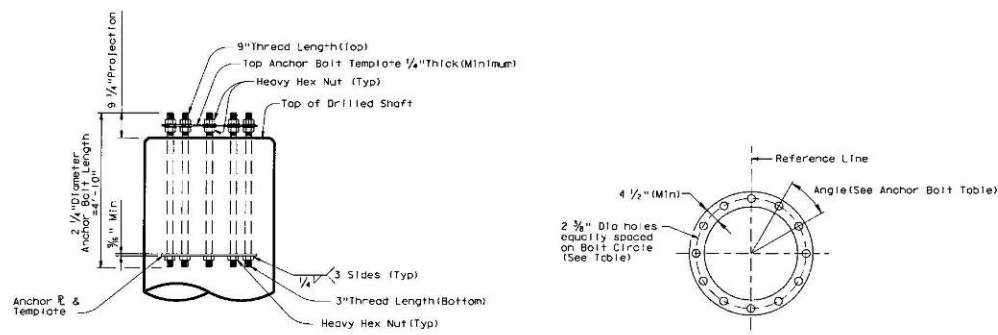
3.1 INTRODUCTION

To investigate the effect of ASR/DEF damage on the performance of HMIP foundations, six field tests were conducted in Houston. Tested specimens were located at the intersection of US 59 South and the Sam Houston Tollway (Beltway 8). Of those six drilled-shaft specimens, four were constructed in 1989 and affected by ASR/DEF, and two were newly constructed in 2006 for test purposes and hence unaffected.

The following field tests were conducted:

- (1) cyclic tests on newly constructed, undamaged control specimens (S16-Control and S20-Control);
- (2) cyclic tests on ASR/DEF-damaged specimens (S16-ASR1 and S20-ASR);
- (3) a test on the ASR/DEF-damaged specimen with monotonic loads (S16-ASR2)
- (4) a cyclic test on the repaired specimen (S20-CFRP)

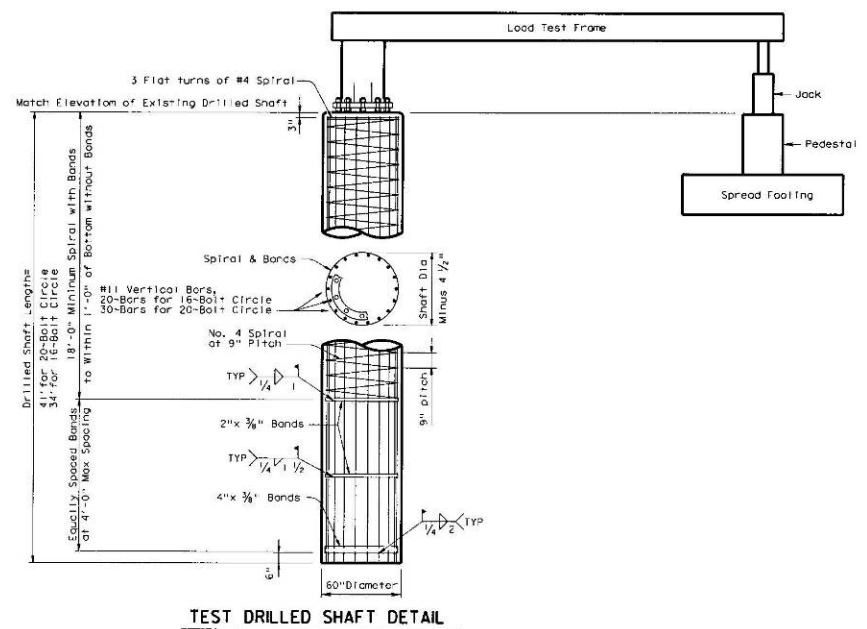
Design details for the control specimens, shown in Figure 3.1, are identical to the 1986 *TxDOT Standard Design Details* (Figure 2.3). As the ASR/DEF damaged specimens were constructed in 1989 in accordance with the 1986 TxDOT Standard Design Details, all specimens have the same design details for each 16- and 20-anchor bolt drilled shafts. Figure 3.2 shows templates that were used to prevent anchor bolts from floating during concrete placement. The bottom anchor bolt template also acts as a washer at the anchor head. In this chapter, the mechanical properties of the materials used, the test setup, the test instrumentation, the loading protocol, the test procedure and the presentation of test data are described.



ANCHOR BOLT TABLE		
No. of Bolts	Bolt Circle Diameter	Angle
20	46"	18°
16	42"	22.5°

TABLE OF ESTIMATED QUANTITIES		
60" Drilled Shaft	LF	75
Class "C" Concrete	CY	0

GENERAL NOTES:
 Use Class "C" concrete.
 The welded steel bands may be replaced with spiral as shown.
 Anchor Bolts shall conform to ASTM A193-B7, or A687. Nuts for A193 bolts shall conform to ASTM A194 Gr. 2H. Nuts for A687 bolts shall conform to ASTM A194 Gr. 2H or A563 Gr. D or better. Washers shall conform to ASTM F436. Threads for anchor bolts shall be rolled or cut threads of 8 pitch or unified coarse thread series except for A193 bolts which shall be 8 pitch thread series. If rolled, the diameter of the unthreaded portion shall not be less than the minimum pitch diameter nor more than the maximum major diameter of the threads. Threads shall have Class 2 fit tolerances.
 Place anchor bolts in the foundation such that there are always two bolts on reference line.
 Rigidly hold the anchor bolt and template assembly in position during concrete placement.



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Figure 3.1 Texas HMIP Foundation Design Details

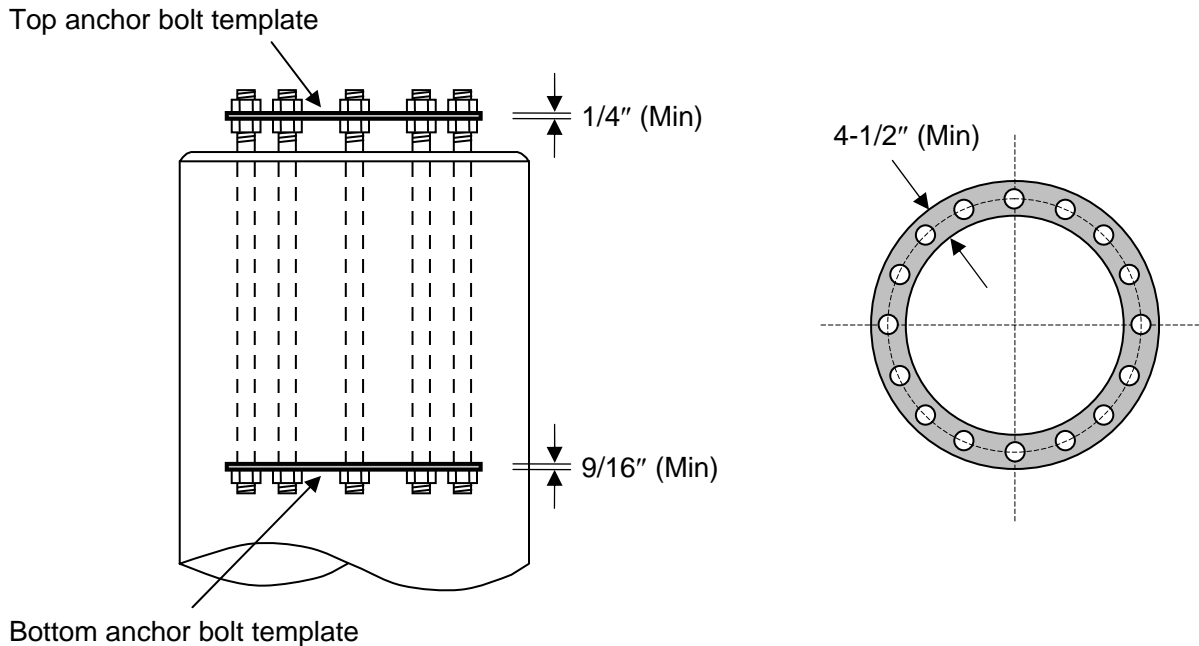


Figure 3.2 Templates in HMIP Foundation

3.2 MATERIAL PROPERTIES

3.2.1 Newly Constructed, Undamaged Control Specimens

3.2.1.1 Concrete

For these drilled shafts, TxDOT *Bridge Design Manual* (2001) requires a 28-day concrete compressive strength of at least 3,600 psi. To determine the actual concrete strength, compressive strength tests were conducted. For the control specimens (S16-Control and S20-Control), concrete compressive strengths were determined by tests on three 6- \times 12-in. concrete cylinders for each specimen. Tests were conducted by Houston District Laboratory of Texas Department of Transportation in accordance with ASTM C 39-05. Test results are summarized in Table 3.1.

Table 3.1 Compressive Strength of Control Specimens

Specimen	Test 1 (f_c , psi)	Test 2 (f_c , psi)	Test 3 (f_c , psi)	$f_{c, avg}$ (psi)
S16-Control	7,730	7,130	6,520	7,130
S20-Control	6,830	8,250	7,630	7,570

3.2.1.2 Anchor Bolts

TxDOT *Bridge Design Manual* specifies that HMIP be anchored using anchor bolts conforming to ASTM A193-Grade B7, a high-strength, carbon-alloy steel, with a specified minimum tensile strength of 125 ksi and a minimum yield strength (0.2% offset) of 105 ksi. Coarse-threaded anchor bolts were used for the newly constructed control specimens and had a nominal diameter of 2-1/4 in. Three steel coupons were prepared. Tested values of yield stress, f_y ; yield strain, ϵ_y ; modulus of elasticity, E ; ultimate tensile stress,

Table 3.2 Mechanical Properties of Anchor Bolts

Thread Type	Specimen	Elastic Region			Strain-Hardening Region	
		f_y (ksi)	ϵ_y	E (ksi)	f_{ut} (ksi)	ϵ_u
Coarse threads	S16-Control	119	0.0066	31,000	134	0.069
	S20-Control					

f_{ut} ; and corresponding strain, ϵ_u , are given in Table 3.2. The tested anchor bolts satisfy the ASTM A193 requirements.

3.2.2 ASR/DEF-Damaged Specimens Constructed in 1989

3.2.2.1 Concrete

Four HMIP foundations constructed in 1989 were found to have extensive cracking throughout the foundations, as shown in Figure 3.3. The figure illustrates deposits of ettringite within the cement paste, which is an indication of DEF. The possible presence of ASR gel was investigated using the Uranyl Acetate Fluorescent Method (UAFM) on some core samples. Uranyl acetate solution was applied to the surfaces of the cores; the core samples were exposed to UV light; and the ASR gel glows bright yellowish-green. The typical test result is illustrated in Figure 3.4. The bright yellowish-green areas are represented by the dotted lines. Hence, it is concluded that these four HMIP foundations constructed in 1989 were affected by DEF or ASR, separately or in combination.



Figure 3.3 HMIP Foundation with Premature Concrete Cracking

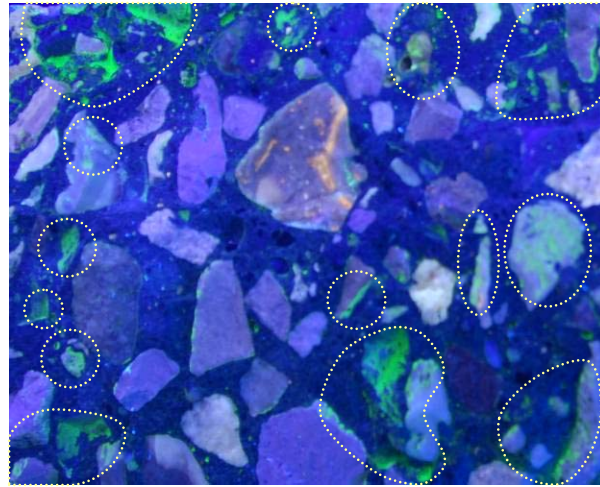


Figure 3.4 Typical Results of Uranyl Acetate Fluorescent Method (UAFM)

To determine the compressive strength and the splitting tensile strength of the concrete in the ASR/DEF-damaged specimens, concrete cores, varying in diameter from 3.7 to 4.2 in., were extracted after the foundations had been field-tested. The ends of the cores were cut perpendicular with a wet saw, and the compression specimens were capped with sulfur. All procedures for drilling and preparing cores, compressive strength tests and splitting tensile strength tests were conducted in accordance with the applicable ASTM standards (ASTM C 42, C 617, C 39 and C 496). Test results are summarized in Table 3.3 and Table 3.4. It has been reported that some loss of concrete strength can occur in the process of drilling cores (Malhotra 1977; ACI 318-83 Commentary; Szypula and Grossman 1990; ASTM C 42-04). In other words, concrete cores extracted from laboratory-cured cylinders can be expected to have a tested compressive strength equal to about 85% of the tested strength of the same laboratory-cured cylinders. To address this, concrete strengths obtained by core testing were divided by 0.85, as shown in Table 3.3. These adjusted compressive strengths were considered to more realistically represent the probable strength of the concrete in the ASR/DEF-damaged drilled shafts.

To examine the effect of ASR/DEF on the concrete tensile strength, the tested splitting tensile strengths were compared with the estimated tensile strengths of $6.7\sqrt{f_{c,avg}}$ (R11.2.1.1 in ACI 318-05), where $f_{c,avg}$ is the average compressive strength from core tests. The results are illustrated in Table 3.4. All measured tensile strengths are 17% to 46% larger than the predicted values, indicating little influence of ASR/DEF on the splitting tensile strength of concrete.

Table 3.3 Compressive Strength of ASR/DEF-Damaged Specimens

Specimen	Test 1 (f_c , psi)	Test 2 (f_c , psi)	Test 3 (f_c , psi)	Test 4 (f_c , psi)	$f_{c,avg}$ (psi)	$f_{c,avg}/0.85$ (psi)
S16-ASR1	5,140	5,540	5,040	6,120	5,460	6,420
S16-ASR2	5,420	5,560	6,190	6,280	5,860	6,890
S20-ASR	5,470	4,930	-	-	5,200	6,120
S20-CFRP	5,990	5,610	5,950	5,640	5,800	6,820

Table 3.4 Splitting Tensile Strength of ASR/DEF-Damaged Specimens

Specimen	Test 1		Test 2		$f_{ct, avg}$ (psi)
	f_{ct} (psi)	$\frac{f_{ct}}{6.7\sqrt{f_{c, avg}}}$	f_{ct} (psi)	$\frac{f_{ct}}{6.7\sqrt{f_{c, avg}}}$	
S16-ASR1	650	1.31	618	1.25	634
S16-ASR2	605	1.18	669	1.30	637
S20-ASR	670	1.39	707	1.46	689
S20-CFRP	724	1.42	596	1.17	660

3.2.2.2 Anchor Bolts

Fine-threaded anchor bolts were used for the ASR/DEF-damaged specimens. On the other hand, coarse-threaded anchor bolts were used for the newly constructed control specimens. Both had a nominal diameter of 2-1/4 in. Three steel coupons were prepared for each type of anchor bolt. Test results are summarized in Table 3.5, and stress-strain curves are presented in Figure 3.5. Tested fine-threaded anchor bolts do not satisfy the ASTM A193 requirements as their minimum yield strength and tensile strength are slightly less than the required values of 105 and 125 ksi, respectively.

Table 3.5 Mechanical Properties of Anchor Bolts

Thread Type	Specimen	Elastic Region			Strain-Hardening Region	
		f_y (ksi)	ϵ_y	E (ksi)	f_{ut} (ksi)	ϵ_u
Fine threads	S16-ASR1	102	0.0061	33,000	124	0.074
	S16-ASR2					
	S20-ASR					
	S20-CFRP					

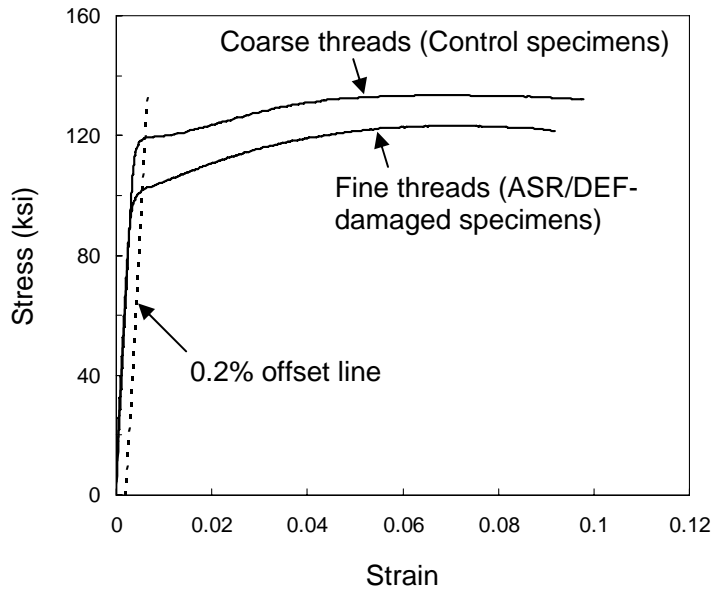


Figure 3.5 Stress-Strain Curves for Anchor Bolts

3.2.2.3 Damage Index

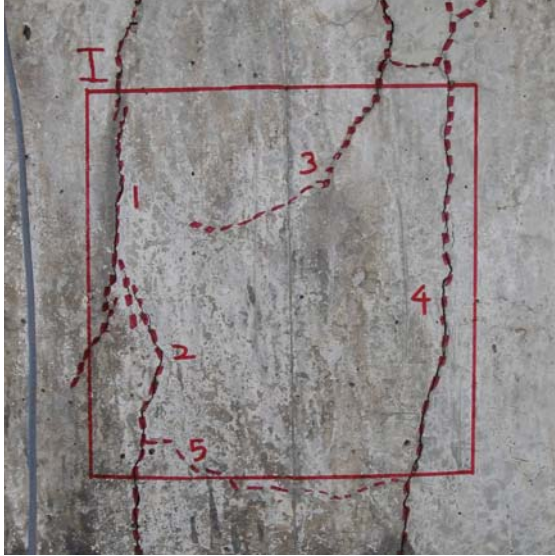
Four of the tested specimens, constructed in the 1989, suffered severe ASR/DEF damage. The severity of that damage was quantified using the damage index (*DI*) proposed by Boenig *et al.* (2002):

$$DI = \sum w^2 l \quad \text{Eq. (3.1)}$$

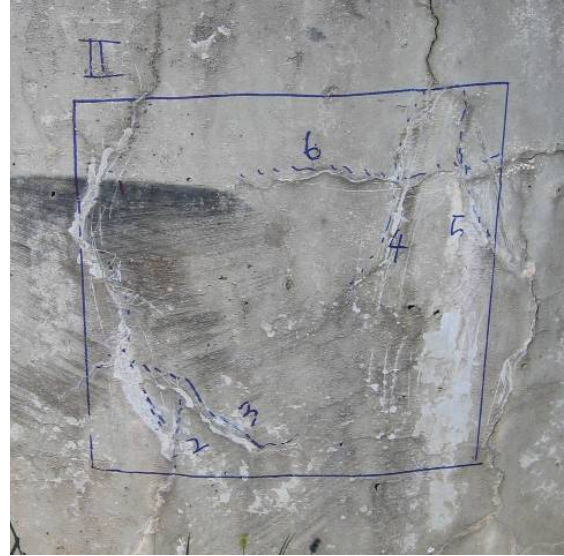
where *w* is the crack width in thousandths of an inch, and *l* is the crack length in inches.

The damage index was calculated over a square area measuring 12 in. on each side, as shown in Figure 3.6. The most useful way to do this was crack-by-crack, using a tabular format with one row per crack. The average width of each crack in inches was recorded, along with the length of the crack in inches. The damage indices were measured at four locations for each specimen, two above the ground level and the other two below the ground level. Specimen S16-ASR1 had the most severe cracks exhibiting widths that varied from 0.005 in. to 0.06 in. On the other hand, the crack widths of other ASR/DEF-damaged specimens were similar, varying from 0.005 in. to 0.025 in.

Table 3.6 shows the measured damage index, evaluated at four different locations for each ASR/DEF-damaged specimen. The damage indices at locations 1 and 2 were measured above the ground level and those at locations 3 and 4 were below the ground level. The damage index calculations (Table 3.6) indicate that specimen S16-ASR1 is the most severely damaged drilled shaft by ASR/DEF. The damage indices also suggest similar levels of ASR/DEF damage in specimens S16-ASR2, S20-ASR and S20-CFRP. It is important to note that the damage index is a subjective measurement because measured crack widths, lengths and selected locations are subjective. Therefore, the estimated damage index values should be taken as a qualitative indication of severity of cracks.



(a) S16-ASR1



(b) S16-ASR2



(c) S20-ASR



(d) S20-CFRP

Figure 3.6 Area used to Record Damage Index for ASR/DEF-Damaged Specimens

Table 3.6 Damage Index for ASR/DEF-Damaged Specimens

Specimen	Damage Index		
	Location	$\sum w^2 l$ (in. ³)	Average (in. ³)
S16-ASR1	1	102,900	52,950
	2	67,600	
	3	24,700	
	4	16,600	
S16-ASR2	1	7,400	4,300
	2	2,400	
	3	4,100	
	4	3,300	
S20-ASR	1	1,700	4,350
	2	4,500	
	3	5,600	
	4	5,600	
S20-CFRP	1	2,700	5,200
	2	4,800	
	3	7,100	
	4	6,200	

3.3 TEST SETUP

Field tests were conducted on drilled shafts using the test frame and test setup shown in Figure 3.7(a). Tension and compression in the ram produced overturning moment and axial load in the shaft. As the number and configuration of anchors differed for the 16- and 20-anchor drilled shafts, two base plates were prepared, one for each 16 anchors and the other for 20. Before testing, the backfill around the drilled shaft was excavated to facilitate the subsequent observation of behavior.

During testing, the loading arm was loosely suspended from an overhead crane for safety, as shown in Figure 3.7(b). Due to the capacity limitations of the test setup, the base plate was connected to the drilled shaft using only 6 of the 16 or 20 anchor bolts -- that is, 3 bolts on the extreme tension side of the shaft, and 3 on the extreme compression side (Figure 3.8). The overturning base moments associated with those six extreme anchor bolts are fractions of base overturning moments associated with the total number of anchor bolts. According to the AASHTO *Standard Specifications* (2001), which require elastic analysis in calculating anchor-bolt forces, the ratio of base moment capacity for 6 extreme anchor bolts to base moment capacity for all the anchor bolts is 0.68 for the 16-anchor bolt shafts, and 0.56 for the 20-anchor bolt shafts. This is discussed further in Chapter 4.

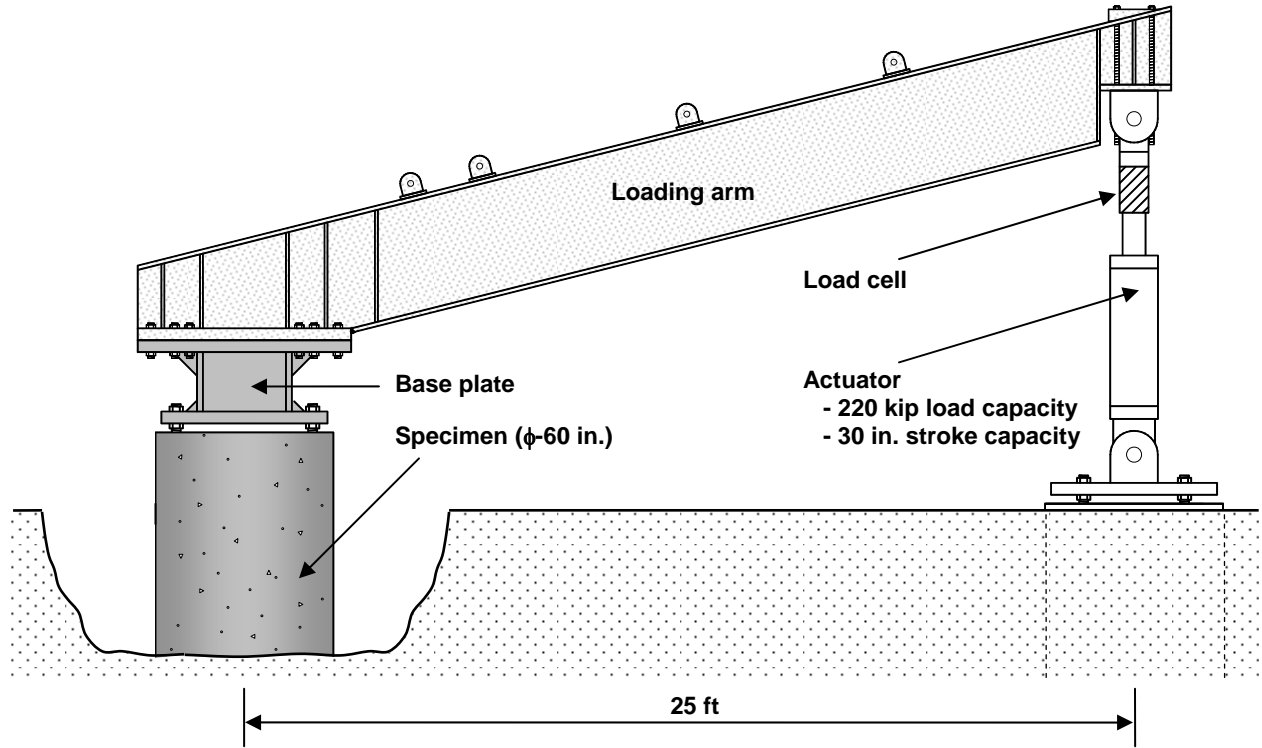


Figure 3.7(a) Test Setup



Figure 3.7(b) Test Setup



Figure 3.7(c) Test Setup (continued)

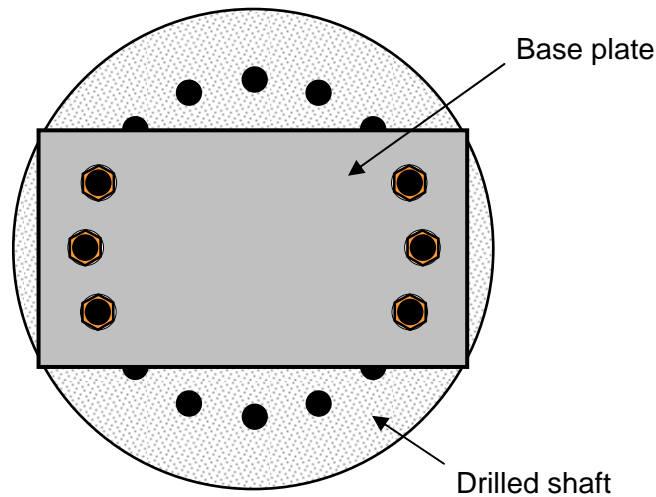
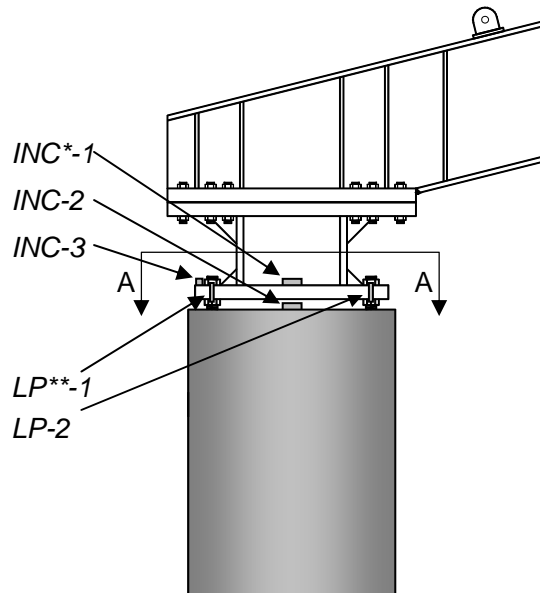


Figure 3.8 Connection of 6 Extreme Anchor Bolts to Base Plate

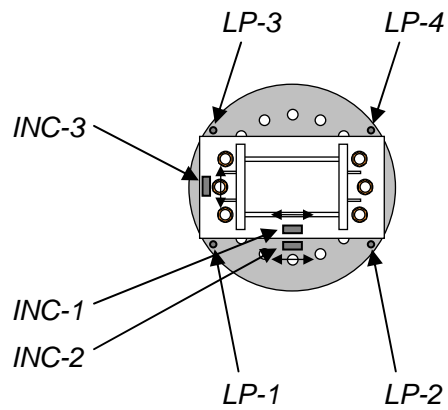
3.4 INSTRUMENTATION

Rotations of the axis of each drilled shaft were measured at two different elevations: at the top surface of the shaft; and at the base plate. For this purpose, electronic inclinometers were mounted on the top of the drilled shaft and base plate, and four linear potentiometers were installed, as shown in Figure 3.9. In addition, one inclinometer (INC-3 in Figure 3.9) was installed on the base plate in the transverse direction (perpendicular to the direction of the applied moment), and was intended to monitor the stability of the setup during test for safety.

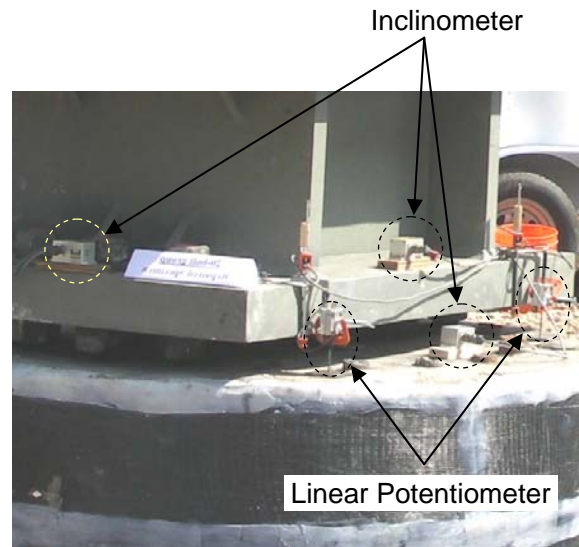
For the CFRP-repaired specimen (S20-CFRP), strain gauges were also installed on the CFRP layers. A total of 12 strain gauges were attached along the longitudinal direction of the drilled shaft, as illustrated in Figure 3.10. Strain gauges were installed in the following manner: First, an adhesive compatible with the gauges was applied to prepare the surface for gauge installation. Second, the strain gauges were attached and finally, a coating was applied to waterproof the strain gauges.



(*: Inclinator; **: Linear Potentiometer)
(a) Side View



(b) Top View (A-A)



(c) Picture View

Figure 3.9 Locations of Inclinator and Linear Potentiometers

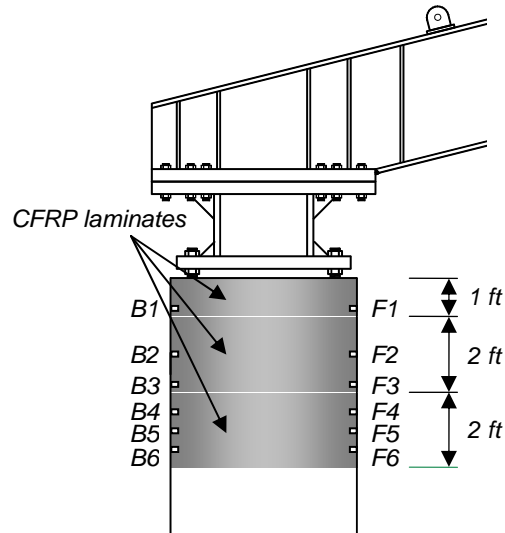


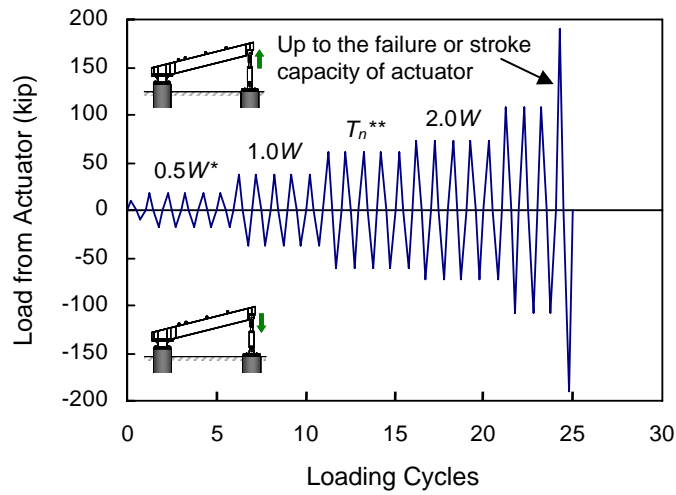
Figure 3.10 Locations of CFRP Laminates and Strain Gauges for Specimen S20-CFRP

3.5 TEST PROCEDURE

The test procedure followed the steps listed below:

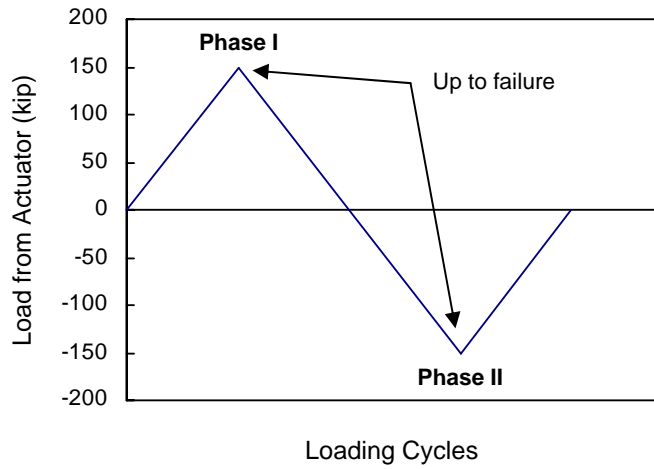
- 1) The loading arm and base plate were lifted by overhead crane and bolted to the top of the drilled shaft. The actuator was attached at its lower end to the actuator foundation; its upper end was lifted to a plumb position by the overhead crane, and attached to the loading arm. All bolts were hammer-tightened with spud wrenches
- 2) An initial compressive load of 6.8 kips was applied to the loading arm to counterbalance the moment introduced by the arm's self-weight.
- 3) Five of the six drilled shafts were subjected to repeated cycles of reversed cyclic loading, to monotonically increasing maximum load levels, following the loading protocol of Figure 3.11.
- 4) One of 16-anchor specimens (S16-ASR2) was tested under monotonic loading, in two stages (Figure 3.12):
 - a) To examine the tensile capacity of the group of 3 tension-side anchor bolts, the 6 anchor bolts of specimen S16-ASR2 were engaged to the base plate, and the specimen was loaded monotonically to concrete blowout around the tension-side anchor bolts.
 - b) To examine the tensile capacity of a single tension-side anchor bolt, the specimen was unloaded and 2 of the 3 anchor bolts previously in compression were disengaged, leaving only one anchor bolt attached to the base plate on the side opposite to the blowout failure noted above. All three anchor bolts on the side of the blowout failure were kept engaged. The specimen was loaded monotonically in a direction opposite to the above, so that the single engaged bolt was placed in tension.

In the first test (S16-Control), ten fully reversed load cycles were applied at each loading step. The ten cycles were intended to simulate hurricane loading. Since strength and stiffness degradation were negligible from each loading step to the next, the number of fully reversed cycles was reduced to five for the rest of the specimens. Cyclic loading effects are discussed in more detail in Chapter 4.



(*: Design wind load; **: Design tensile capacity of anchor bolts)

Figure 3.11 Typical Loading History for Five of Six Specimens



(a) Loading Protocol

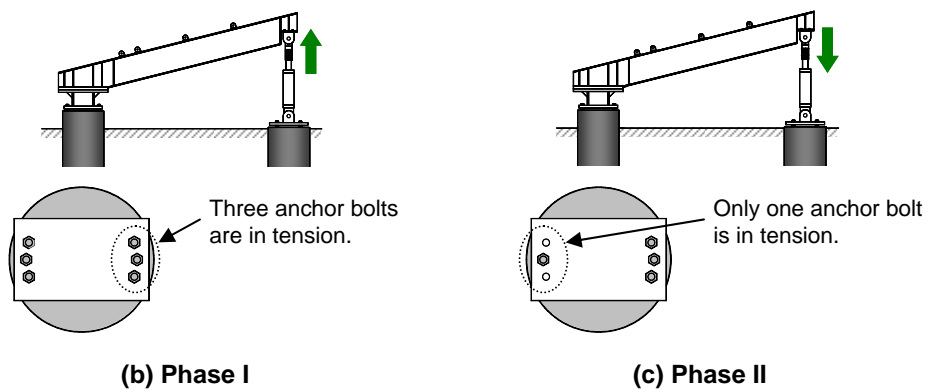


Figure 3.12 Loading History for CFRP-repaired Specimen (S16-ASR2)

3.3 CONVERSION OF TEST DATA

The test results are presented in two ways: (1) moment-rotation relationship and (2) anchor bolt stress-rotation relationship. In this section, the generation of these relationships is described. In the next chapter, the relationships are presented for each specimen.

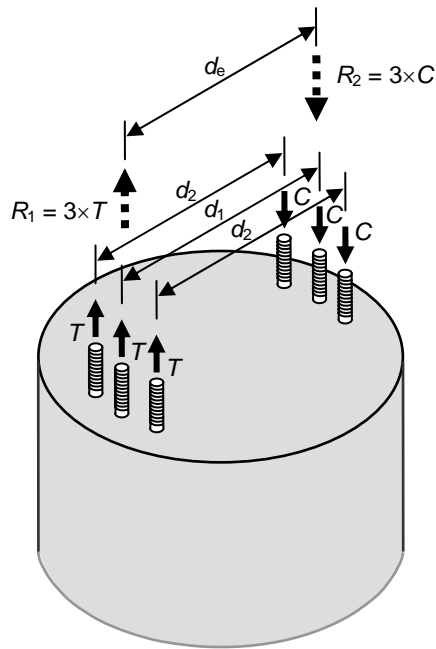
3.3.1 *Moment-Rotation Relationship*

The base moments in the drilled shaft are calculated by multiplying the load applied by the hydraulic actuator (and corrected for the self-weight of the arm) by the distance between the line of action of the hydraulic actuator and the geometric centroid of the drilled shaft. The actuator loads were measured by the load cell attached, as shown in Figure 3.7(a). The rotations in the figures are obtained from the readings of the inclinometer attached on the top of the base plate (INC-1 in Figure 3.9). These rotations include rotations from bending of the drilled shaft, and from elongation and slip of the anchor bolts.

3.3.2 *Anchor Bolt Stress-Rotation Relationship*

To calculate anchor-bolt stresses, a free-body diagram of the test frame was drawn and the anchor-bolt forces were estimated using force equilibrium, as shown in Figure 3.13. In this diagram, W_1 , W_2 and W_3 are the weights of three sub-components of the test frame: (1) that portion of the weight that was directly resisted by the concrete drilled shaft (W_1); (2) that portion of the weight that was supported by both the concrete drilled shaft and the hydraulic actuator (W_2); and (3) that portion of the weight that was supported only by the hydraulic actuator (W_3). As discussed before, an initial compressive load of 6.8 kips was applied to the actuator at the beginning of each test to counteract the moment produced by the eccentric self-weight of the loading arm. Since the self-weight of the test frame is considered as an external load, the applied actuator force in the free-body diagram, P_{ACT} , represents the total actuator force including that initial counteracting force of 6.8 kips. The forces acting in anchor bolts are estimated as follows:

First, within each group of 3 extreme loaded anchors, the forces in each individual tension-loaded anchor are assumed to be equal, as are the forces in each individual compression-loaded anchor. As shown in Figure 3.13(a), each of the 3 extreme tension-loaded anchors is assumed to have an equal additional force, T , and each of the 3 extreme compression-loaded anchors is assumed to have an equal additional force, C under an applied actuator force P_{ACT} .

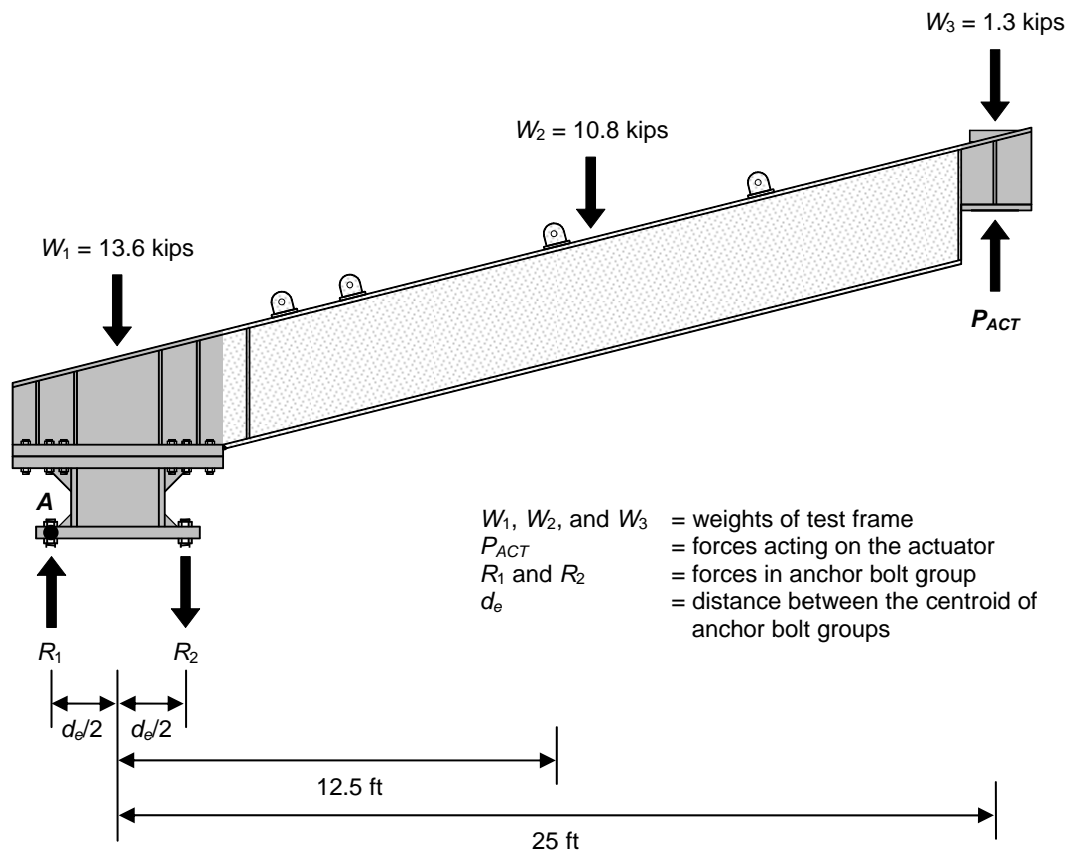


	16-anchor bolt	20-anchor bolt
d_1	42.00	46.00
d_2	38.80	43.75
d_e	39.87	44.50

(Unit: inch)

$$d_e = \frac{d_1 + 2 \times d_2}{3}$$

(a) Equilibrating Forces in Anchor Bolts and their Lines of Action



(b) Free-Body Diagram of Test Setup

Figure 3.13 Free-Body Diagram of Test Setup showing Equilibrium of Anchor Forces

With this simplification, the forces R_1 and R_2 acting on the 3 extreme compression-loaded and tension-loaded anchors are $3 \times C$ and $3 \times T$ respectively, and the distance d_e between the geometric centroidal axis of the shaft and the lines of action of each resultant is obtained by summing moments about the centroid of the shaft:

$$d_e = \frac{d_1 + 2 \times d_2}{3} \quad \text{Eq. (3.2)}$$

Based on the free-body diagram of the test frame shown in Figure 3.13(b), the following two equations of equilibrium are derived by taking moments about Point A:

$$\sum M_A = 0:$$

$$W_1 \left(\frac{d_e}{2} \right) + W_2 \left(\frac{d_e}{2} + 12.5' \right) + W_3 \left(\frac{d_e}{2} + 25' \right) - P_{ACT} \left(\frac{d_e}{2} + 25' \right) + R_2 (d_e) = 0$$

$$\sum F_y = 0:$$

$$W_1 + W_2 + W_3 - P_{ACT} - R_1 + R_2 = 0$$

These two equations can be summarized as follows:

$$R_2 = \frac{P_{ACT} \left(\frac{d_e}{2} + 25' \right) - W_1 \left(\frac{d_e}{2} \right) - W_2 \left(\frac{d_e}{2} + 12.5' \right) - W_3 \left(\frac{d_e}{2} + 25' \right)}{d_e} \quad \text{Eq. (3.3)}$$

$$R_1 = (W_1 + W_2 + W_3) + R_2 - P_{ACT} \quad \text{Eq. (3.4)}$$

From Eq. (3.3) and Eq. (3.4), the stress at each anchor bolt can be calculated as follows:

$$f_1 = \frac{(R_1 / 3)}{A_b}; f_2 = \frac{(R_2 / 3)}{A_b} \quad \text{Eq. (3.5)}$$

where A_b is the effective net tensile stress area of a single anchor bolt.

Using Eq. (3.3) through Eq. (3.5), the relationships between anchor bolt stress and base plate rotation are obtained.

CHAPTER 4: TEST RESULTS

4.1 INTRODUCTION

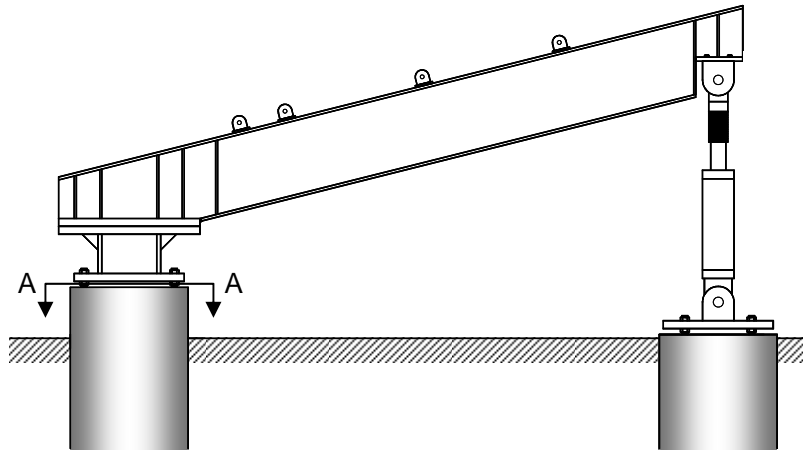
In this chapter, results are reported for the field tests on the six drilled shafts. Five of the six specimens were tested under repeated cycles of reversed cyclic load; the ASR-damaged specimen S16-ASR2 was tested under monotonic loading, first in one direction and then in the other, with different numbers of tension-side anchors connected in each phase. Following the presentation of test observations and results, the significance of the results is discussed.

4.2 CONTROL SPECIMENS (S16-CONTROL AND S20-CONTROL)

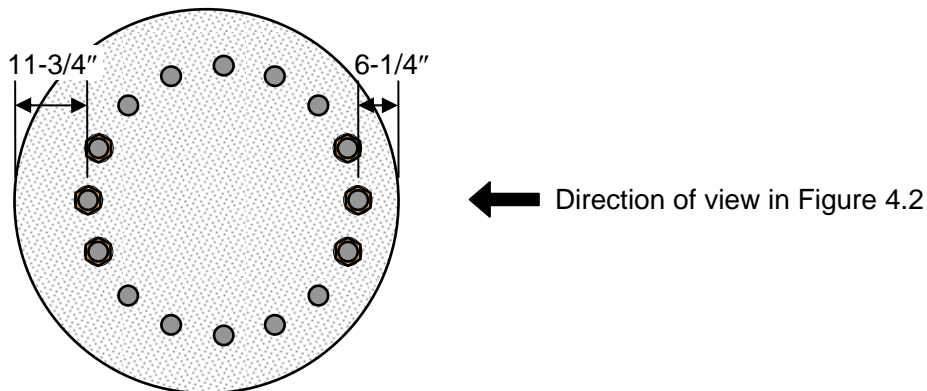
At the time of test for Specimen S16-Control, a misalignment of the anchor bolt group in the drilled shaft was found, as illustrated in Figure 4.1. The measured edge distances on each side were 11-3/4 in. and 6-1/4 in. The alignment was checked for all other drilled shaft specimens, and misalignment was found only in Specimen S16-Control.

Figure 4.2 and Figure 4.3 show the damage sequence of control specimens, which are newly constructed and undamaged. Figure 4.4 illustrates a general damage sequence observed in these specimens. The first signs of distress were local spalling cracks around the anchor bolts on the top concrete surface of the drilled shaft, as shown in Figure 4.4(a). At an applied load of about 60 kips, flexural cracking started just below the level of the bottom template and nuts (Figure 4.4(b)). This load level corresponds roughly to the calculated flexural cracking capacity of the drilled shafts. Soon thereafter, at an applied load of about 70 kips, a second flexural crack occurred, above the level of the template and nuts (Figure 4.4(c)). Near the maximum load, vertical cracks and horizontal cracks occurred around anchor bolts (Figure 4.4(d)). The comparison of failed specimens, which is shown in Figure 4.2(c) and Figure 4.3(c), indicates that the area of damaged concrete is larger in the S16-Control specimen than in the S20-Control specimen. The specified edge distance and anchor bolt spacing of the S16-Control specimen are 9 in. and 8.25 in., while those of the S20-Control specimen are 7 in. and 7.23 in. The thicker concrete cover and greater bolt spacing in the S16-control specimen provided larger concrete area for resisting pullout of anchor bolts, which in turn generated larger damaged concrete area. Even though the measured edge distance at the top surface of specimen S16-Control was 6-1/4 in. on the failed side, the template was not visible up to the concrete depth of 4 in., indicating the better alignment at the template level. The two control specimens failed by concrete side-face blowout on the tension side.

After testing the cracked concrete was removed and the failure mode of the tested specimens was further examined, as shown in Figure 4.5. The gaps between the tip of longitudinal reinforcement and surrounding concrete indicate that the core concrete moved upward against the longitudinal reinforcement under the tensile loading (Figure 4.5(a)). The fact that the core concrete behaved as a single piece of concrete is the result of the group effect of anchor bolts and the effective anchorage provided by template. Similar observation can be made in specimen S20-Control, as shown in Figure 4.5(b). Due to the relatively thin cover concrete, concrete cover near the template was spalled off and the template was exposed for specimen S20-Control. The template, shown in Figure 4.5(b), was bent as the anchor bolts were pulled out under tension. The distance between the template and nuts is equal to the amount of the bent of template. This observation also indicates that the core concrete moved upward under tension. The examination of exposed core concrete surfaces showed inclined cracks and compression struts propagating from the template to the spirals (Figure 4.5(b)). These inclined concrete cracks occurred by splitting tensile concrete cracks under compression stresses which were transferred from the template to spirals.



(a) Test Setup



(b) Misalignment of anchor bolts (Section A-A)

Figure 4.1 Misalignment of Anchor Bolts in Specimen S16-Control

It was also found that the spiral of specimen S16-Control was poorly placed and that the spacing varied significantly along the depth (Figure 4.5(a)).

Figure 4.6 and Figure 4.7 show moment-rotation relationships for each specimen. The calculations of base moments and rotations are described in Chapter 3. The corresponding loading steps to (a), (b) and (c) of Figure 4.2 and Figure 4.3 are also included in Figure 4.6 and Figure 4.7. The design base moments consistent with the basic design wind speed of 130 mph calculated according to the AASHTO *Specifications* (2001) are 1,731 kip-ft and 2,435 kip-ft for the 16- and the 20-anchor shafts respectively. The ratio of base moment capacity from the six extreme anchor bolts (three bolts on each side) divided by base moment capacity from all anchor bolts are calculated using elastic analysis, as required by the AASHTO *Specifications* (2001), and are 0.68 and 0.56 for the 16- and the 20-anchor shafts respectively. Based on this calculation, the design base moment demand for six extreme anchor bolts are estimated as 989 and 1,370 ft-kip for the 16- and the 20-anchor shafts respectively. This base moment demand (M_{wind}) is also included in the figures. For use in design, that base moment demand must be multiplied by the ASCE 7-05 load factor of 1.6 for wind to obtain the factored design base moment. That factored design base moment must be equaled or exceeded by the nominal base moment capacity of the anchors,

decreased by the ACI 318-05 capacity-reduction factor (ϕ factor) of 0.75. The quotient of those factors (1.6/0.75) equals 2.13, which represents an effective factor of safety. The unfactored base moment demand (M_{wind}), multiplied by that factor of safety, represents the required nominal capacity of the 6 extreme anchor bolts, and is also shown in the figures as $M_{wind} \times (1.6/0.75)$. Figure 4.6 and Figure 4.7 show that control specimens behave linearly at design base moments and their maximum moment capacities provides the ACI-required factor of safety. For Specimen S16-Control, the required factor of safety marginally satisfies the ACI required factor of safety. The tested concrete compressive strengths of Specimens S16-Control and S20-Control are 7,130 and 7,570 psi respectively, however. Since the TxDOT-specified concrete strength of 3,600 psi is much less than those values, the safety factor might not be sufficient for a drilled shaft whose concrete strength was closer to the specified value. As mentioned in Chapter 3, ten load cycles were applied at each loading step for Specimen S16-Control. Figure 4.6 shows that the degradation of strength and stiffness is negligible. As the cyclic loading did not appear to significantly affect the behavior of the HMIP foundations, the number of loading cycles was reduced to five for the remaining specimens.

Figure 4.8 shows the anchor bolt stress-rotation relationship for the Specimen S16-Control. Eqs. (3.3), (3.4) and (3.5) were used in calculating anchor bolt stresses, f_1 and f_2 . Comparison of Figure 4.8(a) and Figure 4.8(b) indicates that anchor bolt stresses at opposite sides, f_1 and f_2 , are similar but slightly different in magnitude. To examine that difference, the stresses are compared in Figure 4.9, which shows that the anchor bolt stress f_2 is larger than the opposite anchor stress f_1 by 10% to 14%. Because the load applied by the actuator introduces axial force as well as the moment into the foundation, the anchor bolt stresses on opposite sides differ slightly. Because the anchor bolt stress f_2 exceeds f_1 , the anchor bolt stress-rotation relationship of Specimen S20-Control is represented using anchor bolt stresses f_2 , as shown in Figure 4.10.

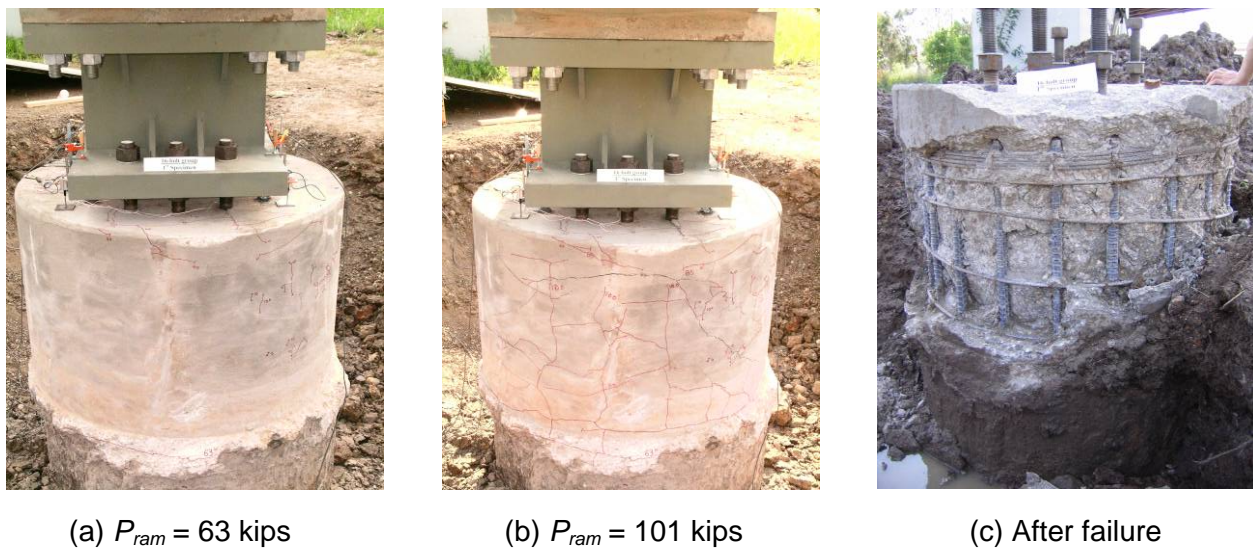


Figure 4.2 Damage Sequence for Specimen S16-Control



(a) $P_{ram} = 72$ kips

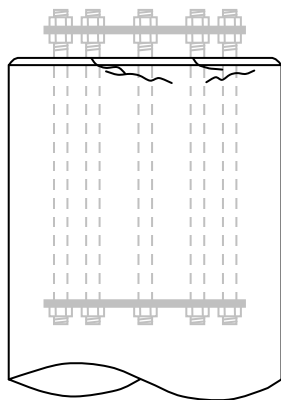


(b) $P_{ram} = 134$ kips

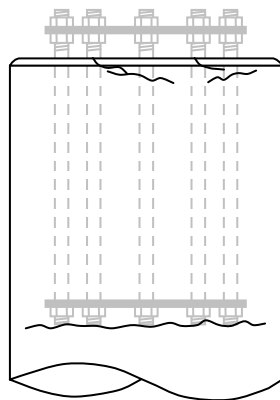


(c) After failure

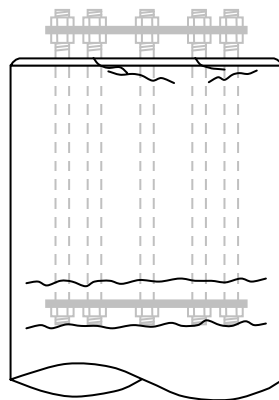
Figure 4.3 Damage Sequence for Specimen S20-Control



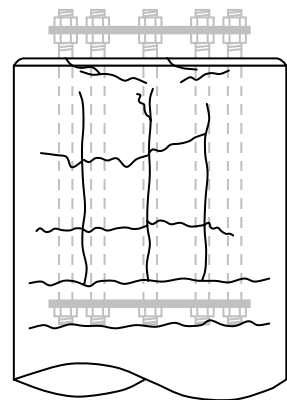
(a) $P_{ram} = 20 \sim 30$ kips



(b) $P_{ram} \approx 60$ kips

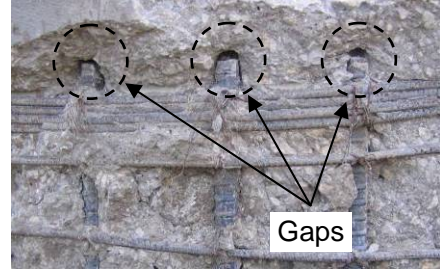


(c) $P_{ram} \approx 70$ kips

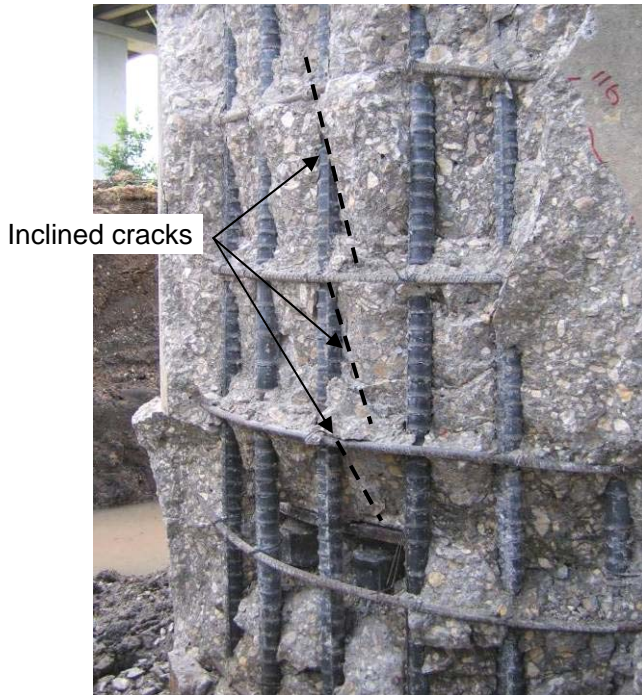


(d) At failure

Figure 4.4 Progression of Damage



(a) Specimen S16-Control



(b) Specimen S20-Control

Figure 4.5 Failure of Control Specimens

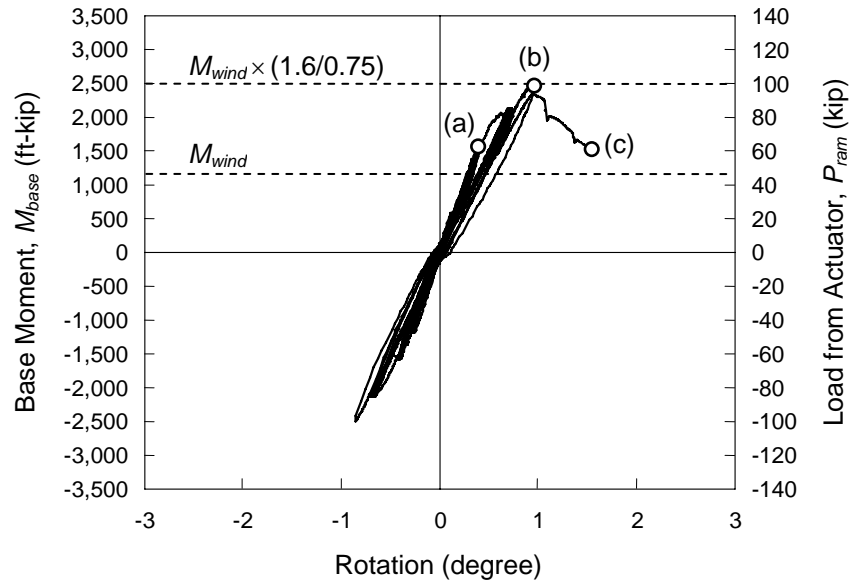


Figure 4.6 Moment-Rotation Response of Specimen S16-Control

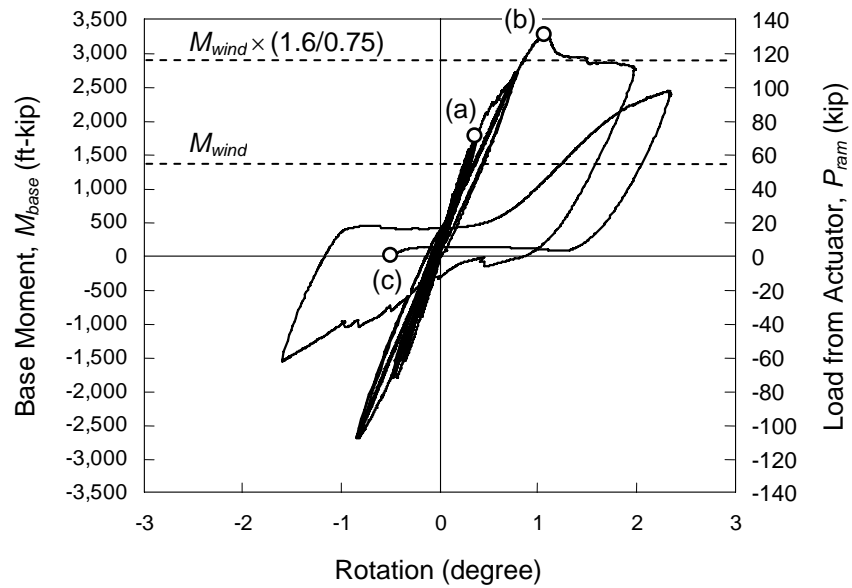


Figure 4.7 Moment-Rotation Response of Specimen S20-Control

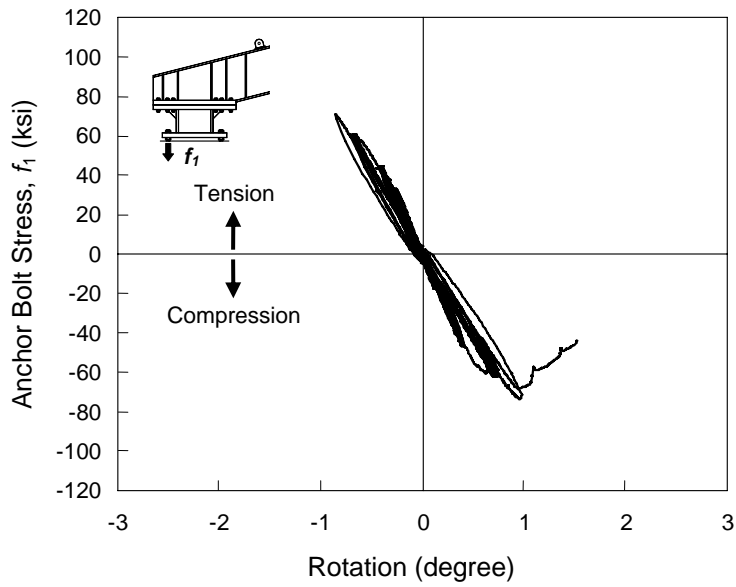


Figure 4.8(a) Anchor Bolt Stress-Rotation Response of Specimen S16-Control

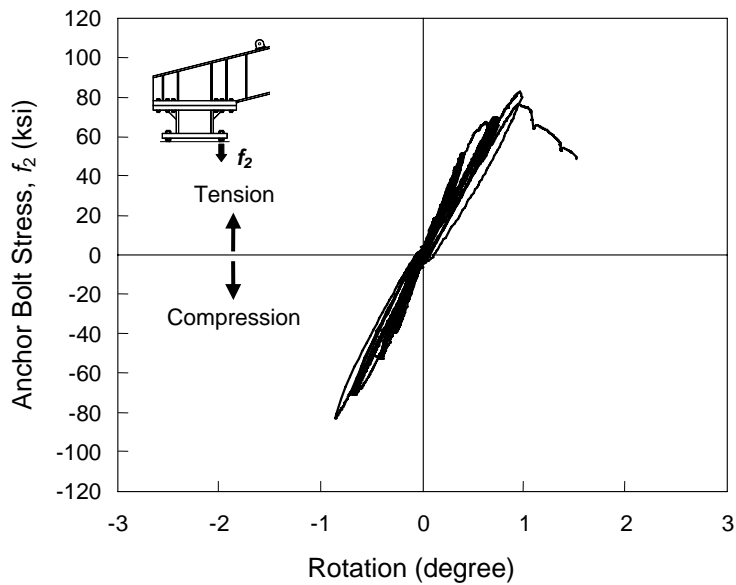


Figure 4.8(b) Anchor Bolt Stress-Rotation Response of Specimen S16-Control

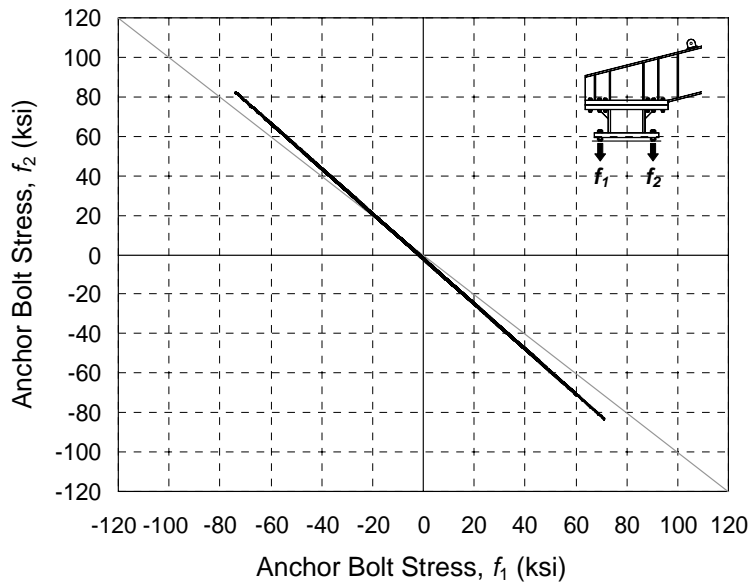


Figure 4.9 Relationship of Anchor Bolt Stresses, f_1 and f_2

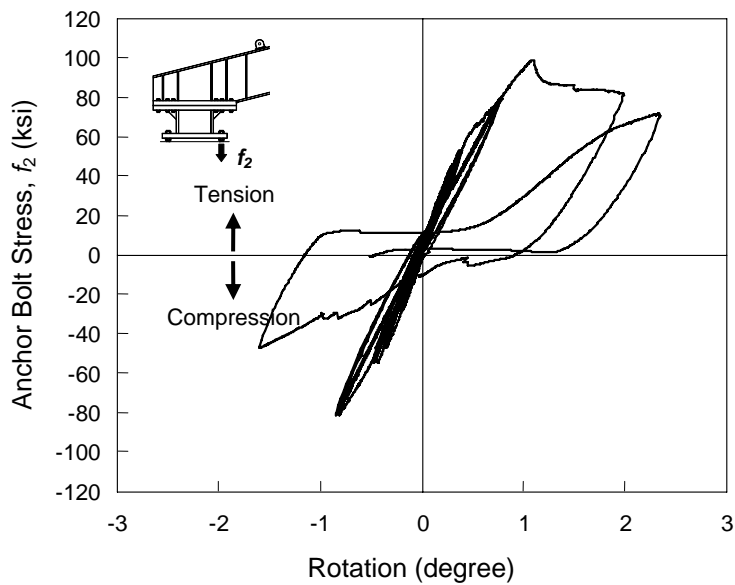


Figure 4.10 Anchor Bolt Stress-Rotation Response of Specimen S20-Control

4.3 ASR/DEF-DAMAGED SPECIMENS (S16-ASR1 AND S20-ASR)

Due to ASR/DEF, Specimens S16-ASR1 and S20-ASR had severe cracking prior to testing (Figure 4.11). Vertical cracking along anchor bolts and horizontal cracking adjacent to spirals can be found in these figures. As discussed in Chapter 3, more severe cracks occurred in Specimen S16-ASR1. Figure 4.12 and Figure 4.13 show the damage sequence of specimens S16-ASR1 and S20-ASR. The damage sequence was similar to that of the control specimens. After the formation of local spalling cracks around the anchor bolts on the top concrete surface of the drilled shaft, flexural cracks formed below and above the template. Thereafter, existing ASR/DEF-induced vertical and horizontal cracks widened, and only a few new vertical and horizontal cracks developed.

Consistent with the control specimens, the concrete damaged area of Specimen S16-ASR1 was larger than that of Specimen S20-ASR (Figure 4.12(c) and Figure 4.13(c)). Interestingly, Specimen S20-ASR failed by concrete bearing on the compression side at a load of 110 kips. Figure 4.14 and Figure 4.15 show moment-rotation relationships for these specimens. Figure 4.16 and Figure 4.17 show anchor bolt stress (f_2)-rotation relationships. At the compression bearing failure in Specimen S20-ASR, a sudden loss of flexural capacity can be observed, but strength was soon regained, as illustrated in Figure 4.15 and Figure 4.17. In addition, Figure 4.15 and Figure 4.16 illustrate that the behavior of these specimens is linear up to the design base moments. Figure 4.15 also shows, however, that due to ASR/DEF damage, Specimen S20-ASR has insufficient flexural strength to satisfy the required factor of safety of ACI 318/ASCE 7

Figure 4.18 and Figure 4.19 show the failure appearance of Specimens S16-ASR1 and S20-ASR after removing cracked concrete. Discoloration of concrete and anchor bolts in Figure 4.18 indicate that ASR/DEF-induced cracks in Specimen S16-ASR1 propagated from the surface to the anchor bolt at the top of the drilled shaft, and to the longitudinal reinforcement along the drilled shafts. Similar discoloration is evident in Specimen S20-ASR at the top of the drilled shaft, but Specimen S20-ASR showed little signs of discoloration at cracks along the drilled shaft, indicating less ASR/DEF damage. This observation is somewhat consistent with the measured damage indices of 52,950 in.³ and 4,350 in.³ for Specimens S16-ASR1 and S20-ASR respectively.



(a) S16-ASR1



(b) S20-ASR

Figure 4.11 ASR/DEF-Damaged Specimens



(a) $P_{ram} = 36$ kips



(b) $P_{ram} = 117$ kips



(c) After failure

Figure 4.12 Damage Sequence for Specimen S16-ASR1



(a) $P_{ram} = 36$ kips



(b) $P_{ram} = 108$ kips



(c) After failure

Figure 4.13 Damage Sequence for Specimen S20-ASR

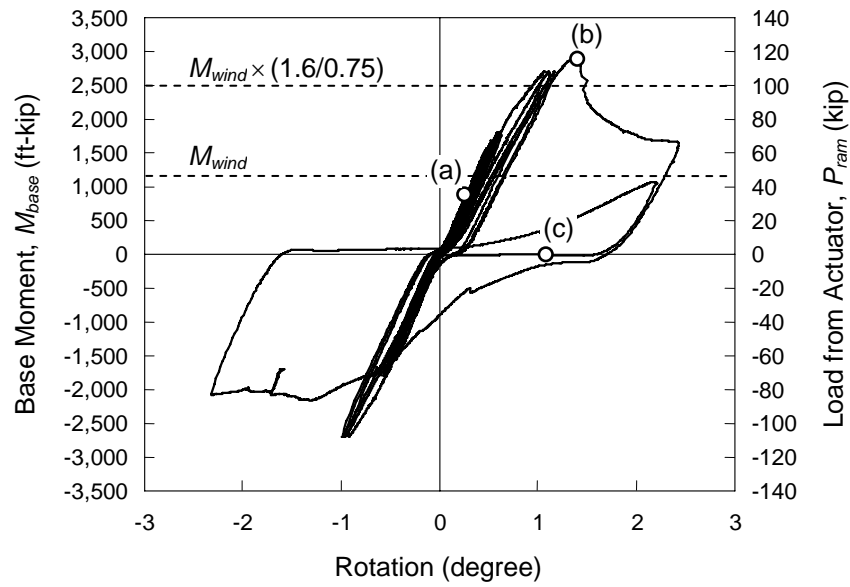


Figure 4.14 Moment-Rotation Response of Specimen S16-ASR1

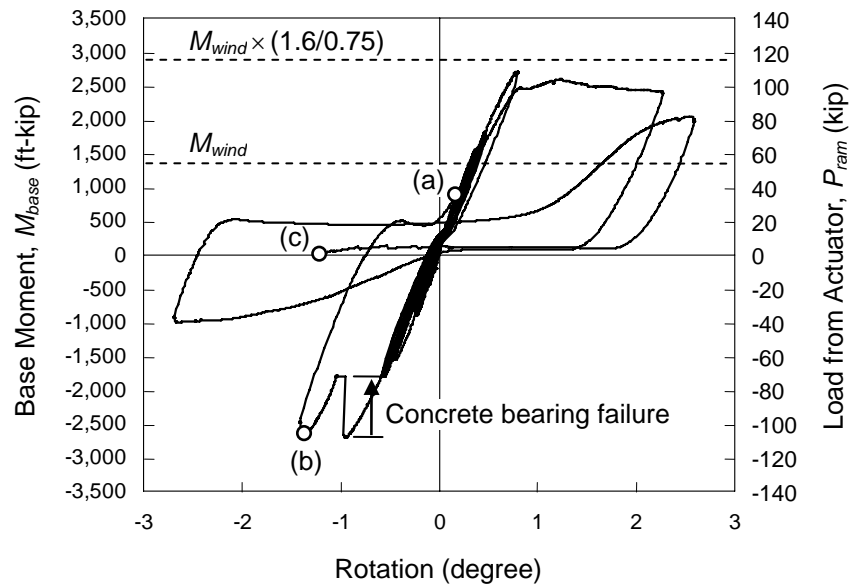


Figure 4.15 Moment-Rotation Response of Specimen S20-ASR

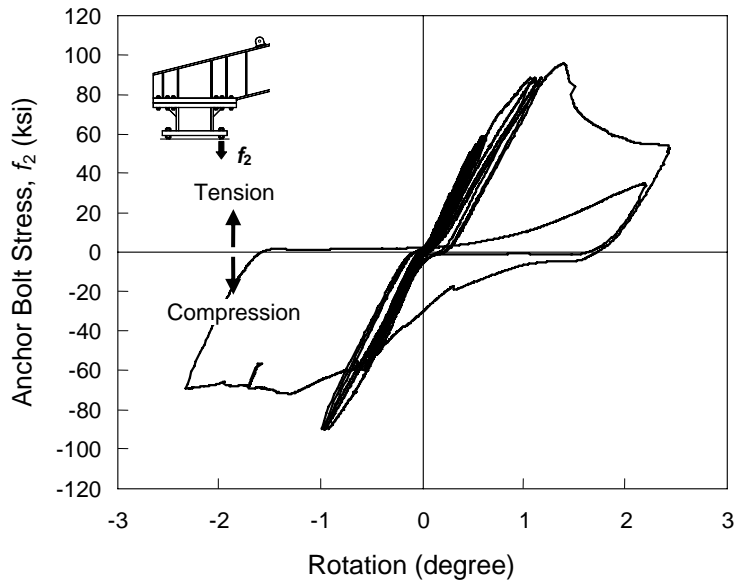


Figure 4.16 Anchor Bolt Stress-Rotation Response of Specimen S16-ASR1

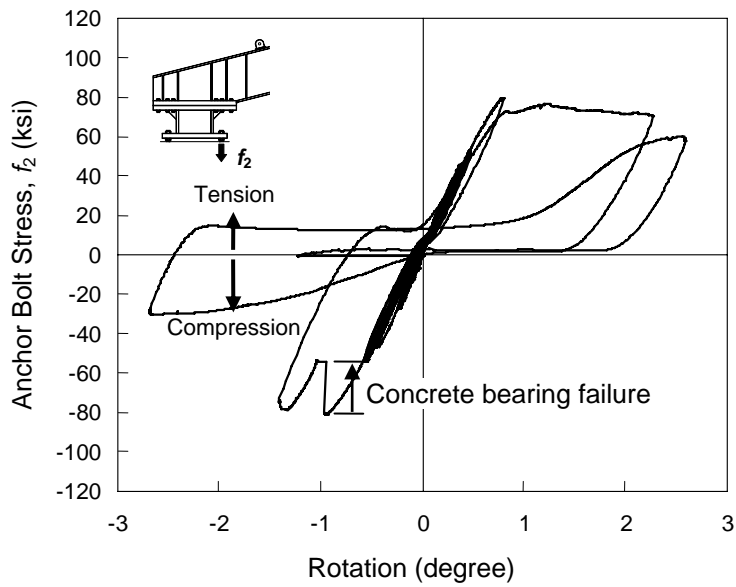


Figure 4.17 Anchor Bolt Stress-Rotation Response of Specimen S20-ASR

Examination of Figure 4.18(a) shows that the lower nuts on the base plate are in contact with the upper surface of the drilled shaft, suggesting movement of the anchor bolts under compression. This indicates that Specimen S16-ASR1 also underwent a concrete bearing failure even though it is not clear in the moment-rotation relationship of (Figure 4.14). Bulging of the top concrete (Figure 4.18(a)) and a gap beneath the bottom template (Figure 4.18(d)) also indicate movement of the core concrete above the template under tension. Specimen S20-ASR had the concrete around the bottom template crush severely. Large gaps formed around the bottom template for Specimen S20-ASR (Figure 4.19(d)), while only a small gap formed in Specimen S16-ASR1 (Figure 4.18(c)). The relatively thin cover concrete of Specimen S20-ASR in combination of ASR/DEF damage may have contributed to the severe concrete crushing around the template.

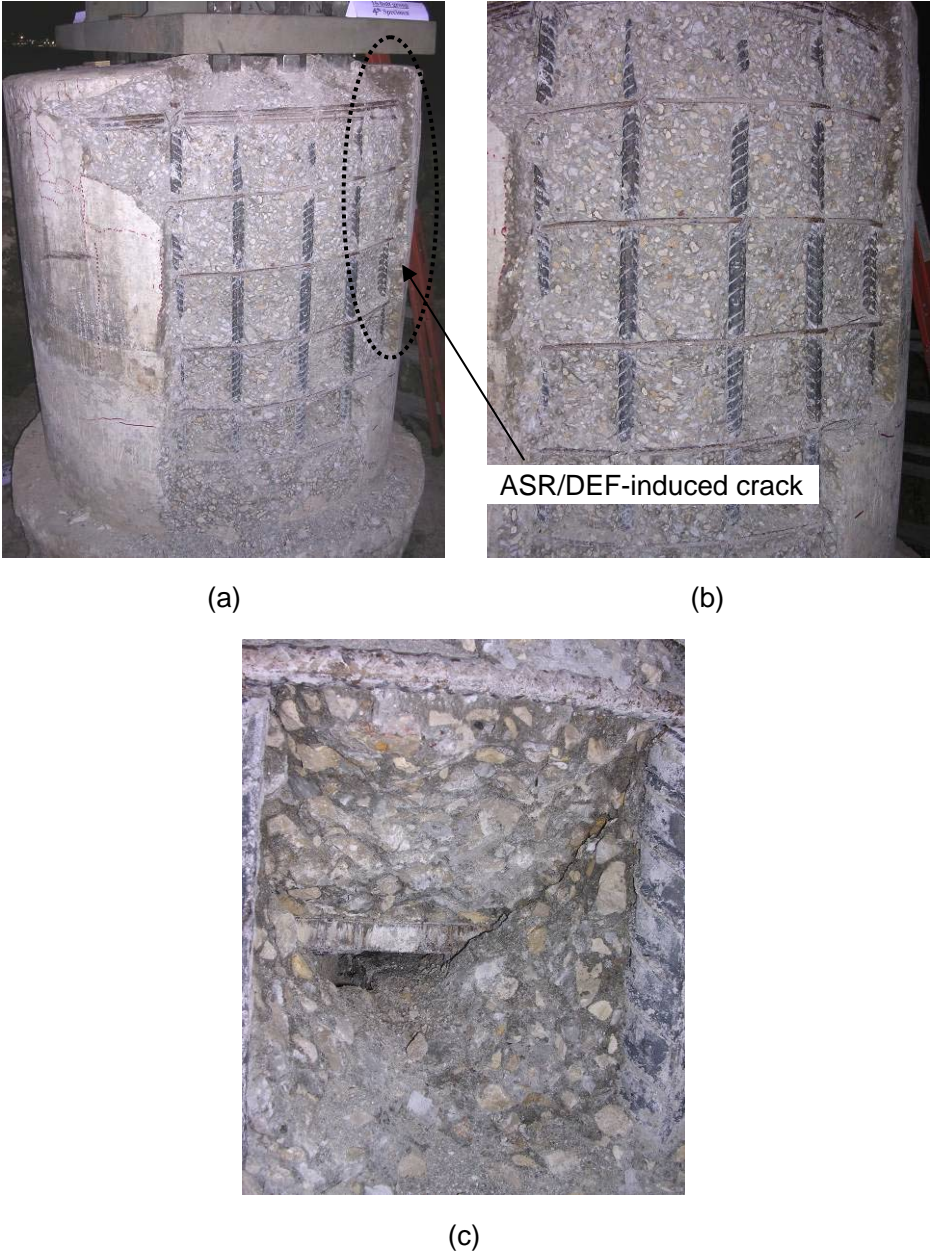


Figure 4.18 Failure of Specimen S16-ASR1



ASR/DEF-induced crack



(a)

(b)



(c)



(d)

Figure 4.19 Failure of Specimen S20-ASR

4.4 ASR/DEF-DAMAGED SPECIMEN UNDER MONOTONIC LOAD (S16-ASR2)

Based on the results of tests on the first series of ASR/DEF-damaged specimens, investigators decided not to retrofit the second 16-anchor bolt ASR/DEF-damaged specimen (S16-ASR2), and to test it under monotonic loading in each direction to investigate the effects of cyclic loading and of reductions in anchor capacity at close spacing. The damage sequence for Specimen S16-ASR2 (Loading Phase I), where three anchor bolts were engaged for tension and tested under monotonic loading, is shown in Figure 4.20. In spite of the differences in loading protocols, cracking patterns in Specimen S16-ASR2 were similar to those of Specimen S16-ASR1.

In Loading Phase II of the monotonic testing of Specimen S16-ASR2, where only one extreme tension-side anchor was connected by a nut, the anchor-bolt threads failed by stripping (Figure 4.21). This was unexpected, because such bolts are intended to fracture in tension before stripping. Fine-threaded anchor bolts are used in the ASR/DEF-damaged specimens, which were constructed in 1989.

The moment-rotation relationship for Specimen S16-ASR2 is shown in Figure 4.22. Like Specimen S16-ASR1, which was tested under cyclic loads, Specimen S16-ASR2 had sufficient flexural strength to satisfy the required factor of safety. Figure 4.23(a) and Figure 4.23(b) illustrate the anchor bolt stress-rotation relationships of Specimen S16-ASR2. Figure 4.23(a) represents the individual bolt stresses f_2 in a group, which is three anchor bolt group, and Figure 4.23(b) shows the bolt stresses f_1 of a single anchor bolt. As discussed previously, the tensile capacity of a single anchor bolt in this monotonic test was governed by stripping of anchor bolt threads rather than concrete failure or fracture of an anchor bolt. The maximum tensile anchor stress observed in the three anchor bolt group was 109 ksi, while that of the single anchor was 141 ksi. Hasselwander *et al.* (1977) report that interaction among closely spaced anchor bolts might result in an abrupt, non-ductile failure of the anchor group at bolt stresses significantly lower than those reached in an otherwise identical single anchor. In this case, the maximum tensile stress reached by the bolts in the group was 77% of that of the single bolt. The current TxDOT *Bridge Design Manual* (2001) specifies a spacing reduction factor (or grouping effect factor), which was proposed by Jirsa *et al.* (1984), as the ratio of the capacity of the bolts in a group to the capacity of the single bolt to take into account this reduction in tensile capacity:

$$K_s = \frac{T_{n,\text{group}}}{T_{n,\text{single}}} \quad \text{Eq. (4.1)}$$
$$= 0.02S + 0.40 \leq 1.0$$

where K_s is the spacing reduction factor and S is the center-to-center bolt spacing (in inches).

The estimated spacing reduction factor for Specimen S16-ASR2 using Eq. (4.1) would be 0.56, or 56%. The fact that the experimentally observed spacing reduction factor was greater than the estimated value means that observed capacity of the single anchor was lower than predicted due to the unexpected stripping of the anchor bolt threads.



(a) $P_{ram} = 36$ kips



(b) $P_{ram} = 133$ kips



(c) After failure

Figure 4.20 Damage Sequence for Specimen S16-ASR2 (Loading Phase I)



(a) Bolt Thread Stripping



(b) Nut

Figure 4.21 Stripping of Anchor Bolt Threads in Specimen S16-ASR2 (Loading Phase II)

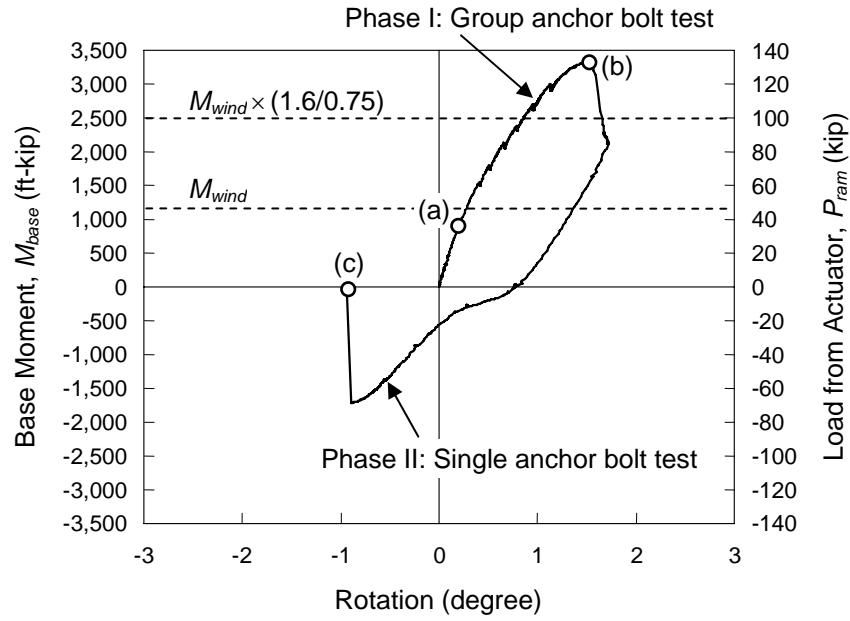


Figure 4.22 Moment-Rotation Response of Specimen S16-ASR2

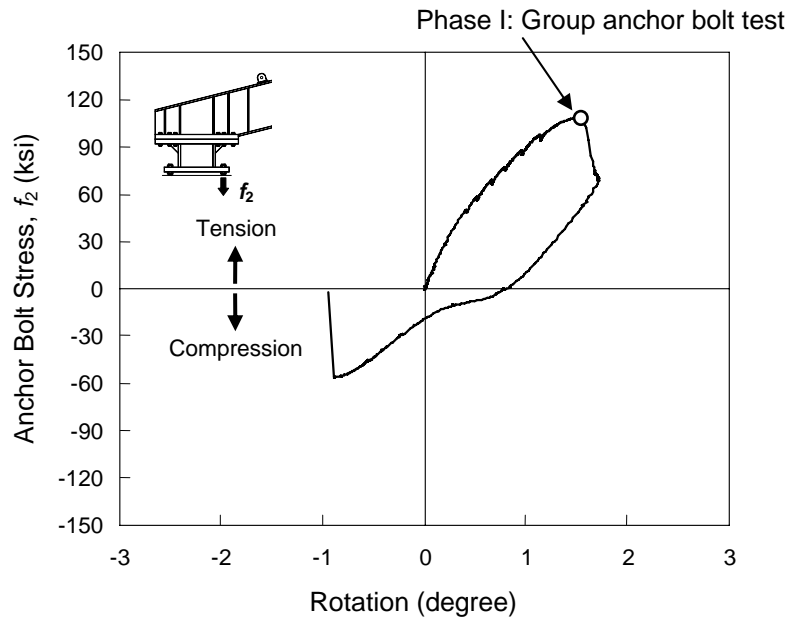


Figure 4.23(a) Anchor Bolt Stress-Rotation Response of Specimen S16-ASR2

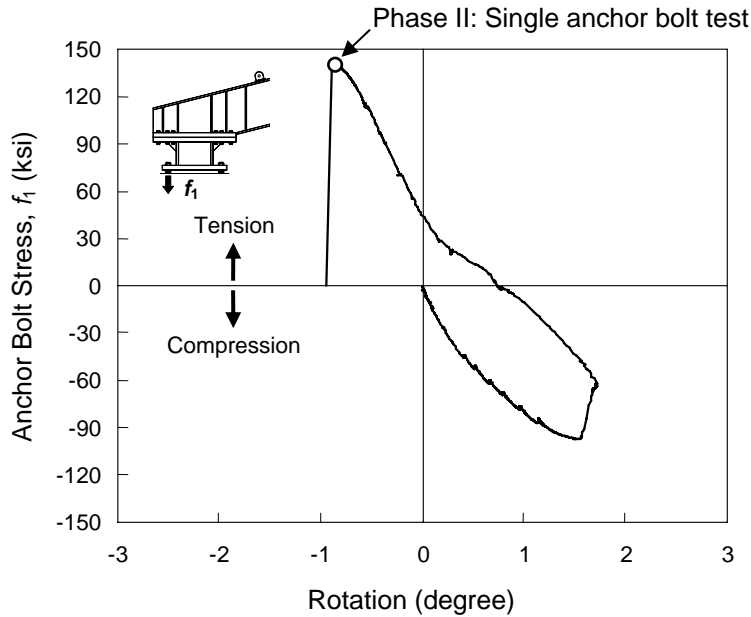


Figure 4.23(b) Anchor Bolt Stress-Rotation Response of Specimen S16-ASR2

4.5 CFRP-REPAIRED SPECIMEN (S20-CFRP)

Based on the results of tests on the first series of ASR/DEF-damaged specimens (S16-ASR1 and S20-ASR), the investigators decided to repair the 20-anchor bolt ASR/DEF-damaged Specimen S20-CFRP by wrapping eight layers of CFRP sheets around the concrete shaft, from the top surface to 5 ft below the original ground level (Figure 3.9).

Figure 4.24 shows the damage sequence for repaired Specimen S20-CFRP. Due to the CFRP wrapping, the only visible concrete cracks were a crack that formed on the top surface of the shaft and a flexural crack that formed below the CFRP-wrapped (Figure 4.24). Testing of Specimen S20-CFRP was terminated due to the stroke limit of the hydraulic actuator. Figure 4.25 shows the moment-rotation relationship and Figure 4.27 presents the anchor bolt stress-rotation relationship. These figures illustrate that Specimen S20-CFRP had excellent performance. Concrete bearing failure was observed in this specimen. Figure 4.24(b) shows that the nuts on the bottom of the HMIP base plate were in contact with the top surface of the drilled shaft, indicating anchor bolt movement. Concrete bearing failure under the embedded head is indicated by the sudden drop in load capacity shown in Figure 4.25. Figure 4.26 also illustrates that the base plate of the test setup tilted as the anchor bolts pushed down under compression and contacted the top concrete surface of the drilled shaft. The loss of capacity was not as significant as for Specimen S20-ASR, however, probably due to the confinement provided by the CRFP. Figure 4.27 shows that the applied maximum anchor bolt stress was close to 120 ksi. Because this is close to the stress level of 141 ksi at which thread stripping was observed, it can be concluded that Specimen S20-CFRP was close to failure.

Specimen S20-CFRP had a total of twelve strain gauges attached to the CFRP, six on the extreme fiber of each face of the retrofitted shaft (Figure 3.9). Distributions of circumferential (bursting) strain along the height of the shaft for each direction of applied base moment are shown in Figure 4.28 and Figure 4.29. The direction of the applied moment and location of template are included in the figures.

Strain Gauges F1 to F6 experienced larger strains than B1 to B6, indicating that application of the first large moment produced severe concrete cracks where anchor bolts were in tension. The readings of Strain

Gauges F1 to F6 also suggest that when the anchor bolts were in tension, the largest strains developed just above the bottom template as the concrete tended to burst due to wedging and tensile splitting. On the other hand, when the anchor bolts were in compression, the most severe strains developed just below the bottom template, as the concrete tended to burst in compression bearing.

The relationships of base moment versus strain for individual Strain Gauges B4, B5, F4 and F5 are also presented in Figure 4.30 and Figure 4.31. The relationship between strain and maximum moment for Strain Gauges F4 and F5 are presented in Figure 4.32 and Figure 4.33. These figures show that the transverse strain demands on the CFRP laminate are less than 0.002 up to applied moments of 4,000 ft-kips, beyond which they increase rapidly. Figure 4.32 and Figure 4.33 also illustrate that the maximum measured CFRP strain was less than 0.0045, much less than the design ultimate strain of 0.0085.



(a) $P_{ram} = 72$ kips

(b) $P_{ram} = 165$ kips

(c) After failure

Figure 4.24 Damage Sequence for Specimen S20-CFRP

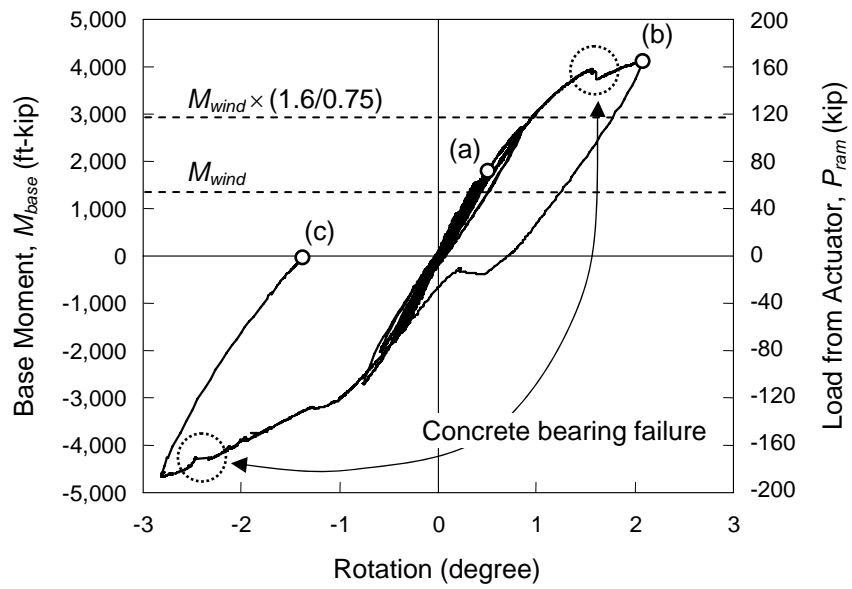


Figure 4.25 Moment-Rotation Response of Specimen S20-CFRP



Figure 4.26 Compression Bearing Failure of Specimen S20-CFRP

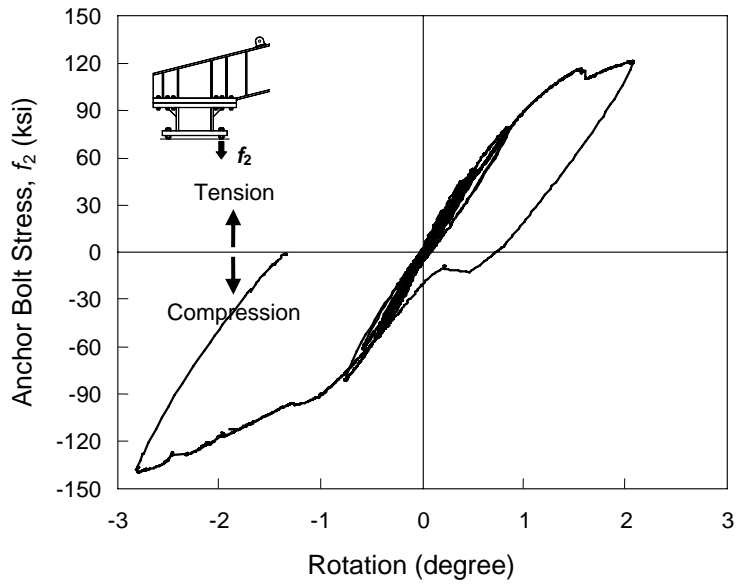


Figure 4.27(a) Anchor Bolt Stress-Rotation Response of Specimen S20-CFRP

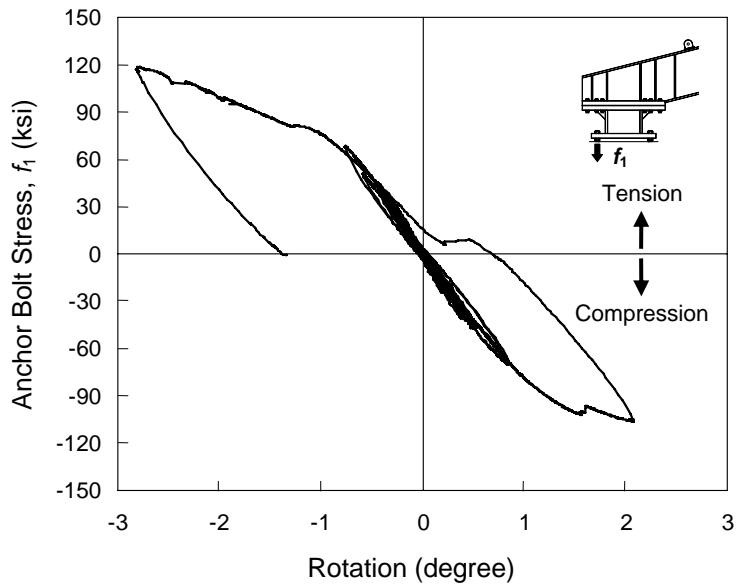


Figure 4.27(b) Anchor Bolt Stress-Rotation Response of Specimen S20-CFRP

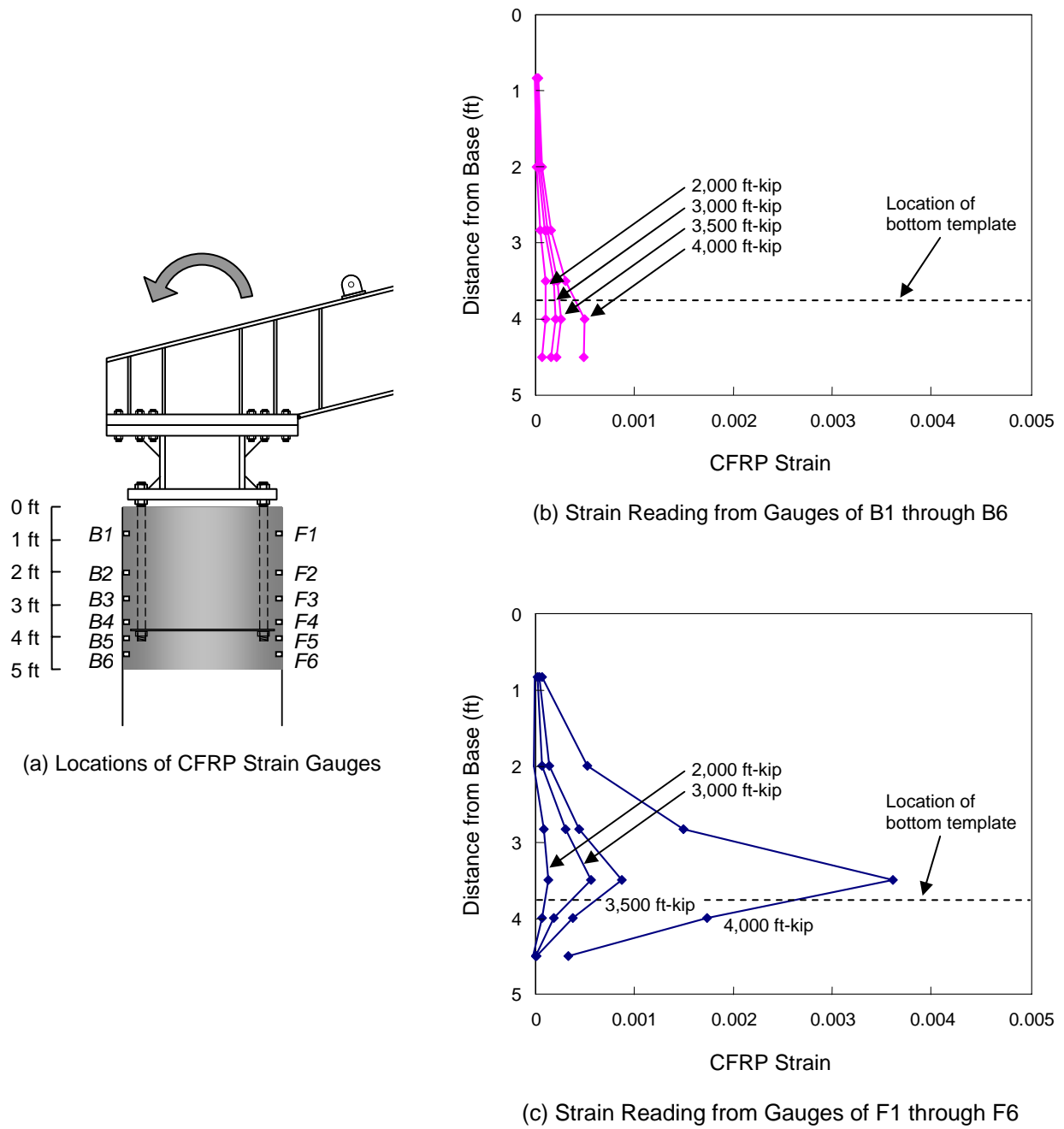


Figure 4.28 Strain Distribution in CFRP under Positive Moment

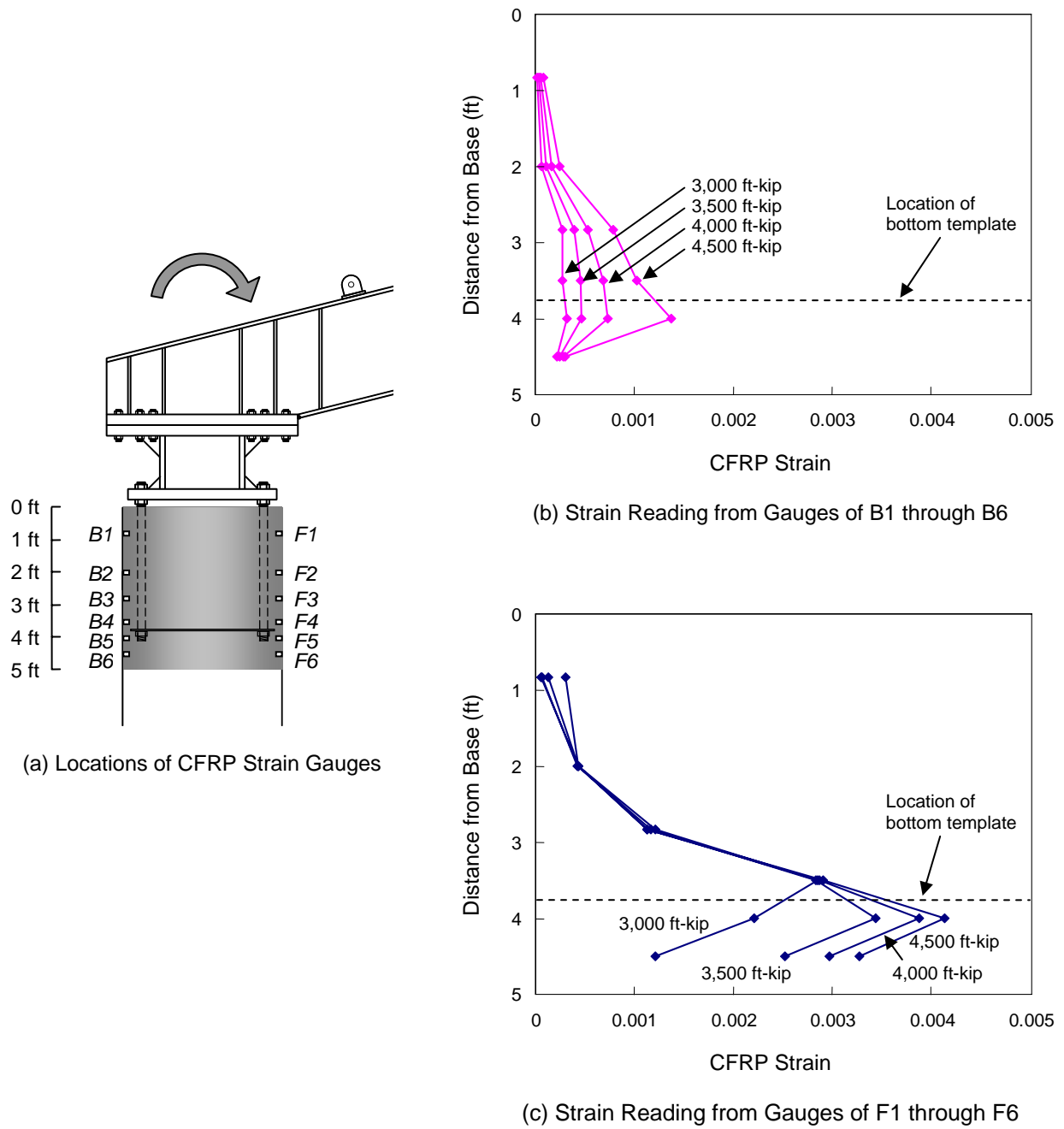


Figure 4.29 Strain Distribution in CFRP under Negative Moment

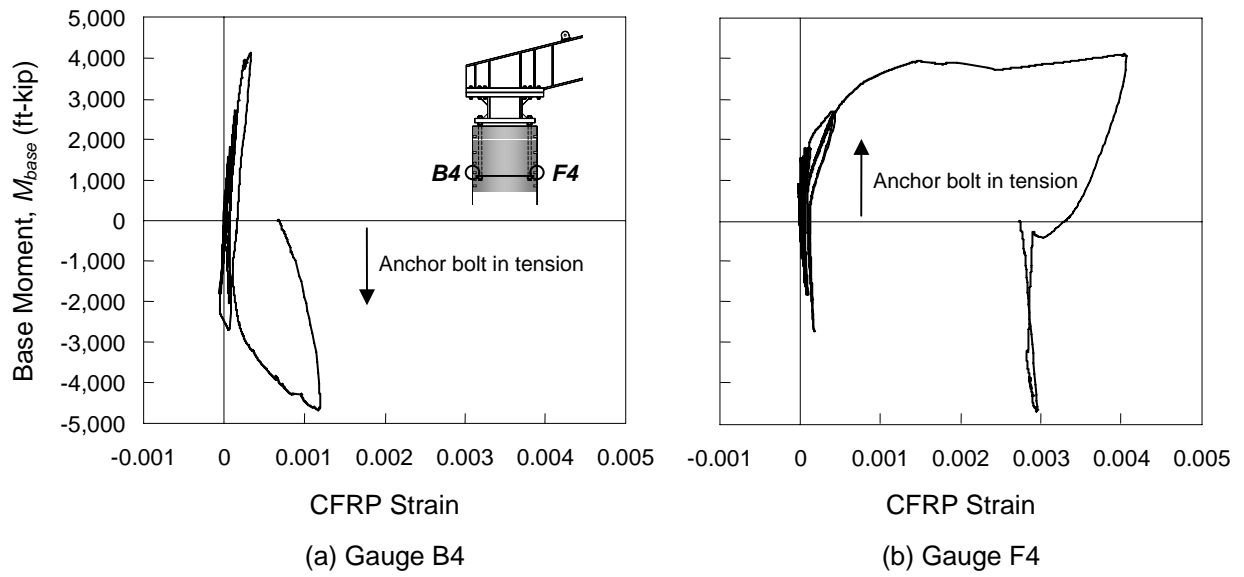


Figure 4.30 Moment-Strain Relationship for CFRP Gauges B4 and F4

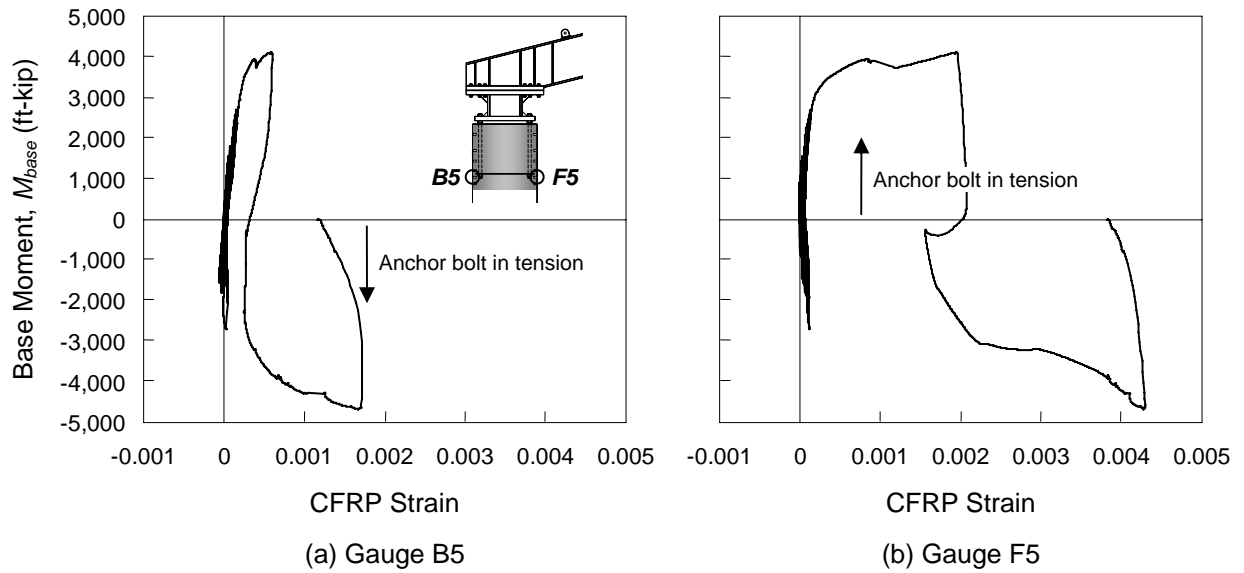


Figure 4.31 Moment-Strain Relationship for CFRP Gauges B5 and F5

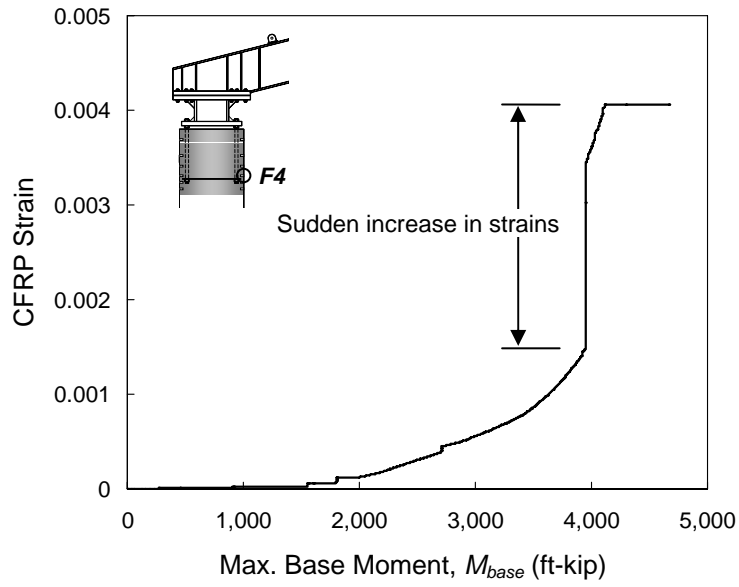


Figure 4.32 Strain versus Maximum Moment for CFRP Gauge F4

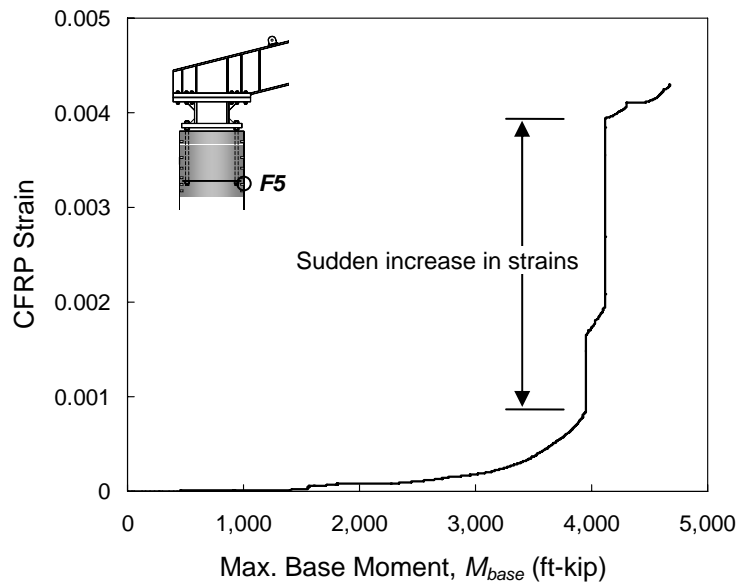


Figure 4.33 Strain versus Maximum Moment for CFRP Gauge F5

CHAPTER 5: EVALUATION OF TEST RESULTS

5.1 INTRODUCTION

The prime objective of this research is to investigate the effect of ASR/DEF on the behavior of drilled shafts. To that purpose, the response of tested drilled shafts is compared in terms of normalized anchor bolt stress ($f_2/\sqrt{f_c}$) versus rotation. Normalization of the anchor bolt stress with respect to $\sqrt{f_c}$ has been shown by Hasselwander *et al.* (1977) to satisfactorily account for variations in concrete strength. In addition, failure modes of anchor bolts observed during full-scale drilled shaft tests are discussed and design recommendations are made.

5.2 COMPARISON OF ANCHOR BOLT STRESS VERSUS ROTATION RELATIONSHIPS

Figure 5.1 and Figure 5.2 show anchor bolt stress responses of 16- and 20-anchor bolt specimens, respectively. The anchor bolt stress at which thread stripping occurred in Specimen S16-ASR2 is included in the figures. For 16-anchor bolt specimens (Figure 5.1), the undamaged Specimen S16-Control had less capacity than the ASR/DEF-damaged specimens (S16-ASR1 and S16-ASR2). As discussed in Chapter 4, Specimen S16-Control had misaligned anchor bolts, which may have reduced the tensile capacity of the anchor bolts. Specimen S16-ASR1 was tested under cyclic loads, and Specimen S16-ASR2 (Phase I) was tested under monotonic load. Comparisons of the strength and stiffness of these specimens indicate that cyclic loading does not significantly affect the response of drilled shafts. Figure 5.2 illustrates that the difference of strengths between Specimen S20-Control and S20-ASR is negligible. Therefore, the effect of ASR/DEF damage may be insignificant on the performance of the 16- and 20-anchor bolt drilled shafts as strengths of the ASR/DEF-damaged specimens were in similar levels to control specimens.

The moment-rotation relationships of the tested specimens indicate that all except Specimen S20-ASR had sufficiently large safety factors to satisfy the requirements of ACI 318/ASCE 7. The concrete compressive strengths of these specimens varied from 6,120 psi to 7,730 psi, much higher than the specified design concrete compressive strength of 3,600 psi in the TxDOT *Bridge Design Manual* (2001). To estimate the anchor bolt capacities at the design concrete strength, the anchor bolt stresses were normalized by the ratio of the square root of the design concrete strength of 3600 psi, divided by square root of their actual tested strengths. Figure 5.3 and Figure 5.4 show the moment-rotation curves plotted using those normalized bolt stresses. The design wind-induced bolt stress, f_{wind} , and the factored design wind-induced bolt stress including the strength reduction factor, $f_{wind} \times (1.6/0.75)$, are also included in these figures. These figures show that all tested drilled shafts except Specimen S20-CFRP fall short of the factor of safety required by ACI 318/ASCE 7. Normalized stress-rotation curves are linear up to the design wind level.

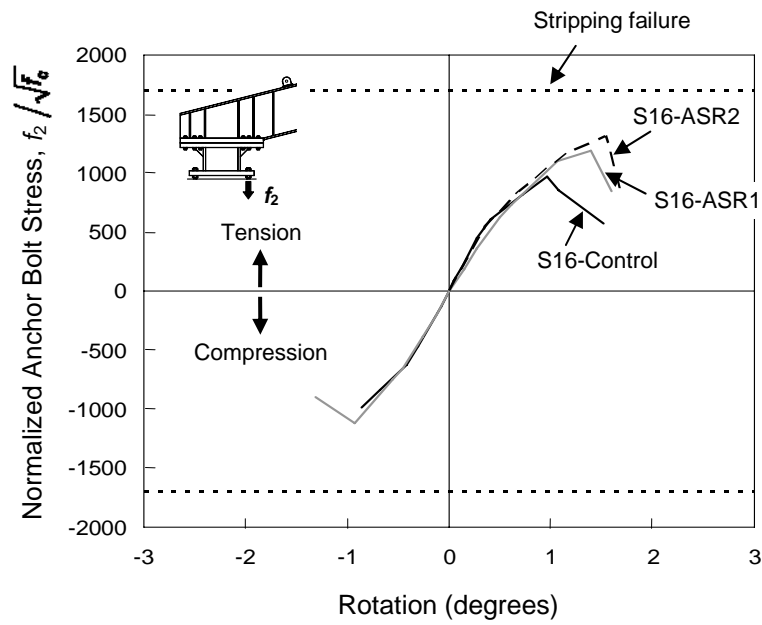


Figure 5.1 Anchor Bolt Stress-Rotation Responses: 16-Anchor Bolt Specimens

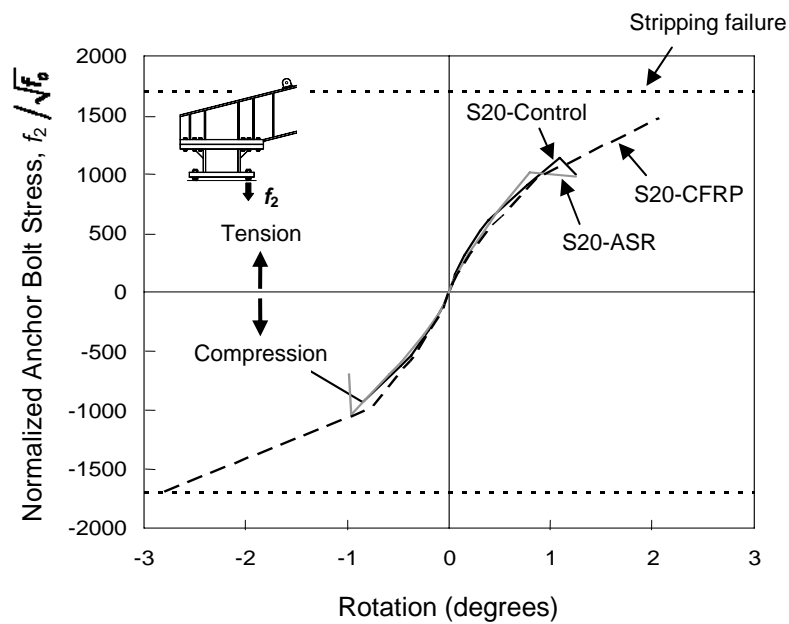


Figure 5.2 Anchor Bolt Stress-Rotation Responses: 20-Anchor Bolt Specimens

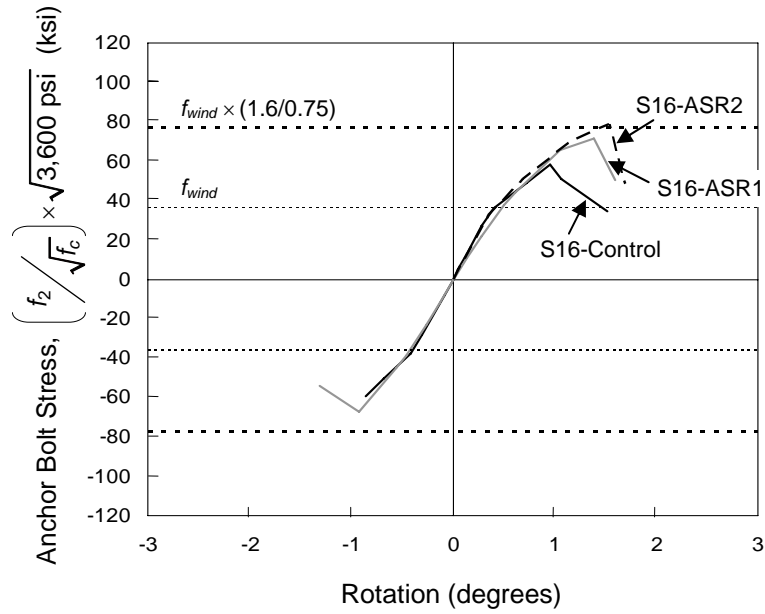


Figure 5.3 Anchor Bolt Stress-Rotation Responses for Design Concrete Strength ($f'_c = 3,600$ psi): 16-Anchor Bolt Specimens

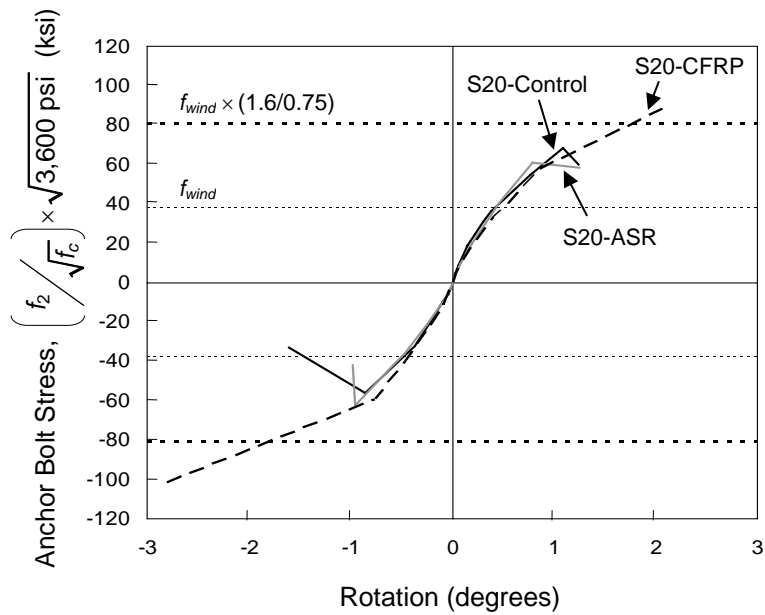


Figure 5.4 Anchor Bolt Stress-Rotation Responses for Design Concrete Strength ($f'_c = 3,600$ psi): 20-Anchor Bolt Specimens

5.3 MODES OF FAILURE OF ANCHOR BOLTS

Two different failure modes of anchor bolts were observed in the tested specimens: side-face blowout failure of the tension-side anchors in all specimens under tension except Specimen S20-CFRP; and bearing failure of concrete under the heads of the compression-side anchors in Specimens S16-ASR1, S20-ASR and S20-CFRP.

Hasselwander *et al.* (1977) report that the load-transfer mechanism of a near-edge and deep embedded anchor bolt follows the sequence of steel-to-concrete bond; bearing against the washer of the anchor head; wedging of a cone of crushed and compacted concrete in front of the anchor head; and failure by wedge splitting of a cone of crushed and compacted concrete in front of the washer. Washers were used as with the anchor heads in the tests of Hasselwander *et al.* In contrast, the TxDOT *Bridge Design Manual* (2001) requires a template to prevent anchor bolts from floating during concrete placement (Figure 3.2). The use of a template increases the bearing area for wedging action, which may increase the tensile capacity of anchor bolts. Jirsa *et al.* (1984) examined the tensile capacity of two anchor bolts in a 42-in. diameter drilled shaft with a circular steel plate as the anchorage device. They observed a large increase in the tensile capacity of the anchor bolts, indicating that the template increased the effective bearing area. This is discussed in more detail in Chapter 6.

Full-scale test results of drilled shafts showed splitting tensile cracks propagating from the template to the spirals, as illustrated in Figure 5.5. These inclined splitting tensile cracks and compression concrete struts had not been observed in previous tests of deep anchor bolt group (Hasselwander *et al.* 1974; Calzadilla 1982; and Jirsa *et al.* 1984). Figure 5.6 illustrates the progression of damage and the internal stresses for this failure mode. As the template provided an effective means of anchorage under tension loads, large bearing stresses were developed and transferred from the template to neighboring longitudinal reinforcements through concrete and spirals. Finally, the splitting tensile cracks developed due to these large compressive stresses and resulted in inclined cracks from the template to spirals (Figure 5.6(b)).

In contrast, concrete bearing failure below the template was observed in ASR/DEF-damaged specimens (S16-ASR1, S20-ASR and S20-CFRP). Because nuts were only placed below the template and were tack-welded to the template, the template did not act with the anchor nuts under compression loads. As a result, the bearing area was limited to the cross-sectional areas of nuts and anchor bolts. As only a small bearing area was provided for compression loads, large bearing stresses developed in the concrete below the template, leading to concrete bearing failure. Once concrete bearing failure started, the affected compression-loaded anchor bolt slipped downward, as shown in Figure 5.7 and Figure 5.8, leading to a loss of strength. The anchor bolt continued to slip until the nut started to bear against the top concrete surface of drilled shaft, which provided additional bearing area (Figure 5.8(b)) and led to a recovery of bearing strength.

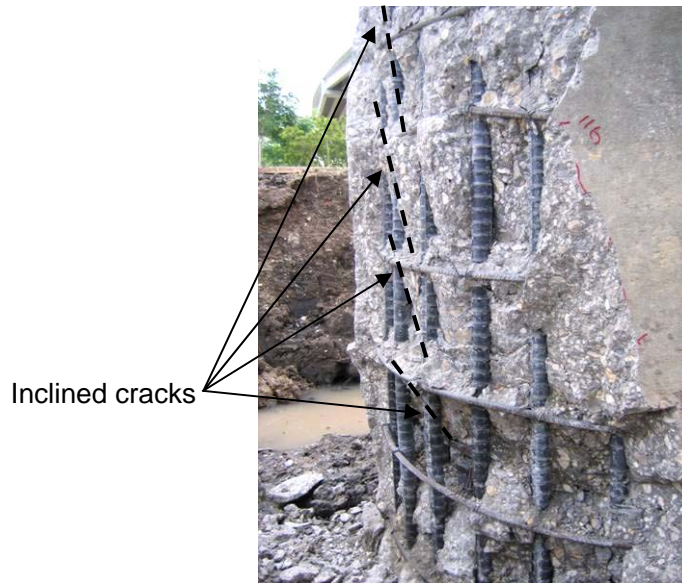


Figure 5.5 Concrete Side-Face Blowout Failure

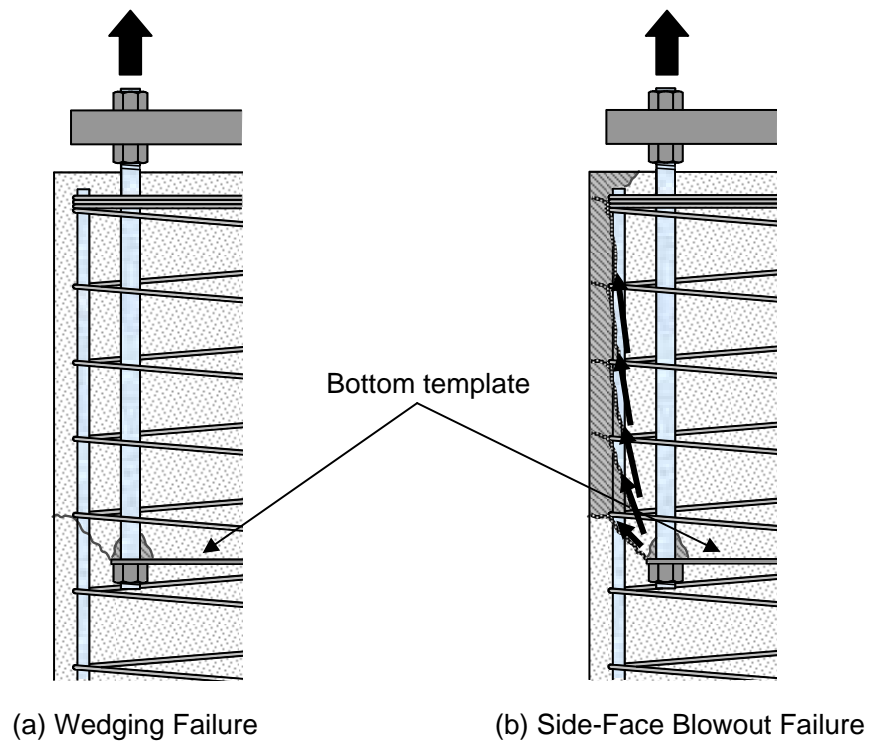


Figure 5.6 Tensile Failure of Anchor Bolt



Figure 5.7 Contact of Nuts with Top Surface of Drilled Shaft

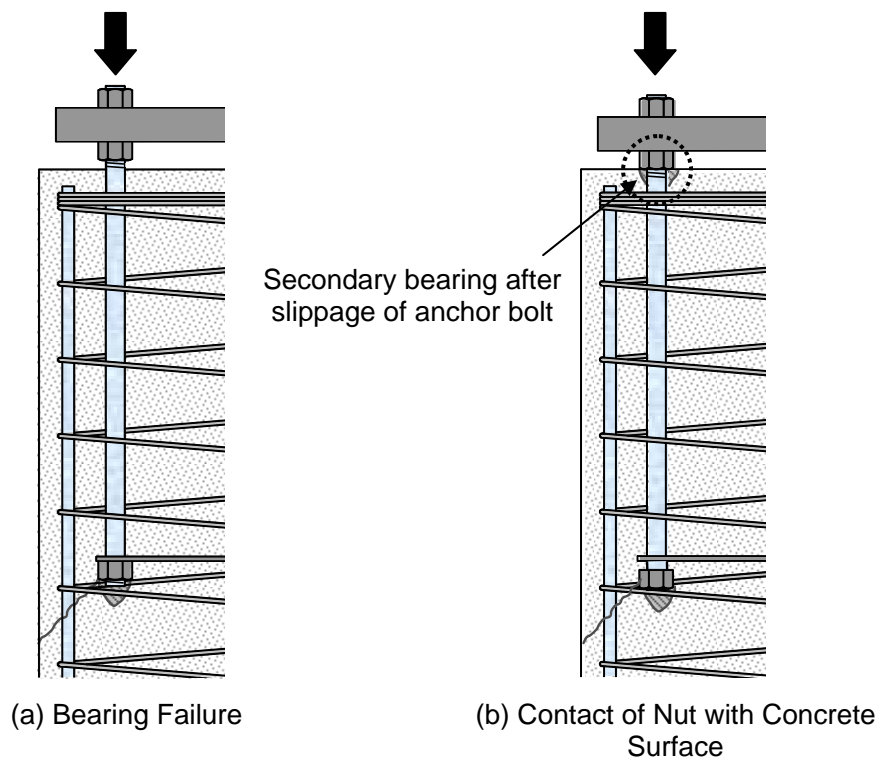


Figure 5.8 Compressive Failure of Anchor Bolt

5.4 DESIGN IMPLICATIONS OF OBSERVED BEHAVIOR OF DEEP ANCHOR BOLTS IN HMIP DRILLED SHAFT FOUNDATIONS

5.4.1 *Design Implications for Tension-Loaded Anchors*

Tensile loads acting on deep anchor bolts in HMIP shafts are transferred to the longitudinal bars in the shaft through the following sequence: from the anchor nut and template, to the concrete between the anchor bolt and the surrounding spirals, and then to the longitudinal bars. This load-transfer mechanism is related to that of a non-contact tension splice (Figure 5.9). As shown in Figure 5.9(a), bond forces develop approximately uniformly along the splice length, and are transferred between the spliced bars through compression struts between the bars. As bond stresses become more uniform over the splice length, the corresponding concrete strut forces also become more uniform. Since the transverse reinforcement confines the concrete, it can increase the load transfer capacity or reduce the required splice length for a given required capacity.

In deep anchor bolts, however, bond stresses are not distributed uniformly along the length of the anchor. Steel-to-concrete bond is present only in very early stages of loading; as bond is lost along the anchor bolt, the load is transferred entirely by bearing against the template and by wedging action of the cone of concrete ahead of the template. As a result, the compression struts are directed from the template to the surrounding spirals. Large compressive stresses are transferred through the concrete near the template. These high stresses can exist only if the struts are confined by closely spaced transverse reinforcement in the shaft. This load-transfer mechanism suggests several potential design improvements:

- (1) increase the amount of spiral reinforcement;
- (2) increase the number of longitudinal bars; and
- (3) increase the diameter of the drilled shaft

Increasing the amount of spiral reinforcement and the number of longitudinal bars are effective because they increase concrete confinement. For a given diameter of HMIP, increasing the diameter of the drilled shaft increases the anchor edge distance, and therefore the concrete side-face blowout strength. Since the load transfer from anchor bolts to deformed bars is different than that seen in non-contact tension splices, and to be more prudent, these potential design improvements should be verified by testing.

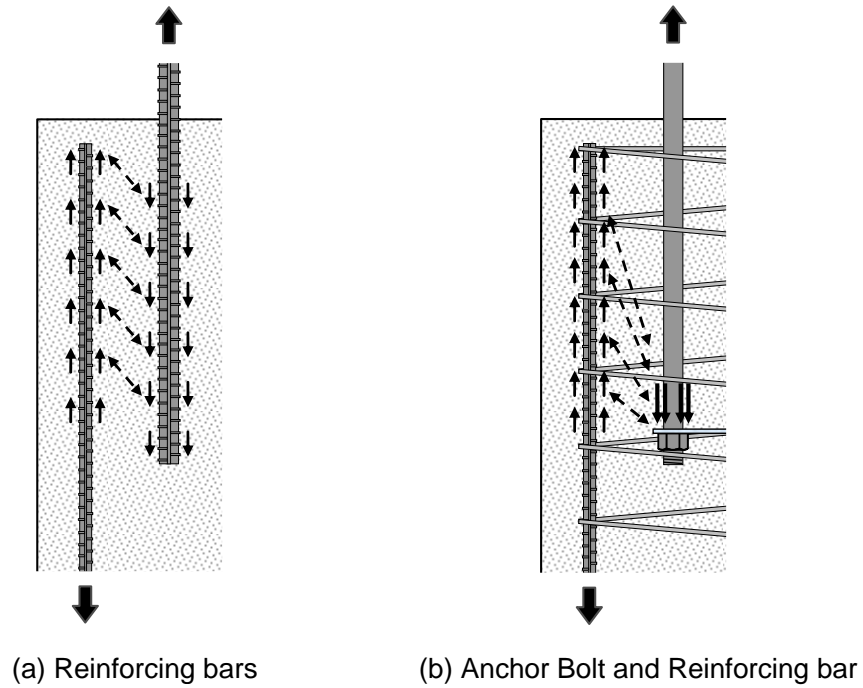


Figure 5.9 Load Transfer Mechanisms

5.4.2 Design Implications for Compression-Loaded Anchors

Compression bearing failures were observed for several specimens (S16-ASR1, S20-ASR and S20-CFRP) due to the relatively small bearing area for compression compared with tension. The difference in bearing area is caused by the fact that in the current design, nuts are placed only below the template, not above it. When the anchor bolts are in compression, their downward movement can not be restrained by the template. Therefore, double nuts should be used to increase compression bearing capacity, as shown in Figure 5.10.

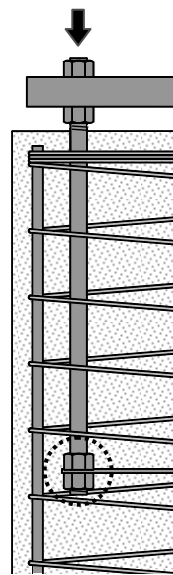


Figure 5.10 Double Nuts

5.5 CONCLUDING REMARKS REGARDING TEST RESULTS

The evaluation of experimental results presented in this chapter indicates that the ASR/DEF damage in drilled shafts does not cause significant loss of anchor bolt tensile capacity. Compression bearing failures did occur in Specimens S16-ASR1, S20-ASR and S20-CFRP, however, due to a combination of the lack of double nuts and the ASR/DEF damage. Related to the concrete side-face blowout failure, inclined concrete cracks were observed. The load-transfer mechanism between anchor bolts and longitudinal bars was investigated. Finally, some improvements are suggested to the current TxDOT design for drilled shafts.

CHAPTER 6: DESIGN PROVISIONS FOR DEEP ANCHOR BOLTS

6.1 INTRODUCTION

In this chapter, current design equations for predicting the tensile strength of deep anchor bolts are presented. Capacities predicted by the design equations of the TxDOT *Bridge Design Manual* (2001) and ACI 318-05 are compared with the experimentally obtained values. Several methods for calculating effective bearing area are examined, and suggestions are made to improve the accuracy of those calculations. Suggestions are made for improving the side-face blowout provisions of ACI 318-05.

6.2 TxDOT BRIDGE DESIGN MANUAL (2001)

The anchor bolt design provisions of Section 12 in Chapter 9 of the TxDOT *Bridge Design Manual* (2001) refer to the design equation proposed by Jirsa *et al.* (1984), repeated here as Eq. (6.1), to calculate the tensile capacity of anchor bolt groups with deep embedment. This equation relates tensile strength to clear concrete cover and anchor bolt spacing.

$$T_n = 140A_b \sqrt{f'_c} \left[0.7 + \ln \left(\frac{2C}{D_w - D} \right) \right] K_s \leq A_{sm} f_y \quad (\text{lbs}) \quad \text{Eq. (6.1)}$$

- where
- A_b = net bearing area (in.²), calculated as $\pi/4 \times (D_w^2 - D^2)$ and not greater than $4D^2$
 - A_{sm} = mean tensile area of anchor bolt (in.²)
 - D = bolt diameter (in.)
 - D_w = diameter (in.) of the washer or anchor plate, where a continuous template or anchor plate is used for a group of anchor bolts. The washer diameter may be taken as the diameter of a circle concentric with the bolt and inscribed within the template or anchor plate. D_w shall not be taken greater than 8 times the thickness of the washer, plate or template.
 - C = clear cover to bolt (in.)
 - K_s = spacing reduction factor (or grouping factor) = $0.02S + 0.40 \leq 1.0$
 - S = center-to-center bolt spacing (in.)
 - f'_c = concrete compressive strength (psi)
 - f_y = yield strength of the bolt material (psi)

TxDOT *Standard Design Details* (1986 and 1998) for HMIP foundations, shown in Chapter 2, specify the use of a template instead of washers. The TxDOT *Bridge Design Manual* (2001) recognizes that the use of a template instead of washers increases the tension capacity, but this beneficial effect is ignored by Eq. (6.1). In other words, in calculating the net bearing area, A_b , the template is treated like a washer with a diameter of D_w . To study the increase in tensile strength due to the template, Jirsa *et al.* (1984) tested a two-bolt group in a 42-in. diameter drilled shaft. They found that the actual tensile strength could be 85% larger than the predicted capacity from Eq. (6.1) when the net bearing area is defined as $\pi/4 \times (D_w^2 - D^2)$. This large underestimation of the tension capacity indicates that the net bearing area provided by the template is greater than the specified net bearing area of $\pi/4 \times (D_w^2 - D^2)$.

To better estimate the tensile strength of a deep anchor bolt in HMIP foundations as governed by bearing of the anchor head plus a template, various possible ways of including the net bearing area of the template are examined (Figure 6.1). Three bearing areas are considered: (a) a circle with a diameter of template width, D_w ; (b) a square with a template width, D_w ; and (c) a rectangular area with bolt spacing, s , and template width, D_w . The predicted tensile capacities of an anchor bolt in a group using each possible net bearing area are compared with the experimental values, as shown in Table 6.1. When the definition of

net bearing area in the TxDOT *Bridge Design Manual* (2001) is used with Eq. (6.1), the ratio of the observed capacity to the predicted capacity varies from 1.27 to 1.85, as shown in Case (a) of Table 6.1. The average ratio is 1.64. This suggests that the net bearing area expression in the TxDOT *Bridge Design Manual* (2001) underestimates tensile capacity significantly, which is consistent with the conclusion of Jirsa *et al.* (1984). The ratio of the observed capacity to the predicted capacity is much smaller for Specimen S16-Control than for the other specimens, due to the misalignment of anchor bolts in that specimen.

When a net bearing area based on a square area with a width of D_w is used, which is Case (b) in Table 6.1, better estimates result. The ratios of observed to predicted capacity vary between 0.93 and 1.36, giving the average ratio of 1.20. CEB (1994) reported that for bearing failures, the 5% fractile (90% probability) of the failure loads could be derived as 0.77~0.81 times the average failure loads. Based on this observation, CEB recommends design bearing capacities of 0.8 times the average failure loads.

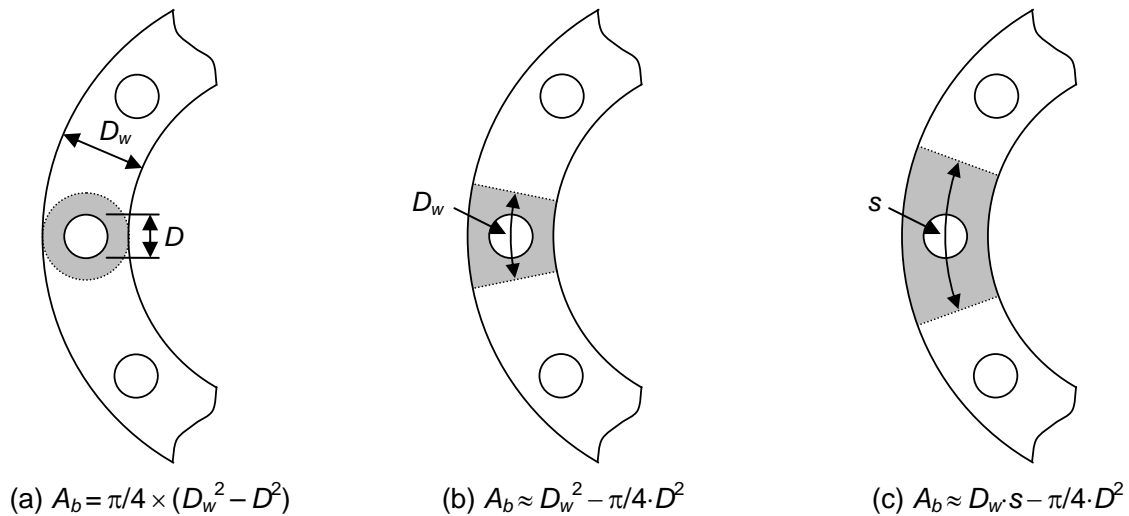


Figure 6.1 Possible Ways of Computing Effective Bearing Area for Design Purposes

Table 6.1 Comparison of Observed and Predicted Tensile Capacities using Eq. (6.1)

Specimen	f_c (psi)	T_{exp} (kip)	$A_b = \pi/4 \times (D_w^2 - D^2)^*$ (a)		$A_b = D_w^2 - \pi/4 \cdot D^2$ (b)		$A_b = D_w \cdot s - \pi/4 \cdot D^2$ (c)	
			T_n (kip)	T_{exp}/T_n	T_n (kip)	T_{exp}/T_n	T_n (kip)	T_{exp}/T_n
S16-Control	7,130	267	211	1.27	288	0.93	586	0.46
S16-ASR1	5,460	309	184	1.68	252	1.23	513	0.60
S16-ASR2	5,860	354	191	1.85	261	1.36	531	0.67
S20-Control	7,570	319	186	1.72	254	1.26	446	0.72
S20-ASR	5,200	257	154	1.67	211	1.22	369	0.70
Average			1.64		Average 1.20		Average 0.63	

*: *Bridge Design Manual* (2001) uses expression (a) in calculating the net bearing area.

According to the CEB recommendation, the appropriate ratio of the observed capacity to the predicted capacity for design purpose is 1.25 (=1/0.85). Even though the obtained average ratio of 1.20 from the Case (b) in Table 6.1 is slightly less than the CEB-recommended value of 1.25, the use of the net bearing area for the template as $(D_w^2 - \pi/4 \cdot D^2)$ provides an accurate prediction of anchor bolt capacity. The use of the Case (c) with Eq. (6.1) significantly overestimates the tension capacity of anchor bolts.

6.3 ACI 318-05 APPENDIX D

For the anchor bolts used in HMIP foundations, tensile capacity is probably governed by concrete side-face blowout capacity, because of long embedment length, small concrete cover, large amount of longitudinal reinforcement, spirals and large size of anchor bolts. For a single headed anchor with deep embedment close to an edge ($c_{a1} < 0.4h_{ef}$), the nominal side-face blowout strength, N_{sb} , is expressed in ACI 318-05 Appendix D as:

$$N_{sb} = 160c_{a1}\sqrt{A_{brg}}\sqrt{f'_c} \quad \text{Eq. (6.2)}$$

(D-17) in ACI 318-05

where: c_{a1} = minimum edge distance from the center of anchor bolt to the edge of concrete (in.)
 h_{ef} = effective embedment length of anchor bolt (in.)
 A_{brg} = bearing area of the head of stub or anchor bolt (in.²)
 f'_c = concrete compressive strength (psi)

A modification factor of $(1 + c_{a2}/c_{a1})/4$ is applied if $c_{a2} < 3c_{a1}$, where c_{a2} is the distance from the center of the anchor bolt to the edge of concrete in the direction perpendicular to c_{a1} . For multiple anchors with $c_{a1} < 0.4h_{ef}$, the nominal side-face blowout strength of the group of anchors is calculated as:

$$N_{sbg} = \left(1 + \frac{s}{6c_{a1}}\right) N_{sb} \quad \text{Eq. (6.3)}$$

(D-18) in ACI 318-05

where s is spacing of the outer anchors and N_{sb} is obtained from Eq. (6.2) without the modification factor.

Examination of Eq. (6.2) shows that the bearing area, A_{brg} , is defined as the bearing area of the “head” of the stud or anchor bolt, or the bearing area of a nut on a threaded rod. The possible existence of a template (or washer) is ignored in computing bearing strength in ACI 318-05. In addition, Eq. (6.3) indicates that the side-face blowout strength of the group of anchors is estimated in ACI 318-05 by multiplying the side-face blowout strength of a single anchor, N_{sb} , with a group factor $(1 + s/6c_{a1})$, which is independent of the number of anchors in the group. In Table 6.2, experimentally observed side-face blowout capacities are compared with the capacities predicted by ACI 318-05. Since the number of anchors is not taken into account in ACI 318-05, the calculated side-face blowout strength of each anchor bolt in the group is taken as the group strength, N_{sbg} , divided by three.

Table 6.2 Comparison of Observed and Predicted Tensile Capacities as Governed by Side-Face Blowout (ACI 318-05, Appendix D)

Specimen	f'_c (psi)	T_{exp} (kip)	N_{sb} (kip)	N_{sbg} (kip)	$N_{sbg}/3$ (kip)	$T_{exp}/(N_{sbg}/3)$
S16-Control	7,130	267	377	435	145	1.84
S16-ASR1	5,460	309	330	380	127	2.43
S16-ASR2	5,860	354	342	394	131	2.70
S20-Control	7,570	319	302	354	118	2.70
S20-ASR	5,200	257	251	294	98	2.62
					Average	2.46

As shown in Table 6.2, ACI 318-05 Appendix D significantly underestimates the tensile strength of deep anchor bolts in drilled shafts, as governed by side-face blowout. Ratios of observed to predicted capacities range from 1.84 to 2.70.

6.4 PROPOSED MODIFICATION TO SIDE-FACE BLOWOUT PROVISIONS OF ACI 318-05 FOR DRILLED SHAFTS

As shown above, the ACI 318-05 provisions for side-face blowout strength for a group of tensile anchor bolts are independent of the number of anchor bolts in the group and provide estimates that are quite conservative. In addition, they do not address the beneficial effect of a template on pullout strength.

In the current ACI 318-05 provisions for a single anchor bolt, side-face blowout strength is calculated using a modification factor $(1 + c_{a2}/c_{a1})/4$ to include the effects of edge distances in two perpendicular directions (Figure 6.2(a)). Based on this observation, it is suggested that one could assume that the concrete section is divided for design purposes into discrete blocks extending halfway between each anchor bolt (Figure 6.2(b)). Using this design assumption, c_{a2} is $s/2$, where s is the bolt spacing. The side-face blowout capacity for a single anchor bolt (Eq. (6.2)), including the effect of the modification factor $(1 + c_{a2}/c_{a1})/4$, with c_{a2} is $s/2$, can then be used to predict the tensile capacity of a single anchor bolt in a group. This modification factor of $(1 + c_{a2}/c_{a1})/4$ would be equivalent to the spacing reduction factor, K_s , of the TxDOT *Bridge Design Manual* (2001).

Using this proposed modification to the calculation of c_{a2} , the various possible bearing areas shown in Figure 6.1 are examined. Table 6.3 shows the estimated tensile strengths of anchor bolts using the proposed method and the ratio of the observed to the estimated capacity. The bearing area as a rectangular area with bolt spacing, s , and template width, D_w , provides an average ratio of 1.47, which is larger than the CEB-recommended ratio (5% fractile, 90% probability) is 1.25. Using the proposed modification to the group blowout provisions of ACI 318-05, Case (a) (template area equal to head area) is very conservative. Cases (b) and (c) from Figure 6.1 are more accurate and still sufficiently conservative.

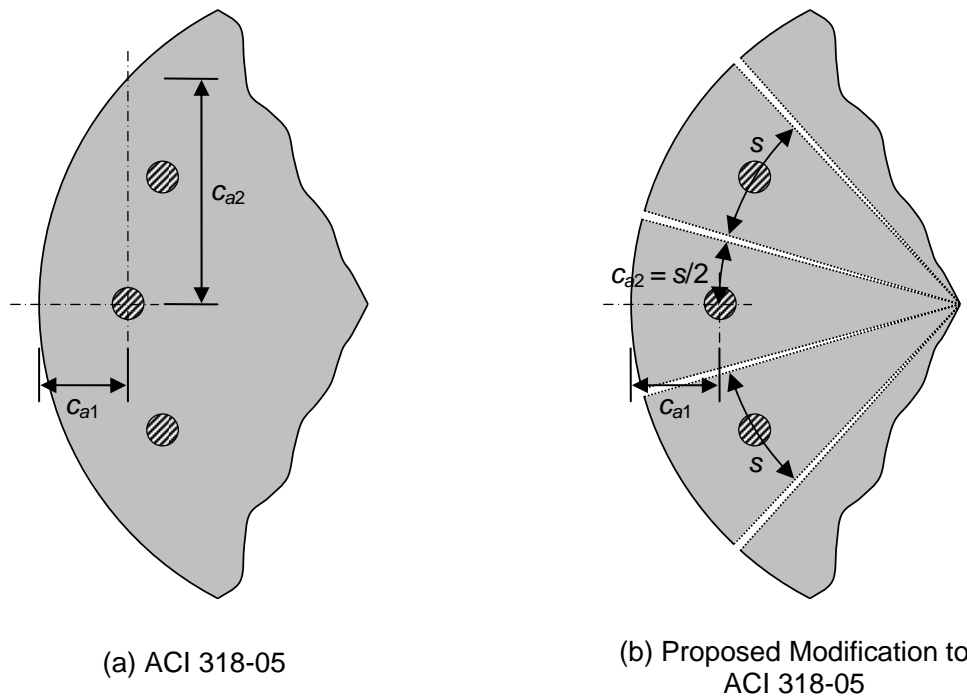


Figure 6.2 Proposed Modified Definition of c_{a2}

Table 6.3 Comparison of Observed and Predicted Tensile Capacities using Proposed Modification to the Definition of c_{a2} in ACI 318-05 Appendix D

Specimen	f_c (psi)	T_{exp} (kip)	$A_b = \pi/4 \times (D_w^2 - D^2)$ Case (a)		$A_b = D_w^2 - \pi/4 \cdot D^2$ Case (b)		$A_b = D_w \cdot s - \pi/4 \cdot D^2$ Case (c)	
			N_{sb}^* (kip)	T_{exp} / N_{sb}^*	N_{sb}^* (kip)	T_{exp} / N_{sb}^*	N_{sb}^* (kip)	T_{exp} / N_{sb}^*
S16-Control	7,130	267	153	1.75	179	1.49	255	1.05
S16-ASR1	5,460	309	134	2.31	156	1.98	223	1.39
S16-ASR2	5,860	354	139	2.55	162	2.19	231	1.53
S20-Control	7,570	319	128	2.49	149	2.14	197	1.62
S20-ASR	5,200	257	106	2.42	124	2.07	164	1.57
			Average	2.30	Average	1.97	Average	1.43

*: The modification factor of $(1+c_{a2}/c_{a1})/4$ is included, using c_{a2} as shown in Figure 6.2(b).

6.5 CONCLUDING REMARKS REGARDING ANCHOR-DESIGN PROVISIONS

In this chapter, the anchor-design provisions of TxDOT *Bridge Design Manual* (2001) and ACI 318-05 are examined. The comparison of the observed capacity with that predicted by design equations shows that current design provisions significantly underestimate the anchor bolt capacity of drilled shaft. Current design provisions do not consider the increase in effective bearing area provided by a template. In addition, ACI 318-05 design expressions do not properly address the side-face blowout capacity of anchor bolts in drilled shafts.

Various ways of including the template in the bearing area were examined and a modified design method for ACI 318-05 side-face blowout provisions was proposed. From the comparison of various bearing areas, Case (b) of Figure 6.1 is suggested for use with the equation of the TxDOT *Bridge Design Manual* (2001), and Case (c) of Figure 6.1 is suggested for use with the modified procedures of ACI 318-05.

CHAPTER 7: CALCULATION OF DESIGN WIND LOADS FOR HMIPS

7.1 INTRODUCTION

Wind is the most critical design load for HMIP foundations. The 2001 AASHTO *Standard Specifications for Structural Supports for Highway Signs, Luminaires, and Traffic Signals* provides minimum requirements for calculating design wind load for supports for highway signs, luminaries, and traffic signals. The AASHTO *Specifications* (2001) permit the use of ANSI/ASCE 7-95 (Minimum Design Loads for Buildings and Other Structures) in estimating wind loads as alternative method. The ANSI/ASCE 7-95 has been replaced by ASCE 7 in 1998, and most recently, by ASCE 7-05. In this chapter, the wind-load provisions of the 2001 AASHTO *Specifications* (2001) and ASCE 7-05 are discussed in the context of HMIP foundations.

7.2 CALCULATION OF DESIGN WIND LOADS BY THE AASHTO SPECIFICATIONS (2001)

The AASHTO *Specifications* (2001) requires that design wind loads for luminaire support structures exceeding 49.2 ft in height be based on a design life of at least 50 years. The AASHTO *Specifications* (2001) provide the following simple procedure to calculate design wind loads to avoid the need for explicit computation of the effects of the dynamic response of the HMIP to wind.

7.2.1 Wind Pressure

The design wind pressure is calculated using the following equation:

$$P_z = 0.00256K_zGV^2I_rC_d \quad (\text{psf}) \quad \text{Eq. (7.1)}$$

Eq.3-1 in AASHTO (2001)

where K_z = height and exposure factor
 G = gust effect factor
 V = basic design wind speed from wind speed map
 I_r = wind Importance factor
 C_d = wind drag coefficient

7.2.2 Gust Effect Factor (G)

The gust effect factor is intended to correct the effective velocity pressure for the dynamic interaction of the structure with the wind gusts. ANSI/ASCE 7-95 states that if the fundamental frequency of a structure is less than 1 Hz or if the ratio of the height to least horizontal dimension is greater than 4, the structure should be designed as a wind-sensitive structure. The ANSI/ASCE 7-95 requires special procedures for the calculation of the gust effect factor for wind-sensitive structures. The ANSI/ASCE 7-95 gust effect factor can be greater than or less than unity, depending on the dynamic characteristics of the structure.

By this logic, virtually all structures covered by the AASHTO *Specifications* (2001) should be classified as wind-sensitive structures. For simplicity, however, this is not required. The AASHTO *Specifications* (2001) simplify the special procedures of ANSI/ASCE 7-95 for the following reasons (AASHTO *Commentary* 3.8.5):

The problem is that the use of the calculation of the gust effect calculation procedure presented in ANSI/ASCE 7-95 for wind-sensitive structures would significantly complicate these Specifications. The ANSI/ASCE 7-95 calculation procedure requires reasonable estimates of critical factors such as the damping and fundamental frequency of the structure. These factors are site and structure dependent. Relative small errors in the estimation of these factors result in significant variations in the calculated gust effect factor. Therefore, even though sign, luminaire, and traffic signal support structures are wind-

sensitive, the benefits of using the ANSI/ASCE 7-95 gust effect factor calculation procedure do not outweigh the complexities and confusion introduced by its use.

The AASHTO *Specifications* (2001) require the gust effect factor (G) to be at least 1.14. As explained in Section 3.8.5 of the AASHTO *Commentary*, this gust effect factor, which is intended for use with 3-second gust wind speeds, is derived from the fastest-mile gust coefficient of 1.3 in the 1994 AASHTO *Specifications*. The design wind pressure expression in the 1994 AASHTO *Specifications* is shown in the following:

$$P = 0.00256(1.3V)^2 C_d C_h \quad (\text{psf}) \quad \text{Eq. (7.2)}$$

where P = wind pressure
 V = fastest mile wind speed
 C_d = drag coefficient
 C_h = coefficient for height above ground

The fastest-mile gust coefficient in the 1995 AASHTO *Specifications* is related to the wind speed, V , while the gust effect factor, G , in the 2001 AASHTO *Specifications* is related to square of wind speed, V^2 . As the 3-second gust wind speed is approximately equal to 1.21 times of the fastest-mile wind speed, an equivalent gust coefficient for the 3-second wind speed will be 1.07. The corresponding gust effect factor, G , is then taken as the square of that value, or 1.14. The AASHTO *Specifications* (2001) also allows the gust effect calculation procedure for flexible or dynamically sensitive structures of ANSI/ASCE 7-95.

7.2.3 Drag Coefficient (C_d)

The drag coefficient for wind in the AASHTO *Specifications* (2001) varies from 0.45 to 1.70, depending on the radius and shape of the object and the wind speed. Accordingly, the drag coefficients of 8-sided and 12-sided HIMP are 1.20 and 0.79, respectively.

7.2.4 Design Wind Loads

The AASHTO *Specifications* (2001) require determination of design wind loads based on the cross-sectional areas. The design wind loads for HMIP foundation can be calculated by the following equation:

$$W_l = P_z A_f \quad (\text{lb}) \quad \text{Eq. (7.3)}$$

where P_z = design wind pressure from Eq. (7.1)
 A_f = projected area normal to the wind

7.3 CALCULATION OF DESIGN WIND LOADS BY ASCE 7-05

The wind-load provisions of ASCE 7-05 provide three procedures for calculating design wind loads: the simplified procedure; the analytical procedure; and the wind-tunnel procedure. For high-rise structures such as HMIP, either the analytical procedure or the wind-tunnel procedure is permitted to be used. The analytical procedure is summarized here.

7.3.1 Wind Pressure

According to ASCE 7-05, the velocity pressure is evaluated at a height z by the following equation:

$$q_z = 0.00256 K_z K_{zt} K_d V^2 I \quad (\text{psf}) \quad \text{Eq. (7.4)}$$

(6-15) in ASCE 7-05

where K_z = velocity pressure exposure coefficient
 K_{zt} = topographic factor
 K_d = wind directionality factor
 V = basic design wind speed from wind speed map
 I = wind importance factor

7.3.2 Design Wind Loads

The design wind force for chimneys, tanks, rooftop equipment, open signs, lattice frameworks, trussed towers and similar structures can be determined by the following equation:

$$F = q_z G C_f A_f \quad (\text{lb}) \quad \text{Eq. (7.5)}$$

(6-28) in ASCE 7-05

where q_z = velocity pressure from Eq. (7.4)
 G = gust-effect factor from Eq. (7.6)
 C_f = force coefficient
 A_f = projected area normal to the wind

7.3.3 Gust Effect Factor (G) by ASCE 7-05

For flexible or dynamically sensitive structures, whose fundamental natural frequency is less than 1 Hz, the gust-effect factor, G_f , can be calculated by Eq. (7.6).

$$G_f = 0.925 \left(\frac{1 + 1.7 I_{\bar{z}} \sqrt{g_Q^2 Q^2 + g_R^2 R^2}}{1 + 1.7 g_v I_{\bar{z}}} \right) \quad \text{Eq. (7.6)}$$

(6-8) in ASCE 7-05

where $g_Q = g_v = 3.4$

$$g_R = \sqrt{2 \ln(3,600 n_1)} + \frac{0.577}{\sqrt{2 \ln(3,600 n_1)}} \quad (6-9) \text{ in ASCE 7-05}$$

$$I_{\bar{z}} = c \left(\frac{33}{\bar{z}} \right)^{1/6} \quad (6-5) \text{ in ASCE 7-05}$$

at which \bar{z} = equivalent height of the structure defined as $0.6h$, but not less than z_{\min} for all building heights h .

$$Q = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + 0.63 \left(\frac{B+h}{L_{\bar{z}}} \right)^{0.63}}} \quad (6-6) \text{ in ASCE 7-05}$$

R = resonant response factor (6-10) in ASCE 7-05

$$= \sqrt{\frac{1}{\beta} R_n R_h R_B (0.53 + 0.47 R_L)}$$

β = damping ratio, percent of critical

$$R_n = \frac{7.47 N_1}{(1 + 10.3 N_1)^{5/3}} \quad (6-11) \text{ in ASCE 7-05}$$

$$N_1 = \frac{n_1 L_{\bar{z}}}{V_{\bar{z}}} \quad (6-12) \text{ in ASCE 7-05}$$

$$R_l = \frac{1}{\eta} - \frac{1}{2\eta^2} (1 - e^{-2\eta}) \quad \text{for } \eta > 0 \quad (6-13) \text{ in ASCE 7-05}$$

$$= 1 \quad \text{for } \eta = 0$$

At which the subscript l in the expression of R_l shall be taken as h , B and L , respectively, where h , B and L are defined as following:

n_1 = building natural frequency

$$R_l = R_h \text{ setting } \eta = \frac{4.6n_1 h}{\bar{V}_z}$$

$$R_l = R_B \text{ setting } \eta = \frac{4.6n_1 B}{\bar{V}_z}$$

$$R_l = R_L \text{ setting } \eta = \frac{15.4n_1 L}{\bar{V}_z}$$

\bar{V}_z = mean hourly wind speed (ft/s) at height \bar{z} determined as:

$$= b \left(\frac{\bar{z}}{33} \right)^{\bar{\alpha}} V \quad (6-14) \text{ in ASCE 7-05}$$

Examination of Eq. (7.6) indicates that the ASCE 7 gust-effect factor for flexural structures, G_f , is a function of the structure's fundamental natural frequency and its equivalent viscous damping ratio. The Commentary (C6.5.7) to ASCE 7-05 provides simple equations to estimate the natural frequency for cantilevered masts or poles of uniform cross-section and cantilevered, tapered, circular poles as follows:

For cantilevered masts or poles of uniform cross-section,

$$n_1 = \frac{0.56}{h^2} \sqrt{\frac{EI}{m}} \quad \text{Eq. (7.7)}$$

(C6-22a) in ASCE 7-05

where EI = bending stiffness of the section
 m = mass/unit height
 h = height

An approximate formula for cantilevered, tapered, circular poles,

$$n_1 \approx \frac{\lambda}{2\pi h^2} \sqrt{\frac{EI}{m}} \quad \text{Eq. (7.8)}$$

(C6-22b) in ASCE 7-05

where EI, m = same as defined in Eq. (7.7)

$$\lambda = 1.9 \exp\left(\frac{-4d_t}{d_b}\right) + \frac{6.65}{0.9 + \left(\frac{e_t}{e_b}\right)^{0.666}}$$

d_t, d_b = external diameter at the tip and base, respectively
 e_t, e_b = wall thickness at the tip and base, respectively

The Commentary to ASCE 7-05 (C.6.5.7) has the following remarks on selection of a damping ratio:

In wind applications, damping ratios of 1 percent and 2 percent are typically used in the United States for steel and concrete buildings at serviceability levels, respectively, while ISO suggests 1 percent and 1.5 percent for steel and concrete, respectively. Damping values for steel support structures for signs, chimneys, and towers may be much lower than buildings and may fall in the range of 0.15 percent to 0.5 percent. Note that damping levels used in wind load applications are smaller than the 5 percent damping ratios common in seismic applications because buildings subjected to wind loads respond essentially elastic while buildings subjected to design level earthquakes respond inelastically at higher damping levels.

7.4 COMPARISON OF DESIGN WIND LOADS FROM AASHTO SPECIFICATIONS (2001), ASCE 7-95 AND ASCE 7-05

7.4.1 Comparison of Estimates of Equivalent Viscous Damping Ratios

The AASHTO *Specifications* (2001) simplify the calculations of design wind load to avoid the necessity for estimating the fundamental frequency and equivalent viscous damping of the structure. On the other hand, Section 11.7.2 of the AASHTO *Specifications* (2001) also recommends using a damping ratio of 0.5% in calculating vortex shedding-induced loads when the actual damping ratio of the structure is unknown. As discussed previously here, the *Commentary* to ASCE 7-05 suggests damping values for steel support structures for signs, chimneys, and towers in the range of 0.15% to 0.5%. Recently, Connor and Hodgson (2006) conducted a series of field tests to measure dynamic properties of HMIPs ranging in height from 100 to 148 ft. Measured damping ratios from those field tests, shown in Figure 7.1, are in many cases considerably lower than the value suggested in the *Commentary* to the AASHTO *Specifications* (2001). Figure 7.1 indicates that damping ratios in the first mode are considerably higher than those from the other modes. Connor and Hodgson (2006) stated that this increase could be attributed to the presence of aerodynamic damping, which increases with increasing wind speed and adds to inherent structural damping. Observed first-mode damping ratios of HMIPs vary from 0.17% to 2.75%, consistent with the *Commentary* recommendations of ASCE 7-05. Similar conclusions are drawn by Dexter and Ricker (2002), who report a damping ratio of 0.4% for luminaire supports from pull tests. In summary, the Section 11.7.2 of the AASHTO *Specifications* (2001), the *Commentary* (C6.5.7) to ASCE 7-05, and several field tests conducted by Connor and Hodgson (2006) consistently suggest design the damping ratio of HMIPs as low as 0.5% or even less.

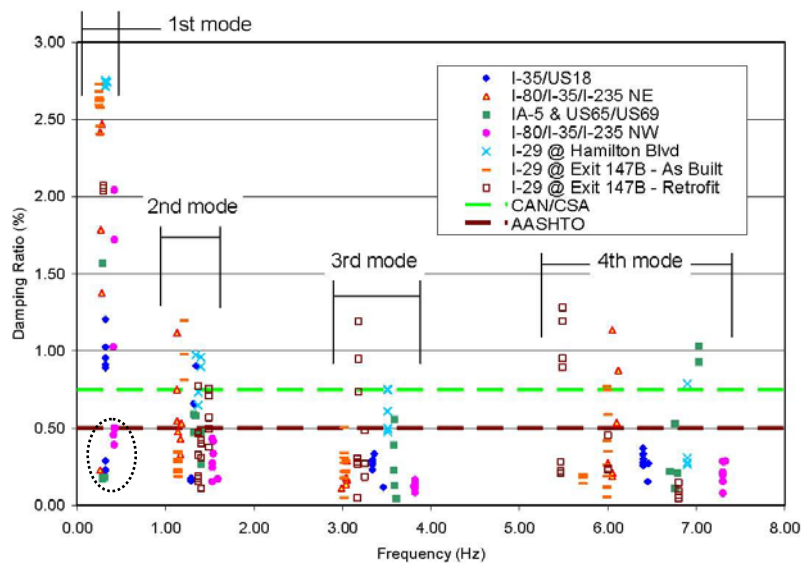


Figure 7.1 Damping Ratios of HMIP (Connor and Hodgson 2006)

7.4.2 Comparison of Design Base Moments from Wind by Different Design Standards

To examine the implications of different available documents for calculating design wind loads, wind load-induced design base moments for HMIP foundations are calculated and compared in this section. In Table 7.1 are shown design base moments calculated according to the AASHTO *Specifications* (2001) for various HMIP foundations. A large difference in design base moments exists between 8-sided and 12-sided HMIPs, because of the different values for drag coefficient in the AASHTO *Specifications* (2001) depending on the shape of the cross-section of the HMIP.

Table 7.1 Wind-Induced Design Base Moment for HMIP Foundation: AASHTO *Specifications* (2001)

Height of HMIP	Design Base Moment for HMIP Foundation (ft-kip)	
	8-sided	12-sided
150 ft	1,731	1,310
175 ft	2,435	1,805

In Figure 7.2 and Figure 7.3, the same values are presented for ASCE 7-05. That document requires the fundamental natural frequency and equivalent viscous damping ratio of the HMIP. In this report, the natural frequencies are estimated using SAP2000 (2005), and design base moments are calculated for various damping ratios. The ASCE 7 calculations are carried out using an importance factor of 1.0 and Exposure Category B. Using the same fundamental natural frequency, equivalent viscous damping ratio, importance factor and exposure category, wind-induced base moments are also estimated according to ASCE 7-95 and included in these figures. Finally, the figures also include the design load from the AASHTO *Specifications* (2001).

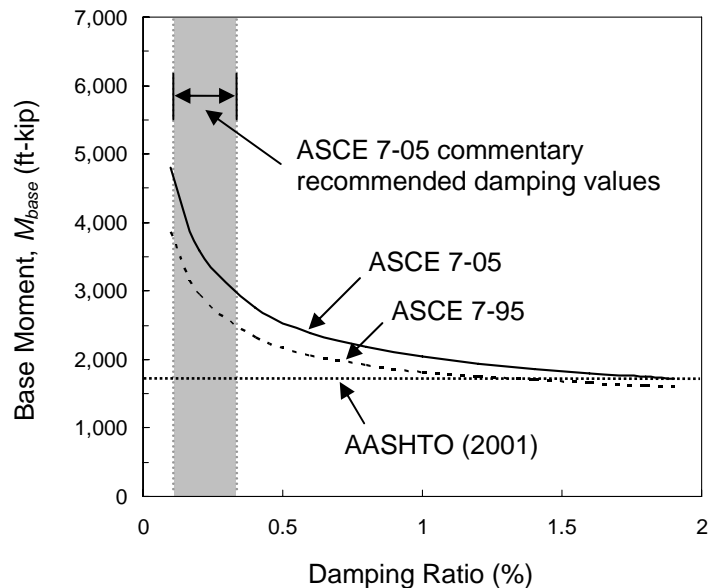


Figure 7.2 Wind-Induced Design Base Moments for 150-ft, 8-Sided HMIP (ASCE 7)

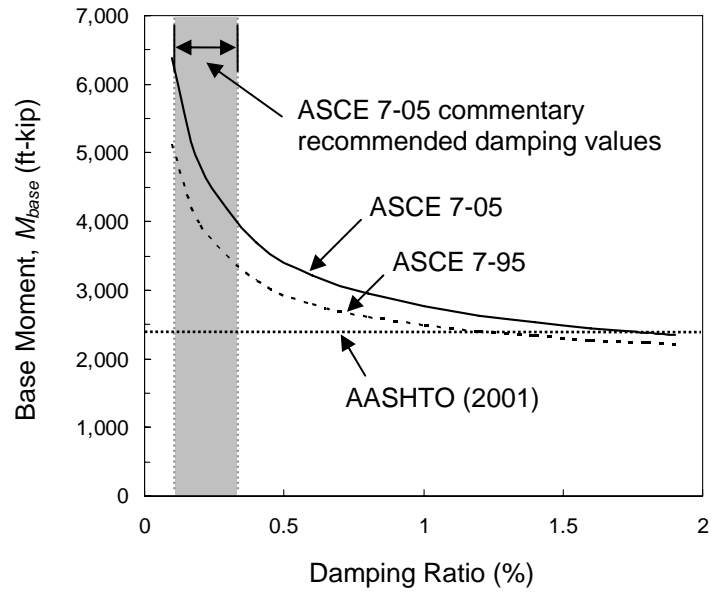


Figure 7.3 Wind-Induced Design Base Moments for 175-ft, 8-Sided HMIP (ASCE 7)

Figures 7.2 and 7.3 show that the assumed value of equivalent viscous damping ratio significantly affects the wind load-induced design base moments. Design moments also increase from ASCE 7-95 to ASCE 7-05.

Wind-induced design base moments from the *AASHTO Specifications (2001)* correspond to those of ASCE 7-95 at equivalent viscous damping ratios of 1.0% and 1.2%, and to those of ASCE 7-05 at equivalent viscous damping ratios of 1.6% and 1.8%. When an equivalent viscous damping ratio of 0.15% to 0.5% is assumed, design wind loads from ASCE 7-95 and ASCE 7-05 are much higher than those of the *AASHTO Specifications (2001)*. This relationship is true for Exposure Category B (urban and suburban areas), and would be even more true for Exposure Category C (open terrain with scattered obstructions).

CHAPTER 8: SUMMARY, CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

8.1 SUMMARY

Strength and behavior of anchor bolts in ASR/DEF-damaged drilled shafts for High-Mast Illumination Poles (HMIP) were studied. The drilled shafts were used for 150- and 175-ft high, eight-sided HMIP. Six full-scale drilled shafts, three with 16 anchors and three with 20 anchors, were tested to failure. Four of the specimens, constructed in the late 1980's, had experienced severe ASR/DEF damage; the remaining two were constructed for this study for comparison purposes. One of the ASR/DEF-damaged specimens was repaired by wrapping with Carbon-Fiber Reinforced Polymer (CFRP) to investigate the effectiveness of such wrapping as a retrofitting method.

Observed behavior of the specimens was used to examine a load-transfer mechanism between the anchor bolts and the drilled shafts, and to make recommendations for improvements to current anchor-design provisions of the TxDOT *Bridge Design Manual* (2001) and ACI 318-05. In addition, wind-load provisions of the AASHTO *Specifications* (2001) and ASCE 7-05 were examined.

8.2 CONCLUSIONS

The following conclusions are based on the experimental study from this study:

- (1) ASR/DEF-damaged drilled shafts appeared to have no significant strength loss as a result of ASR/DEF damage. Anchor bolts of all 16-anchor specimens and of the undamaged 20-anchor specimen failed in tension; anchor bolts of an ASR/DEF-damaged 20-anchor specimen failed in compression. Anchor bolts of all ASR/DEF-damaged specimens showed an indication of concrete compression bearing failure. The specimen wrapped with eight layers of CFRP performed well.
- (2) Inclined concrete breakout surfaces were observed for all tested specimens except the retrofitted specimen. Based on this observation, a load-transfer mechanism between anchor bolts and longitudinal bars was investigated.
- (3) Cyclic loads did not significantly decrease the strength and stiffness of the response of drilled shafts.
- (4) The damage index can be used as qualitative measurement for cracks because the measured crack widths, lengths and locations are subjective. As the severity of these cracks is not directly related to the behavior of ASR/DEF-damaged drilled shaft, the damage index can not be used directly to estimate the reduction in capacity of ASR/DEF-damaged shafts.
- (5) All specimens had base moment capacities at least equal to the required design capacity. When the safety factors implied by ACI 318-05/ASCE 7-05 were included, most tested specimens satisfy the required capacity. If specified rather than actual concrete strengths were used in the calculation of design capacity, however, the available safety factors of all tested specimens except the retrofitted specimen were less than that implied by ACI 318-05 and ASCE 7-05.

8.3 RECOMMENDATIONS

- (1) The following changes to current TxDOT *Standard Design Details* (2001) are proposed:
 - increase the amount of spiral reinforcement in the shaft
 - increase the longitudinal steel in the shaft

- increase the size of drilled shaft
 - use double nuts on the positioning template at the level of the anchor heads.
- (2) The design equations of the TxDOT *Bridge Design Manual* (2001) and ACI 318-05 for the tensile strength of anchor bolts are too conservative, and should be modified.
 - (3) The wind-load provisions of the AASHTO *Specifications* (2001) are significantly less conservative than those of ASCE 7-05, and should be modified to remove this discrepancy.
 - (4) Because ASR/DEF-damaged drilled shafts appeared to have no significant strength loss as a result of ASR/DEF damage, retrofitting or replacing of ASR/DEF-damaged drilled shafts may not be necessary. However, prevention of further ASR/DEF damage or corrosion of reinforcement and anchor bolts should be considered.

8.4 FUTURE INVESTIGATIONS

- (1) The changes to design recommendations made here should be verified through full-scale tests of drilled shafts.
- (2) Comparison of the calculated wind loads of the AASHTO *Specifications* (2001) and ASCE 7-05 indicates that the AASHTO *Specifications* may be unconservative and should be investigated further.

APPENDIX A: CALCULATION OF WIND LOAD: EXAMPLE

A.1 INTRODUCTION

Design wind-induced moments for HMIP foundations according to the AASHTO *Specifications* (2001) and ASCE 7-05 are discussed in Chapter 7. In this chapter, the detailed procedure of estimating design wind-induced moments for HMIP foundations according to the AASHTO *Specifications* (2001) is presented and illustrated for 150-ft, 8-sided HMIP foundation used for this study.

A.2 WIND PROVISIONS OF AASHTO SPECIFICATIONS (2001)

In order to estimate design wind-induced moments, design wind loads have to be calculated. Calculation of design wind loads is composed of two steps:

- Estimation of design wind pressures
- Transforming design wind pressures to design wind loads

The expression of the AASHTO *Specifications* (2001) to estimate design wind pressures is shown in Eq. (A.1).

$$P_z = 0.00256K_zGV^2I_rC_d \quad (\text{psf}) \quad \text{Eq. (A.1)}$$

Eq.3-1 in AASHTO (2001)

where P_z = design wind pressure
 K_z = height and exposure factor
 G = gust effect factor
 V = basic design wind speed from wind speed map
 I_r = wind Importance factor
 C_d = wind drag coefficient

The gust effect factor (G) of 1.14 is generally used for HMIP design, which is the minimum allowed value. The drag coefficient (C_d) varies from 0.45 to 1.70, depending on the radius and shape of the object and the wind speed. More precisely, the AASHTO *Specifications* (2001) provide a table (Table 3-6 in AASHTO *Specifications* (2001)) where drag coefficient values for HMIP are determined based on the shape of a pole and C_vVd , in which C_v is the velocity conversion factor, V is the basic design wind speed and d is the depth (diameter) of a pole. Once design wind pressures are calculated, design wind loads can be obtained by combining design wind pressures with corresponding projected area to the wind, as shown in Eq. (A.2).

$$W_l = P_zA_f \quad (\text{lb}) \quad \text{Eq. (A.2)}$$

where W_l = design wind load
 P_z = design wind pressure
 A_f = projected area normal to the wind

A.3 WIND-INDUCED MOMENT FOR 150-FT, 8-SIDED HMIP FOUNDATION

The detailed procedure for calculating the wind-induced moment for a 150-ft, 8-sided HMIP foundation is illustrated. As the height and exposure factor (K_z) and depth of HMIP varies along its height, HMIP has to be divided into multiple segments for accurate estimation, as shown in Figure A.1. The pole is divided into one hundred segments. A spreadsheet is used to calculate the design wind pressure, load and generated moment for each segment. The results are illustrated in Table A.1. Table A.2 presents the wind-induced moment from luminary.

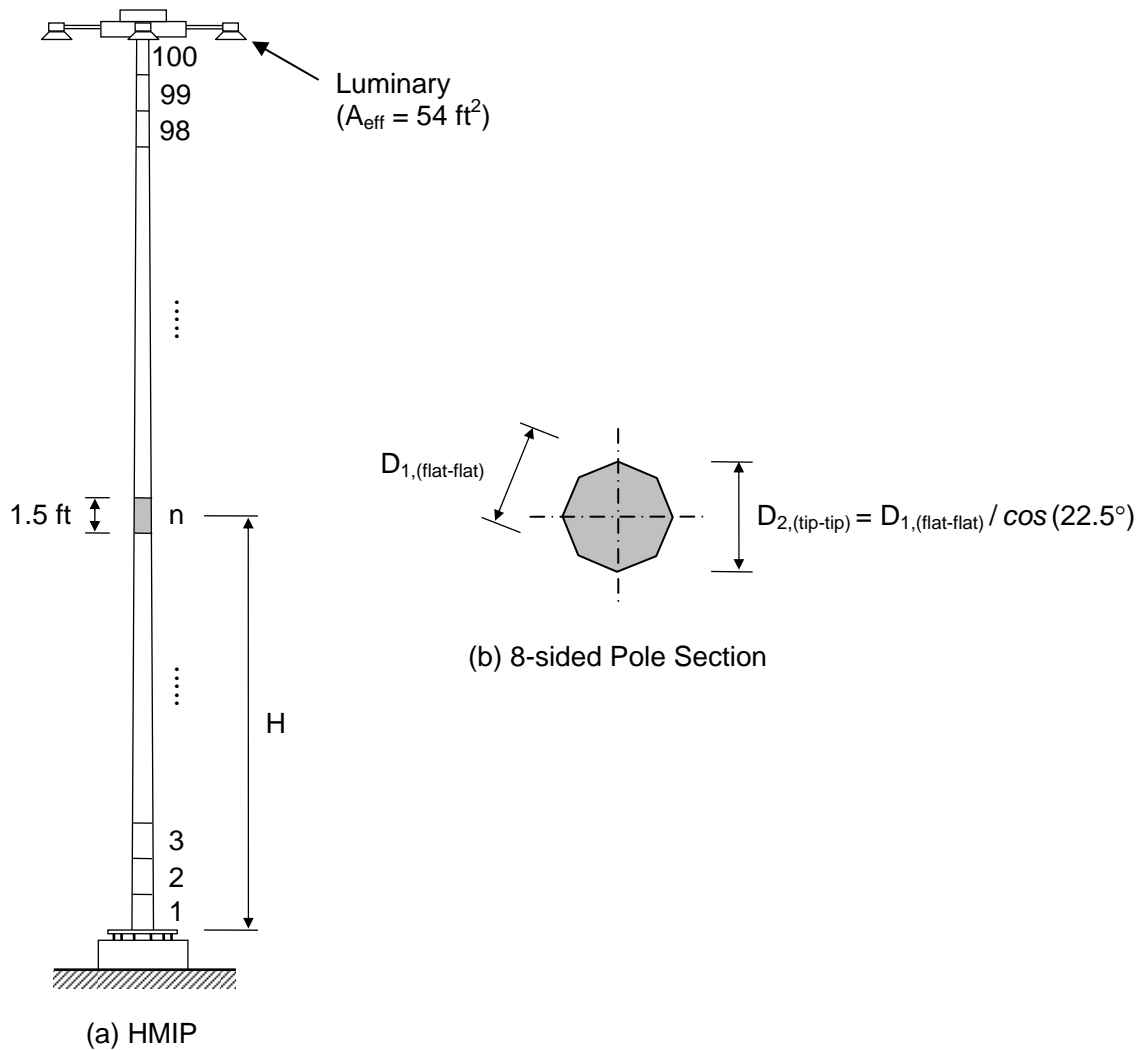


Figure A.1 150-ft, 8-sided HMIP

Table A.1 Design Wind-Induced Moment from HMIP

ID	(1)	(2)		(3)			(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	
	H (ft)	D _{1,(flat-flat)} (in)	D _{2,(tip-tip)} (in)	C _v *V*d (mph*ft)	C _d (12-sided)	C _d (8-sided)	C _d	K _z	P (psf)	W _i (kip)	W _i *H (ft-kip)
1	0.75	32.50	35.18	352.10	0.79	1.20	1.20	0.87	51.49	0.23	0.17
2	2.25	32.25	34.91	349.42	0.79	1.20	1.20	0.87	51.49	0.22	0.51
3	3.75	32.01	34.64	346.73	0.79	1.20	1.20	0.87	51.49	0.22	0.84
4	5.25	31.76	34.38	344.05	0.79	1.20	1.20	0.87	51.49	0.22	1.16
5	6.75	31.51	34.11	341.37	0.79	1.20	1.20	0.87	51.49	0.22	1.48
6	8.25	31.26	33.84	338.69	0.79	1.20	1.20	0.87	51.49	0.22	1.80
7	9.75	31.02	33.57	336.01	0.79	1.20	1.20	0.87	51.49	0.22	2.11
8	11.25	30.77	33.30	333.33	0.79	1.20	1.20	0.87	51.49	0.21	2.41
9	12.75	30.52	33.04	330.65	0.79	1.20	1.20	0.87	51.49	0.21	2.71
10	14.25	30.27	32.77	327.97	0.79	1.20	1.20	0.87	51.49	0.21	3.01
11	15.75	30.03	32.50	325.28	0.79	1.20	1.20	0.87	51.49	0.21	3.29
	⋮			⋮			⋮			⋮	
89	132.75	10.72	11.60	116.15	0.79	1.20	1.20	1.34	79.51	0.12	15.31
90	134.25	10.47	11.34	113.47	0.79	1.20	1.20	1.35	79.70	0.11	15.16
91	135.75	10.23	11.07	110.78	0.79	1.20	1.20	1.35	79.88	0.11	15.00
92	137.25	9.98	10.80	108.10	0.79	1.20	1.20	1.35	80.07	0.11	14.84
93	138.75	9.73	10.53	105.42	0.79	1.20	1.20	1.36	80.25	0.11	14.66
94	140.25	9.48	10.27	102.74	0.79	1.20	1.20	1.36	80.43	0.10	14.48
95	141.75	9.24	10.00	100.06	0.79	1.20	1.20	1.36	80.61	0.10	14.28
96	143.25	8.99	9.73	97.38	0.79	1.20	1.20	1.37	80.79	0.10	14.08
97	144.75	8.74	9.46	94.70	0.79	1.20	1.20	1.37	80.97	0.10	13.86
98	146.25	8.49	9.19	92.02	0.79	1.20	1.20	1.37	81.15	0.09	13.64
99	147.75	8.25	8.93	89.33	0.79	1.20	1.20	1.37	81.32	0.09	13.41
100	149.25	8.00	8.66	86.65	0.79	1.20	1.20	1.38	81.49	0.09	13.16
									Σ	17.82	1169.23

Table A.2 Design Wind-Induced Moment from Luminary

ID	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
	H (ft)	A _f (ft ²)	C _d	K _z	P (psf)	W _i (kip)	W _i *H (ft-kip)
Luminary	150.00	54.00	1.00	1.38	67.98	3.67	550.67

Therefore, the base moment generated from HMIP and luminary at the bottom of HIMP is 1,720 ft-kip (= 1169.2 + 550.7). Considering the base plate thickness of 3 in. and the clear distance between HIMP and concrete drilled shaft of 3 in., the wind-induced moment for HMIP foundation can be obtained, which is 1,731 ft-kip.

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