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Software, Sustainability, Design, Detailing, – Through the Lens of Concrete Masonry

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Logistics – Downloading Software

Free trial here:

<https://ncma.org/resources/software/>

Applies to both EleMasonry and the
Direct Design software packages.



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Logistics – Ask Questions!

Ask questions any time!

Or shoot me an email if you forget:

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Logistics – Today's Schedule

Today's Topics

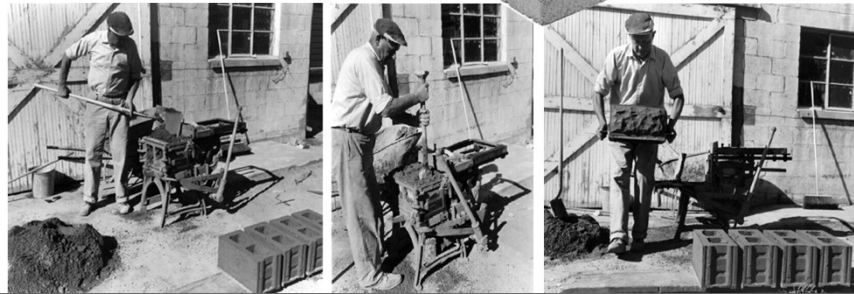
- EleMasonry Software Package
- Direct Design Software Package
- Key Design Changes for Concrete Masonry
- Detailing for Energy Efficiency
- Carbon Footprint and Resiliency
- Other items on your mind...open Q&A

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The Humble Cinder Block...

From it's early beginnings...



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The Humble Cinder Block...

To thousands of products...



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The Humble Cinder Block...

From it's early beginnings...

CMU Eras

1880s: Birth

1920s – 1960s: Faster, cheaper, more consistent.

1960s – 2000s: Product and application innovation

Today: Material evolution

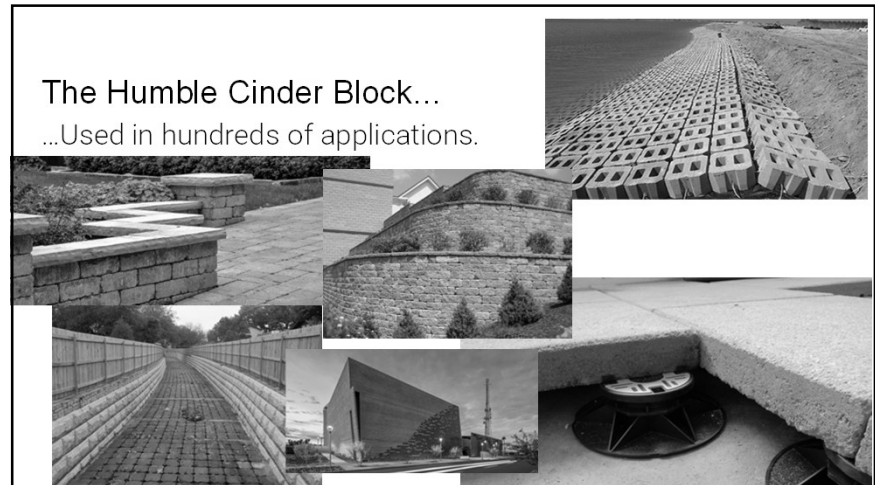


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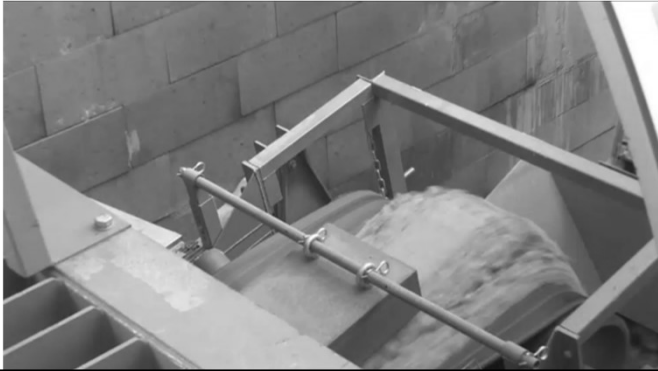
The Humble Cinder Block...

...Used in hundreds of applications.



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Dry-Casting – Production Overview



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Dry-Casting – Production Overview

Other unique production variables:

Regrind

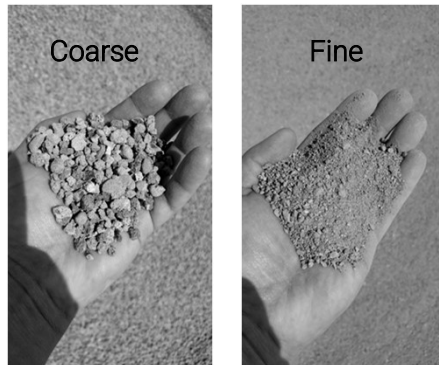


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Dry-Casting – Production Overview

Other unique production variables:

Aggregate Size

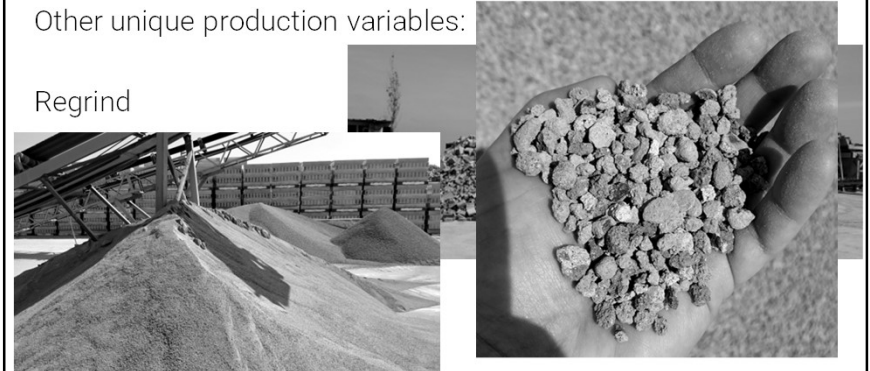


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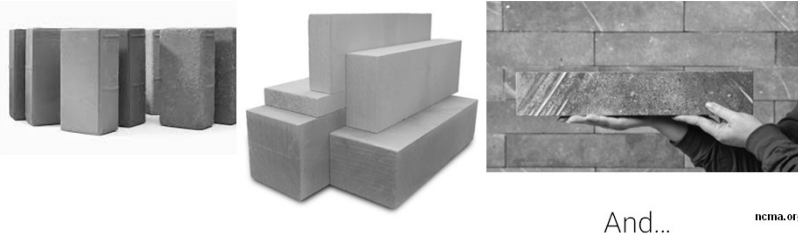
Regrind



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Dry-Cast Manufactured Concrete

While dry-cast manufactured concrete is concrete, its combination of constituent materials, manufacturing methods, and curing process facilitate innovations in material use.



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Dry-Cast Products – Circular Concepts

Design Intent vs. Inherent Attribute?

Segmental Retaining Walls



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Dry-Cast Manufactured Concrete

The modular, segmental characteristics of manufactured concrete products are uniquely suited for adaptive reuse...with some challenges.



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Dry-Cast Products – Circular Concepts

Design Intent vs. Inherent Attribute?

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Design Intent vs. Inherent Attribute?

Interlocking Concrete Pavers



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Concrete Masonry

**Design and Construction
Guidelines for Dry-Stack
Concrete Masonry**
(TMS-1430-21)

Dry-stack CMU



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Dry-Cast Products – Circular Concepts

Design Intent vs. Inherent Attribute?

Concrete Masonry

Mortar, grout, and rebar
present challenges.



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Dry-Cast Products – Circular Concepts

Dry-cast manufactured concrete products (by accident?)
are specifically tailored to adapt and align with circular
economy objectives.

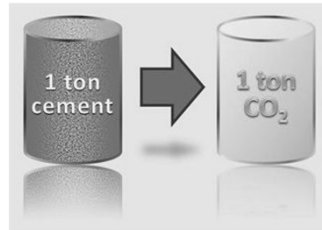


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Dry-Cast Products – Carbon Sequestration

The other key market driver for the industry is minimizing our carbon footprint.

Production of portland cement is carbon intensive.

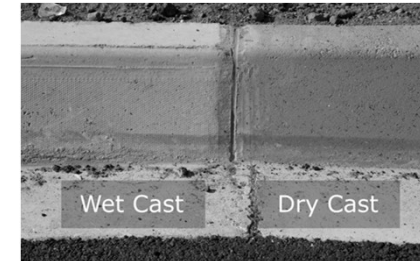


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Dry-Cast Products – Carbon Sequestration

The assumption was that dry-cast and wet-cast concrete carbonate at roughly the same rate and therefore sequester about the same amount of CO₂.



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Dry-Cast Products – Carbon Sequestration

There are numerous carbon capture, accelerated carbonation, and related technologies in use and in development today that permanently sequester CO₂.

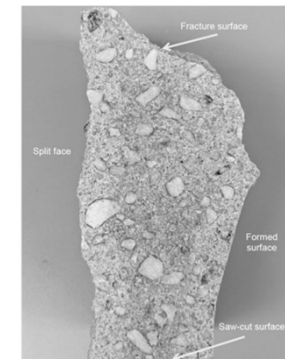
While it was well known that concrete carbonates, we didn't have a good baseline for dry-cast concrete carbonation.

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Dry-Cast Products – Carbon Sequestration

In reality wet-cast and dry-cast concrete carbonate at vastly different rates.

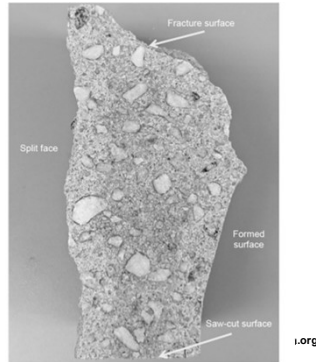
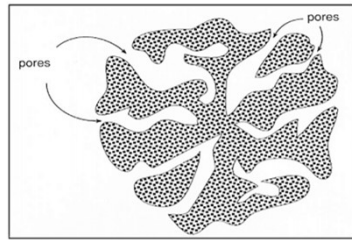


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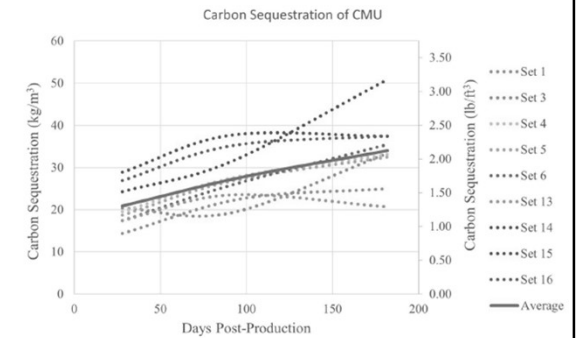


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Dry-Cast Products – Carbon Sequestration

Research Underway:

28 Day Uptake:
21 kg/m³

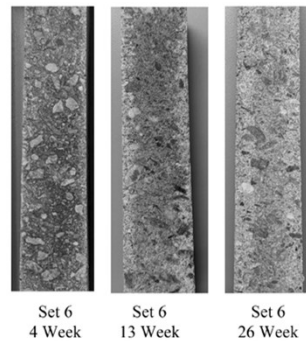


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Dry-Cast Products – Carbon Sequestration

Research Underway:

CMU were collected from across the U.S. and Canada and allowed to naturally carbonate. TGA was performed periodically to measure carbon uptake.



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Questions?



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EleMasonry – Structural Masonry Design Software (V6)

Revision August 2, 2021

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Access

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Software Navigation and Overview

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Overview

EleMasonry – **Elemental** **Masonry** Design

- Designs individual masonry elements:
 - Columns
 - Walls
 - Beams
 - Pilasters
- Sister software to QuickMasonry (through IES)

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Overview

EleMasonry – **Elemental Masonry** Design

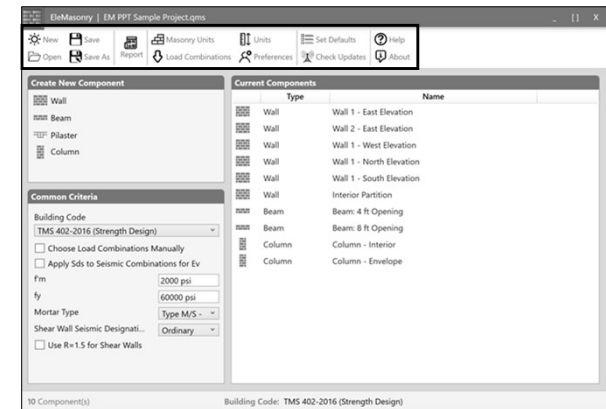
- Intuitive interface
- Transparent reporting.
- Real-time design results.
- Annual license subscription (free upgrades)

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General
Navigation



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EleMasonry vs. Direct Design Software Packages

Direct Design is a platform for designing masonry buildings...



EleMasonry is a platform for designing masonry elements...

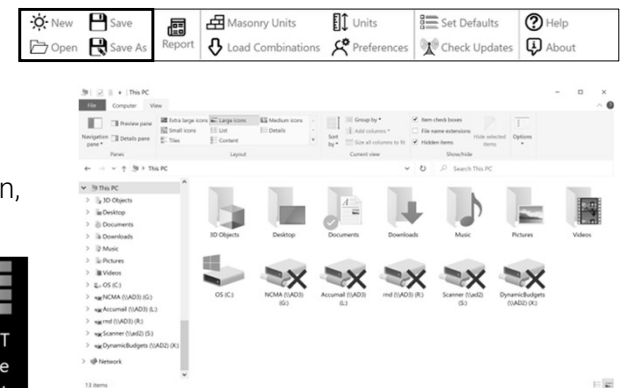


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Project File
Navigation (open,
save, etc.)



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Report Generation

Moment Check @ Mid-span

The moment capacity is determined by considering the point on the interaction diagram where the M_u is equal to the axial load at this section (37.11 k) and that $F_u = 41.23$ k. The associated F_u (46.02 k) is multiplied by ϕ to obtain design moment capacity.

At an axial load of 37.11 k, the interaction diagram gives a moment capacity of 41.4 k.

$\phi M_u > M_u$...utilization ratio 0.085

Compression area = 0.66 ft². Depth of compression zone = 0.4 in.

Strength Design

Wall: No
area: ACI 318-11 Strength Combinations
see ACI 318-11 6.4.3.2 Combinations

Apply to: no seismic combinations for Ex No

Ex: 200 psi

Material Type: M15 - PG (Portland Cement/Lime)

Design Wall Section, Integration: Ordinary

Use R-13 for Shear Walls: No

Material (CMU/Cap) Taken from Unit

Specify Wall Weight Manually: No

Block Weight: Normal Weight

Bulk or Concrete with Rough Surface: No

Secondary Moment Approach: Moment Magnifier

Include Wall Self Weight: No

Neglect Lateral Load on Parapet: No

Material Type: M15 - PG (Portland Cement/Lime)

Design Wall Section, Integration: Ordinary

Use R-13 for Shear Walls: No

End Bars Only For Shear Wall Reinforcement Analysis: No

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Masonry Unit Configurations

Custom Units

Masonry Unit Sizes

Standard Proprietary

Name	Vendor	Material	Thickness (nominal)	Cell Module Spacing	Can be Partially Grouted	Valid Through
Atlas 6x4x16	Interstate Brick	Clay	6	8	True	12/16/2021
Atlas 8x4x16	Interstate Brick	Clay	8	8	True	12/16/2021
HI-R 10" (2.5" insul.)	Concrete Products Group	Concrete (CMU)	10	8	True	1/21/2022
HI-R 12" (2.5" insul.)	Concrete Products Group	Concrete (CMU)	12	8	True	1/21/2022
HI-R-H 10" (3.5" insul.)	Concrete Products Group	Concrete (CMU)	10	8	False	12/14/2021
HI-R-H 12" (3.5" insul.)	Concrete Products Group	Concrete (CMU)	12	8	False	12/14/2021

Find Units Proprietary units must be downloaded and installed.

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Masonry Unit Configurations

Standard Units

Masonry Unit Sizes

Standard Proprietary

Name	Thickness (actual)	Thickness (nominal)	Height	Face Shell Thickness	Web Thickness	Cell Module Spacing	Grouted Cell Volume	UngROUTed Cell Volume
CMU - 6 in.	5.63	6	8	1	0.75	8	360	149.75
CMU - 8 in.	7.63	8	8	1.25	0.75	8	488	190.75
CMU - 10 in.	9.63	10	8	1.25	0.75	8	616	202.75
CMU - 12 in.	11.63	12	8	1.25	0.75	8	744	214.75
CMU - 14 in.	13.63	14	8	1.25	0.75	8	872	226.75
CMU - 16 in.	15.63	16	8	1.25	0.75	8	1,000	238.75

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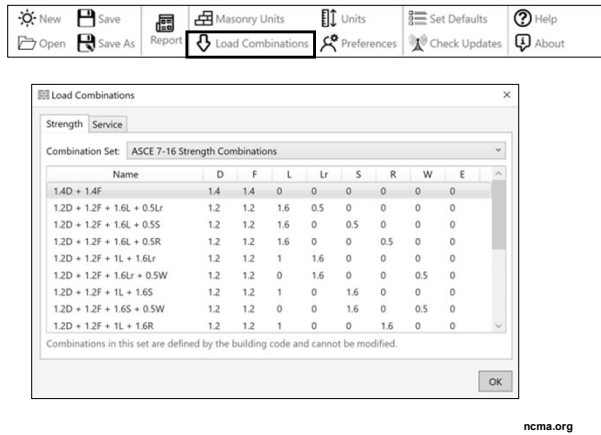
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Load
Combinations

2002-2016 ASCE
7 (strength and
allowable stress)

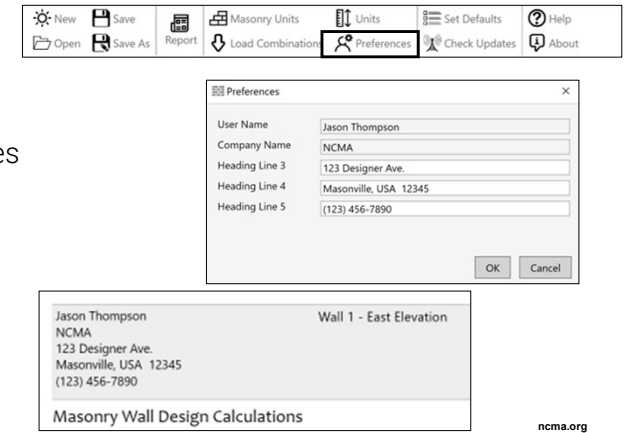


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User Preferences

Included on
reports.

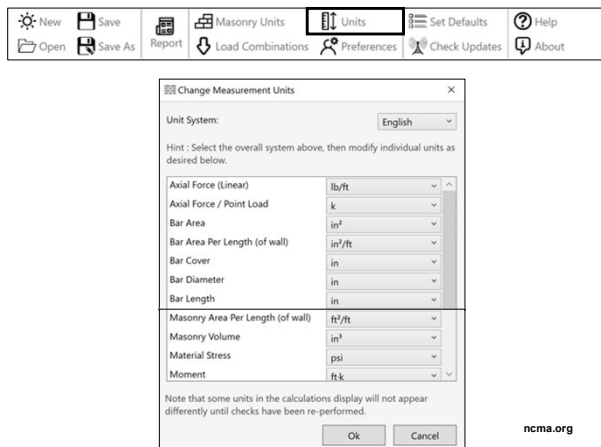


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Units of
Measurement

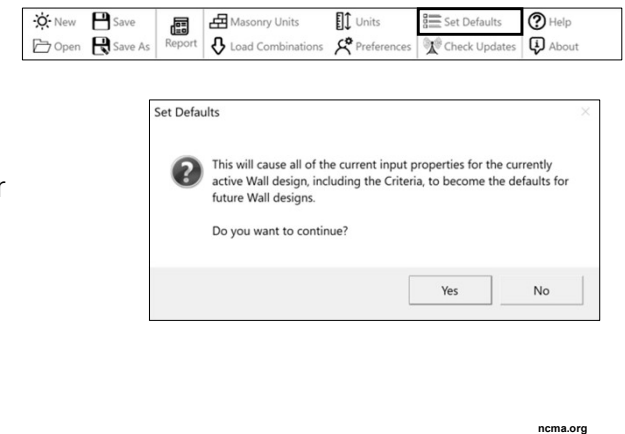
User Defined
Options



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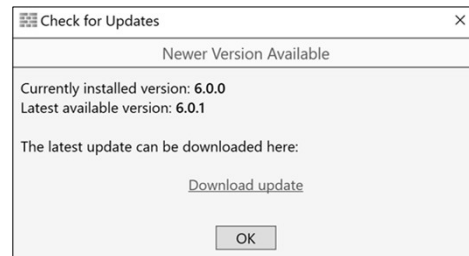
Set Software
Defaults to User
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Check for
Software
Updates



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Check Licensing
Information and
Expiration

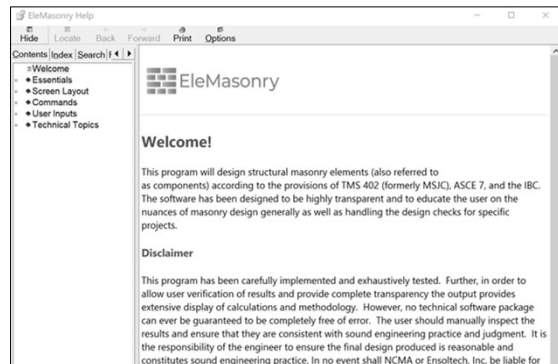


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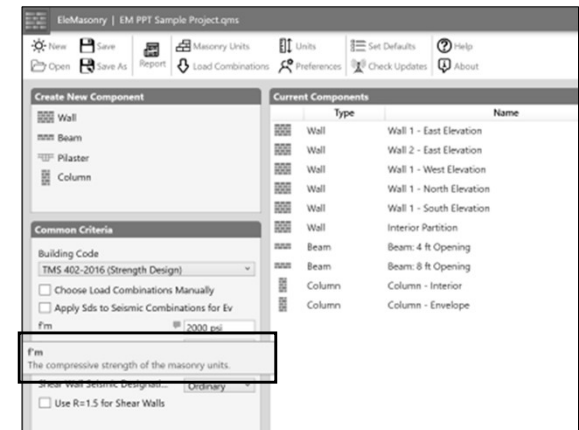
Access Help Files



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Navigation: Tool Tips

Hover over to
bring up content
tips.



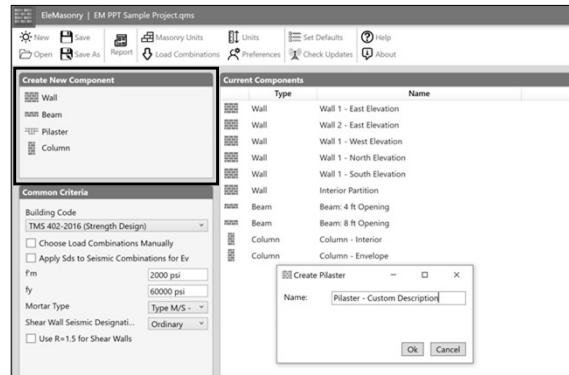
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Navigation: Creating New Components

Adding New
Elements

Multiple
elements...single
project file



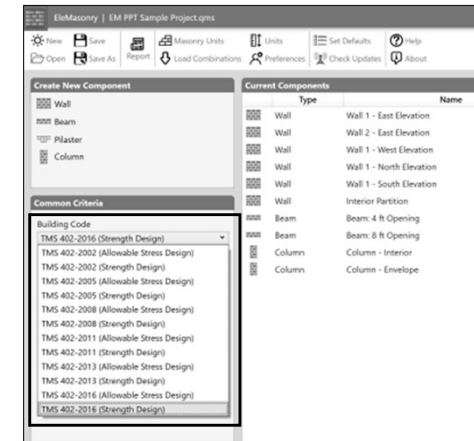
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Navigation: Universal Criteria

Defining Universal
Design Criteria

- Code Edition:
2002-2016 TMS 402

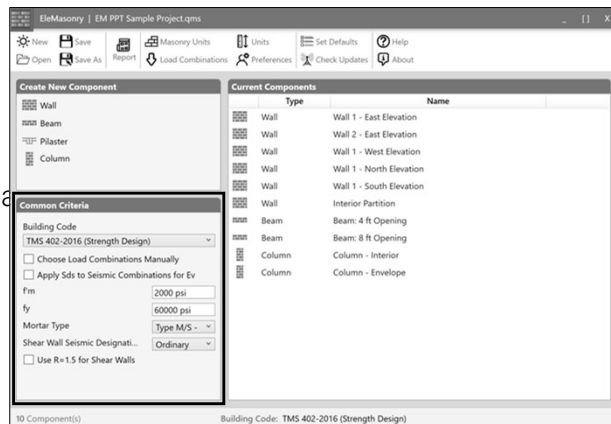


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Navigation: Universal Criteria

Defining Universal
Design Criteria



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Defining Universal
Design Criteria

- Code- or User-
defined load
combinations

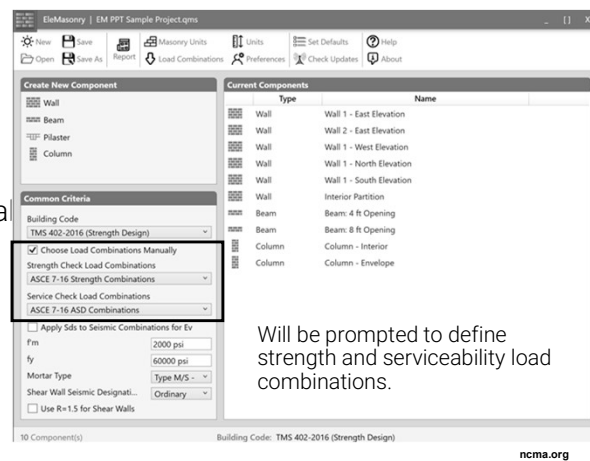


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Navigation: Universal Criteria

Defining Universal Design Criteria

- Code- or User-defined load combinations



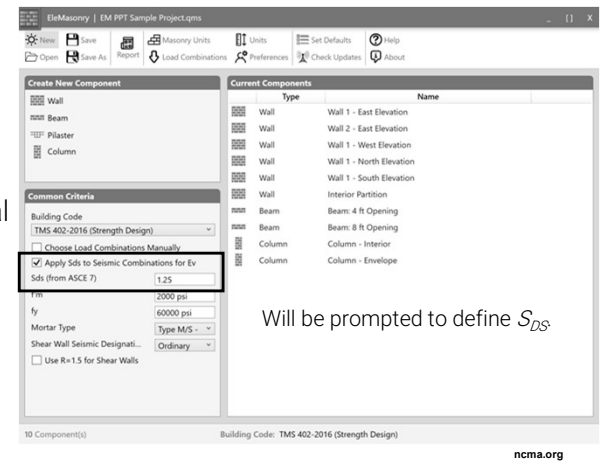
Will be prompted to define strength and serviceability load combinations.

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Navigation: Universal Criteria

Defining Universal Design Criteria

- Include vertical seismic loads



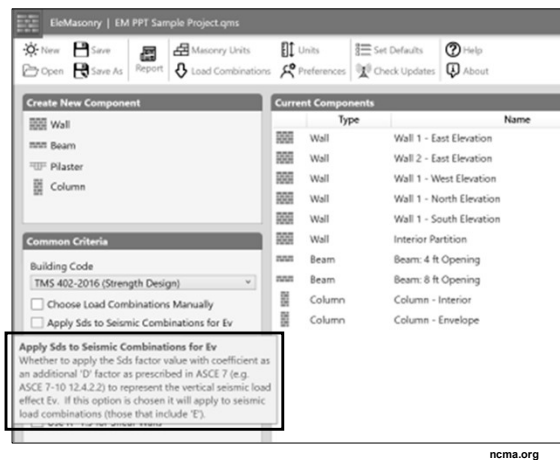
Will be prompted to define S_{DS}

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Navigation: Universal Criteria

Defining Universal Design Criteria

- Include vertical seismic loads



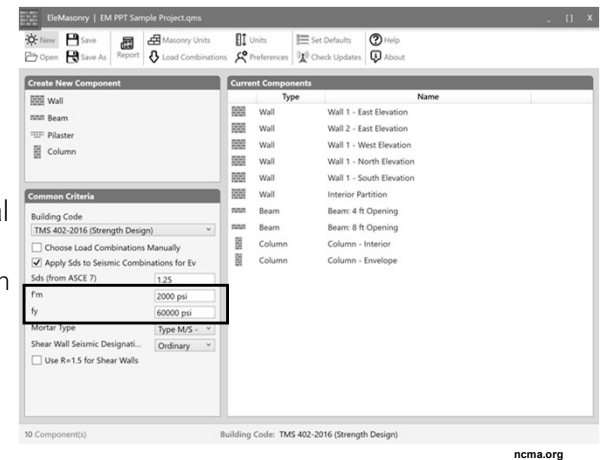
Apply Sds to Seismic Combinations for Ev
Whether to apply the Sds factor value with coefficient as an additional 'D' factor as prescribed in ASCE 7 (e.g. ASCE 7-10 12.4.2.2) to represent the vertical seismic load effect Ev. If this option is chosen it will apply to seismic load combinations (those that include 'E').

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Navigation: Universal Criteria

Defining Universal Design Criteria

- Masonry strength (f'_m)
- Reinforcement yield (f_y)

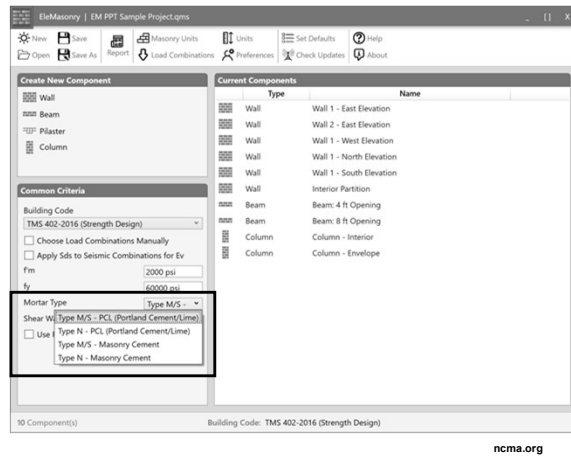


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Navigation: Universal Criteria

Defining Universal Design Criteria

- Mortar type



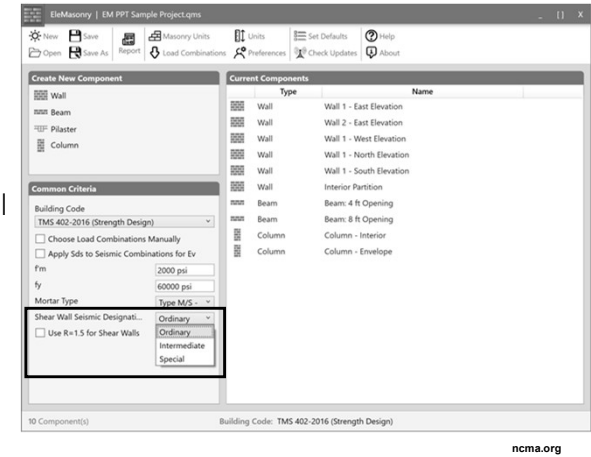
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Navigation: Universal Criteria

Defining Universal Design Criteria

- Shear wall type



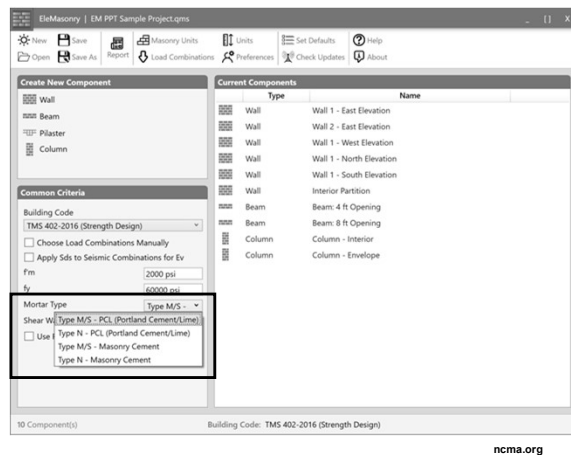
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Navigation: Universal Criteria

Defining Universal Design Criteria

- Mortar type



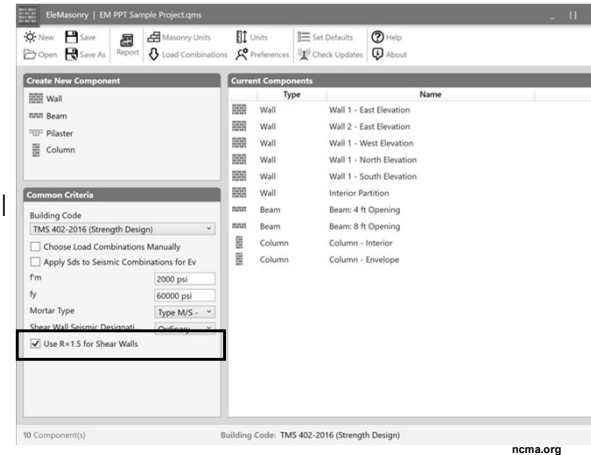
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Navigation: Universal Criteria

Defining Universal Design Criteria

- Assume elastic response



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Wall Design Module

Designing for In-Plane and Out-of-Plane Loads

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Wall Design Module

Inputs: Criteria Screen

Basic – Allows users to override the general project settings (if desired) for each element.

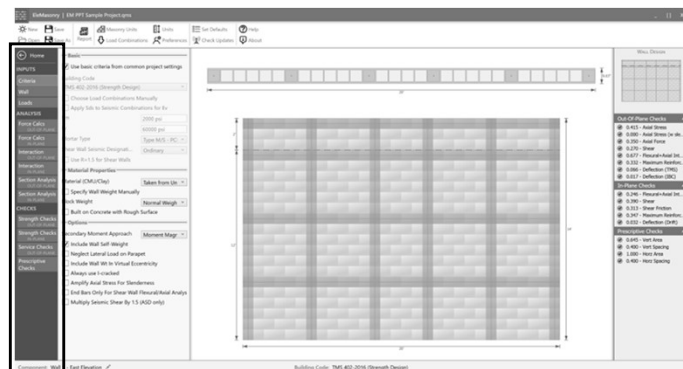
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Wall Design Module

Screen Navigation

- Design Inputs
- Structural Analyses
- Design Checks



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Wall Design Module

Inputs: Criteria Screen

Material Properties – Define the masonry as either clay or CMU. Defaults to unit type selected.

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Wall Design Module

Inputs: Criteria Screen

Material Properties – Specify wall density or allow the software to calculate based on CMU density.

Material Properties

Material (CMU/Clay) Taken from Un

☒ Specify Wall Weight Manually

Average Unit Weight 120 lb/ft³

☐ Built on Concrete with Rough Surface

Home

Basic

☒ Use basic criteria from common project settings

Criteria

Building Code TMS 402-2016 (Strength Design)

Wall

☐ Choose Load Combinations Manually

☐ Apply Sds to Seismic Combinations for Ev

ANALYSIS

Force Calcs OUT-OF-PLANE

f'm 2000 psi

f_y 60000 psi

Force Calcs IN-PLANE

Mortar Type Type M/S - PC

Interaction OUT-OF-PLANE

Shear Wall Seismic Designati... Ordinary

☐ Use R=1.5 for Shear Walls

Interaction IN-PLANE

Material Properties

Material (CMU/Clay) Taken from Un

☐ Specify Wall Weight Manually

Block Weight Normal Weigh

☐ Built on Concrete with Rough Surface

Options

Secondary Moment Approach P-Delta

☐ Include Wall Self-Weight

☐ Neglect Lateral Load on Para

☐ Include Wall Wt In Virtual Eccentricity

☐ Always use I-cracked

☐ Amplify Axial Stress For Slenderness

☐ End Bars Only For Shear Wall Flexural/Axial Analys

☐ Multiply Seismic Shear By 1.5 (ASD only)

Strength Checks OUT-OF-PLANE

Service Checks OUT-OF-PLANE

Prescriptive Checks

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Wall Design Module

Inputs: Criteria Screen

Design Options – Selecting second order analysis method.

Options

Secondary Moment Approach P-Delta

☐ Include Wall Self-Weight

☐ Neglect Lateral Load on Para

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Strength Checks OUT-OF-PLANE

Service Checks OUT-OF-PLANE

Prescriptive Checks

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Wall Design Module

Inputs: Criteria Screen

Material Properties – For shear friction checks, define interface at base of the wall.

Material Properties

Material (CMU/Clay) Taken from Un

☐ Specify Wall Weight Manually

Block Weight Normal Weigh

☒ Built on Concrete with Rough Surface

Home

Basic

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Criteria

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f'm 2000 psi

f_y 60000 psi

Force Calcs IN-PLANE

Mortar Type Type M/S - PC

Interaction OUT-OF-PLANE

Shear Wall Seismic Designati... Ordinary

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Interaction IN-PLANE

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Block Weight Normal Weigh

☐ Built on Concrete with Rough Surface

Options

Secondary Moment Approach Moment Magr

☒ Include Wall Self-Weight

☐ Neglect Lateral Load on Parapet

☐ Include Wall Wt In Virtual Eccentricity

☐ Always use I-cracked

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Strength Checks OUT-OF-PLANE

Service Checks OUT-OF-PLANE

Prescriptive Checks

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Wall Design Module

Option selected will be used for pass/fail design checks.

Options

Secondary Moment Approach Moment Magr

☐ Include Wall Self-Weight

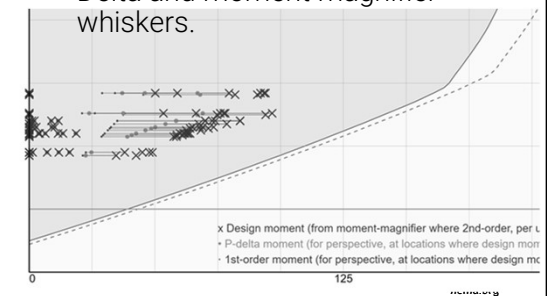
☐ Neglect Lateral Load on Para

☐ Include Wall Wt In Virtual Eccentricity

☐ Always use I-cracked

Second Order Checks:

Interaction diagram will plot P-Delta and moment magnifier whiskers.



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Wall Design Module

Inputs: Criteria Screen

Design Options – Option of including wall self-weight to design dead loads.
Alternatively, wall weight can be added under design loads.

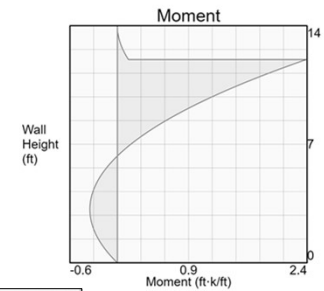
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Wall Design Module

Inputs: Criteria Screen

User Preference

Design Options – Discount beneficial contribution of lateral loads on the parapet.



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Wall Design Module

Inputs: Criteria Screen

User Preference

Design Options – Discount beneficial contribution of lateral loads on the parapet.

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Wall Design Module

Inputs: Criteria Screen

User Preference

Design Options – Include concentrically applied wall weight with eccentrically applied axial loads for buckling checks.

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Wall Design Module

Inputs: Criteria Screen

User Preference

Design Options – Always use cracked section properties; otherwise uses gross section properties for pre-cracking loads and cracked section properties for post-cracking.

The screenshot shows the 'Criteria' screen in the Wall Design Module. The 'Design Options' section is expanded, showing the following settings:

- ☒ Use basic criteria from common project settings
- Building Code: TMS 402-2016 (Strength Design)
- ☐ Choose Load Combinations Manually
- ☐ Apply Sds to Seismic Combinations for Ev
- Force Calcs: f'_m : 2000 psi, f_y : 60000 psi
- Mortar Type: Type M/S - PCI
- Shear Wall Seismic Designation: Ordinary
- ☐ Use R=1.5 for Shear Walls
- Material Properties: Material (CMU/Clay): Taken from Un
- ☒ Specify Wall Weight Manually
- Average Unit Weight: 120 lb/ft³
- ☒ Built on Concrete with Rough Surface
- Options:
 - Secondary Moment Approach: P-Delta
 - ☒ Include Wall Self-Weight
 - ☒ Neglect Lateral Load on Parapet
 - ☒ Include Wall Wt In Virtual Eccentricity
 - ☒ Always use I-cracked
 - ☐ Amplify Axial Stress For Slenderness
 - ☐ End Bars Only For Shear Wall Flexural/Axial Analysis
 - ☐ Multiply Seismic Shear By 1.5 (ASD only)

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Wall Design Module

Inputs: Criteria Screen

User Preference

Design Options – Neglect distributed vertical reinforcement for in-plane analysis; consider only lumped reinforced at the ends of the wall.

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Wall Design Module

Inputs: Criteria Screen

User Preference

Design Options – Scale axial load for slenderness checks. Only for ASD in the 2002 and 2005 TMS 402.

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Wall Design Module

Inputs: Criteria Screen

Design Options – For SDC D+, in-plane shear loads are increased by 1.5 for ASD.

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Wall Design Module

Inputs: Wall Screen

Dimensions – Define wall length and height, masonry unit width, and parapet height.

CMU - 10 in. ▼

CMU - 6 in.

CMU - 8 in.

CMU - 10 in.

CMU - 12 in.

CMU - 14 in.

CMU - 16 in.

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Section Analysis

OUT-OF-PLANE

Section Analysis

IN-PLANE

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Strength Checks

OUT-OF-PLANE

Strength Checks

IN-PLANE

Service Checks

OUT-OF-PLANE

Prescriptive Checks

Dimensions

Height 12 ft

Parapet Height 2 ft

Length 20 ft

Masonry Unit Size CMU - 10 in. ▼

Configuration

Bond Type Running ▼

Grouting Partial ▼

Reinforcement

Vertical Bar Size No. 5 ▼

Vertical Bar Layout (in cell) 1 Bar (Center) ▼

Vertical Bar Spacing 48 in

Horizontal Reinforcement Type Rebar (1 Bar) ▼

Horizontal Bar Size No. 4 ▼

Horizontal Bar/Wire Spacing 48 in

☐ Has Extra End Bars

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Wall Design Module

Inputs: Wall Screen

Reinforcement – Sets vertical and horizontal reinforcement preferences. Includes option for lumping vertical reinforcement at the ends of the wall.

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Horizontal Reinforcement Type Rebar (1 Bar) ▼

Horizontal Bar Size No. 4 ▼

Horizontal Bar/Wire Spacing 48 in

☒ Has Extra End Bars

End Bar Size No. 7 ▼

Cells With End Bars 2 ▼

Bars In Each Cell 2 Bars ▼

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Wall Design Module

Inputs: Wall Screen

Configuration – Set unit bonding and grouting preferences.

Running ▼

Running

Stack

Running ▼

Partial

Full

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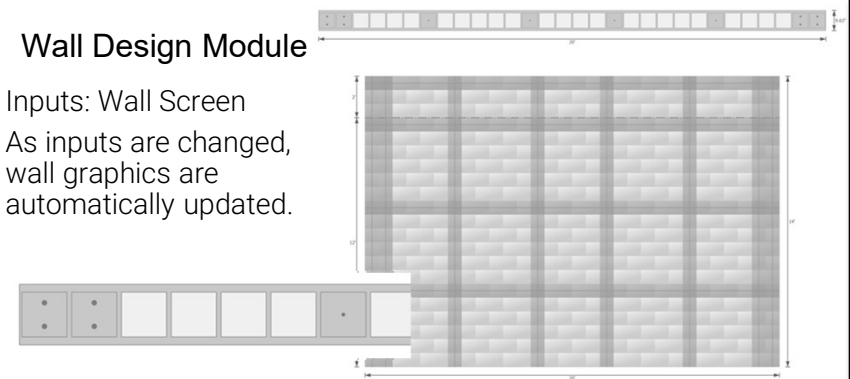
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Wall Design Module

Inputs: Wall Screen

As inputs are changed, wall graphics are automatically updated.



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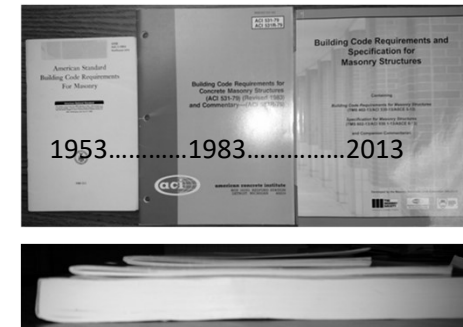
Questions?



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Why was Direct Design Created?

Code complexity...



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Direct Design

Direct Design – Structural Masonry Design Software (V3)

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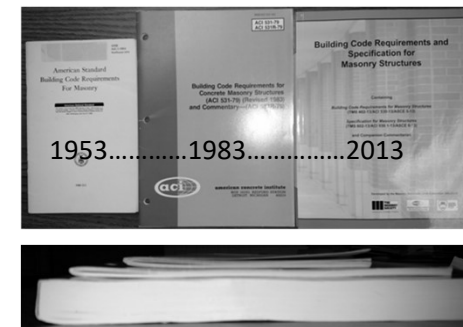
Why was Direct Design Created?

Code complexity...

1953 = 40 pages

1983 = 40 pages

2013 = 400 pages



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Why was Direct Design Created?

Codes (not just masonry) become more complex with each cycle. The Direct Design Software combines all the relevant structural masonry requirements in one package.



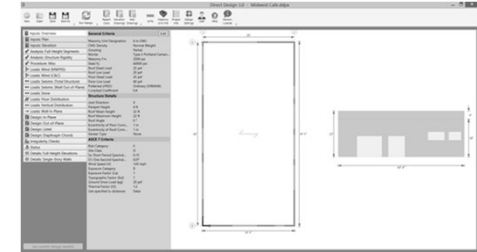
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Software Inputs

What you need to design a project:

- Building location; and
- Building dimensions

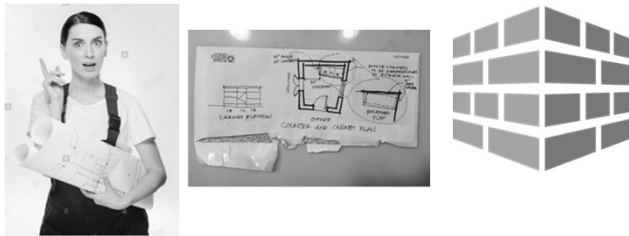


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Why was Direct Design Created?

Also in recognition that how we design has evolved.
We now go from idea...to concept...to design much faster.



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Software Inputs

Mapped Grout Snow Load

Need to know this...



Software will calculate this...



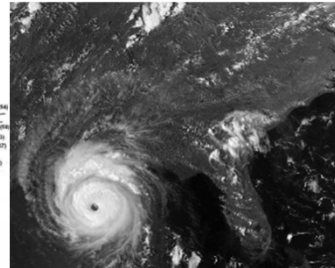
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Software Inputs

Mapped Wind Speed

Need to know this...



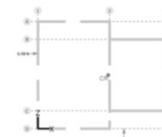
Software will calculate this...

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Software Outputs

Entire structural analysis calculations...



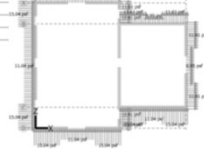
Vertical distribution factor (C_{v1}), Equation 12.8-12, p. 91:

$$C_{v1} = \frac{w_1 h_1 k}{\sum w_i h_i k} = \frac{(333.33 \text{ k})(12.00 \text{ ft})^{1.00}}{22,000.00 \text{ ft-k}} = 0.18$$

Lateral seismic force (F_1), Equation 12.8-11, p. 91:

$$F_1 = C_{v1} V = (0.18)(197.33 \text{ k}) = 35.88 \text{ k}$$

	Reactions at Base of Segment				Relevant Internal Forces			
	Axial Reaction (k)	In-plane Moment Reaction (ft-k)	Distributed Reaction Force Left Value (lb/ft)	Distributed Reaction Force Right Value (lb/ft)	Axial Force At Top (k)	Axial Force At Middle (k)	Out-of-plane Eccentric Moment At Top (ft-k)	Out-of-plane Eccentric Moment At Middle (ft-k)
Dead	2.76	-0.60	2,283.33	472.22	0.33	1.96	-0.06	-0.03
Snow	0.67	-0.28	750.00	-83.33	0.33	0.67	-0.06	-0.03
Wind _{CatC}	0.56	0.23	631.15	-70.82	0.28	0.56	-0.05	-0.02
Wind _{severe}	0.25	-0.10	276.15	-30.68	0.12	0.25	-0.02	-0.01
Seismic	-0.85	0.35	-948.35	102.16	-0.43	-0.85	0.07	0.04
10	0.18	-0.08					0.02	-0.01
11	-0.63	0.26					0.05	0.03
Rain	0.00	-0.21					0.00	0.00
12	0.00	3.74					0.00	0.00



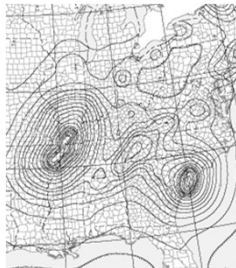
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Software Inputs

Mapped Spectral Accelerations

Need to know this...



Software will calculate this...

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Software Outputs

Entire structural analysis calculations...

Segment 1 in Wall along grid C from 2 to 3, Story 3

This segment is 16' 8" long and reinforced with 9 #6 bars.

✓ Moment check

$$\phi M_n = 1,426.40 \text{ ft-k}, M_u = 4.17 \text{ ft-k}$$

✓ Shear check

$$V_u = 203.69 \text{ k}, V_n = 287.03 \text{ k}, V_u = 345.55 \text{ k}, \phi V_n = 276.44 \text{ k}, V_{u, \text{Design}} = 184.38 \text{ k}, V_{u, \text{Design}} = 178.30 \text{ k}, V_u = 20.00 \text{ k}$$

✓ Deflection check

$$\delta_{u, \text{Total}} = 0.01 \text{ in}, \delta_{u, \text{Dead}} = 0.01 \text{ in}, \delta_{u, \text{Live}} = 1.20 \text{ in}, I_{gross} = 5,083,333.33 \text{ in}^4, I_{net} = 2,660,517.33 \text{ in}^4, I_{net} = 5,083,333.33 \text{ in}^4, I_{net} = 2,033,333.33 \text{ in}^4$$

✓ Rho Max check

$$\rho_s = 10.00 \text{ k}, \rho_{s, \text{max}, \text{SBE}} = 305.00 \text{ k}, \text{SBE condition 1 met} = \text{True}, M_u/V_u d_s = 0.60, \text{SBE condition 2 met} = \text{True}, A_{sv} = 1,525.00 \text{ in}^2, \text{True}, \rho_{sv} \text{ check required} = \text{False}, \epsilon_y = 0.00, \epsilon_{sv} = 0.00, A_{sv, \text{max}} = 225.88 \text{ in}^2, A_s = 3.96 \text{ in}^2$$

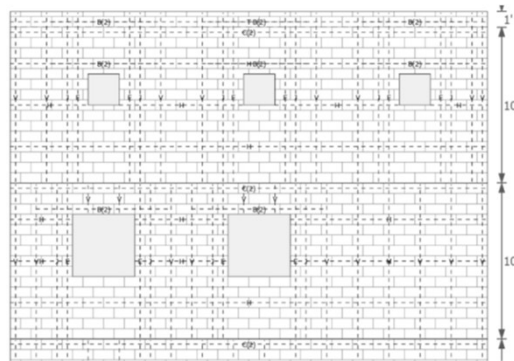
Step 3 - Structural Irregularities Check

The presence of irregularities impacts the design procedure and the general applicability of Direct Design.

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Software Outputs

To the final design...

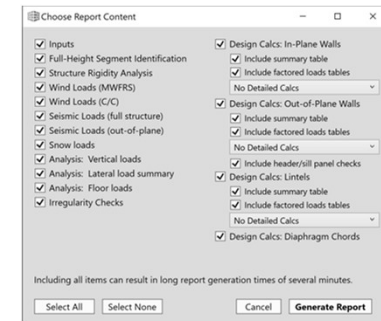


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Software Outputs

With options for detailed or summarized reports.



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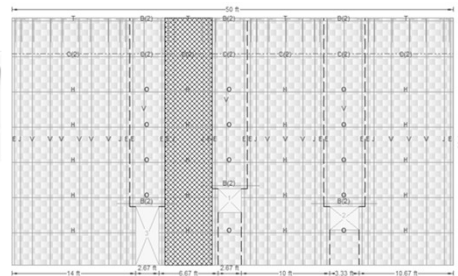
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Software Outputs

While flagging sections that the software couldn't find a solution to.

Code Compliance Status

- ✓ Wall Segments (In-Plane Loading): All 24 are passing
- ✗ Wall Segments (Out-of-Plane Loading): 3 out of 24 are failing
- ✓ Limits: All 10 are passing
- ✓ Diaphragm Levels (Chord Reinforcement): The design level in this structure passes
- ✓ Structure has no irregularities



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What Direct Design Does Not Do...

Does not design the diaphragms (roof/floor).

Does not design the foundation.

Does not design the connection system between the masonry and supports.

Limited to the structural and non-structural masonry components.

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Limitations

Mapped wind speed < 250 mph



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Limitations

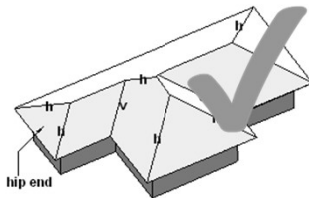
Architectural features



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Limitations

Building height < 60 feet.
No funky roofs.



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Limitations

- Cladding weight < 50 psf.
- No complex diaphragms.



3.2.8.4 Diaphragm Classification – Diaphragms shall be classified as either flexible or rigid in accordance with Table 3.2.8.4.

Table 3.2.8.4 – Diaphragm Classification

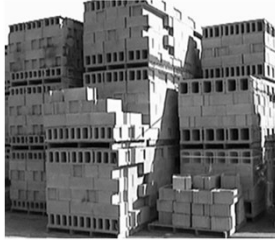
Diaphragm Construction	Diaphragm Classification
Wood structural panels	Flexible
Untopped steel decking	Flexible
Concrete slab	See Section 3.2.8.4.1
Concrete filled deck	See Section 3.2.8.4.1
Other – flexible diaphragm	Flexible
Other – rigid diaphragm	Rigid

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Limitations

- Standard ASTM C90 block.
- Grade 60 reinforcement.
- Conventional mortar and grout.
- No extreme loading (e.g., blast).



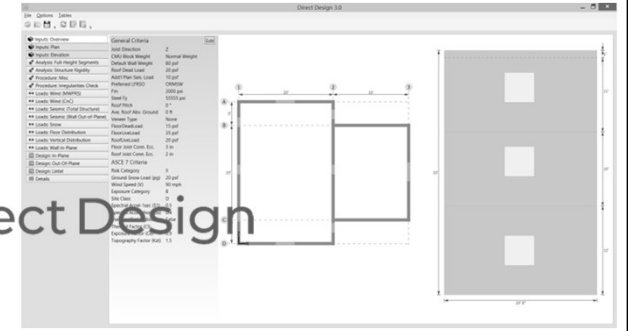
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Software Demo

Using the software...



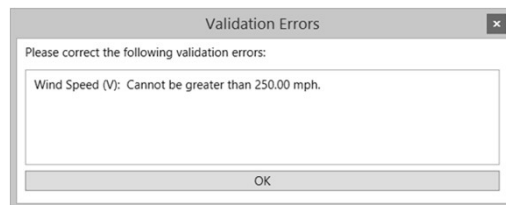
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Limitations

If a software input isn't covered by Direct Design, an error message will appear.



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Questions?



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Evolution of Concrete Masonry Design – Key Code Changes

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The Evolution of the CMU

Once upon a time...



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The Evolution of the CMU

- Concrete masonry unit/CMU
 - Cinder block
 - Cement/Concrete block
 - Breeze block
- Product of many names...



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The Evolution of the CMU



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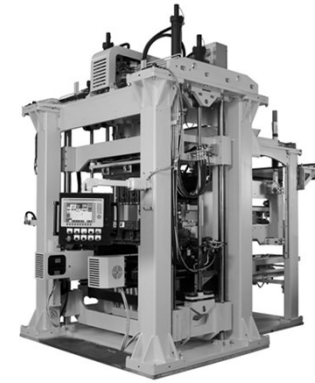
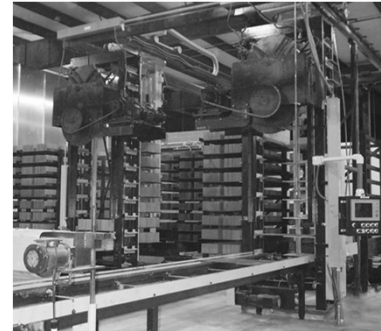
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The Evolution of the CMU



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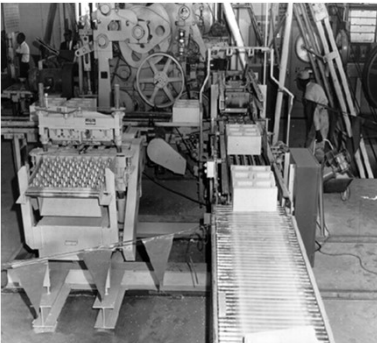
The Evolution of the CMU



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The Evolution of the CMU

- 1860s – first block machine patents issued.
- 1910s – unit dimensions standardized.
- 1924 – first version of ASTM C90 published; covered only the very basic properties.
- 1930s – advancements in manufacturing technology allowed thinner face shells and webs...to what end?

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The Evolution of the CMU

- 1940s – CMU configurations were standardized through ASTM.

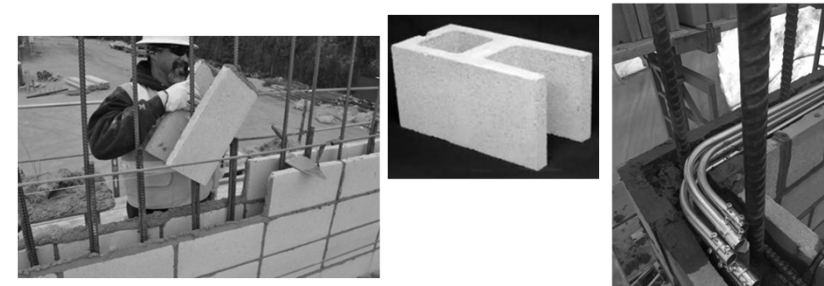
TABLE 1 Minimum Thickness of Face Shells and Webs^A

Nominal Width (W) of Units, in. (mm)	Face Shell Thickness (t_f), min, in. (mm) ^{B,C}	Web Thickness (t_w)	
		Webs ^{B,D,C} min, in. (mm)	Equivalent Web Thickness, min, in./linear ft ^E (mm/linear m)
3 (76.2) and 4 (102)	¾ (19)	¾ (19)	1½ (136)
6 (152)	1 (25)	1 (25)	2¼ (188)
8 (203)	1¼ (32)	1 (25)	2¼ (188)
10 (254) and greater	1¼ (32)	1½ (29)	2½ (209)

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The Evolution of the CMU

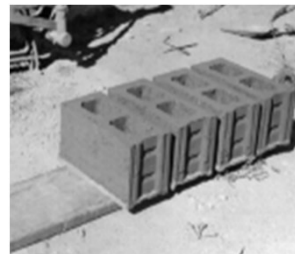
But the marketplace evolved faster than ASTM.



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The Evolution of the CMU

If visiting a job side in 1940 versus 2010, the CMU would look nearly identical.



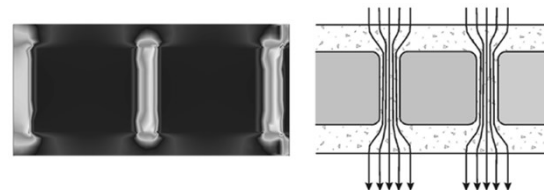
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The Evolution of the CMU

The big driver, however, was the push in recent years to reduce carbon footprints and increase energy efficiency.

- Heat flows through the webs.
- Reduce the webs – increase the R-value



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The Question:

Why do we need a three web, two cell unit??

Structurally, the webs play a key role in the performance/integrity of the assembly. Shear transfer for out-of-plane flexure, tensile splitting under axial compression, etc.

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The Findings:

A standard three web, two cell unit provides a worse case factor of safety of 37...about 10 times higher than what we generally target for a reasonable factor of safety.

Way, way more than what is needed.

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The Question:

Research followed to determine how much we is necessary...

$$I_n = \left(\frac{1}{12}\right)(15.625)(7.625)^3 - \left(\frac{1}{12}\right)(7.4375)(5.125)^3(2)I_n$$

$$= 410.4 \text{ in.}^4$$

$$Q = (1.25)(15.625)(3.1875) + (0.75)(2.5625)(1.28125)$$

$$Q = 64.7 \text{ in.}^3$$

$$b = 0.75 \text{ in.}$$

$$V = (220)(16)/12 = 293.3 \text{ lb}$$



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The Changes:

ASTM C90 was changed to allow less web(s) in CMU.

Sheets and Web Requirements⁴

Webs	
Web Thickness ^C (t_w), min, in. (mm)	Normalized Web Area (A_{nw}), min, in. ² /ft ² (mm ² /m ²) ^D
3/4 (19)	6.5 (45, 140)
3/4 (19)	6.5 (45, 140)
3/4 (19)	6.5 (45, 140)

ed in Test Methods C140.

if the split surface is permitted to have thickness less than those shown, but not less at apply and Footnote C establishes a thickness requirement for the entire faceshell. shall be not less than 3/8 in. (16 mm).

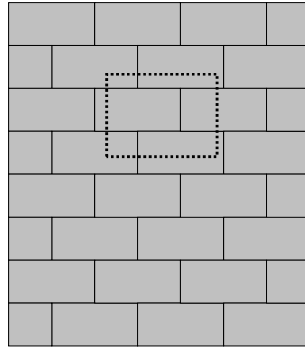
ed with grout. The length of that portion shall be deducted from the overall length of

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The Changes:

Literally, this new requirement means that for every square foot of wall surface, no less than 6.5 in.² of web must connect the front and back face shells, with no web measuring less than 0.75 in. in thickness.

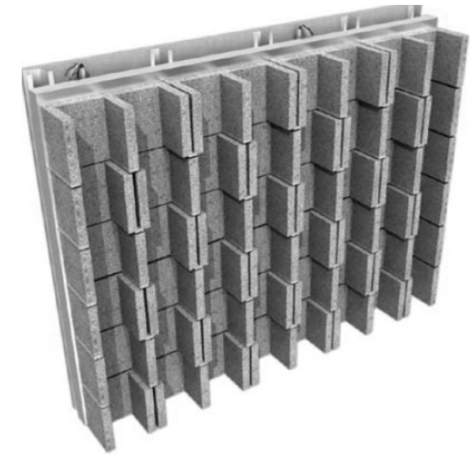


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The Changes:

Three web assembly:



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The Changes:

Today there is more flexibility in CMU configurations to meet varying project objectives/demands.



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The Changes:

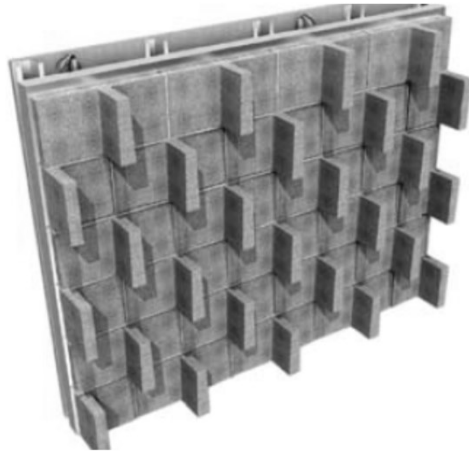
Two web assembly:



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The Changes:

One web assembly:



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Design Implications

Design of alternative web configurations is exactly the same, except if designing unreinforced masonry or if incorporating integral insulation – which requires a supplemental check of the web shear stresses.



$$f_v = \frac{VQ}{I_n b} \leq 1.5 \sqrt{f'_m}$$

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The Changes:

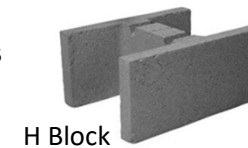
With the same aesthetic and functionality.



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Design Implications

Section Properties:



H Block



Corner Block

Stretcher
Block



A Block

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Design Implications

Section Properties:

		Three-Web Corner Unit	Three-Web Stretcher Unit
Face Shell	Net Area (An)	30.0	30.0
Bedding Only	Net MOI (In)	308.7	308.7
Full Mortar	Net Area (An)	38.6	38.6
Bedding	Net MOI (In)	327.6	327.6
Solid Grouted	Net Area (An)	90.1	84.3
	Net MOI (In)	440.2	427.5
Grout @ 16 in.	Net Area (An)	61.5	58.6
	Net MOI (In)	383.9	371.3
Grout @ 120 in.	Net Area (An)	34.2	33.8
	Net MOI (In)	317.9	317.0

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Design Implications



Summary:

While on the surface this change to ASTM C90 may appear radically substantive, in reality it simply brings the standards in line with today's practice.

Most importantly, it was implemented in such a way that concrete masonry is designed and constructed the same as it has been historically.

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Design Implications

Section Properties:

		Three-Web Corner Unit	Three-Web Stretcher Unit	A-Block	H-Block
Face Shell	Net Area (An)	30.0	30.0	30.0	30.0
Bedding Only	Net MOI (In)	308.7	308.7	308.7	308.7
Full Mortar	Net Area (An)	38.6	38.6	35.8	32.9
Bedding	Net MOI (In)	327.6	327.6	321.4	315.1
Solid Grouted	Net Area (An)	90.1	84.3	91.5	91.5
	Net MOI (In)	440.2	427.5	443.3	443.3
Grout @ 16 in.	Net Area (An)	61.5	58.6	65.8	NA
	Net MOI (In)	383.9	371.3	387.0	NA
Grout @ 120 in.	Net Area (An)	34.2	33.8	34.8	NA
	Net MOI (In)	317.9	317.0	319.0	NA

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Structural Design Properties

Changes to web requirements can increase the R-value of a CMU assembly by 50%...100%...200%...

Similar changes have also brought much more structural efficiency to concrete masonry.



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Structural Design Properties

Unit Strength Method – Historical

Table 2—Compressive strength of masonry based on the compressive strength of concrete masonry units and type of mortar used in construction

Net area compressive strength of concrete masonry units, psi (MPa)		Net area compressive strength of masonry, psi ¹ (MPa)
Type M or S mortar	Type N mortar	
—	1,900 (13.10)	1,350 (9.31)
1,900 (13.10)	2,150 (14.82)	1,500 (10.34)
2,800 (19.31)	3,050 (21.03)	2,000 (13.79)
3,750 (25.86)	4,050 (27.92)	2,500 (17.24)
4,800 (33.10)	5,250 (36.20)	3,000 (20.69)

¹ For units of less than 4 in. (102 mm) height, 85 percent of the values listed.

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Structural Design Properties

Unit Strength Method – New Research Data



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Structural Design Properties

Unit Strength Method – Historical

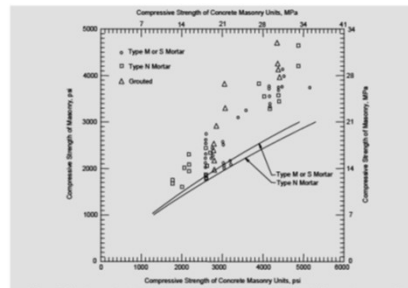


Figure SC-2—Compressive strength of concrete masonry versus compressive strength of concrete masonry units

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Structural Design Properties

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Net area compressive strength of concrete masonry, psi (MPa) ¹	Net area compressive strength of ASTM C90 concrete masonry units, psi (MPa)	
	Type M or S mortar	Type N mortar
1,750 (12.07)	—	2,000 (13.79)
2,000 (13.79)	2,000 (13.79)	2,650 (18.27)
2,250 (15.51)	2,600 (17.93)	3,400 (23.44)
2,500 (17.24)	3,250 (22.41)	4,350 (28.96)
2,750 (18.96)	3,900 (26.89)	—
3,000 (20.69)	4,500 (31.03)	—

¹ For units of less than 4 in. (102 mm) nominal height, use 85 percent of the values listed.

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Structural Design Properties

Unit Strength Method – New Research Data

Historically, ASTM C90 required a minimum CMU compressive strength of 1,900 psi. Now requires a minimum of 2,000 psi. Hence, stock materials will yield $f'_m = 2,000$ psi.

TABLE 2 Strength, Absorption, and Density Classification Requirements

Density Classification	Over-Dry Density of Concrete, lb/ft ³ (kg/m ³)	Maximum Water Absorption, lb/ft ³ (kg/m ³)	Minimum Net Area Compressive Strength, lb/in ² (MPa)
	Average of 3 Units	Average of 3 Units	Average of 3 Units
Lightweight	Less than 105 (1680)	18 (288)	20 (320)
Medium Weight	105 to less than 125 (1680–2000)	15 (240)	17 (272)
Normal Weight	125 (2000) or more	13 (208)	15 (240)

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Structural Design Properties

Resulting impacts:

- 18 ft wall, 8 in. CMU
- 40 psf wind pressure
- 3,000 lb/ft axial



Table 2 – Design Impact of TMS 402/602 Revisions		
Code Edition ¹	Reinforcement Size	Reinforcement Spacing
2009 IBC ²	No. 5	40 inches
2012 IBC ²	No. 5	48 inches
2015 IBC ³	No. 5	96 inches ⁴

¹The 2009, 2012, and 2015 editions of the IBC adopt the 2008, 2011, and 2013 editions of TMS 402/602, respectively.

² $f'_m = 1,500$ psi

³ $f'_m = 2,000$ psi

⁴Incorporating 9 gage bed joint reinforcement at 16 inches.

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Structural Design Properties

Using $f'_m = 2,000$ psi coupled with several updates to the design provisions for masonry offers free design efficiency.

$$\xi = 1.0 - \frac{2.3A_w}{d_p^{2.5}} \quad (\text{Equation 2-13})$$

$$\text{Where: } \frac{2.3A_w}{d_p^{2.5}} \leq 1.0$$

A_w is the area of the transverse bars at each end of the lap splice and shall not be taken greater than 0.35 in² (226 mm²).

2.3.4.2.2 The compressive stress in masonry due to flexure or due to flexure in combination with axial load shall not exceed $0.45 f'_m$ provided that the calculated compressive stress due to the axial load component, f_a , does not exceed the allowable stress, F_a , in Section 2.2.3.1.

(a) Grade 40 or Grade 50 reinforcement: 20,000 psi (137.9 MPa)

(b) Grade 60 reinforcement: 32,000 psi (220.7 MPa)

$$q_{inf} = 105(f'_m)^{0.75} t_{inf}^2 \left(\frac{\alpha_{arch}}{l_{inf}^{2.5}} + \frac{\beta_{arch}}{h_{inf}^{2.5}} \right) \quad (\text{Equation B-5})$$

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Questions?



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Air, Water, and Vapor Barriers – What's Really Required?

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Perception vs. Reality

Peeling the layers of building code requirements for layers...

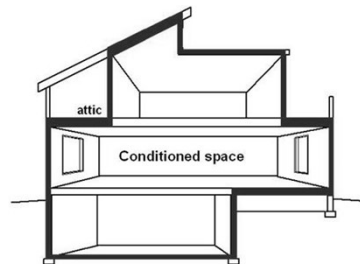


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Focus: Building Envelope

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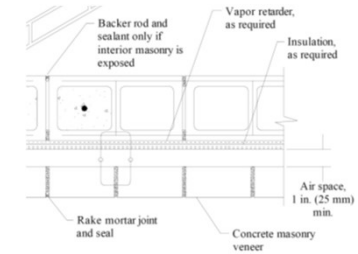
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Focus: Building Envelope

Components of the building envelope:

- Exterior Finish
- Water Control
- Thermal Control
- Air Control
- Vapor Control
- Structure
- Interior Finish



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Focus: Building Envelope

Components of the building envelope:

- Exterior Finish
- Water Control
- Thermal Control
- Air Control
- Vapor Control
- Structure
- Interior Finish



The riddle:
Each system (masonry,
wood, etc.) has different
Code requirements.

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Peeling the Envelope Layers

Components of the building envelope – Light Frame

- ✓ Exterior Finish
- ✓ Water Control
- ⚠ Thermal Control
- ⚠ Air Control
- ✓ Vapor Control
- ✓ Structure
- ✓ Interior Finish



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Peeling the Envelope Layers

Components of the building envelope – Masonry

- ✗ Exterior Finish
- ✗ Water Control
- ⚠ Thermal Control
- ⚠ Air Control
- ✗ Vapor Control
- ✓ Structure
- ✗ Interior Finish



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Peeling the Envelope Layers

Code doesn't treat all
systems the same

Code required layers for wood envelope:

- ✓ Exterior Finish
- ✓ Water Control
- ⚠ Thermal Control
- ⚠ Air Control
- ✓ Vapor Control
- ✓ Structure
- ✓ Interior Finish



Code required layers for CMU envelope:

- ✗ Exterior Finish
- ✗ Water Control
- ⚠ Thermal Control
- ⚠ Air Control
- ✗ Vapor Control
- ✓ Structure
- ✗ Interior Finish



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Barriers!

What's the difference?

AIR BARRIER. Material(s) assembled and joined together to provide a barrier to air leakage through the building envelope. An air barrier may be a single material or a combination of materials.

WATER-RESISTIVE BARRIER. A material behind an *exterior wall covering* that is intended to resist liquid water that has penetrated behind the exterior covering from further intruding into the *exterior wall assembly*.

VAPOR RETARDER CLASS. A measure of a material or assembly's ability to limit the amount of moisture that passes through that material or assembly. Vapor retarder class shall be defined using the desiccant method of ASTM E 96 as follows:

Class I: 0.1 perm or less.

Class II: $0.1 < \text{perm} \leq 1.0$ perm.

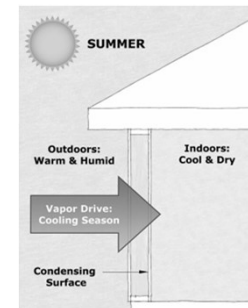
Class III: $1.0 < \text{perm} \leq 10$ perm.

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Barriers!

The issue with all vapor retarders.



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Barriers!

Vapor Retarders

Never required over CMU...usually required over wood/stud construction.

The IBC doesn't prohibit the use of vapor retarders with masonry (and may be needed in unique conditions...e.g., natatorium).

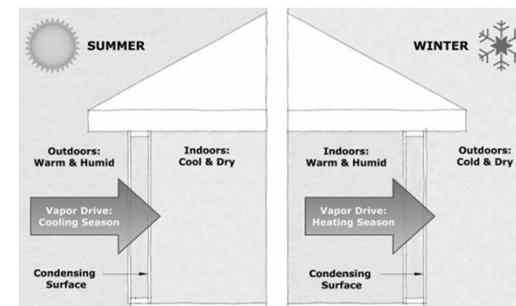
Unless you need a vapor retarder, lose it. It's just an added expense and is likely to cause more problems than it solves.

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The issue with all vapor retarders.



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Barriers!

Water-Resistive Barrier – Only required for masonry veneer over frame (wood/steel) construction. Not required for veneer over CMU backing.

Codes may not require a WRB...but that doesn't mean water penetration should be ignored.

- Use integral water repellents.
- Use surface sealers.
- Incorporate flashing (unless solid grouted).

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Barriers!

The assembly may already have a complying air barrier integrated into it.

Complying Materials:

- Solid grouted CMU...or...1/2 inch gypsum.

Complying Assembly:

- CMU with one coat of block filler or two coats of paint...or...brick masonry veneer.

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Barriers!

Air Barriers – Always required as part of a CMU assembly (with a few exceptions).

But check first!

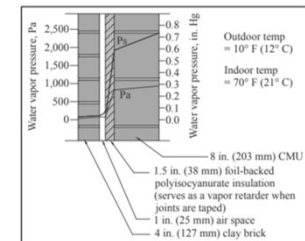
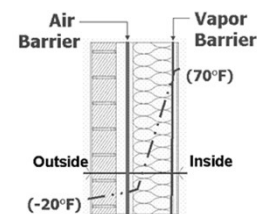


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Barriers!

These are not the same assembly...don't detail them the same.



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Targeted Performance

Detail masonry assemblies to allow them to breathe.



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When Layers Attack

Overall performance of the store was great, but was ~20 years old and in need of a face lift.

- New roof
- New paint (vapor permeable latex paint!)
- New HVAC
- Etc.

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When Layers Attack

Adding too many barriers...or placing them in the wrong location...can have unintended consequences.



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When Layers Attack

The result wasn't what they wanted...



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When Layers Attack

The cause:



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When Layers Attack

The cause:

- Although the paint they were using had a high perm rating, by applying multiple layers it had effectively become impermeable.
- The more efficient HVAC removed less moisture from the interior conditions space.

The interior moisture needed a place to go...

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When Layers Attack

The cause:



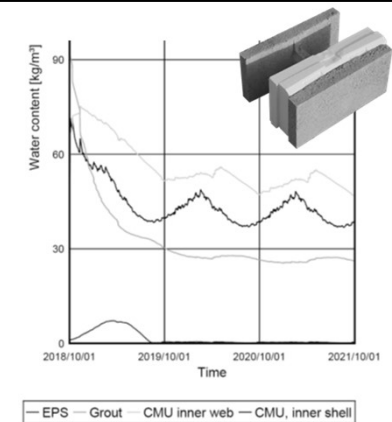
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When Layers Attack

Hygrothermal Analyses

- Natatorium
- Climate Zone 5
- Single Wythe CMU
- Integrally Insulated
- Finish:
 - Interior and Exterior: None



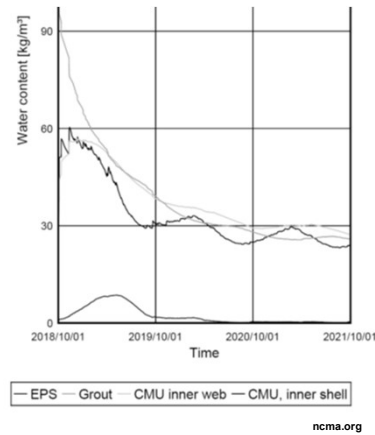
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When Layers Attack

Hygrothermal Analyses

- Natatorium
- Climate Zone 5
- Single Wythe CMU
- Integrally Insulated
- Finish:
 - Exterior: None
 - Interior: Paint (7 Perm)

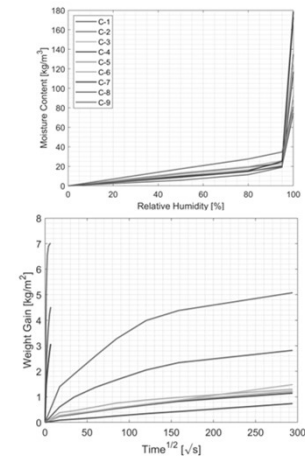


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When Layers Attack

Hygrothermal Analyses

CMU can hold a lot of water, doesn't pick it up from ambient water vapor in the atmosphere.

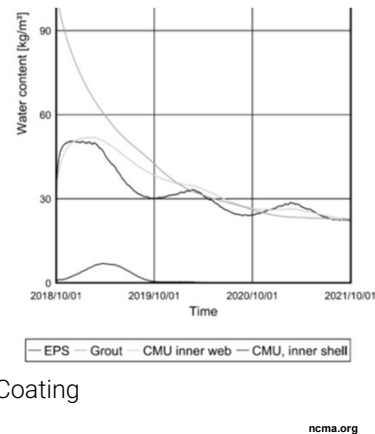


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When Layers Attack

Hygrothermal Analyses

- Natatorium
- Climate Zone 5
- Single Wythe CMU
- Integrally Insulated
- Finish:
 - Interior: Paint (7 Perm)
 - Exterior: Vapor Permeable Clear Coating



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Perceptions vs. Reality

FATHERHOOD: PERCEPTION



REALITY



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Perceptions vs. Reality!



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