

# ANALYSIS OF FLAT SLAB BY USING ETABS (G+4)

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## ABSTRACT

*Flat slabs are a type of construction that eliminates the usage of beams, which are commonly utilised in traditional ways of construction. The slab sits directly on the column, transferring the load from the slab to the columns and subsequently to the foundation. The term "Flat Slab" refers to a slab having walls. As a result, substantial bending moments and shear forces emerge around the columns. These forces cause concrete to crack and may cause the slab to fail, hence a bigger area at the top of the column, known as the column head/capital, is required. The purpose of this study is to show how flat plate/slab construction is used in India. Following the applications in buildings, a comparison of flat plate/slab structure designs based on Indian Standard 456:2000[1] is shown. Different countries have chosen different methods for designing flat slabs based on local constraints and material availability, and have provided guidance in their individual codes. The current study provides information on the parameters max strip moments, base shear, max storey displacement, and storey drift in accordance with IS 456:2000 code regulations. Flat slabs are commonly utilised in office buildings because of their low formwork costs, quick excavation, and simple installation.*

**Key words:** Flat slab, Multi storied Building, Analysis of slab.RCC, bending moment.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

The loads are passed directly to the supporting concrete columns because there are no beams or girders. Both vertical and lateral weights are applied to them. The design is governed by lateral loads caused by wind and earthquakes rather than vertical loads. Architects and clients alike choose flat slabs for their creative and financial benefits. This type of reinforced concrete building has more benefits than framed structures, but it also has some drawbacks, such as punching failure and greater deformation. A flat slab is a reinforced concrete slab that is supported directly by concrete columns rather than using intermediary beams. C.A.P. Turner built flat slabs in the United States in 1906, mostly employing intuitive and intellectual ideas, which marked the beginning of this form of construction. Between 1910 and 1920, several slabs throughout the United States were load-tested. Flat slab floor systems are particularly common in nations where cast-in-place construction is the prevalent method of construction because they offer several benefits in terms of architectural flexibility, space use, ease of formwork, and construction speed. Formwork costs are decreased, excavation is completed quickly, and installation is simple. Columns, slabs, and beams are commonly used in traditional frame construction. However, it may be conceivable to create without beams; in this scenario, the frame system would consist of a slab and column with no beams. Because their behaviour matches that of flat plates, these slabs are referred to as flat slabs. The loads are transferred directly to the supporting concrete columns without the need of beams and girders. Both vertical and lateral weights are applied to them. The design is governed by lateral loads caused by wind and earthquakes rather than vertical loads.

## 2. LITREATURE REVIEW

- **Dr. U. Gupta et al.** found about flat slab structures which are more flexible than traditional RC frame structures, thus becoming more susceptible to seismic loading. Therefore, the seismic behaviour of flat slab buildings suggest that supplementary measures for design of these structures in seismic zones were required. To improve the performance of structure, provision of shear walls was suggested by the author. The object of the author was to study the effect of shear walls on the performance of these structures under seismic forces. This study provides us a decent source of

information on the parameters like lateral displacement and storey drift [1].

- **K. G. Patwari et al.** studied the effects of the flat slab structure having shear walls with different locations for different heights of the building. The behaviour of Flat slab structure and shear wall structure was investigated with the help of three models by Time History analysis carried out by ETABS Software. The study concluded that the Natural time period of the conventional structure is more compared to the flat slab structure because of monolithic construction [2].
- **Manu K V et al.** observed the behaviour of various buildings models by keeping the plan symmetrical for all the models. The building modelled as conventional slabs, flat slab building with drop and without drop, flat slab with shear wall. This study concluded that lateral displacement and storey drift is minimum at plinth level, Base shear value is maximum at plinth level, also the Natural period increases as number of stories increases [3].
- **Devta** studied the linear analysis of regular framed structure and flat slab structure building. The investigation concluded that the flat slab have low base shear capacity and large deflection. The study of flat slab with shear wall and regular framed structure also conducted. It concluded that the performance of the flat slab is improves with the use of shear wall. The study states that the performance of regular framed structure is better than that of flat slab structure the investigation also concluded that with the use of shear wall, the seismic performance of the flat slab structure is much more improves. [4].
- **Mohana H.S** studied about the behavior of G+5 commercial building using ETABS for different study focused on the performance of the both the structure under various loading condition and also studies the behavior of both the structure for various parameters like base shear, lateral displacement, storey drift, axial force. This study concluded that base shear of flat slab is 6% more as compared to RC slab. This study also concluded that design axial force on flat slab is 5.5% more than that of RC structure. As the seismic level increases all the parameters like base shear, storey drift, lateral displacement and the axial force are increases. [5].
- **SYED ASIM AMANI et al.** The lateral behavior of a typical flat slab building which is designed according to I.S. 456- 2000 is evaluated by means of dynamic analysis. The inadequacies of these buildings are discussed by means of comparing the behavior with that of conventional beam column framing. Grid slab system is selected for this purpose. To study the effect of drop panels on the behavior of flat slab during lateral loads, flat plate system is also analyzed. Zone factor and soil conditions -- the other two important parameters which influence the behavior of the structure, are also covered. Software ETABS is used for this purpose. In this study relation between the number of stories, zone and soil condition is developed [6].

### 3. Proposed work

A flat slab is a reinforced concrete slab with or without drops, supported by columns with or without flared heads and often without beams. A flat slab can be solid or have recesses made on the soffit, resulting in a soffit with a series of ribs running in both directions. Filler bricks, either permanent or removable, can be used to create the recess. A flat slab is a reinforced concrete slab that is strengthened in two or more directions to transfer loads acting normal to its plane to supporting columns without the use of a beam or girder." The above definition is fairly broad, and it includes all of the many types of column- supported two-way slabs stated above. As previously stated, the code technique is based on the elastic analysis of equivalent frames under gravity loads and closely follows the ACI code version of 1997. The I.S code, unlike the unified code method, does not elaborate on the specific example of a two-way slab with beams along column lines. B. Design Principles The analysis of flat slabs can be done in three ways.

1. Direct Design Method (DDM)
2. Equivalent Frame Method (EFM)
3. Finite Element Method (FEM)

#### 3.1 About Etabs Software:

Computers and Structures Inc.'s "ETABS- Extended 3D Analysis of Building Systems" is a product. It's a type of engineering software that's employed in the construction industry. It offers sophisticated structure analysis and design software tailored to multi-story building systems. Modelling tools and templates, code-based load prescriptions, analysis methodologies, and solution strategies are all part of the integrated system. It can handle the most sophisticated and huge building models and setups. The ETABS software includes CAD-like drawing tools with a grid representation and an

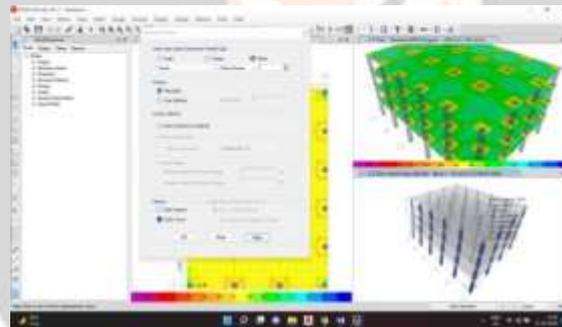
object- based interface.

1. It's a piece of construction software.It tests the load-bearing capacity of building structures and analyses and assesses seismic performance. Using this software, you can view and manipulate the analytical model with great accuracy. Plans and elevation views are auto-generated at every grid line.
2. You may inspect and manipulate the analytical model with remarkable precision with this software. At every grid line, plans and elevation views are generated automatically.
3. For the analysis of concrete shear walls and concrete moment frames,ETABS software is employed. It is well-known for static and dynamic analyses of multi-story frame and shear wall structures.
4. It is one of the most widely used civil design tools in the construction sector, and it helps structural engineers work more efficiently. It also saves time and money by avoiding the use of general-purpose software.
5. ETABS' input, output, and numerical solution methodologies are specifically developed to take use of the unique physical and numerical properties of building type structures. As a result, data preparation, output interpretation.

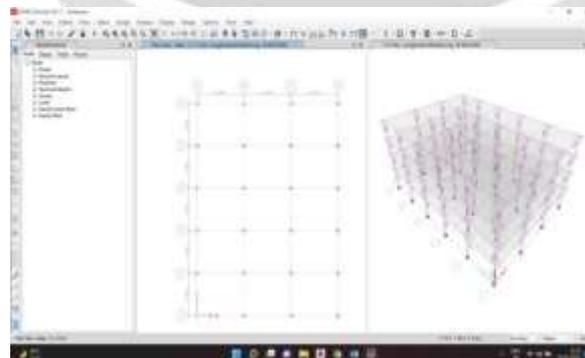
### 3.2 Objectives:

- To study the performance of flat slab and conventional slab structure subjected to various loads and conditions.
- The behaviour of both structures was investigated for factors such as storey shear, storey displacement drift ratio, and axial forces.

### 3.3 Comparing the conventional and software values for validation:



**FIG-1: MAX<sup>m</sup> & MIN<sup>m</sup> STRESS DETAILS**



**FIG-2: AFTER DESIGN THE SECTION IS SAFE**

#### 4. CONCLUSION

- For all models in flat slab construction, the results for Punching Shear and Strip Moments criterion are satisfied in both circumstances (manual design and software analysis).
- For all models, the Design Base Shear for zone-3 & soil type-3 is substantially higher in flat slab without drop than in flat slab with drop.
- In square slab construction, the Design Base Shear is substantially higher than in rectangular slab construction.
- In both rectangular and square slabs, the Natural Period value does not vary greatly.
- Storey Drift values follow a parabolic pattern along floor height for all models investigated, with the greatest value laying the third storey for flat slab with drop building and the fourth storey for flat slab without drop building.

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