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In 2001, Izquierdo joined Gov. Sila M. Calderón's administration as Secretary of Transportation and Public Works for the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico. He has served five years on the ACI Board of Direction, including two with the Executive Committee as Vice President. Izquierdo has served on committees in all aspects of the Institute, participated in several Institute Task Groups, and served as President of the Puerto Rico Chapter.



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6<sup>th</sup> International Workshop on Structural Concrete in the Americas

## Essential Requirements for Reinforced Concrete Buildings




### ACI 314.1, Committee ACI 314

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**American Concrete Institute, President 2003-2004**  
**Professionals and Land Surveyors Institute of PR, President 1994-1996**


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### Main features

- The document is intended for the design and construction of the reinforced concrete structure of new low-rise buildings of restricted occupancy, number of stories and area.
- The document is a tool to meet the code, not a replacement of the code.


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### Main features

- Small low-rise structures
- Simplified strength models and minimum dimensional requirements.
- Material and construction requirements aimed at the minimum strength grades.
- Self-contained -- loads, analysis, design, geotechnical and construction -- all in one!


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## Main features

- Earthquake resistance through walls.
- Automatic Code compliance.
- Lots of figures.
- Order follows the design process.
- The document and a hand calculator are required!


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## Content

- Introduction
- General requirements
- Definitions and nomenclature
- Structural system layout
- Loads
- General reinforced concrete requirements
- Floor system
- Solid slabs supported on girders, beams, joists, or reinforced concrete walls


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## Content

- Girders, beams, and joists
- Slab-column systems
- Columns
- Lateral-force resistance
- Reinforced concrete walls
- Other structural members
- Foundations
- Drawings and specifications
- Construction
- References


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## International implications

- Developed for the U.S. and international audience
- Has been used intensely overseas, especially in Latin America
- Is a vehicle to promote ACI 318 overseas


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## Educational implications

- Has enormous potential as a companion for the first reinforced concrete course.
- Was initially tested at Purdue University while it was being developed.
- Has been used as additional in Code seminars.
- Students love it!

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## Three great advantages

- Design checklists
- Concrete detailing
- Follows design process

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## Design Checklist example: General structural drawings

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- Complete and clear dimensions so that the building structure can be constructed without reference to other drawings;

**15.2.1**

- The size and shape of all individual structural members, such as footings, columns, walls, beams, joists and slabs, in plan, section, elevation, or schedules, or in some combination;
- Elevations at the bottom of footings and walls, floor and roof levels, elevations of brick ledges on walls, steps in wall footings, flow lines for drainage structures;
- The location and details of construction joints;
- Reinforcing bar quantity or spacing, position, shape, and size. These are often listed in separate schedules for columns, beams, joists, and slabs;
- The location and length of all lap splices;

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## CONCRETE DETAILING 7.9.3.2 - Reinforcement

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Fig. 7.22 — Reinforcement for two-way slabs supported by girders, beams, or reinforced concrete walls.

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## Relationship with the Code

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- The document was developed to be used as a vehicle to meet the design Code requirements in an easy, conservative, and simplified manner for buildings of limited area and height.
- It is made clear that the document does not constitute an alternative standard and it does not compete with the adopted code, but just helps with compliance to the code.
- It has not competed with 318 during the years since published.

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## Mandatory language

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- From its inception it was decided to develop the document in mandatory language.
- There were several reasons for this decision, but the most important was to stress that **the content of the document was not just a recommendation and that it should be followed to the letter.**
- This was the only way to be sure that the simplified procedures were applied properly to the structures and situations covered by the scope of the document.

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## Mandatory language

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If possible to revert the draft to mandatory language, as an added safeguard to prevent any misunderstanding by code adopting authorities and by users in general, we propose that a visible note is placed in the title page of the document stating something of the tone of:

“Warning —This document was drafted to constitute a vehicle for meeting the requirements of the documents it is based upon (ACI 318 and SEI/ASCE 7) and it was never intended for adoption as a Code or legal document by itself.”

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## HISTORY

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## ISO/TC 71 - 1995

ISO/TC 71 Plenary Meeting  
San Francisco, August 21-22, 1995

**PROPOSED TC 71/SC 5  
UNIFIED DESIGN CODE FOR DEVELOPING COUNTRIES**

**INTRODUCTION**

There has been frequent criticism that current reinforced concrete codes might be unnecessarily sophisticated for use in regions of the world where no advanced technology is available and engineering expertise is either not available, in-existent or of low quality. Although, most developing countries have adopted building codes based in world status documents, their use is limited to the larger cities where most well trained engineers reside. The need of having a document that could be employed in the design and construction of safe reinforced concrete structures of limited size is a world need. It has been proposed that ISO TC 71 establish a Sub Committee (SC 5) for the development of such a document.

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## ISO/TC 71 - SC 5, 1996

ISO - International Organization for Standardization

**ISO/TC 71 - Concrete, reinforced concrete and pre-stressed concrete  
SC 5 - Simplified Design Standard for Concrete Structures**

**Introduction**

During the sixth plenary meeting of Technical Committee 71 of ISO which took place in San Francisco, CA, USA, in August 1995, time was devoted to the discussion of the urgent worldwide need of a simplified international design standard for concrete structures. The plenary meeting agreed that there was sufficient support to establish a new subcommittee within ISO / TC71 to be named SC 5 - Simplified Design Standard for Concrete Structures. Thus the plenary instructed the secretariat of TC 71 to pursue the establishment and approval of this new subcommittee by ISO Technical Management Board (TMB). It was proposed that the secretariat of this new subcommittee be carried by Colombia. ISO TMB by resolution 21/1996 ratified the decision of ISO TC 71 of establishing SC 5 - Simplified design standard for concrete structures, and allocated the secretariat of this new subcommittee to ICONTEC (Colombia). ICONTEC nominated Mr. Luis E. Garcia as chairman of SC 5.

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## 1996

ISO - International Organization for Standardization

ISO Technical Committee 71 (ISO/TC 71)  
Concrete, reinforced concrete and pre-stressed concrete

Subcommittee 5 (SC 5)  
Simplified Design Standard for Concrete Structures

**DRAFT**


**Description of the  
Design Procedure  
under the  
Intended Document**

Instituto Colombiano de Normas Técnicas  
ICONTEC

Bogotá, COLOMBIA  
September 1996

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## Publication in Colombia (2002) and ACI (2002)



The Publication of **Essential Requirements for Reinforced Concrete Buildings** is the result of a collaboration agreement between the **American Concrete Institute** and two Colombian organizations: **Instituto Colombiano de Normas Técnicas y Certificación** and **Asociación Colombiana de Ingeniería Sísmica**.

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## Drafted in Colombia, reviewed by ACI before publishing in 2002

**Icontec/ACI Joint Drafting Committee**

The draft of the document was produced by a Joint Committee of Icontec - Instituto Colombiano de Normas Técnicas y Certificación (Colombian Institute for Technical Standards and Certification) and AIS - Asociación Colombiana de Ingeniería Sísmica (Colombian Association for Earthquake Engineering). The members of this Joint-Committee were:

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## PCA Request for Comm 314

**PCA**  
Portland Cement Association

May 21, 2004

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**RE: AIS-Icontec Building of Unknown Height**

Dear Sirs:

As we discussed on the last year meeting, PCA is requesting AIS to identify and publish national code for the simplified design of unknown height buildings. The request is for AIS to prepare a code consistent with the AIS, ACI, and ACI standards and to publish it in Spanish.

Name: Committee for Building of Unknown Height  
Title: AIS  
Address: Bogotá, Colombia  
Contact: Luis E. Garcia  
E-mail: luis.garcia@icontec.gov.co

We would:

1. Request you to provide information about the complexity of AIS 110 since the request is for a code that will be used for the design of buildings of unknown height. The code should be consistent with the AIS, ACI, and ACI standards and to publish it in Spanish.


2. Request you to provide information about the complexity of AIS 110 since the request is for a code that will be used for the design of buildings of unknown height. The code should be consistent with the AIS, ACI, and ACI standards and to publish it in Spanish.

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Very truly yours,  
Luis E. Garcia  
Chairman, Concrete Institute  
Instituto Colombiano de Normas Técnicas y Certificación (ICONTEC)

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## ...PCA Request for Comm 314

PCA market statistics for 2003 show that low-rise buildings (1 to 3 stories) make up 77%, and mid-rise buildings (4 to 7 stories) make up 16% of the total square feet of building construction. High-rise buildings (over 7 stories) make up only 7% of the total square feet of building construction. From PCA surveys, only 21% of the survey sample of architects and engineers designed high-rise buildings in 2003. Also, the use of concrete for low-rise buildings has dropped from 38.8% in 2001 to 29.6% in 2003 based on PCA analysis.

The complexity of the code causes engineers to charge more money to design concrete buildings and actually discourages engineers from using concrete for low-rise buildings. Therefore, there is a need for a simplified standard for the design of buildings of moderate height.


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## Committee 314


- Two Chairpersons since its creation:
  - Luis E. García
  - JoAnn Browning
- Task Group A
  - Revision of IPS-1, Essential Requirements for Reinforced Concrete Buildings
  - Chairman: José (Pepe) Izquierdo

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## REVISIONS: IPS-1 → 314.1


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## Phase I Revision

- Consistency of nomenclature
- Units
- Definitions


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## Phase II Revision

- Flowcharts for earthquake design
- Elevator shafts/openings design
- Details for earthquake design of columns
- Details for punching shear design
- Modifying shear wall nomenclature between various chapters

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## Phase III Revision

- Compliance with 318-08
- Submit to TAC
- Translation to Spanish

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**Phase IV Revision**

- Follow ACI-318 code cycle

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**IPS-1 Revisions Phase I**

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**Phase I Revision**

- Consistency of Notations
- Units
- Definitions

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**Notations**

**SUMMARIZED NOTATIONS OF IPS-1**

1. YELLOW MARKING INDICATES CONFLICTS OF NOTATIONS

2. SIMILAR DEFINITIONS HAS BEEN MERGED

$f'_c$	square root of specified compressive strength of concrete; the result has units of psi
$f_w$	depth of equivalent rectangular compressive stress block, in.
$l_w$	distance from edge of wall footing to the resultant of soil reaction in wall footing, in.
$\alpha$	parameter of Eq. (5-3)
$\beta$	factor affecting equivalent shear force due to unbalanced moment at column-slab connection in Eq. (9-3)
$a_g$	effective seismic peak ground horizontal acceleration in rock for short periods of vibration, expressed as a fraction of gravity, g
$A_1$	fraction of load that travels in short direction in two-way slabs-on-girders
$A_2$	area of an individual reinforcement bar or wire, in. <sup>2</sup>
$A_{2l}$	fraction of load that travels in long direction in two-way slabs-on-girders
$A_c$	bearing area of concrete, in. <sup>2</sup>
$A_{cs}$	area of core of spirally reinforced compression member measured to outside diameter of spiral, in. <sup>2</sup>
$A_c$	contact area of footing with soil, ft <sup>2</sup>
$A_g$	gross area of section, or area of concrete only excluding area of voids, in. <sup>2</sup>
$A_n$	gross area of section, in. <sup>2</sup>
$A_s$	area of additional hanger reinforcement where beams are supported by girders or other beams, in. <sup>2</sup>
$\theta$	horizontal angle between normal to wind exposed surface and wind direction, deg
$A_v$	effective cross-sectional shear area within a joint, in. <sup>2</sup>

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**...Notations**

Essential Requirements for R/C Buildings Chapter 3 — Structural System Layout

**CHAPTER 3 — STRUCTURAL SYSTEM LAYOUT**

**3.0 — NOTATION**

$h_w$  — story height of floor  $i$  measured from floor finish of story to floor finish of story immediately below, in.

$l_c$  — center-to-center span length, shortest distance between adjacent parallel column centerlines, in.

**3.1 — DESCRIPTION OF STRUCTURAL COMPONENTS**

The building structure shall be divided into components as described by 3.1.1 through 3.1.5:

**3.1.1 — Floor system**

The floor system consists of the structural members that comprise the floor of a story in a building. In Chapter 6, the different types of floor systems are described. The floor system can include girders, beams, joists, and the slab that spans between them or the slab only, where it is directly supported by columns, as in slab-column systems.

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**...Notations: Formula updates**

**4.15.4 — Required lateral strength in vertical structural members**

**4.15.4.1 — Structural walls.** At any story  $i$ , the factored lateral shear,  $V_w$ , that a wall should sustain is determined from Eq. (4-29). The summation in Eq. (4-29) should be performed for all walls with  $l_w$  parallel to  $V_w$ .

$$V_w = V_{w0} \frac{b_w \cdot l_w^2}{\sum (b_w \cdot l_w^2)} + \Delta V_{wt} = V_{w0} \frac{b_w \cdot l_w^3}{\sum (b_w \cdot l_w^3)} + \Delta V_{wt} \quad (4-29)$$

where  $V_{w0}$  is the factored story shear (4.13.3) in the direction parallel to  $l_w$ ,  $b_w$  and  $l_w$  are the cross-sectional dimensions of the wall, and  $\Delta V_{wt}$  is the increase in shear due to torsion, determined from Eq. (4-30).

The increase in shear,  $\Delta V_{wt}$ , in the wall due to torsion, should be determined using Eq. (4-30). The value of  $\Delta V_{wt}$  from Eq. (4-30), parallel to  $l_w$ , should be used in Eq. (4-29).

$$\Delta V_{wt} = T_{ix} \frac{y \cdot k_x}{k_t} \Delta V_{t,ax} = T_{iy} \frac{x \cdot k_y}{k_t} \Delta V_{t,ay} = T_{ix} \frac{y \cdot k_x}{k_t} \Delta V_{t,ax} = T_{iy} \frac{x \cdot k_y}{k_t} \Delta V_{t,ay} \quad (4-30)$$

where  $T_{ix}$  is determined from 4.13.5,  $x$  and  $y$  are determined from Eq. (4-25);  $k_x$  and  $k_y$  are determined

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## Text Revisions

Unfinished, green concrete	2.2
Bluminous, smooth surface	1.5
Liquid applied	1
Single ply sheet	0.7
Wood sheathing	3.0 (per in. thickness)
Wood shingles	3

4.5.3.2 — **Standing non-structural elements.** Standing non-structural elements shall include all construction material whose vertical dimension is substantially greater than the minimum horizontal dimension and are either free standing, supported by the vertical structural members or attached to them, or span vertically from floor to floor. These elements shall include, but are not to be limited to, facades, non-structural walls, partitions, wall coverings, veneer, architectural ornaments, windows, doors, and vertical ducts for services. In office buildings or other buildings where partitions will be erected or rearranged, provision for partition weight should be made, whether or not partitions are shown on the architectural drawings. Dead Load should be included as uniform vertical loads per unit area of horizontal surface in lb/ft<sup>2</sup>.

**Table 4.6 — Standing non-structural elements minimum dead loads - coverings for walls**

Component	Load (lb/ft <sup>2</sup> ) per ft <sup>2</sup> of vertical surface (multiply by the height of element in ft. to obtain line loads in lb/ft)
Curtain wall for walls	

*Curtain wall for walls*

## Text revisions

Essential Requirements for R/C Buildings Chapter 7 — Solid Slabs on Girders, Beams, Joists, or Walls

7.3.5.3 — **Cut off points.** No more than one-half of the positive moment reinforcement required to obtain the required flexural strength at mid-span, shall be permitted to cut off at the locations indicated in 7.7 to 7.9 for each slab type, no more than one-half of the positive moment reinforcement required to obtain the required flexural strength at mid-span.

7.3.5.4 — **Reinforcement splicing.** It shall be permitted to lap splice. The remaining positive moment reinforcement may be lap spliced between the cut-off point and the opposite face of the support.

7.3.5.5 — **Embedment at interior supports.** Positive moment reinforcement cut off at an interior support shall be extended to the opposite face of the support.

7.3.5.6 — **End anchorage of reinforcement.** Positive moment reinforcement perpendicular to a discontinuous edge shall extend to the edge of the slab and shall end with a standard hook.

7.3.6 — **Negative moment reinforcement**

7.3.6.1 — **Description.** Negative moment reinforcement shall be provided in the amounts and lengths required in Chapter 7, and shall comply with the requirements of 7.3.4, 7.3.6, and the particular requirements for each slab type as set forth in 7.5 to 7.9. The design moment strength of a section based on the provided area of negative moment reinforcement shall be equal to or greater than the required flexural strength.

## Definitions

**Crosstie** — Continuous reinforcing bar having a 135° seismic hook at one end and a hook not less than 90° with at least a six-diameter extension at the other end. The hooks shall engage peripheral longitudinal bars. The 90° hooks of two successive crossties engaging the same longitudinal bars shall be alternated end for end.

**Curing** — Action taken to maintain moisture and temperature conditions in a freshly placed cementitious mixture to allow hydraulic cement hydration and (if applicable) pozzolanic reactions to occur so that the potential properties of the mixture may develop. Curing is performed by keeping the concrete damp for a period of time, usually several days, starting from the moment it is cast, in order for the cement to be provided with enough water to hydrate and obtain the intended strength. Appropriate curing will greatly reduce shrinkage, increase concrete strength, and reduce surface cracking. Curing time will depend on temperature and relative humidity of surrounding air, the amount of wind, the direct sunlight exposure, the type of concrete mixture used, and other factors.

**Curtain wall** — Walls that are part of the façade or enclosure of the building that do not form part of the gravity load system. See also partitions.

## Phase II - Revisions

## Phase II Revision

- Flowcharts for earthquake design
- Elevator shafts/openings design
- Details for earthquake design of columns
- Details for punching shear design
- Modifying shear wall nomenclature between various chapters

## Design with earthquake

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graph TD
    Start([Start]) --> DivStr[Division of the structure]
    DivStr --> DivSlabs[Division of the slabs]
    DivSlabs --> FloorSlabs[Floor slabs]
    FloorSlabs --> LateralLoads{Lateral loads?}
    LateralLoads -- No --> StructSlabs[Structural slabs]
    LateralLoads -- Yes --> ChangeMember[Change member section and recalculate loads if necessary]
    StructSlabs --> Girders[Girders]
    Girders --> Columns[Columns]
    Columns --> Foundation[Foundation]
    ChangeMember --> AreDimensionsOK{Are dimensions OK?}
    AreDimensionsOK -- No --> ChangeMember
    AreDimensionsOK -- Yes --> StructDesign[Structural design]
    StructDesign --> Construction[Construction]
    
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## Elevator and stair openings

**7.9 — TWO-WAY SOLID SLABS SPANNING BETWEEN GIRDERS, BEAMS, OR REINFORCED CONCRETE WALLS**

**7.9.1 — Dimensional requirements**

Two-way solid slabs supported on all edges shall comply with the minimum depth requirements of 6.5.4. In addition to the requirements of 7.9, two-way slabs shall comply with the general dimensional requirements set forth in 1.3 and the particular requirements of 6.1.2 for slab-on-girder systems. Ducts, shafts, and slab openings shall comply with the requirements of 6.6.

The following restrictions shall be in effect for the use of the procedure of 7.9:

- (a) There are at least two spans;
- (b) The span lengths shall be approximately equal, and the shorter of two adjacent spans shall not be less than 90% of the longer span (1.3);
- (c) The supporting girders or beams shall be monolithic with the slab and shall have a total depth not less than 3 times the slab thickness;
- (d) A slab with elevator and stair core openings shall be considered continuous if the floor slabs are supported on a continuous beam around the opening, integrated into the core walls;
- (e) Loads are uniformly distributed, and
- (f) Unit live load,  $q_u$ , does not exceed three times unit dead load,  $q_d$ .

The slab panel shall be divided, in both directions, into central and border regions. The central region shall be the central half of the panel, and the border regions shall be two, one-quarter regions adjacent to both sides of the central region (Fig. 7.14).

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## Columns splices for seismic zone

The diagram illustrates the requirements for column splices in seismic zones. It shows a column with lap splices for longitudinal reinforcement. Key features include:
 

- Confinement zone:** A central zone of length  $\ell_c \geq h_c/6$  and  $\geq 20$  in.
- Lap splices:** Longitudinal lap splices shall be made in the central zone. The length of the lap splice is  $\geq 6 \text{ in.}$  and  $\leq 1.3 \ell_c$ .
- Joint transverse reinforcement:** Required as specified by 11.5.4.3.
- Confinement zone hoop spacing:**  $\leq 4 \text{ in.}$  and  $\leq \lambda_s \ell_c / 6$ .
- Maximum of 50% of long rebar can be spliced.**

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## Transverse reinforcement for beams with seismic design

The diagram shows the cross-section of a beam with transverse reinforcement. Key details include:
 

- Stirrups with seismic hooks:** Provided in the beam.
- Spacing (S):**  $S \leq \begin{cases} d/4 \\ 8d_s (\text{long. Bar}) \\ 24d_s (\text{hoop Bar}) \\ 12 \text{ in.} \end{cases}$
- Other dimensions:**  $\leq 2"$  and  $S \leq d/2$ .

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## Shear wall nomenclature

(a) An arbitrary origin location is assumed.  
 (b) The lateral stiffnesses,  $k_x$  and  $k_y$ , of all walls are defined relative to the direction of the force relative to the direction of the members, in terms of the building total load effect for vertical surfaces the absolute values should be added.

For structural walls with length of the walls parallel to the x axis:

$$k_x = \frac{b_w^3 \ell_w}{h_{pi}^3} \quad \text{and} \quad k_y = \frac{b_w^3 \ell_w}{h_{pi}^3} \quad (4-24a)$$

Or, for structural walls with length of the walls parallel to the y axis:

$$k_x = \frac{\ell_w^3 \cdot b_w}{h_{pi}^3} \quad \text{and} \quad k_y = \frac{\ell_w^3 \cdot b_w}{h_{pi}^3} \quad (4-24b)$$

Where  $b_w$  is the web width of section, or wall width,  $\ell_w$  is the horizontal length of wall, and  $h_{pi}$  is the story height.

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## Lateral loads

$\sum_{i=1}^n (v_i \cdot h_i)$

**4.12 — SOIL WEIGHT AND LATERAL PRESSURE**

The design of basement walls and similar approximately vertical elements below grade shall include the lateral pressure of adjacent soil following the requirements of Chapter 14.

**4.13 — LATERAL FORCES**

**4.13.1 — General**

The lateral forces prescribed in Chapter 4 should be used in design. The simultaneous occurrence of lateral forces with other forces and loads should be evaluated using the load combination requirements of 4.2. A continuous load path from the application point of the lateral force to the lateral force-resisting

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## Wind Loads

**4.10.3.1 — Pressure coefficients for a building.** The pressure coefficients in Table 4.14 shall be used for the computation of the wind forces on a building. It must be noted that coefficients reflect the direction of the force relative to the direction of the members, in terms of the building total load effect for vertical surfaces the absolute values should be added.

**Table 4.14 — Pressure coefficients for the building as a whole**

Type of surface	$C_{pe}$	
	Total Building	Windward
<b>Vertical surfaces</b>		
Prismatic rectangular buildings	1.30	0.80
Partially open surfaces ( $C_{pe}$ applies over gross area)		
10% open	1.30	0.80
20% open	1.20	0.75
40% open	1.10	0.70
60% open	0.80	0.60
80% open	0.50	0.25
<b>Horizontal roof surfaces</b>		
Enclosed buildings	1.00	0.65
Buildings with one or two open sides ( $C_{pe}$ applies over 1/3 of the roof area for windward) ( $C_{pe}$ applies over 2/3 of the roof area for leeward)	-1.50	-1.25
<b>Sloping roof surfaces</b>		
Roof angle measured with respect to a horizontal line		
0 - 15°	-0.70	-0.50
15 - 30°	-0.60	-0.40
30 - 45°	-0.50	-0.30

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## Slab column system reinf. Detail

Slab reinf. for shortest span to be located as close as concrete cover requirements permit (5.4.1)

Slab-column detail

Slab reinf. for longest span to be located attached to shortest span slab reinf.

Minimum of two continuous bars through column

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## Phase III & IV

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## Phase III Revision

- Compliance with 318-08, ASCE-7, IBC
- Committee approved
  - First ballot was approved october 2008
- Submit to TAC - 2009
- Translation to Spanish – 318 S? Colombia?

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## IPS-1 or 314.1

- The discussion if the document will be an update of IPS-1 or a new 314 document has a lot of implications.
- The agreement signed for the original IPS-1 can be updated having the Colombian institutions (AIS and Icontec) keep the copyright for the Spanish version and the clause on a joint update process be trim to be a review when 314 is finishing or have finished the update.
- By moving toward ACI 314.1, the IPS-1 name will be lost, yet we can try to get in the cover anyway such as "formerly published as IPS-1".
- It will be a ACI document, Colombia technical Societies will retain the Spanish copyright for the document.

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## TAC Review process

- 11/02/09 TAC review group sent **150 pages of commentaries** to 314.
- A meeting was held at the 2009 Fall Convention to discuss the multiple remarks because some of the comments of the reviewers were contradictory.
- TAC review accepted reorganizing the comments and issued an approval subject to properly answering TAC comments.

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## ...TAC Review Process

- Tony Nanni and Ken Bondy were very supportive of the review process. Three philosophical issues to be solved:
  - Mandatory or not mandatory. Dan Falconer explained that all other committee reports use the word *should* and there has been no problem with them.
  - Compliance with ASCE 7, IBC and 318. After a long discussion on this issue they agree that load tables, etc., should remain. We feel that by doing some more explaining and using the phrase: "this document is intended to comply" will satisfy them.
  - Contradictory remarks.

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## ...TAC Review Process

- Present status:
  - For solving all commentaries with IBC, ASCE 7 and 318, a new section was introduced.
  - There were 120 pages of commentaries related to definitions. It was solved by adopting 318 definitions. The main reason is that 314 is intended for Buildings, so it should follow such definitions. If there was no 318 definition, the definitions in CT were used. For terms not defined by ACI, 314 definitions remained.
  - All other TAC commentaries will be ready for an April 2010 committee ballot.
- TAC final review Summer 2010.

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## TAC Comments Response

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## ...TAC Review Process

- Some other good news about 314.1:
  - Both EAC and IC want to do a road show after publication. By having the English and Spanish version in both systems of units, it will apply to many countries and regions.
  - Committee 318S is willing to do the Spanish translation in order to maintain the standardized technical Spanish language approved for 318.

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## The End

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## DIFFERENCES BETWEEN ACI 318-08 AND ARGENTINA ACI 318 BASED CODE

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### DIFFERENCES BETWEEN ACI 318-08 AND ARGENTINA ACI 318 BASED CODE

Argentina is one of the few countries in the Americas that have changed from national and European to US based Codes.

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### DIFFERENCES BETWEEN ACI 318-08 AND ARGENTINA ACI 318 BASED CODE

- Due to the strong influence of German and Italian engineers at the beginning of the XX century, Argentina used the German concrete code, DIN 1045, along that century.
- In the 90's it became clear that it was necessary to replace the old DIN 1045 by a code based on one of the two main world concrete code systems: Eurocode or ACI.
- After a long discussion, in 2002 the CIRSOC ("Centro de Investigación de los Reglamentos Nacionales de Seguridad para las Obras Civiles") adopted ACI 318 as the base code for the concrete building code in Argentina.

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### DIFFERENCES BETWEEN ACI 318-08 AND ARGENTINA ACI 318 BASED CODE

1944 - National basic rules  
1972 - INPRES  
2000- Now  
New Zealand Influence  
SEISMIC ZONE  
25% country construction

XX century -  
German/Italian practice  
1978-CIRSOC  
1978-2005  
GERMAN - DIN 1045  
NON SEISMIC ZONE  
75% country construction

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### DIFFERENCES BETWEEN ACI 318-08 AND ARGENTINA ACI 318 BASED CODE

- From the Argentine experience in adopting ACI code and Latin-American experience in recent earthquakes
- What should be considered by ACI to be more international, particularly for our countries?
  - Non seismic zones - ACI 318 USA - Argentina differences
  - Seismic zones - ACI 318 USA - Argentina differences
  - Seismic zones special needs
    - Essential facilities
    - Low-cost buildings
    - Non engineering or self construction

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### DIFFERENCES BETWEEN ACI 318-08 AND ARGENTINA ACI 318 BASED CODE

#### NON SEISMIC ZONE

A committee of experts was designated to adapt the ACI Code to the European construction practice prevalent in Argentina. The policy of the committee was to change as few items as possible. However, some changes had to be done due to the European tradition of using smaller bar diameters and bar spacing.

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### Ties and stirrups minimum diameter

ARGENTINA (EUROPE)

Ø6mm

USA

Ø9.5mm(No10)

2.5 Area

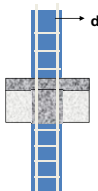
2.5 of ties volume increase to control buckling of main reinforcement in usual buildings

The experience of one century in Argentina was successful.

The economical impact of the change in diameter would have been large without a justification for that change.

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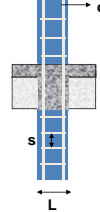
### Ties and stirrups minimum diameter – Impact on lateral reinforcement for compression members



ARGENTINA – ACI 318		USA – ACI 318	
$d_b$	$d_s$	$d_b$	$d_s$
$\leq 16mm$	6mm	$\leq 32mm$	10mm
$\leq 25mm$	8mm	$> 32mm$	13mm
$\leq 32mm$	10mm		
$> 32mm$	12mm		

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### Ties and stirrups minimum diameter – Impact on lateral reinforcement for compression members




ARGENTINA – ACI 318		USA – ACI 318	
$s \leq \begin{cases} 12d_b \\ 48d_s \\ L_{min} \end{cases}$		$s \leq \begin{cases} 16d_b \\ 48d_s \\ L_{min} \end{cases}$	

The DIN 1045 values were maintained

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### Maximum bar spacing for main reinforcement

The maximum spacing was reduced due to the smaller diameters used in Argentina




ARGENTINA – ACI 318		USA – ACI 318	
$s \leq \begin{cases} 2.5h \\ 300mm \\ 25d_b \end{cases}$	Walls and Slabs	$s \leq \begin{cases} 3h \\ 450mm \end{cases}$	
$s \leq \begin{cases} d/2 \\ 400mm \end{cases}$	Shear Reinforcement	$s \leq \begin{cases} d/2 \\ 600mm \end{cases}$	

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
### DIFFERENCES BETWEEN ACI 318-08 AND ARGENTINA ACI 318 BASED CODE

#### SEISMIC ZONE



NEW ZEALAND INFLUENCE

- Column Confinement



USA – ACI 318  $Ash \geq 0.3 \frac{bc f'_c}{f_y t} (Ag/Ach - 1)$

ARGENTINA – SEISMIC CODE

$Ash \geq 0.30 \left( 1.30 - \rho \frac{f_y}{0.85 f'_c} \right) s \frac{bk/Pu}{f_y t Ach} - 0.006 s bk$

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### DIFFERENCES BETWEEN ACI 318-08 AND ARGENTINA ACI 318 BASED CODE

#### SEISMIC ZONE

NEW ZEALAND INFLUENCE - Column Confinement

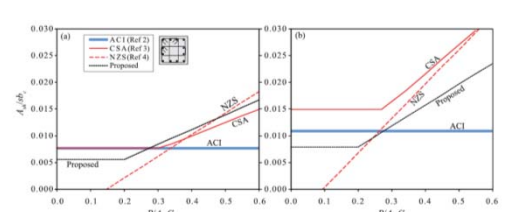



Fig. 1: Comparison of confinement provisions (per References 2, 3, and 4 and Eq. (3)) applied to a 24 x 24 in. (600 x 600 mm) column with  $A_g/A_c = 1.3$  and 12 No. 9 (No. 30M) bars: (a)  $f'_c = 5$  ksi and  $f_y = 60$  ksi; (b)  $f'_c = 100$  ksi, and  $f_y = 75$  ksi (1 ksi = 6.89 MPa)

Concrete International Dec 2009 - Kenneth J. Elwood et al

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### FROM RECENT EQS: SEISMIC ZONES SPECIAL NEEDS

- Essential facilities: hospitals, telecommunications, power, main bridges and highways
  - Not operational after the earthquake (even modern infrastructure)
- Low-cost buildings
  - Several buildings collapse due to professional ignorance or human errors
- Non engineering or self construction
  - Haiti (220,000 deaths) mostly in poor neighborhoods



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### FROM RECENT EQS: SEISMIC ZONES SPECIAL NEEDS

- Essential Facilities:** Hospitals, telecommunications, power, main bridges and highways

**Importance factor** do not guarantee that the facility remain operational after the EQ

Occupancy Category	I
I or II	1.0
III	1.25
IV	1.5

**PERFORMANCE-BASED SEISMIC CODE**


EARTHQUAKE DESIGN LEVEL	EARTHQUAKE PERFORMANCE LEVEL			
	Fully Operational	Operational	Life Safe	Near Collapse
Frequent (475 years)				
Occasional (72 years)				Unacceptable Performance (for new construction)
Rare (475 years)				
Very Rare (975 years)				

Diagonal lines in the matrix indicate: **BASIC OBJECTIVE** (top-right to bottom-left), **DESIGN OBJECTIVE** (middle), and **SAFETY CRITICAL OBJECTIVE** (bottom-left to top-right).

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### FROM RECENT EQS: SEISMIC ZONES SPECIAL NEEDS

- Low-cost buildings:** It is necessary to provide standard engineers and architects with a very simplified code




To impulse the IPS1 "Requisitos Esenciales para Edificios de Concreto Reforzado"

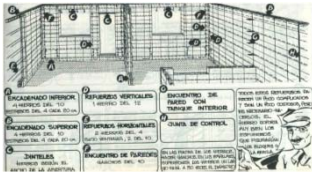
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### FROM RECENT EQS: SEISMIC ZONES SPECIAL NEEDS

- Non Engineering or self construction:** It is necessary to provide people with prescriptive and graphical guidelines



Haiti today: Reconstruction with same detailing (Eduardo Fierro presentation)



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### DIFFERENCES BETWEEN ACI 318-08 AND ARGENTINA ACI 318 BASED CODE

#### CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR A MORE INTERNATIONAL ACI CODE AND GUIDELINES

From the Argentine experience in changing from European/NZ to ACI Codes:


- ACI 318 should consider the use of smaller bar diameters (6mm and 8mm for ties and stirrups) and the possible effects on bar spacing
- ACI 318 should consider a new proposal for column confinement (dependency of axial load)

From Latin-American experience in recent earthquakes:


- There are urgent needs in seismic zones
  - Essential facilities..... Performance-based Seismic Code
  - Low-cost buildings..... Simplified Code - Impulse the Essential Requirements for RC Buildings
  - Non engineering or Self construction.... To develop Prescriptive recommendations (Graphical presentations like "comics")

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