

Project 3 - Report

SE 140A - Group 18

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I. Introduction

This project details the seismic force resisting system for an eight-story structure with steel Special Moment Frames (SMF) in the north-south direction. All four bays along Column Lines A and G are to be mobilized. Reduced Beam Section (RBS) connections are used.

The building is located in San Jose with a zip code of 95113. The relevant seismic parameter values for this location were determined using the ASCE Hazard Tool. The structure is made of concrete slabs on a metal deck and supported with steel framing, composed of 35-foot bays. Each story is 15 feet high. A992 steel was used for the W-shapes, A572 Gr. 50 was used for connection plates, and E70 was used for the weld electrodes.

II. Equivalent Lateral Force (ELF) Procedure

The design loads were as follows, using the three tables below. Note that the additional “line” dead load, displayed below in Table 1.2, was calculated by multiplying the floor area loads by the tributary height of that floor. These line loads were applied later on just to the perimeter of the floor.

Table 2.1 - Area Dead Load Information

Area DL	Floor Area Loads (psf)	Roof Area Loads (psf)
Concrete Slab	43.5	0
3-in Metal Deck	2.2	2.2
Steel Framing	15	12
Superimposed DL	15	12
TOTAL DL	75.7	26.2

Table 2.2 - Additional Line Dead Load Information

DL Line Loads	Floor Line Loads (plf) = (Hs) (13 psf)	Roof Line Load (plf) = (H□/2 + 6')(13)
Curtain Wall Weight (13 psf)	195	175.5

Table 2.3 - Area Live Load Information

Area LL	Floor Area Loads (psf)	Roof Area Loads (psf)
Partition Weight (ASCE 7 §12.7.2)	10	5

The length of the building can be found by adding the length of six bays and the two feet of overhang, resulting in a length of 212 *ft*. The width of the building is composed of four bays

and two feet of overhang, resulting in a width of 142 *ft*. The perimeter was found to be 708 *ft*. The area was found to be 30,104 *ft*².

To design the lateral seismic force resisting systems, the equivalent lateral force (ELF) procedure was utilized. The seismic weight was found by adding up all the individual dead load components which include the area load of the flooring, partition weight, and curtain wall weight. The equation used to compute this final seismic weight is shown below in Equation 1.

$$W_i = \frac{(D_{RF} + W_{P-j})A_{FL} + W_{CW-j}L_{PERIM}}{1000} \text{ (kips)} \quad [\text{Equation 1}]$$

Table 2.4 – Effective Seismic Weight & Weight Per Floor

Effective Seismic Weight Determination					
Floor	DOF	Area Loads	Partition Weight	Curtain Wall Weight	Seismic Weight
j	i	D _j (psf)	w _j (plf)	w _{cw-j} (plf)	w _i (kips)
RF	8	26.2	5	175.5	1063.50
8	7	75.7	10	195	2717.97
7	6	75.7	10	195	2717.97
6	5	75.7	10	195	2717.97
5	4	75.7	10	195	2717.97
4	3	75.7	10	195	2717.97
3	2	75.7	10	195	2717.97
2	1	75.7	10	195	2717.97
				Eff. Seismic Weight (kips) Σw _i =	20089.31

III. Seismic Parameter Values

The seismic forces acting on the structure were calculated using the following variables.

1. Approximate Period, T_a .

The Approximate Period, T_a , of the structure was determined from ASCE 7-22 §12.8, Table 12.8-2. For the 120-foot tall building, steel moment frames are to be used as the primary seismic force resisting systems for the N-S direction. Thus, the following parameters were used.

Table 3.1 – Structure Approximate Period

Period T_a Determination: [ASCE 7-22 §12.8]	
Factors	Steel SMF
C_d (Table 12.8-2)	0.028
α (Table 12.8-2)	0.75
h_x (from base to Floor 9) (ft)	120
$T_a = C_d h_x^\alpha$	1.015
C_u (Table 12.8-1)	1.4
$T_{a\alpha} = C_u T_a$	1.42

2. Building Design Information

The building specification given by the project and needed to determine the seismic forces are summarized below. The Risk Category was determined based on ASCE 7-22 §1.5 in Table 1.5-1. The soil site class was determined based on ASCE 7-22 §11.4.2.1.

Table 3.2 – Given Building Design Information

Design Info	
Building Type:	Office Building
Risk Category:	II
Site Conditions:	C, CD, D
Location:	San Jose, CA
ZIP Code	95113

3. Spectral Response Spectrum Acceleration (S_a)

The Multi-Period Design Response Spectrum for San Jose, CA was found on the USGS Seismic Design Geodatabase at <https://asce7hazardtool.online/>. The Spectrum Acceleration (S_a) was

found and is summarized in the table below for the three different Site Conditions. The Spectrum Acceleration at the structure's approximate period, $T_a = 1.42$, is highlighted below for all three site conditions.

Table 3.3 – Spectrum Acceleration in San Jose

Spectral Response Spectrum Acceleration (S_a) Determination			
T (period)	S_a		
	Site Condition: C	Site Condition: CD	Site Condition: D
0	0.49	0.49	0.46
0.01	0.49	0.5	0.47
0.02	0.49	0.5	0.47
0.03	0.53	0.52	0.47
0.05	0.64	0.59	0.51
0.075	0.8	0.72	0.64
0.1	0.91	0.84	0.75
0.15	1.07	1	0.88
0.2	1.18	1.11	0.96
0.25	1.19	1.22	1.05
0.3	1.11	1.26	1.14
0.4	1.02	1.21	1.2
0.5	0.92	1.15	1.2
0.75	0.71	0.94	1.05
1	0.57	0.78	0.93
1.42	0.427	0.595	0.761
1.5	0.4	0.56	0.73
2	0.3	0.43	0.59
3	0.23	0.3	0.42
4	0.2	0.23	0.31
5	0.18	0.2	0.24
7.5	0.11	0.12	0.15
10	0.07	0.078	0.095

4. Seismic Design Category

The Seismic Design Category was found according to ASCE 7-22 §11.6 for all three site conditions and for Risk Category II. The highest value for S_{ds} and S_{d1} determined the category and the governing site condition was found. The information is summarized in the table below.

Table 3.4 – Seismic Design Category

Seismic Design Category Determination for Risk Category II Building					
Factors	Seismic Design Category			Category Determination	Governing
	Site Condition: C	Site Condition: CD	Site Condition: D		
S₁	0.62	0.62	0.62	N/A	D
S_{ds}	1.07	1.14	1.08	CD	
S_{d1}	0.57	0.89	1.13	D	

5. Seismic Design Coefficients & Factors

The Response Modification Coefficient (R), Overstrength Factor (Ω_o), Deflection Amplification Factor (C_d), and Structural Height Limit ($h \leq \text{Limit}$) were found in ASCE 7-22 §12.2 using Table 12.2-1, Design Coefficients and Factors for Seismic Force-Resisting Systems. These values were dependent on the building frame system that we were designing for, the steel moment frames. Seismic Importance Factor (I_e) was found in ASCE 7-22 §1.5 using Table 1.5-2, the Importance Factors by Risk Category of Buildings and Other Structures for Earthquake Loads table. The value was determined by the Risk Category of the structure, Risk Category II.

Table 3.5 – Seismic Design Coefficients & Factors

Seismic Design Coefficients and Factors (R , Ω_o , C_d , I_e)	
Factors	Seismic Design Category D
R	8
Ω_o	3
C_d	5.5
$h \leq \text{Limit}$	160
I_e	1

6. Seismic Response Coefficient & Base Shear

The variables needed to calculate the Seismic Response Coefficient were summarized for each site condition. The Spectrum Acceleration, S_a , is from Table 2.3. S_1 , S_{ds} , and S_{d1} are from Table 2.4. I_e and R are from Table 2.5. The value for C_s , the seismic response coefficient, is found by following procedures outlined in ASCE 7-22 §12.8.1.1 with equation 12.8-2. There are

two checks for the lower bounds of C_s given in equations 12.8-6 and 12.8-7 when S_1 is greater than 0.6. From the three site conditions, Site Condition D governs with the greatest value of C_s being 0.0952. The governing C_s value, 0.1162, was then multiplied by the Effective Seismic Weight ($\Sigma w_i = 20089.31$) which is shown in Table 2.4, the Effective Lateral Force Per Floor table. This gives a base shear value of 1912.25 kips.

Table 3.6 – Seismic Response Coefficient & Base Shear

	Seismic Base Shear Determination			
	ASCE 7-22 §12.8.1.1	Seismic Design Category		
		Site Condition: C	Site Condition: CD	Site Condition: D
Factors	S_a	0.427	0.595	0.761
	S_1	0.62	0.62	0.62
	S_{ds}	1.07	1.14	1.08
	S_{d1}	0.57	0.89	1.13
	I_e	1	1	1
	R	8	8	8
[Eq. 12.8-2]	$C_s = S_a (I_e/R)$	0.0533	0.0743	0.0952
[Eq. 12.8-6]	$C_{smin} = 0.044(S_{ds})(I_e) \geq 0.01$	0.04708	0.05016	0.04752
[Eq. 12.8-7] $S_1 > 0.6$	$C_{smin} = 0.5S_1 / (R/I_e)$	0.03875	0.03875	0.03875
	Governing C_s	0.0533	0.0743	0.0952
			Site Condition D Governs	
	Base Shear: $V = C_s W$ (kips)	1912.25		

7. Seismic Force Calculation

The seismic response coefficient was found using equation 2.

$$C_{vx} = \frac{w_x h_x^k}{\sum_{i=1}^n w_i h_i^k} \quad [\text{Equation 2}]$$

The exponent K was found using linear interpolation between the values 1 and 2 based on the period of the structure. This is shown in Table 2.7.1.

Table 3.7 – K Calculation

K Calculation (using linear interpolation)	
T (s)	k

0.5	1
1.42	1.614
2	2

The seismic force for each level was found by multiplying the seismic response coefficient for the corresponding floor and the seismic base shear. The numerator of the seismic response factor was found by multiplying the level's seismic weight by its structural height to the 1.614 power, the K value. The denominator is the sum of all multiplied seismic weight and story heights. C_{vx} is shown as the vertical distance factor. The shear on each individual floor is shown as the Total Lateral Force, F_x . The demand for each special moment frame, SMF, is the sum of the seismic force divided by the number of SMF, 3, and the force caused by the additional torsional effect. The total force for a single SMF comes out to 701.16 kips.

Table 3.8 – Effective Seismic Force & Force Per Floor

Effective Seismic Force Calculation							
DOF	Seismic Weight	Structural Height		Vertical Distance Factor	Total Lateral Force	Force per SMF	Final Force per SMF w/ Accidental Torsion
(i = x)	w_i (kips)	h_i (ft)	$w_i h_i^k$ (k-ft)	$C_{vx} = w_i h_i^k / (\sum w_i h_i^k)$	F_x (kips)	$f_x = F_x/3$ (kips)	$f_{i,o,a} = 1.1 f_x$ (kips)
8	1063.50	120	2414843	0.132	252.12	84.04	92.44
7	2717.97	105	4974944	0.272	519.41	173.14	190.45
6	2717.97	90	3879044	0.212	404.99	135.00	148.50
5	2717.97	75	2890099	0.158	301.74	100.58	110.64
4	2717.97	60	2015967	0.110	210.48	70.16	77.18
3	2717.97	45	1267101	0.069	132.29	44.10	48.51
2	2717.97	30	658521	0.036	68.75	22.92	25.21
1	2717.97	15	215108	0.012	22.46	7.49	8.23
Σ	20089.3	1	1831562	1.000	1912.25		701.16

IV. Beam & Column Preliminary Sizing

The columns were spliced twice: once at the third floor and once at the seventh floor. The load of the top column, above the first splice on the seventh floor, is the cumulative lateral force at the eighth, seventh, and sixth degree of freedom. The load on the middle column is the cumulation of the degrees of freedom above it. The same is for the bottom most column. These values are summarized in the table below.

Table 4.1 – Lateral Forces on Columns

SMF Forces			
Structural Height	DOF	Final Force per SMF (three)	Total Splice Shear
h_i (ft)	($i = x$)	$f_{i, o, a} = 1.1f_x$ (kips)	Forces Above Splice (kips)
	8	92.44	431.39
	7	190.45	
	6	148.50	
	5	110.64	667.71
	4	77.18	
	3	48.51	
	2	25.21	701.16
	1	8.23	
	Σ	701.16	

When considering the moment frame with the portal method, there is no moment at the midspan of beams and columns. A trial shear at the midspan of the internal and external columns can be set with the portal method assumption that the external column shear, V_e , is half of the internal column shear, V_i . The external shear is found using Equation 3. The 2 in the denominator is due to there being 2 exterior columns. The numerator is the sum of the lateral loads at each of the floors connected to the column. With the relationship of $V_e = 0.5V_i$, the internal trial shear is twice the external shear.

$$V_e = \frac{\sum_{i=j}^N F_{i, total}}{3 + 2\frac{V_e}{V_i}} \quad [\text{Equation 3}]$$

Table 4.2 – Trial Column Shear Forces

Interior and Exterior Column Shear from (ELF)			
Story Cut @	V _{ec} / V _{ic}	V _{ic} (kips)	V _{ec} (kips)
6th	0.5	107.85	53.92
3rd	0.5	166.93	83.46
1st	0.5	175.29	87.64

The story drift of the structure must be less than the allowable inter-story displacement, Δ_a . The left side of the inequality in Equation 4 is the inter-story displacement under force level 3. The right side of the equation is the allowable displacement with 0.02 being the allowable inter-story drift angle and 0.85 being a modification so that 15% of the drift goes to panel zone deformation. Equation 4 can be simplified to Equation 5 when the height of each story remains consistent for each floor. The capacity of the beams and columns must be large enough to prevent the allowable displacement.

$$\Delta = C_d \Delta_s \leq \left[\frac{\Delta_a}{\rho} = \frac{0.02 \left(\frac{h_j}{2} + \frac{h_{j+1}}{2} \right) [0.85]}{1.0} \right]$$

[Equation 4]

$$C_d \Delta_i \leq \frac{0.02 h [0.85]}{1.0} \quad [\text{Equation 5}]$$

The beam and column members are chosen from the minimum moment of inertia required for the story drift to be less than the maximum allowable drift. I_b and I_c will be assumed to be equivalent since the moment of inertia for both the beam and column are unknowns. Equation 6 can then be solved to find I_{req} .

$$1.1 \left[\frac{V_i h^2}{12E} \left(\frac{L}{I_b} + \frac{h}{I_c} \right) \right] \leq \frac{0.02 h [0.85]}{1.0 C_d} \quad [\text{Equation 6}]$$

Table 4.3 – Moment of Inertia Required for Story Drift Limit

Required Moment of Inertia								
Story Cut @	V _{ic}	$\Delta a = 0.02(h)(0.85)$	p	$\Delta a / p$	RBS	C _d	$\Delta s_{req} = \Delta a / (p * C_d)$	I _{req} (in ⁴)
6th	107.85	3.06	1	3.06	1	5.5	0.556	11911.41
3rd	166.93	3.06	1	3.06	1	5.5	0.556	18436.59
1st	175.29	3.06	1	3.06	1	5.5	0.556	19360.04

The required moments of inertia for each story cut was used to choose the preliminary beam and columns. The moment of inertia found in Table 4.3 was set as the minimum requirement for both the beam and column of at each slice because the assumption taken before was that the moment of inertia of the beam, I_b , was the same as that of the column, I_c . The W-shape sizes that work are shown in Table 4.4. The beams were then checked to see if they would have to be braced using the $L_{n, max}$ value in order to comply with the requirements listed in AISC 341 §E3.4b.

Table 4.4 – Preliminary Beam and Column Sizes

Preliminary Selection of Beams and Columns (AISC Table 3-3)				
Story Cut @	Type	Size	I (in ⁴)	L _b , max (ft)
6th	Beam	W30x261	13100	13.3
	Column	W30x292	14900	13.5
3rd	Beam	W40x249	19600	13.4
	Column	W30x357	18700	13.8
1st	Beam	W40x249	19600	13.4
	Column	W30x391	20700	13.9

The initial assumptions made for the shear at the columns shown in Table 4.2 was checked to see if they are still valid for the W-shapes chosen as the preliminary sizes. The assumed shear for the interior and exterior columns were plugged into Equation 7 and 8 respectively with the moment of inertia of the beam, I_b , and the moment of inertia of the column, I_c , being the values from the W-shapes chosen.

$$\Delta_i = \Delta_b + \Delta_c = \frac{V_i h^2}{12E} \left(\frac{L}{I_b} + \frac{h}{I_c} \right) \quad [\text{Equation 7}]$$

$$\Delta_e = \Delta_b + \Delta_c = \frac{V_e h^2}{6E} \left(\frac{L}{I_b} + \frac{h}{2I_c} \right) \quad [\text{Equation 8}]$$

Goal Seek was used to set the story drift of internal and external members, Δ_i and Δ_e , equal to each other with the difference between the two, Δ_{diff} , being set to zero. The shear of the internal and external columns, V_i and V_e , are then automatically adjusted to make the story drift consistent. The ratio between the internal and external shear, $\left(\frac{V_e}{V_i} \right)$, is no longer 0.5 but rather closer to 0.6.

Table 4.5 – Initial Shear Assumption Check

Check Initial Assumptions							
Story Cut @	V_{ec} / V_{ic}	V_{ic} (kips)	V_{ec} (kips)	Δ_i	Δ_e	$\Delta_{diff} = \Delta_i - \Delta_e$	(Goal Seek)
6th	0.579	103.73	60.10	0.426	0.426	0.000	-0.01%
3rd	0.592	159.60	94.45	0.461	0.462	0.000	-0.01%
1st	0.584	168.21	98.27	0.472	0.472	0.000	0.01%

The real story drift on Table 4.5 is then checked to see if it is under the allowed limit. The maximum allowable story drift shown on the right side in Equation 5 is checked against the actual story drift at the sixth, third, and first story shown on the left side in Equation 5. The demand capacity ratio of the drifts are shown in the two right most columns in Table 4.6 and all of the selected preliminary beam and column sizes deflected less than the maximum length.

Table 4.6 – Final Drift Check

Final Drift Check							
Story Cut @	Δ_i	Δ_e	Deflection Check $0.02(h)(0.85) / (1.0Cd)$	$1.1\Delta_i$	$1.1\Delta_e$	$1.1\Delta_i <$ Check	$1.1\Delta_e <$ Check
6th	0.426	0.426	0.556	0.469	0.469	0.843	0.843
3rd	0.461	0.462	0.556	0.508	0.508	0.912	0.912
1st	0.472	0.472	0.556	0.519	0.519	0.933	0.933

V. SMF Design Drawings

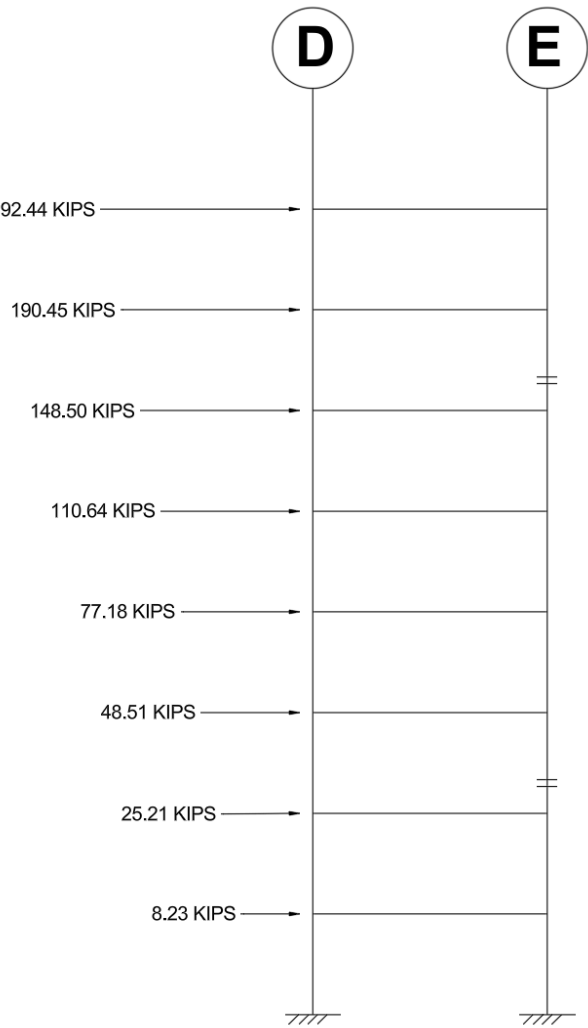


Figure 4.1 - ELF Procedure Results

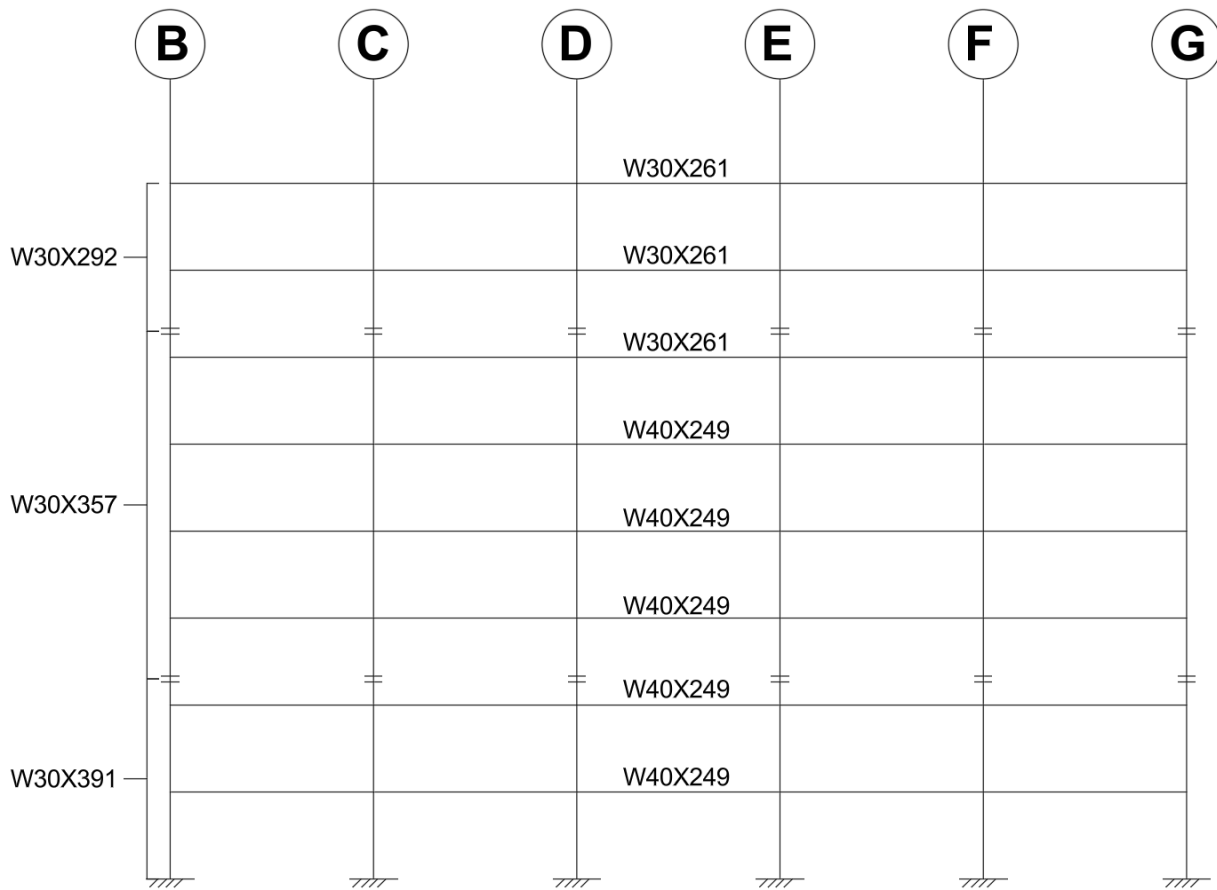


Figure 4.2 - SMF Preliminary Sizing

VI. Interior Beam-to-Column Connection

1. Reduced Beam Section & Weld Access Hole Design

For the beam-to-column connection, the flange width of the column must be greater than that of the beam so the sizes were changed from the preliminary design.

Table 6.1.1 – Modified Beam & Column Sizes

Story Cut @	Type	Size
6th	Beam	W30x261
	Column	W40x362
3rd	Beam	W40x249
	Column	W40x362
1st	Beam	W40x249
	Column	W40x362

The reduced beam section, RBS, is where the beam is cut and reduced to protect the beam-to-column welding. Trial dimensions for the reduction were chosen based on the dimension limitations. a is the distance of the cut from the column and is dependent on the width of the beam flange: $0.5b_{bf} \leq a \leq 0.75b_{bf}$. For our case, $0.55b_{bf}$ was used. b is the length of the cut and is dependent on the beam depth: $0.65d \leq b \leq 0.85d$. For our case, $0.7d$ was used. c is how deep the cut is made and is dependent on the width of the beam flange and is dependent on the width of the beam flange: $0.1b_{bf} \leq c \leq 0.25b_{bf}$. For our case, $0.2b_{bf}$ was used. The

beams also pass the width-to-thickness ratio: $\frac{b'_f}{2t_f} < \lambda_{hd}$.

The trial values selected are summarized in Table 6.2.

Table 6.1.2 – Trial Values for RBS Dimensions

Trial RBS Dimension							
	Shape	b _{bf}	d	a	b	c	λ _{hd} Check
	(-)	(in)	(in)	(in)	(in)	(in)	AISC 341 Table 1-3B
SMF 1	W40X249	15.8	39.4	8.75	27.5	3.25	Y (Highly Ductile)
SMF 2	W40X249	15.8	39.4	8.75	27.5	3.25	Y (Highly Ductile)
SMF 3	W30X261	15.2	31.6	8.25	22	3	Y (Highly Ductile)

Each beam's web access hole was checked based on SISC SDM Table 1-3b. The weld access hole design values were then found in Table 1-1 based on the web access hole letter.

Table 6.1.3 – Beam Weld Access Hole Dimensions

Beam Weld Access Hole Design								
	Shape	Table 1-3b	1	2	3	4	5	Root Opening
	(-)	(-)	(deg)	(in)	(in)	(in)	(in)	(in)
SMF 1	W40X249	F	30	1.5	1.75	0.5	5.5	0.375
SMF 2	W40X249	F	30	1.5	1.75	0.5	5.5	0.375
SMF 3	W30X261	G	30	1.75	2	0.5	6.5	0.375

2. Capacity Design

The capacity of the beam in bending was found with the beam dimensions like Z_x , d , t_{bf} , and t_w .

The plastic section modulus is reduced due to the cut in the beam. The reduced value is found using Equation 9. Using this value, the moment at the midpoint of the cut, M_{pr} , can be found using Equation 10. M_{pe} , the moment capacity of the unreduced beam, is found using Equation 11. S_h is the distance from the column to the midpoint of the cut.

$$Z_{RBS} = Z_x - 2c t_{bf} (d - t_{bf}) \quad [\text{Equation 9}]$$

$$M_{pr} = C_{pr} (R_y F_y) Z_{RBS} \quad [\text{Equation 10}]$$

$$M_{pe} = (R_y F_y) Z_x \quad [\text{Equation 11}]$$

Table 6.2.1 – Moment at RBS & Unreduced Beam

Capacity Design											
	Z_x	d	t_{bf}	t_w	Z_{RBS}	C_{pr}	R_y	F_y	M_{pr}	M_{pe}	S_h
	(in ³)	(in)	(in)	(in)	(in ³)	(-)	(-)	(ksi)	(kip-ft)	(kip-ft)	(in)
SMF 1	1120	39.4	1.42	0.75	769.44	1.15	1.1	50	4055.61	5133.33	31.875
SMF 2	1120	39.4	1.42	0.75	769.44	1.15	1.1	50	4055.61	5133.33	31.875
SMF 3	943	31.6	1.65	0.93	646.50	1.15	1.1	50	3407.57	4322.08	26.125

The distributed loading on the beams were found from the dead and live load. w_u is the total factored distributed load and the shear caused by the distributed load is V_G . These loads are the same on all floors.

$$w_u = (1.2 + 0.2S_{DS})w_D + 0.5w_L \quad [\text{Equation 12}]$$

$$V_G = \frac{w_u L_h}{2} \quad [\text{Equation 13}]$$

Table 6.2.2 – Beam Loading on SMF

Gravity Force Demands (Same for all SMFs)											
A_T	Trib Width	d_c	L_h	S_DS	DL	LL	Reduced LL	w_D	w_L	w_u	Vg
(ft^2)	(ft)	(in)	(ft)	(-)	(psf)	(psf)	(psf)	(kip/ft)	(kip/ft)	(kip/ft)	(kips)
647.5	18.5	33.2	26.92	1.14	75.7	80	67.16	1.40	1.24	2.62	35.28

The moment and shear for each beam was checked to compare the demand and strength. This is done to ensure that the beam flange CJP groove weld will be safe in the case of seismic activity. The moment demand is found using Equation 14 and the strength is M_{pe} found on Table 6.4. The shear demand and strength are found using Equation 16 and 17 respectively.

$$M_f = M_{pr} + V_{RBS} S_h \quad [\text{Equation 14}]$$

$$M_{be}^* = M_{pr} + V_{RBS} \left(S_h + \frac{d_c}{2} \right) \quad [\text{Equation 15}]$$

$$V_u = V_{RBS} + w_u S_h \quad [\text{Equation 16}]$$

$$\phi_v V_n = 1.0 (0.6F_y) (d t_w) \quad [\text{Equation 17}]$$

Table 6.2.3 – Moment & Shear Checks

Seismic Force Demands and Checks							
	V_RBS	M_f	M_be*	DCR: Moment Check	Vu	ϕV_n	DCR: Shear Check
	(kips)	(kip-ft)	(kip-ft)	$M_f < \phi M_{pe}$	(kips)	(kips)	$V_u < \phi V_n$
SMF 1	336.58	4949.65	5415.26	0.964	343.54	886.5	0.388
SMF 2	336.58	4949.65	5415.26	0.964	343.54	886.5	0.388
SMF 3	288.44	4035.51	4434.52	0.934	294.14	881.64	0.334

3. Strong Column-Weak Beam Condition

The strong column-weak beam (SCWB) condition requires that the columns are stronger than the fully yielded and strain-hardened beams, the capacity. The following condition must be satisfied:

$\Sigma M_{pc}^* \geq \Sigma M_{be}^*$. ΣM_{pc}^* is the capacity of the columns and ΣM_{be}^* is the demand that comes from the capacity of the beams. M_{be}^* has been found in Table 6.6. To find M_{pc}^* , the cantilever method was used. The ELF forces on the structure are computed to find P_u which is found using Equation 18.

$$P_u = (1.2 + 0.2S_{DS})P_D + 0.5P_L + P_{uc} \quad [\text{Equation 18}]$$

$$M_{pc}^* = Z_c \left(F_{yc} - \frac{P_u}{A_g} \right) \quad [\text{Equation 19}]$$

Table 6.7 summarizes the ELF forces at each degree of freedom and the distance that force is from each story cut.

Table 6.3.1 – ELF Forces on Structure & Distances from Story Cuts

Strong Column-Weak Beam Condition					
DOF	Final Force per SMF	Amplified Seismic Force	Story Moment Arms (ft)		
(i = x)	$f_{i, \text{oi}} \square \square$ (kips)	$f_{\text{ei}} \square = f_i * 3$ (kips)	1st Story Cut	3rd Story Cut	6th Story Cut
8	92.44	277.32	112.5	82.5	37.5
7	190.45	571.35	97.5	67.5	22.5
6	148.50	445.5	82.5	52.5	7.5
5	110.64	331.92	67.5	37.5	
4	77.18	231.54	52.5	22.5	
3	48.51	145.53	37.5	7.5	
2	25.21	75.63	22.5		
1	8.23	24.69	7.5		
Σ	701.16	2103.48			

The columns were changed from the preliminary column sizes to account for the required minimum column flange width. A_g , Z_c , and F_{yc} are all measurements of the column selected and are known. P_u is found from the ELF forces acting on the structure using Equation 18. The

interior stress is $\frac{P_u}{A_g}$. From calculating M_{pc}^* using Equation 19 it is clear that the capacity of the columns are adequate for the demand from the beam capacities.

Table 6.3.2 – Capacity of Columns

Story Cut		Columns*	Z _c	A _g	F _{yc}	P _u	Interior Stress	M _{pc} * = Z _c * (F _{yc} - Stress)	M _{be} *	DCR Check:
(-)	(-)	(-)	(in ³)	(in ²)	(ksi)	(kips)	(ksi)	(kip-ft)	(kip-ft)	M _{pc} * > M _{be} *
1	SMF 1	W40x362	1640	95.3	50	473.04	4.96	-57815.29	5415.26	-0.094
3	SMF 2	W40x362	1640	95.3	50	383.90	4.03	-45633.02	5415.26	-0.119
6	SMF 3	W40x362	1640	95.3	50	224.74	2.36	-23880.91	4434.52	-0.186

4. Continuity Plate Design

The column flange strength is checked to see whether or not a continuity plate is required for this design. There is a pulling force at the top and bottom flange of the beams, P_f , being applied to the column flanges on both sides; this is the demand. The column flange must be adequate to resist this pulling force. If it is not adequate, a continuity plate is required. Two checks were done and both passed with the demand being larger than the capacity so the continuity plate is required.

The first check is comparing the pulling force, P_f , with the column flange local bending and web local yielding. The second check is comparing the beam flange width and thickness of the column flange.

$$\text{Flange Local Bending: } \phi R_n = 0.9(6.25 F_{yt} t_{cf}^2) \quad [\text{Equation 20}]$$

$$\text{Web Local Yielding: } \phi R_n = 1.0 \left[F_{yw} t_w (5k + t_{bf}) \right] \quad [\text{Equation 21}]$$

6.4.1 – Continuity Plate Requirement Check

Column Flange Strength Check											
Story Cut	Vrbs = 2M _{or} / L _G + V _G (k)	Mf = M _{or} + Vrbs*(a + b/2)	d* = d _b - t _{bf}	t _w	t _{cf}	b _{bf} / 6	Pf = 0.85 * Mf / d*	Column Flange Local Bending	Web Local Yielding	Pf > ϕR_n ?	t _{cf} < b _{bf} / 6
(-)	(kip)	(k-ft)	(in)	(in)	(in)	(in)	(k)	$\phi R_n = 0.9(6.25)(F_{yf})(t_{cf})^2$	$\phi R_n = 1.0(F_{yw})(t_w)(5k + t_{bf})$		
1	336.58	5283.43	37.98	1	1.81	2.63	1418.93	921.40	321	Y	Y
3	336.58	5283.43	37.98	1	1.81	2.63	1418.93	921.40	321	Y	Y
6	288.44	4266.26	38.39	1	1.81	2.53	1133.52	921.40	332.5	Y	Y
										Continuity	

										Plate Needed
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The continuity plate will be a two sided connection so the thickness must be greater than $0.75 \cdot t_{bf}$ where t_{bf} is the thickness of the beam flange. This is then rounded up to the nearest 1/8". The width-to-thickness ratio check is done to check for continuity plate buckling.

$$\frac{b}{t} \leq 0.56 \sqrt{\frac{E}{R_y F_y}} \quad [\text{Equation 22}]$$

The dimensions of the continuity plate were then designed. The width, b_{cp} , and cut off points, cc and cc', were determined from the column size dimensions and are summarized in Table 6.4.2.

Table 6.4.2 – Continuity Plate Design

Continuity Plate Check									
Story Cut	2-Sided Connection: $t \geq 0.75t_{bf}$	Rounded t	Width-To-Thickness Ratio Check		Design				
(-)	(in)	(in)	$0.56 \cdot \sqrt{E / R_y F_y}$	$b_{ax} \text{ (in)} = t \cdot [0.56 \cdot \sqrt{E / R_y F_y}]$	b_CP (in)	k1 (in)	cc (in)	k_det - t_f + 1.5 (in)	cc' (in)
1	1.065	1.125	12.86	14.47	7.5	1.75	2	2.74	3
3	1.065	1.125	12.86	14.47	7.5	1.75	2	2.74	3
6	1.2375	1.25	12.86	16.07	7.25	1.75	2	2.74	3

5. Doubler Plate Design

Shear at the panel zone creates the need for a doubler plate when the demand of V_{pz} is greater than the supply, V_n . The demand, V_{pz} , is determined from Equation 23 and is dependent on the pulling force due to the beams and shear on the columns. V_n is determined by Equation 24. The demand is greater so doubler plates are required.

$$V_{pz} = (\Sigma P_f) - V_c = \left(\Sigma \frac{M_f}{0.95d_b} \right) - V_c \quad [\text{Equation 23}]$$

$$V_n = 0.60 F_y d_c t_w \left(1 + \frac{3b_{cf} t_{cf}^2}{d_b d_c t_w} \right) \left(1.9 - \frac{1.2 P_u}{P_y} \right) \quad [\text{Equation 24}]$$

Table 6.5.1 – Doubler Plate Requirement Check

Panel Zone Strength Check								
Story Cut @	$V_b = \frac{2 \cdot M_{pr}}{L}$	$V_c = \frac{V_b(L)}{h}$	$P_f = \frac{M_f}{(0.95 \cdot d_b)}$	$V_{\Sigma z} = \sum P_f - V_c$ (kips)	P_u (kips) <	$0.75F_y A_g$ (kips)	$V_n = \frac{0.6F_y(d_c)(t_w)}{(1 + \frac{3b_{cf}(t_{cf})^2}{(d_b \cdot d_c \cdot t_w)})}$	DCR: $V_{\Sigma z} > V_n$
1	301.30	703.03	1693.859	2684.69	473.039	3573.75	1115.74	Y
3	301.30	703.03	1693.859	2684.69	383.900	3573.75	1115.74	Y
6	253.15	590.69	1705.368	2820.04	224.738	3573.75	1145.29	Y
					Y, Use Equation 1		Doubler Plate Needed	

The required thickness of the doubler plate was found through the demand and supply equations. It was then rounded up to the nearest 1/8”.

Table 6.5.2 – Doubler Plate Thickness

Supply Recheck			
Story Cut @	t_{req} (in)	$t_{dp} = t_{req} - t_{cw}$ (in)	FINAL t_{dp} (in)
1	2.58	1.58	1.625
3	2.58	1.58	1.625
6	2.68	1.68	1.75

There must not be local buckling due to shear. To check this, the thinner of the column web or doubler plate was compared against the location of the plug welds. The column web is thinner as it is 1”. The location of the plug welds are determined by w_g , the horizontal distance between plug welds, and d_g , the vertical distance between plug welds. The design must satisfy the

following inequality: $t \geq \frac{d_z + w_z}{90}$.

Table 6.5.3 – Column Local Buckling Check

Local Buckling Check				
t_{cw} (in)	$d_z = (d_b) - 2(t_{fb})$ (in)	$w_z = d_c - 2t_{fc}$ (in)	$(d_z + w_z) / 90$	DCR: $t > (d_z + w_z) / 90$
1	36.56	29.58	0.735	Y
1	36.56	29.58	0.735	Y
1	28.3	29.58	0.643	Y

The layout for the doubler plate with the continuity plate was determined and is summarized below in Table 6.5.4.

Table 6.5.4 – Doubler Plate & Continuity Plate Layout

Doubler Plate and Continuity Plate Layout						
Story Cut @	k1 (in)	k1 - t_cp	k1 + t_cp + 0.5	cc (in)	cc' (in)	b_CP (in)
1	1.75	0.625	3.375	2	3	7.5
3	1.75	0.625	3.375	2	3	7.5
6	1.75	0.5	3.5	2	3	7.25
				There will be a doubler plate on only one side. Two continuity plates will be installed on each side of the column web. See diagram.		

6. Beam Lateral Bracing Design

The beam must be laterally braced at every third of the length. The length of the beam is 35' so the bracing must be placed at 11.67' and 23.33'. The maximum braced length is found using Equation 25 and the braced length is less than the maximum length of 13.3' and 13.4'.

$$L_{b(max)} = \frac{0.095 \gamma_y E}{R_y F_y} \quad [\text{Equation 25}]$$

Table 6.6.1 – Beam Lateral Bracing Locations

Beam Lateral Bracing				
Story Cut @	Type	Size	L_b, max (ft)	Bracing Every Lb / 3 (ft)
6th	Beam	W30x261	13.3	11.67
3rd	Beam	W40x249	13.4	11.67
1st	Beam	W40x249	13.4	11.67

7. Column Compressive Strength Check

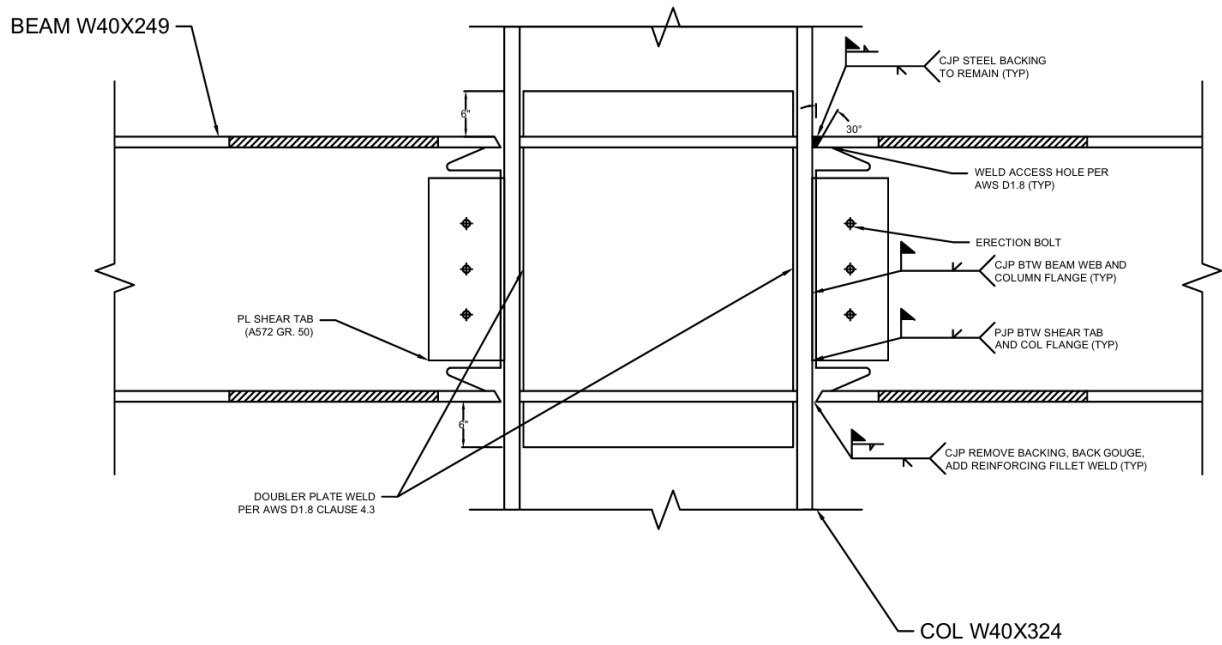
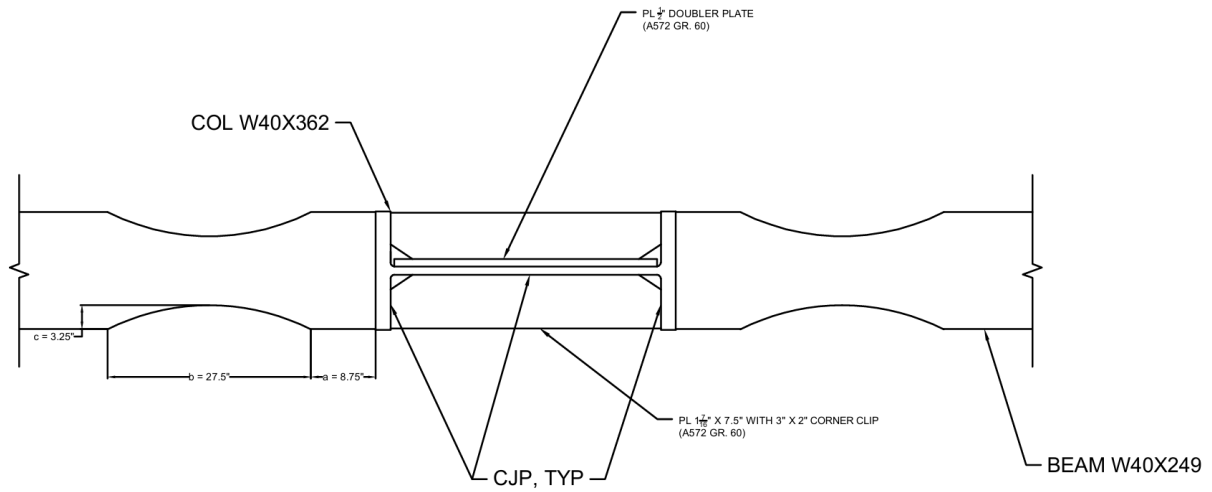
The column compressive strength was rechecked to ensure that the compressive demands due to seismic and gravity loads are not greater than the column's capacity. These checks were all satisfied and the design is complete.

Table 6.7.1 – Column Compressive Strength Check

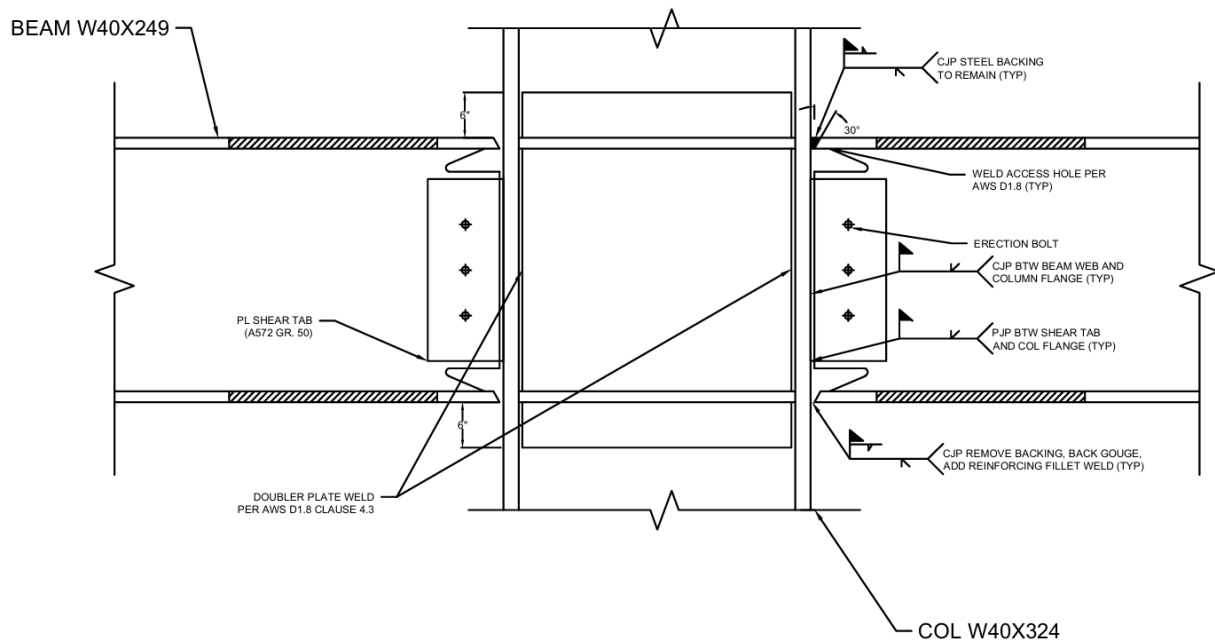
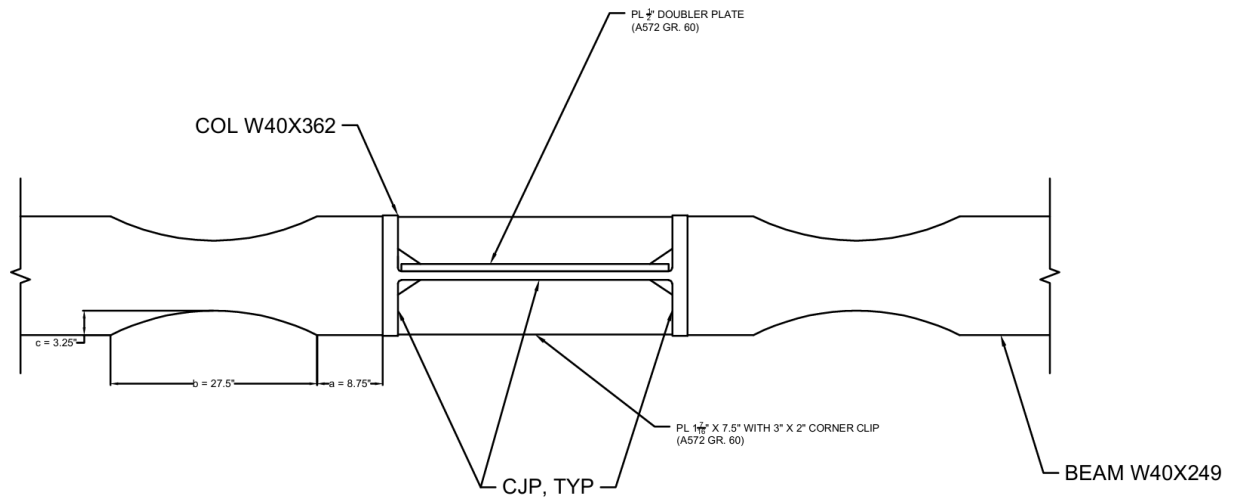
Recheck Column Compressive Strength: W40x362				
Story Cut	P _u	P _{r,max} (AISC SDM Table 1-3b)	ΦP _n (AISC Super Table)	P _u < min(P _{r,max} ; ΦP _n)
(-)	(kips)	(kips)	(kips)	DCR
1	473.04	1400	3970	0.338
3	383.90	1400	3970	0.274
6	224.74	1400	3970	0.161

8. Interior Beam-to-Column Connection Drawing

First Floor SMF



Third Floor SMF



Sixth Floor SMF

