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# ***T-Wall Design Procedure FLAC to Procedure***

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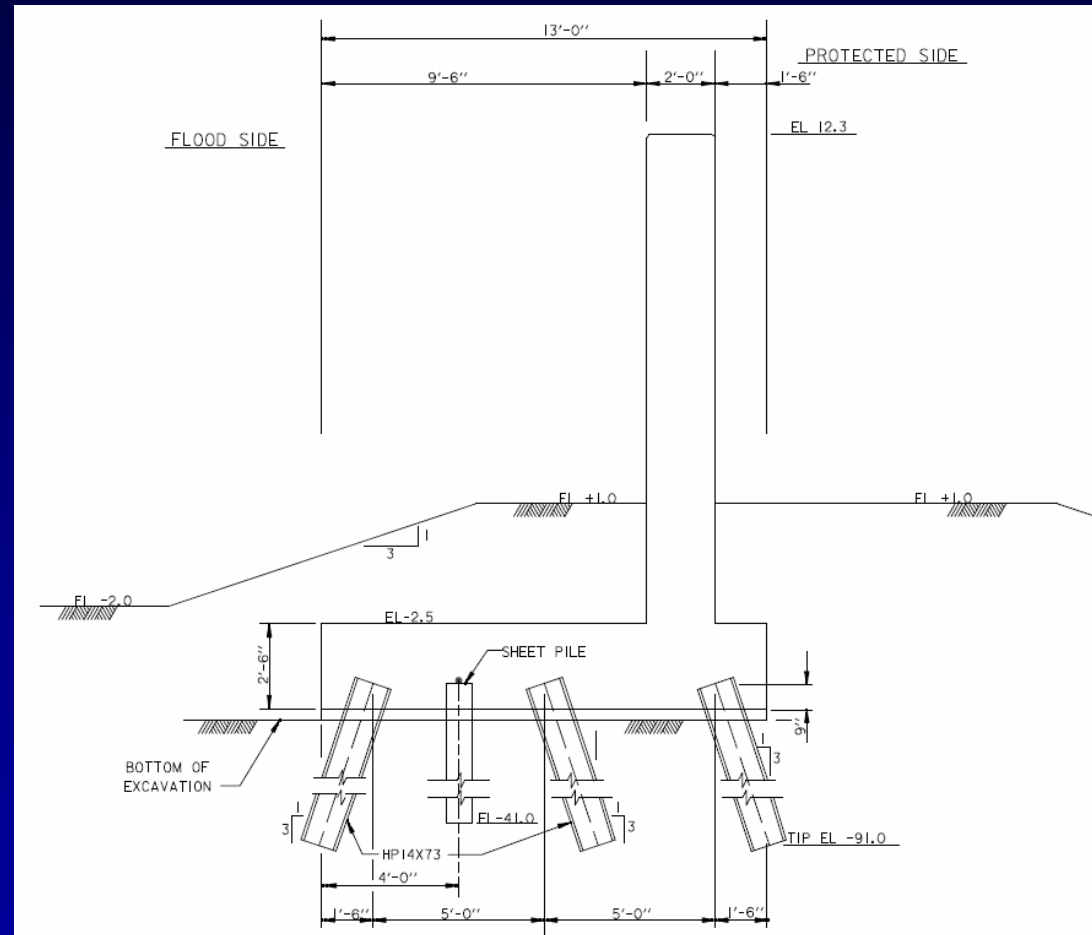
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# Provide Overview of How T-wall Design Procedure Was Developed so Designers Understand its Basis and Limitations

## Purpose





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# Outline

- **FLAC Overview**
- **GeoMatrix numerical analyses and report**
- **Product Delivery Team (PDT) analyses**
- **FLAC to Design Procedure**



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# **Soil Structure Interaction and Load Transfer Mechanism of Pile Supported T-Walls in New Orleans, LA**

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# *FLAC*

## **(Fast Lagrangian Analysis of Continua)**

**Two-dimensional continuum code for modeling soil, rock and structural behavior.**

- **General Program – model together soil, structure, pressures, etc. to evaluate deformation, loads stresses**
- **Linear or Non-linear soil models**
  - Mohr-Coulomb (bilinear: linear elastic perfectly plastic LEPP)
  - Fully non-linear
- **Soil Structure Interaction**
- **Factor of Safety (c-phi reduction technique)**



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# Soil-Structure Interaction and Load Transfer Mechanism of Pile-Supported T-Wall for New Orleans Levees

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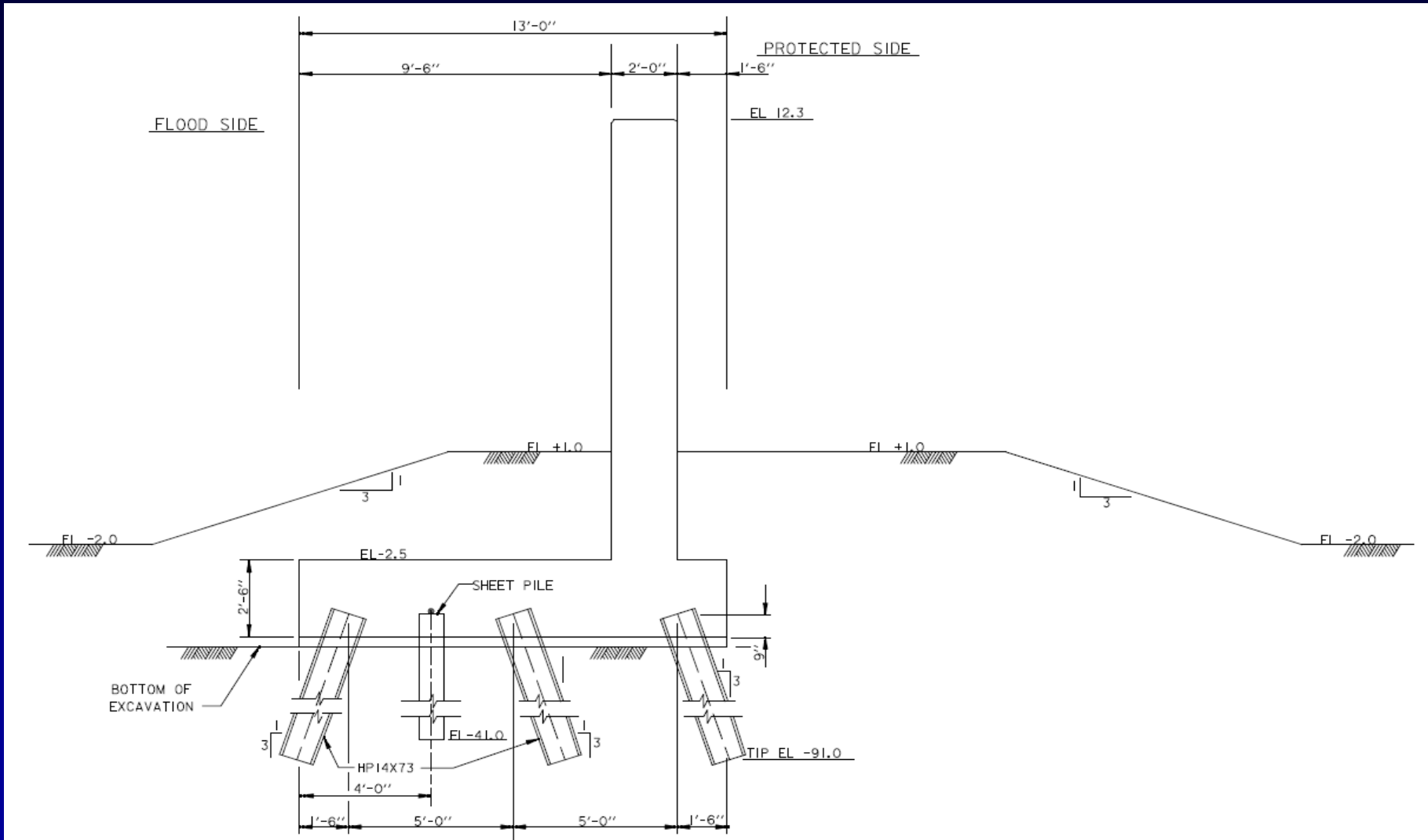


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# Example used in GMX FLAC analysis

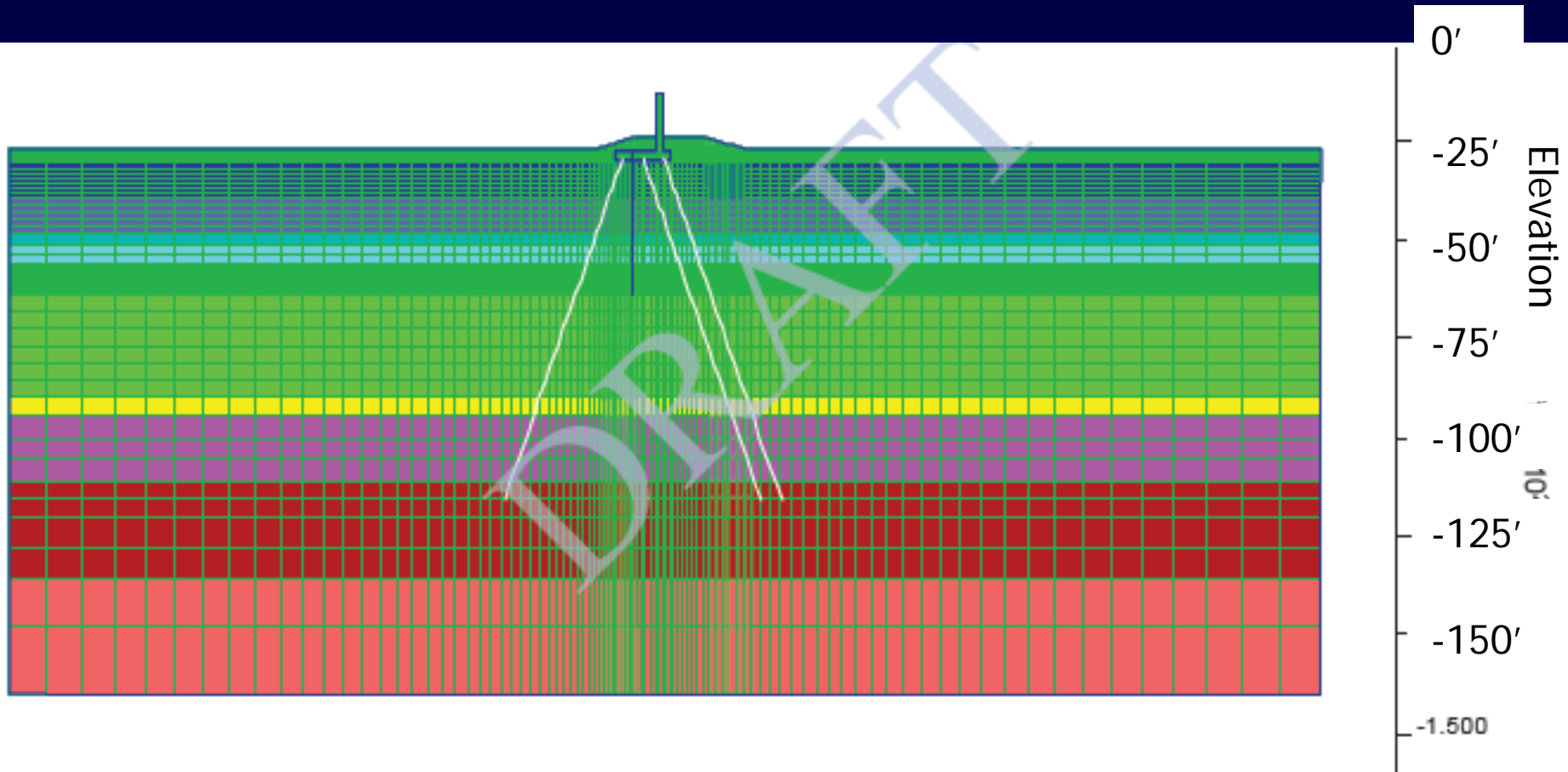






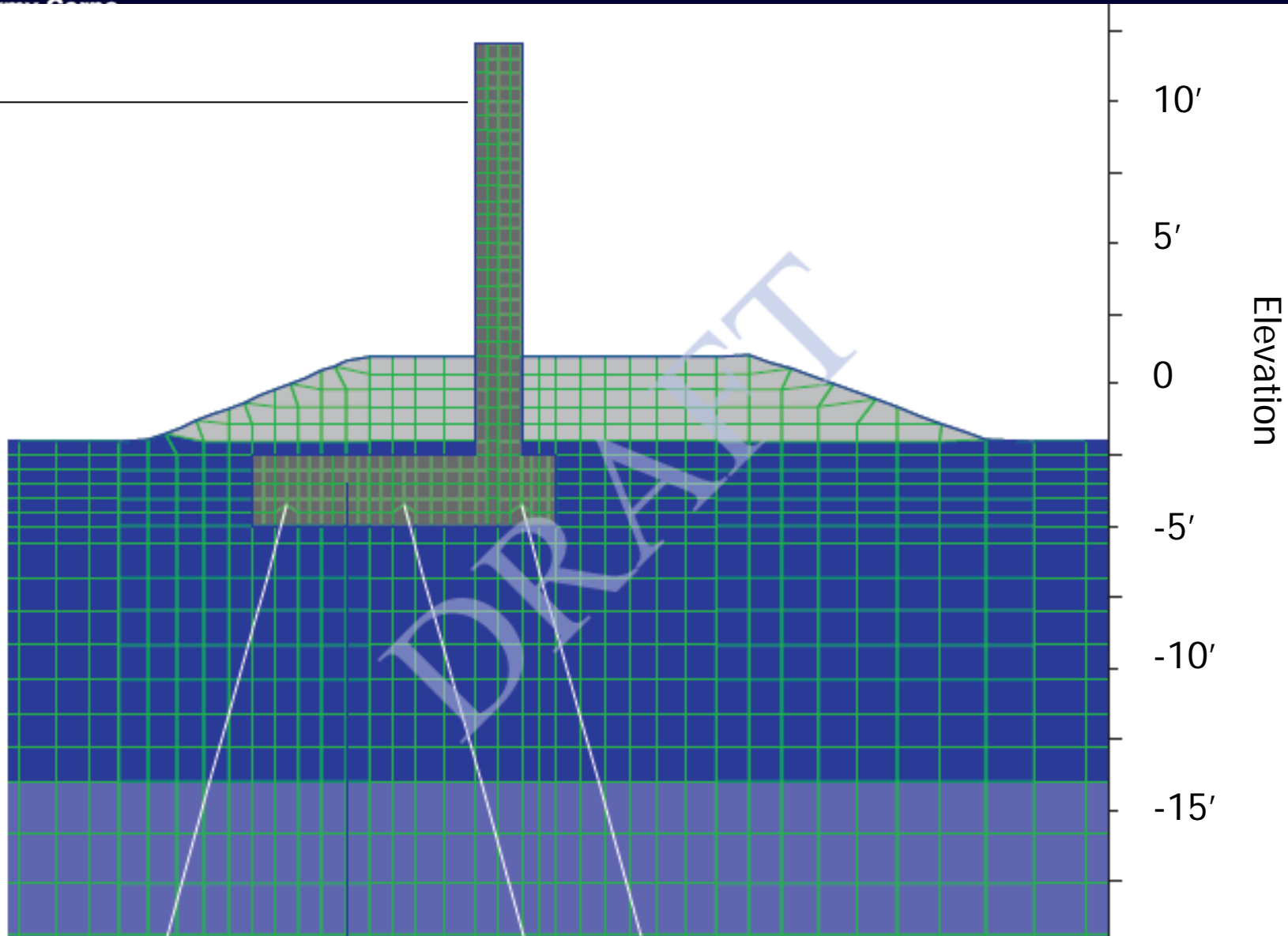
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# Soil Stratigraphy of GMX FLAC analysis





# GMX mesh around the T-Wall





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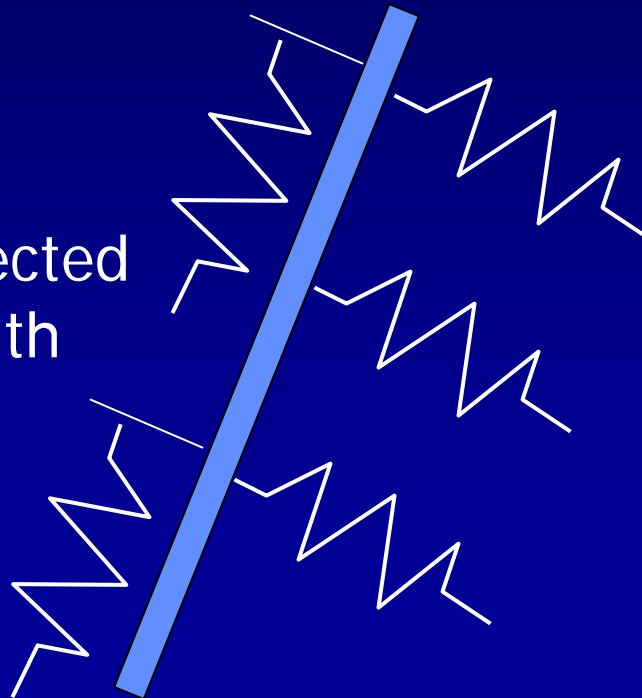
# FLAC and numerical stress-strain analyses

Increasingly used to evaluate embankment stability – same FS as limit equilibrium methods like Spencer's Procedure.

Valuable for complex or unusual site conditions.

Piles included as structural elements with p-y and t-z springs.

Piles connected  
to mesh with  
springs.





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# GeoMatrix used the FLAC model to perform sensitivity analyses.

**Mohr-Coulomb vs. fully non-linear soil models**

**Soil modulus values**

- Shear modulus ratio based on pressuremeter tests
- Shear modulus ratio based on triaxial tests

**Pile – soil spring stiffness**

**Water load on T-Wall vs. load on ground surface**

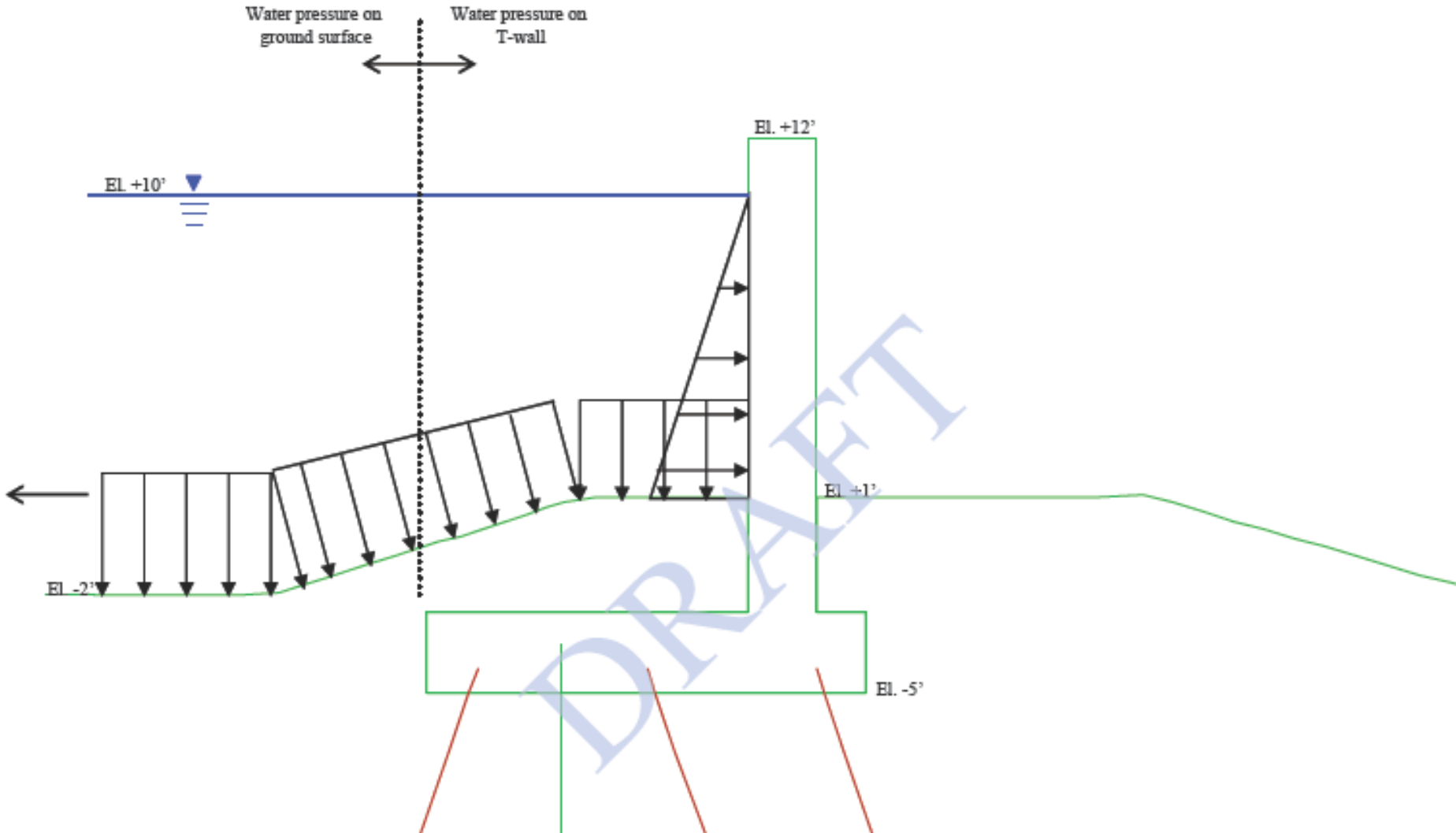
**With and without sheet pile**

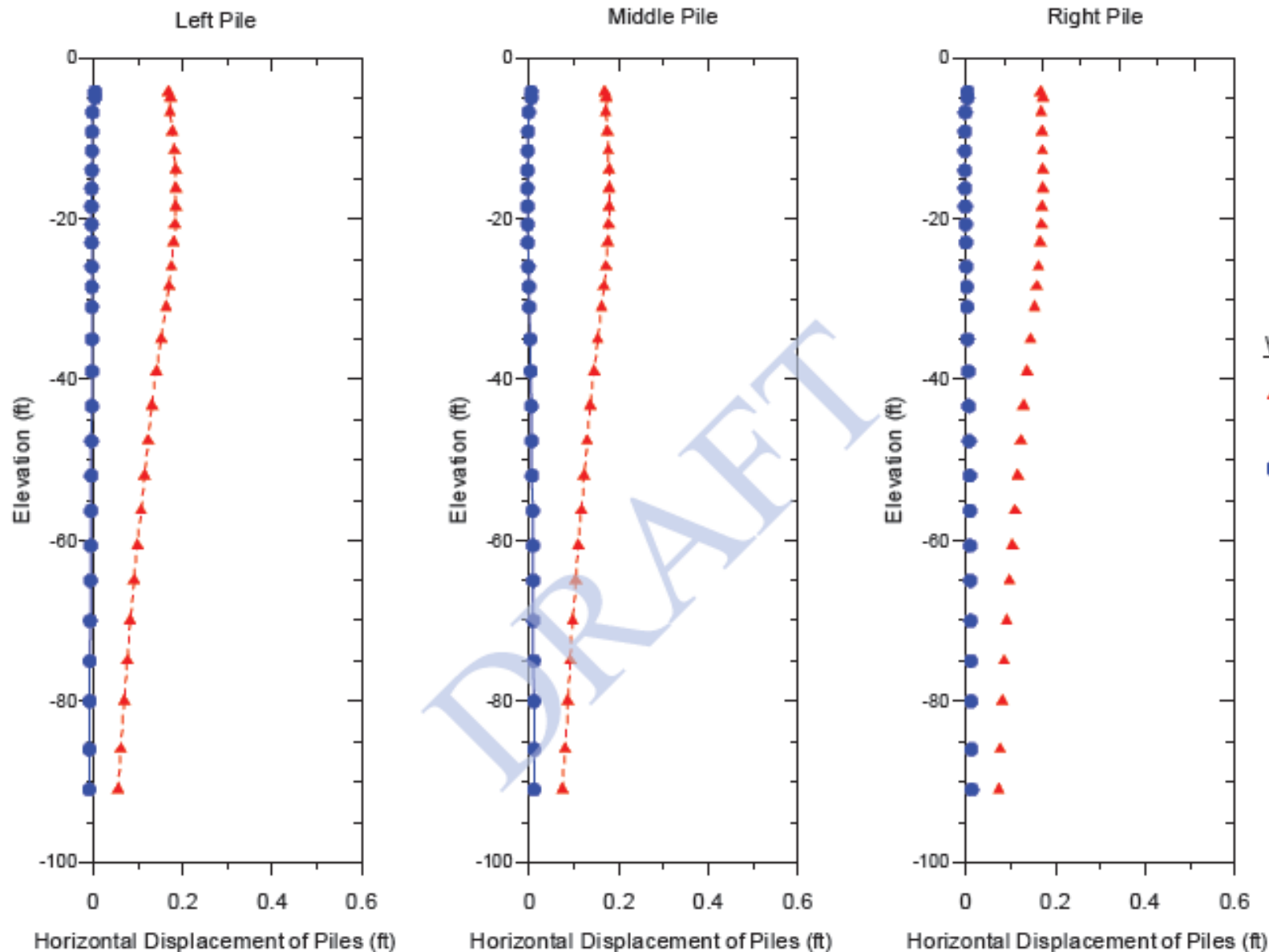
**Soil strength reduction**



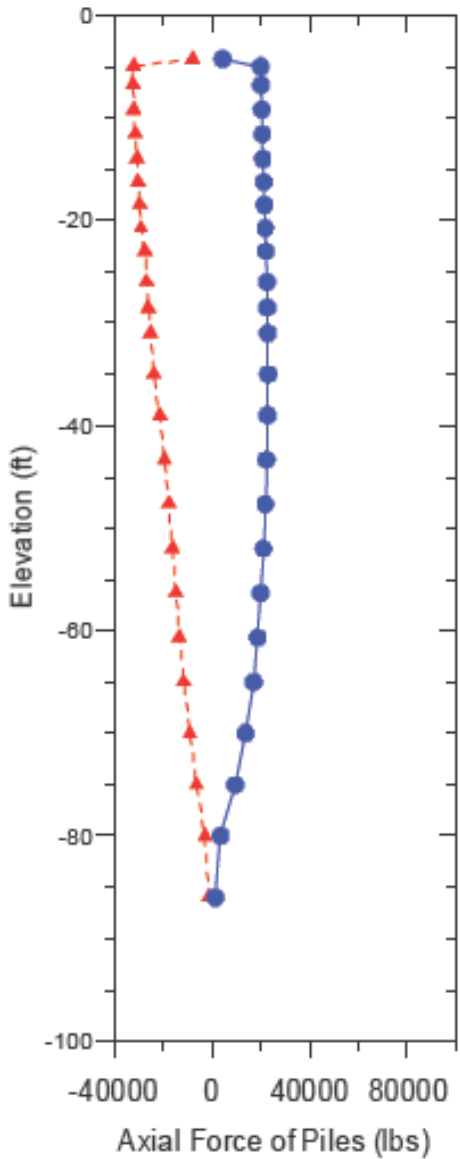
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The two stage loading in GMX report revealed most deflections due to water load on the ground surface.

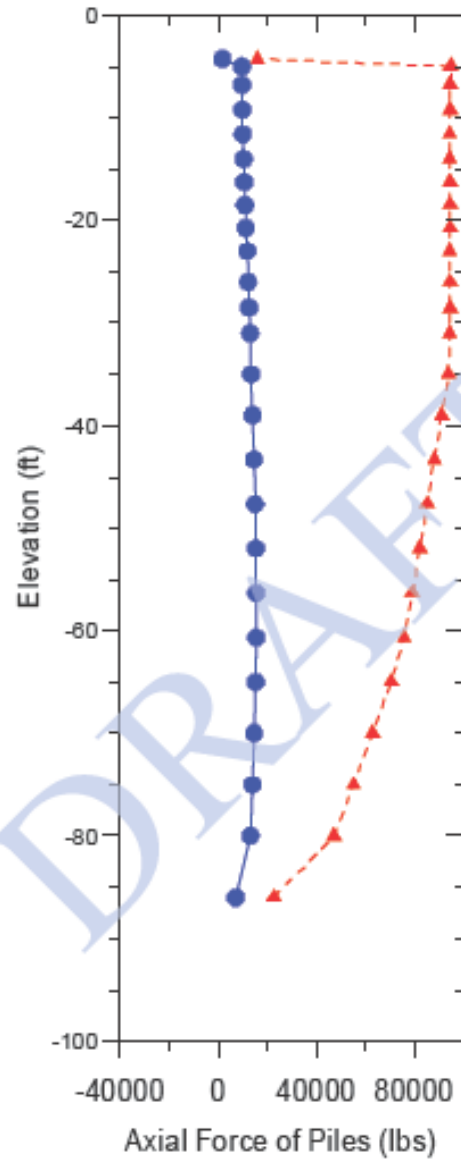




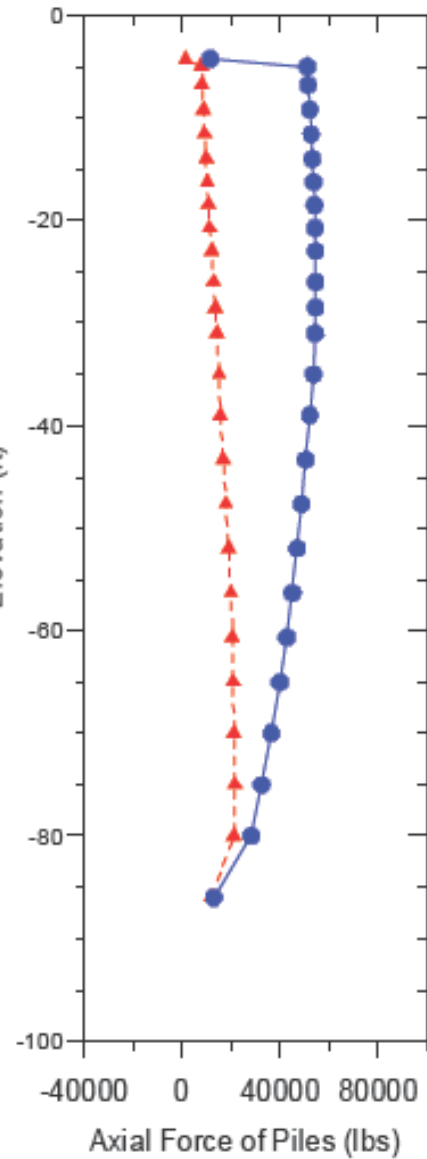
Left Pile



Middle Pile



Right Pile



Water Pressure:

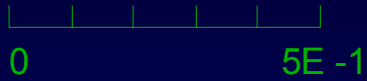
- ▲ - on T-wall and upstream ground surface
- - on T-wall only



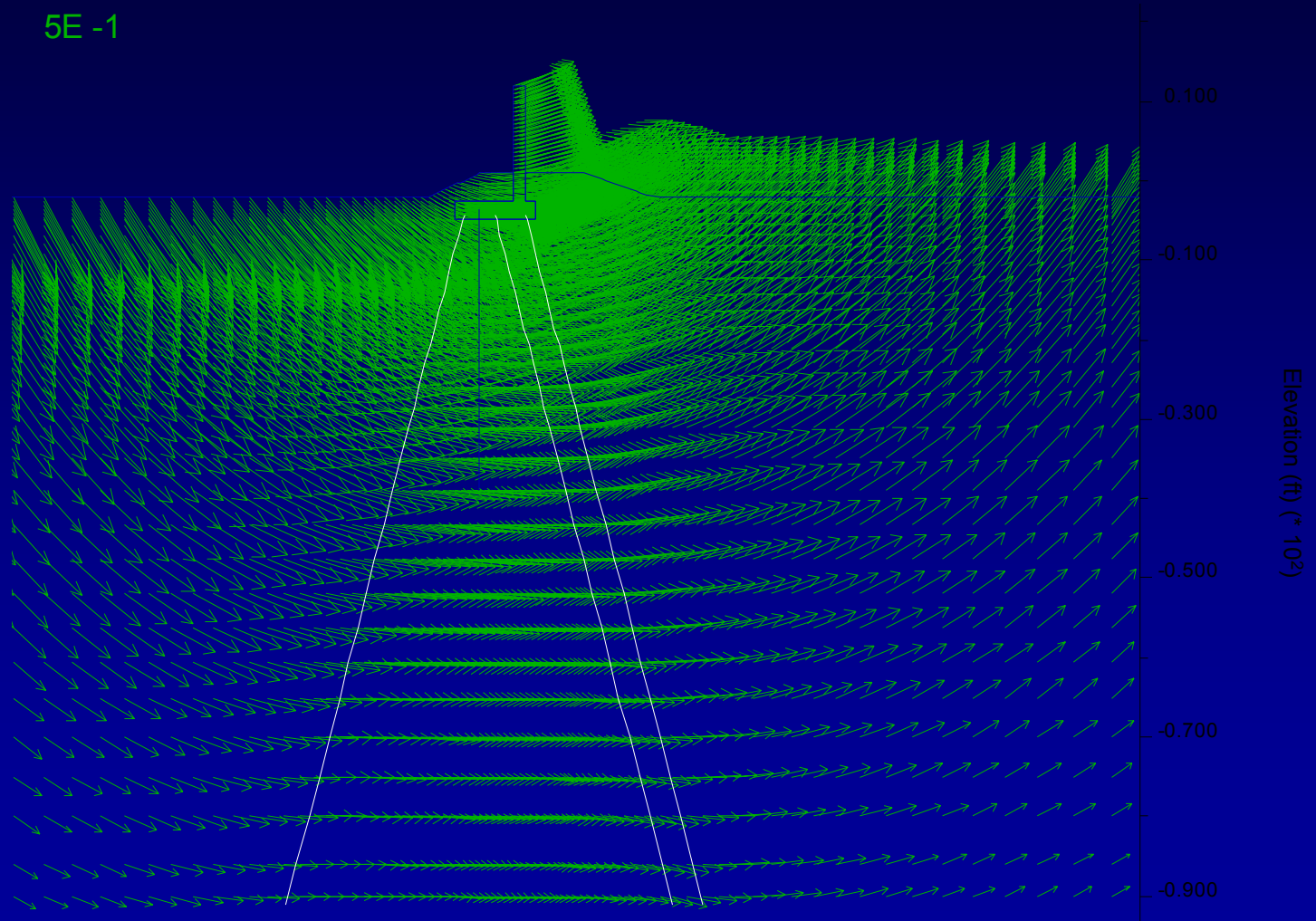
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Displacement vectors (ft)

max vector = 2.173E-01



# Displacements



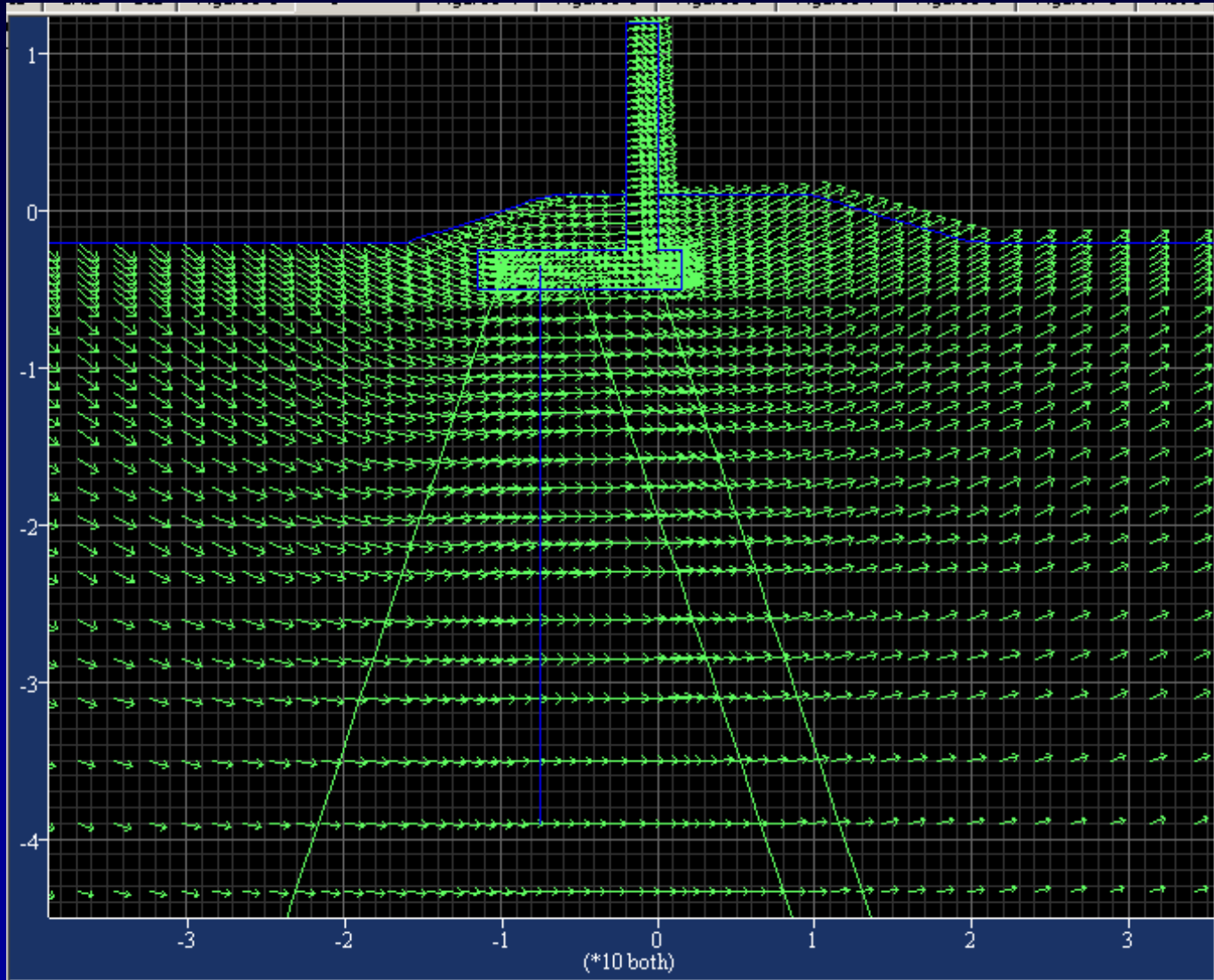
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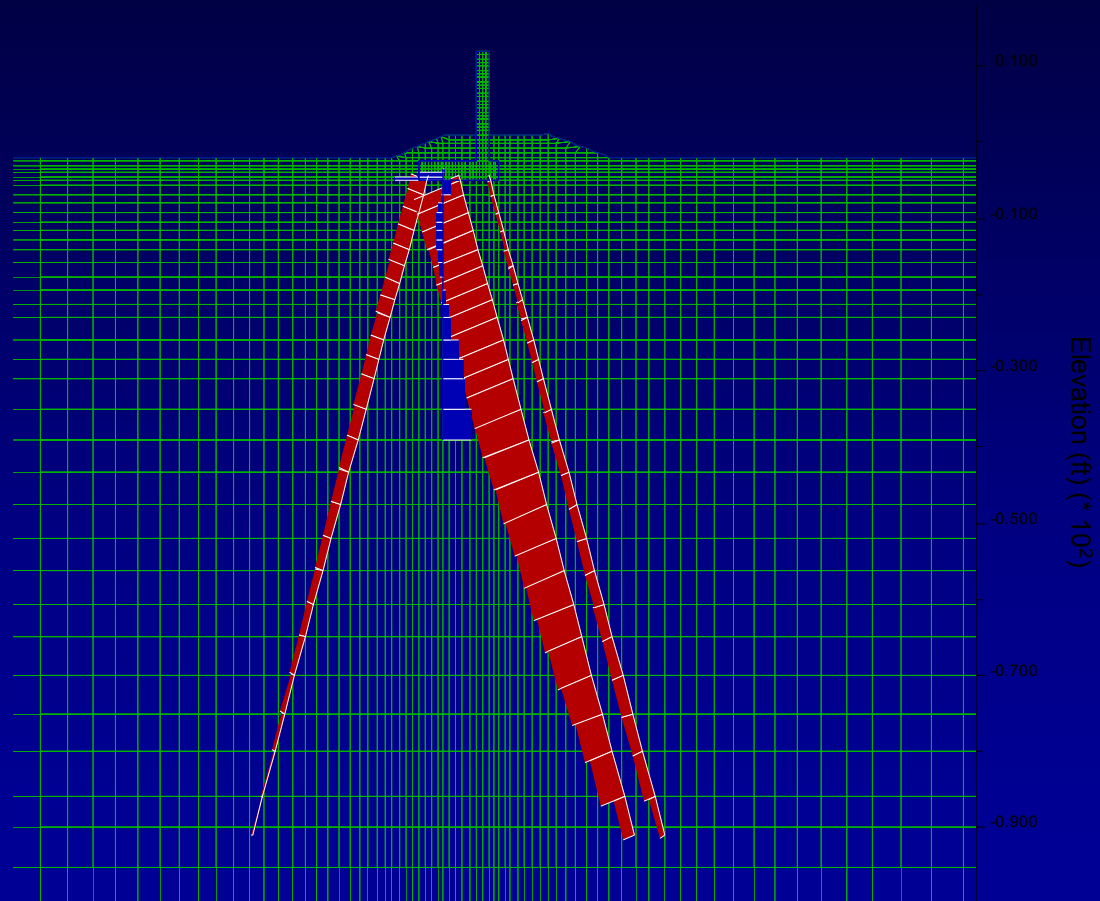
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# Axial Loads

Structure	Max. Value
# 1 (Beam)	-1.131E+03
<u>Left Pile</u>	
# 2 (Pile)	-3.222E+04
# 3 (Pile)	-3.076E+04
# 4 (Pile)	-2.745E+04
# 5 (Pile)	-2.674E+04
# 6 (Pile)	-2.507E+04
# 7 (Pile)	-2.139E+04
# 8 (Pile)	-1.147E+04
# 9 (Pile)	-8.916E+03
#10 (Pile)	-2.805E+03
#11 (Pile)	-1.036E+03
<u>Middle Pile</u>	
#12 (Pile)	9.533E+04
#13 (Pile)	9.515E+04
#14 (Pile)	9.488E+04
#15 (Pile)	9.511E+04
#16 (Pile)	9.488E+04
#17 (Pile)	9.150E+04
#18 (Pile)	7.089E+04
#19 (Pile)	6.322E+04
#20 (Pile)	4.758E+04
#21 (Pile)	2.291E+04
<u>Right Pile</u>	
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#23 (Pile)	1.141E+04
#24 (Pile)	1.223E+04
#25 (Pile)	1.369E+04
#26 (Pile)	1.526E+04
#27 (Pile)	2.065E+04
#28 (Pile)	2.094E+04
#29 (Pile)	2.152E+04
#30 (Pile)	2.120E+04
#31 (Pile)	1.186E+04





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# Shear in Pile

Structure	Max. Value
# 1 (Beam)	-9.985E+03

## Left Pile

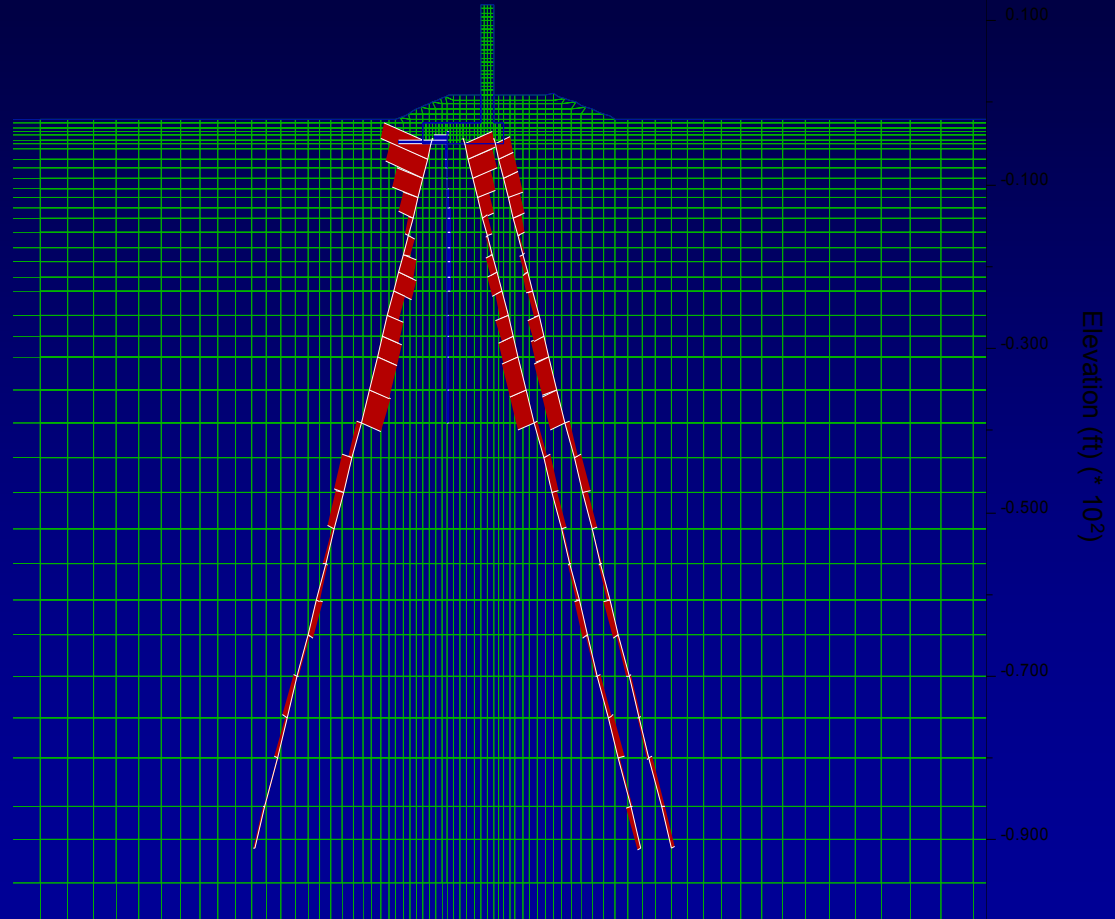
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■ Moment (lb-ft)  
■ Structure Max. Value

# 1 (Beam) 8.055E+03

Left Pile

# 2 (Pile)	3.901E+04
# 3 (Pile)	4.014E+04
# 4 (Pile)	2.743E+04
# 5 (Pile)	2.246E+04
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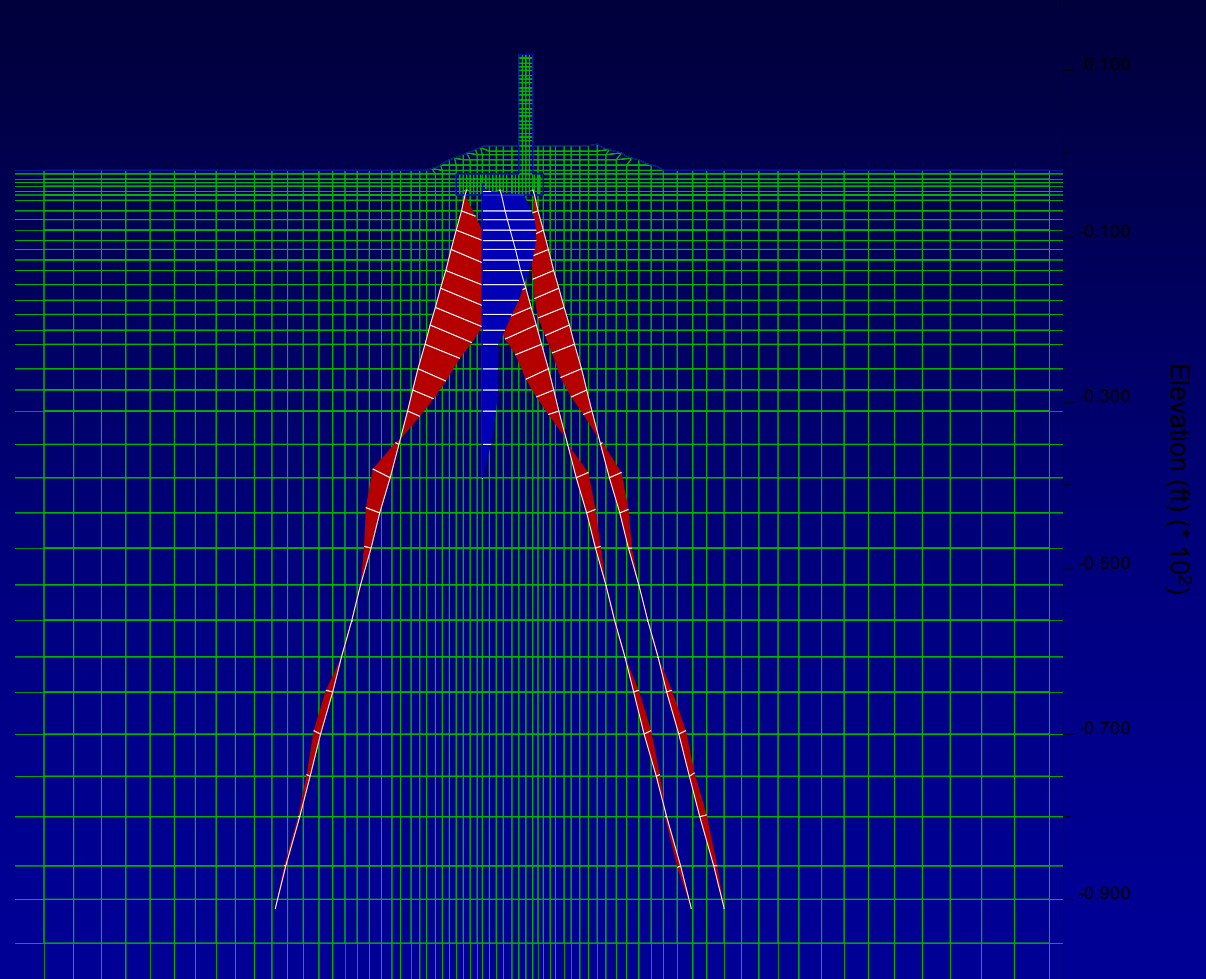
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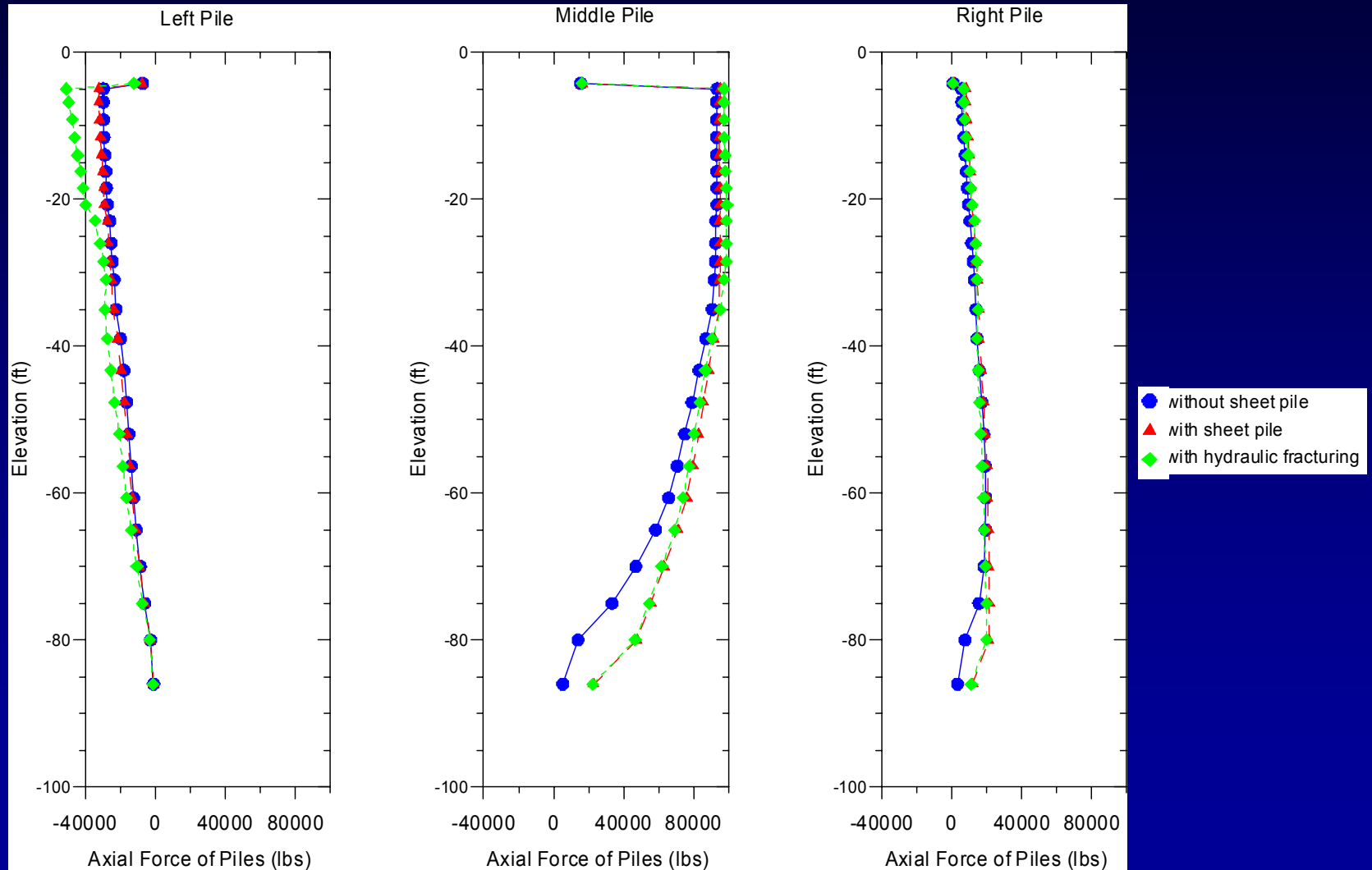
# Moment in Pile





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# Without Sheet Pile



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# Investigations by Product Delivery Team

**FLAC 2D – using the GMX model**

**Plaxis 2D and 3D**

**UTexas4**

**Group 7**

**CPGA**

**LPile and T-Z pile**



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# Investigations with FLAC GMX model

**20' water load on wall**

**Short piles**

**Vertical piles**

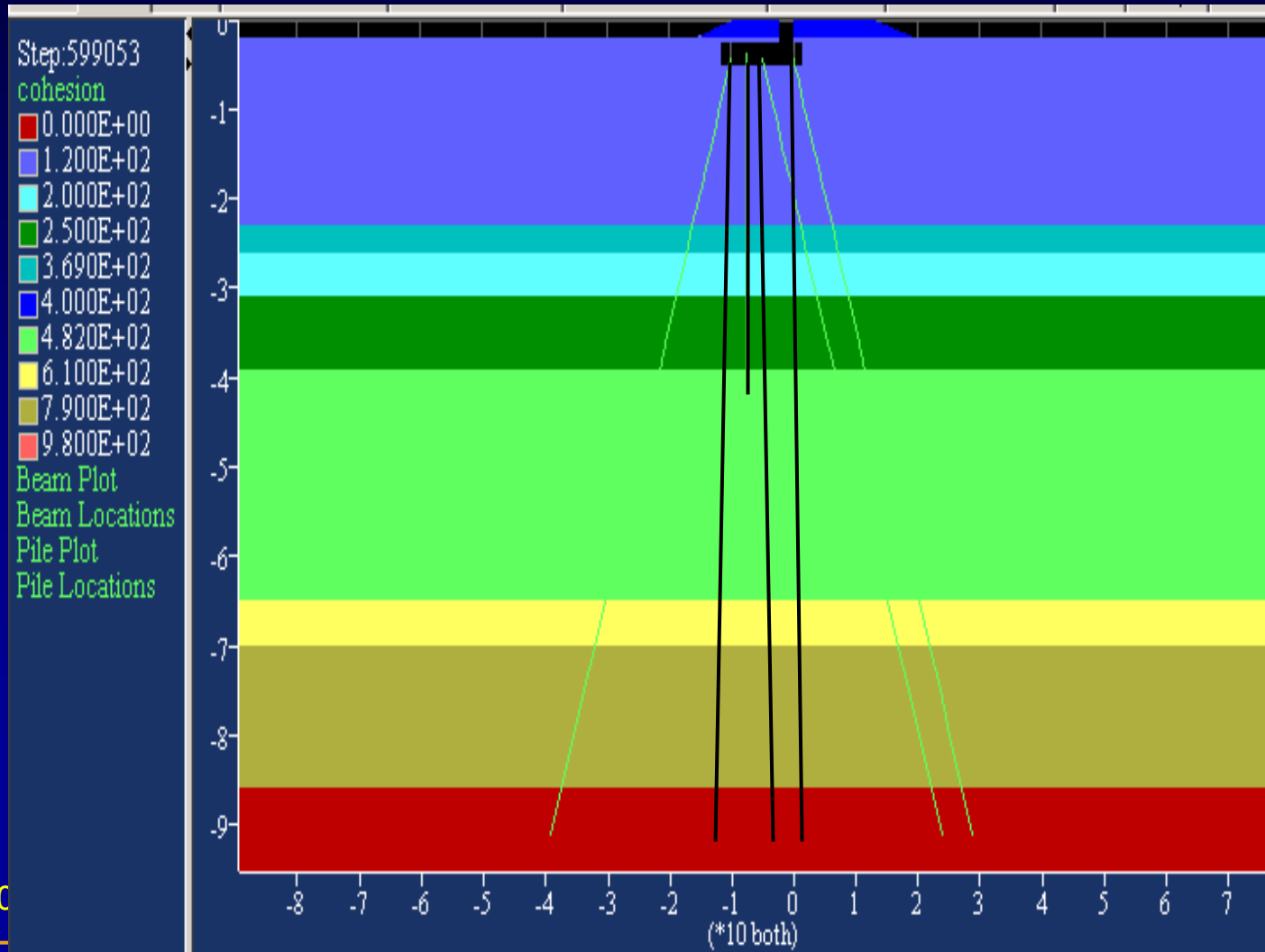
**Applied unbalanced load**

**Strength reduction factor (SRF)**



# Vertical piles

How does batter affect pile response?







# Applied unbalanced load

- Load distributed along left H-Pile above critical failure surface.
- Load distributed along all piles above critical failure surface.
- Load distributed along full length of all piles.
- Load applied at structure.



# Strength reduction factor (SRF)

## FLAC for slope stability

- Performs an automated strength reduction routine
- Matches FS from limit equilibrium analysis (UTexas4, Slide, SlopeW)

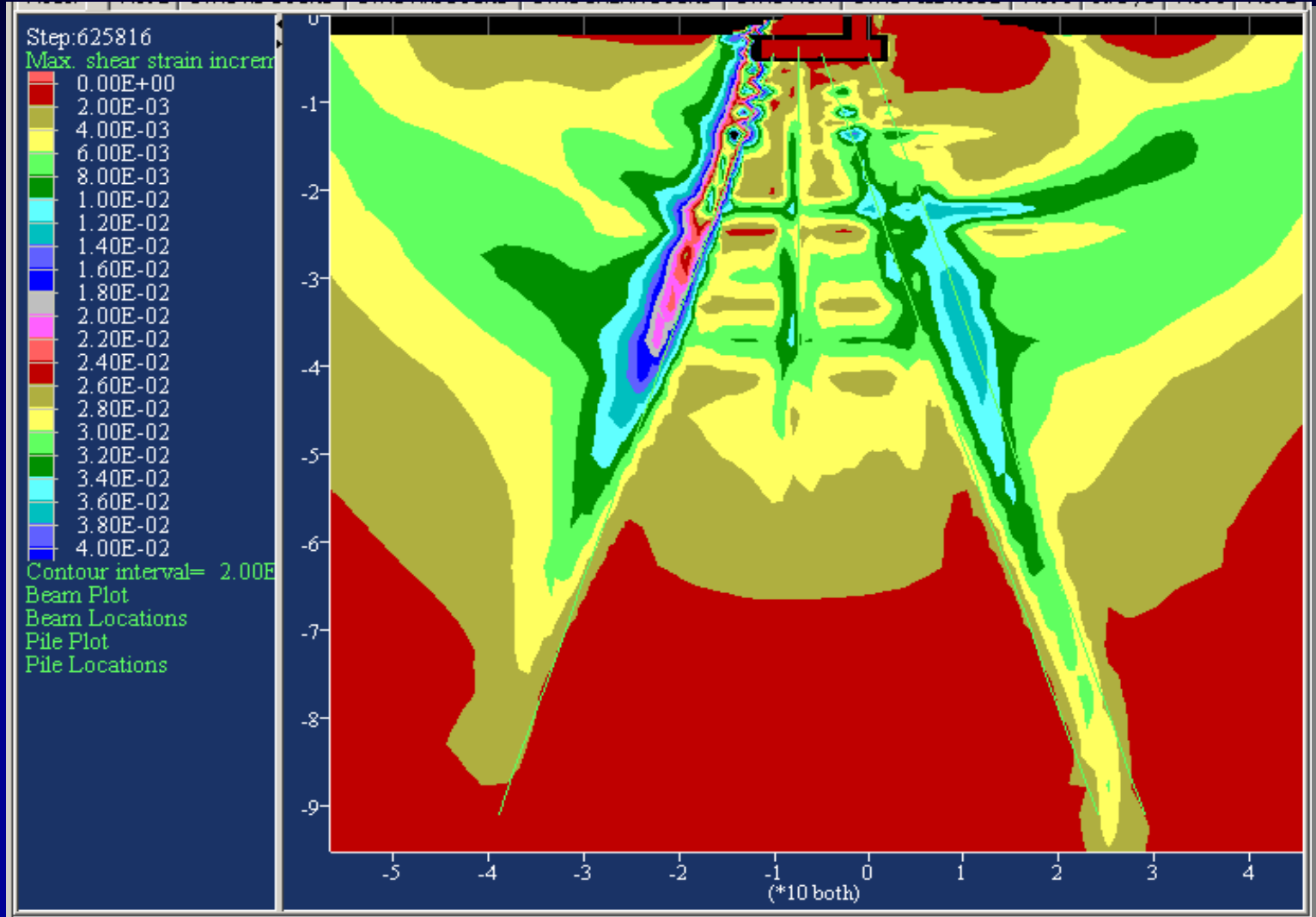
## Questions about T-wall example

- Is the wall still stable with lower soil strengths?
- How does SRF compare to design method?
- How does presence of piles change failure mechanism?



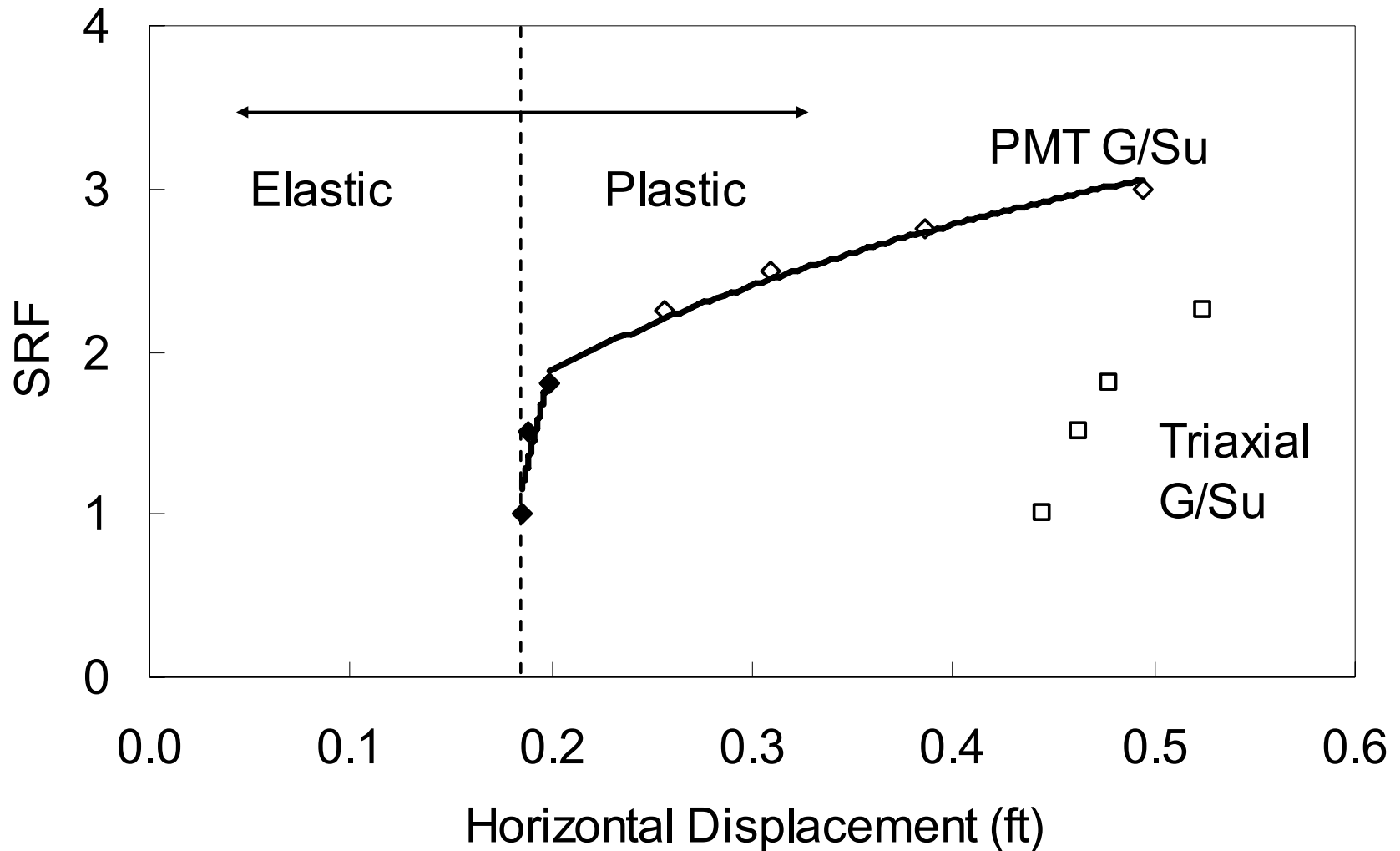
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# Strength reduction factors (SRF = 2.75)





# Strength reduction factors (SRF)





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# FLAC Analysis Conclusions

**Presence of sheet pile did not affect pile loads or deflections**

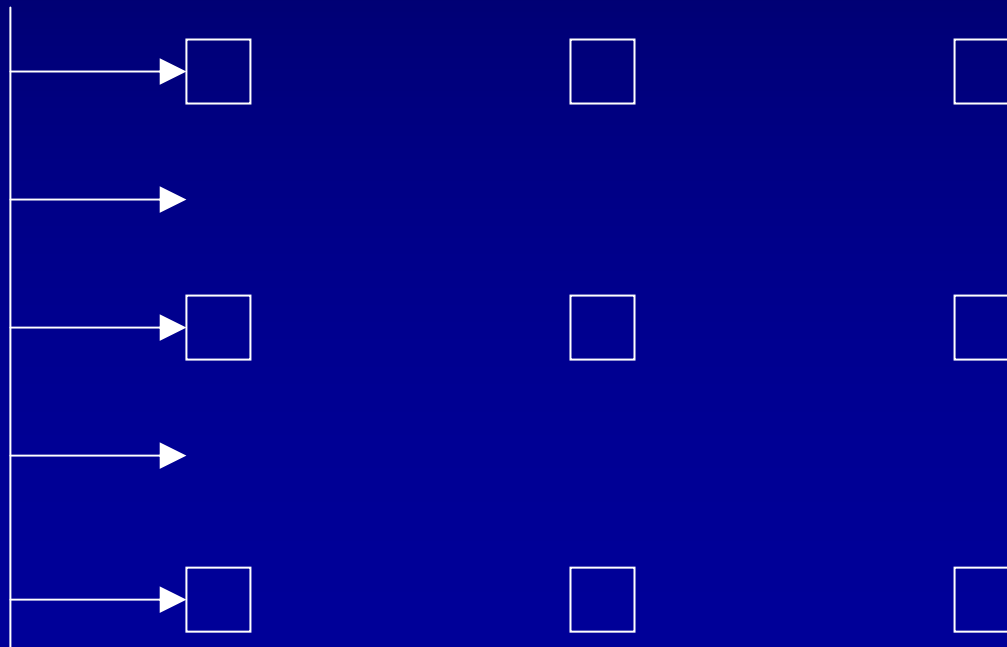
**Battered H-pile much more effective than vertical**

**H-Piles and T-Wall are Effective in Stabilizing the Soil Mass**



# Investigations with Plaxis 3D

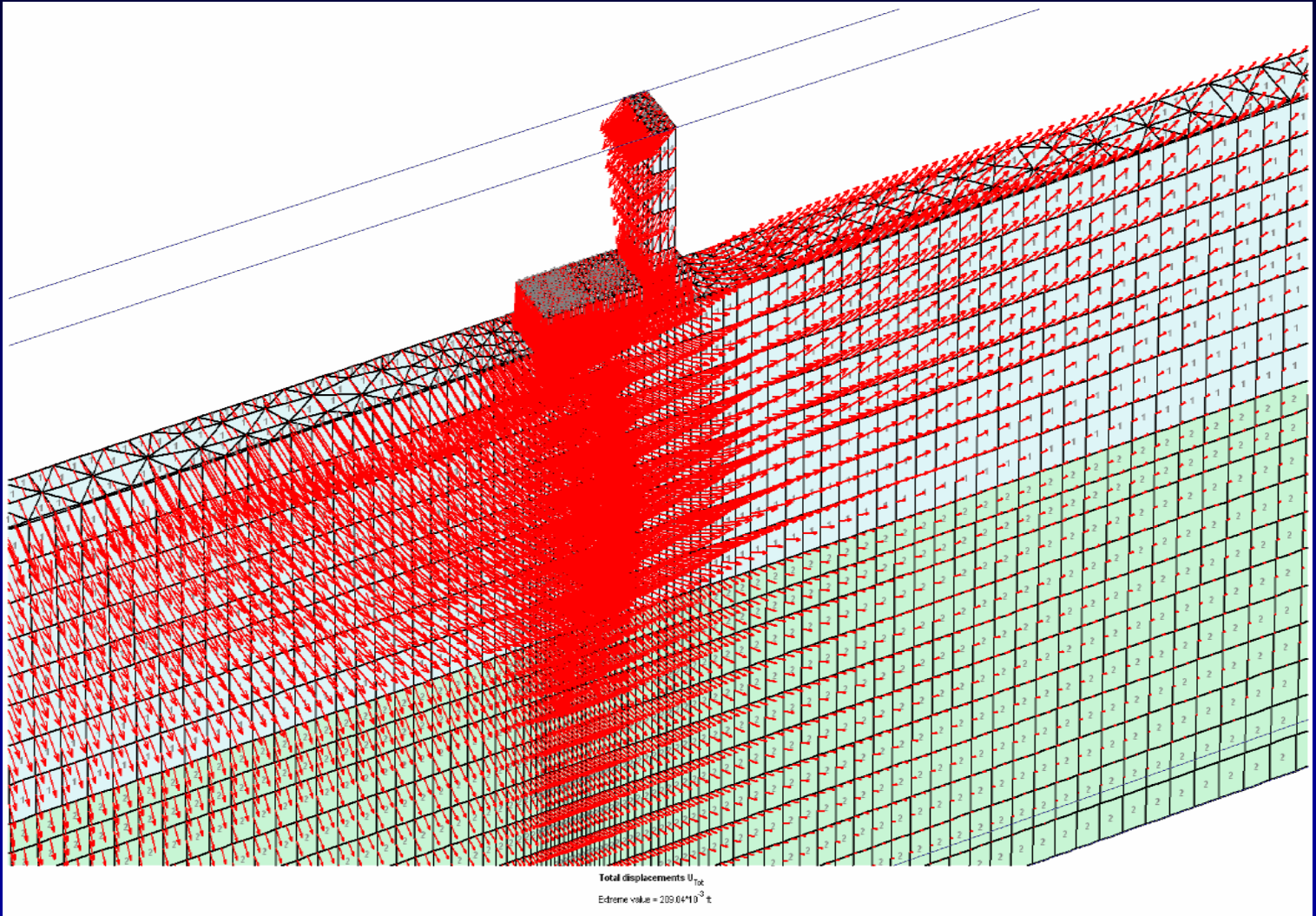
- Flow of soil between piles
- Allowable pile spacing
- Load distribution between pile rows





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# 3-D Plaxis Model Displacements



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# Summary

- **T-Walls are a complex SSI problem**
- **Numerical analyses illustrate SSI behavior**
- **Outside sources willing to supply FLAC model add great value to the report**
- **Goal is to determine practical methodology**

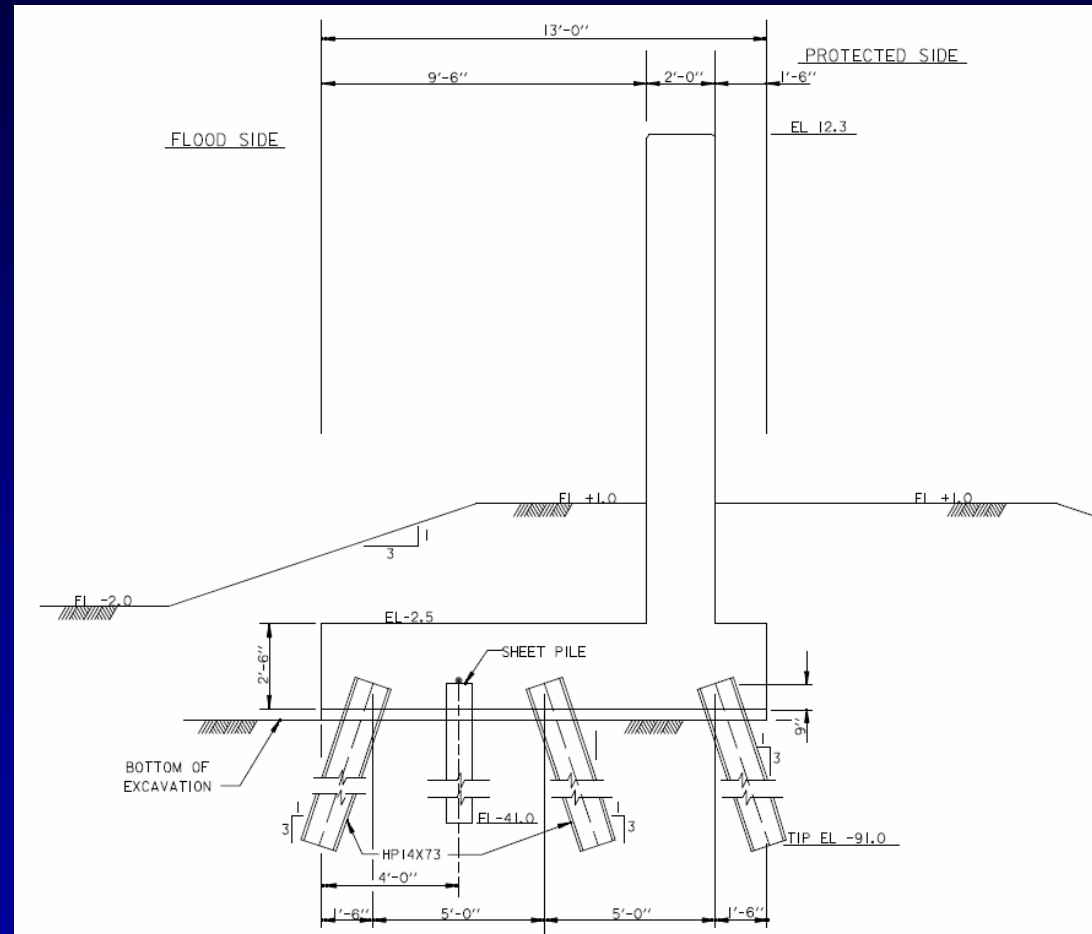




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# Method Development

Provide Overview of  
How T-wall Design  
Procedure Was  
Developed so  
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Understand its Basis  
and Limitations





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# Design Method Development

**PDT as shown in early slide**

**Use existing tools and methods if possible**

**Replicate FLAC Results**

**Reasonable Design**



# Methods

## Various Methods Tried – Reinforced Slope Concept

### FLAC Models with Applied Lateral Load

### Tried Applying Lateral Loads in Ensoft Group 7

- At Rest Pressure
- Unbalanced Load



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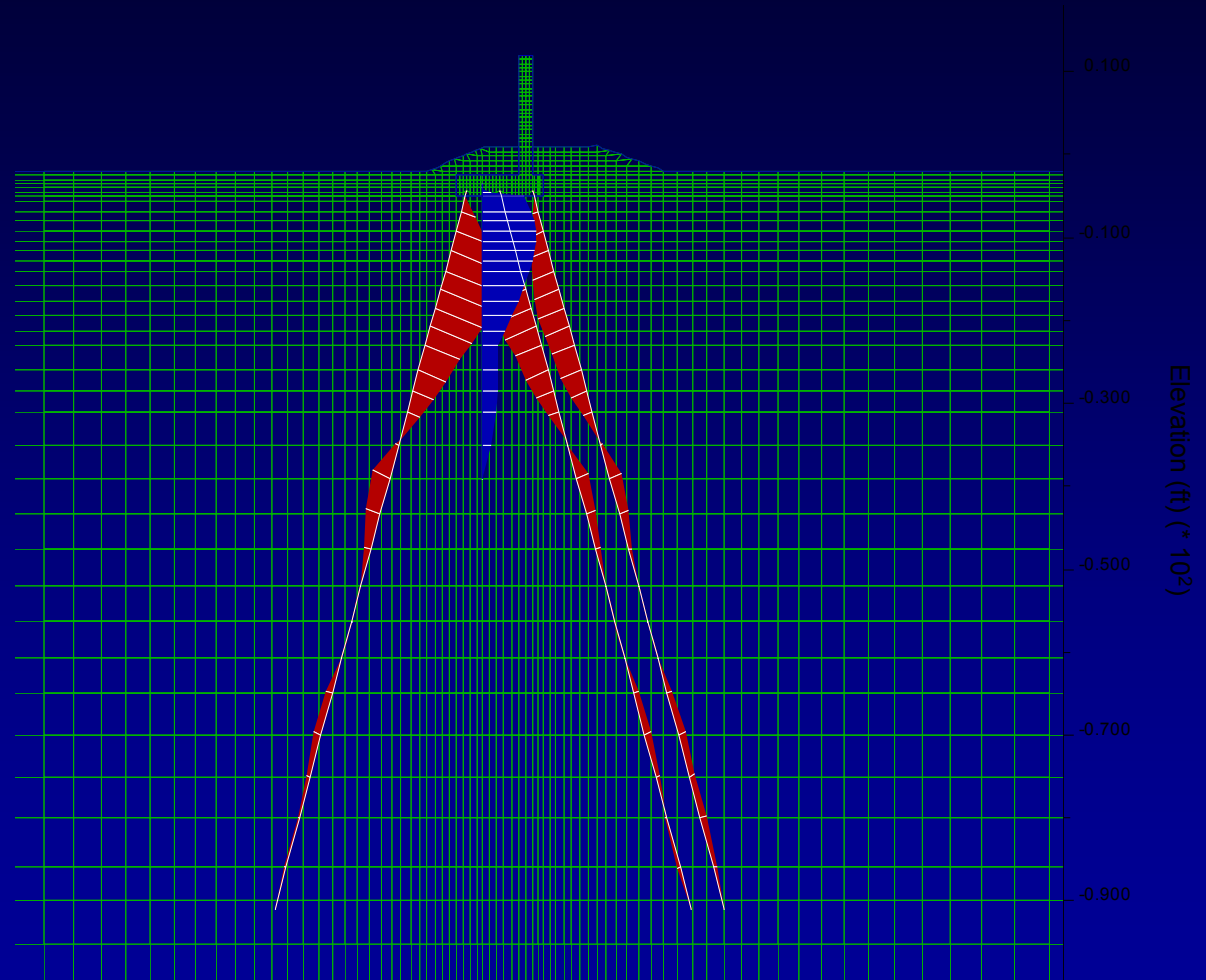
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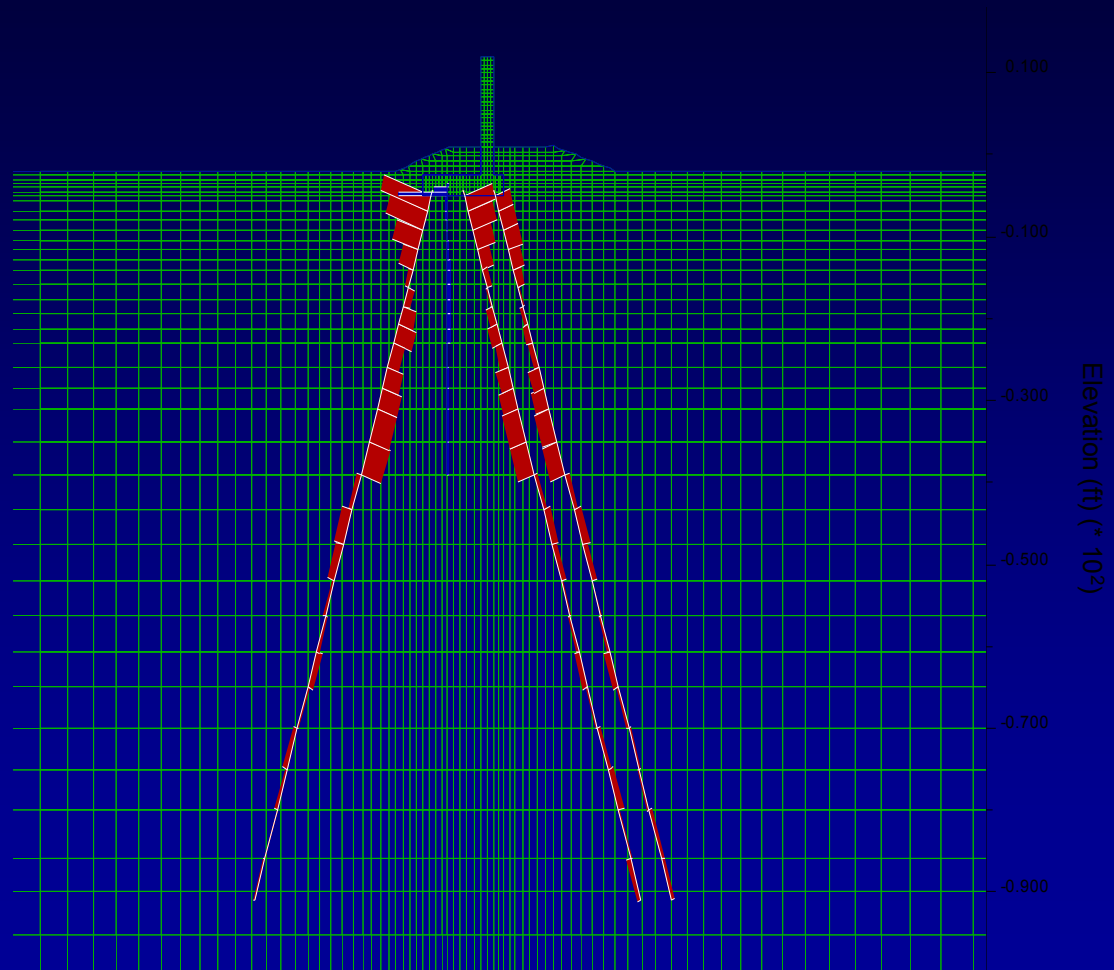
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# Design Method

## Group 7 Method

- **Compute “Unbalanced” Load to Provide Factor of Safety**
- **Apply Unbalanced Force Directly to Piles**
- **No lateral soil resistance to critical failure surface**
- **“Normal” Loads on Wall itself**
- **Matched FLAC results.**
- **Pile Forces Computed Directly**



# Method Development

**Directly Second FLAC model (18' Water Elevation)  
also had good correlation with Group 7 Method**

**Pile Distribution (50% on Lead Pile) selected from  
FLAC results – axial loads not sensitive to this**

**CPGA approximation developed to help deal with  
the many load cases**

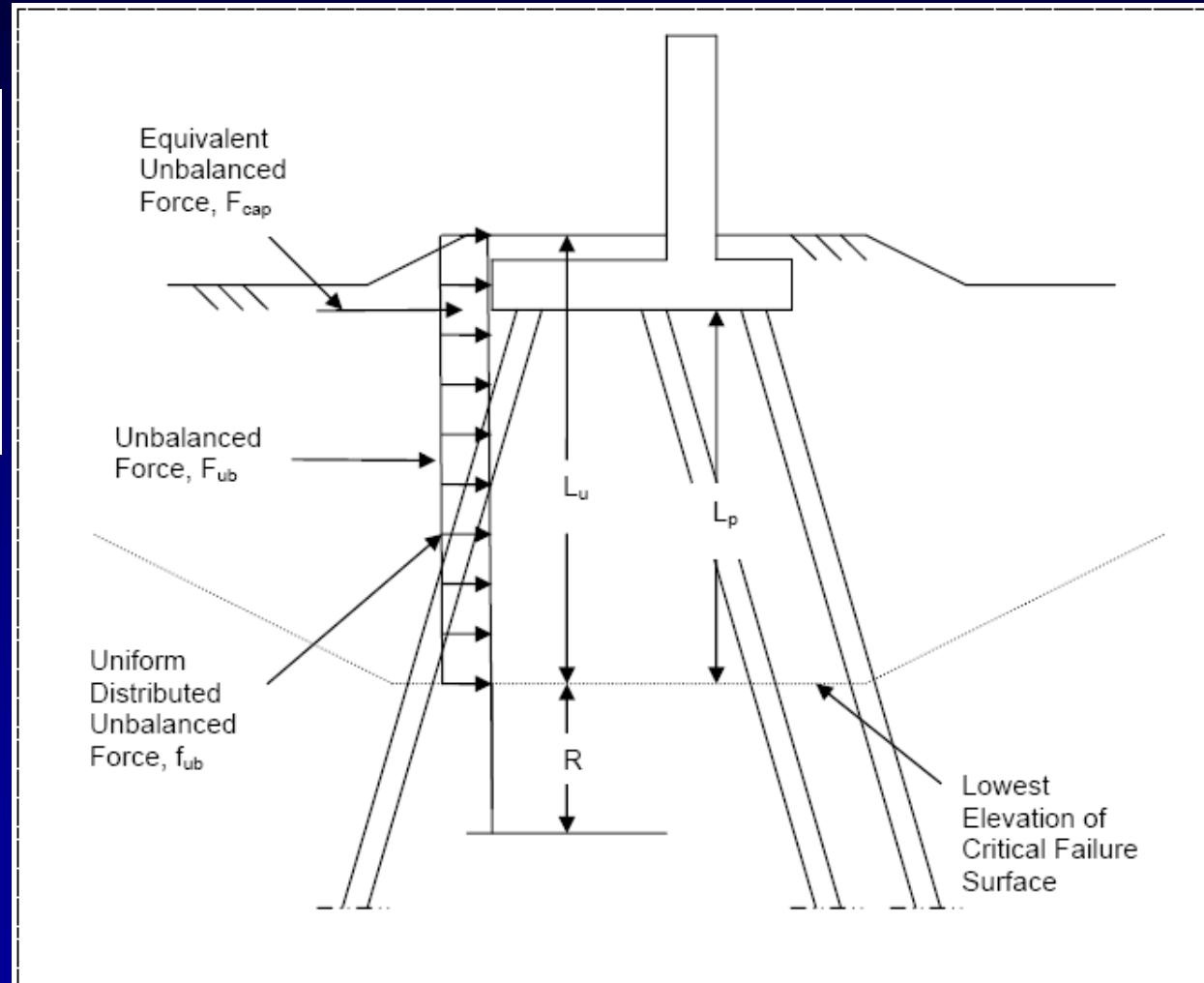


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# CPGA Approximation

$$F_{cap} = F_{ub} \left[ \frac{\left( \frac{L_p}{2} + R \right)}{(L_p + R)} \right] \frac{L_p}{L_u}$$

$$R = 4 \sqrt{\frac{EI}{Es}}$$







# Comparison, Axial Loads

	Deflection (in)	Axial Loading in Piles (kips)		
		Left	Middle	Right
Group 7, Pervious	0.52	-39.7	91.8	3.6
Group 7, Impervious	0.49	-35.4	89.6	10.7
CPGA, Pervious	0.46	-45.0	100.4	0.6
CPGA, Impervious	0.43	-41.0	97.9	7.8
<b>FLAC</b>	<b>2.21</b>	<b>-32.5</b>	<b>95.7</b>	<b>6.7</b>
Ex 1, Group 7, Pervious	0.53	-39.9	93.5	2.3
Ex 1, Group 7, Impervious	0.49	-35.8	91.5	9.2
Ex 1, CPGA, Pervious	0.66	-46.8	97.2	5.2
Ex 1, CPGA, Impervious	0.61	-42.3	94.4	12.5



# Comparison, Moments

	%	Max + Moment (kip-ft)			Max - Moment (kip-ft)		
		Left	Middle	Right	Left	Middle	Right
Group 7, Pervious	50	23.9	8.75	7.47	-20.6	-17.5	-19.7
Group 7, Impervious	50	24.3	9.17	7.98	-19.8	-16.5	-18.5
<b>FLAC</b>		<b>41.5</b>	<b>28.5</b>	<b>21.6</b>	<b>-15.2</b>	<b>-10.8</b>	<b>-10.8</b>
Ex 1, Group 7, Pervious	50	26.2	9.5	8.2	-21.5	-17.3	-18.9
Ex 1, Group 7, Impervious	50	26.5	9.9	8.6	-20.8	-16.5	-18.1
Ex 1, Group 7, Pervious	100	69.8	-	-	-36.8	-17.2	-19.1
Ex 1, Group 7, Impervious	100	70.3	-	-	-36.3	-16.1	-18.0



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# Flow Through

**Direct Transfer of Soil Movement to Piles**

**Ensure Piles Really Take All Load**

**Limited 3D model studies**

**Research – studies of lateral soil loading on piles and pile Groups has been studied numerous times**

**Method developed from these studies.**



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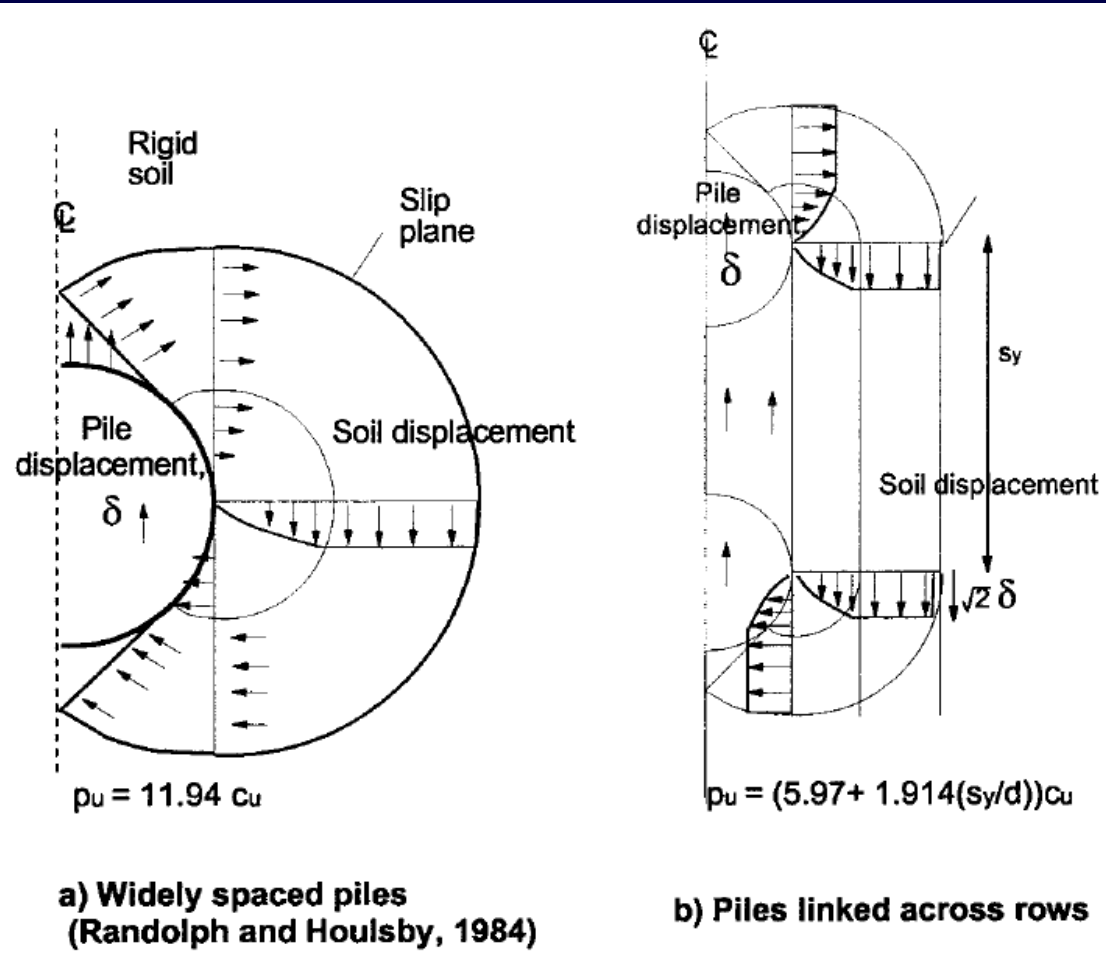
# Flow Through

## Check Flow Through, Type 1

### Pile Lateral Capacity

### Basic Capacity

$$P_{ult} = 9C_u$$





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# Question?

# Thank You

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# ***Comparison Between Spencer's Method And Method of Planes***

***by  
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# Method of Planes Analysis (MOP)

Useful in Lower Mississippi River Alluvial Valley for:

- Highly stratified soft soils
- Moderately weak soils on a hard surface
- Or in a foundation with one or more weak zones



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# Method of Planes

**Divides soil mass into three segments**

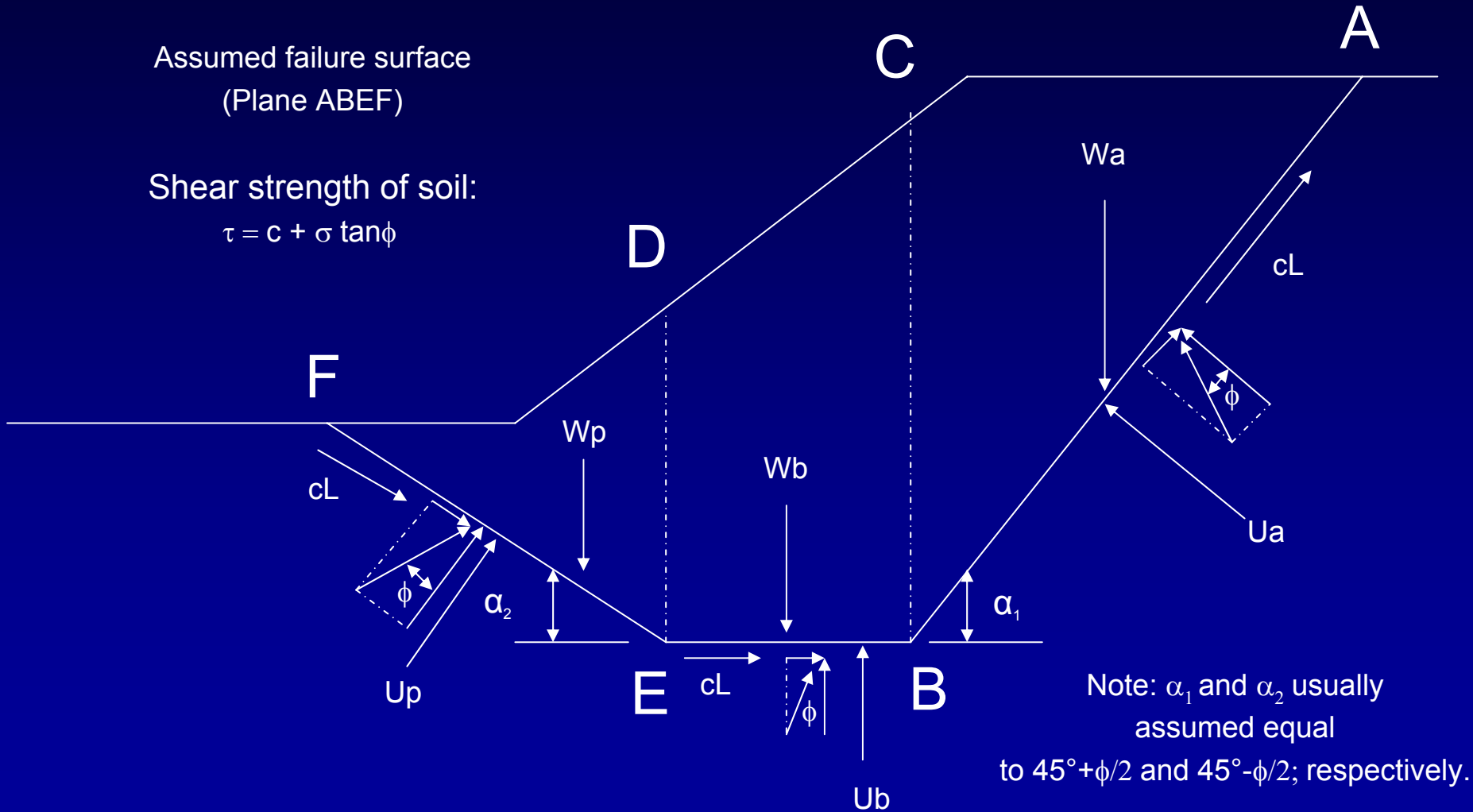
- Active wedge
- Central block
- Passive wedge

**Wedges are treated as rigid bodies  
(according to Coulomb)**





# Method of Planes





# Method of Planes

$$FS = \frac{R_a + R_b + R_p}{D_a - D_p}$$

Da = Active Driving Force

Ra = Active Resistance

Rb = Central Block Resistance

Dp = Passive Driving Resistance

Rp = Passive Resistance

FW= Lateral Free Water Pressure

$$UL = (D_a - FW) - (R_a + R_b + R_p + D_p)$$



# Spencer's Method

**HSDRRSDG Table 3.1: “*Spencer method shall be used for circular and non-circular failure surfaces since it satisfies all conditions of static equilibrium and because its numerical stability is well suited for computer application.*”**

**Finding the shear-normal ratio that makes the two factors of safety equal, means that both moment and force equilibrium are satisfied.**



# Spencer's Method

**Spencer (1967) developed two factor of safety equations; one with respect to moment equilibrium and another with respect to horizontal force equilibrium. He adopted a constant relationship between the interslice shear and normal forces, and through an iterative procedure altered the interslice shear to normal ratio until the two factors of safety were the same.**

**Finding the shear-normal ratio that makes the two factors of safety equal, means that both moment and force equilibrium are satisfied.**



# Spencer's Method

The GLE factor of safety equation with respect to moment equilibrium is:

$$F_m = \frac{\sum (c' \beta R + (N - u \beta) R \tan \phi')}{\sum Wx - \sum Nf \pm \sum Dd}$$

The factor of safety equation with respect to horizontal force equilibrium is:

$$F_f = \frac{\sum (c' \beta \cos \alpha + (N - u \beta) \tan \phi' \cos \alpha)}{\sum N \sin \alpha - \sum D \cos \omega}$$

The terms in the equations are:

$c'$	=	effective cohesion
$\phi'$	=	effective angle of friction
$u$	=	pore-water pressure
$N$	=	slice base normal force
$W$	=	slice weight
$D$	=	line load
$\beta, R, x, f, d, \omega$	=	geometric parameters
$\alpha$	=	inclination of slice base



# Spencer's Method

One of the key variables in both equations is  $N$ , the normal at the base of each slice. This equation is obtained by the summation of vertical forces, thus vertical force equilibrium is consequently satisfied. In equation form, the base normal is defined as:

$$N = \frac{W + (X_R - X_L) - \frac{c' \beta \sin \alpha + u \beta \sin \alpha \tan \phi'}{F}}{\cos \alpha + \frac{\sin \alpha \tan \phi'}{F}}$$



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# Spencer's Method

Determine the non-circular failure surface:

**Sufficient analysis has been done to varying soil profiles to assure that the non-circular surfaces shall govern the stability assessment.**

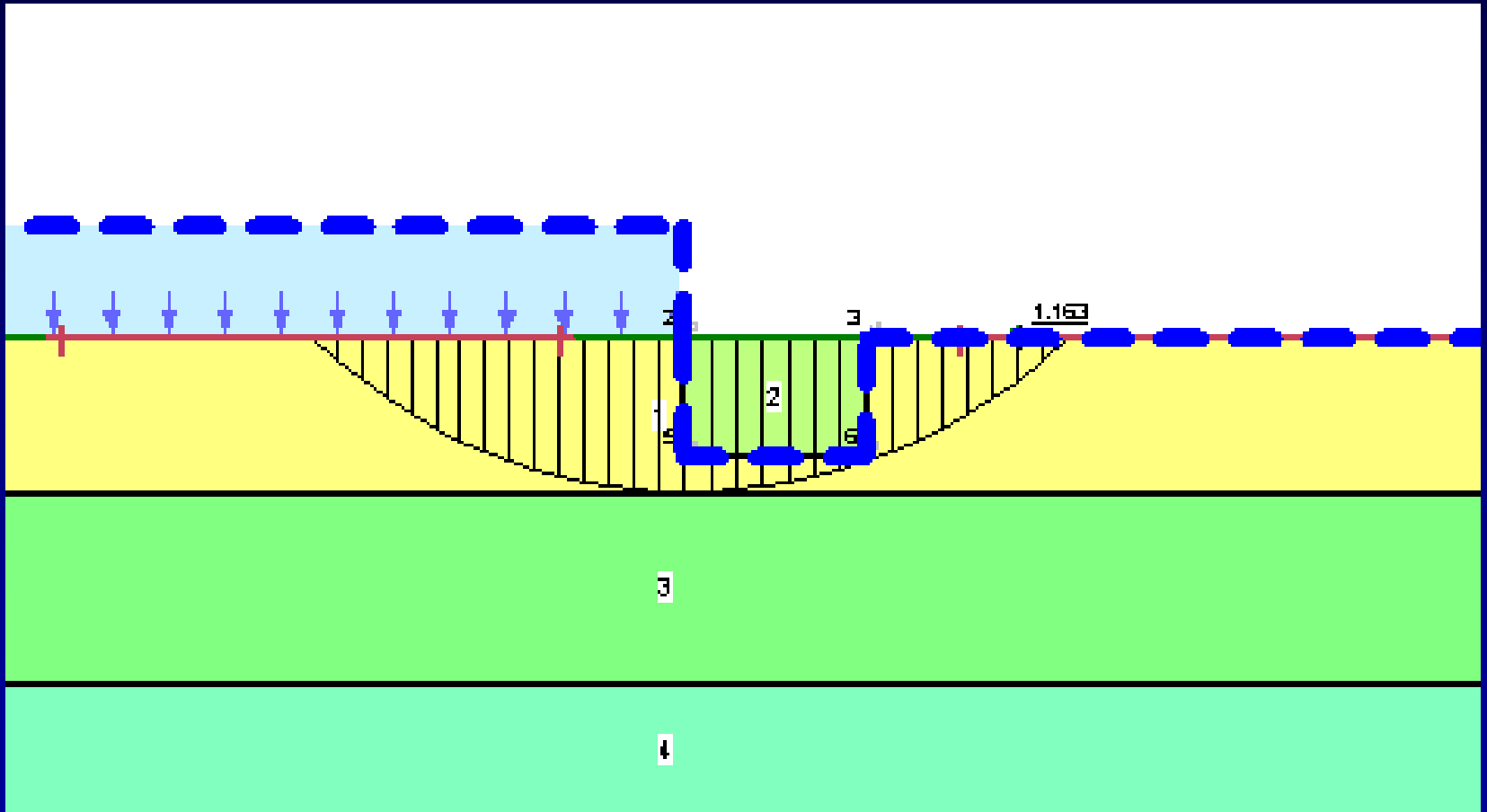
**Numerical modeling has indicated that soil displacement is nearly horizontal under the base of a pile-supported T-Wall.**



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# Spencer's Method

## Unrealistic Slip Surface







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# Spencer's Method

EM 1110-2-1902 requires verification of the results of computer analysis:

***“All reports, except reconnaissance phase reports, that deal with critical embankments or slopes should include verification of the results of computer analyses. The verification should be commensurate with the level of risk associated with the structure and should include one or more of the following methods of analysis using:***

- (1) Graphical (force polygon) method.***
- (2) Spreadsheet calculations.***
- (3) Another slope stability computer program.***
- (4) Slope stability charts.”***



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# Spencer's Method

## Slope Stability Design Factors of Safety for T-Walls

Analysis Condition	Required Minimum Factor of Safety	
	Spencer's Method	MOP
Protected Side (SWL)	1.5	1.3
Protected Side (top of wall - TOW)	1.4	1.3
Floodside (low water)	1.4	1.3



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# Spencer's Method

## Stability Analysis using Method of Planes (MOP)

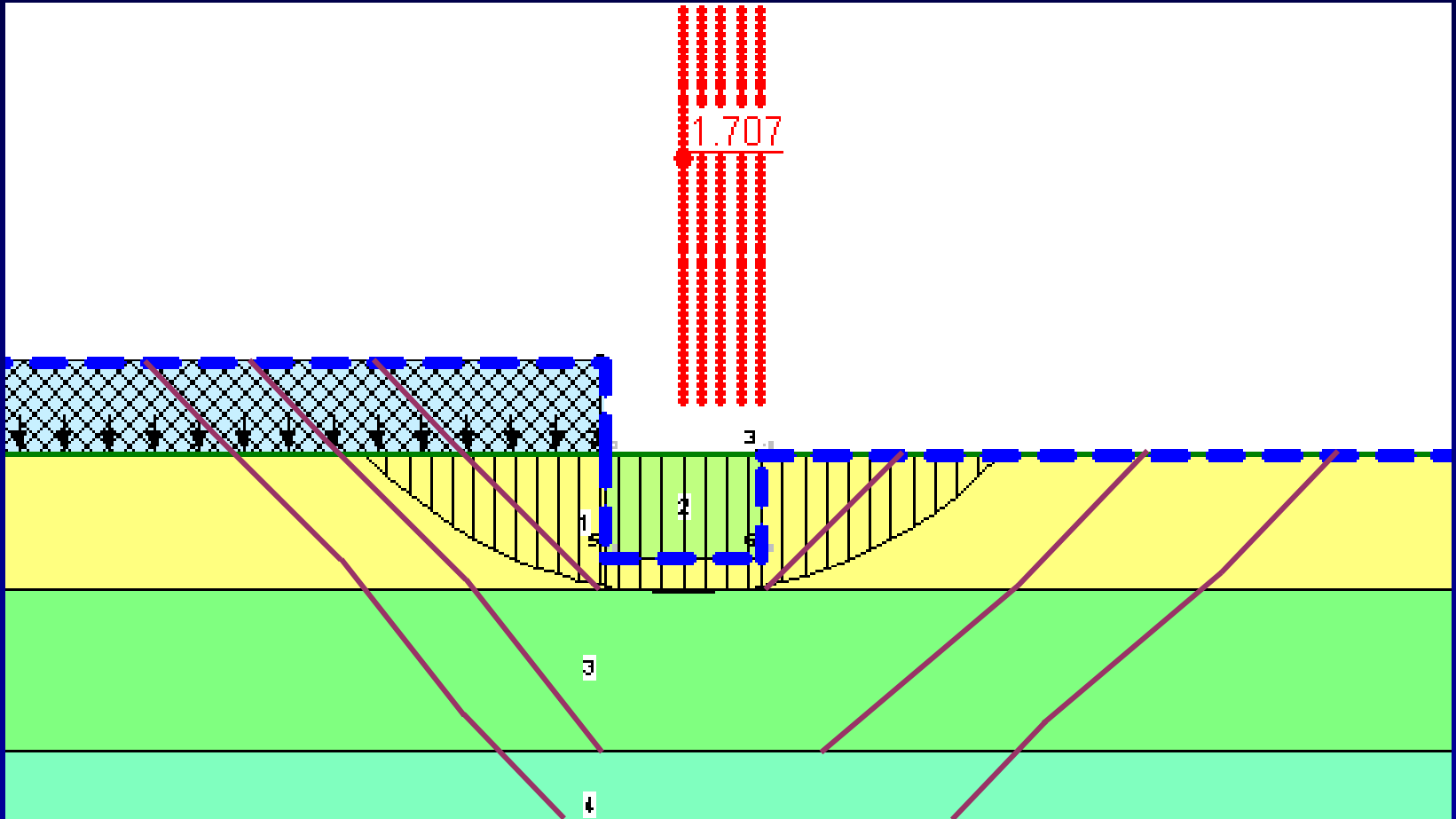
***HSDRRSDG: “LMVD Method of Planes shall be used as a design check for verification that the HPS design satisfies historic district requirements. Analysis shall include a full search for the critical failure surface since it may vary from that found following the Spencer’s Method.”***



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# Spencer's Method

## Spencer's Method compared to MOP





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**Question?**

**Thank You**

The background of the slide is a close-up of the American flag, showing the stars and stripes. In the lower right quadrant, there is a silhouette of a castle with two towers, rendered in a golden-yellow color.

# ***T-Wall Design Procedure for Unbalanced Load***

*by*

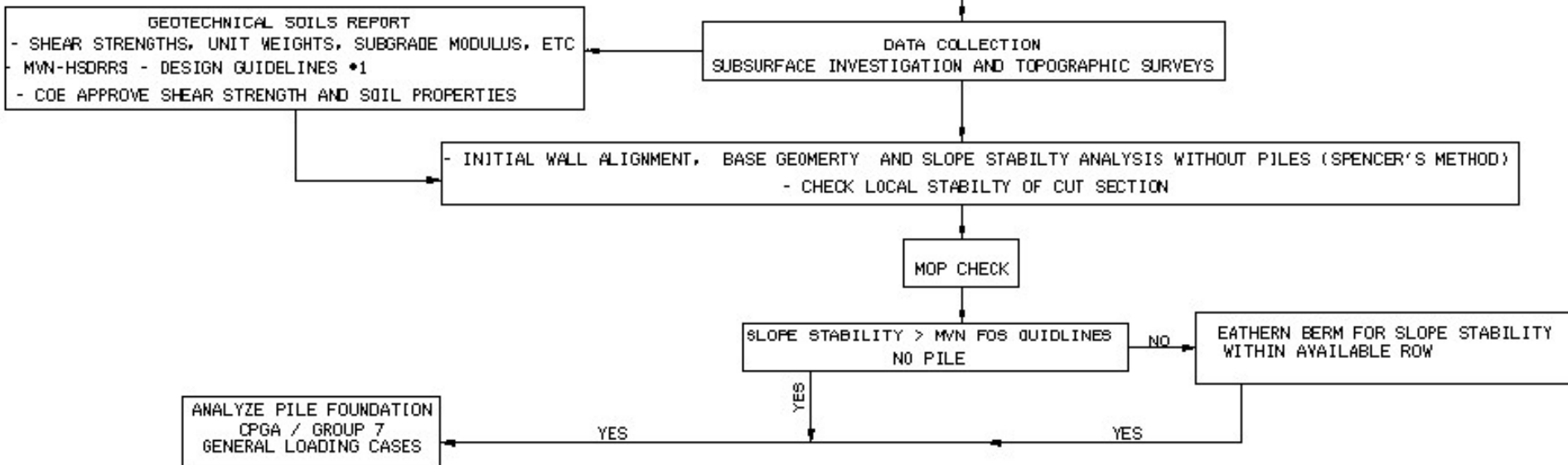
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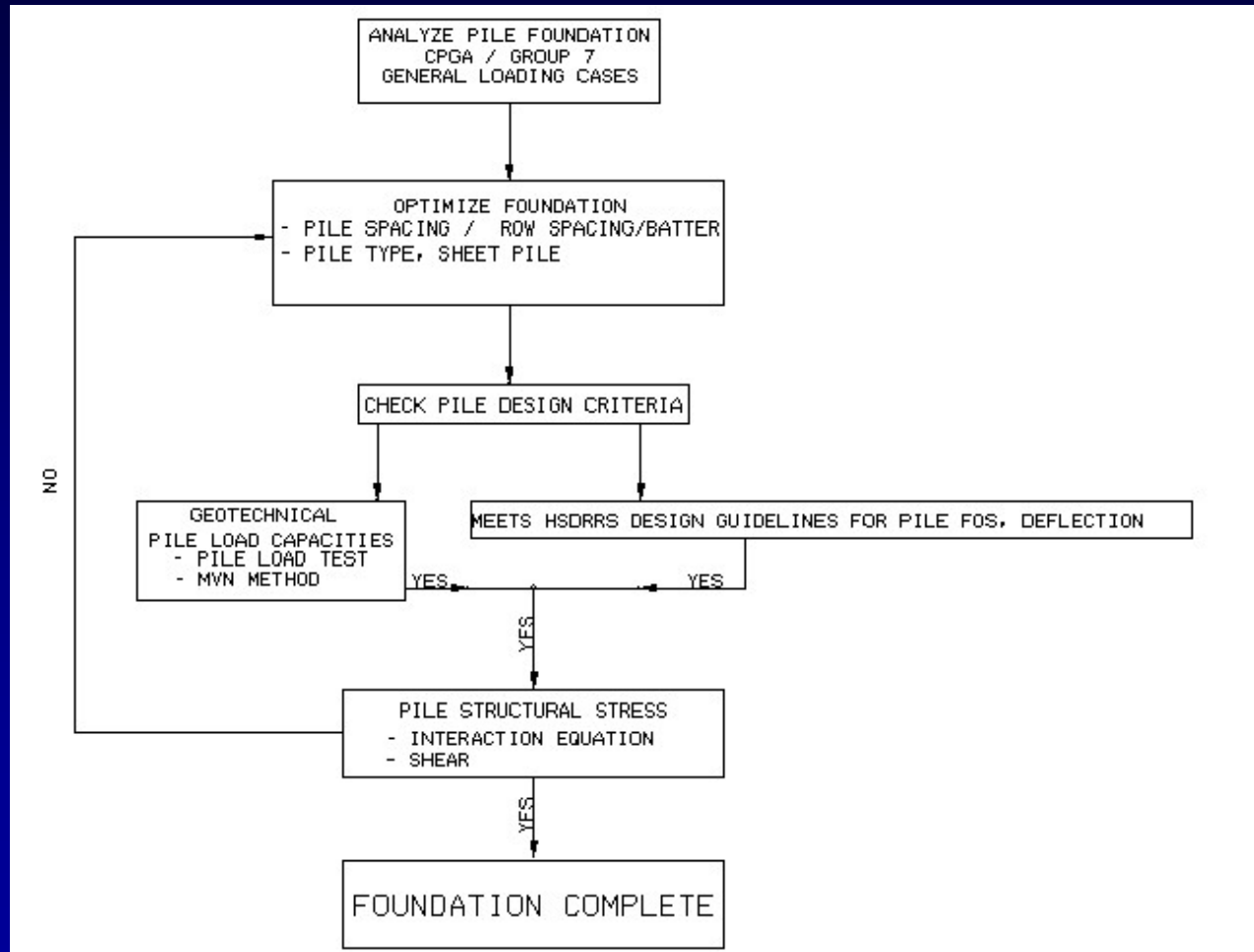
# NEW METHODOLOGY STEP 1

PILE FOUNDATION OVERLAYING WEAK SOIL STRATA  
DESIGN FLOW CHART





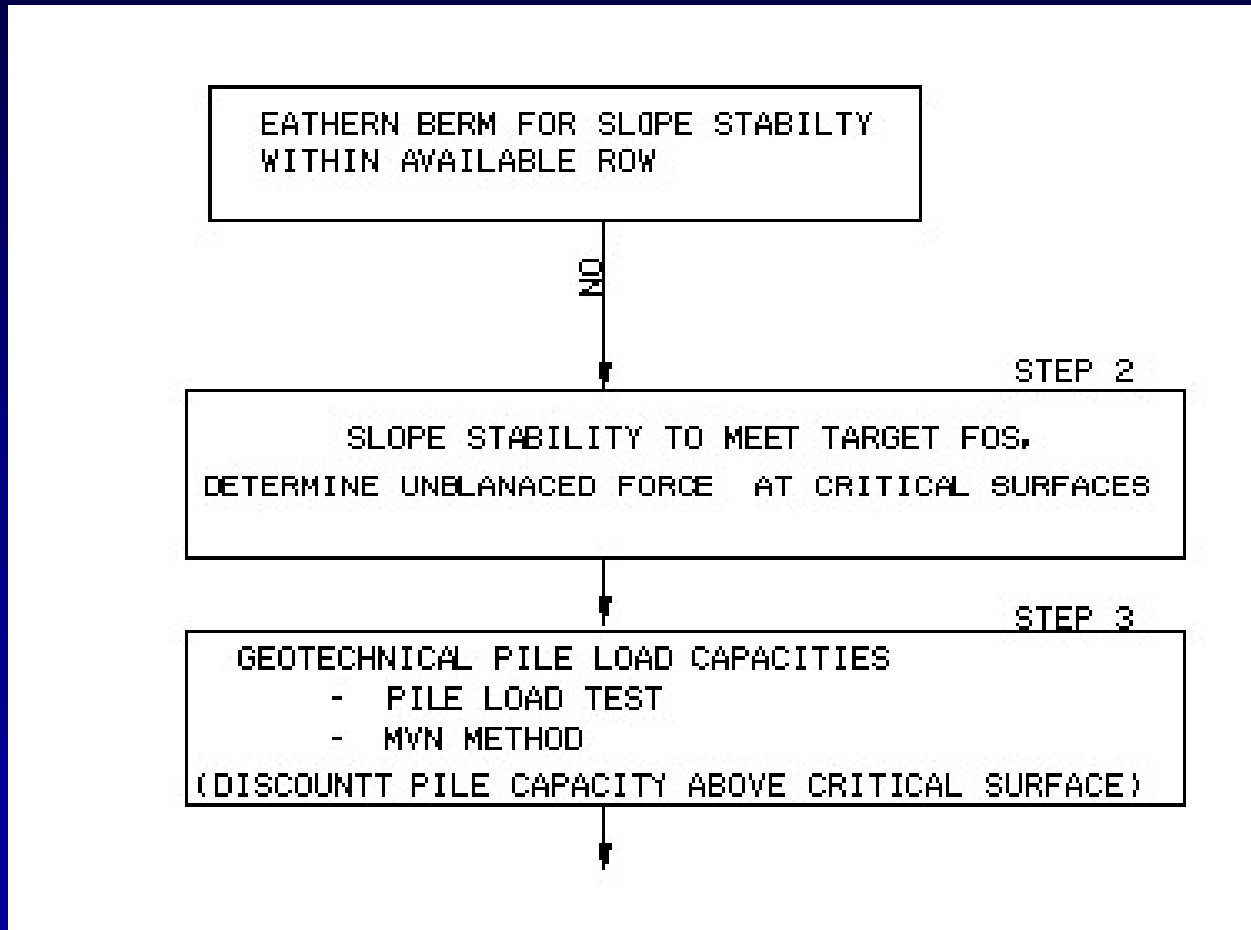
# NEW METHODOLOGY STEP 1a





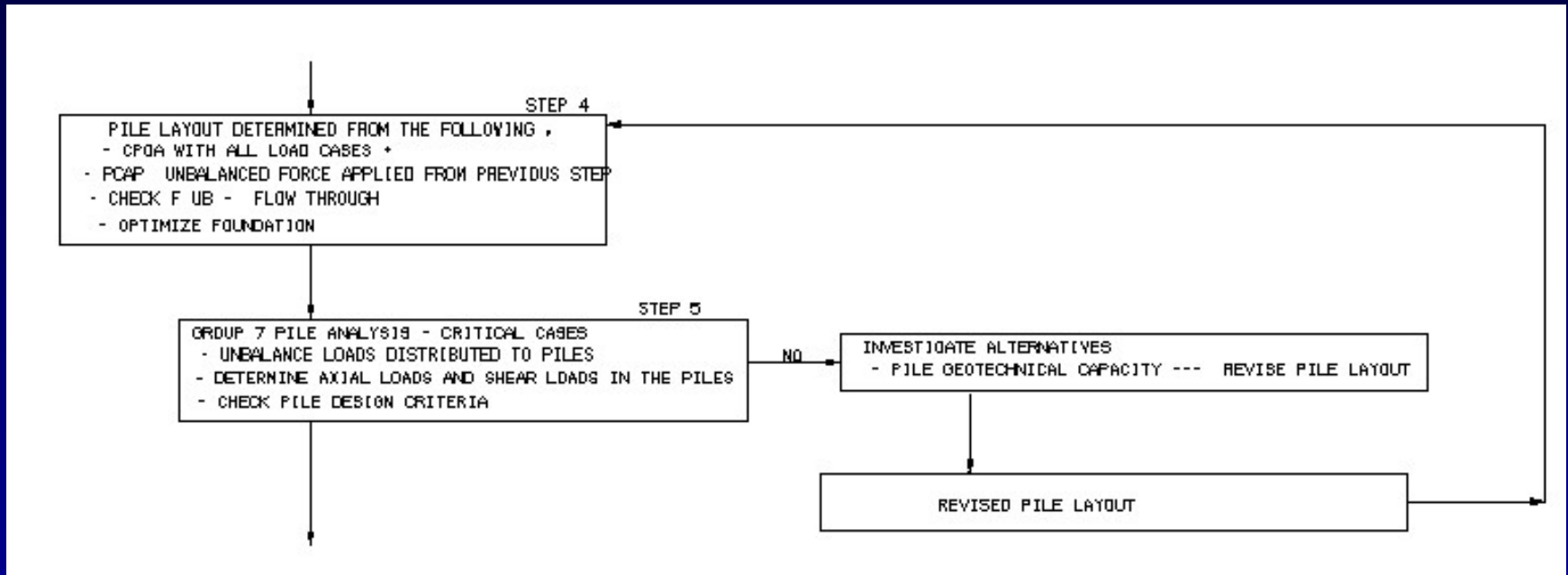


# NEW METHODOLOGY STEPS 2 & 3



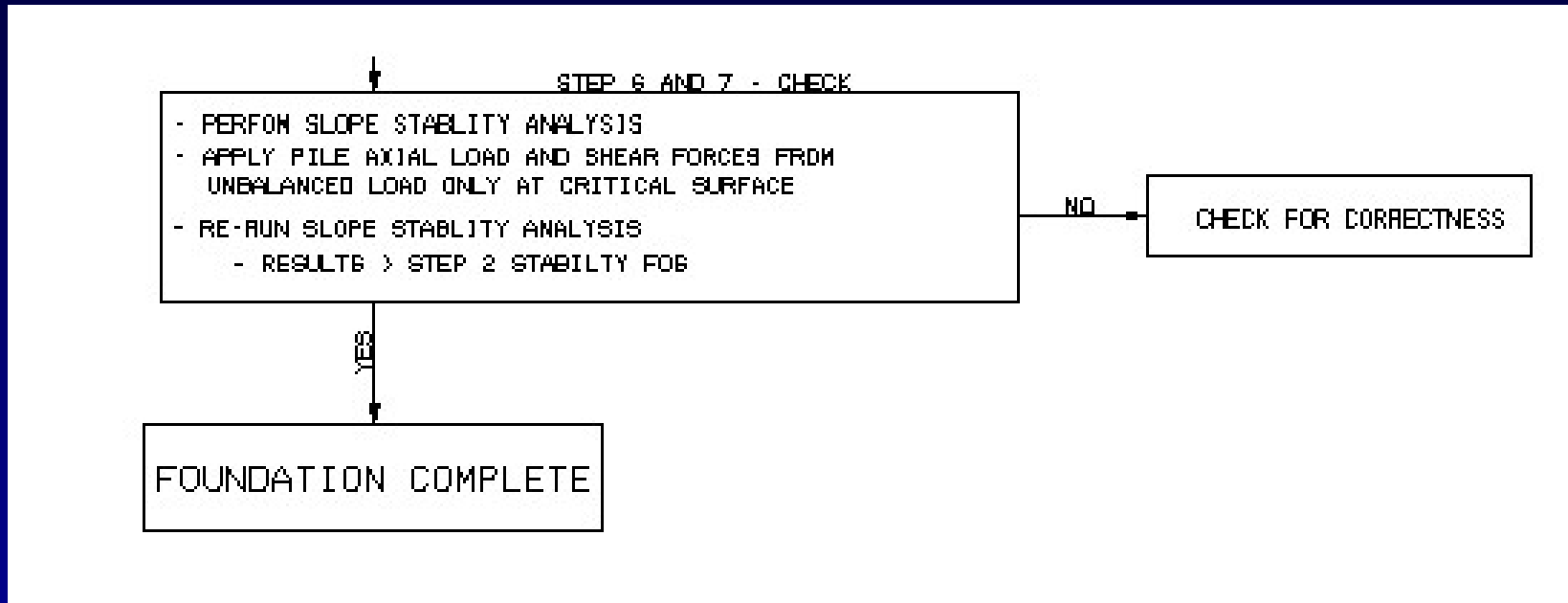


# NEW METHODOLOGY STEPS 4 & 5





# NEW METHODOLOGY STEPS 6 & 7





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# NEW METHODOLOGY NOTES

## NOTES:

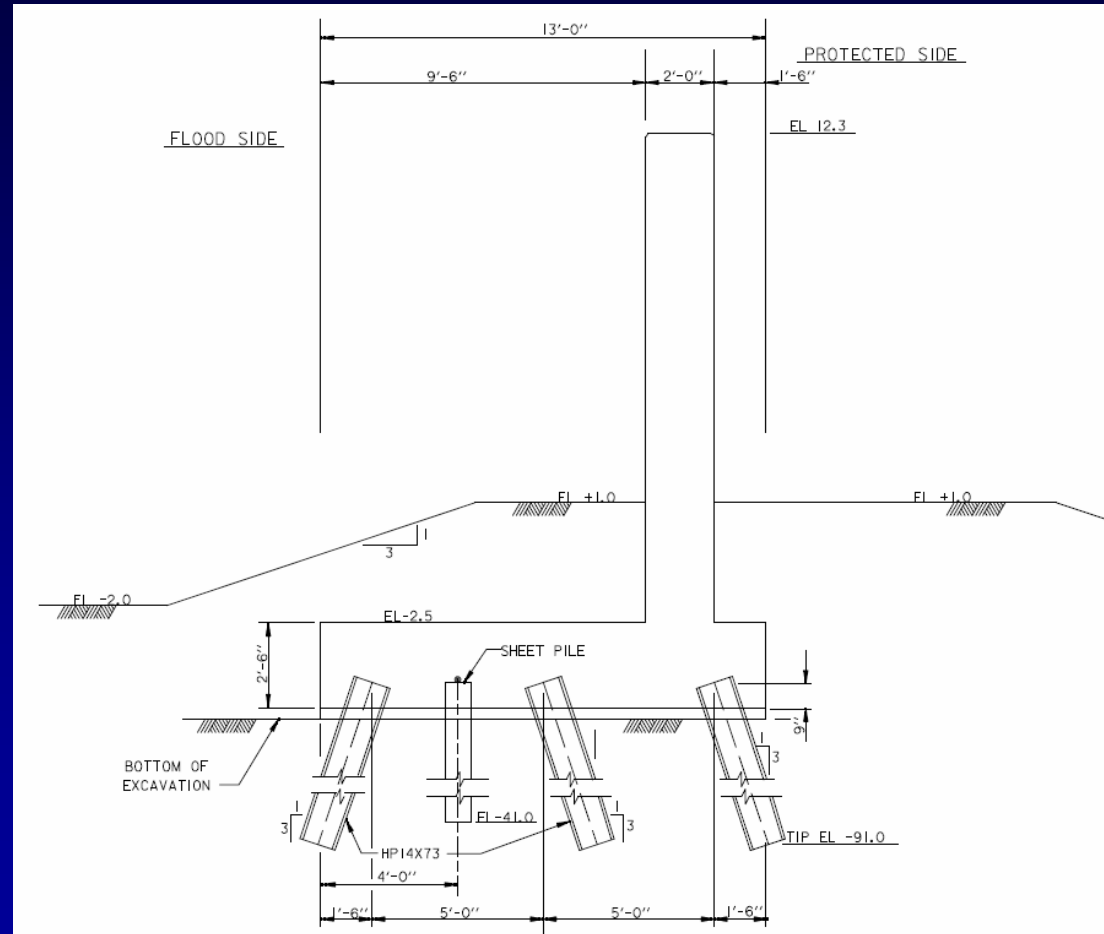
1. MVN - HURRICANE AND STORM DAMAGE RISK REDUCTION SYSTEM (HSDRRS) DESIGN GUIDELINES.
2. SPENCER'S ANALYSIS WILL BE USED FOR ALL SLOPE STABILITY DESIGN ANALYSIS.
3. MOP WILL ONLY BE USED FOR A DESIGN CHECK.
4. SHEET PILE - DESIGN FOR SEEPAGE, MINIMUM TIP BASED ON SOIL STRATUM.



# Purpose

## Step by Step Design Method

Example No. 1 with  
SWL = El. +10 ft  
(target FS = 1.5)





# Steps Overview

- 1. Check Factor of Safety**
  - UTexas4 Spencer Search Methodology
  - UT4 Results for Example 1
  - Slope/W Methodology and Results for Example 1
- 2. Find Unbalanced Load**
- 3. Compute Pile Capacities**
- 4. Preliminary Design with CPGA – check flow through**
- 5. Group 7 Analysis of critical cases**
- 6. Find Reinforcement Forces**
- 7. Check Global FOS with Reinforcement**



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# UTexas4 Search Methodology

1. **Problem Definition – Program Input**
2. **Trial Failure Surfaces**
3. **Solution Convergence**
4. **Automatic Searches**



# UTexas4 – Program Input

## 1. UTexas4 vs. Earlier Versions

1. Property Interpolation
2. Weight of Free Water

## 2. T-Wall Design Input

1. Soil Layers and Properties
2. Piezometric Surface & Water Load (Unit Weight H<sub>2</sub>O)
3. Weight of Wall & Forces on Wall

## 3. Analysis/Computation

1. Procedure (Spencer = Default)
2. Trial Surface & Automatic Search Criteria





# UTexas4 – Trial Surfaces

## 1. Circular Surface

1. Initial Trial Center & Radius
2. Tangent, Radius & Point Modes
3. “Stop” Command

## 2. Non-Circular Surface

1. Initial 4-Point “Wedge” Surface (MOP = Guide)
2. 0.7H Base Length Constraint (the 5th-Point)



# UTexas4 - Solution Convergence

1. **A Unique Solution ?**
2. **Convergence Criteria**
  1. Force Imbalance
  2. Moment Imbalance
3. **What to Look For**
  1. Cautions and Warnings
  2. Sense of Inclination
  3. Number of Iterations and Convergence Trends
4. **Troubleshooting Suggestions**
  1. Work Near Origin (Moments are taken about 0,0)
  2. Trial FS > Expected FS (Default is 3.0)
  3. Reduce Trial Inclination (Default is 15 degrees)



# UTexas4 - Automatic Searches

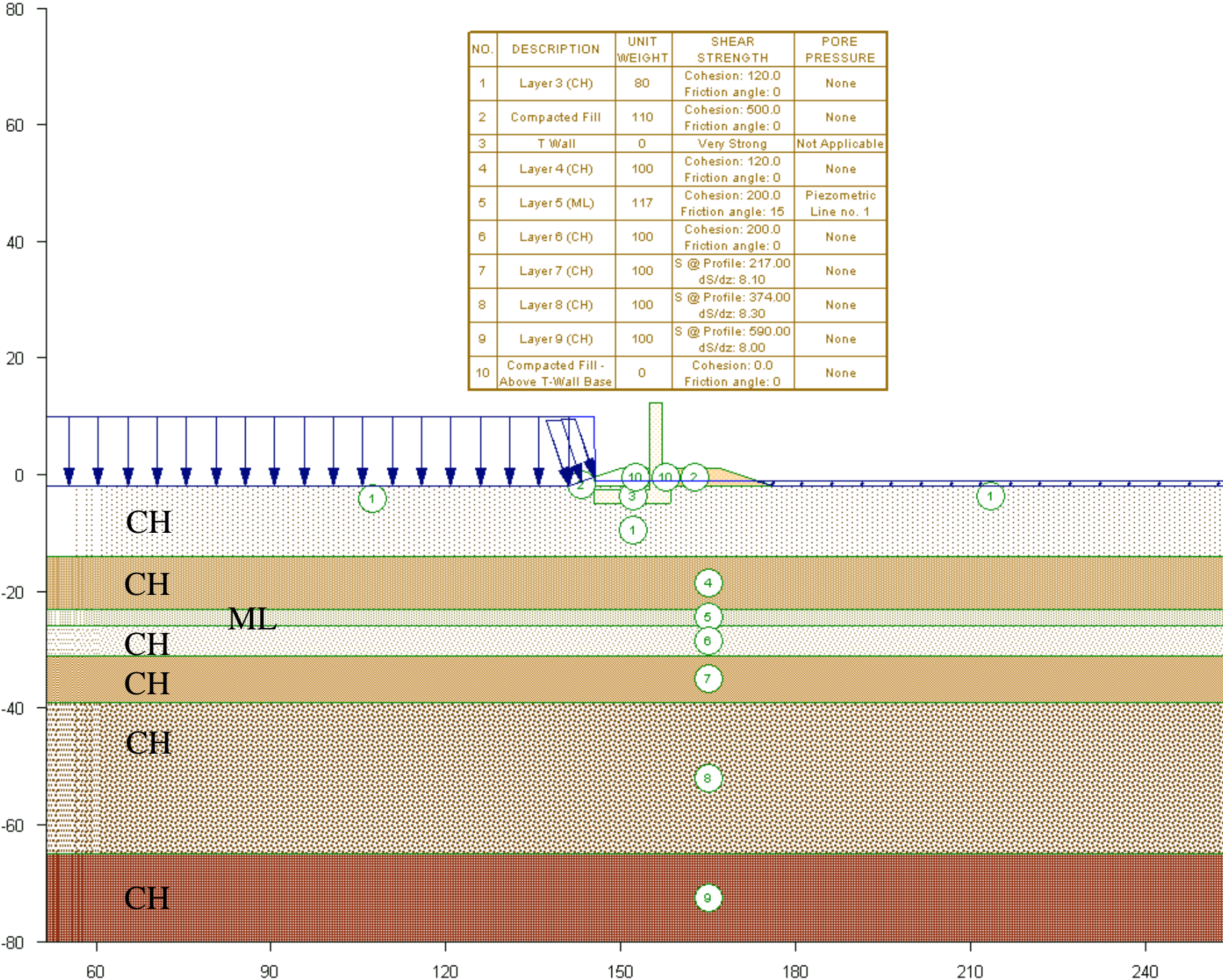
- 1. Local vs. Global Min. FS**
- 2. Local vs. Global Max. Unbalanced Load**
- 3. Circular Search**
  1. Floating and Fixed Grid
- 4. Non-Circular Search**
  1. Degree of Freedom (No. of Points and Shift Direction)
  2. Shift Distance
  3. Coarse to Fine - Recycling and Refining Output as Input
- 5. Results**
  1. Non-Circular Typically More Critical than Circular
  2. FS Usually Decreases as No. Points Increases and Shift Distance Decreases
  3. Several Successive Runs are Required (Single-Stage)

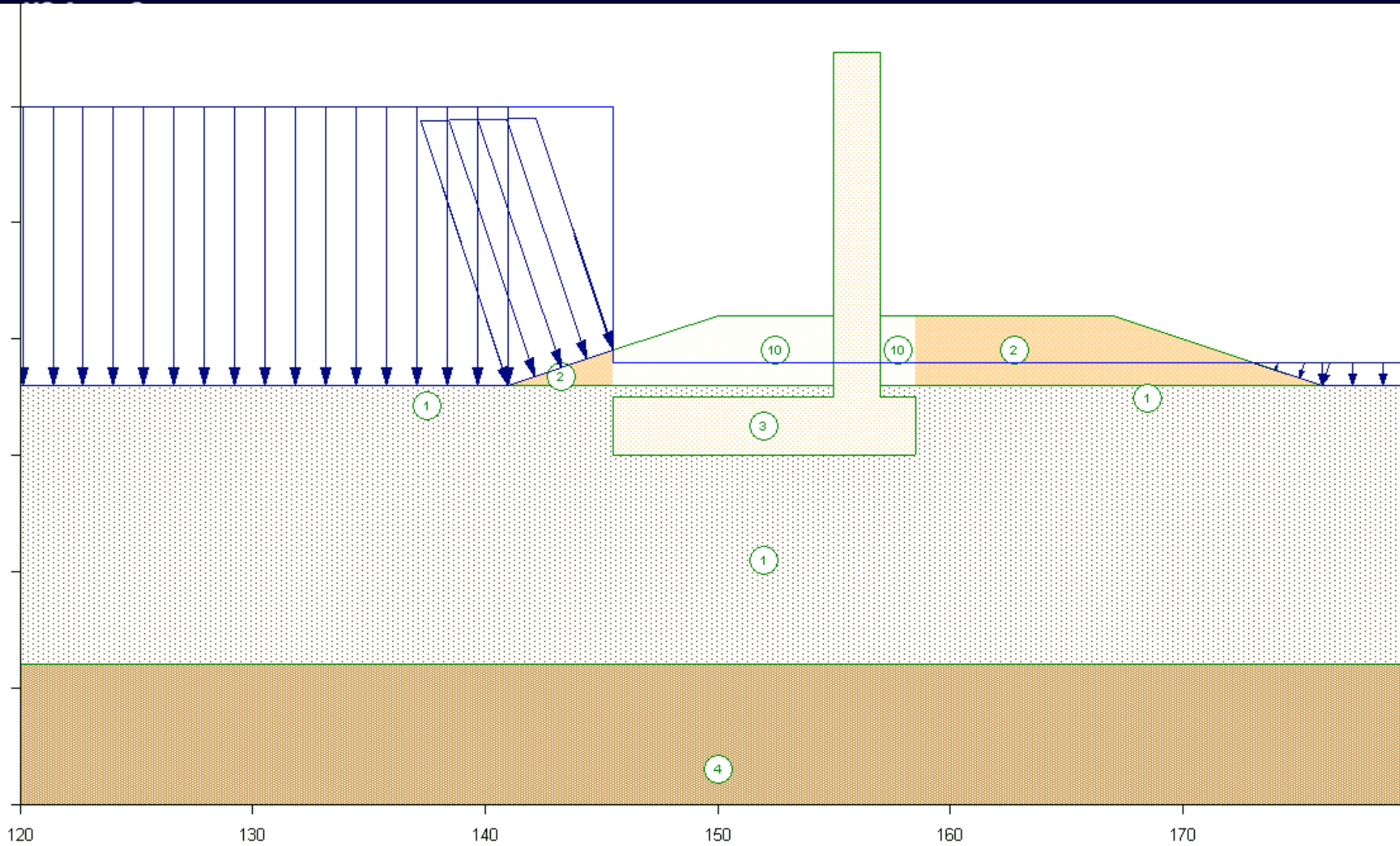


# Steps 1 and 2 - UT4 Results

1. **Spencer Procedure Model (UTexas4 or Slope/W)**
2. **Starting wall configuration**
3. **Establish stratigraphy and soil properties**
4. **Find failure surfaces that correspond to Lowest FS and Highest Unbalanced Load by evaluating several tangent elevations**

NO.	DESCRIPTION	UNIT WEIGHT	SHEAR STRENGTH	PORE PRESSURE
1	Layer 3 (CH)	80	Cohesion: 120.0 Friction angle: 0	None
2	Compacted Fill	110	Cohesion: 500.0 Friction angle: 0	None
3	T Wall	0	Very Strong	Not Applicable
4	Layer 4 (CH)	100	Cohesion: 120.0 Friction angle: 0	None
5	Layer 5 (ML)	117	Cohesion: 200.0 Friction angle: 15	Piezometric Line no. 1
6	Layer 6 (CH)	100	Cohesion: 200.0 Friction angle: 0	None
7	Layer 7 (CH)	100	S @ Profile: 217.00 dS/dz: 8.10	None
8	Layer 8 (CH)	100	S @ Profile: 374.00 dS/dz: 8.30	None
9	Layer 9 (CH)	100	S @ Profile: 590.00 dS/dz: 8.00	None
10	Compacted Fill - Above T-Wall Base	0	Cohesion: 0.0 Friction angle: 0	None



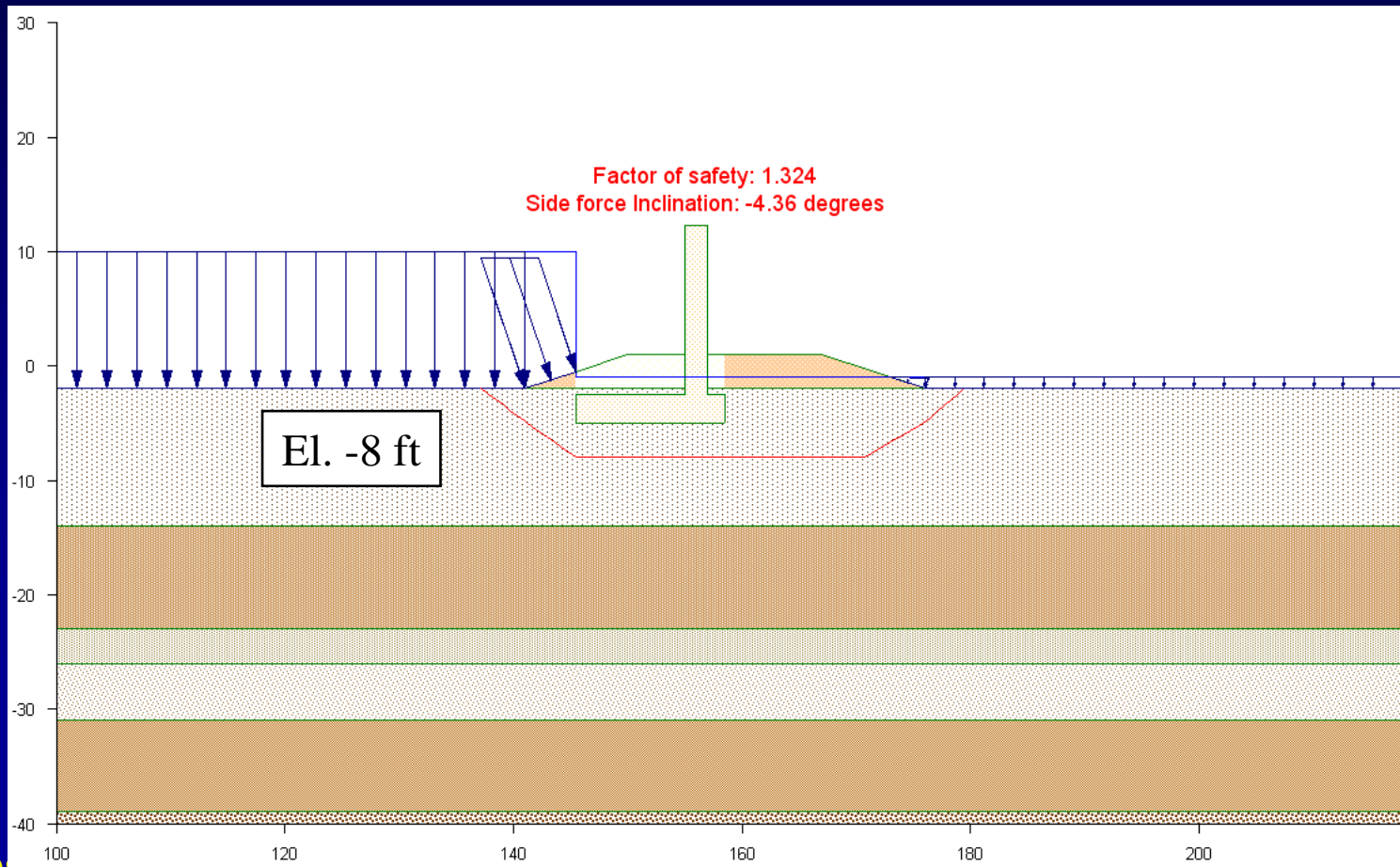




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# Step 1 (tangent elev. at -8 ft)

## Check Global FOS using Spencer's Method





## Step 2.1

**Search for highest unbalanced load**

**Surface Defined as non-circular  
Min of 0.7 H or Base Width**

**Force located half way from ground surface  
at heel to elevation of critical failure  
surface**

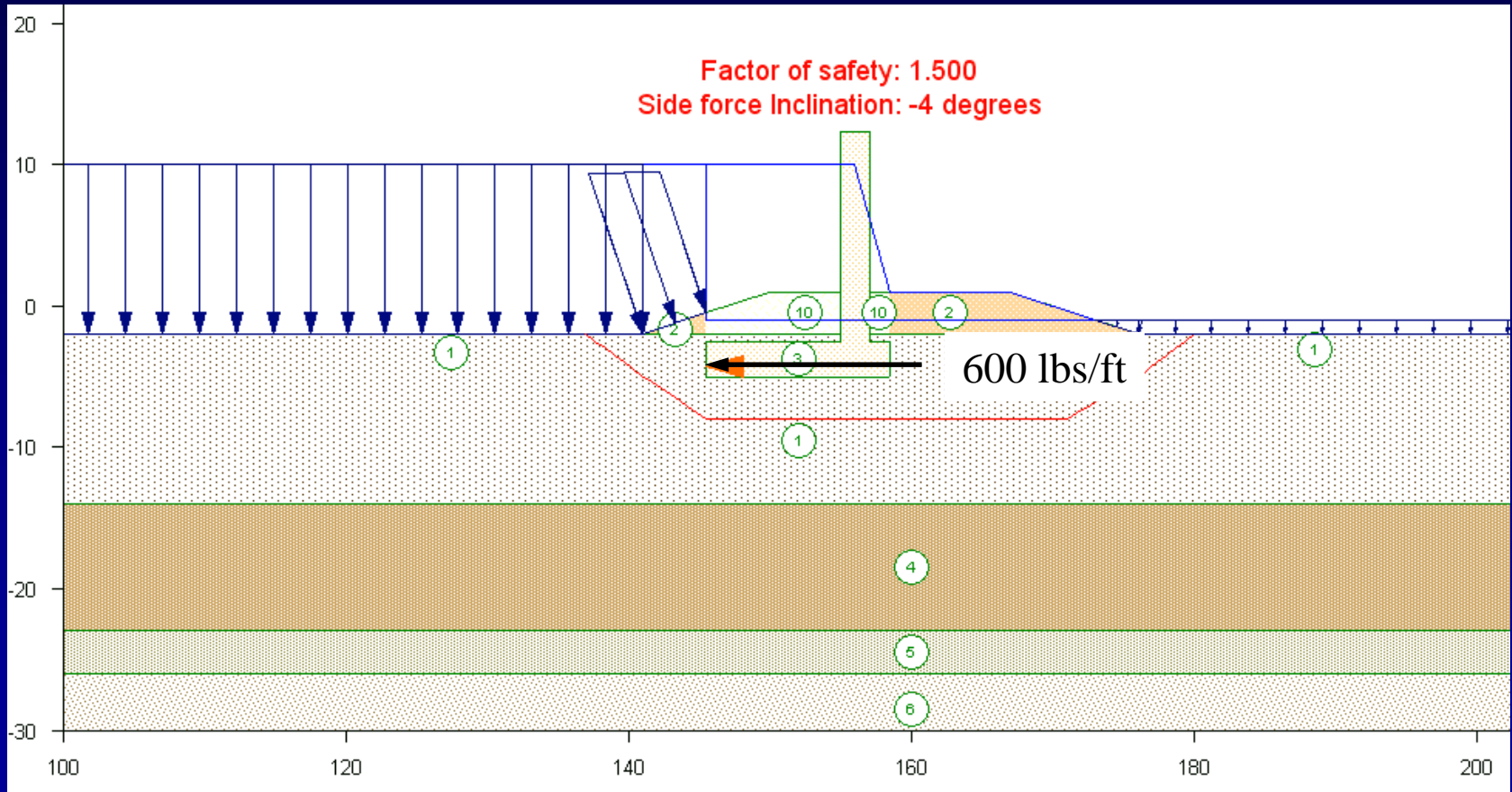
**Two cases SWL and TOW (only SWL shown)**





# Step 2.1

## Compute Stabilizing Force to Achieve Target FOS

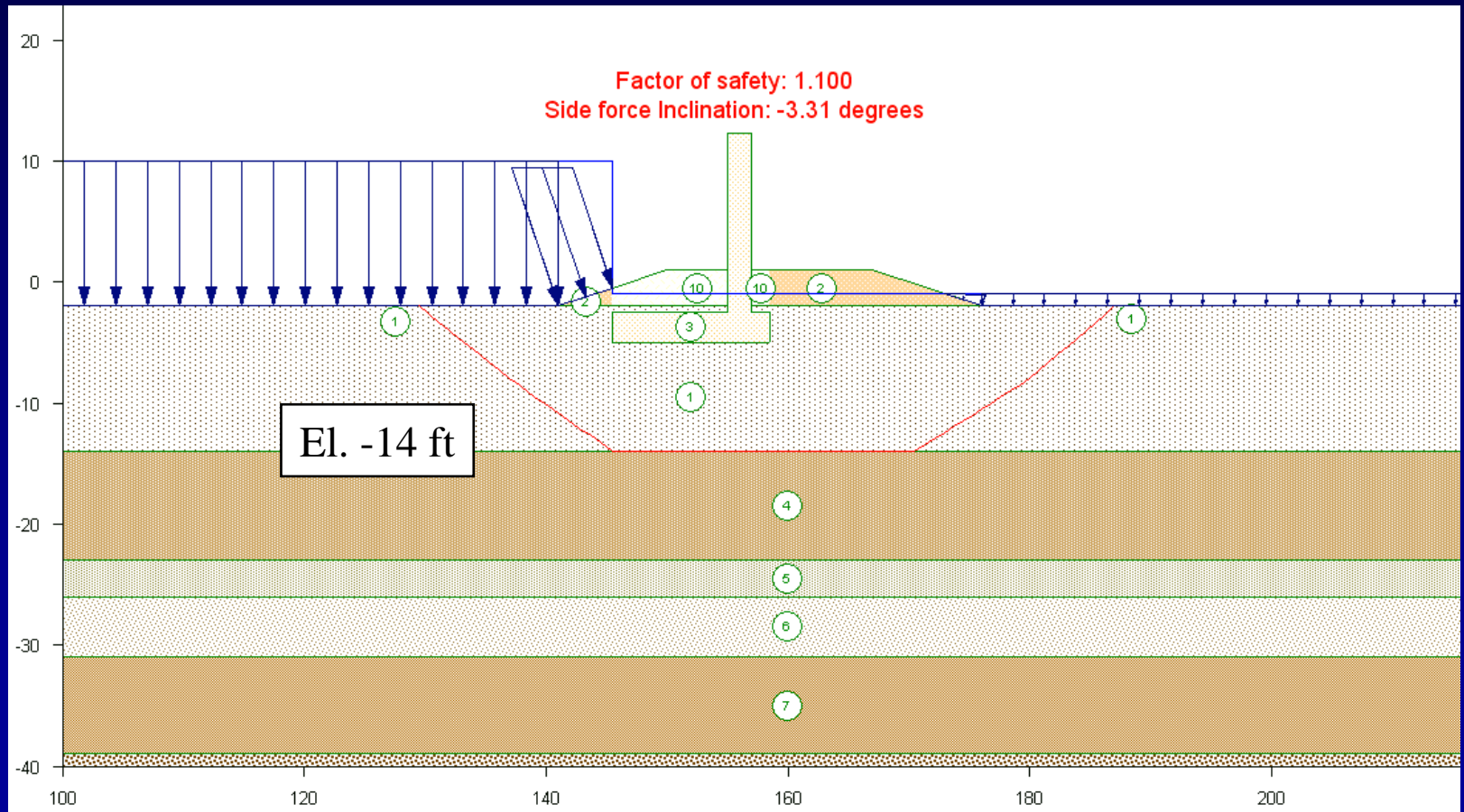




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# Step 1 (tangent elev. at -14 ft)

## Check Global FOS using Spencer's Method

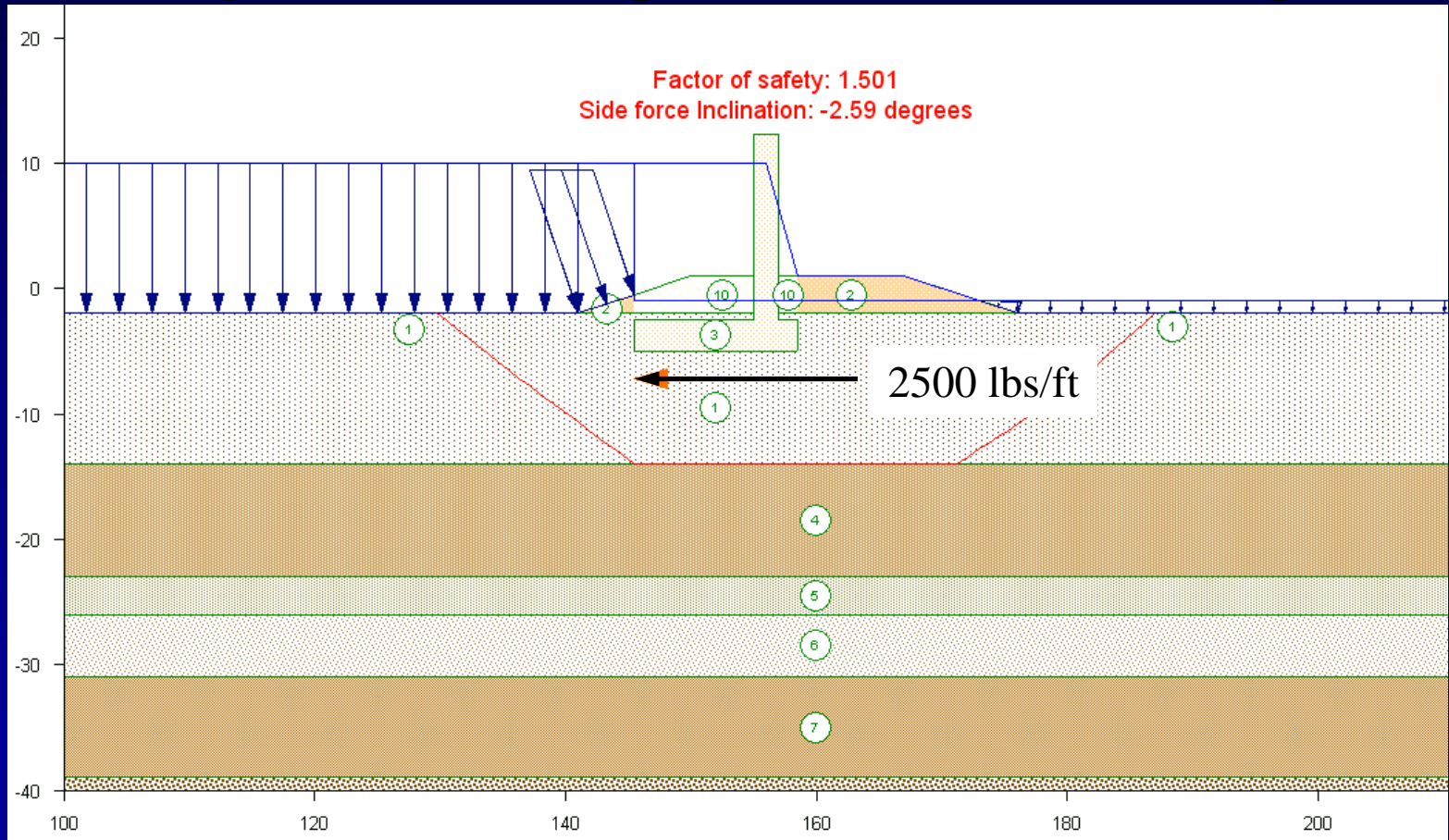


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# Step 2.1

## Compute Stabilizing Force to Achieve Target FOS

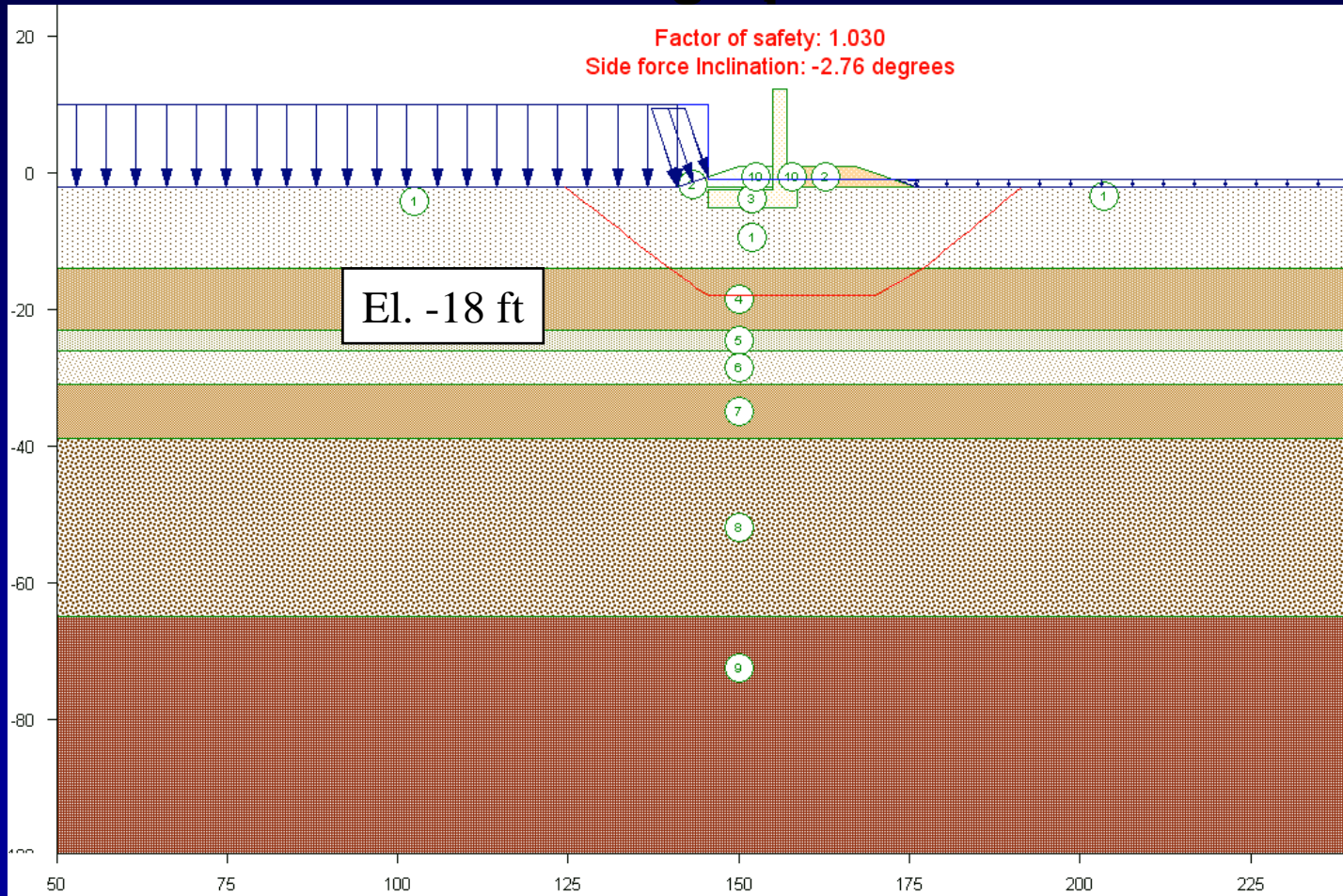




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# Step 1 (tangent elev. at -18 ft)

## Check Global FOS using Spencer's Method

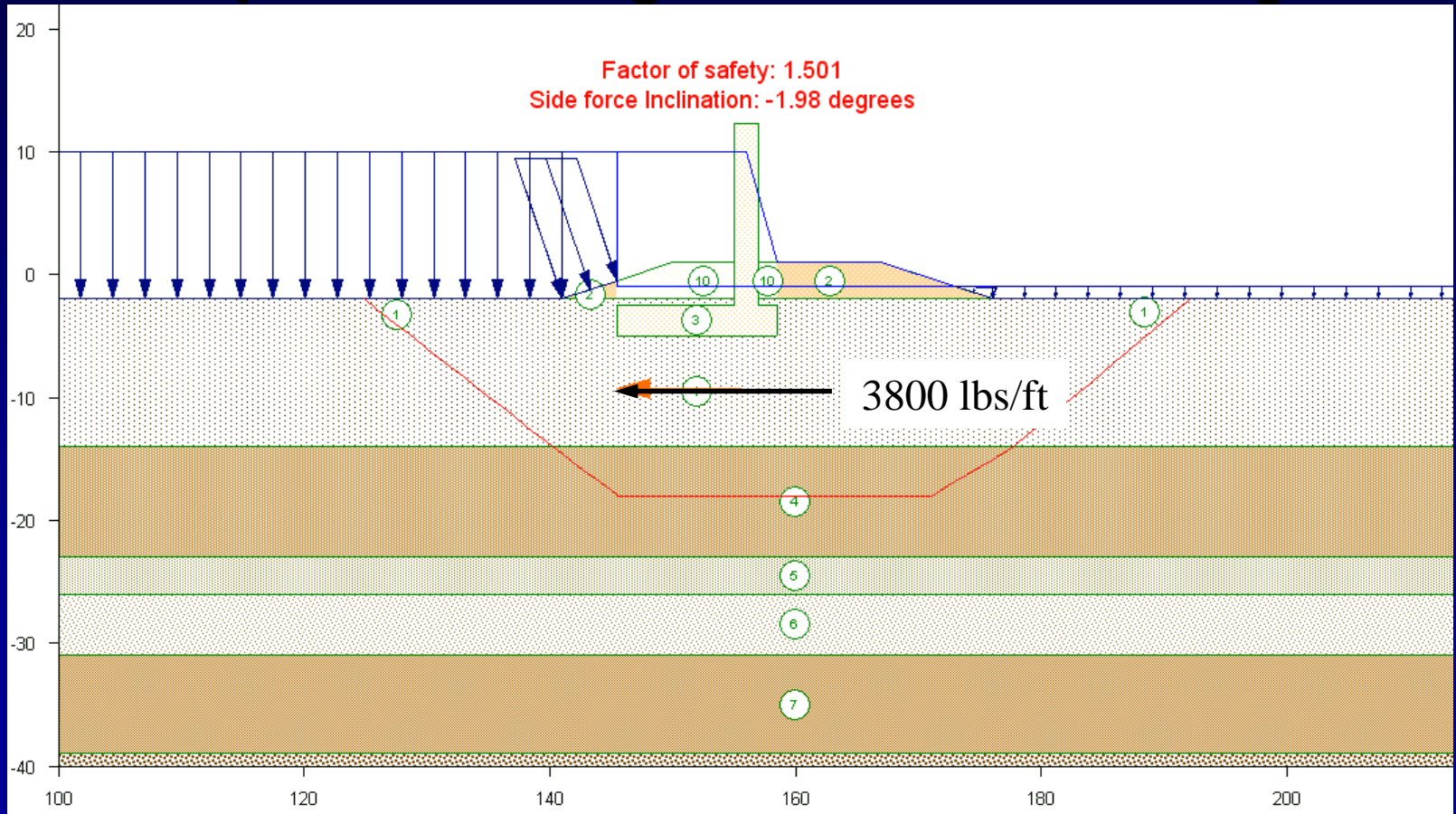


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# Step 2.1

## Compute Stabilizing Force to Achieve Target FOS

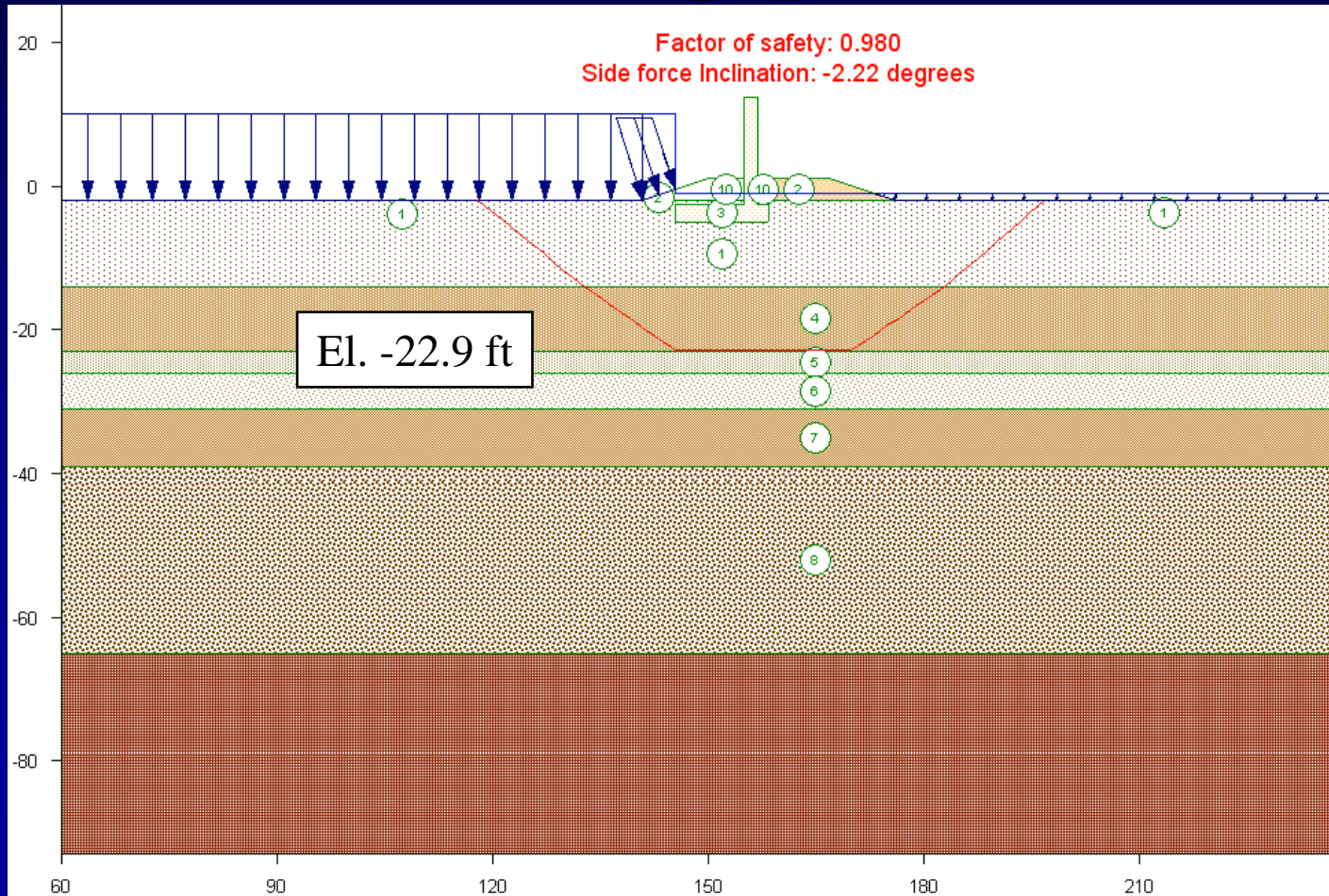




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# Step 1 (tangent elev. at -22.9 ft)

## Check Global FOS using Spencer's Method

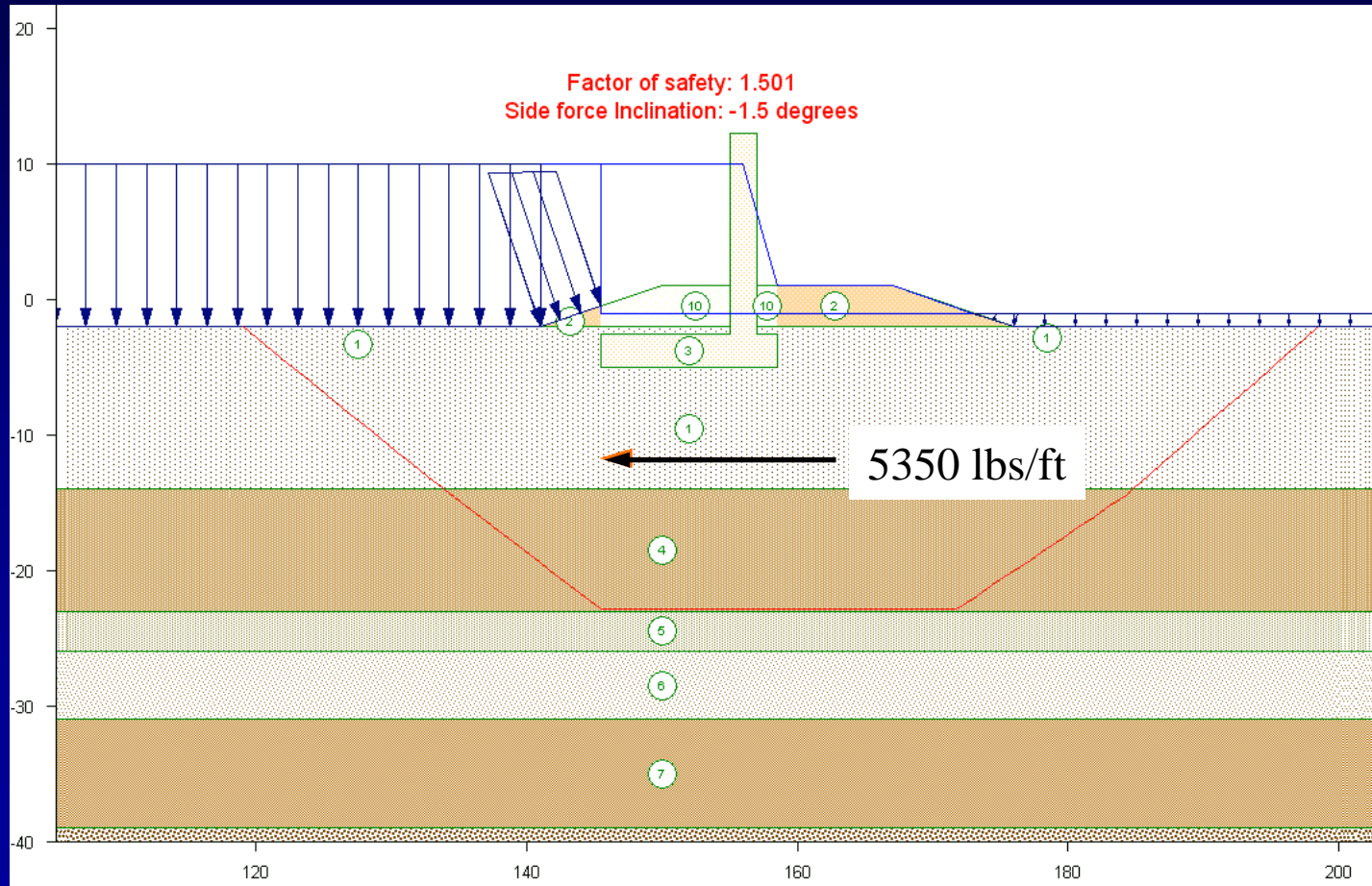


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# Step 2.1

## Compute Stabilizing Force to Achieve Target FOS

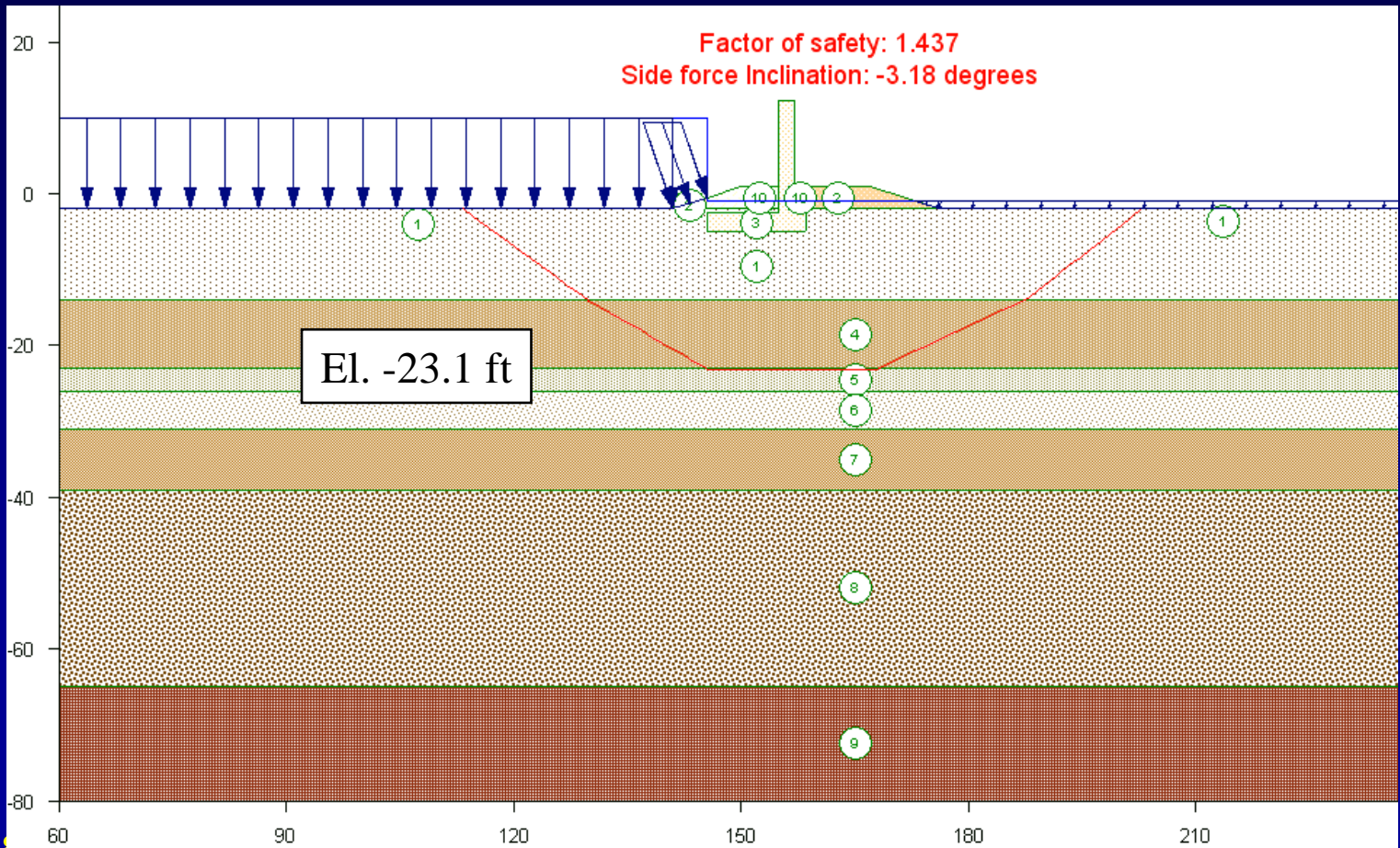




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# Step 1 (tangent elev. at -23.1 ft)

## Check Global FOS using Spencer's Method

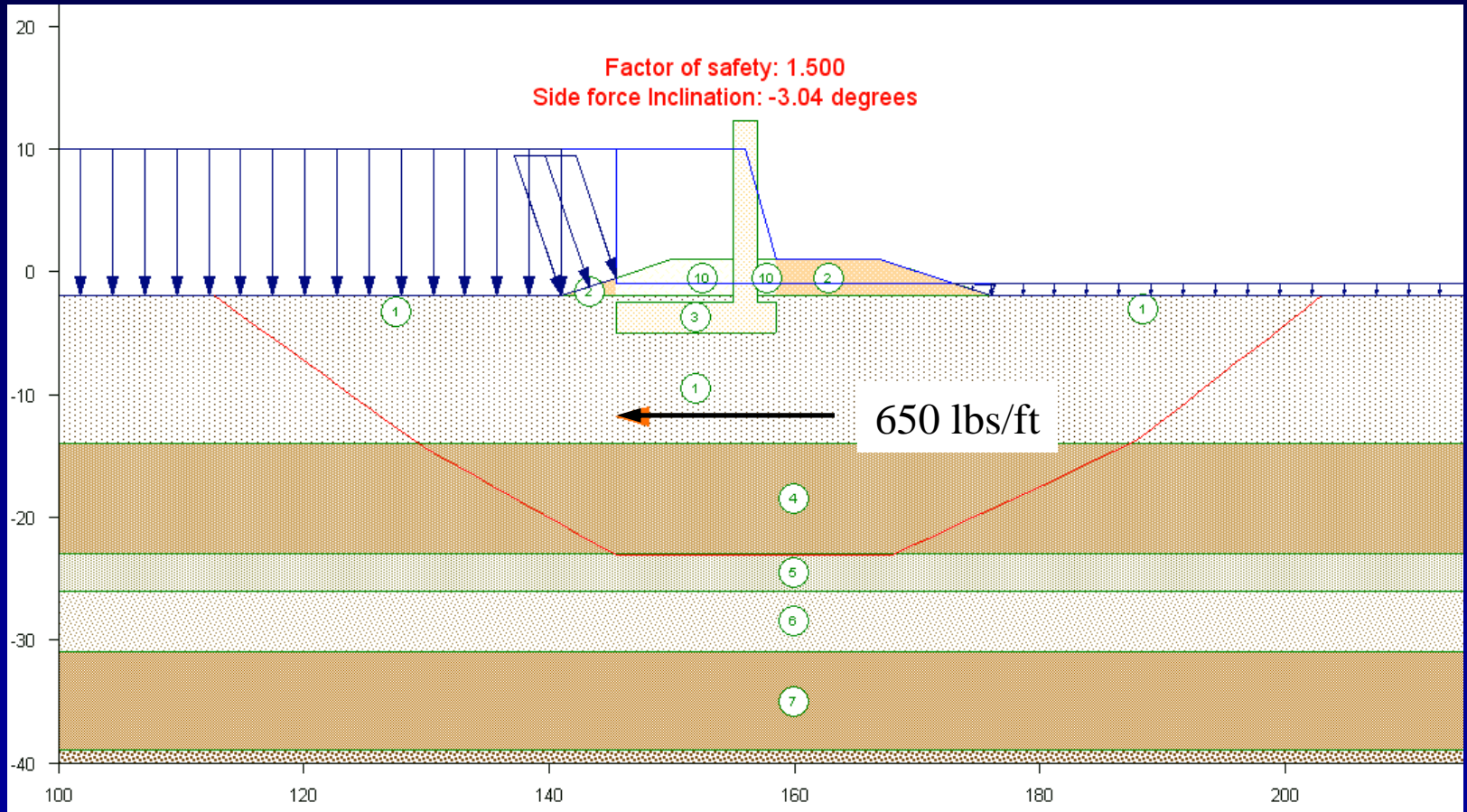






# Step 2.1

## Compute Stabilizing Force to Achieve Target FOS

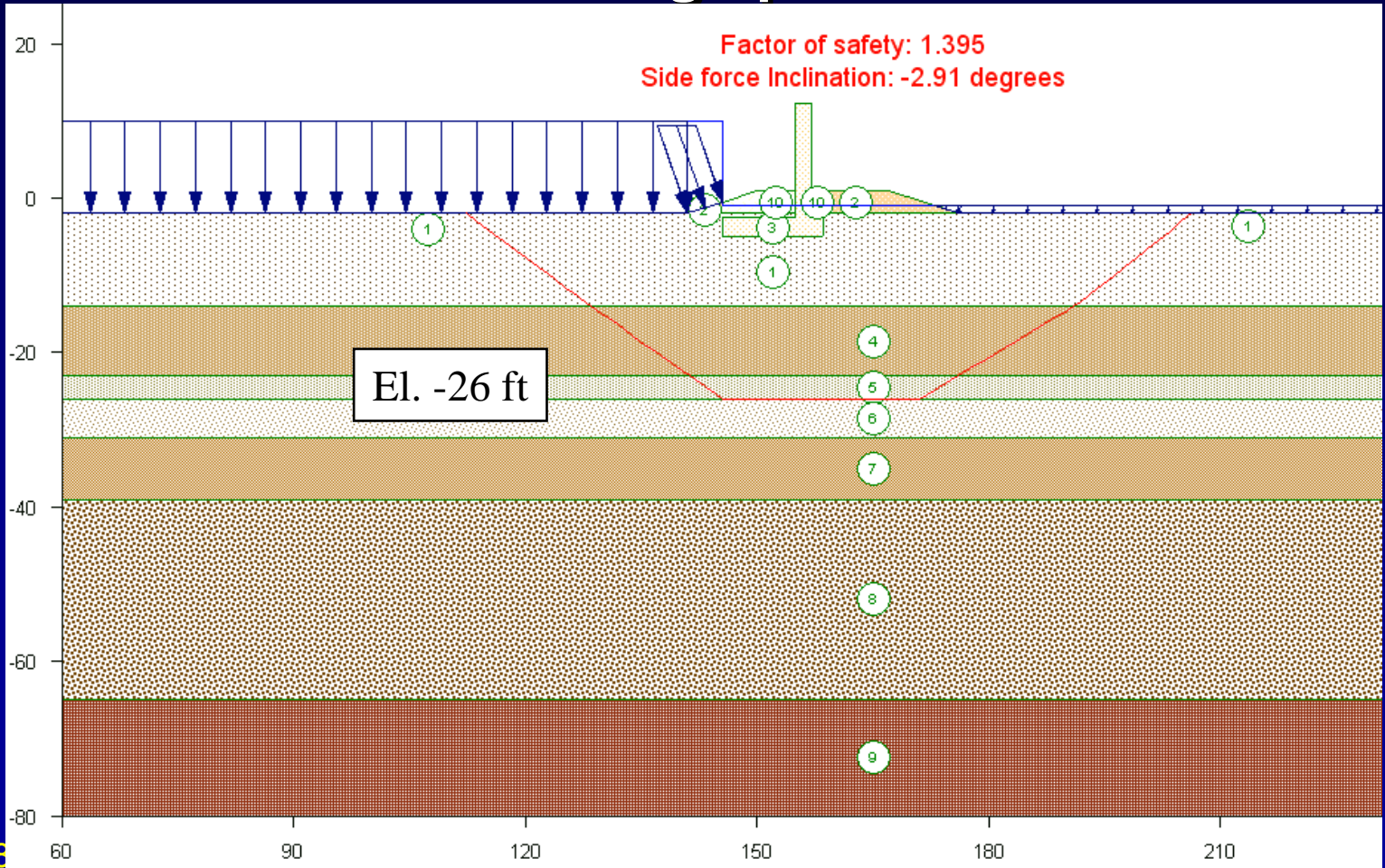




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# Step 1 (tangent elev. at -26 ft)

## Check Global FOS using Spencer's Method

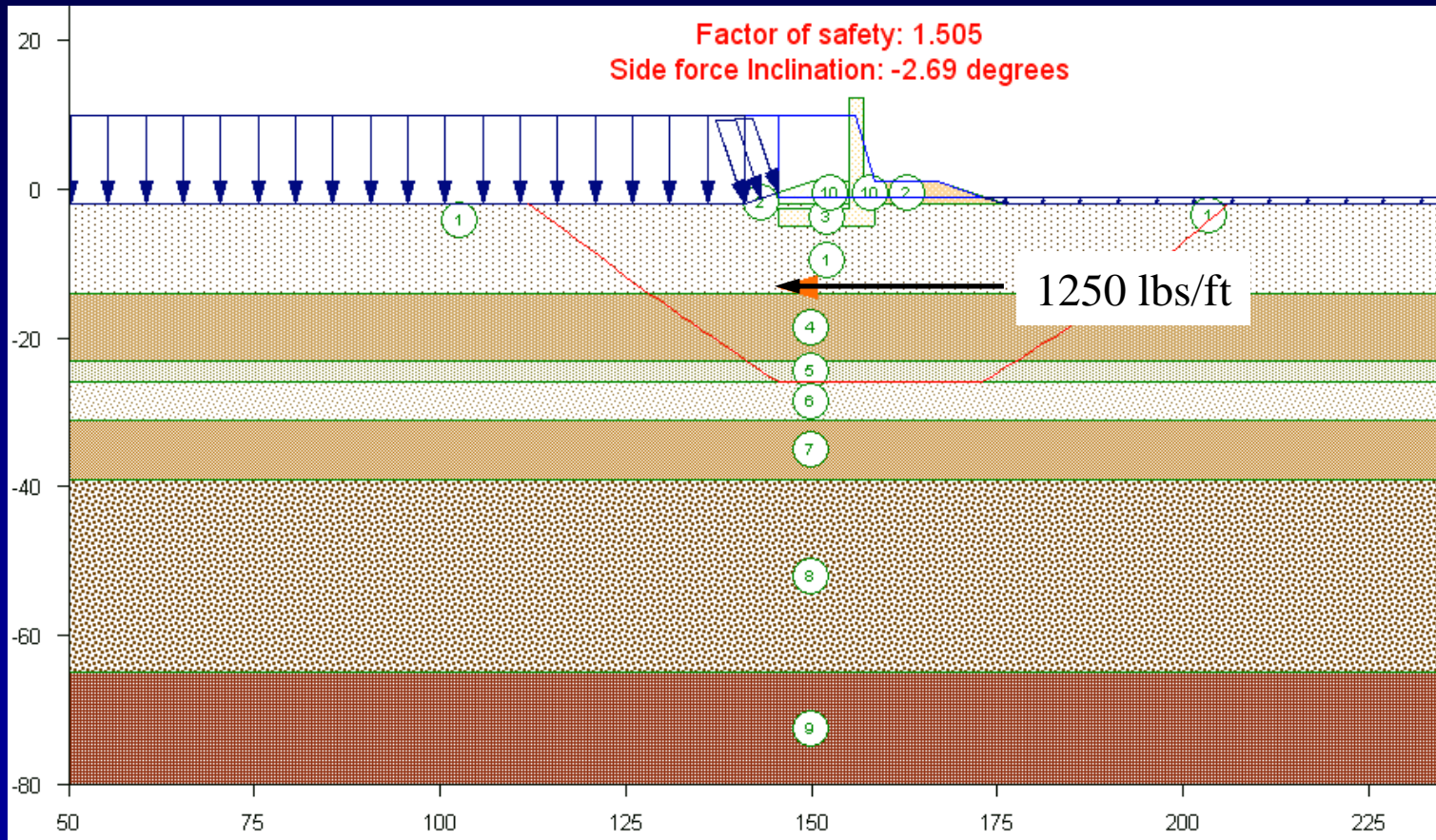




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# Step 2.1

## Compute Stabilizing Force to Achieve Target FOS

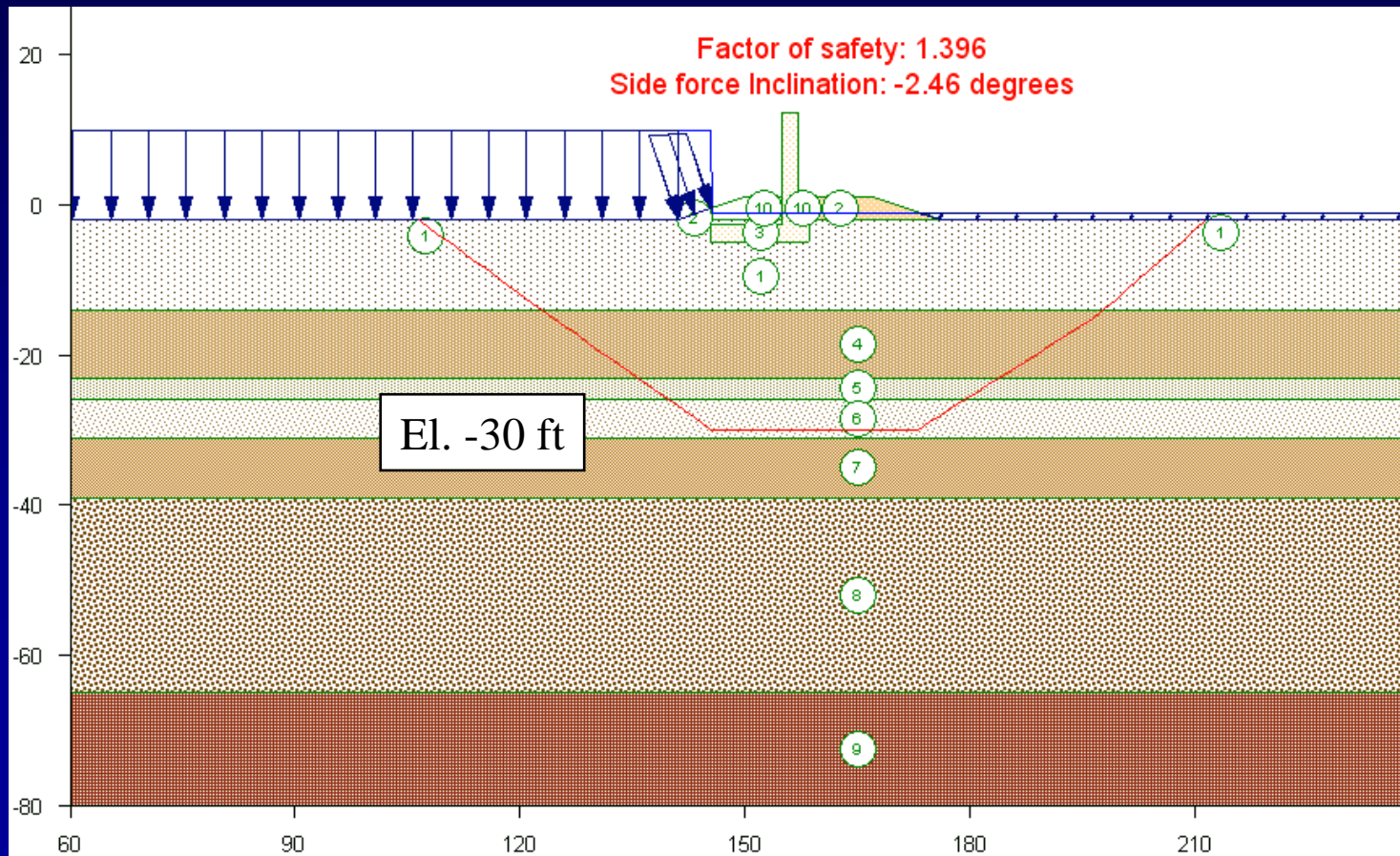




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# Step 1 (tangent elev. at -30 ft)

## Check Global FOS using Spencer's Method

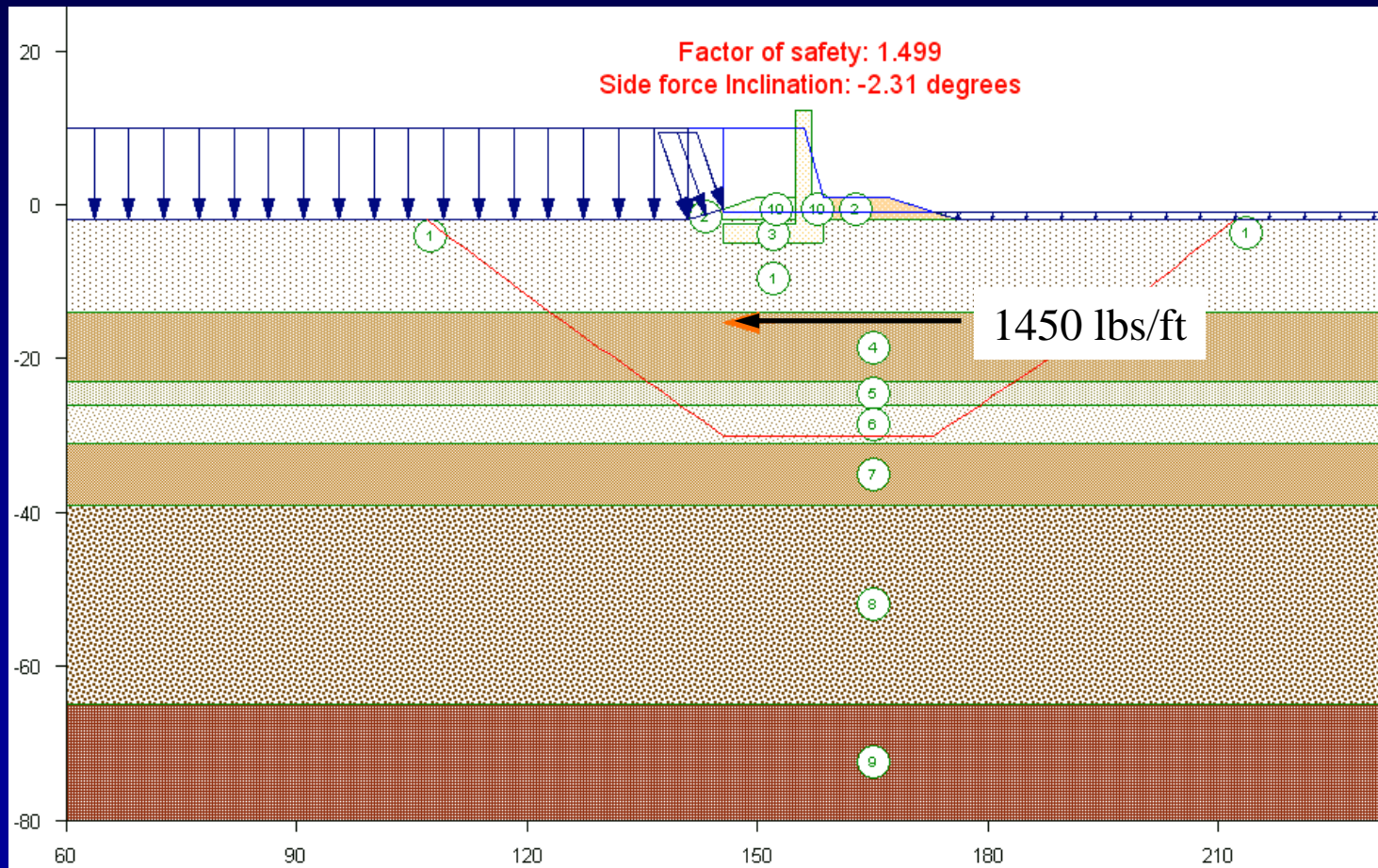


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# Step 2.1

## Compute Stabilizing Force to Achieve Target FOS

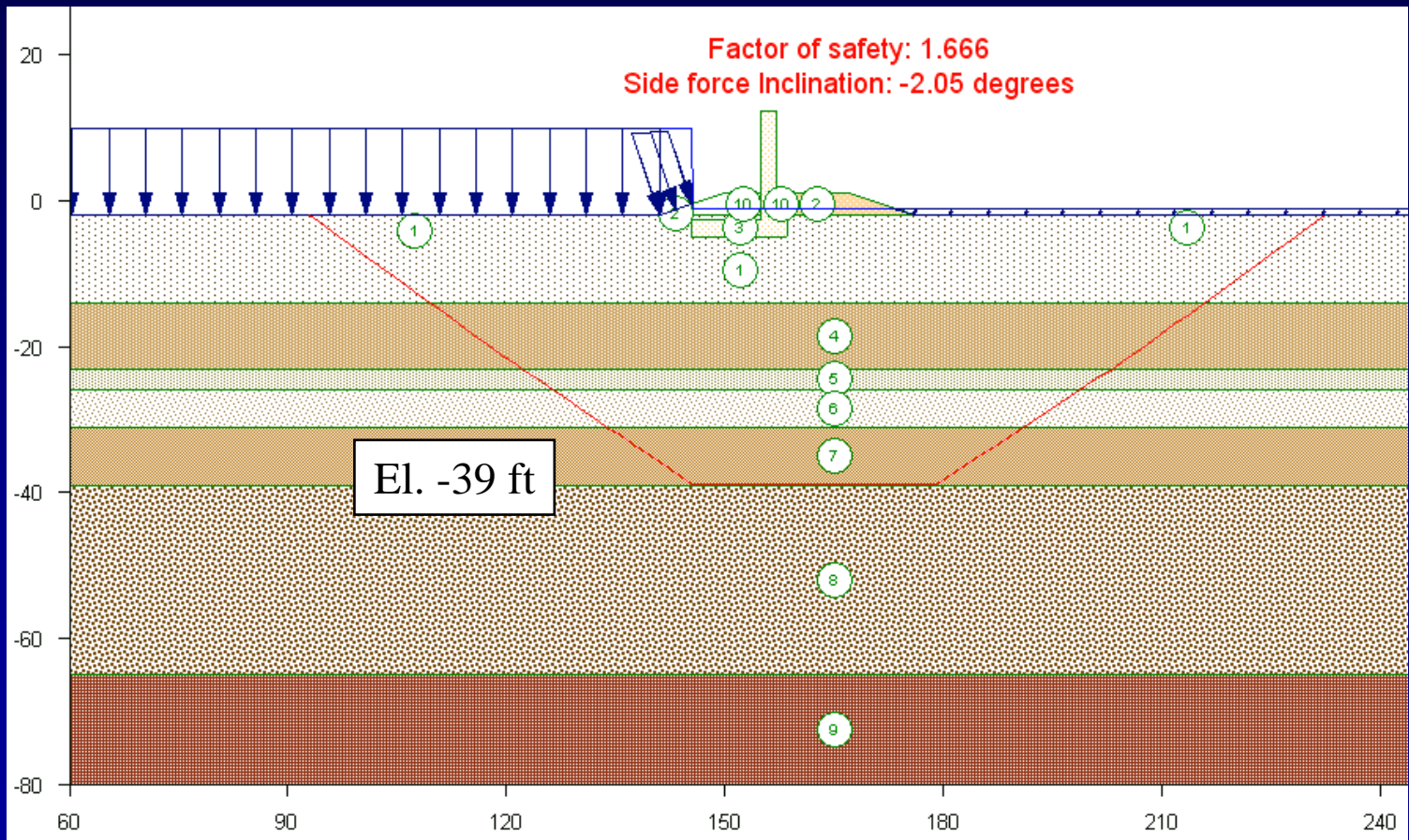




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# Step 1 (tangent elev. at -39 ft)

## Check Global FOS using Spencer's Method

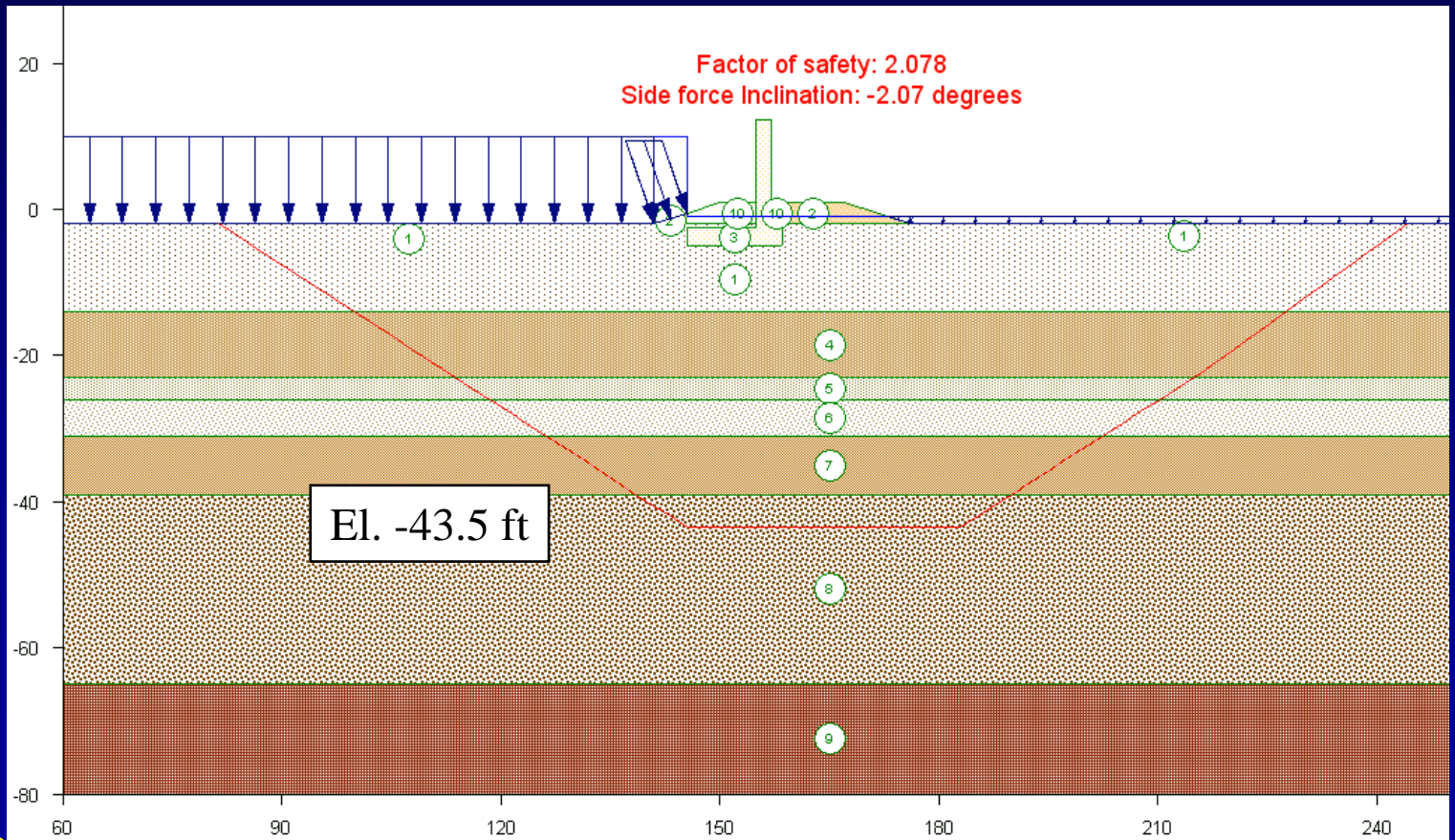




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# Step 1 (tangent elev. at -43.5 ft)

## Check Global FOS using Spencer's Method

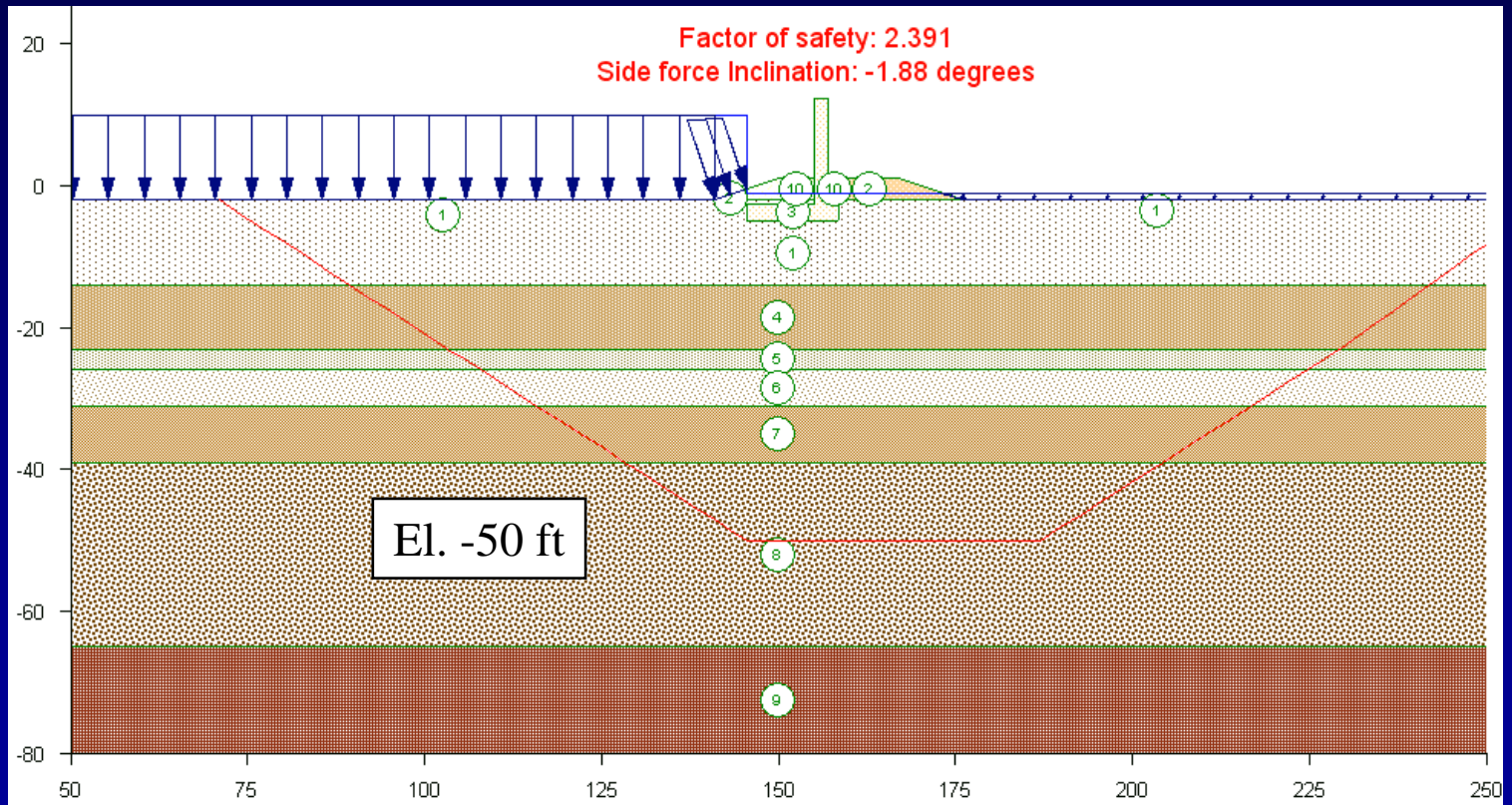




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# Step 1 (tangent elev. at -50 ft)

## Check Global FOS using Spencer's Method







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# Step 2.2 Summary of Results

Neutral Block Tangent EL (ft)	Factor of Safety	Unbalanced Load (lbs/ft)
-8	1.32	600
-14	1.10	2500
-18	1.03	3800
<b>-22.9</b>	<b>0.98</b>	<b>5350</b>
-23.1	1.44	650
-26	1.40	1250
-30	1.40	1450
-39	1.67	-
-43.5	2.08	-
-50	2.31	-

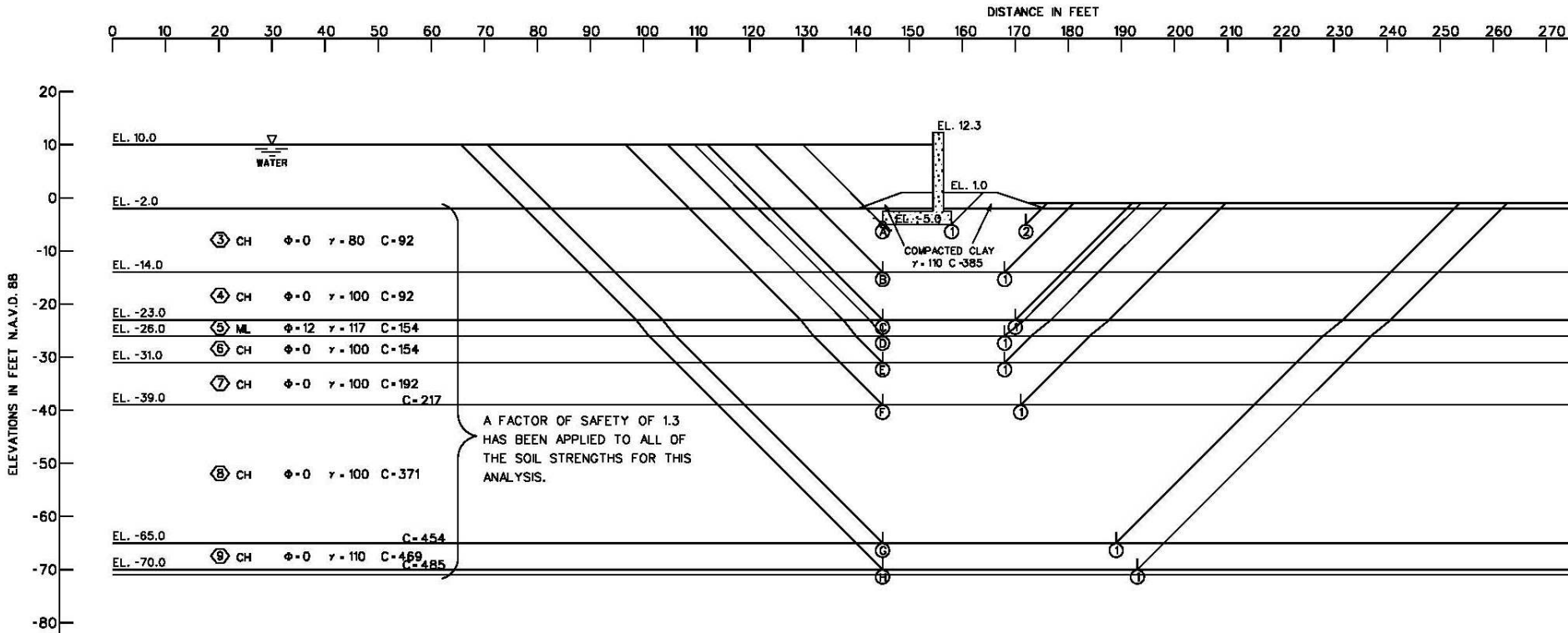
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# Step 2.2

## Check Failure Surfaces with MOP





# Step 2.2

## Check Failure Surfaces with MOP

ASSUMED FAILURE SURFACE		RESISTING FORCES			DRIVING FORCES		SUMMATION OF FORCES		FACTOR OF SAFETY	D <sub>A</sub> - ΣR	FREE WATER	UNBALANCED LOAD
NO.	ELEV.	R <sub>A</sub>	R <sub>B</sub>	R <sub>P</sub>	D <sub>A</sub>	-D <sub>P</sub>	RESISTING	DRIVING				
(A) ①	-5.0	858	0	2860	7057	1787	3718	5270	0.71	1552	4205	-2653
(A) ②	-5.0	858	1288	648	7057	677	2794	6380	0.44	3586	4180	-594
(B) ①	-14.0	2210	2116	2208	19222	7196	6534	12026	0.54	5492	4469	1023
(C) ①	-23.0	3866	2300	3864	38662	20097	10030	18565	0.54	8535	4469	4066
(D) ①	-26.0	5239	3542	6137	47001	26640	14918	20361	0.73	5443	4469	974
(E) ①	-31.0	6804	3542	7557	63075	39350	17903	23725	0.75	5822	4469	1353
(F) ①	-39.0	9876	5642	10608	93962	64275	26126	29687	0.88	3561	4469	-908
(G) ①	-65.0	29167	19976	29900	238548	190798	79043	47750	1.66	-31293	4469	-35762
(H) ①	-70.0	33857	23280	34590	274227	223039	91727	51188	1.79	-40539	4469	-45008

$$D_A - \Sigma R = D_A - (R_A + R_B + R_P + D_P)$$



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# Steps 1 & 2 Spencer's Analysis

## Spencer's Procedure for T-Walls using Slope/W



Stability Modeling

with

SLOPE/W 2007

**Beta 7.10, Build 4049**



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# SLOPE/W Spencer's Analysis

## Slope/W Problem Setup

The screenshot shows the 'KeyIn Analyses' software interface. On the left, a tree view under 'Analyses:' shows '(untitled)' and 'SLOPE/W Analysis'. The main window displays the configuration for 'SLOPE/W Analysis'. The 'Name' field is 'SLOPE/W Analysis' and the 'Description' field is empty. The 'Parent' is '(none)'. The 'Analysis Type' is set to 'Morgenstern-Price', and a dropdown menu is open showing options: 'Morgenstern-Price', 'Spencer' (highlighted), 'GLE', 'Corps of Engineers #1', 'Corps of Engineers #2', 'Lowe-Karafiath', 'Janbu Generalized', 'Sarma (vertical slices only)', 'Bishop, Ordinary and Janbu', 'SIGMA/W Stress', 'QUAKE/W Stress', and 'QUAKE/W Newmark Deformation'. The 'Settings' tab is selected, and the 'Slip Surface' is set to 'Half'. The 'Side Function' is 'Half'. The 'PWP Conditions from' field is empty. There is an unchecked checkbox for 'Staged Rapid Drawdown analysis (using 2 Piezometric Lines)'. At the bottom, there are 'Undo' and 'Redo' buttons, and a 'Close' button.



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# SLOPE/W Spencer's Analysis

## Slope/W Problem Setup

The screenshot displays the 'KeyIn Analyses' software window. On the left, a tree view shows a project named '(untitled)' containing a 'SLOPE/W Analysis' sub-item. The main area is titled 'SLOPE/W Analysis' and includes a 'Description:' field. The 'Analysis Type' is set to 'Spencer'. Below this, there are tabs for 'Settings', 'Slip Surface', 'FOS Distribution', and 'Advanced'. The 'Settings' tab is active, showing a dropdown menu for 'PWP Conditions from:' with options: '(none)', 'Parent Analysis', 'Other GeoStudio Analysis', 'Ru', 'B-bar', 'Piezometric Line' (highlighted), 'Piezometric Line with Ru', 'Piezometric Line with B-bar', and 'Pressure Head Spatial Function'. There is also an unchecked checkbox for 'Staged Rapid Drawdown'. At the bottom, there are 'Undo' and 'Redo' buttons, and a 'Close' button.



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# SLOPE/W Spencer's Analysis

## Slope/W Problem Setup

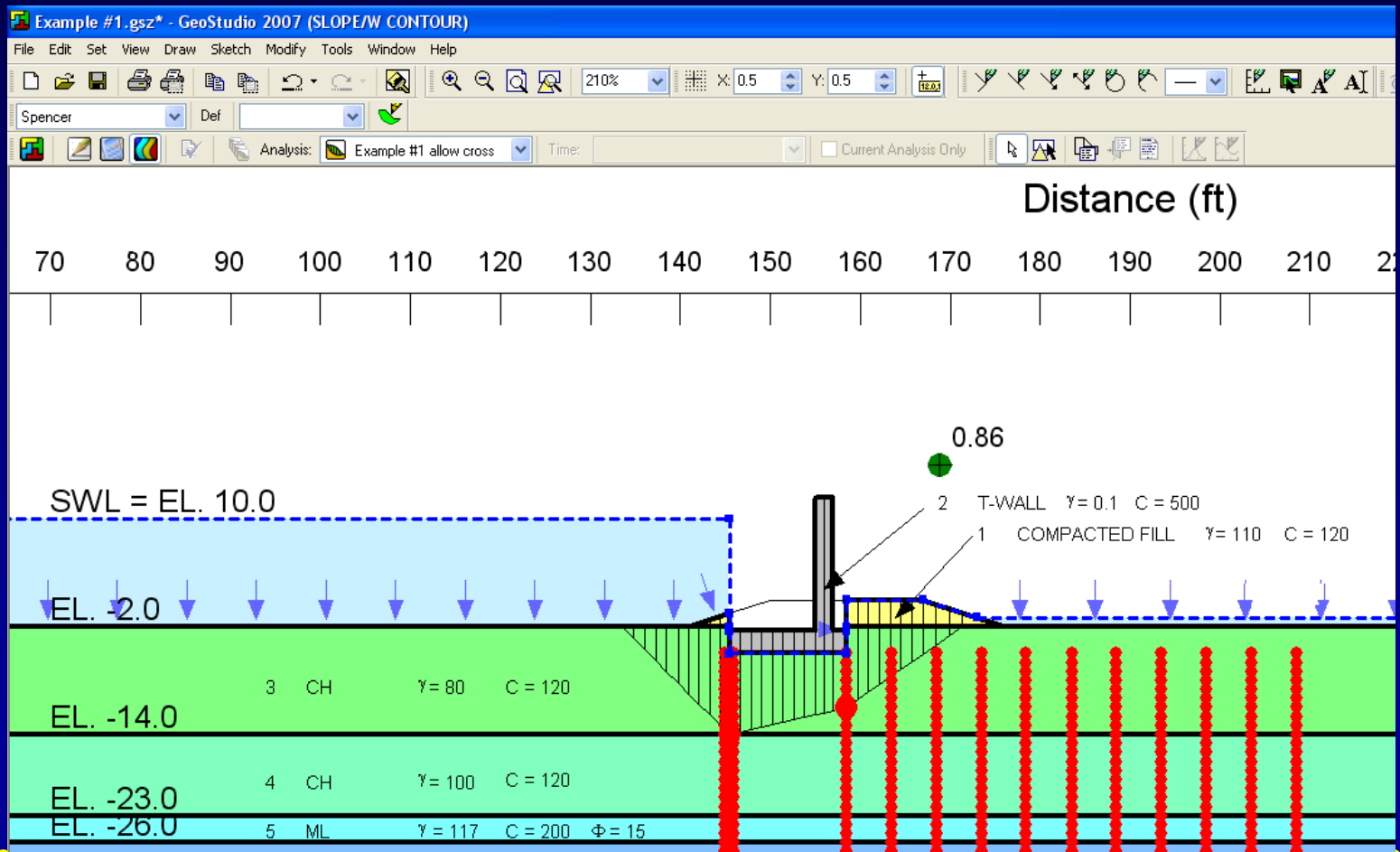
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# SLOPE/W Spencer's Analysis

Do not cross block slip surface lines



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# SLOPE/W Spencer's Analysis

## Create Profile – Paste MOP StabCheck.xls

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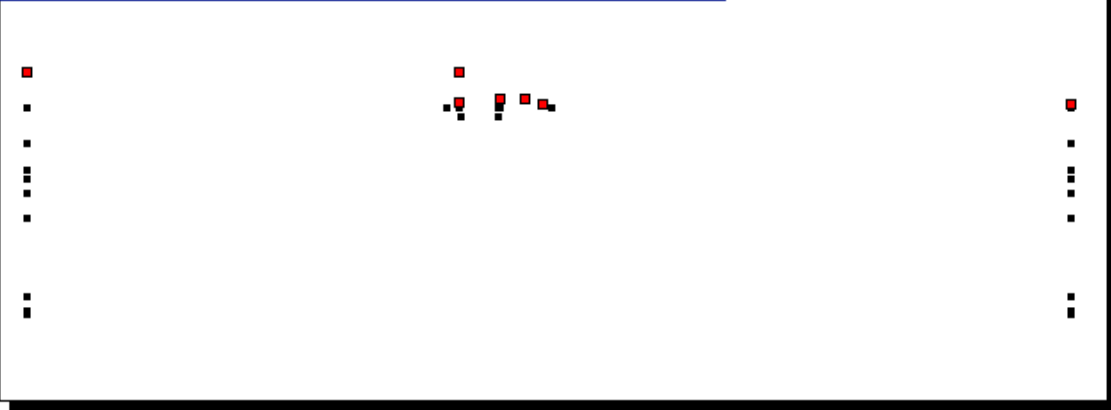
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1										
2	Profile(1)		Profile(2)		Profile(3)		Profile(4)			
3	Distance	Elevation	Distance	Elevation	Distance	Elevation	Distance	Elev.		
4	0	10	0	-2	0	-2	0	0		
5	144.6	10	140.5	-2	140.5	-2	350			
6	144.7	10	144.7	-0.5	144.8	-2	9999.9			
7	144.8	-0.5	144.8	-0.5	144.9	-2				
8	144.9	-2	144.9	-2	145	-5				
9	145	-5	145	-5	145.1	-5				
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15	158.3	1	158.3	1	350	-2				
16	166.5	1	166.5	1	9999.9	0				
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KeyIn Points

ID	X (ft)	Y (ft)	Label
59	0	-71	Point+Number
60	350	-71	Point+Number
61	0	10	Point+Number
62	144.6	10	Point+Number
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## Material Property Models

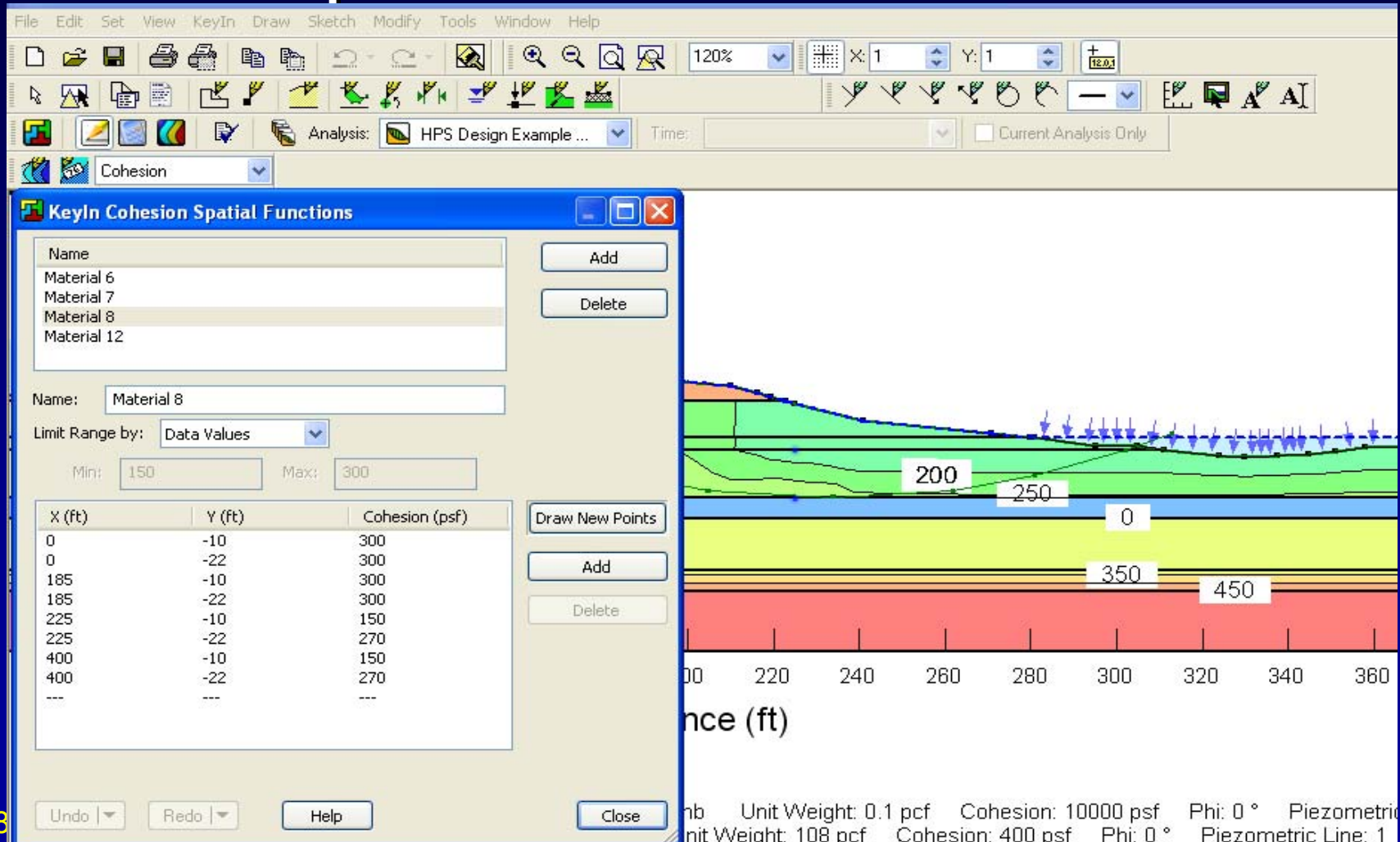
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## Spatial Mohr-Coulomb - Cohesion

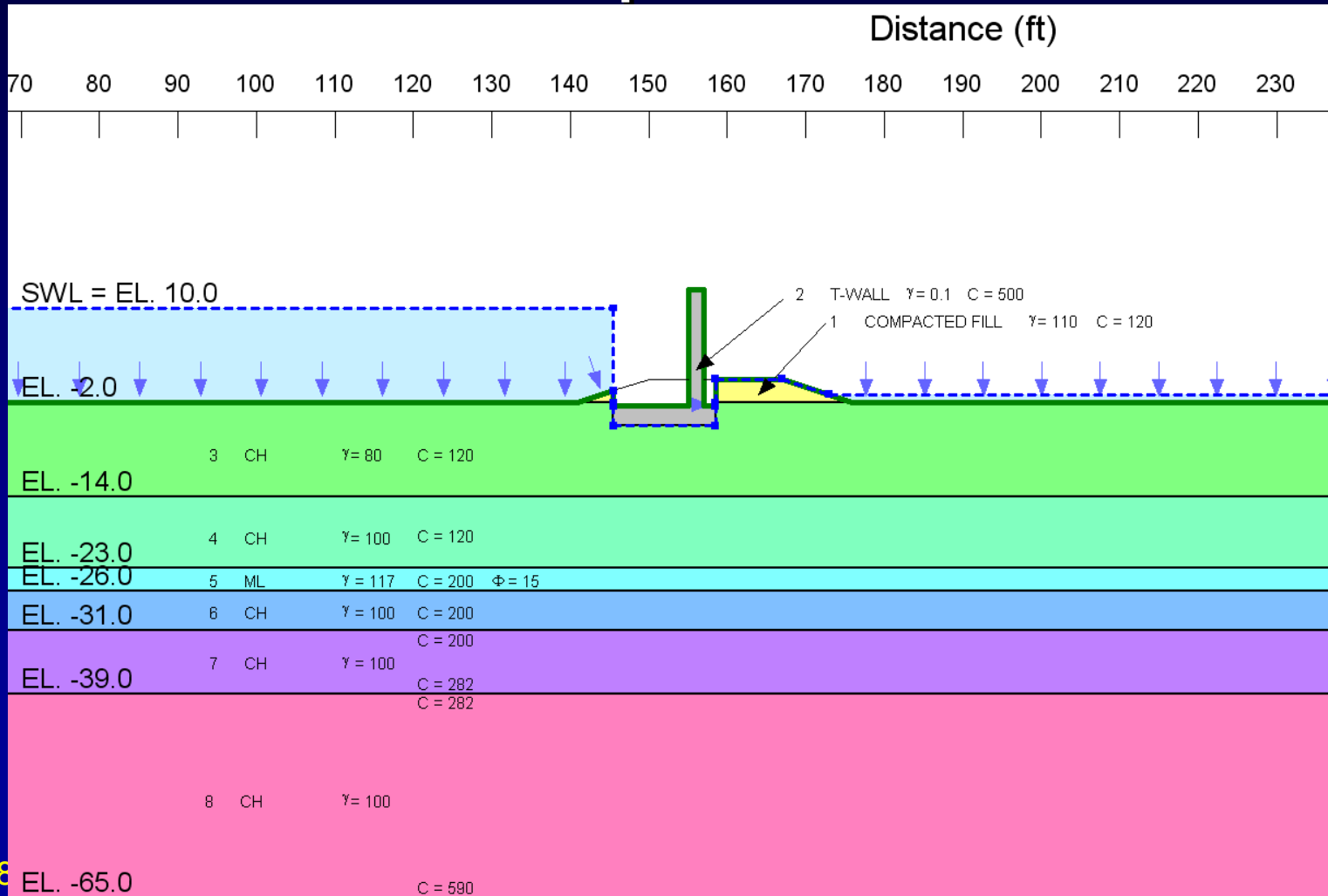




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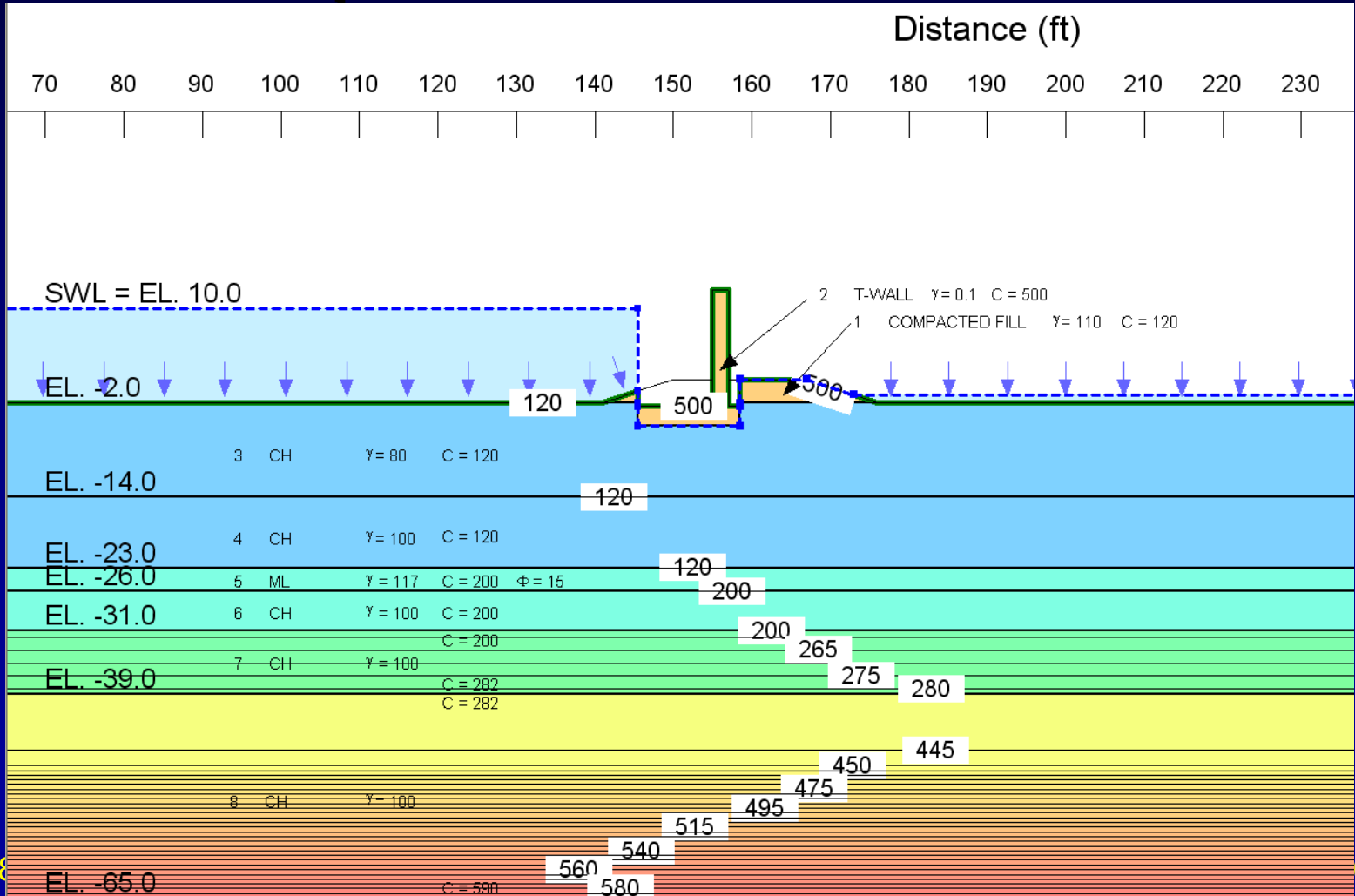




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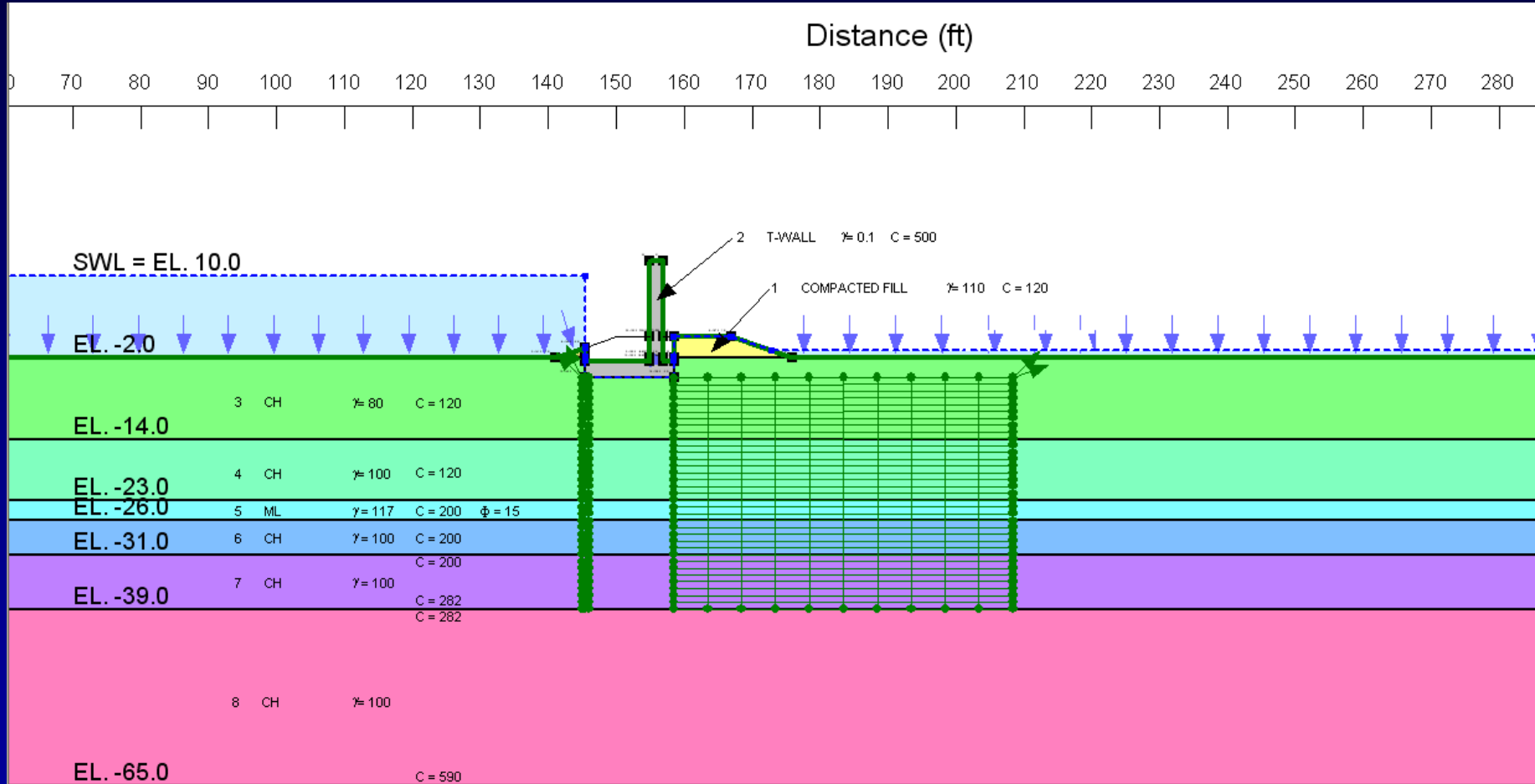


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# Step 1 Block Specified



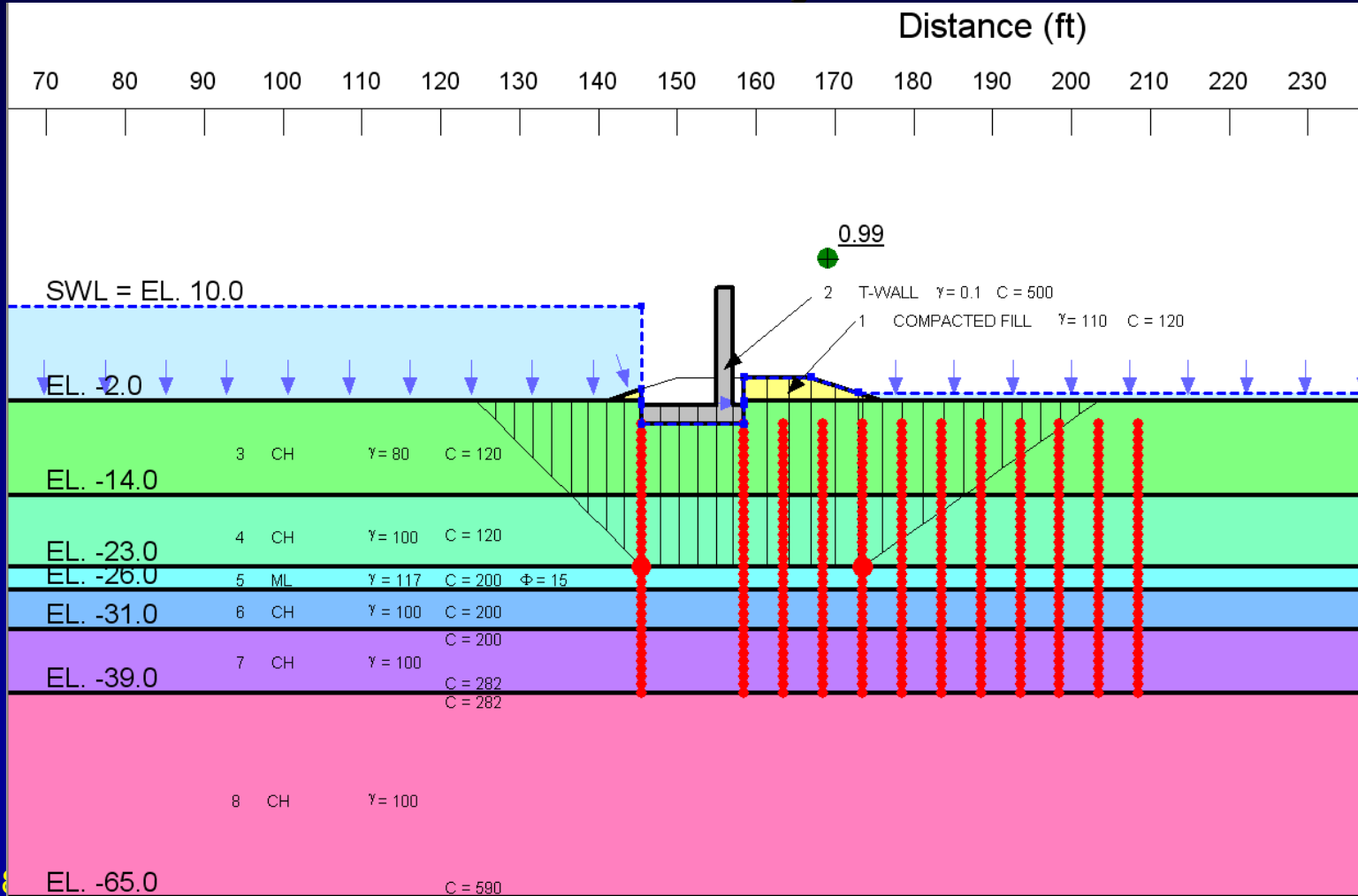
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# Step 1

## Critical Factor of Safety @ EL. -23



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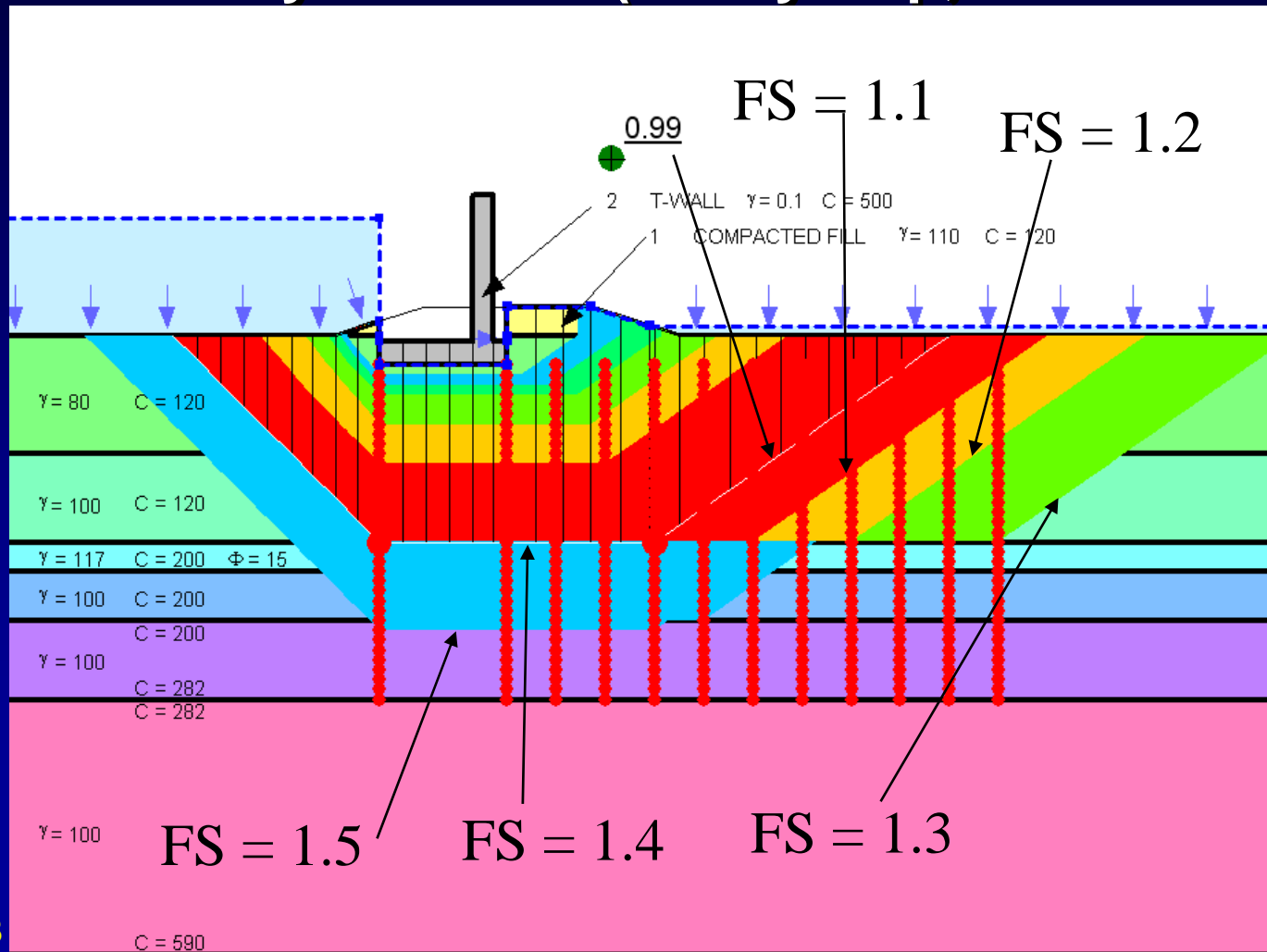
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# Step 1

## Factor of Safety Contours (Safety Map, Increment = 0.1)



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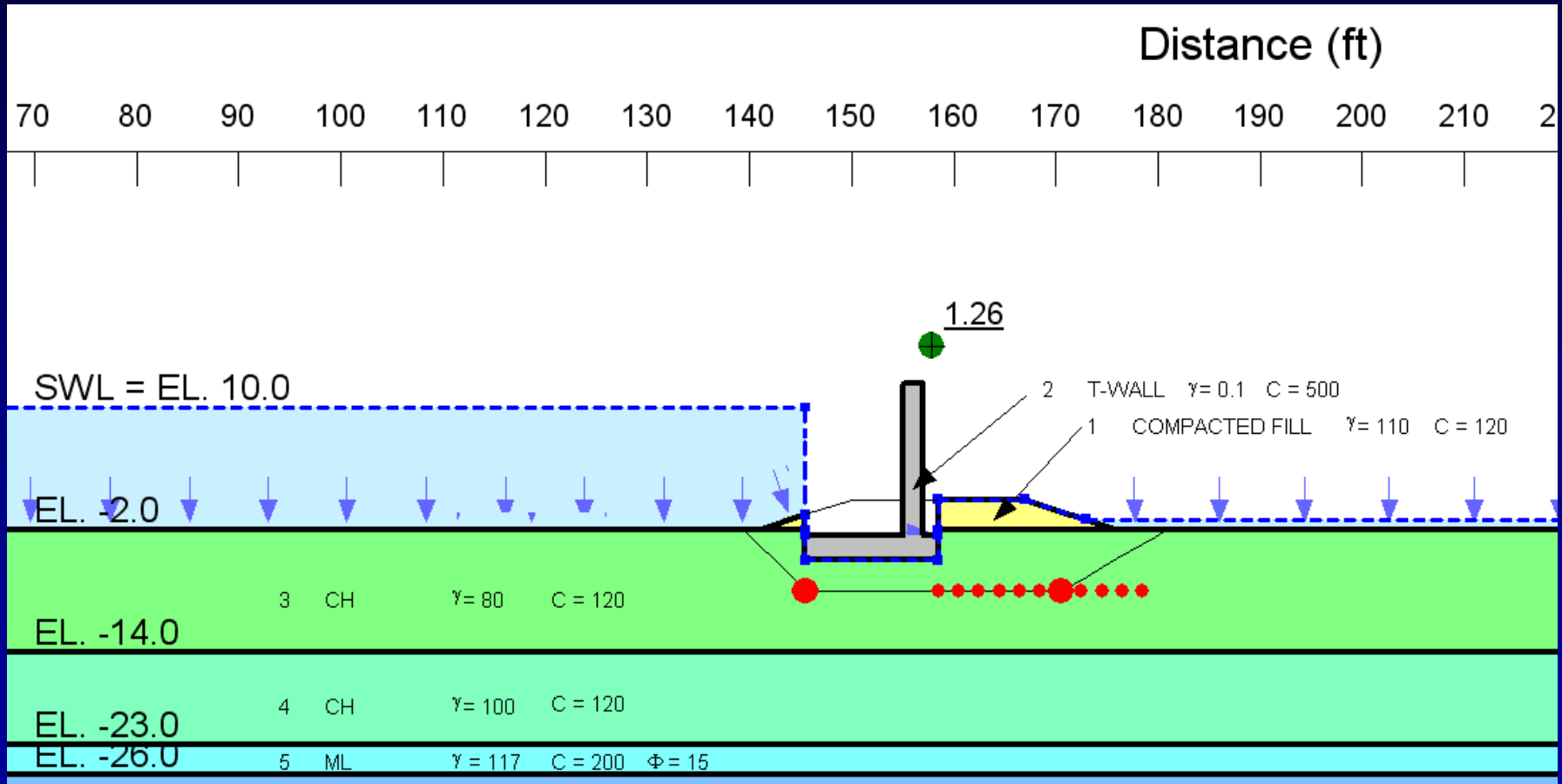




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# Step 1 (tangent elev. at -8 ft)

## Check Global FOS using Spencer's Method

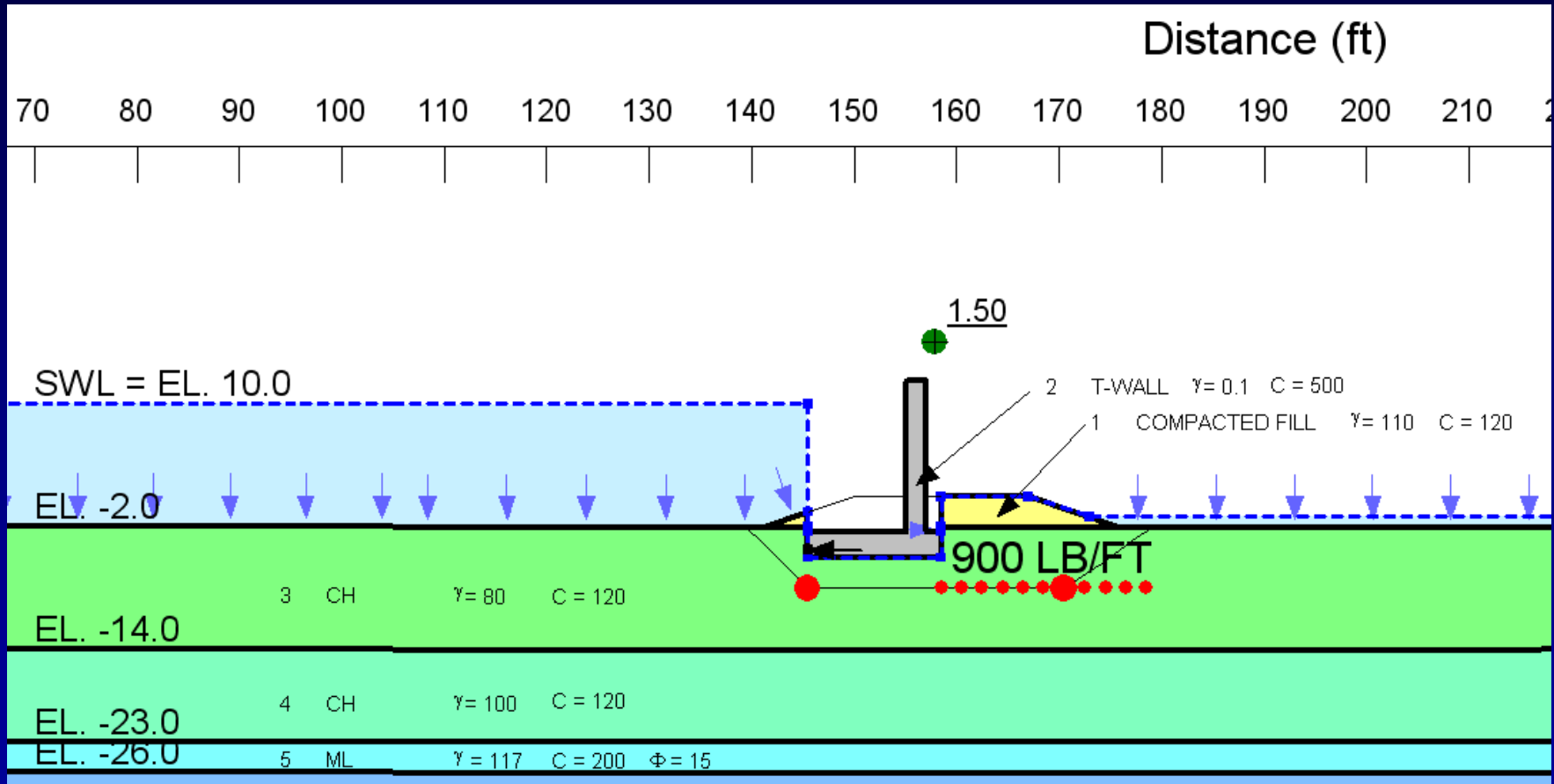




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# Step 2.1

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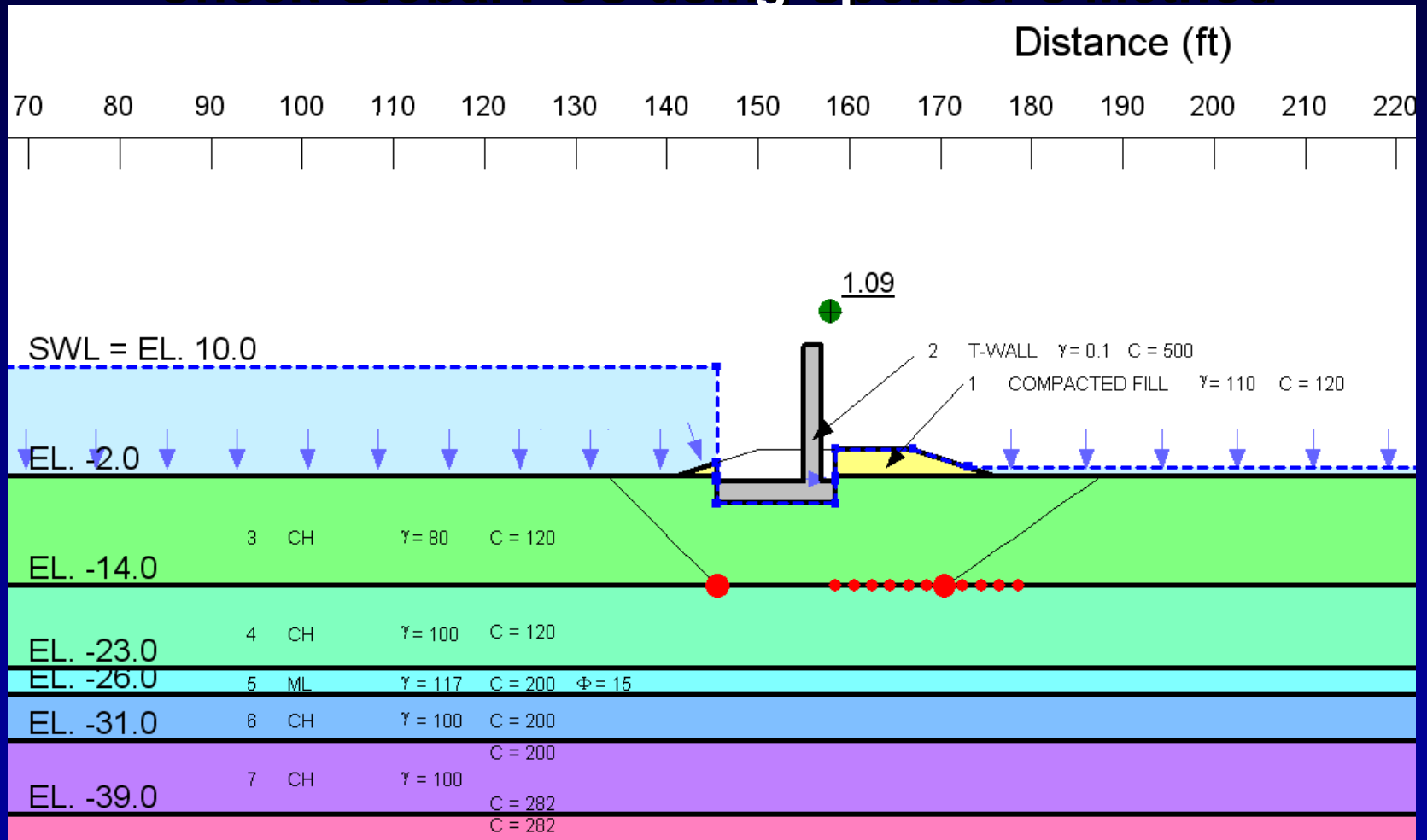




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# Step 1 (tangent elev. at -14 ft)

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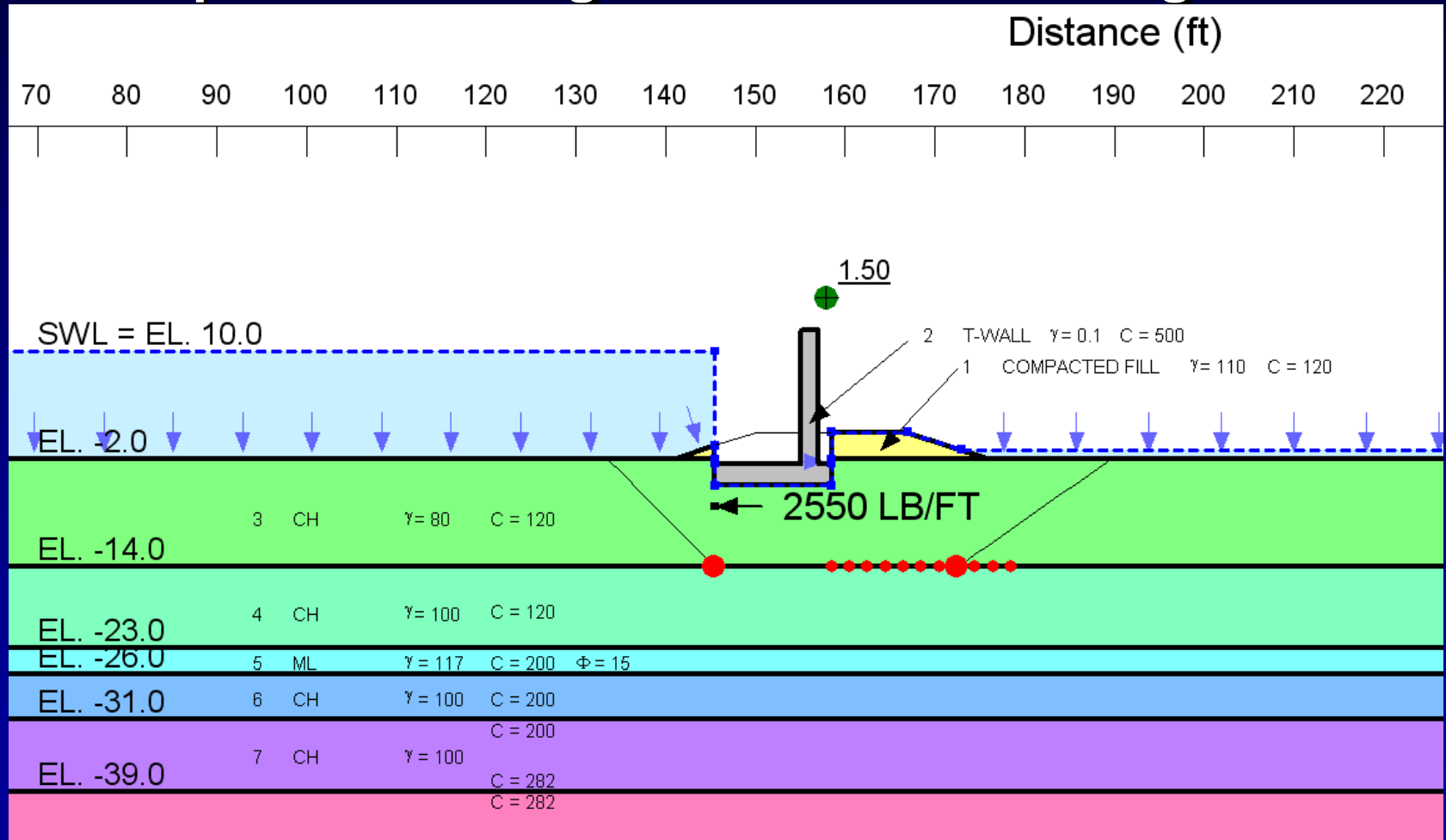




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# Step 2.1

## Compute Stabilizing Force to Achieve Target FOS



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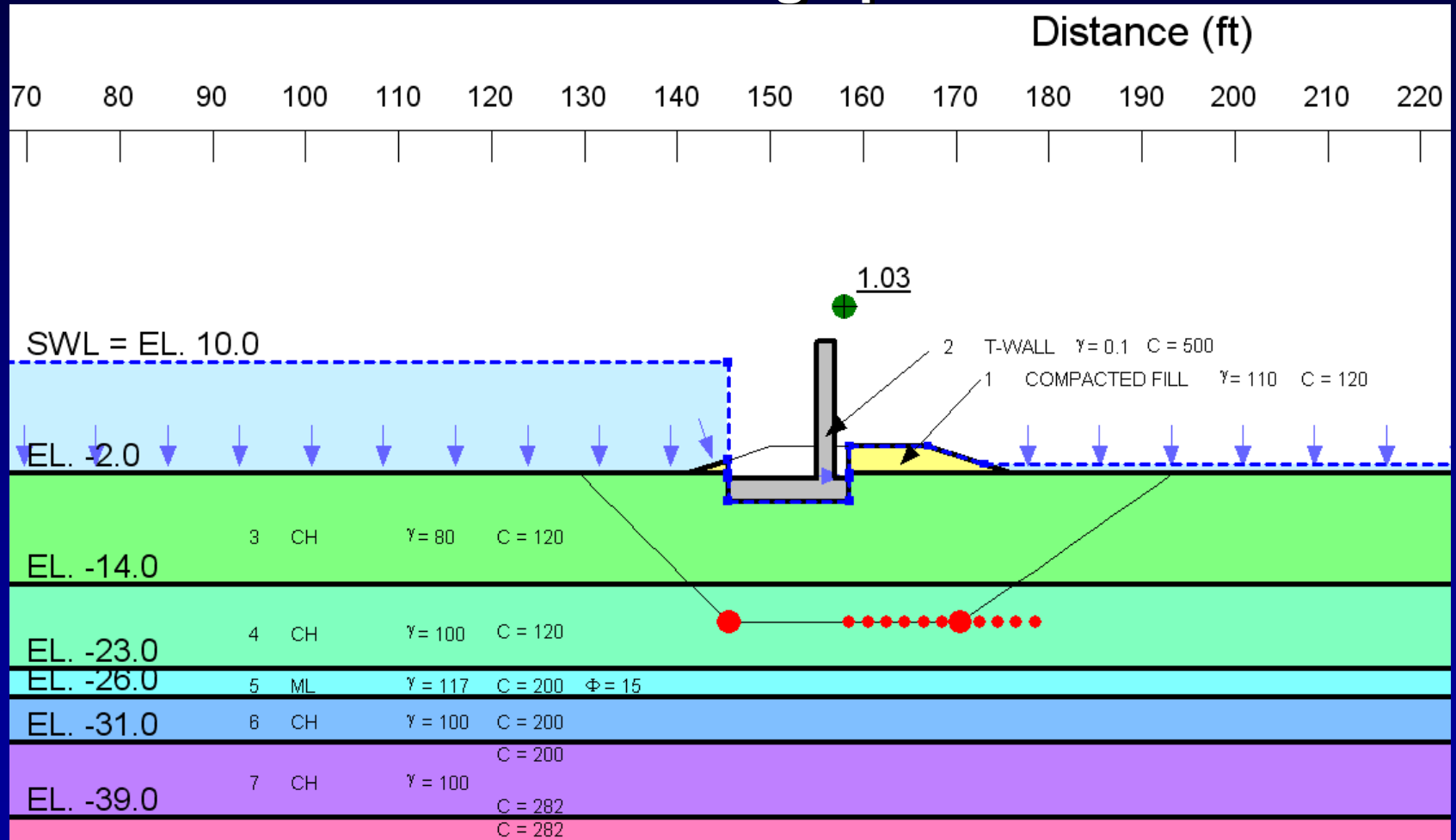
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# Step 1 (tangent elev. at -18 ft)

## Check Global FOS using Spencer's Method



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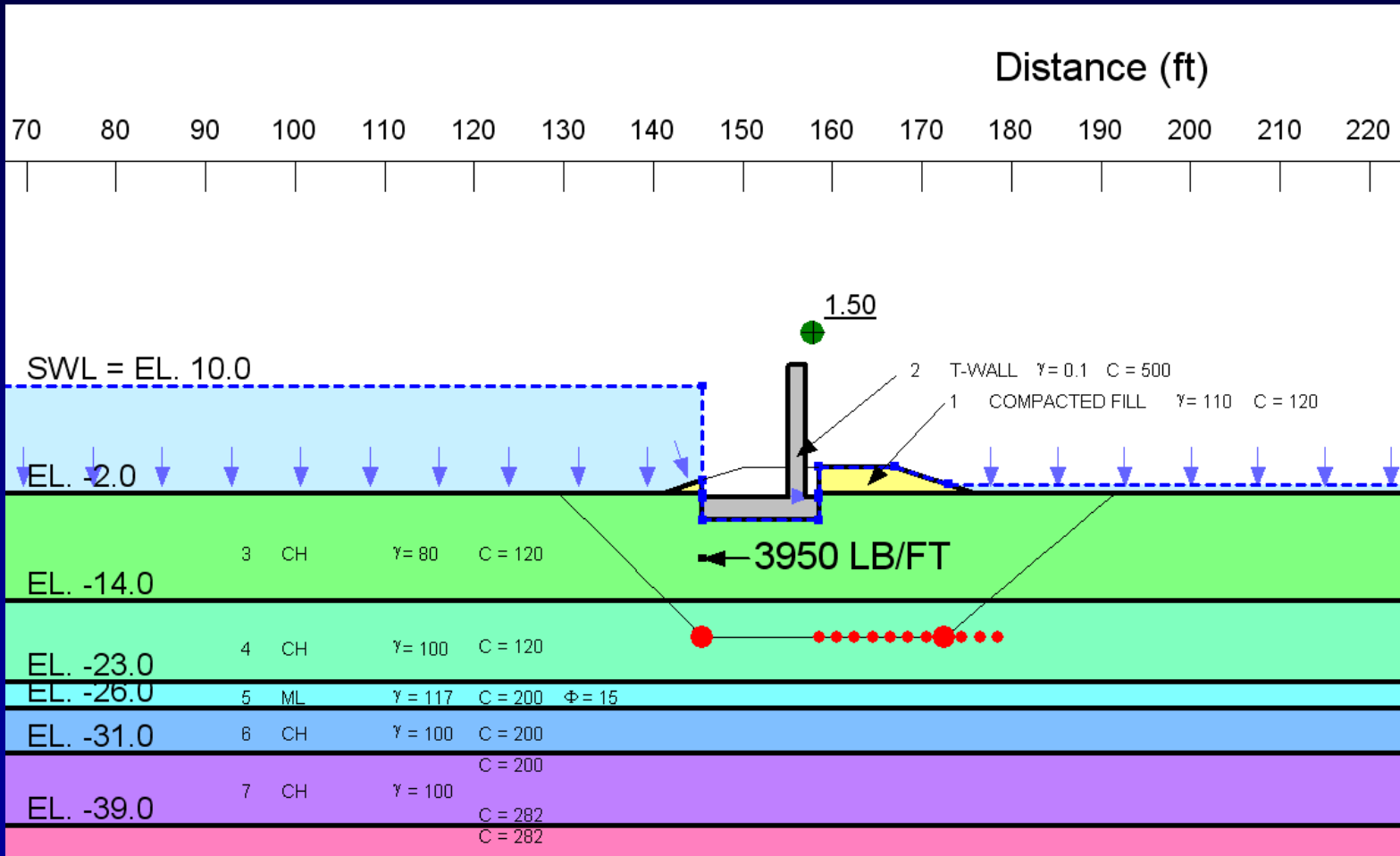
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# Step 2.1

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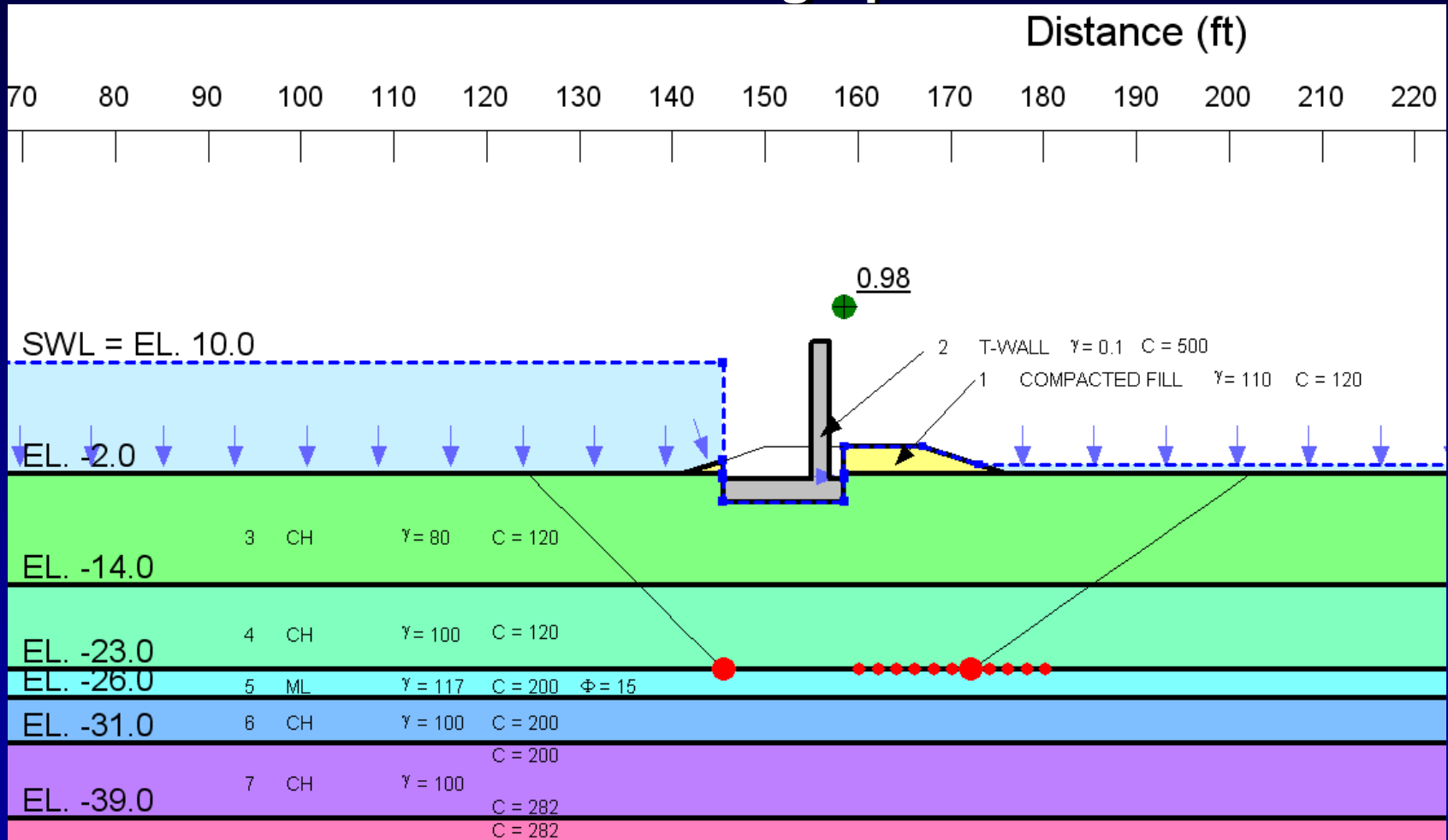




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# Step 1 (tangent elev. at -23 ft)

## Check Global FOS using Spencer's Method



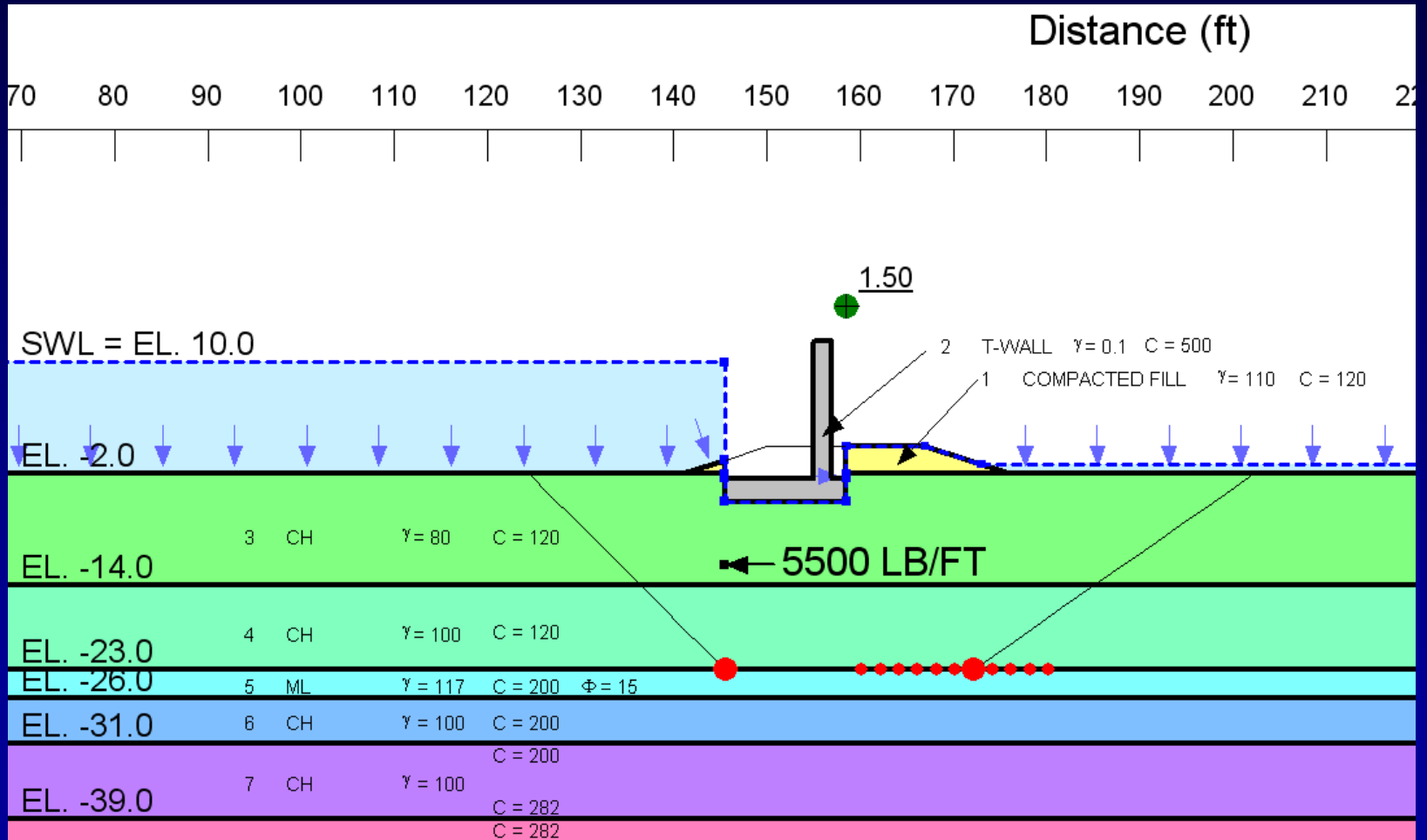
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# Step 2.1

## Compute Stabilizing Force to Achieve Target FOS



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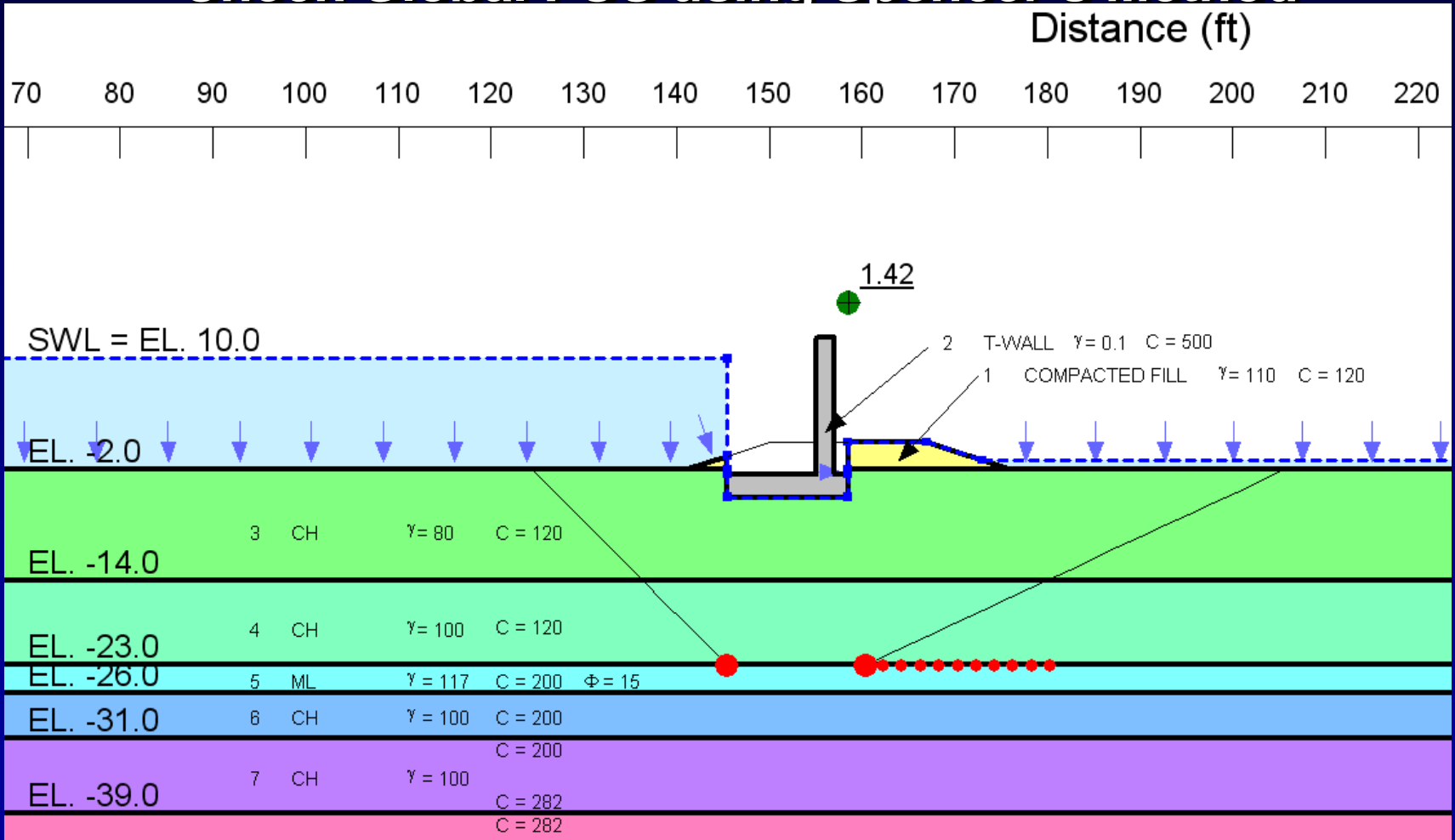




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# Step 1 (tangent elev. at -23.1 ft)

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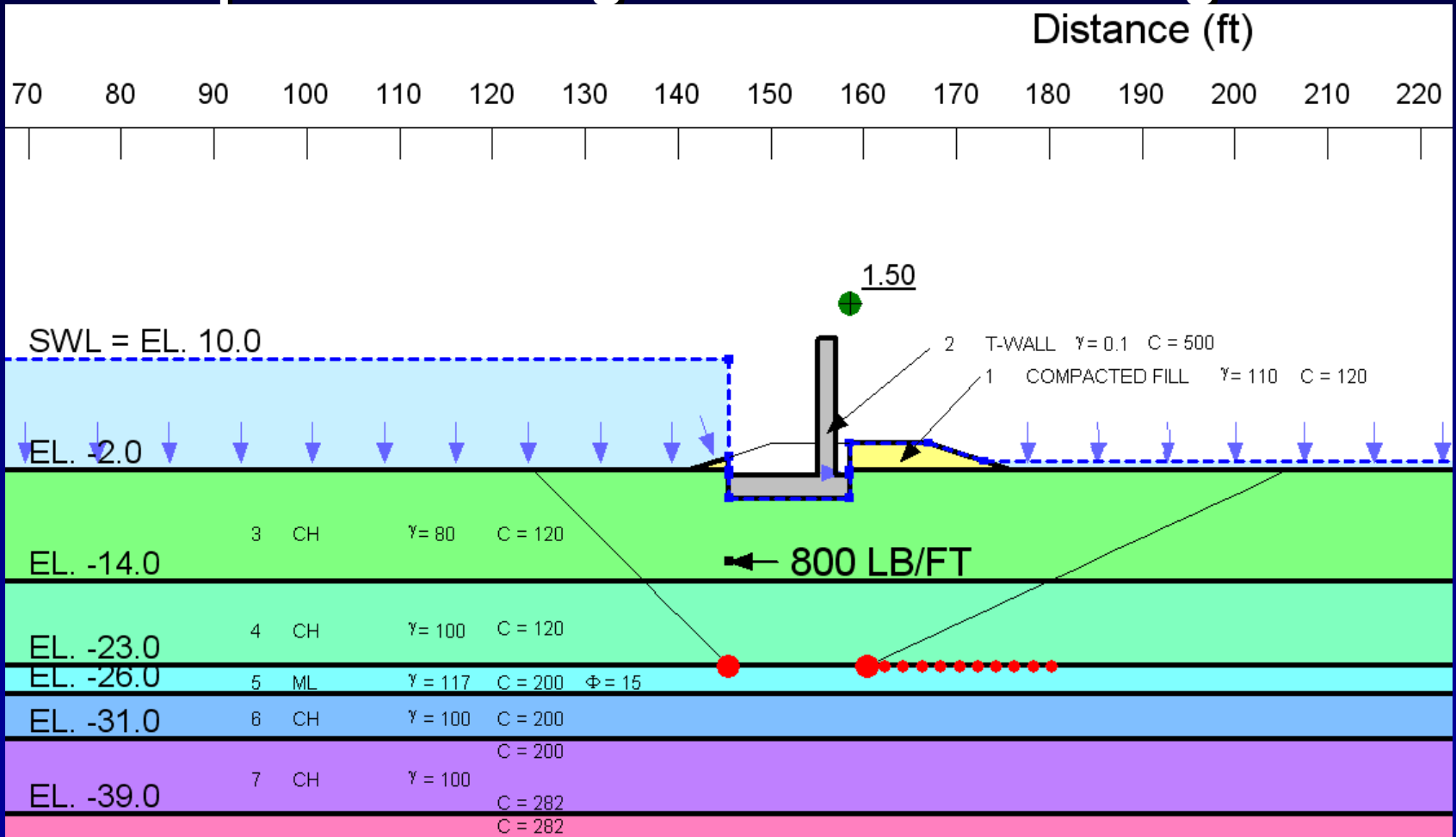




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# Step 2.1

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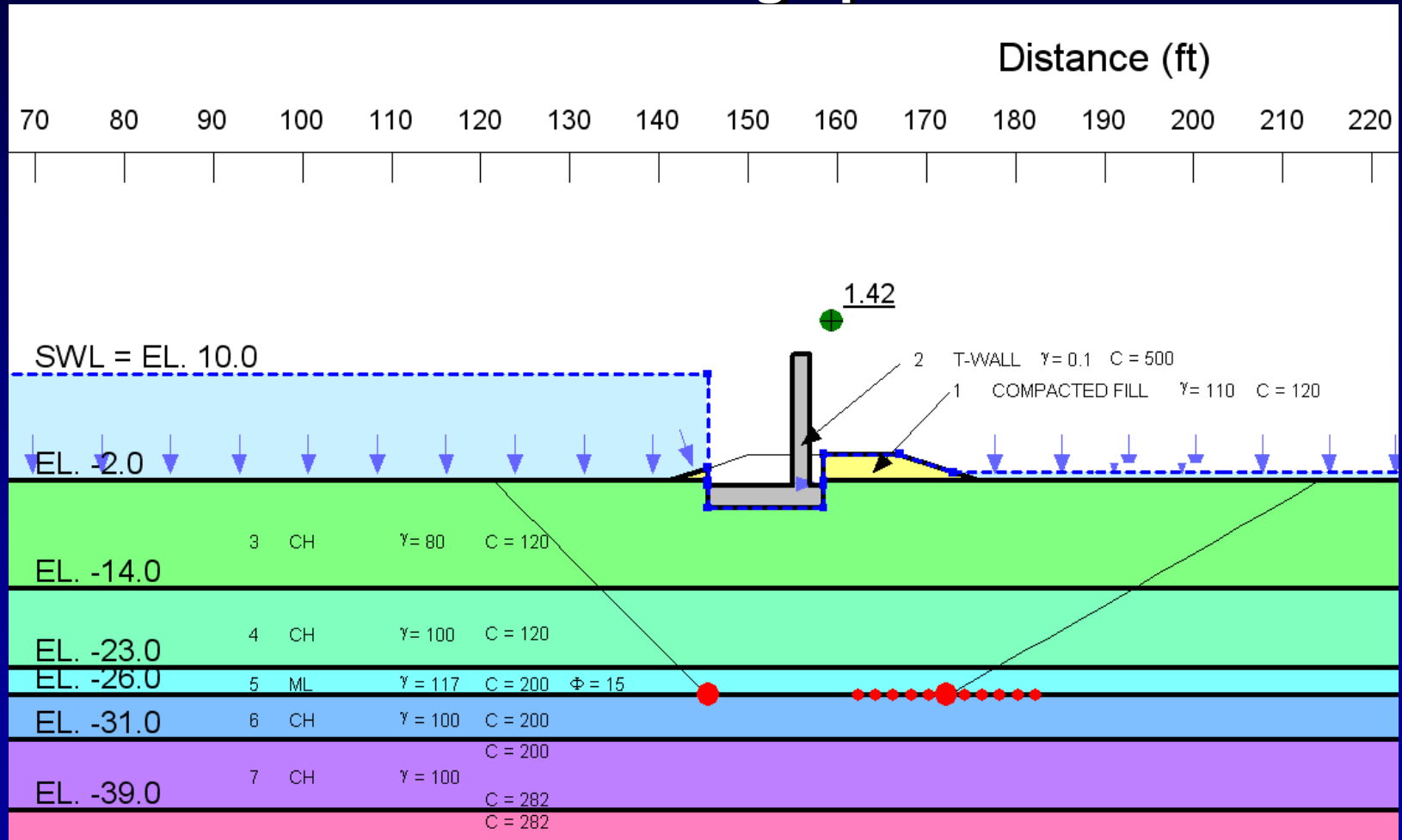




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# Step 1 (tangent elev. at -26.1 ft)

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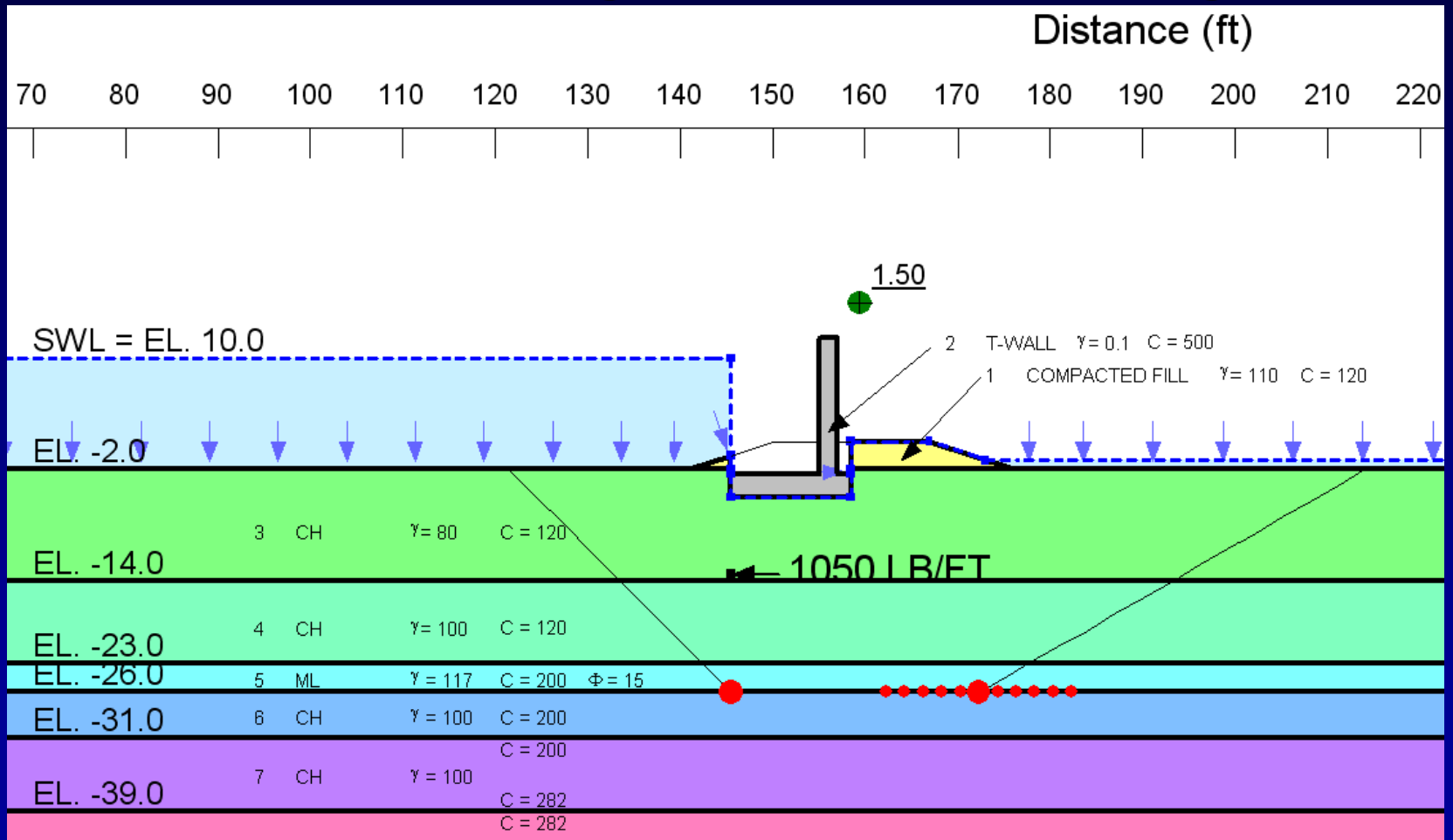




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# Step 2.1

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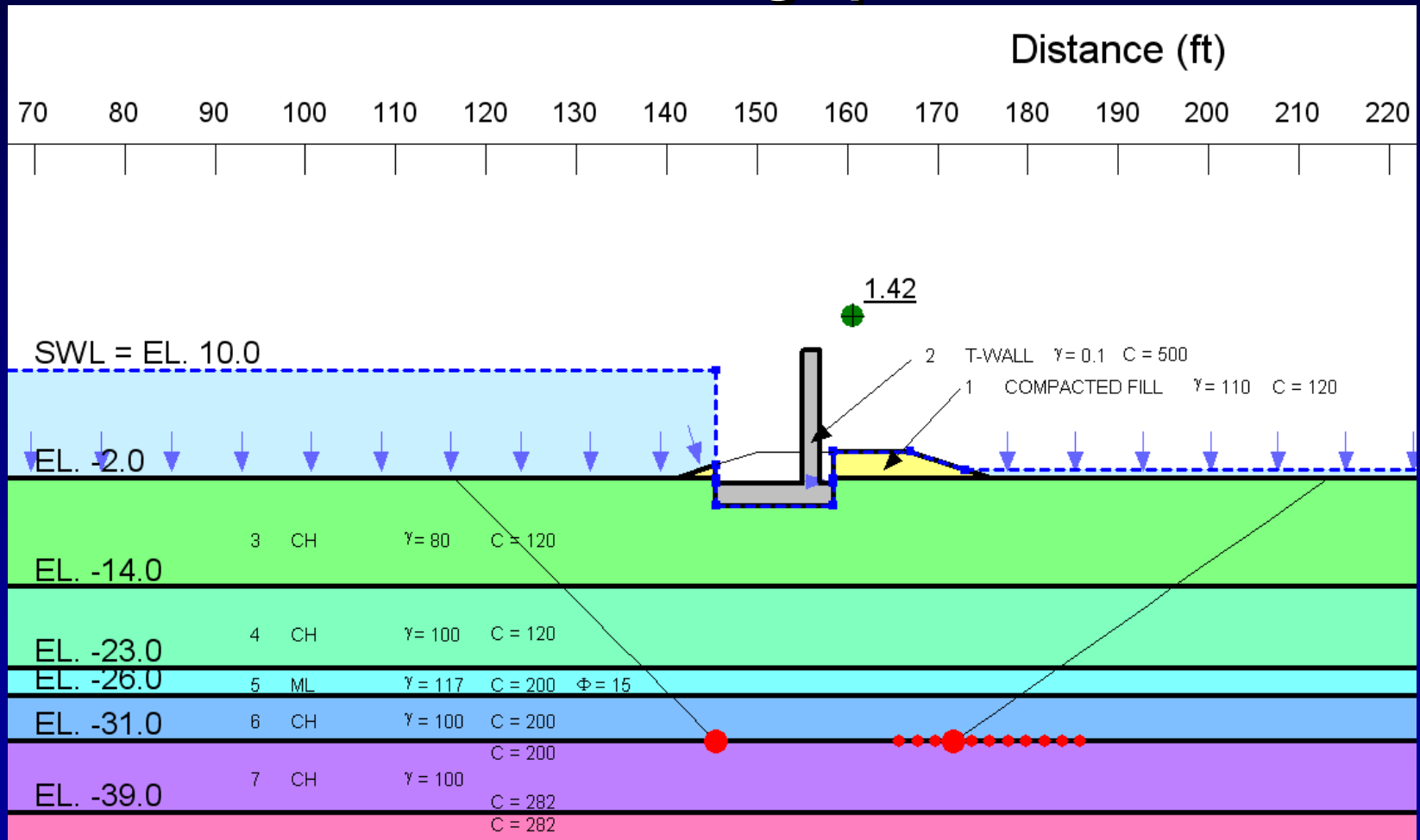




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# Step 1 (tangent elev. at -31 ft)

## Check Global FOS using Spencer's Method



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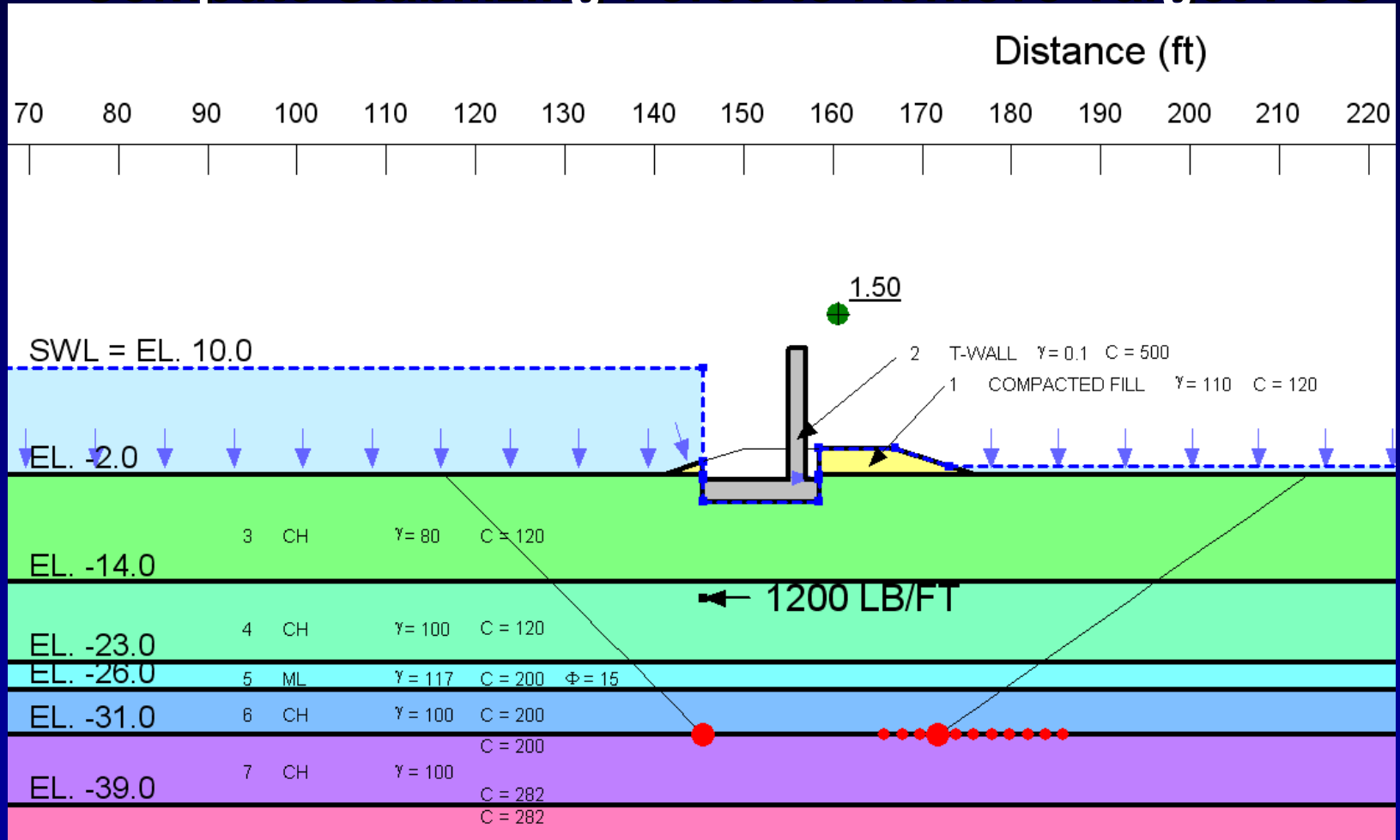
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# Step 2.1

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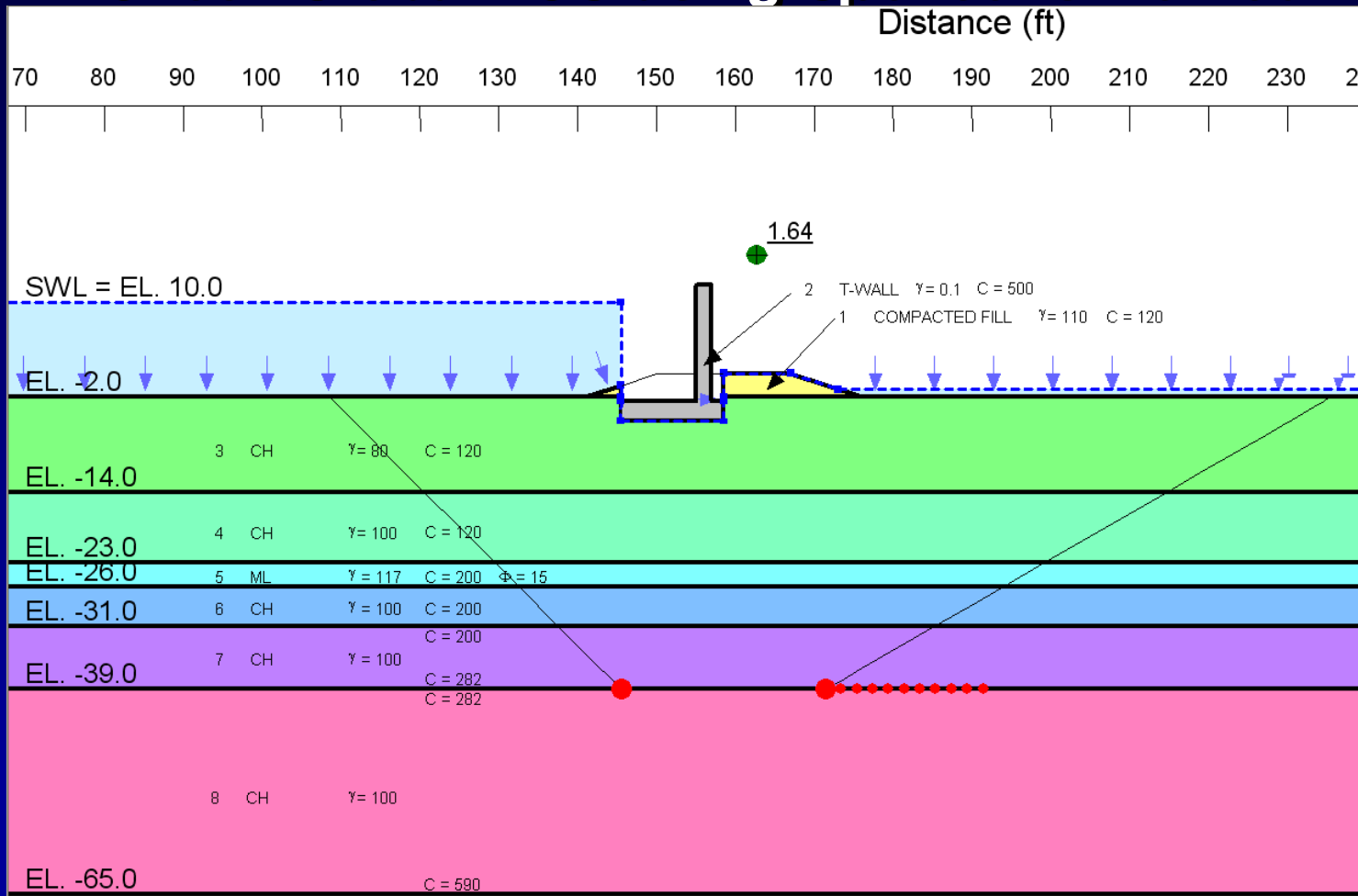




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# Step 1 (tangent elev. at -39 ft)

## Check Global FOS using Spencer's Method



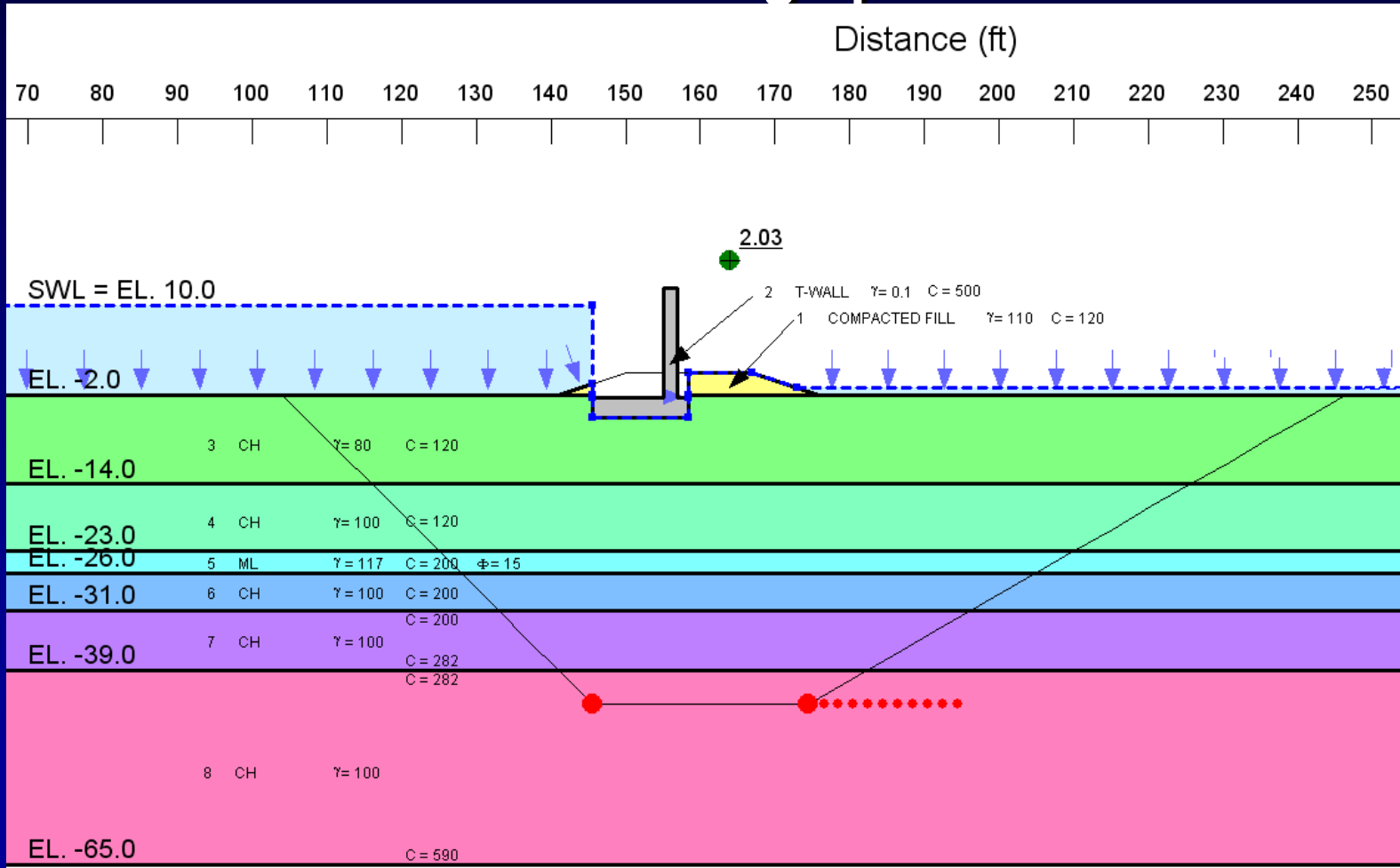
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# Step 1 (tangent elev. at -43.5 ft)

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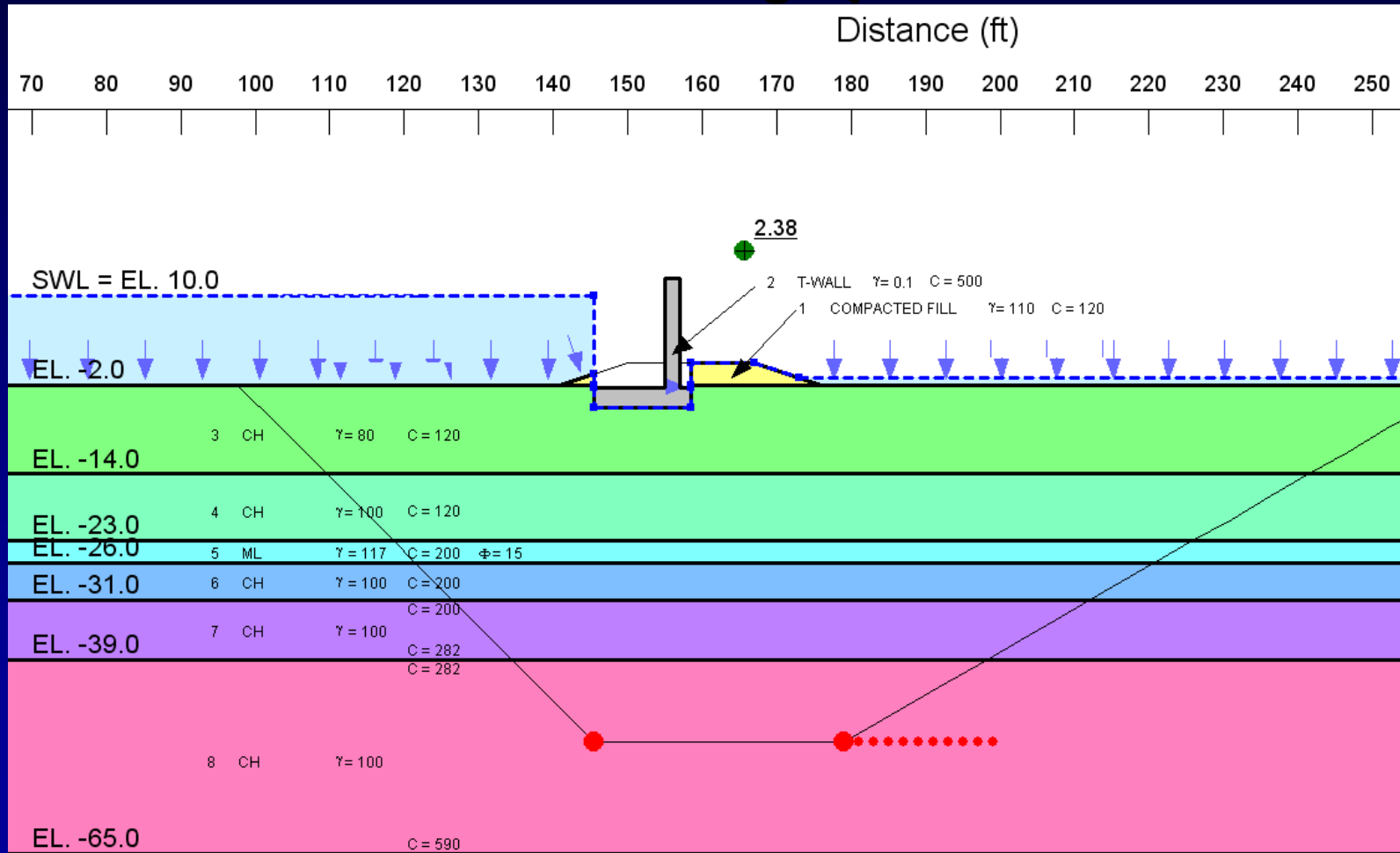




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# Step 1 (tangent elev. at -50 ft)

## Check Global FOS using Spencer's Method





# Step 2.2 Summary of Results

Neutral Block Tangent EL (ft)	Factor of Safety	Unbalanced Load (lbs/ft)
-8	1.26	900
-14	1.09	2550
-18	1.03	3950
<b>-23</b>	<b>0.98</b>	<b>5500</b>
-23.1	1.42	800
-26.1	1.42	1150
-31	1.42	1200
-39	1.64	-
-43.5	2.03	-
-50	2.38	-



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# 3.1 – Axial Capacity

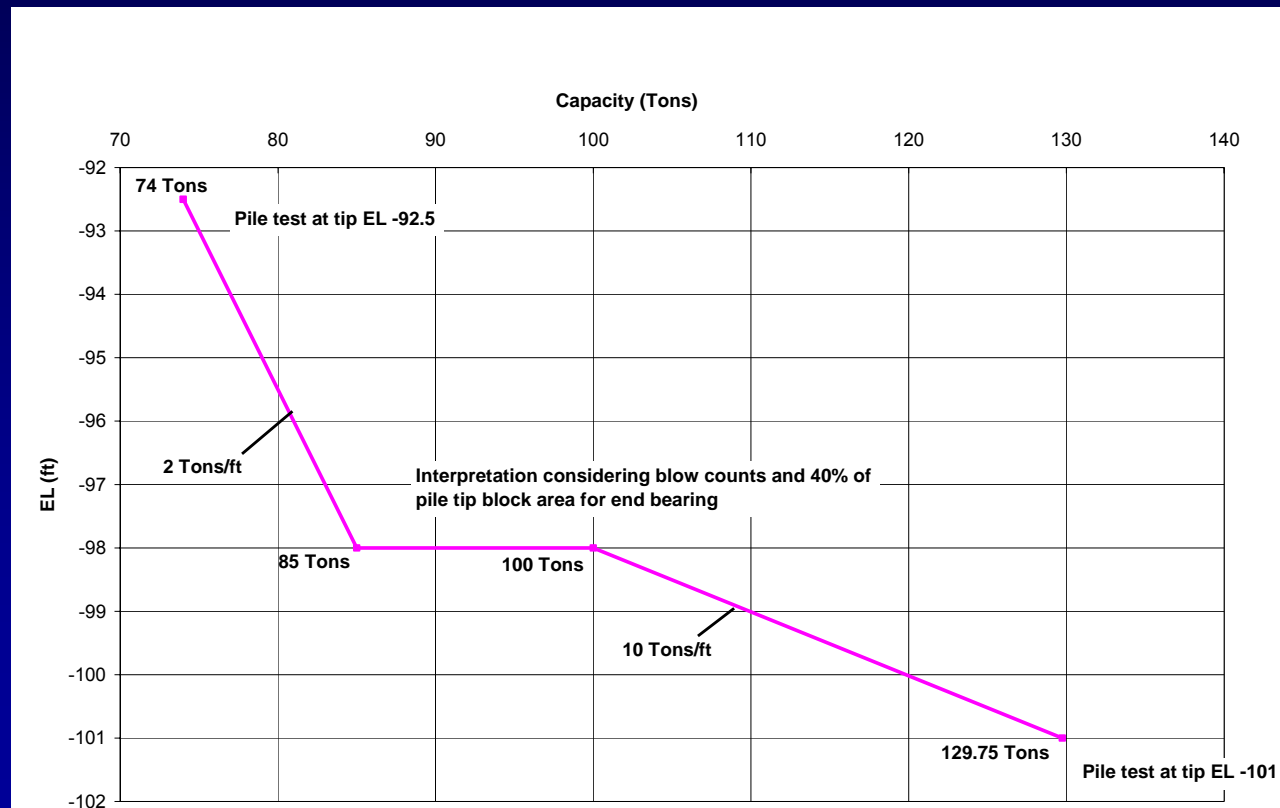
Compute axial capacity according to 3.3 of the HSDRS –  
based on EM 1110-2-2906 – None Above Failure  
Surface

## Compression

Trial Pile Tip  
EI -92.5

Capacity FS =2

$74 \text{ ton} * 2 \text{ t/k} / 2$   
 $= 74 \text{ kips}$



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# 3.1 – Axial Capacity

## Tension

Trial Pile Tip El -92.5

Ultimate = 81 tons

Capacity to -23 = 7 tons

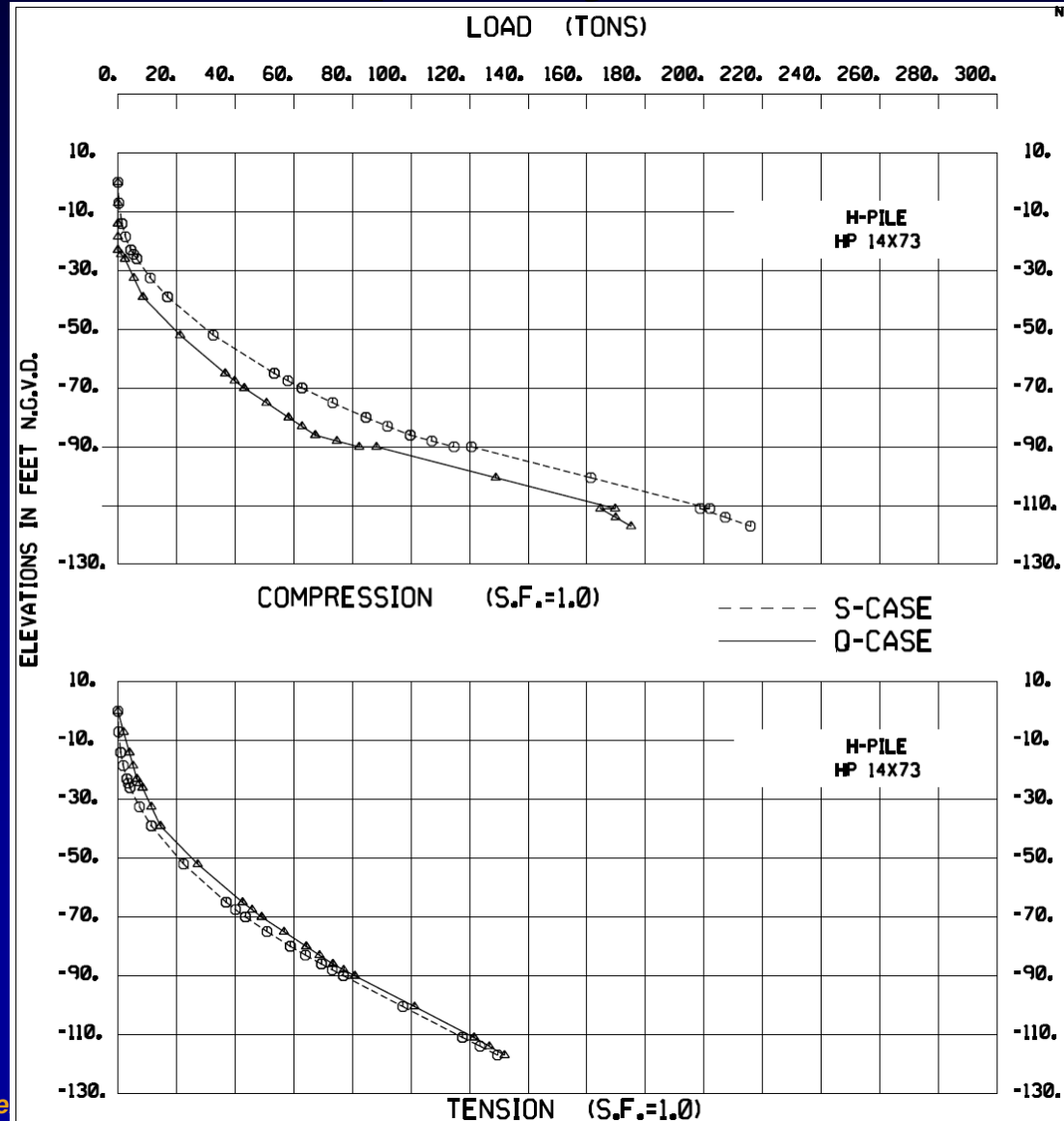
Net Ultimate =  $81 - 7 = 74$  ton

FS = 3.0 – theoretical

Cap =  $74 / 2t/k * 3.0 = 49$  kip

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## 3.2 Lateral Capacity

**Compute a lateral capacity at the elevation of the lowest failure surface with L-pile or COM624G**

- Analyze with the top of the pile as a free head
- Add surcharge as thin layer with high unit weight
- Curve not Bilinear – carry to pile yield
- Factors of Safety for Calculated Loads (3.0)



## 3.2

# Compute Moment Capacity of HP 14x73

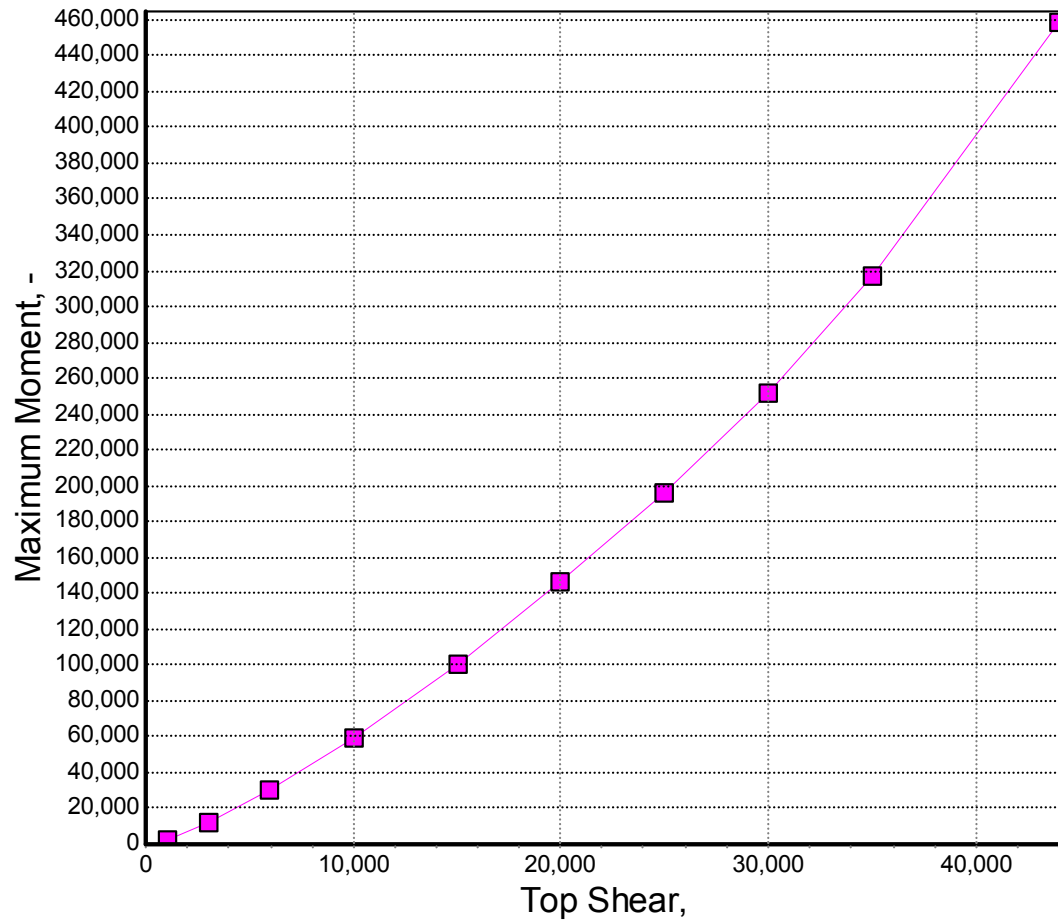
$$\begin{aligned} F_y S_x &= 50 \text{ ksi} \times 107 \text{ in}^3 \\ &= 5,350 \text{ lb-in} \\ &= 456 \text{ kip-ft} \end{aligned}$$

Depths 0.1 - 3 = Silt (Cemented c-phi)	
Depths 3 - 8 = Soft Clay	
Depths 8 - 16 = Soft Clay	
Depths 16 - 42 = Soft Clay	
Depths 42 - 47 = Soft Clay	
Depths 47 - 57 = Soft Clay	
Depths 57 - 63 = Soft Clay	
Depths 63 - 67 = Reese Sand	
Depths 67 - 94 = Reese Sand	



# 3.2

### Maximum Moment vs. Top Shear

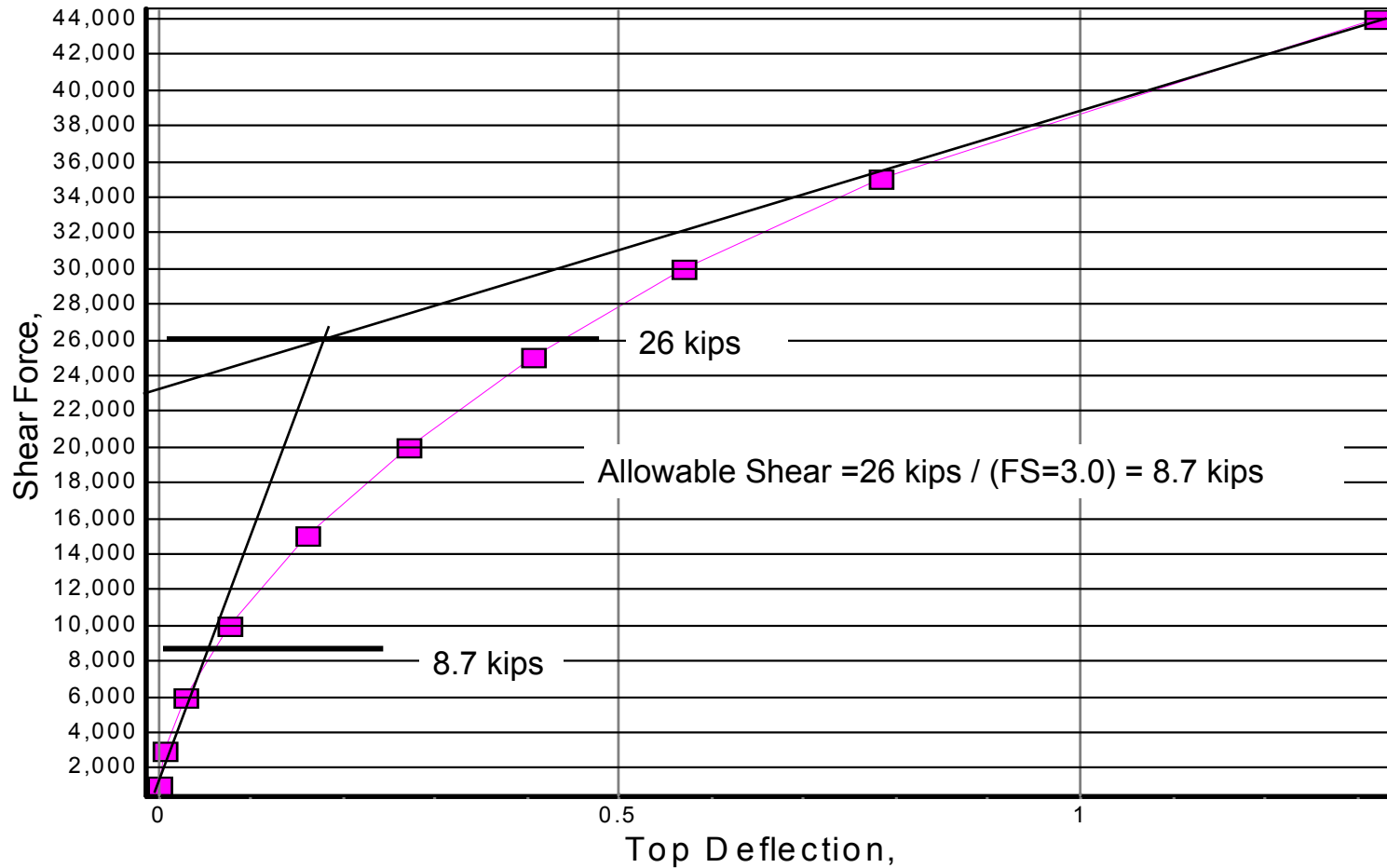


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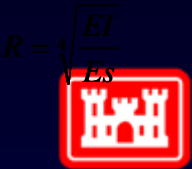
# Step 3

## Shear Force vs. Top Deflection



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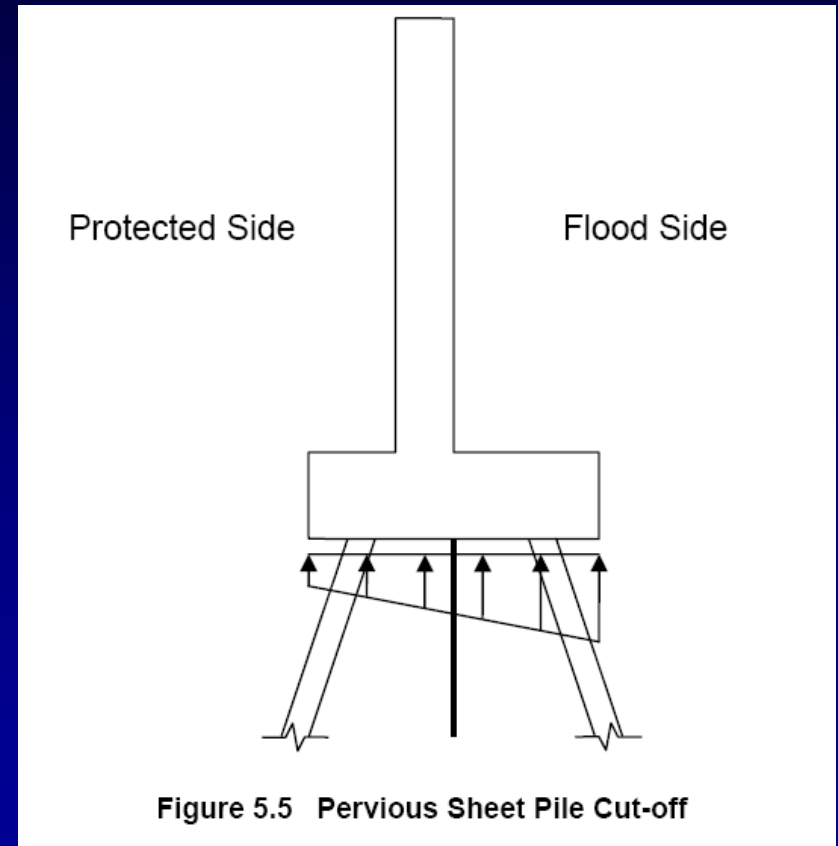
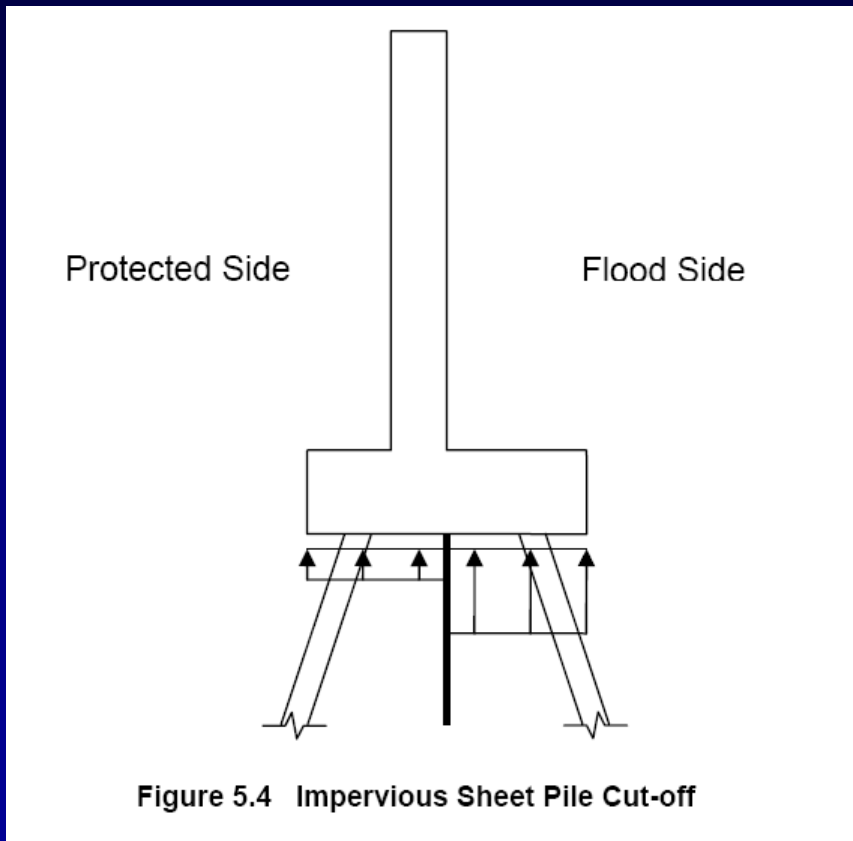
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# Step 4

- **Preliminary Layout**
- **CPGA and compute Equivalent Force in Cap**
- **Normal Structural Loads above Base, Unbalanced Load Below Base**
- **CPGA Approximates Group – Not an Alternative to**
- **Load Cases as defined in HSDRS Design Criteria**
- **Check Flow through**



# Step 4





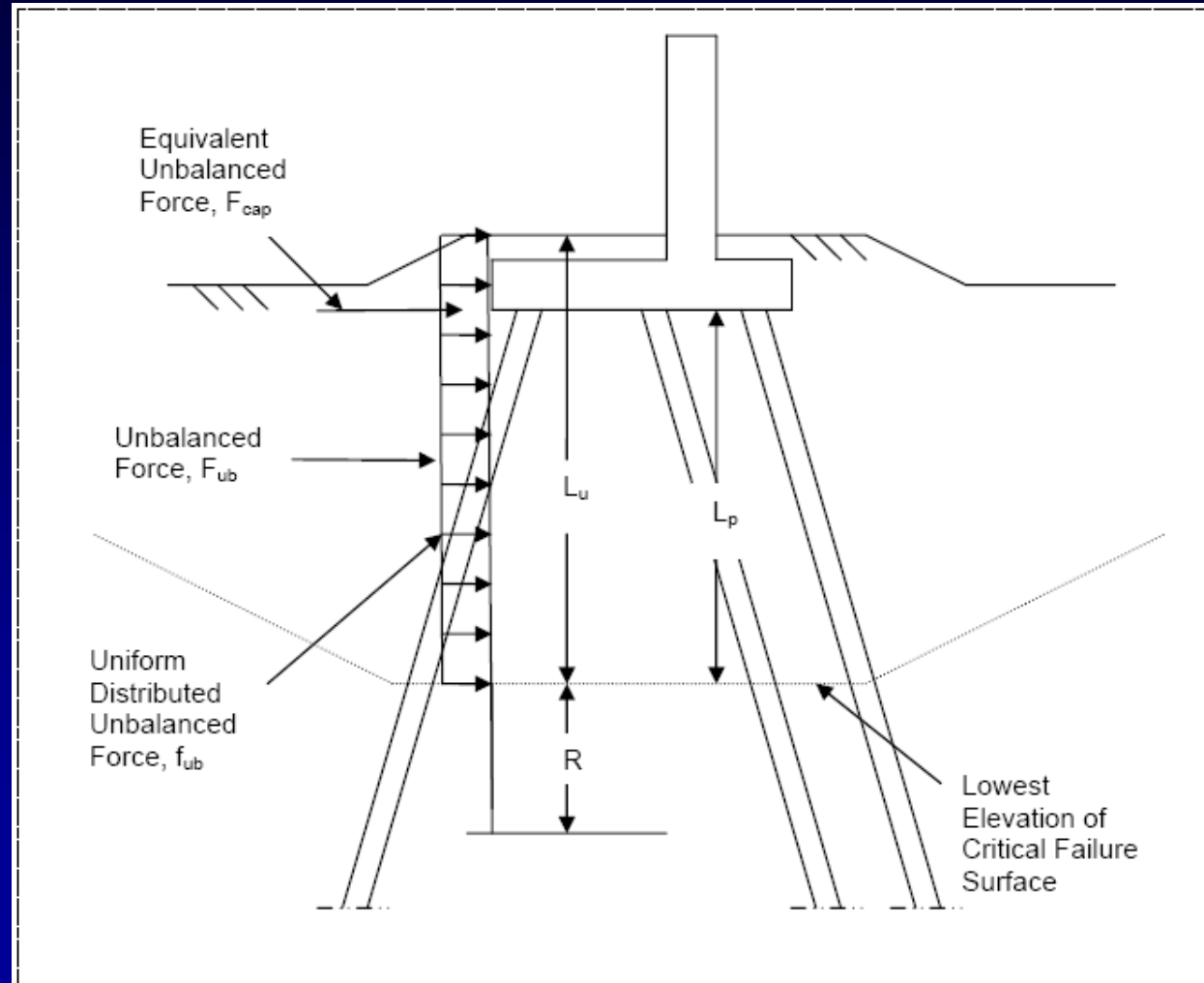
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# 4.1 Calculate Fcap

$$F_{cap} = F_{ub} \left[ \frac{\left( \frac{L_p}{2} + R \right)}{(L_p + R)} \right] \frac{L_p}{L_u}$$

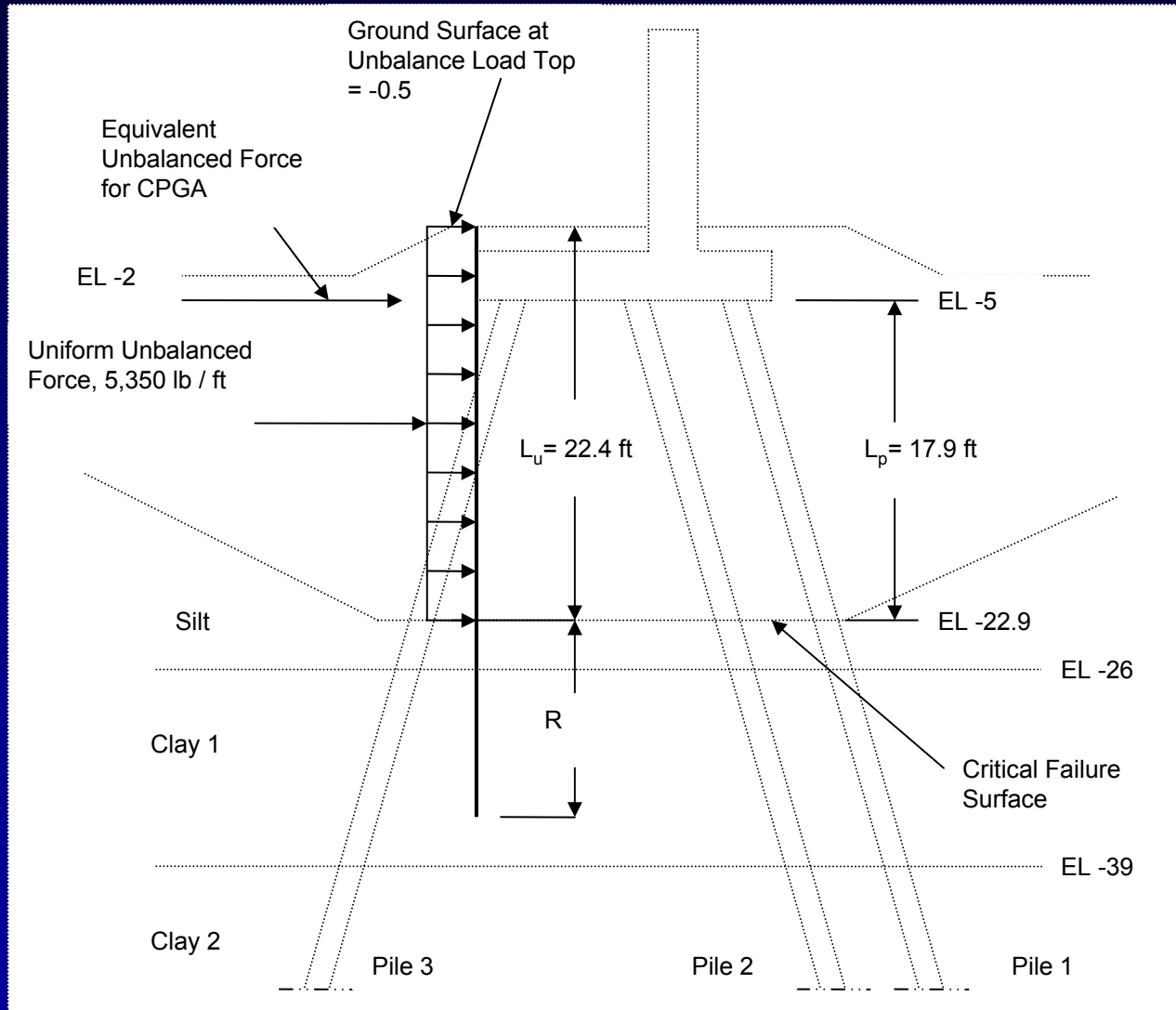
$$R = 4 \sqrt[4]{\frac{EI}{Es}}$$

EI are Pile Properties  
Es is below failure  
surface





# 4.1 Example





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# 4.1 R and $F_{cap}$

## Piles

HP 14x73.

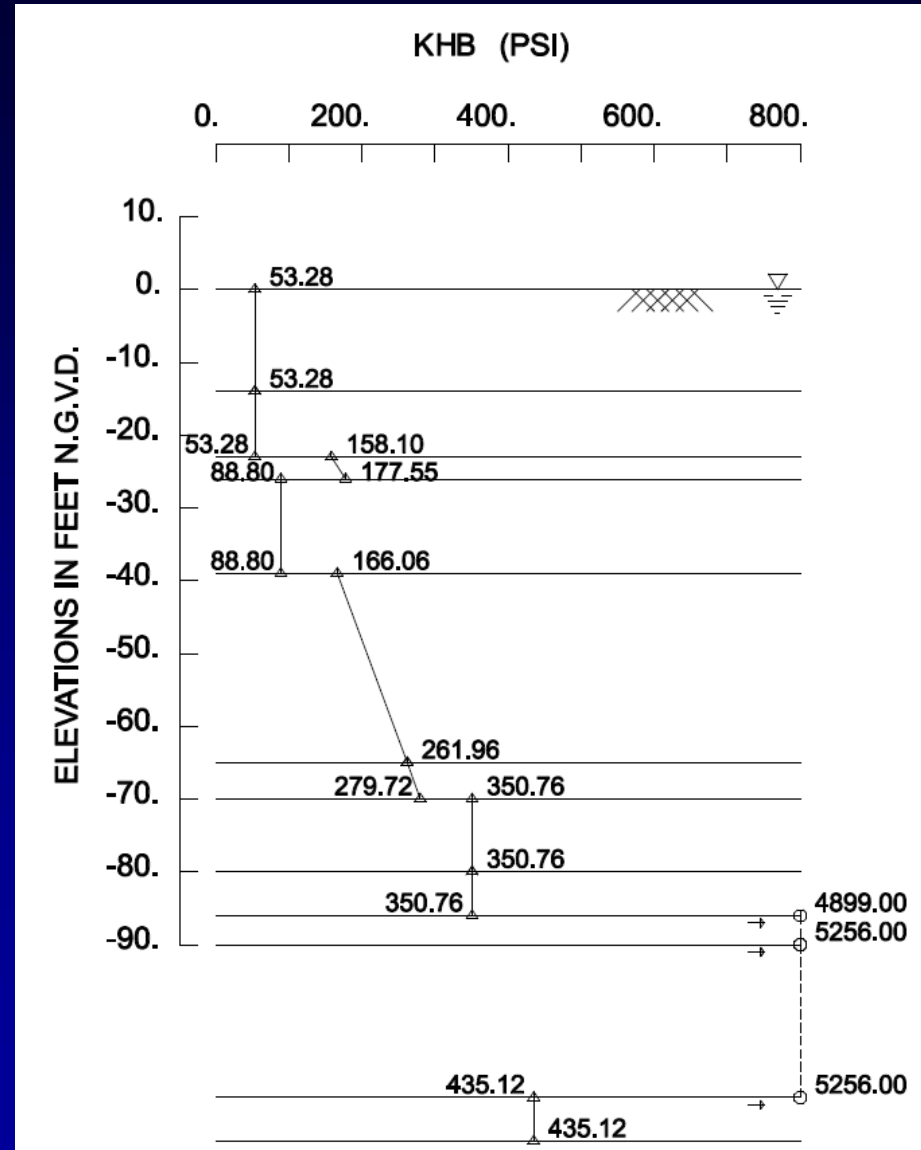
$I = 729 \text{ in}^4$

$E = 29,000 \text{ ksi}$

$E_s$  for R (-22.9)

Average silt and  
upper clay

$E_s = 100 \text{ psi}$



$$R = \sqrt[4]{\frac{29,000,000 \text{ psi} \times 729 \text{ in}^4}{100 \text{ psi}}} = 120.6 \text{ in} = 10.05 \text{ ft}$$



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## 4.1 – R and $F_{cap}$

$$R = \sqrt[4]{\frac{29,000,000 \text{ psi} \times 729 \text{ in}^4}{100 \text{ psi}}} = 120.6 \text{ in} = 10 \text{ ft}$$

$$F_{cap} = F_{ub} \times \left( \frac{\frac{L_p}{2} + R}{L_p + R} \right) \frac{L_p}{L_u} = 5,350 \text{ lb / ft} \times \left( \frac{\frac{17.9 \text{ ft}}{2} + 10 \text{ ft}}{17.9 \text{ ft} + 10 \text{ ft}} \right) \frac{17.9}{22.4} = 2,904 \text{ lb / ft}$$



# 4.1 – Calculate Resultants

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### Input for CPGA pile analysis

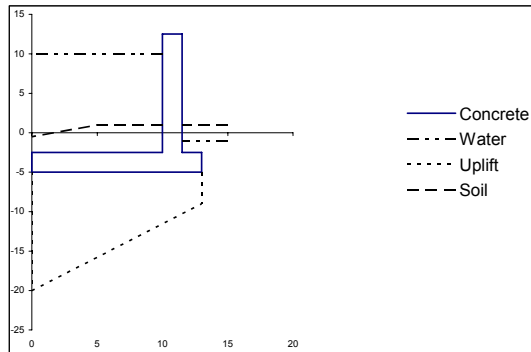
### Pervious Foundation Assumption

Upstream Water Elevation	10 ft	Back Fill Soil Elevation	1 ft
Downstream Water Elevation	-1 ft	Front Fill Soil Elevation	1 ft
Wall Top Elevation	12.5 ft	Gamma Water	0.0625 kcf
Structure Bottom Elevation	-5 ft	Gamma Concrete	0.15 kcf
Base Width	13 ft	Gamma Sat. Backfill	0.110 kcf
Toe Width	1.5 ft	Distance to Backfill Break	5.0 ft
Wall Thickness	1.5 ft	Slope of Back Fill	0.30
Base Thickness	2.5 ft	Soil Elevation at Heel	-0.50 ft

Vertical Forces							
Component	Height	x1	x2	Gamma	Force	Arm	Moment
Stem Concrete	15	10	11.5	0.15	3.38	10.75	36.3
Heel Concrete	2.5	0	11.5	0.15	4.31	5.75	24.8
Toe Concrete	2.5	11.5	13	0.15	0.56	12.25	6.9
Heel Water	9	0	10	0.0625	5.63	5	28.1
Toe Water	1.5	11.5	13	0.0625	0.14	12.25	1.7
Heel Soil	3.5	0	10	0.110	3.85	5	19.3
-Triangle	1.50	0	5.0	-0.048	-0.18	1.67	-0.3
Toe Soil	3.5	11.5	13	0.110	0.58	12.25	7.1
Rect Uplift	-4	0	13	0.0625	-3.25	6.5	-21.1
Tri Uplift	-11	0	13	0.0625	-4.47	4.3	-19.4
<b>Sum Vertical Forces</b>					<b>10.5</b>		<b>83.4</b>

Horizontal Forces							
Component	H1	H2	Gamma	Lat. Coeff.	Force	Arm	Moment
Driving Water	10	-5	0.0625	1	7.03	5.00	35.16
Resisting Water	-1	-5	0.0625	1	-0.50	1.33	-0.67
Lateral soil forces assumed equal and negligible							
<b>Sum Horizontal Forces</b>					<b>6.53</b>	<b>5.28</b>	<b>34.49</b>

Total Structural Forces	Net Vert. Force	Arm	Moment
About Heel	10.55	11.17	117.84



<b>Net Vertical Arm</b>	
From Toe	1.83 ft
<b>Moment About Toe</b>	
	-19.3 ft-k
<b>Model Width</b>	
	5 ft

### Calculation of Unbalanced Force

Unbalanced Force, $F_{ub}$	5,350 lb/ft	From UTexas Analysis
Elevation of Critical Surface	-22.9 ft	From UTexas Analysis
Length - Ground to Crit. Surface, $L_u$	22.4 ft	(assume failure surface is normal to pile)
Length - Base to Crit. Surface, $L_p$	18 ft	
Pile Moment of Inertia, $I$	729 in <sup>4</sup>	HP14x73
Pile Modulus of Elasticity $E$	29,000,000 lb/in <sup>2</sup>	
Soil Modulus of Subgrade Reaction, $E_s$	100 lb/in <sup>2</sup>	
Soil Stiffness Parameter, $R$	121 in	$(E_l / E_s)^{1/4}$
Equivalent Unbalanced Force, $F_{cap}$	2,906 lb/ft	$F_{ub} * (L_p/2 + R) / (L_p + R) (L_p/L_u)$

### Step 4 CPGA Input

PX	-47.19 kips
PY	
PZ	52.73 kips
MX	0
MY	-96.29 kip-ft
MZ	0

### Group Input - Steps 5 and 6

3 Pile Rows Parallel to Wall Face

### Unbalanced Loading on Piles for Group Analysis

Total	100 lb/in	$F_{ub} * \text{Model Width} / L_u$
50%	50 lb/in	For Pile on Protected Side
25%	25 lb/in	

Note: Applied to length of pile from bottom of cap to top of critical surface. 18

### Step 5 Cap Loads for Group Analysis

PX	52,731 lb
PY	32,656 lb
PZ	0 lb
MX	0
MY	0
MZ	1,155,441 lb-in

### Step 6 Cap Loads for Group Analysis of Unbalanced Load

Distance From Base to Ground Surface,  $D_s$  4.50 ft

PX	0 lb	
PY	5,374 lb	$F_{ub} * \text{Model Width} / L_u * D_s$
PZ	0 lb	
MX	0	
MY	0	
MZ	-145,095 lb-in	$-PZ * D_s/2$

$$E_s = \frac{(1.5 - 1.2)}{(1.5 - 1.0)} (100 \text{ psi}) = 40\% (100) = 40 \text{ psi}$$



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## 4.2 - CPGA Es

**Es = 0 (0.000001) for FS < 1 (Ground Surface)**

**Es ratio from 0 to full theoretical Es for FS between 1 and Target FS**

**Example FS = 0.98 , Es Set to 0.000001**

**If the FS = 1.2, Target FS = 1.5, Es = 100 psi,**

$$E_s = \frac{(1.5 - 1.2)}{(1.5 - 1.0)} (100 \text{ psi}) = 40\% (100) = 40 \text{ psi}$$

**No distinction between leading and trailing rows**

**No cyclic reduction factors (won't matter much)**





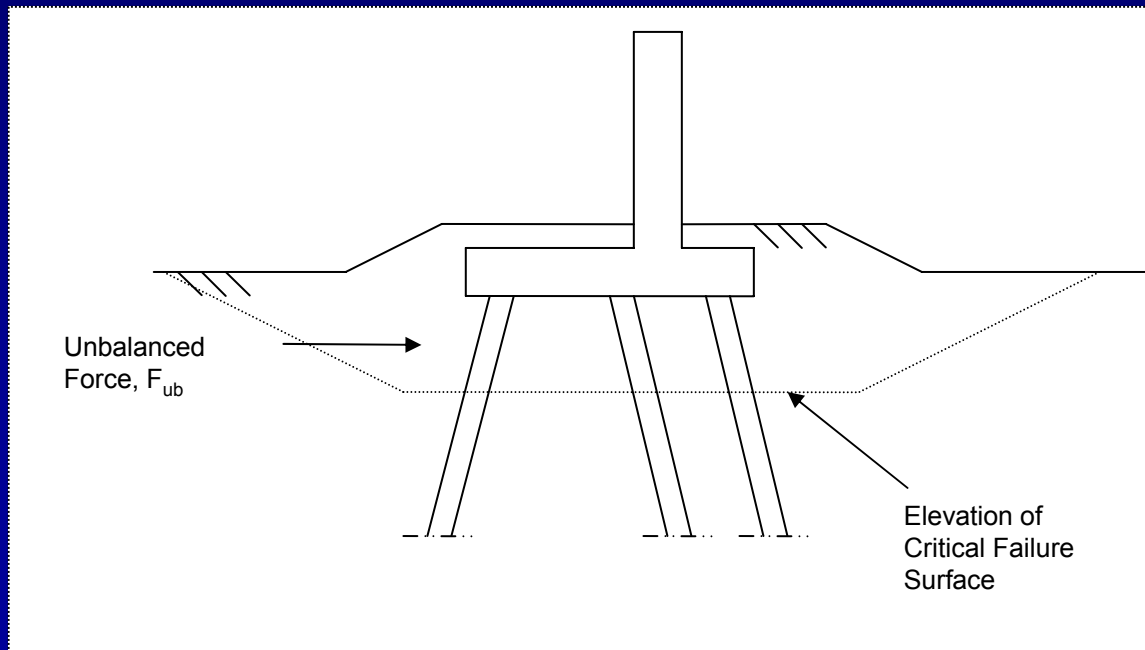
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## 4.2 – Shallow Failure Surfaces

**Es= 0 Not so Good Approximation – not  
enough lateral support**

**Won't Match Group Results**

**Can Model Wall Suspended above failure  
surface**





## 4.3 – Group Reduction

**Group Reduction Factors - When  $E_s$  is not 0**

- Not required for Opposite Batters
- CPGA method is approximation
- Reduced  $E_s$  reduces precision

**Equations from Group Manual used**

- More up-to-date than EM
- Similar to factors used in latest AASHTO



## 4.3 – Group Reduction

For loading perpendicular to the loading direction:

$$R_{ga} = 0.64(s_a/b)^{0.34} \quad ; \quad \text{or} = 1.0 \text{ for } s_a/b > 3.75$$

Where:

$s_a$  = spacing between piles perpendicular to the direction of loading (parallel to the wall face). Normally piles should be spaced no closer than 5 feet on center.

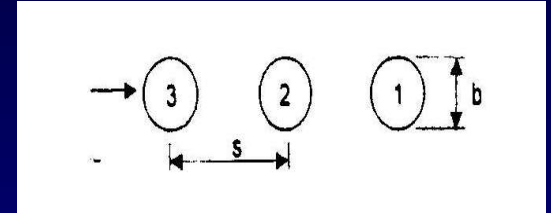
$b$  = pile diameter or width



## 4.3 – Group Reduction

For loading parallel to the loading direction:

For leading (flood side) piles:



$$R_{gbl} = 0.7(s_b/b)^{0.26} \quad ; \quad \text{or} = 1.0 \text{ for } s_b/b > 4.0$$

For trailing piles, the reduction factor,  $R_{gbl}$  is:

$$R_{gbl} = 0.48(s_b/b)^{0.3}; \text{ or } = 1.0 \text{ for } s_b/b > 7.0$$

*Trailing Piles only follow piles with same batter*



# 4.3 CPGA Analysis

## LOAD CASE - 1 Pervious Uplift Assumption

PILE	F1 K	F2 K	F3 K	M1 IN-K	M2 IN-K	M3 IN-K	ALF	CBF
1	.0	.0	5.2	.0	-3.3	.0	.07	.02
2	.0	.0	97.2	.0	-3.0	.0	1.31	.31
3	.0	.0	-46.8	.0	3.1	.0	.96	.15

## LOAD CASE - 2 Impervious Uplift Assumption

PILE	F1 K	F2 K	F3 K	M1 IN-K	M2 IN-K	M3 IN-K	ALF	CBF
1	.0	.0	12.5	.0	-3.0	.0	.17	.04
2	.0	.0	94.4	.0	-2.8	.0	1.28	.30
3	.0	.0	-42.3	.0	2.9	.0	.86	.14

### PILE CAP DISPLACEMENTS

#### LOAD

CASE	DX IN	DZ IN	R RAD
1	-.6619E+00	-.2626E+00	-.2868E-02
2	-.6125E+00	-.2266E+00	-.2549E-02



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## 4.4 Sheet pile

**Sheet pile as required for seepage**

**Or Minimum 5' Below Critical Failure Surface**

**Minimum Size - PZ -22 – No Analysis**

**Example Tip Elevation =  $-23 - 5 = -28$**



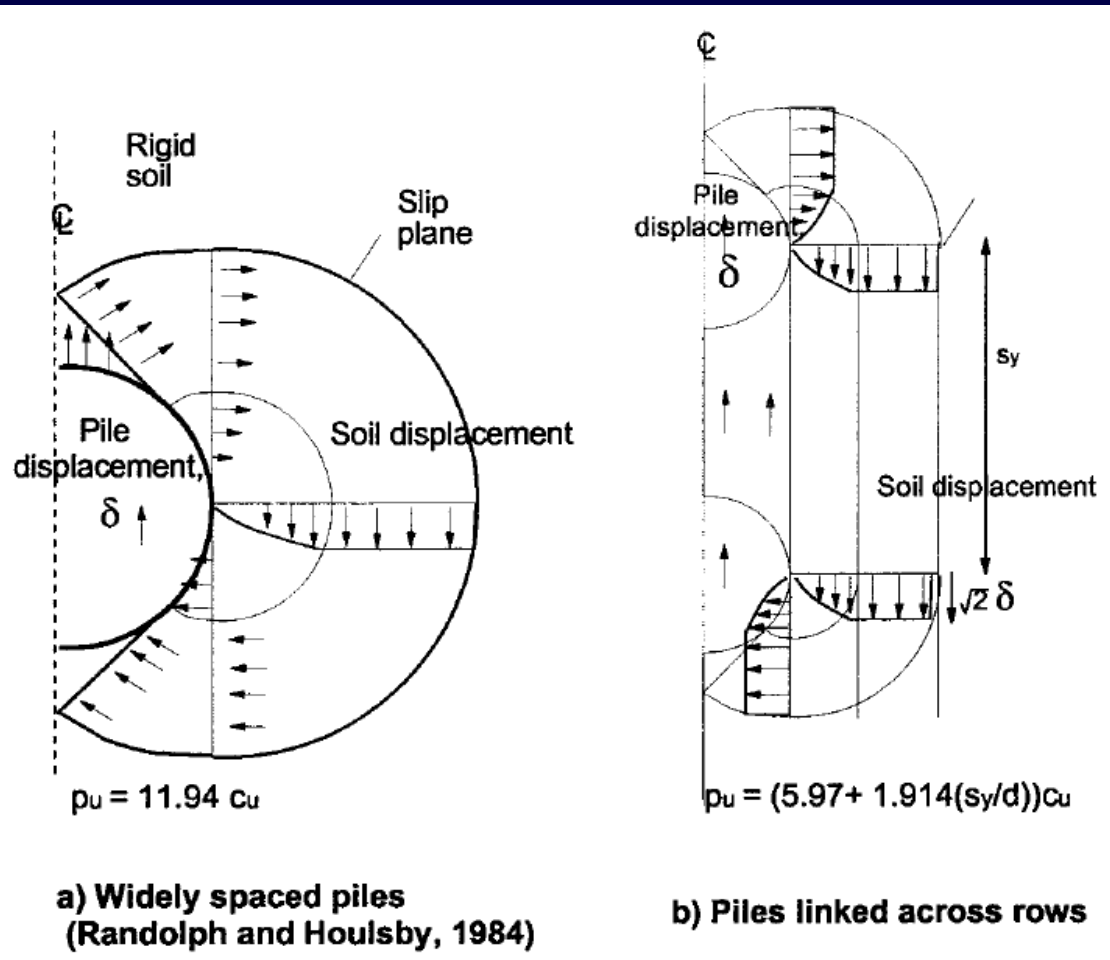
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# 4.5 Flow Through Check 1

## Pile Lateral Capacity

## Basic Capacity

$$P_{ult} = 9C_u$$



$$\sum P_{ult} = \frac{n \sum P_{ult}}{1.5}$$



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## 4.5 Flow Through

### Compute Capacity of Floodside Row

$$\sum P_{all} = \frac{n \sum P_{ult}}{1.5}$$

$n$  = number of piles in row per monolith

$\sum P_{ult}$  = summation of  $P_{ult}$  over the height  $L_p$

$$P_{ult} = \beta(9S_u b)$$

$S_u$  = soil shear strength

$b$  = pile width

$\beta$  = group reduction factor pile spacing parallel to the load (Defined in criteria)





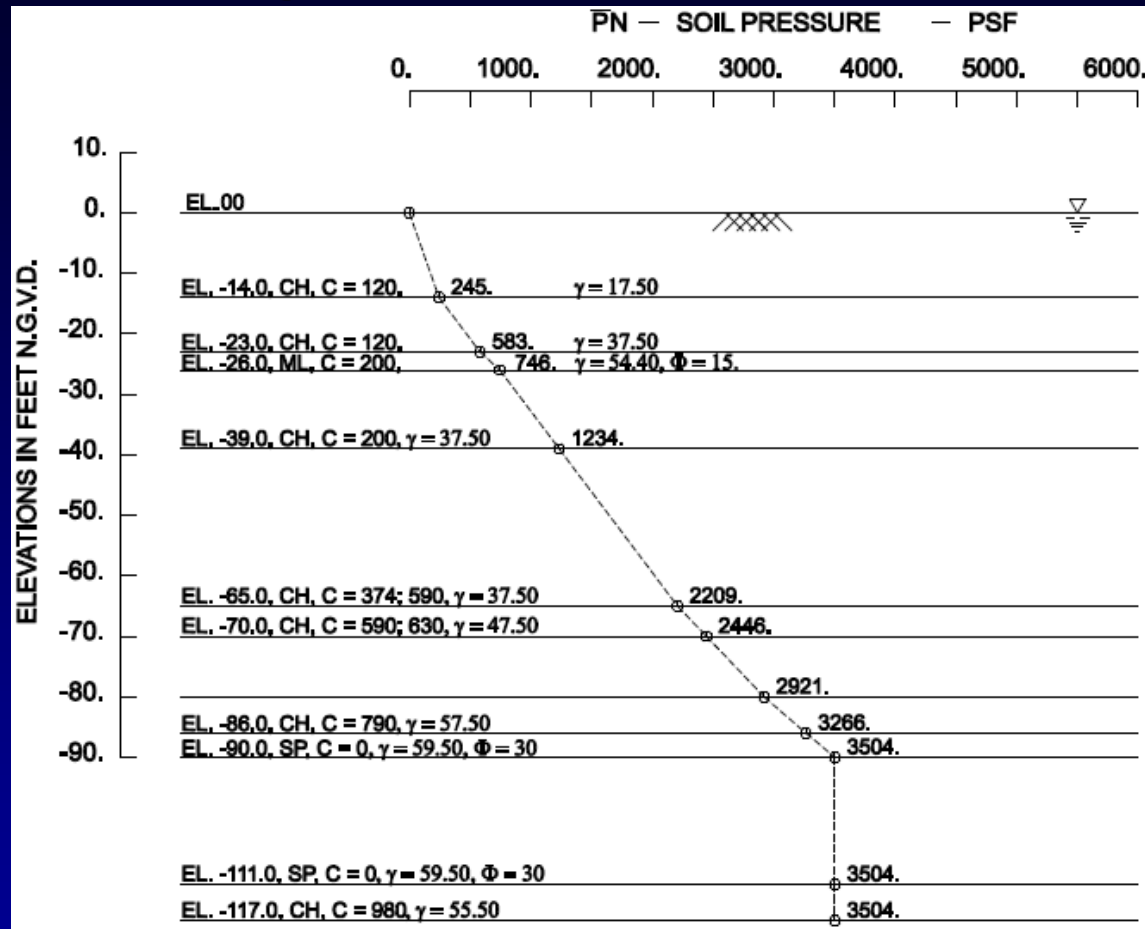
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Soils under slab,  
 $S_u = 120$  psf to  
failure surface

Pile width,  $b = 14''$

Group reduction  
factor, not  
applicable (single  
row on flood  
side),  $R_f = 1$

# 4.5



$$P_{ult} = 1.0(9)(120 \text{ psf}) \left( \frac{14 \text{ in}}{12 \frac{\text{in}}{\text{ft}}} \right) = 1,260 \text{ lb / ft}$$



# 4.5

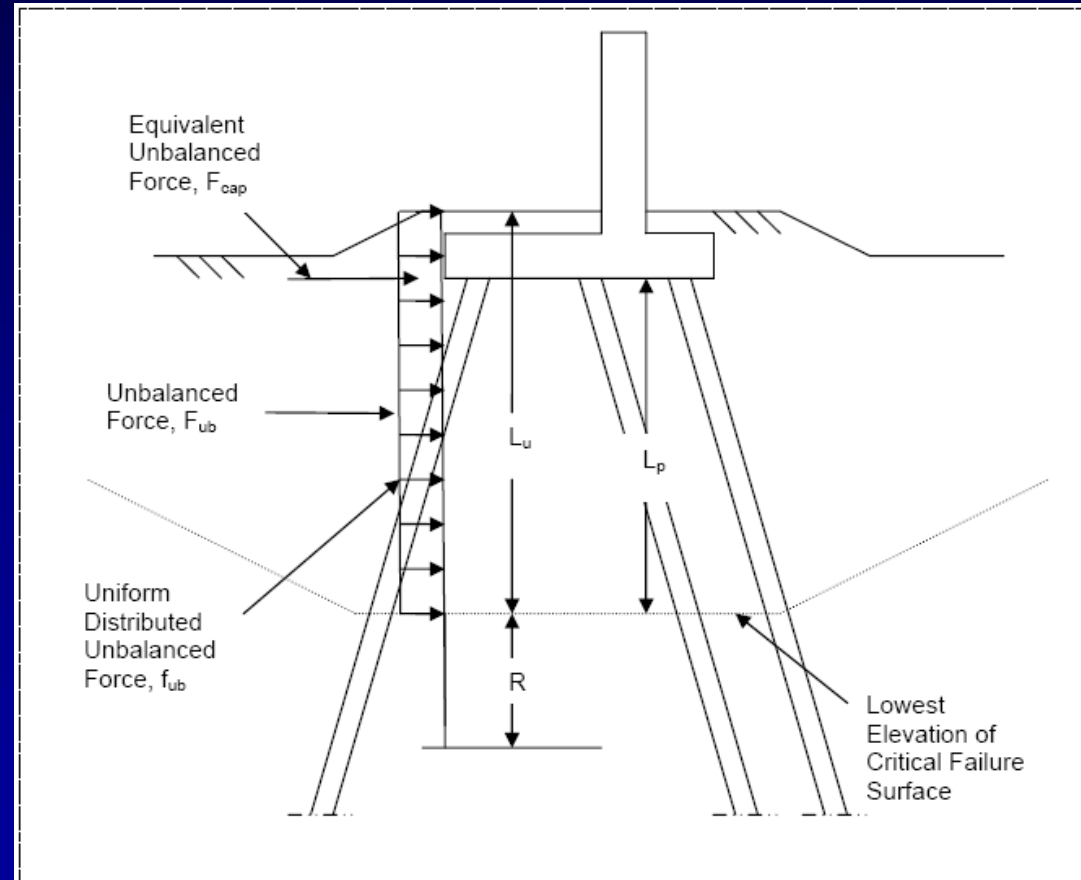
## Capacity of Floodside Rows

$\Sigma P_{ult}$  = summation of  $P_{ult}$   
over the height  $L_p$ ,

$$\Sigma P_{ult} = 1,260 \text{ lb/ft}(17.9 \text{ ft}) \\ = 22,554 \text{ lb}$$

$$\Sigma P_{all} = \frac{n \Sigma P_{ult}}{1.5}$$

$$\Sigma P_{all} = 1(22,554 \text{ lb}) / 1.5 \\ = 15,036 \text{ lb}$$



$$F_p = wf_{ub}L_p$$



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## 4.5

**Compute Unbalanced Load on Piles to check  
against  $\Sigma P_{all}$**

$$F_p = wf_{ub}L_p$$

**w = Monolith width or Pile Spacing**

$$f_{ub} = \frac{F_{ub}}{L_u}$$

**$F_{ub}$  = Total unbalanced force per foot from Step 2  
 $L_u$  and  $L_p$  as defined in paragraph 4.1**



## 4.5

$$\begin{aligned} F_{ub} &= \text{Total unbalanced force per foot from Step 2} \\ &= 5,350 \text{ lb/ft} \end{aligned}$$

$$L_u = 22.4 \text{ ft}$$

$$L_p = 17.9 \text{ ft}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f_{ub} &= 5,350 \text{ lb/ft} / 22.4 \text{ ft} \\ &= 239 \text{ lb/ft/ft} \end{aligned}$$

$$f_{ub} = \frac{F_{ub}}{L_u}$$

$$\begin{aligned} F_p &= 5 \text{ ft} \times 239 \text{ lb/ft/ft} \times 17.9 \text{ ft} \\ &= 21,391 \text{ lb} \end{aligned}$$

$$F_{up} = w f_{ub} L_p$$



## 4.5

If 50% of  $F_p < \Sigma P_{all}$  then OK

If 50% of  $F_p > \Sigma P_{all}$  then:

compute  $\Sigma P_{all}$  for all of the piles

If  $\Sigma P_{all}$  for all piles  $> F_p$  then OK

If  $\Sigma P_{all}$  for all piles  $< F_p$  then Redesign



## 4.5

$$F_p = 21,391 \text{ lb}$$

$$50\% \text{ of } F_p = 21,391 \text{ lb}(0.50) = 10,695 \text{ lb}$$

$$\Sigma P_{all} = 15,036 \text{ lb} \quad > 10,695 \text{ lb}$$

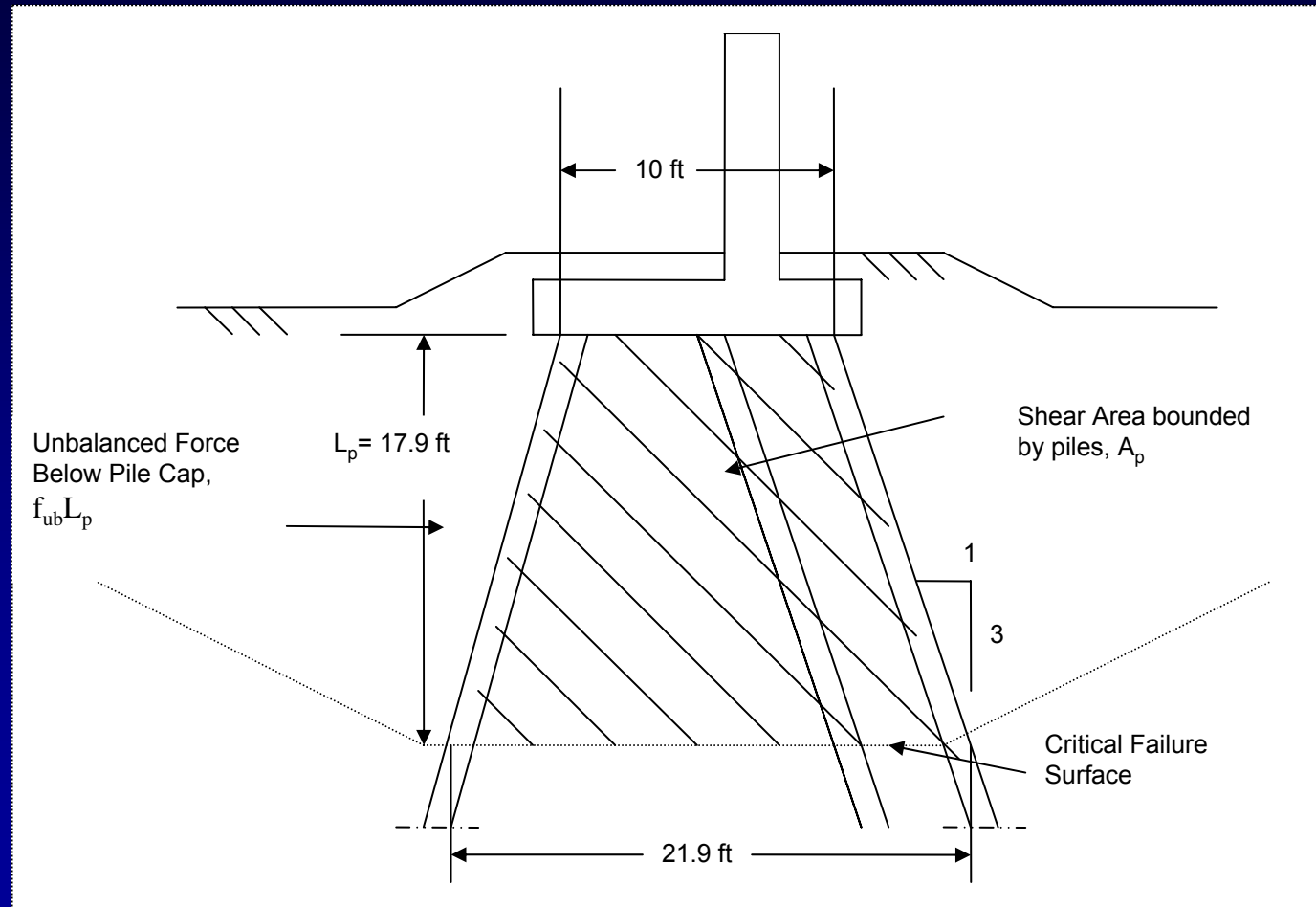
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# 4.6 Second Flow Through Check

## Shear Along Planes Bounded by Piles



$$f_{ub} L_p \leq \frac{A_p S_u}{FS} \left[ \frac{10L + 2}{(s_t - b)} \right] (120 \text{ pcf}) = 34,260/b$$



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## 4.6

$$f_{ub} L_p \leq \frac{A_p S_u}{FS} \left[ \frac{2}{(s_t - b)} \right]$$

**$A_p S_u$  = The area bounded by the bottom of the T-wall base, the critical failure surface, the upstream pile row and the downstream pile row multiplied by the shear strength of the soil within that area.**

**For layered soils, the product of the area and  $S_u$  for each layer is computed and added for a total  $A_p S_u$ . See Figure 3.**

**$FS$  = Target factor of safety used in Steps 1 and 2.  
= 1.5**



$$f_{ub}L_p \leq \frac{A_p S_u}{FS} \left[ \frac{2}{(s_t - b)} \right]$$



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## 4.6

$$f_{ub}L_p \leq \frac{A_p S_u}{FS} \left[ \frac{2}{(s_t - b)} \right]$$

**$s_t$  = the spacing of the piles transverse  
(perpendicular) to the unbalanced force**

**= 5 ft**

**$b$  = pile width**

**= 14 in**

$$f_{ub}L_p \leq \frac{A_p S_u}{FS} \left[ \frac{2}{(s_t - b)} \right]$$



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## 4.6

$$A_p S_u = 17.9 \text{ ft} \left( \frac{10 \text{ ft} + 21.9 \text{ ft}}{2} \right) (120 \text{ psf}) = 34,260 \text{ lb}$$

$$\frac{A_p S_u}{FS} \left[ \frac{2}{(s_t - b)} \right] = \frac{34,260}{1.5} \left[ \frac{2}{5 - \left( \frac{14}{12} \right)} \right] = 11,917$$

$$f_{ub}L_p \leq \frac{A_p S_u}{FS} \left[ \frac{2}{(s_t - b)} \right]$$

$$f_{ub}L_p = (239 \text{ lb/ft})(17.9 \text{ ft}) = 4,278 \text{ lb/ft}$$

OK



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# Step 5 Group 7 Analysis

## 5.1

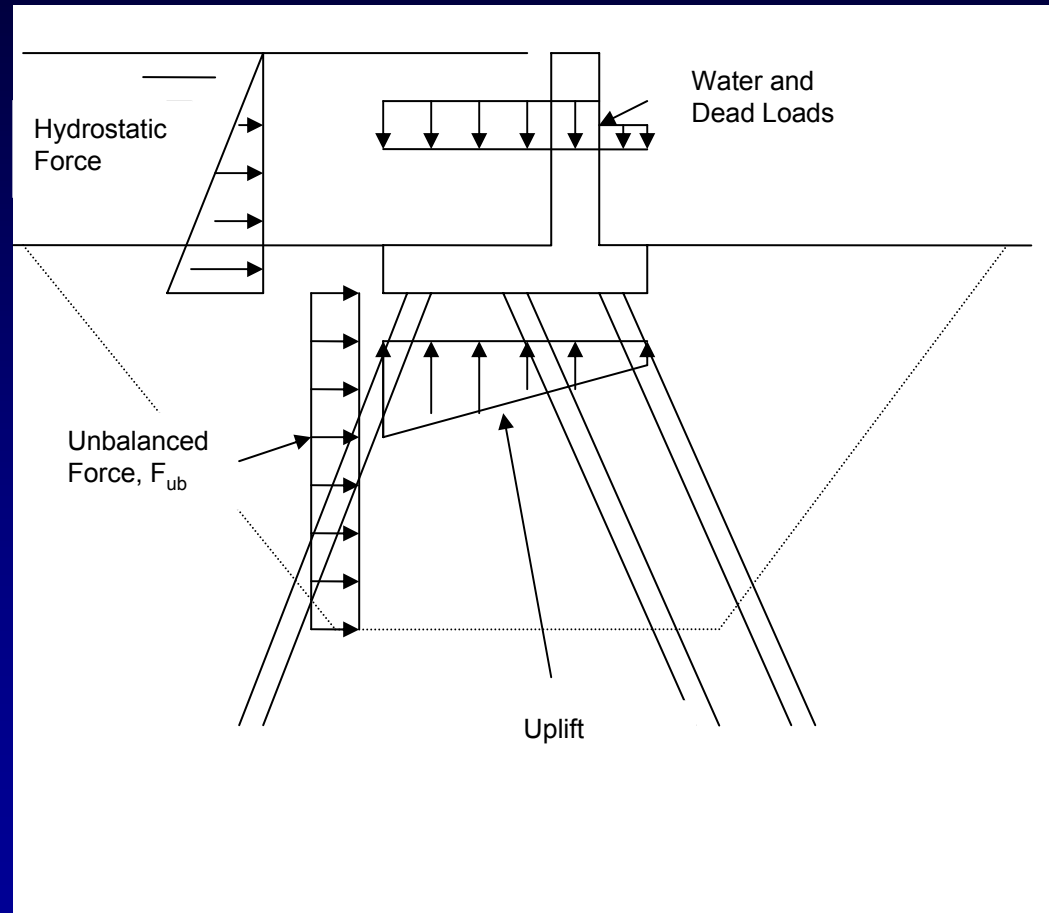
**Only Critical Load Cases.**



## 5.2

**Apply  
“Structural”  
loads at base  
and above to  
wall. (Water,  
Soil, Dead  
Loads).**

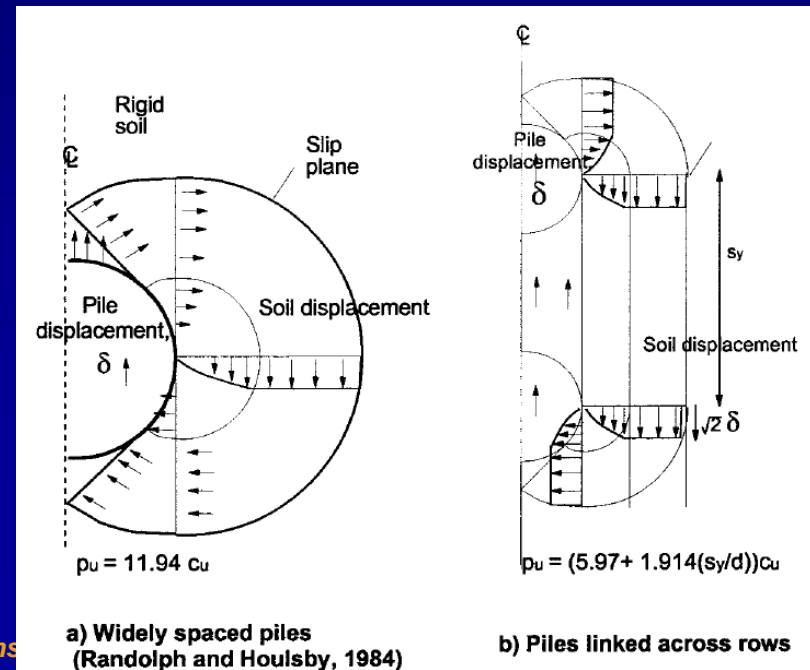
**Unbalanced Load  
Applied  
Directly to  
Piles**





# 5.3

- Look at flood side row with 50% Unbalance Force
  - If  $n \sum P_{ult} > 50\% F_p$  then 50% Unbalanced Force on Floodside row  $0.5 f_{ub} s_t$  and the rest equally on remaining rows
  - If  $n \sum P_{ult} < 50\% F_p$  then load =  $P_{ult}$  on Flood side row and the rest equally on remaining rows
- $P_{ult}$  Not  $P_{all}$





## 5.3

- Check if  $(n\Sigma P_{ult})$  of the flood side pile row is greater than  $50\% F_p$ , (from 4.5)
- $(n\Sigma P_{ult}) = 1 (22,554 \text{ lb}) = 22,554 \text{ lb}$
- $50\% F_p = (0.50)(21,391) = 10,696 \text{ lb}$
- Since  $n\Sigma P_{ult} > 50\% F_p$ , then  $50\% F_p$  will be applied to the flood side piles
  - uniform load  $= 0.5f_{ub}s_t$
  - remaining  $50\% F_p$  will be applied equally to the remaining piles.



## 5.3

**Distribute 50% of  $F_p$  onto the flood side (left) row of piles:**

- $0.5f_{ub}S_t = 0.5 (239 \text{ lb/ft/ft})(5 \text{ ft})$
- $= 597.5 \text{ lb/ft} = 50 \text{ lb/in}$

**The remainder is divided among the remaining piles.**

- Middle pile  $= 25 \text{ lb/in}$
- Right pile  $= 25 \text{ lb/in}$



## 5.3

### Check of Pile Stresses

100 %  $F_p$  applied to the flood side piles,  $< n\Sigma P_{ult}$

Verify that 100%  $F_p$  does not exceed  $n\Sigma P_{ult}$ :

$$100\%F_p = 21,391 \text{ lb}$$

$$n\Sigma P_{ult} = 1 (22,554 \text{ lb}) = 22,554 \text{ lb}$$

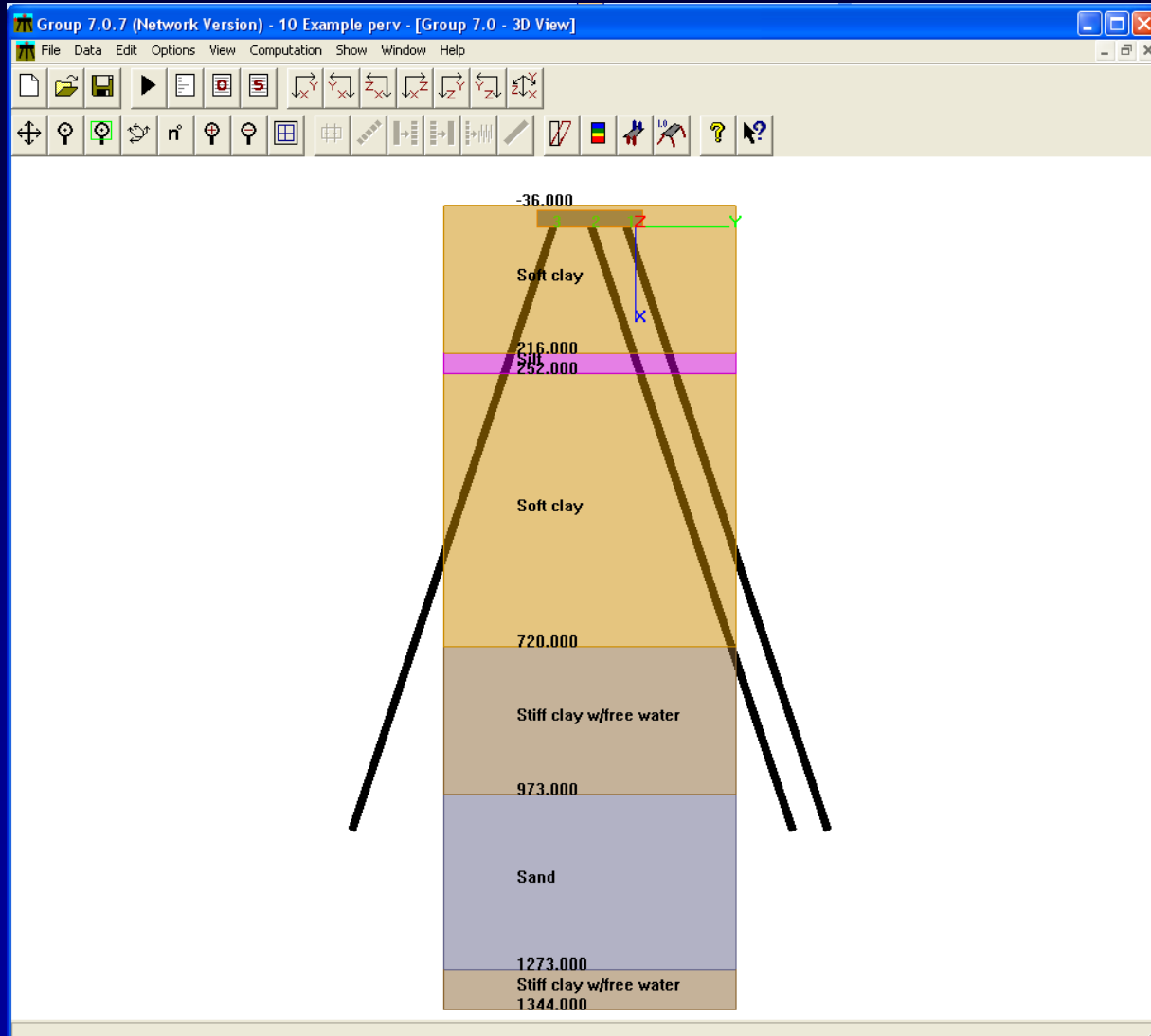
Since,  $100\% F_p < n\Sigma P_{ult}$ , 100%  $F_p$  distributed on the flood side piles

$$f_{ub}S_t = (239 \text{ lb/ft/ft})(5 \text{ ft}) = 1,195 \text{ lb/ft} = 100 \text{ lb/in}$$





# 5.5





## 5.6

**Can use Group developed PY curves**

**Curves on piles from bottom of cap to lowest elevation of failure surface are adjusted to account for moving soil mass**

**Clay stiffness depends on C and  $e_{50}$**

**Sand stiffness depends on k and  $\Phi$**

**If  $FS < 1.0$  then remove lateral resistance by making cohesion in soil layers very small (or k for sands)**

**IF  $FS > 1.0$  then ratio lateral resistance by ratio of factor of safety between 1.0 and target factor of safety – Multiply Cohesion (or k) by this percentage**



# 5.6

## Our example

$$FS = 0.98$$

$$C = 0.0001$$

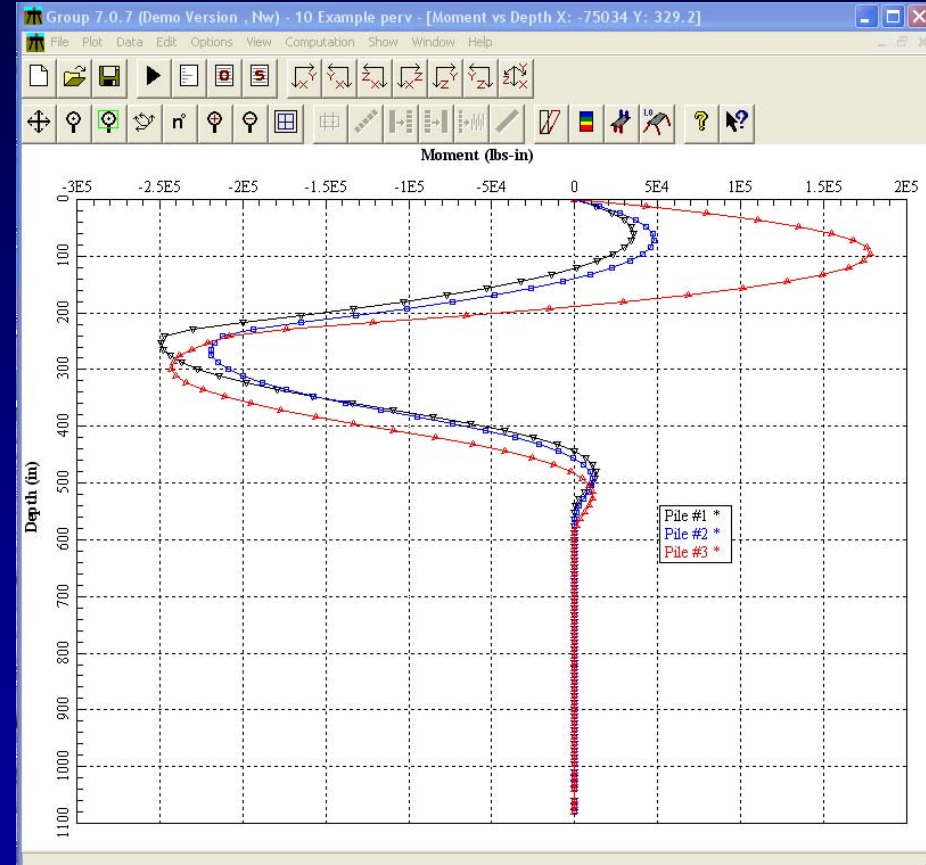
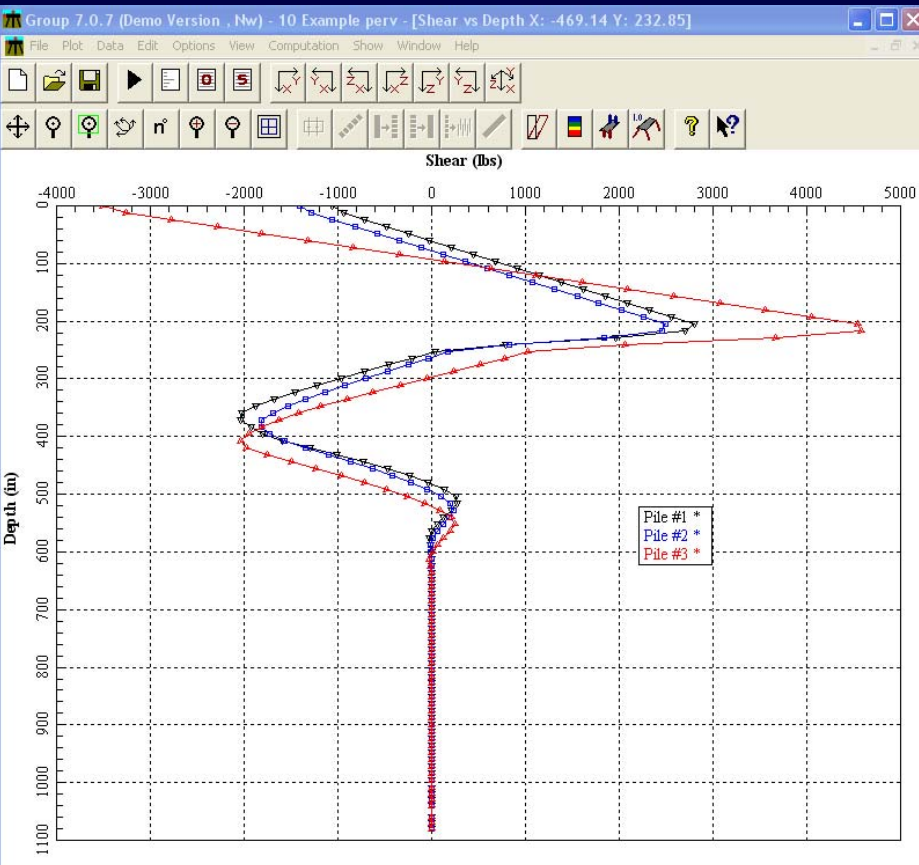
**e50 does not need to be adjusted**

**K not used for Soft Clays**



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# Step 5



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## 5.6, 5.7

- **Compare output with allowables**
- **HSDRS Design Guides**
- **EM1110-2-2906**
- **Axial and Shear in Piles**
  - Are compared with results from Step 3
  - Shear found at lowest critical surface elevation compared to capacity in Step 3



## 5.6, 5.7

### Pervious Case – 50% on Floodside Pile

Pile	Axial (k)	Shear (k)	Max Moment (k-in)
1 Right	2.3 (C)	3.2	-227
2 Center	93.5 (C)	2.9	-207
3 Left	-39.9 (T)	5.2	314

### Pervious Case – 100 % on Floodside Pile

Pile	Axial (k)	Shear (k)	Max Moment (k-in)
1 Right	1.3 (C)	1.8	-229
2 Center	98.6 (C)	1.6	-206
3 Left	-39.2 (T)	8.7	838



## 5.6, 5.7

### Impervious Case – 50% on Floodside Pile

Pile	Axial (k)	Shear (k)	Max Moment (k-in)
1 Right	9.2 (C)	3.1	-217
2 Center	91.5 (C)	2.9	-198
3 Left	-35.8 (T)	5.2	318

### Impervious Case – 100 % on Floodside Pile

Pile	Axial (k)	Shear (k)	Max Moment (k-in)
1 Right	8.4 (C)	1.7	-216
2 Center	96.2 (C)	1.6	-193
3 Left	-34.9 (T)	8.7	843



## 5.6, 5.7

**Table Displacement of grouped pile foundation**

<b>Load Case</b>	<b>Load %</b>	<b>Horz (in)</b>	<b>Vert (in)</b>
<b>Pervious</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>0.53</b>	<b>-0.21</b>
<b>Impervious</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>0.49</b>	<b>-0.18</b>
<b>Pervious</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>0.56</b>	<b>-0.22</b>
<b>Impervious</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>0.52</b>	<b>-0.20</b>

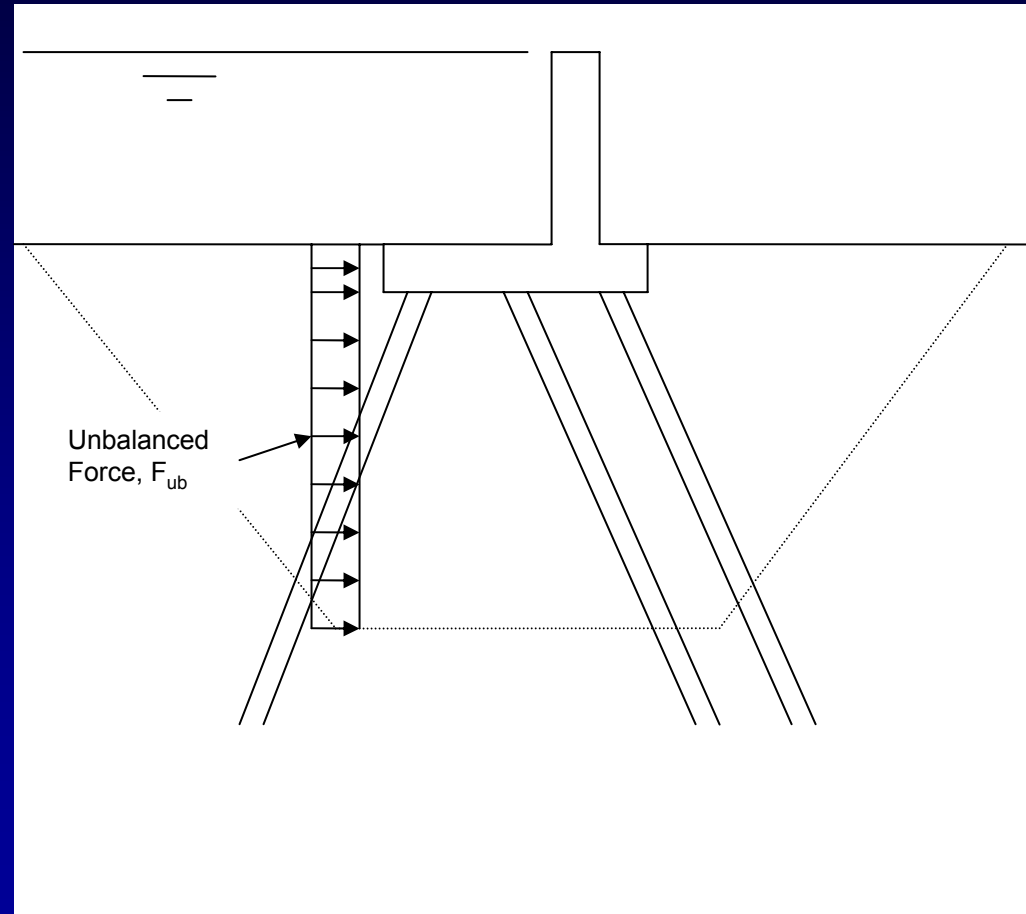




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# Step 6 (Optional)

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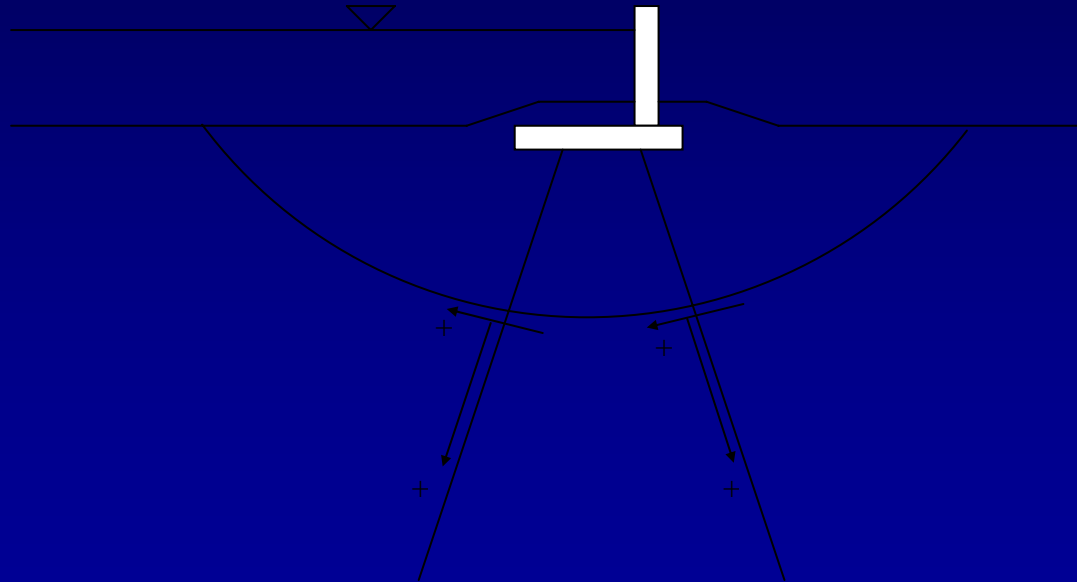




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# Step 7 (Optional) NOT COMPLETED

**Global Stability Analysis with pile forces as reinforcement.**






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**Question?**

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# ***Guidance on Long Structures And Trailing Structures***

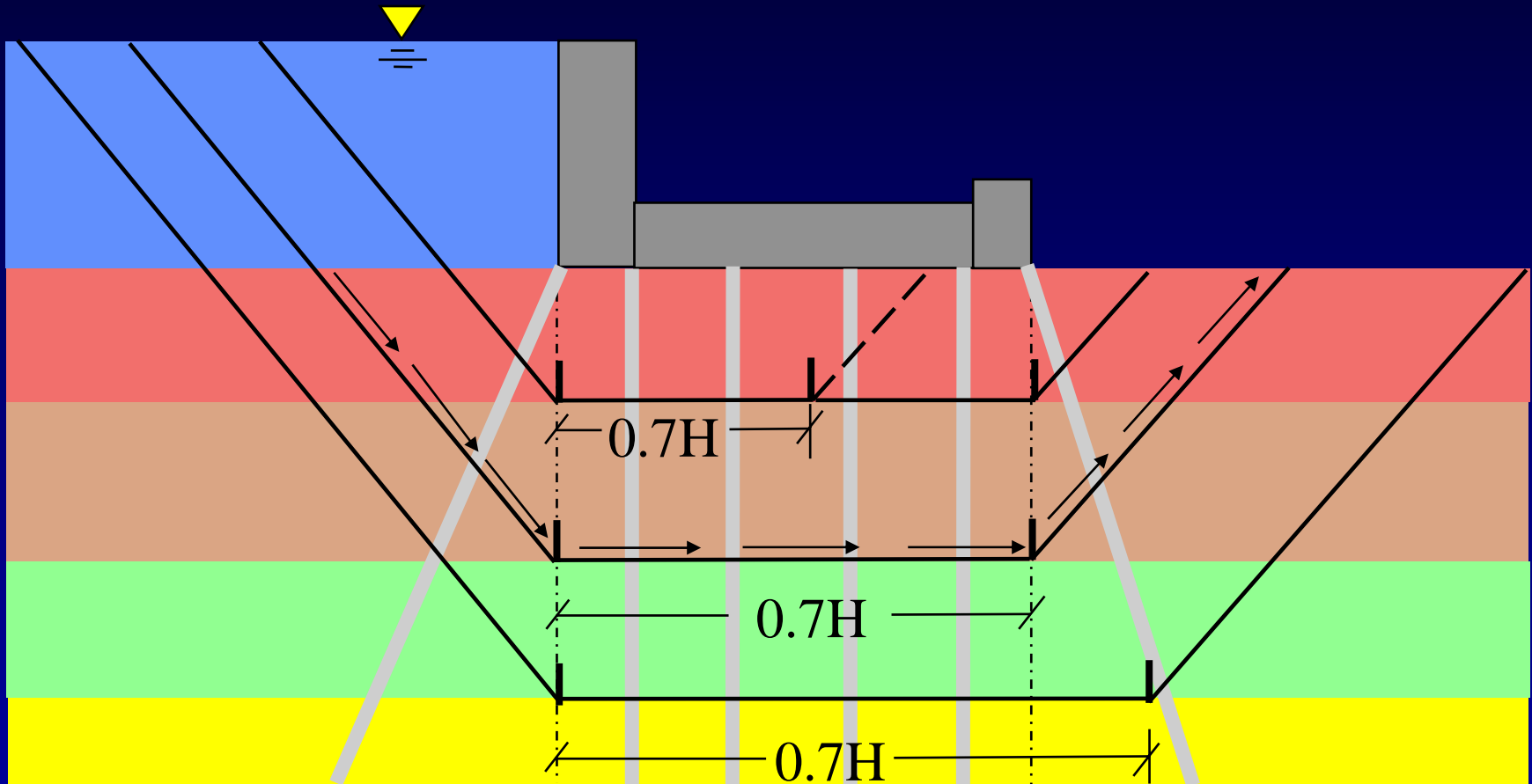
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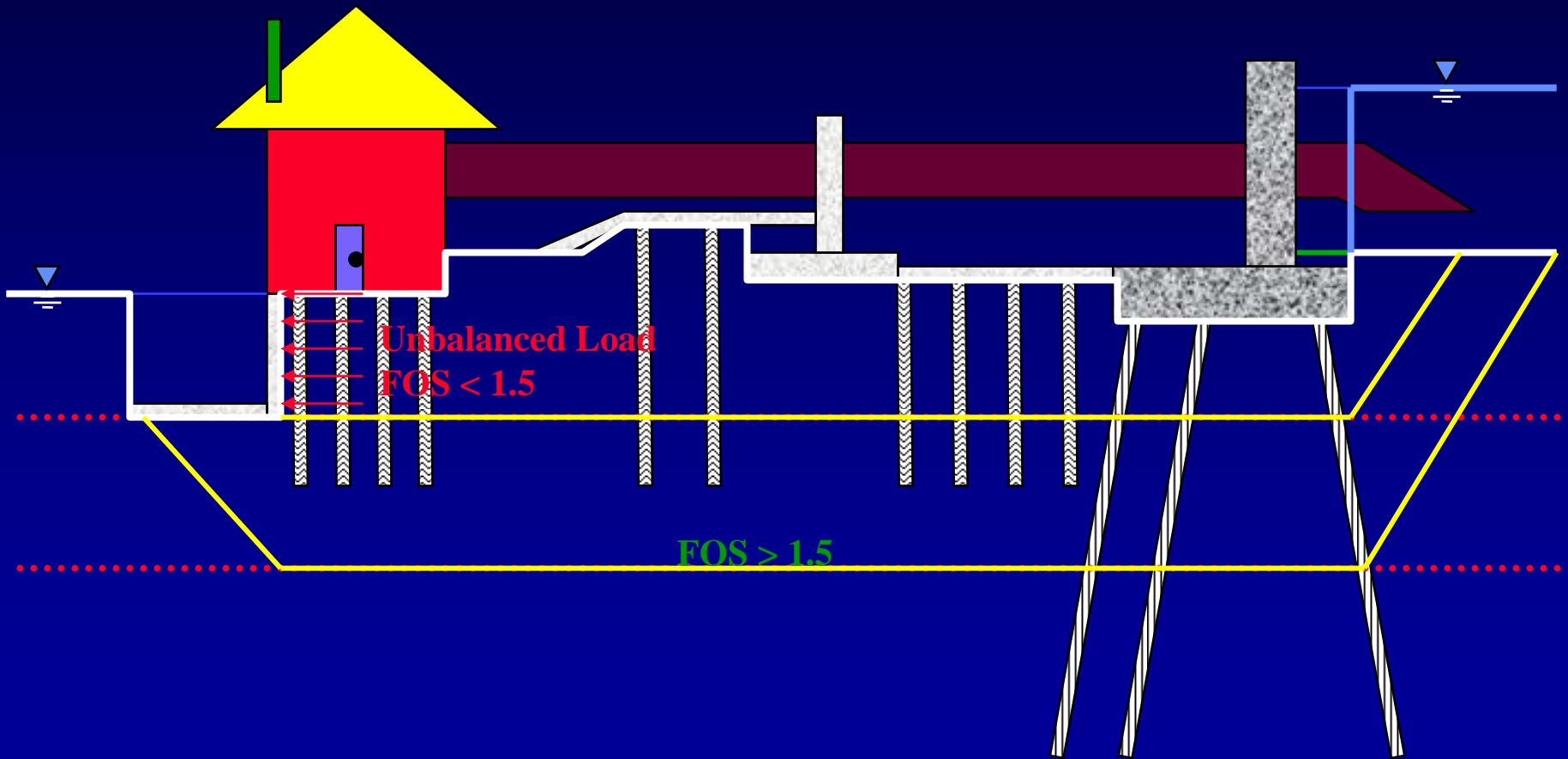
# Long Structures





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# Adjacent Structures





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# ***Results of Ongoing Sensitivity Analysis***

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# On-going Sensitivity Analysis

- Develop a systematic approach for selecting trial surfaces and managing search routines for UT4 and Slope W
- For 5 T-wall examples we compared MOP vs Spencers for both UT4 and Slope W (FOS and Unbalanced Load)
- For 5 T-wall examples we compared MOP vs Spencers using both UT4 and Slope W.
- We utilized the results from the new T-wall procedure to compare pile loads, pile stress and pile cap deflection for
  - **Steel H-piles**
  - **Concrete piles**
  - **Combination of steel and concrete piles**



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# On-going Sensitivity Analysis

- We compared the effects of different pile spacing reduction factors.
  - **EM – 1110-2-2906**
  - **G-pile default values**

Analyzed the foundations with only the unbalanced load applied along the length of the pile.

- Analyzed the foundations with both the unbalanced load applied along the length of the pile and the super-structure loading.
- Plugged in the appropriate loads from G-pile into the stability analysis to determine the FOS for both cases listed above.



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# Preliminary Findings/Results

- Variation in Pile Types
  - **Steel vs. Concrete**
  - **Mixed Foundations**
- Pile Spacing Reduction
  - **Lateral Deflections**
  - **Maximum Moments**
- Group Input Simplification
  - **Strata Unit Weights**
  - **Strata Shear Strengths**
  - **Soil Stiffness**



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