Influence of Combine Vertical Irregularities in the Response of Earthquake Resistance Rc Structure

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Abstract: This study investigates the effect of frame set-back with vertical irregularity in height on accuracy of Pushover Analysis for predicting target displacement, story drifts, base shear and performance point. The behavior of high rise building during strong earthquake motion depends on the distribution of mass, stiffness and strength in both horizontal and vertical planes of the buildings. The Indian IS code 1893:2002(Part 1) has pointed out of different structures irregularities like plan irregularity and vertical irregularity. In this study the seismic performance of G+ 16 storey having combine effect of vertical irregularity with R.C building are examined using Non Linear Static Analysis (Pushover Analysis). The Base shear, lateral displacement, storey drift and performance points are the response parameters use to quantify the performance of the structure. These irregularities are responsible for structural collapse of buildings under the action of dynamic loads. Five different types of building geometry are taken one regular and four irregular frames. The all buildings are modeled and analyzed in software SAP 2000. It was found that irregularity in elevation of the building reduce the performance level of structure.

Keywords: Base shear, Lateral displacement, Non-Linear static analysis, Performance point, Seismic performance, R.C. building, Vertical irregularity, etc..

I. Introduction

Over the past decades and more it has been recognized that damage control must become a more explicit design consideration which can be achieved only by introducing some kind of nonlinear analysis into the seismic design methodology. A building is said to be a regular when the building configurations are almost symmetrical about the axis and it is said to be the irregular when it lacks symmetry and discontinuity in geometry, mass or load resisting elements. Asymmetrical arrangements cause a large torsion force. IS 1893: 2002 (part1) has explained building configuration system for better performance of RC buildings during earthquakes. The building configuration has been described as regular or irregular in terms of the size and shape of the building, arrangement of structural the elements and mass. There are two types of irregularities 1) Horizontal irregularities refers to asymmetrical plan shapes (L, T, U and F) or discontinuities in horizontal resisting elements such as re-entrant corners, large openings, cut outs and other changes like torsion, deformations and other stress concentrations, 2) Vertical irregularities referring to sudden change of strength, stiffness, geometry and mass of a structure in vertical direction. The main objective of the present work is to study the response of the irregular structures under dynamic loads. In this present study it is proposed to consider the building frames that are irregular in elevation and plan analyze the response and behavior of the structures under earthquake. For this purpose, five RC building frames are selected and it is proposed to analyze all the frames that are considered and are modeled. SAP 2000 analysis package is proposed for the analysis of all structures, to get the all displacements, base shear, time period and performance point. Frames considered in this study are G+16 Storey 3-D frames. It is proposed that the responses of all the above frames are to be determined for all the load combinations. Lateral loads and Storey shears of all the four frames due to earthquake loads is proposed to determine using Non-linear static analysis method (Pushover).

The simplified approaches for the seismic evaluation of structures, which account for the inelastic behaviour, generally use the results of static collapse analysis to define the inelastic performance of the structure. Currently, for this purpose, the nonlinear static procedure (NSP) or pushover analysis described in FEMA-273, ATC-40 documents are used. However, the procedure involves certain approximations and simplifications that some amount of variation is always expected to exist in seismic demand prediction of pushover analysis. The widely used simplified nonlinear analysis procedure, pushover analysis, has also an attractive subject of study which is mainly appropriate for structures in which higher modes are not predominant, which are not influenced by dynamic characteristics. Although, pushover analysis has been shown to capture essential structural response characteristics under seismic action, the accuracy and the reliability of pushover analysis in predicting global and local seismic demands for all structures have been a subject of discussion.

II. Objectives

The main objectives of this work includes the following,

- 1) To obtain the response of G+16 storey RC frame structure i.e., base shear and lateral displacement and performance point by pushover analysis. Modeling and analysis are achieved using SAP 2000 software.
- 2) The combine effect of vertical irregularities i.e., mass, stiffness and vertical setbacks are studied.
- 3) Non linear static static analysis method is conducted for zone-V according to IS 1893 2002 (Part 1) for medium soil type (type II).
- 4) All the five models are studied and analyzed using pushover analysis.

III. Parametric Study

A reinforced concrete frame with 17(G+16) storey of dimension 24mx18m, has been taken for seismic analysis. Six building models with combine effect of vertical irregularities are considered for comparison:

Model-1: Regular building.

Model-2, 3, 4, 5: Mass + Stiffness + Vertical setbacks

These five building models are analyzed for the following case

- a) Using equivalent static lateral force method for zone-V for soil type-II (Medium soil) as per IS 1893(part 1):2002.
- b) Using Pushover analysis.

3.1. Preliminary Assumed data of G+16 RC frame:

Descriptions of Building		
Structure type	Special Moment Resisting Frame [SMRF]	
Plan dimension	24X18m	
Slab thickness	150mm	
Storey height	1. For residential floor $= 3.0$ m	
	2. For commercial floor $= 3.5$ m	
Height of building	G+16 = 17 storeys	
Grade of concrete	M20	
Grade of steel	Fe500	
Column size	230x550mm	
Beam size	230x600mm	
Density of Brickwall	18Kn/m3	
Thickness of Wall	150mm	
Live load	2.0Kn/m2	
Floor finish	1.0Kn/m2	
Commercial loading for Mass irregularity	5.0Kn/m2	
Seismic zone	Zone V	
Zone factor	0.36	
Soil type	Type 2(Medium soil)	
Importance factor	1	
Damping ratio	0.05	
Response reduction factor	5.0(SMRF)	



Fig. 1- Plan of regular building



IV. Results and Discussion

The models of different setbacks with mass and stiffness irregularity of G+16 building are analysed and compared by using software SAP 2000. These buildings are compared to find response against earthquake of the R.C building. Following results are obtained:

A. Base Shear

Table 1: Base Shear of SMRF building models in zone V along both X-X and Y-Y axis

	Base Shear in kN	Base Shear in kN	
MODELS	Along X-X	Along Y-Y	
REGULAR	1935	1453	
SETBACK 1	1939	1606	
SETBACK 2	1942	1597	
SETBACK 3	1945	1582	
SETBACK 4	1946	1556	



Fig. 6- Base Shear of SMRF building models along both X-X and Y-Y axis

B. Lateral Displacement

 Table 1: Lateral Displacement of SMRF building models in zone V along both X-X and Y-Y axis

MODELS	Displacement in mm	Displacement in mm	
	Along X-X	Along Y-Y	
REGULAR	38.2	49.7	
SETBACK 1	64	84	
SETBACK 2	63.83	76	
SETBACK 3	63	79	
SETBACK 4	61	84	





C. Performance Point

Table 3: Lateral Displacement of SMRF building models in zone V along both X-X and Y-Y axis

MODELS	Performance Point
REGULAR	4569
SETBACK 1	7335
SETBACK 2	7363
SETBACK 3	7386
SETBACK 4	7453



Fig. 8- Performance Point of SMRF building models

D. Pushover Results



Fig. 9- Capacity spectrum curve for regular building















Fig. 13- Capacity spectrum curve for setback 4 building

E. Hinge Results



Fig. 14- Hinge formation for regular building



Fig. 15- Hinge formation for setback 1 building



Fig. 16- Hinge formation for setback 2 building



Fig. 17- Hinge formation for setback 3 building



Fig. 18- Hinge formation for setback 4 building

V. Conclusion

The behaviour of RC framed structure with and without different vertical irregularities was investigated for the combination of vertical setback and vertical irregularities. This performance of building was analyzed by non linear static (Pushover) analysis in both X and Y direction.

Following were the major concluding drawn from the study.

- 1. The plastic hinges are formed at different stages B-IO, IO-LS, LS-CP, CP-C, D and E this zone levels based on performance level of building (ATC40), moderate, light, and very light to decided.
- 2. The frames without vertical irregularity having more lateral load capacity compare to frames with vertical irregularity.

- 3. While comparing this frames with and without vertical irregularity, the vertical irregularity reduce the flexure and shear demand.
- 4. It is concluded that as the amount of setback increase, the critical shear force also increase. The regular building frames posses low shear force compared to irregular frames.
- 5. The seismic performance of regular frame is found to be better than the corresponding irregular frames in nearly all the cases.
- 6. Maximum lateral displacement is obtained in vertical irregular building and less in regular building.

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