# Study on Seismic Behavior of RC Structures with Different Parameters of Haunched Beam

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Abstract— Demand of haunch beam is high for column free spaces in a building. Haunch beams are those having thicker cross section at the supports when compared with its middle section. Haunches are generally provided at the bottom of the beam which requires no modification to the beam top flange thereby minimizing the need to remove or alter the floor slab. Rigid moment connections are established between the beams and columns by adequate haunch beam design. This study performs the analysis of Reinforced Concrete framed structures with Haunched beams. Many high-rise buildings have recently adopted the use of haunched beams. This paper emphasizes the effects of different configurations of Haunched beams on the seismic response of a structure and the main purpose is to carry out the non-linear static analysis on RC building frames of ten storey at seismic zones IV considering IS 1893 (Part 1): 2002 and compare the results of analysis (base shear and natural period, hinge formation pattern).

Keywords— Haunched beam, Pushover analysis, Performace point, Hinge pattern, Natural time period

## I. INTRODUCTION

There is a greater demand for seismic evaluation and retrofitting of existing buildings due to the widespread damage to the structure caused due to earthquake. So the design should be done in such a way that they perform the function satisfactorily and economically. In a reinforced concrete building, loads acting on them are mainly carried and transferred by beams. When span increases as in case of soft storey structures, bending moment and shear force increases substantially at the center of the span and over the supports. Prismatic beams are uneconomical in such situations. In such cases, non-prismatic beams are the sufficient solution.

Haunched beams are most commonly used in bridge structures, portal frames, cantilever retaining walls etc where span is comparatively high. Cross-section of the beam can be made non-prismatic by varying its width, haunch depth, haunch length or by varying both haunch depth and length along their length. Haunched beams are used to make the efficient use of concrete and steel, to reduce the weight of the building, to increase the headroom, etc.

Pushover analysis is an approximation analysis method in which the structure is subjected to monotonically increment lateral forces is applied to the structure until a target displacement is achieved. In the proposed model, different parameters of haunched beams such as symmetric variation in haunch depth and haunch length are considered and nonlinear static analysis like pushover analysis is done. Seismic Vincy Koshy Assistant Professor Department of Civil Engineering SAINTGITS College of Engineering, Pathamuttom Kottayam, India

performance are thus evaluated from its base shear displacement curve, performance point and hinge pattern.

## I. CASE STUDY DETAILS

To evaluate the performance of haunched beams, a 10 storey RC structure are considered. It is consisting of four bays in both the directions. The spacing along X and Y directions is 8m and the story height of 3m is provided. The frame is located in seismic zone IV.

### A. Design data

| a) | Live load       | : 3.0 kN/m <sup>2</sup> at each    |
|----|-----------------|------------------------------------|
|    |                 | floors                             |
|    |                 | : 1.5 kN/m <sup>2</sup> on terrace |
| b) | Earthquake load | : As per IS-1893                   |
|    |                 | (Part 1)2002                       |
| c) | Type of soil    | : Type II, Medium soil as          |
|    | per             |                                    |
|    |                 | IS:1893                            |
| d) | Storey height   | : 3m                               |
| e) | Floors          | : G.F + 9 upper floors.            |
| f) | Walls           | : 230 mm thick brick               |
|    |                 | masonry                            |
| g) | Seismic zone    | : Zone IV                          |
|    |                 |                                    |

## B. Building frame details

| a) | No. Bays along X direction | on      | : 4     |
|----|----------------------------|---------|---------|
| b) | No. Of bays along Y direc  | ction   | :4      |
| c) | Spacing along X axis       |         | : 8m    |
| d) | Spacing along Y axis       |         | : 8m    |
| e) | Story height               |         | : 3m    |
| f) | No. Of floors              |         | : G + 9 |
| g) | Column sizes : 300mm       | n x 450 | Omm,    |
|    | 400m                       | m x 9   | 00mm    |
| h) | Size of beam :             |         |         |
|    |                            |         |         |

Width : 300mm Haunch length and depth are varied Accordingly

i) Slab: 150mm thick



Fig. 1. Plan of building frame



Fig. 2. 3D model of haunched beam frame

| TABLE I. | Details of symmetric | variation in | haunch depth |
|----------|----------------------|--------------|--------------|
|----------|----------------------|--------------|--------------|

| Si<br>No. | Model | Haunch<br>length                          | Size of haunched beam      |                                |               |
|-----------|-------|---|----------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------|
|           |       | (mm)<br>1/5 <sup>th</sup> (clear<br>span) | Depth at<br>support<br>(mm | Depth at<br>midsection<br>(mm) | Width<br>(mm) |
| 1.        | A1    | 160                                       | 500                        | 300                            | 300           |
| 2.        | A2    | 160                                       | 600                        | 300                            | 300           |
| 3.        | A3    | 160                                       | 700                        | 300                            | 300           |
| 4.        | A4    | 160                                       | 800                        | 300                            | 300           |
| 5.        | A5    | 160                                       | 900                        | 300                            | 300           |

TABLE II. Details of symmetric variation in haunch length

| Si<br>No. | Model | odel Haunch<br>length | Size of haunched beam       |                                |               |
|-----------|-------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------|
|           |       | ( <i>mm</i> )         | Depth at<br>support<br>(mm) | Depth at<br>midsection<br>(mm) | Width<br>(mm) |
| 1.        | B1    | 150                   | 500                         | 300                            | 300           |
| 2.        | B2    | 200                   | 500                         | 300                            | 300           |
| 3.        | B3    | 250                   | 500                         | 300                            | 300           |
| 4.        | B4    | 300                   | 500                         | 300                            | 300           |
| 5.        | B5    | 350                   | 500                         | 300                            | 300           |

## **III. RESULTS OBTAINED**

## C. Fundamental Time Period (sec.)

The natural period of a structure is its time period of undamped free vibration. It is the first modal time period of vibration. Variation of fundamental Time Period for various frames are shown in table V and VI. TABLE III. Time period and mode shapes obtained from modal analysis for haunch depth variation

| Si<br>no | Model | Time<br>period(s) | Mode shape(mode 1)  |
|----------|-------|-------------------|---------------------|
| 1.       | A1    | 2.03862           | V translation       |
| 2.       | A2    | 1.98654           | Y translation       |
| 3.       | A3    | 1.94852           | Yesteven and herein |
| 4.       | A4    | 1.92237           | Y translation       |
| 5.       | A5    | 1.90557           | Y translation       |

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| Si        | model | Time period(s) | Mode shape(mode 1)   |
|-----------|-------|----------------|----------------------|
| <b>no</b> | B1    | 2.04719        | Vendered at least    |
| 2.        | B2    | 2.00520        | Yearslation          |
| 3.        | B3    | 1.96756        | Y translation        |
| 4.        | B4    | 1.92781        | Y translation        |
| 5.        | B5    | 1.91612        | Productive for tweet |

## TABLE VI. time period obtained from modal analysis for haunch length

TABLE VI. : Variation of Performance Point (X & Y Direction) for symmetric haunch depth variation

| Si  | Haunch        | PUSH X             |                     | PUSH Y             |                     |
|-----|---------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| No. | depth<br>(mm) | Base shear<br>(kN) | Displacement<br>(m) | Base shear<br>(kN) | Displacement<br>(m) |
| 1.  | 500           | 7032.57            | 0.146               | 6210.610           | 0.168               |
| 2.  | 600           | 7055.126           | 0.147               | 6210.554           | 0.169               |
| 3.  | 700           | 7092.122           | 0.146               | 6228.486           | 0.169               |
| 4.  | 800           | 7097.612           | 0.146               | 6246.416           | 0.171               |
| 5.  | 900           | 7117.88            | 0.146               | 6248.58            | 0.171               |

TABLE VII. : Variation of Performance Point (X & Y Direction) for symmetric haunch length variation

| Si  | Haunch<br>length<br>(mm) | PUSH X             |                     | PUSH Y             |                     |
|-----|--------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| No. |                          | Base shear<br>(kN) | Displacement<br>(m) | Base shear<br>(kN) | Displacement<br>(m) |
| 1.  | 150                      | 7126.161           | 0.146               | 6294.716           | 0.171               |
| 2.  | 200                      | 7253.889           | 0.142               | 6354.351           | 0.166               |
| 3.  | 250                      | 7504.697           | 0.139               | 6523.756           | 0.162               |
| 4.  | 300                      | 8411.802           | 0.138               | 7374.717           | 0.163               |
| 5.  | 350                      | 9046.280           | 0.139               | 7746.39            | 0.165               |







Fig. 4. Base shear variation for different haunch length frames

# D. Pushover analysis

To examine the performance point of the building frame in terms of base shear and displacement, non-linear static pushover analysis is performed on the above building frames. Various pushover cases such as push down, push X, push Y are considered during the analysis. The various load combinations are considered for this purpose. After pushover analysis, the demand curve and capacity curves are obtained and hence the performance point of the structure. The base shear for PUSH X load case and for PUSH Y at performance point for various configuration of haunched beam frames are listed in the table below:



Fig. 5. Hinge pattern in X direction for frame with haunch depth of 500mm



Fig. 6. Hinge pattern in X direction for frame with haunch depth of 600mm



Fig. 7. Hinge pattern in X direction for frame with haunch depth of 700mm



Fig. 8. Hinge pattern in X direction for frame with haunch depth of 800mm



Fig. 9. Hinge pattern in X direction for frame with haunch depth of 900mm



Fig. 10. Hinge pattern in X direction for frame with haunch length of 150mm



Fig. 11. Hinge pattern in X direction for frame with haunch length of 200mm



Fig. 12. Hinge pattern in X direction for frame with haunch length of 250mm



Fig. 13. Hinge pattern in X direction for frame with haunch length of 300mm



Fig. 14. Hinge pattern in X direction for frame with haunch length of 350mm

### CONCLUSION

- 1. Building designed with IS 1893:2002 found to have an efficient performance under given earthquake.
- 2. Frames with lower haunch length members have lesser base shear when compared with higher haunch length member frames as the stiffness increases with increase in haunch depth.
- 3. When the length is increased from 150mm to 350mm for the haunched beam at support section, base shear gets increased by about 26%
- 4. Variation in haunch length have a slight effect on higher storey displacements
- 5. Collapse hinges were mainly located in mid-storey beams till point E in case of haunch length varied frames. Full collapsed beams were found at lower haunch length frames. As haunch length increases, the overall stiffness of frame increases and as a result hinge concentrates much on lower storey beams.

- 6. Frames with lower haunch depth members have lesser base shear when compared with higher haunch depth member as the stiffness is low.
- 7. Variation in haunch depth don't have much effect on higher storey displacements
- 8. The hinges were found at lower storey till the point D in case of haunch depth varied frames. At lower haunch depth frames, collapse hinges were found to propagate towards the upper storey beams while at higher haunch depth, hinge concentrates much on lower storeys
- 9. Natural time period decreases with increase in haunch depth and length.
- 10. The presence of non-prismatic member can affect the seismic behaviour of frame structure In general, we can conclude that increase in haunch depth and length can increase the seismic performance of a structure due to increase in stiffness of the overall structure.
- 11. In haunched building frames, collapse hinges are mainly concentrated at lower storey beams.

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