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ABSTRACT

Box culverts are the highest in numbers from the list of structures in highway construction because of their advantages such as low ground bearing capacity requirement, low maintenance requirement and easy construction compared to bridge structures.

Box culverts in Sri Lanka are not standardized. People are still keep designing box culverts consuming lots of engineers valuable time, which can be used productively for the development process of the country. This research investigates typical box culverts that are used in Sri Lanka and then develops standard charts for various size box culverts with different overburden.

This study is carried out using numerical methods for different box culvert opening sizes with 1.5 x 1.5 m, 2.0 x 2.0 m and 3.0 x 3.0 m

This dissertation presents analysis and design results of box culverts of varying numerical models of size 1.5x1.5m , 2.0x2.0m and 3.0x3.0m internal size with slab/wall thickness from 200mm to 400mm with 50mm gap as appropriate, for overburden of 0.5m, 1.0m, 2.0m, 4.0m, 6.0m, 8.0m and 10.0m

Total number of structures analyzed was 120

Final results are presented in both tabulated and graphical format

Observation shows that internal forces in the element of box culvert is less sensitive to bearing capacity of ground for thicker bases but sensitive for thin bases.

Every box culvert of given size and over burden has its own optimum thickness.

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LIST OF SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS

ESE	Extension of Southern Expressway
OCH	Outer Circular Highway
CEP	Central Expressway
OAPI	Open Application Programming Interface
CSi	Computers and Structures.Inc.
Ka	Coefficient of Active earth pressure
Kp	Coefficient of Passive earth pressure
Ko	Coefficient of at rest earth pressure
ϕ	Friction angle of soil
D	Depth from ground to point under consideration
β	Super imposed dead load factor
Ks	Subgrade reaction
SF	Factor of safety
B.C	Allowable bearing capacity
Kt	Traction factor
F	Traction force
H'	Height of soil cover
W	Internal width of culvert
H	Internal height of culvert
t	Wall/Base/Top slab thickness

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L_L	Overall length of structure perpendicular to wall
L	Length of culvert
M	Bending moment
M_{200}	Bending moment at 200kN/m ² bearing capacity

1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background

Highway construction has become a major part of the current development of booming Sri Lanka.

There are few proposed expressways to various parts of Sri Lanka, two of them (Extension of Southern Expressway and Phase III of Outer Circular Road) are already started the construction, in addition to that Central Expressway and Ruwanpura Expressway is in the Design Stage.

Box structures play a major role in any road including expressways as an example the proposed cost for construction of all box structures in Central Expressway section III is Rs.2 Billion (total project cost for that is Rs.150 Billion).

Because of constant geometry (internal width and height) and similar conditions (fill height). box structures can be standardized easily, but in all projects in Sri Lanka still keep designing box culvert, which is costly to the country because it consumes considerable amount of engineering time for designing and also since there are no guideline to select initial thickness based on economy of box culvert different engineers end up in different ultimate design in terms of element thickness and amount of reinforcement, as an example for 3x3 box structure with 2m fill height different design engineers select different element thicknesses and end up in different designs. Therefore it is good to have a standardized box structure for each size and each fill height after a proper study.

Following traditional tedious design procedures to develop standardize chart for box structures is not practicable due to the high amount of time consumption. Therefore, it is necessary to automate analysis and design procedure

There are many different ways to automate the analysis of structures. In this project Computers and Structures Inc. (CSI) Open Application Programming Interface (OAPI) is used, which is a powerful tool that allows users to automate many of the processes required to build, analyze and design models and to obtain customized analysis and

design results. It also allows users to link SAP2000 with third-party software, providing a path for two-way exchange of model information with other programs (see Appendix A).

1.2 Aim and Objectives

- To study the sensitivity of internal forces in elements of reinforced box culvert for the specified bearing capacity used for the analysis
- To develop standard charts based on member thicknesses, reinforcements for different sizes and fill heights to find reinforcement requirement for selected thickness
- To identify the optimum thickness in terms of box size and fill height

1.3 Scope and Limitation of Study

Single cell reinforcement (RF) box structures are only considered for this study. Internal width to internal height ratio is limited to one.

1.4 Thesis Outline

This thesis begins with the importance of box structure and the current practice for the design, its disadvantages and requirement for the standardization. In the literature review, existing guideline and literature for load evaluation modelling, analysing and designing are explored. Furthermore in the methodology chapter from the geometry to analysis and design procedure are discussed.

All the Bending Moment and Shear Force results obtained in the analysis and amount of reinforcement required obtained in the design are presented under results and discussion chapter.

2 LITERATURE REVIEW

There are various guidelines, standards available for reinforced concrete box culvert designs in order to determine the parameters, analysis and design considerations.

These consist of practical guidelines and mathematical models, difficulties facing while following available standard and gaps in existing sources

2.1 Guideline for Selecting Analysing Parameters

2.1.1 Horizontal earth pressure coefficient

The earth exert pressure on the side wall of box culvert from a range minimum as active and maximum as passive, or in between called pressure at rest but it depends on the relative movement. Figure 1 shows how to differentiate the active, passive and at rest conditions and, below equations give values for active (K_a), passive (K_p) and at rest (K_o) lateral earth pressure coefficient (Bowels, 1997)

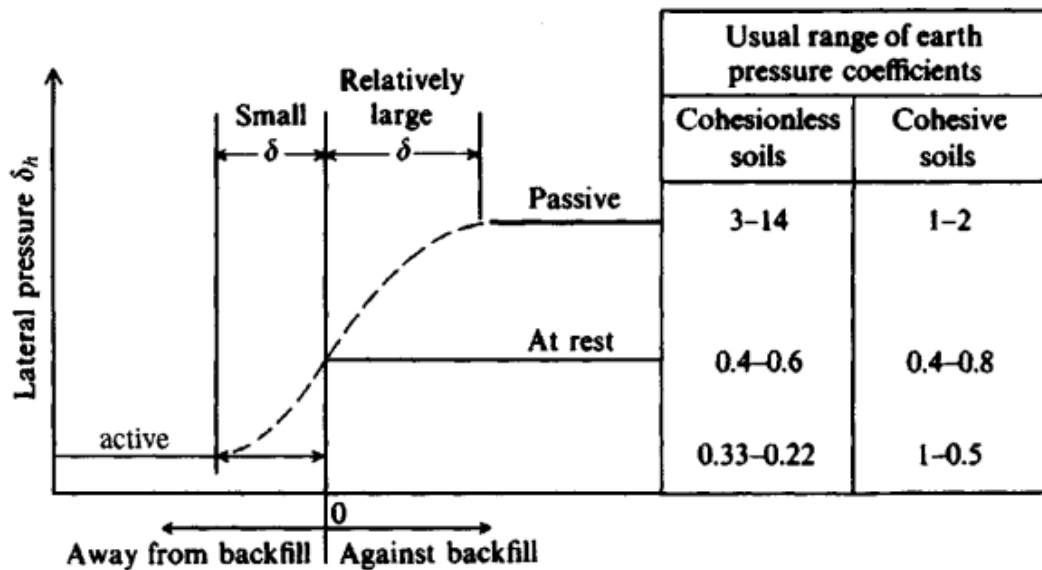


Figure 1: Illustration of active and passive pressure (Bowels, 1997)

$$K_a = (1 - \sin \phi) / (1 + \sin \phi) \quad \text{Equation 2-1}$$

$$K_p = (1 + \sin \phi) / (1 - \sin \phi) \quad \text{Equation 2-2}$$

$$k_o = (1 - \sin \phi) \quad \text{Equation 2-3}$$

In the case of box, since it is confined with earth from both sides state of earth shall be at rest and co-efficient more than the active pressure is normally adapted in the design. Studies done by Pavan & Tande, (2015) have found that even though coefficient of earth pressure increases the combined effect with all other load combinations remain constant except for slight increases in the moments. Figure 2 shows some of the bending moment results obtained by their study.

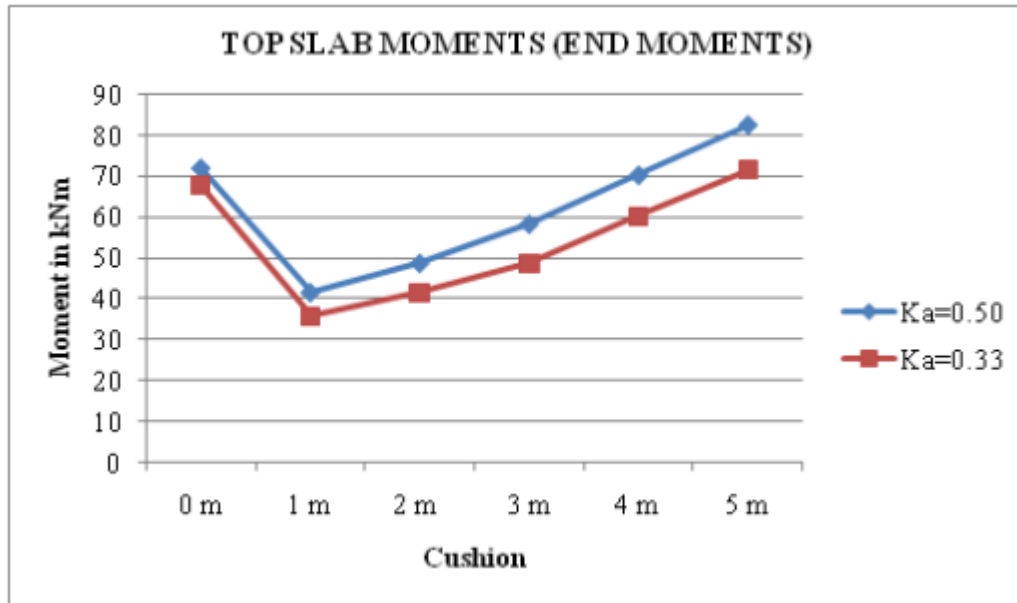


Figure 2: Variation of bending moment with cushion for top slab (Pavan & Tande, 2015)

The most popular document for the design of box culvert BD31/01 (2001) used by Sri Lankan designers, says the nominal pressure applied to the side walls of the structure at a depth D below ground level

For combination 1 loads

A maximum earth pressure equal to $K_o \gamma D$ applied simultaneously on either side walls or a minimum earth pressure equal to $0.2 \gamma D$ applied simultaneously on both side walls

For combination 4 loads

A "disturbing" earth pressure equal to $K_a \gamma D$ acting in the same direction as horizontal live load and a "restoring earth pressure equal to $0.6 \gamma D$ acting in the opposite direction to the horizontal live load.

Also if the backfill properties are not known the above document recommends to use following nominal default values

$$K_{min} = 0.2$$

$$K_a = 0.33$$

$$K_o = 0.6$$

$$K_p = 3.0$$

2.1.2 Super impose dead load

Nominal super impose dead load consists of the weight of soil cover and the road construction material above the structure. It shall be applied to the roof of the structure as a uniformly distributed load (BD31/01, 2001)

According to Lawson et al (2010) box culvert installed on existing soil fill and then covered by backfill as shown in Figure 3 are referred as embankment culvert. In such culverts even well compacted surrounding soil mass is less stiff than the combined culvert and soil column. Therefore, the back fill material around the culvert has tendency to settle more than the soil directly above the culvert.

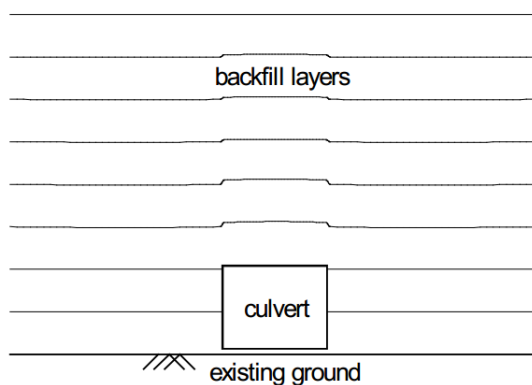


Figure 3: Embankment culvert (Lawson et al, 2010)

Figure 4 illustrates the trench installation. Trench installation culvert is mostly adopted in actual construction in the field. Here the backfill soil is less stiff than the surrounding in-situ soil and undergoes more settlement relative to the in-situ soil

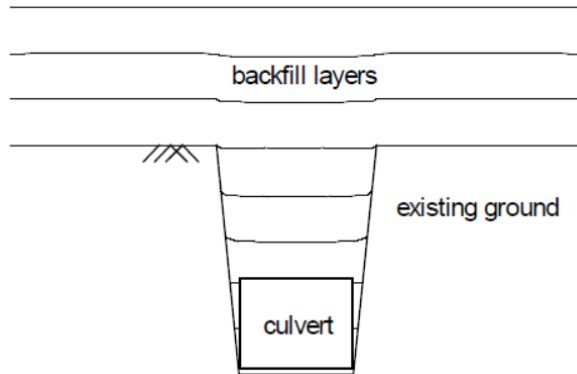


Figure 4: Trench culvert (Lawson et al, 2010)

In embankment installation culvert soil arching creates a negative arching effect as discussed above as surrounding soil settle more than the soil above the culvert, shear plane develop along the interface these shear forces transfer some of neighboring soil weight into the culvert, The net result is that the structure is required to carry the weight of the soil column as well as some surrounding soil weight. Figure 5 shows this effect

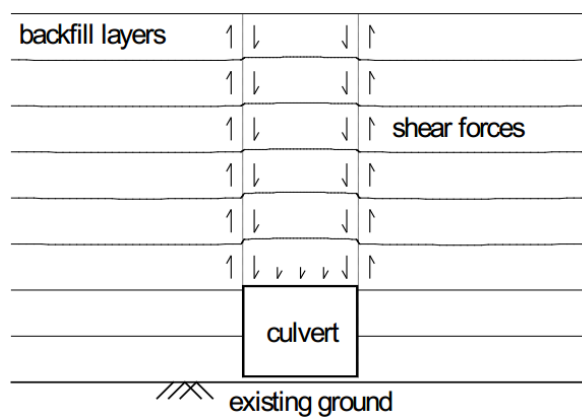


Figure 5: Negative soil arching (Lawson et al, 2010)

Trench culvert positive arching occur where the culvert and soil column are less stiff and experience greater settlement than the surrounding soil. Therefore shear stress and

load change opposite direction the resulting load reduction can be half the weight of the soil column. Figure 6 shows this effect.

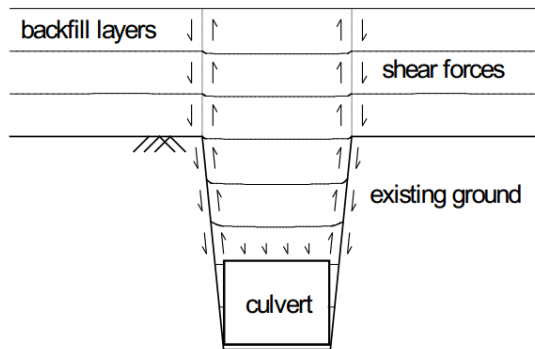


Figure 6: Positive soil arching (Lawson et al, 2010)

As stated in BD31/01 (2001) for box culvert the possible effect on positive arching reducing load can be ignored and negative arching of the fill above the roof, increased loading will be taken as maximum super impose dead (SID) load as " $\beta Y H$ " and minimum SID load as " $Y H$ " and β factor can be taken from Figure 7.

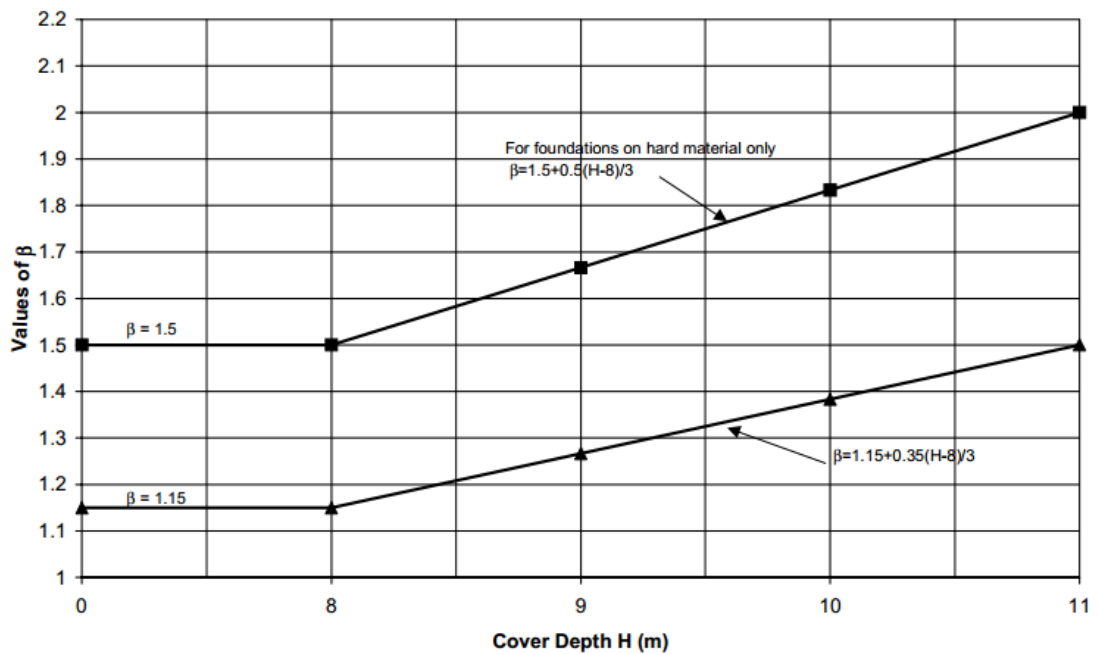


Figure 7: Factor for negative arching effect (BD31/01, 2001)

2.1.3 Soil sub grade reaction

According to Bowels (1997), the module of subgrade reaction is a conceptual relationship between soil pressure and deflection that is widely used in the structural analysis of foundation members. It is shown in Figure 8

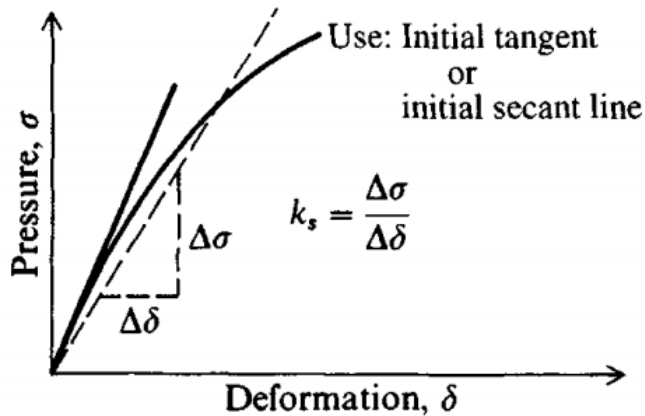


Figure 8: Modulus of subgrade reaction (Bowels, 1997)

There are many relationships presented in Bowels (1997). From that the most applicable relationship is the relationship between bearing capacity and subgrade reaction and it is presented below

$$k_s = 40 (SF) (B.C) \quad \text{Equation 2-4}$$

Here,

k_s = Subgrade reaction

SF = Factor of safety used for calculating bearing capacity

B.C = Allowable bearing capacity

There are no clear guidance for the values to be used for allowable bearing capacity for a box culvert, therefore it can be identified as a research gap

2.1.4 Vertical live load

According to BD31/01 (2001) for a box culvert depth of soil cover H is 0.6m or less HA load should be applied if the soil cover is exceeding, HA load should be replaced with 30 units of HB

For any structure HB load should apply

In Sri Lanka number of HB units considered is 30 (75kN per wheel) (RDA Bridge design manuel, 1997)

2.1.4.1 HA load

According to BS5400:Part2(2006) HA udl should be taken from Figure 9 and HA kel 120 kN/lane

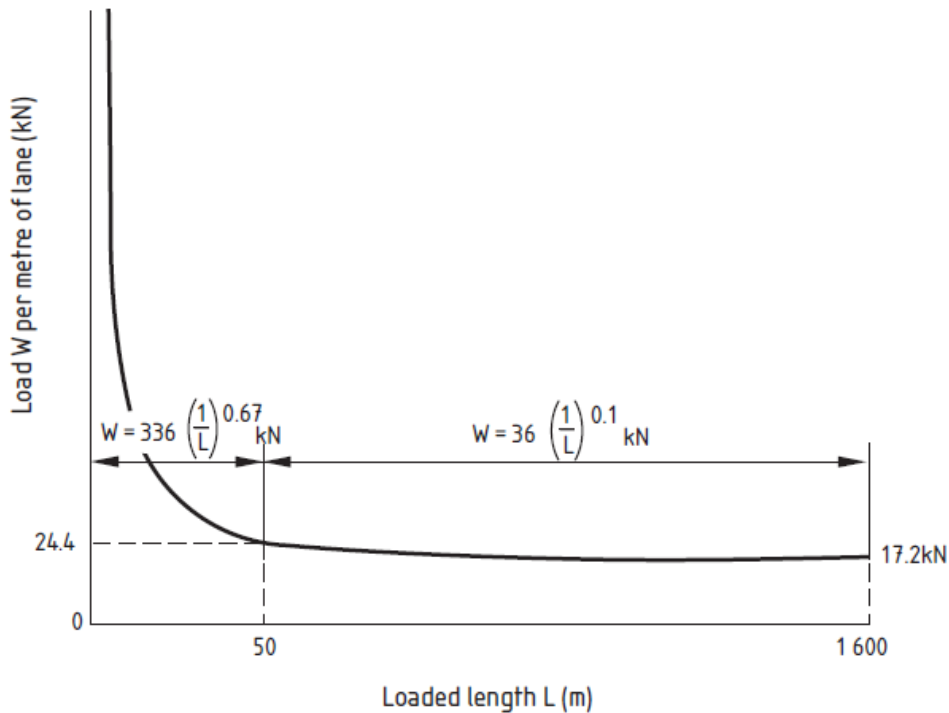


Figure 9: Loading curve HA udl (BS5400:Part2, 2006)

2.1.4.2 HB load

Wheel arrangement of HB Vehicle should be taken from Figure 10 and dispersion of wheel load through the fill at a slope of 2 vertically to 1 horizontally

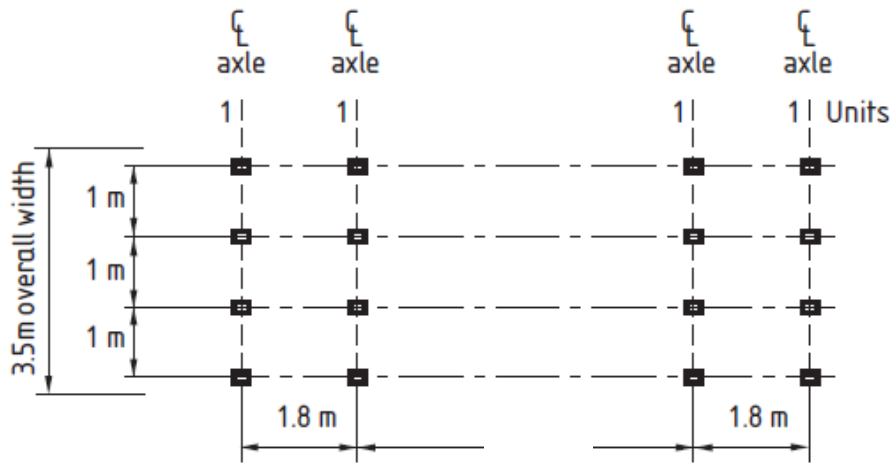


Figure 10: HB vehicle wheel arrangement (BS5400:Part2, 2006)

2.1.5 Traction load

According to BD31/01(2001) for a box culvert depth of soil cover H is 0.6m or less HA traction should apply if the soil cover exceeding, HA traction should be replaced with 30 units of HB traction, For any structure HB traction should apply

All traction forces shall be multiplied by “Kt” before they applied

$$K_t = (L_L - H') / (L_L - 0.6) \quad \text{Equation 2-5}$$

but $1 \geq K_t \geq 0$

2.1.5.1 HA Traction (BS5400:Part2, 2006)

$$F = 250 + 8 \text{ Loaded length} \quad \text{Equation 2-6}$$

Applied to one notional lane only

2.1.5.2 HB Traction

$$F = 25\% \text{ of Total HB Load} \quad \text{Equation 2-7}$$

$$= 0.25 \times 1200 = 300 \text{ kN}$$

Applied to two axel

2.1.6 Surcharge load

According to BD31/01(2001)

HA Surcharge = 10 kN/m²

HB Surcharge = 12 kN/m²

2.2 Guidelines for selecting design parameters and design equations

For the structural design of box culvert, the common method is philosophy of limit state design.

As described in (Clark, 1983) philosophy of limit state design is which target to ensure that the structure been designed will not become unfit for the use for which it is required during its design life.

Design for bending and shear is done for ultimate limit (ULS) state and check for crack width is done for serviceability limit (SLS) state (BS5400:Part4, 1990)

2.2.1 Design for bending

It is required to provide sufficient amount of reinforcement to avoid rupture of structure to calculate the amount of bending reinforcement following assumptions are made (Clark, 1983)

- Plane section remain plane
- Design stress strain curve for reinforcement and concrete are as shown in Figure 11 and Figure 12 respectively
- If a beam is singly reinforced the neutral axis depth is limited to half of effective depth to avoid over reinforced failure involving crushing of concrete
- Tensile strength of concrete is ignored
- Small axial thrust of up to $0.1 F_{cu} A_c$ are ignored, because they increase the calculated moment of resistance

As a result of stress strain curve shown in Figure 12 concrete compressive stress block is parabolic-rectangular, but code (BS5400:Part4, 1990) permit the simple stress block

with a constant stress of $0.4 F_{cu}$ for simplicity it end up in same steel area as parabolic-rectangular curve (Clark, 1983)

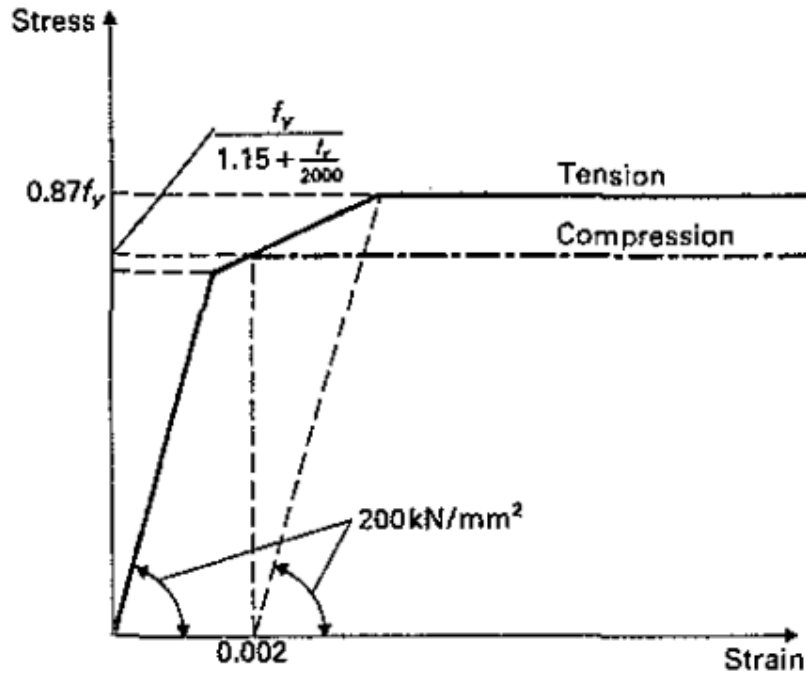


Figure 11: Stress strain curve for reinforcement (Clark, 1983)

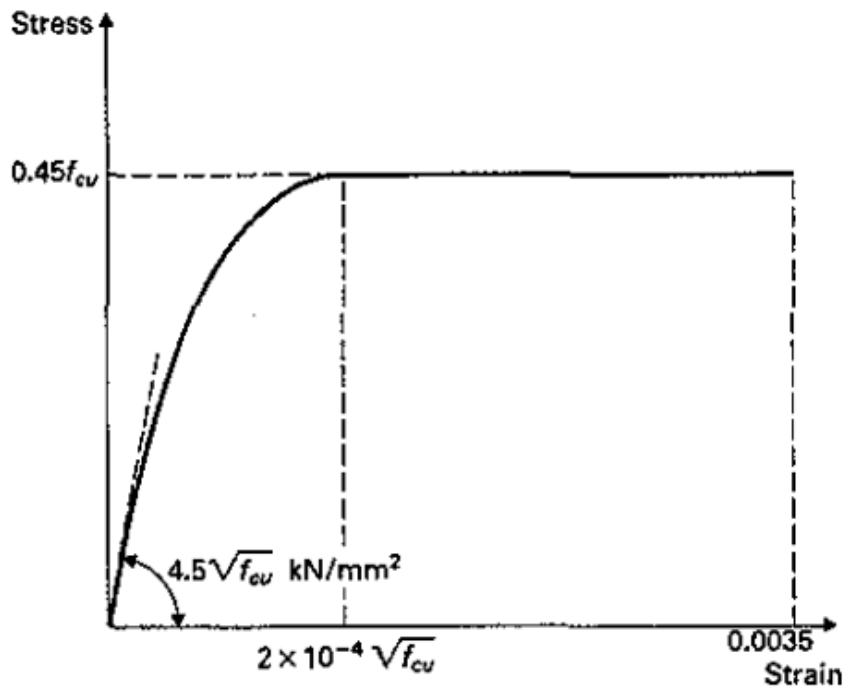


Figure 12: Stress strain curve for concrete (Clark, 1983)

Following design equations are given in the code (BS5400:Part4, 1990) for design of bending of singly reinforced sections as

$$M_u = (0.87f_y)A_s z \quad \text{Equation 2-8}$$

$$M_u = 0.15 f_{cu} b d^2 \quad \text{Equation 2-9}$$

And lever arm z can be written as below (Clark, 1983)

$$z = 0.5d [1 + \sqrt{1 - 5M_u/f_{cu} b d^2}] \quad \text{Equation 2-10}$$

2.2.2 Design for shear

Shear stress (v) of slab should be less than $\xi_s v_c$ for a solid slab (BS5400:Part4, 1990)

$$v = V/bd \quad \text{Equation 2-11}$$

$$v_c = \frac{0.27}{\gamma_m} \left[\frac{100 A_s}{b_w d} \right]^{1/3} f_{cu}^{1/3} \quad \text{Equation 2-12}$$

$$\xi_s = (500/d)^{0.25} \geq 0.7 \quad \text{Equation 2-13}$$

Critical location for shear is effective depth “d” from the inside edge of the fillets and if there are no fillet it should be “d” distance from internal corner (BD31/01, 2001)

2.2.3 Design for crack width

Crack width should be calculated for serviceability limit state (SLS) from below equation (BS5400:Part4, 1990)

$$crackwidth = \frac{3 a_{cr} \epsilon_m}{1+2(a_{cr}-c_{nom})/(h-d_c)} \quad \text{Equation 2-14}$$

Calculated crack width at any point should be less than the value given in Table 1

Table 1: Design crack width (BS5400:Part4, 1990)

Environment	Examples	Design crack width mm
<p><i>Extreme</i> Concrete surfaces exposed to: abrasive action by sea water or water with a pH ≤ 4.5</p>	<p>Marine structures Parts of structure in contact with moorland water</p>	0.10
<p><i>Very severe</i> Concrete surfaces directly affected by: de-icing salts or sea water spray</p>	<p>Walls and structure supports adjacent to the carriageway Parapet edge beams Concrete adjacent to the sea</p>	0.15
<p><i>Severe</i> Concrete surfaces exposed to: driving rain or alternate wetting and drying</p>	<p>Wall and structure supports remote from the carriageway Bridge deck soffits Buried parts of structures</p>	0.25
<p><i>Moderate</i> Concrete surfaces above ground level <i>and</i> fully sheltered against all of the following: rain, de-icing salts, sea water spray Concrete surfaces permanently saturated by water with a pH > 4.5</p>	<p>Surface protected by bridge deck water-proofing or by permanent formwork Interior surface of pedestrian subways, voided superstructures or cellular abutments Concrete permanently under water</p>	0.25

2.2.4 Design for thermal and shrinkage

According to (BS5400:Part4, 1990) to prevent cracking due to shrinkage and thermal crack reinforcement should be provided in the direction of restrains, the area of reinforcement A_s should be

$$A_s > k_r(A_c - 0.5 A_{cor}) \quad \text{Equation 2-15}$$

k_r = 0.005 for grade 460 reinforcement

k_r = 0.006 for grade 250 reinforcement

A_c = Area of gross concrete section

A_{cor} = Area of the core of the concrete section A_c (portion of the section 250mm away from all concrete surfaces)

According to (BD28/87, 1987) amount of reinforcement (A_s) to prevent cracking due to shrinkage and thermal is given by maximum of following equations

$$A_s = \left[\frac{f_{ct}}{f_y} \right] A_c \quad \text{Equation 2-16}$$

$$A_s = \left[\frac{f_{ct}}{f_b} \right] A_c \frac{\phi}{2w} [R(\epsilon_{sh} - \epsilon_{th}) - 0.5 \epsilon_{ult}] \quad \text{Equation 2-17}$$

A_c = area of concrete which lies within 250mm of the surface

f_y = characteristic tensile strength of reinforcement.

f_{ct} = tensile strength of immature concrete which may be taken as $0.12 (f_{cu})^{0.7}$

f_{cu} = characteristic cube strength of concrete

f_b = average bond strength between the reinforcement and the immature concrete

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Φ = bar size (nominal diameter)

W = permissible crack width

ϵ_{th} = Thermal strain

$$= 0.8 \alpha (T1+T2)$$

T1 = Short-term fall in temperature from hydration peak to ambient conditions

T2 = Long-term fall in temperature from ambient to the seasonal minimum

α = Coefficient of thermal expansion of concrete

$$= 12 \times 10^{-6} \text{ per } ^\circ\text{C}$$

ϵ_{ult} = Ultimate tensile strain capacity of concrete which may be taken as 200 micro strain

ϵ_{sh} = Shrinkage strain

(For normal conditions $\epsilon_{sh} = 0.5 \epsilon_{ult}$)

R = Restraint factor Table 2

Table 2: Restraint factor (BD28/87, 1987)

Restraint Condition		Restraint Factor R
External:	Base cast onto blinding.	0.2
	Edge restraint in box type deck cast in stages	0.5
	Wall cast onto base.	0.6
	Edge element cast onto slab.	0.8
	Infill bays.	1.0
Internal:		0.5

According to studies done by Nanayakkara & Wannigama(2003) T1 for the conditions prevailing in Sri Lanka given in the Table 3 and T2 given in Table 4

Table 3:T1 Values for Sri Lanka

Wall thickness (mm)	T1 C°
250	33
300	35
400	38
500	40
600	42

Table 4: T2 Values for Sri Lanka

City	T2 C°
Anuradhapura	11
Badulla	12
Bandarawela	11
Batticaloa	8
Colombo	8
Galle	7
Hambanthota	8
Katugasthota	12
Kurunagala	11
Mahailuppallama	11
Nuwaraeliya	12
Puttalam	10
Vavuniya	12
Average	10

2.2.5 Minimum requirement

According to BS5400:Part4(1990) Minimum area of tension reinforcement in slabs is $0.15 \times \text{width} \times \text{effective depth}$ for grade 460 reinforcement

2.3 Summary

This chapter explained all the parameters required to analyze the box culvert such as soil subgrade reaction, lateral earth pressure coefficient, live loads, surcharge load, soil loads and also the design requirement to meet

Next chapter describes the methodology followed to fill the research gap identified in literature review

3 METHODOLOGY

3.1 Fixing geometry

3.1.1 Culvert cross section

For this study culvert cross section for a given opening of height H and given width W , same thickness for base slab, top slab and side walls as shown in Figure 13 has been used, in addition standard chamfer section used which is chamfer size similar to slab thickness

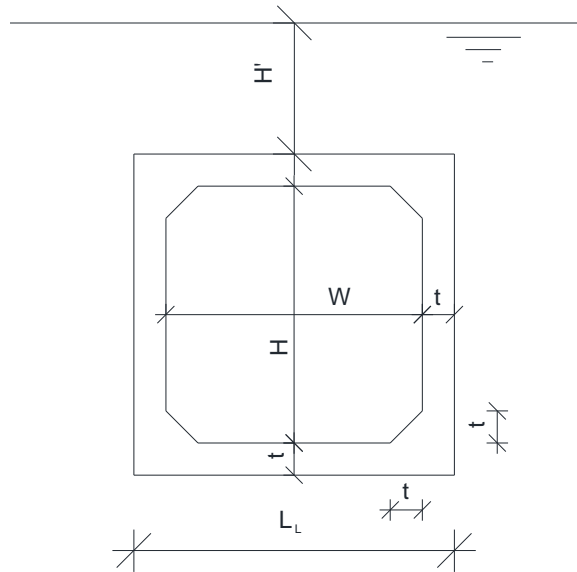


Figure 13: Culvert cross section

3.1.2 Length of culvert

The resultant internal forces depend on width of notional lane, applied traction force, the length of structure and position of traction force.

When the width of notional lane reduces the intensity of force increases and internal force increases.

When length of culvert reduce internal forces resulting from traction increase. For this analysis full length culvert to accommodate two notional lanes of 2.5m along the cross section are considered by avoiding joint in-between and length of culvert is L

This section can be used for any length (including expressway culvert) which carriage way length is greater than 5m

$L = 5 + 3H'$ **Equation 3-1**

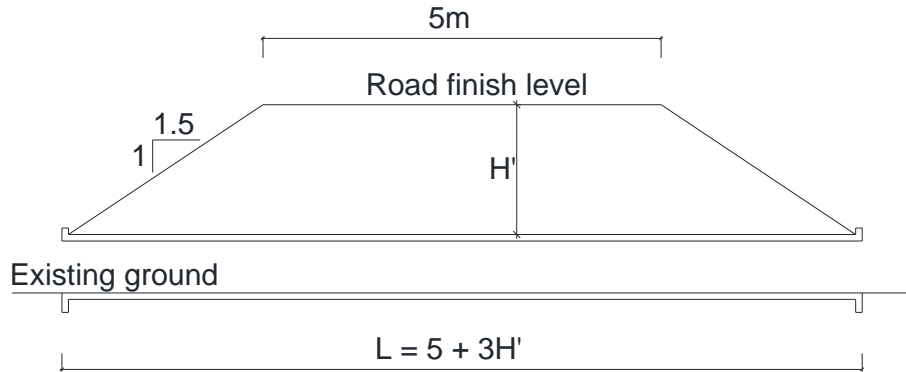


Figure 14: Culvert longitudinal section

3.2 Categorization of box culverts depending on geometry and sizes

Distribution of traction force along the culvert depends on geometry therefore it is necessary to do a “3D” analysis if culvert subjected to a traction force because the traction force apply to a one notional lane only according to BS5400:Part2(2006)

According to BD31/01(2001) the traction load will disappear beyond some fill height ($H' \geq L_L$) and problem become plain strain and can be used “2D” analysis

For other culverts it is necessary to do “3D” analysis

Therefore it is possible to identify two categories

1. Type 01-3D analysis required
2. Type 02 -2D analysis adequate

Table 5: Culvert types

		fill height(m)						
		0.5	1	2	4	6	8	10
box size	1.5 x 1.5	Type 01		Type 02				
	2 x 2	Type 01		Type 02				
	3 x 3	Type 01		Type 02				

3.3 Numerical model development

Numerical modelling process involve identification of input data ,selection of modelling type (2D or 3D) based on input data and output (BM and SF) from FE analysis. The process is described in flow chart as follows

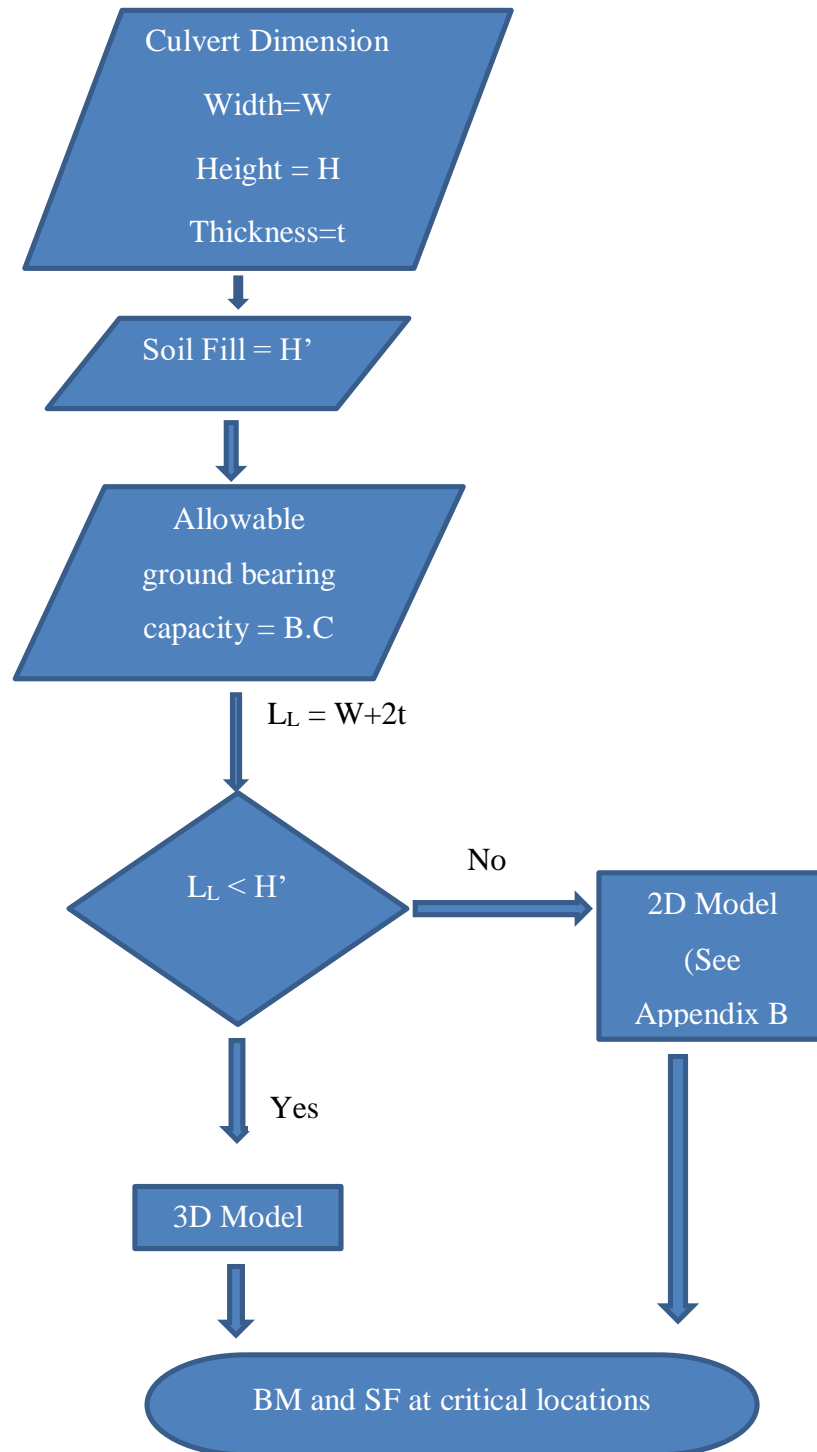


Figure 15: Numerical model flow chart

As explained in flow chart in figure 15, the basic inputs are culvert dimensions such as internal width, internal height and thickness. The fill height also a major input parameter. Subsequently the allowable ground bearing capacity also required to process the programme

The modelling technique (2D or 3D) is decided based on the overall culvert width (L_L) and the fill height (H')

- If $L_L < H'$, programme select the 2D modelling and analysis technique
- If $L_L > H'$, programme select the 3D modelling and analysis technique

In this programme 2D modelling analysis technique comprehensively describe with an example in Appendix B

3.4 Data collection

3.4.1 Study 1 (Effect of soil bearing capacity on structural design of box culvert)

By using the analytical model developed set of box culverts analysed for a constant height, width and fill height but varying bearing capacity and thickness to study the effect of bearing capacity and stiffness of slab on internal forces of the culvert

3.4.2 Study 2 (Optimizing the box culvert)

By using the analytical model developed set of culverts are analysed for a constant bearing capacity but varying height, width, and fill height and slab thickness.

Find internal forces at the critical locations for the optimization of the box culvert.

3.5 Design approach

3.5.1 Design for bending

It is possible to find reinforcement requirement for bending as described in 2.2.1. (See Appendix D1)

3.5.2 Design for shear

It is possible to find reinforcement requirement for shear as described in 2.2.2. (See Appendix D3)

3.5.3 Design for crack width

The amount of reinforcement required depends on the SLS bending moment, SLS Permanent bending moment, element thickness, cover, design crack width and spacing of reinforcement

For the purpose of this, it is assumed

Cover = 50 mm

Spacing = 150mm

Design crack width = 0.25mm (Severe exposure condition)

Crack width is calculated from 2.2.3. (See Appendix D5) for an assumed area of reinforcement and changed the amount of reinforcement until the design crack width is reached in trial and error basis

3.5.4 Design for thermal and shrinkage

The amount of reinforcement required is calculated as described in 2.2.4 . (See Appendix D4)

Restrained condition assumed as follows and restrained factor used for the calculation is given in Table 6

For

Bottom slab = base cast in to blinding,

Walls = wall cast on to base

Top slab = Deck cast in stages

Table 6: Restrained factors used for calculation

Element	Along the length of Box
Top Slab	0.5
Bottom slab	0.2
Wall	0.6

3.5.5 Minimum requirement

Minimum amount of reinforcement calculated according to 2.2.5(See Appendix D2)

4 RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

4.1 Effect of soil bearing capacity on structural design of box culvert

4.1.1 Input data for the numerical model

For this analysis following dimension considered

$$W = 3\text{m}$$

$$H = 3\text{m}$$

$$H' = 6\text{m}$$

$$t/W = 1/40, 1/20, 1/10, 1/5$$

$$\text{B.C} = 50, 100, 150, 200, 250, 300, 350, 400 \text{ kN/m}^2$$

4.1.2 Output from numerical model

Table 7 shows the span bending moment of the top slab for varying bearing capacity and also for varying thickness/span ratios

Table 8 shows the span bending moment of the bottom slab for varying bearing capacity and also for varying thickness/span ratios

Table 7: Top slab span bending moment (BM) (kNm/m)

Bearing capacity (kN/m ²)	Thickness			
	1/40	1/20	1/10	1/5
	75mm	150mm	300mm	600mm
50	124	133	147	182
100	120	132	146	182
150	118	131	146	182
200	117	130	146	182
250	116	129	145	182
300	115	128	145	182
350	115	127	145	182
400	114	127	145	181

Table 8: Bottom slab span bending moment (BM) (kNm/m)

Bearing capacity (kN/m ²)	Thickness			
	1/40	1/20	1/10	1/5
	75mm	150mm	300mm	600mm
50	79	130	158	212
100	53	121	156	212
150	37	112	154	211
200	27	105	152	211
250	23	98	151	210
300	20	92	149	210
350	17	87	147	210
400	15	82	146	209

4.1.3 Data interpretation

Sensitivity of the bending moment (BM) of the top slab and bottom slab can be interpreted from the plot of M/M_{200} against bearing capacity of ground for a given thickness to span ratio (t/W)

M = BM at given bearing capacity

M_{200} = BM at 200kN/m² bearing capacity

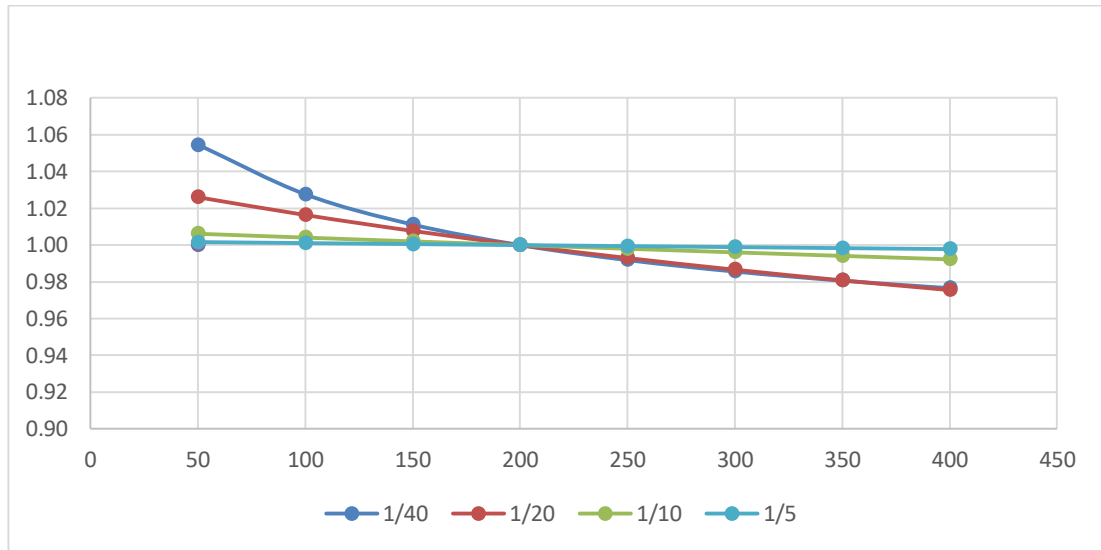


Figure 16: Variation of top slab span M/M_{200} with bearing capacity of ground

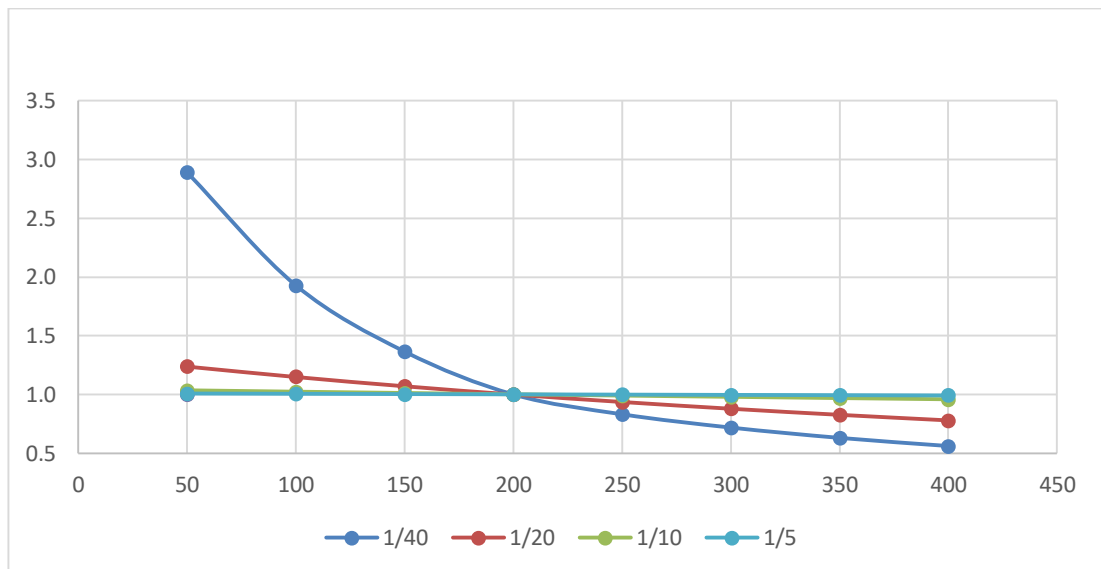


Figure 17: Variation of bottom slab span M/M_{200} with bearing capacity of ground

4.1.4 Discussion

- Top slab BM is less sensitive to bearing capacity of soil at low t/W ratios and not sensitive at high t/W ratios
- Bottom slab BM is highly sensitive to bearing capacity of soil at low t/W ratios and less sensitive at high t/W ratios
- Bottom slab BM increase when reducing ground bearing capacity for given t/W ratio
- Bottom slab BM increase when the thickness is increasing for a given bearing capacity
- Therefore it is conservative to assume less bearing capacity for the purpose of structural design
- Therefore in the next study bearing capacity is assumed as 100kN/m^2

4.2 Optimizing the box structure

According to LRFD (2013) critical locations for the design of box culvert shown in Figure 18 and Figure 19.

By analysing the box culvert, bending moment and shear forces results at critical locations is found

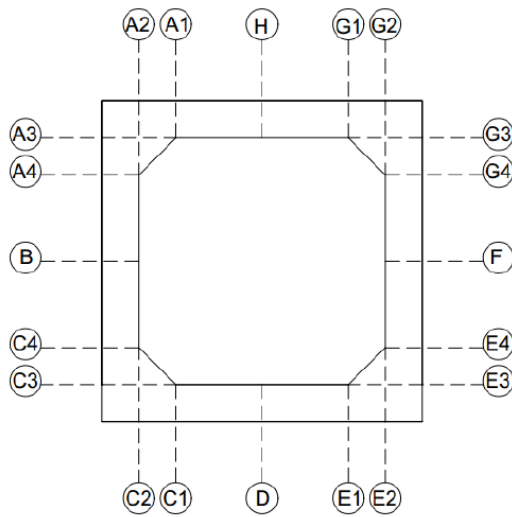


Figure 18: Critical locations for flexural design

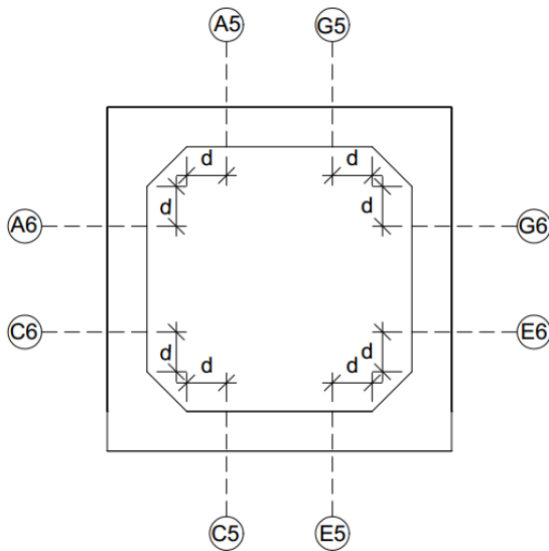


Figure 19: Critical location for shear design

4.2.1 Box culvert of 1.5 m x 1.5 m

4.2.1.1 Soil fill 0.5m

Input data for the numerical model

W =1.5 m H =1.5 m H' =0.5 m

B.C =100 kN/m²

t =200, 250, 300, 350, 400 mm

Output from numerical model

For analysis results refer Appendix C1

Data interpretation

Amount of reinforcement requirement for each location can be plotted against thickness of the section

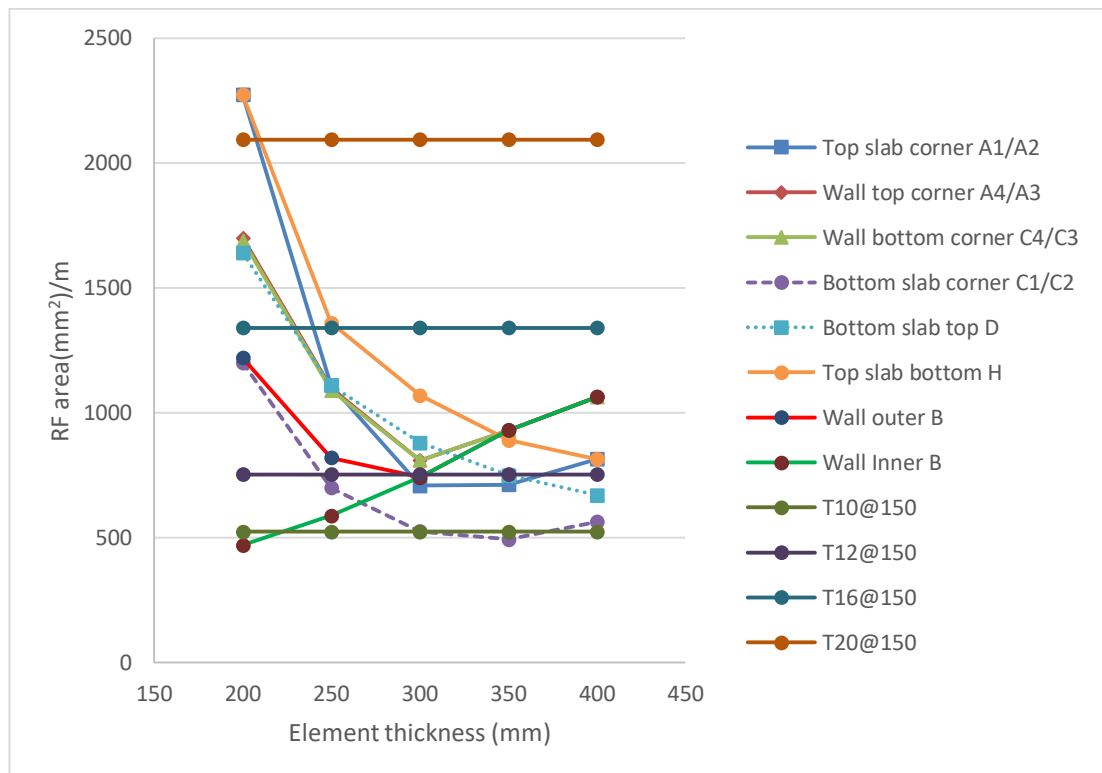


Figure 20: Box culvert 1.5x1.5 with 0.5m fill

4.2.1.2 Soil fill 1.0m

Input data for the numerical model

W =1.5 m H =1.5 m H' =1.0 m

B.C =100 kN/m²

t =150, 200, 250, 300, 350 mm

Output from numerical model

Refer Appendix C1

Data interpretation

Amount of reinforcement requirement for each location can be plotted against thickness of the section

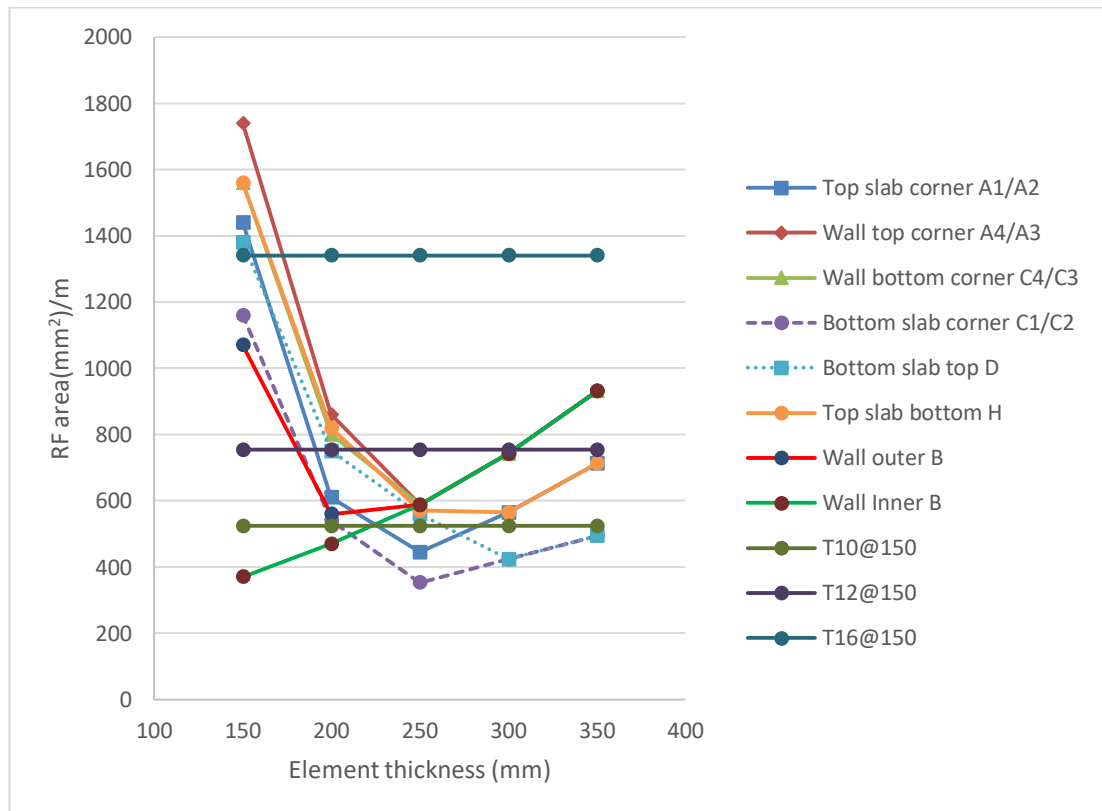


Figure 21: Box culvert 1.5mx1.5m with 1m fill

4.2.1.3 Soil fill 2.0m

Input data for the numerical model

W =1.5 m H =1.5 m H' =2.0 m

B.C =100 kN/m²

t =150, 200, 250, 300, 350 mm

Output from numerical model

Refer Appendix C1

Data interpretation

Amount of reinforcement requirement for each location can be plotted against thickness of the section

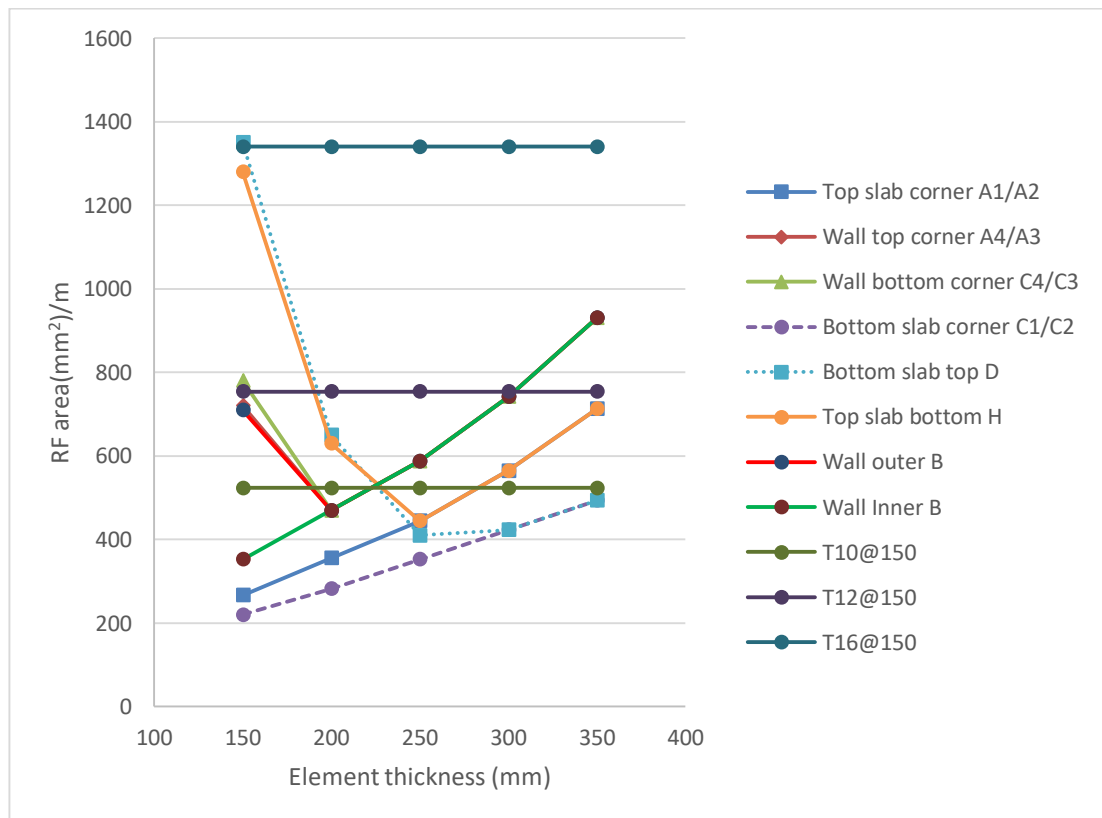


Figure 22: Box culvert 1.5mx1.5m with 2m fill

4.2.1.4 Soil fill 4.0m

Input data for the numerical model

W =1.5 m H =1.5 m H' =4.0 m

B.C =100 kN/m²

t =200, 250, 300, 350, 400 mm

Output from numerical model

Refer Appendix C1

Data interpretation

Amount of reinforcement requirement for each location can be plotted against thickness of the section

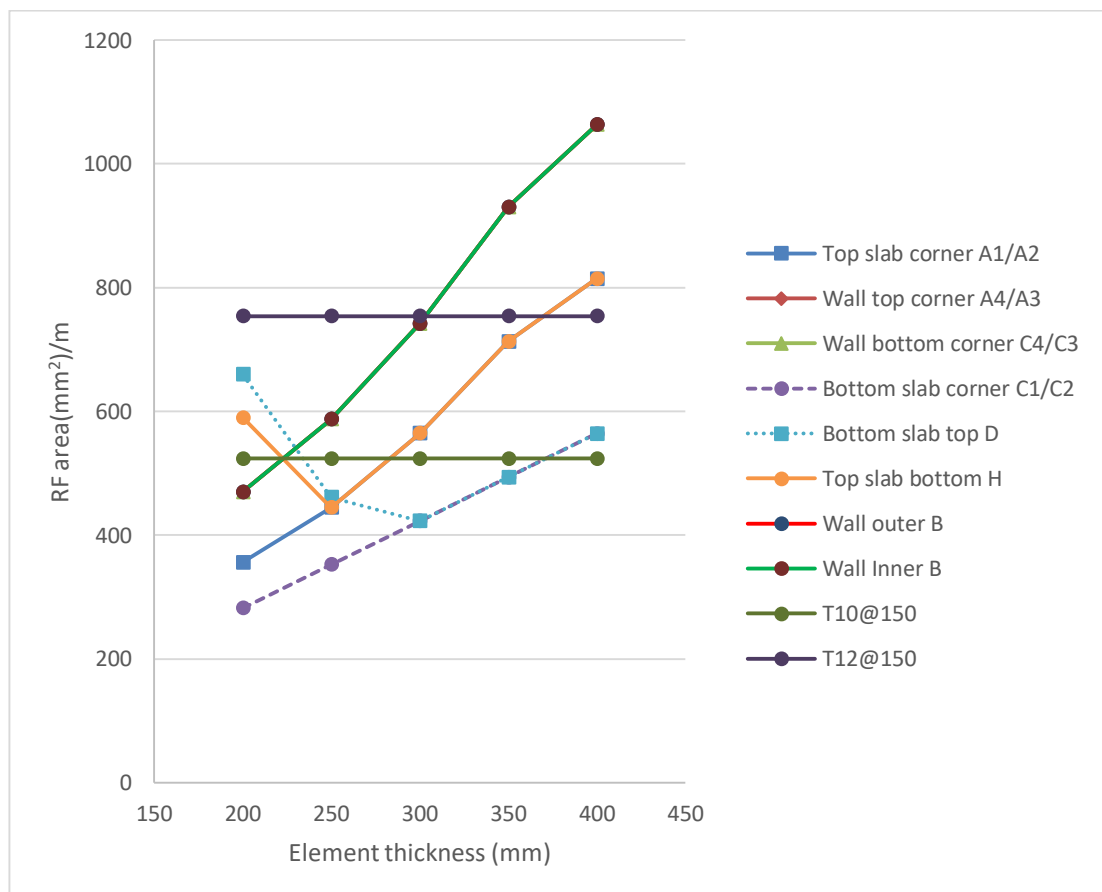


Figure 23: Box culvert 1.5mx1.5m with 4m fill

4.2.1.5 Soil fill 6.0m

Input data for the numerical model

W =1.5 m H =1.5 m H' =6.0 m

B.C =100 kN/m²

t =200, 250, 300, 350, 400 mm

Output from numerical model

Refer Appendix C1

Data interpretation

Amount of reinforcement requirement for each location can be plotted against thickness of the section

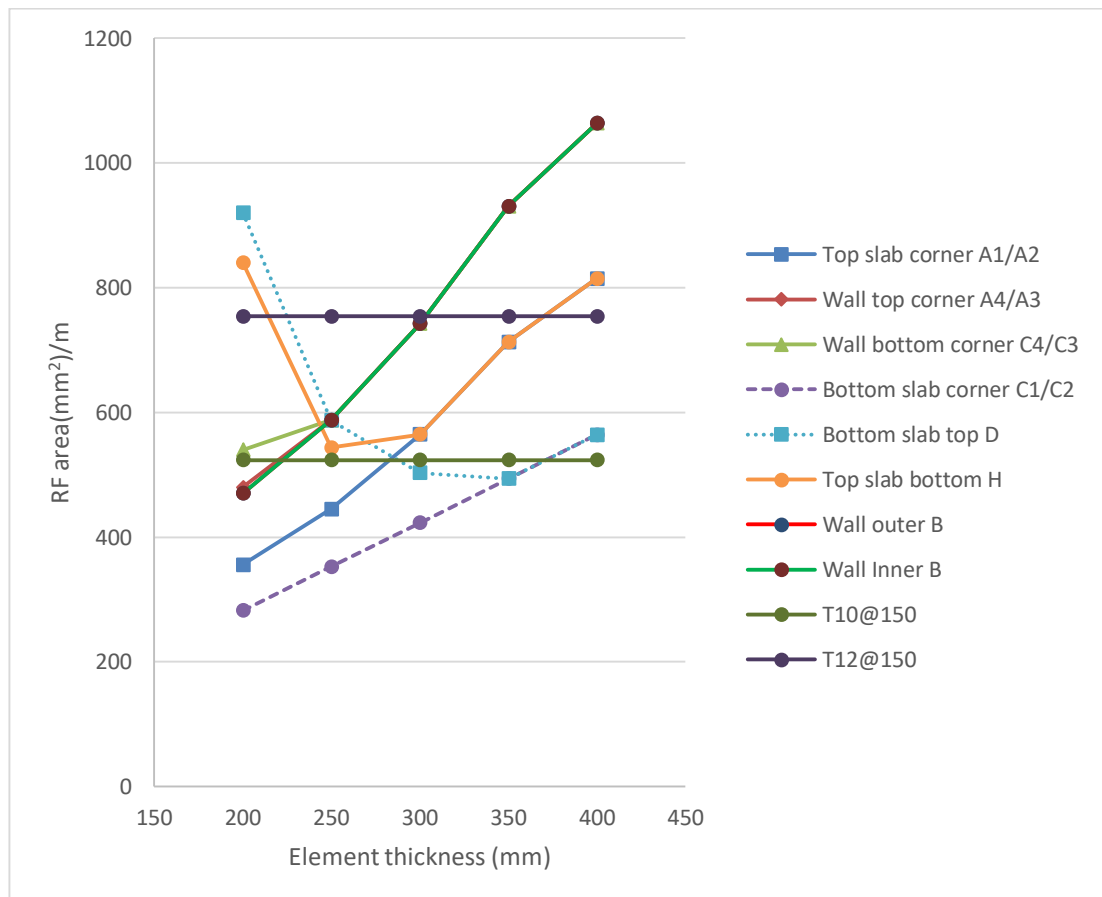


Figure 24: Box culvert 1.5mx1.5m with 6m fill

4.2.1.6 Soil fill 8.0m

Input data for the numerical model

W =1.5 m H =1.5 m H' =8.0 m

B.C =100 kN/m²

t =200, 250, 300, 350, 400 mm

Output from numerical model

Refer Appendix C1

Data interpretation

Amount of reinforcement requirement for each location can be plotted against thickness of the section

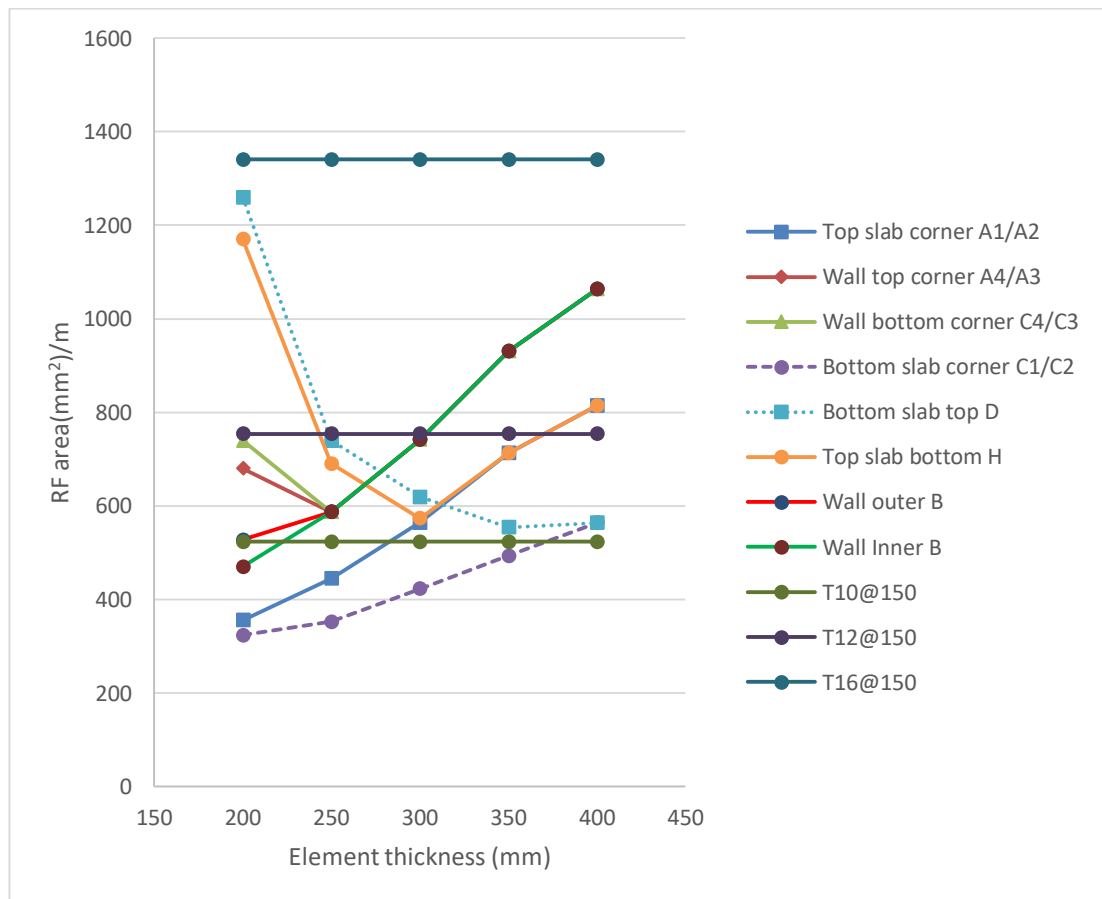


Figure 25: Box culvert 1.5mx1.5m with 8m fill

4.2.1.7 Soil fill 10.0m

Input data for the numerical model

W =1.5 m H =1.5 m H' =10.0 m

B.C =100 kN/m²

t =200, 250, 300, 350, 400 mm

Output from numerical model

Refer Appendix C1

Data interpretation

Amount of reinforcement requirement for each location can be plotted against thickness of the section

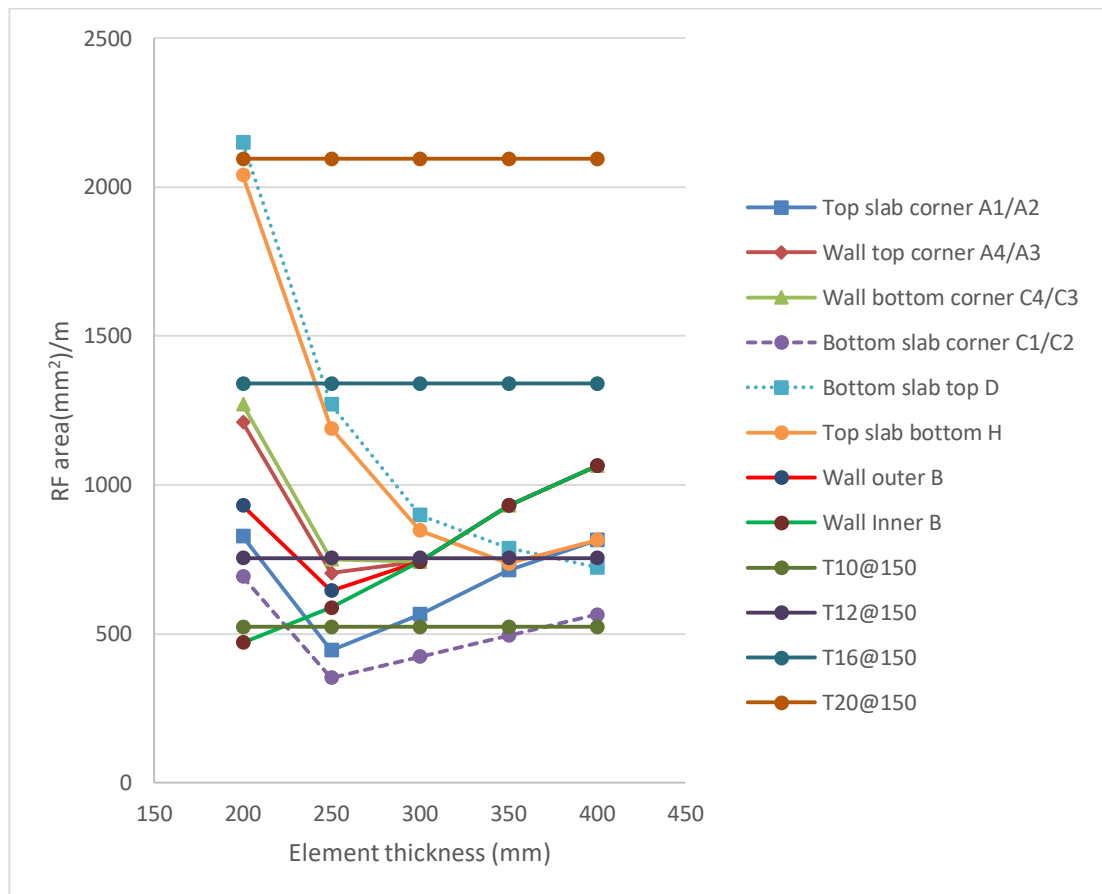


Figure 26: Box culvert 1.5mx1.5m with 10m fill

4.2.2 Box culvert of 2.0 m x 2.0 m

4.2.2.1 Soil fill 0.5m

Input data for the numerical model

W =2.0 m H =2.0 m H' =0.5 m

B.C =100 kN/m²

t =200, 250, 300, 350, 400 mm

Output from numerical model

Refer Appendix C2

Data interpretation

Amount of reinforcement requirement for each location can be plotted against thickness of the section

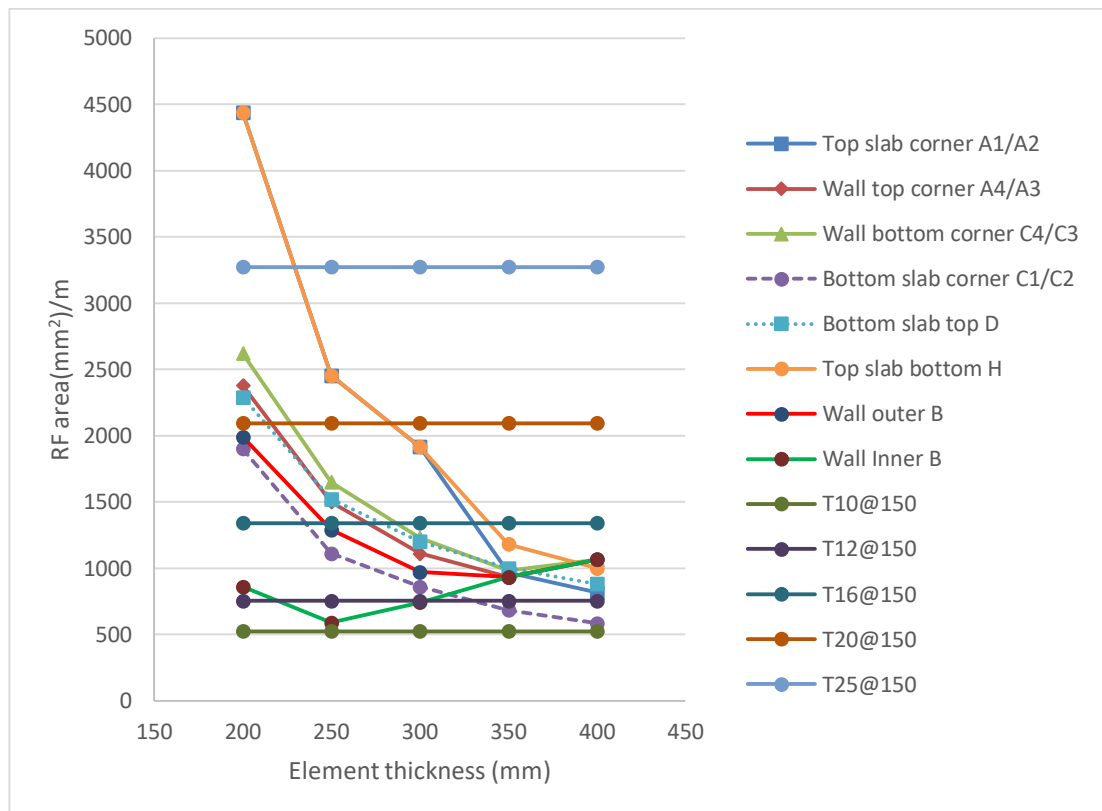


Figure 27: Box culvert 2.0mx2.0m with 0.5m fill

4.2.2.2 Soil fill 1.0m

Input data for the numerical model

W =2.0 m H =2.0 m H' =1.0 m

B.C =100 kN/m²

t =200, 250, 300, 350, 400 mm

Output from numerical model

Refer Appendix C2

Data interpretation

Amount of reinforcement requirement for each location can be plotted against thickness of the section

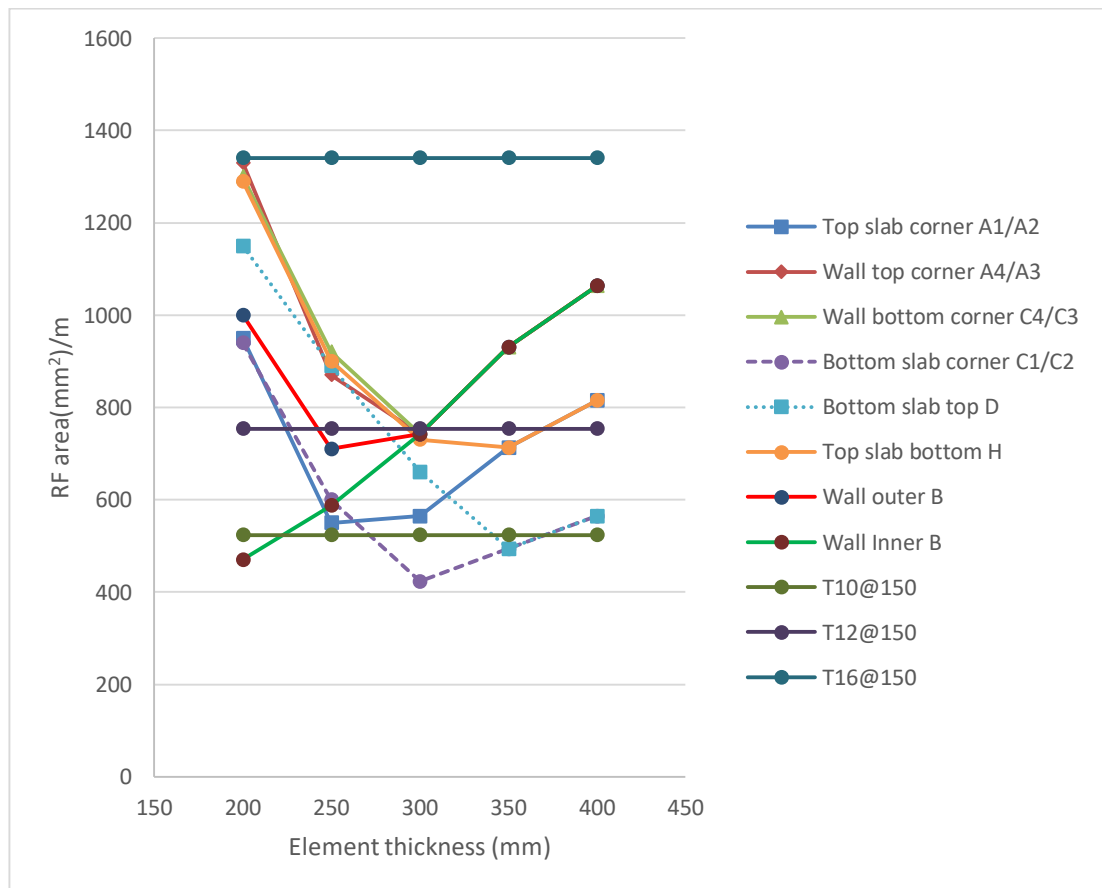


Figure 28: Box culvert 2.0mx2.0m with 1m fill

4.2.2.3 Soil fill 2.0m

Input data for the numerical model

W =2.0 m H =2.0 m H' =2.0 m

B.C =100 kN/m²

t =200, 250, 300, 350, 400 mm

Output from numerical model

Refer Appendix C2

Data interpretation

Amount of reinforcement requirement for each location can be plotted against thickness of the section

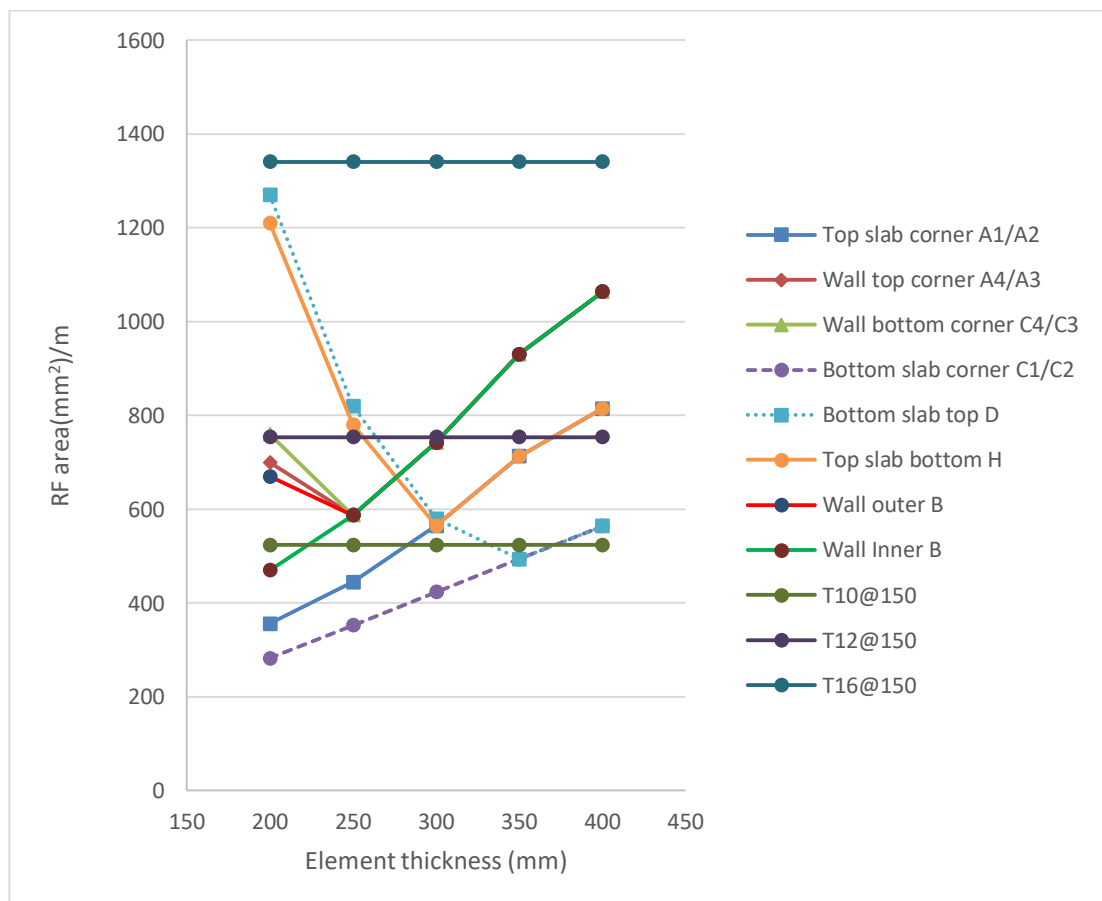


Figure 29: Box culvert 2.0mx2.0m with 2m fill

4.2.2.4 Soil fill 4.0m

Input data for the numerical model

W =2.0 m H =2.0 m H' =4.0 m

B.C =100 kN/m²

t =200, 250, 300, 350, 400 mm

Output from numerical model

Refer Appendix C2

Data interpretation

Amount of reinforcement requirement for each location can be plotted against thickness of the section

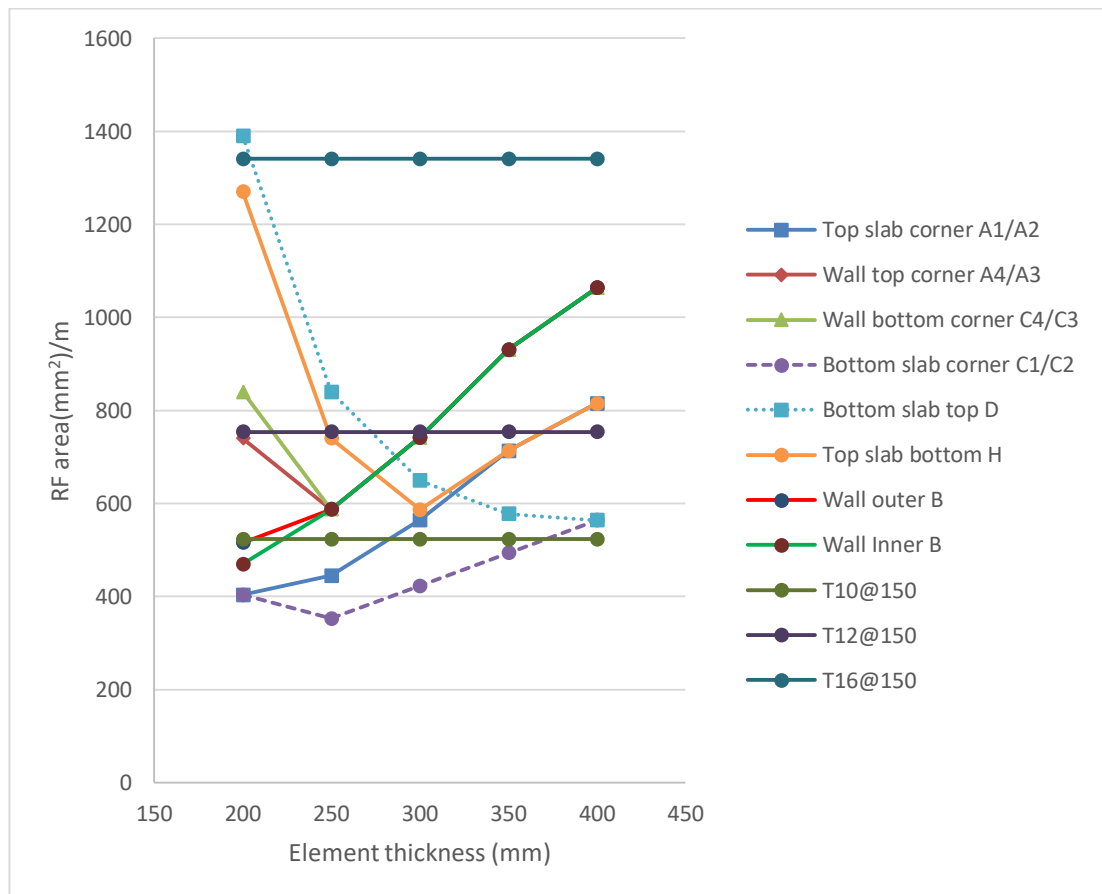


Figure 30: Box culvert 2.0mx2.0m with 4m fill

4.2.2.5 Soil fill 6.0m

Input data for the numerical model

W =2.0 m H =2.0 m H' =6.0 m

B.C =100 kN/m²

t =200, 250, 300, 350, 400 mm

Output from numerical model

Refer Appendix C2

Data interpretation

Amount of reinforcement requirement for each location can be plotted against thickness of the section

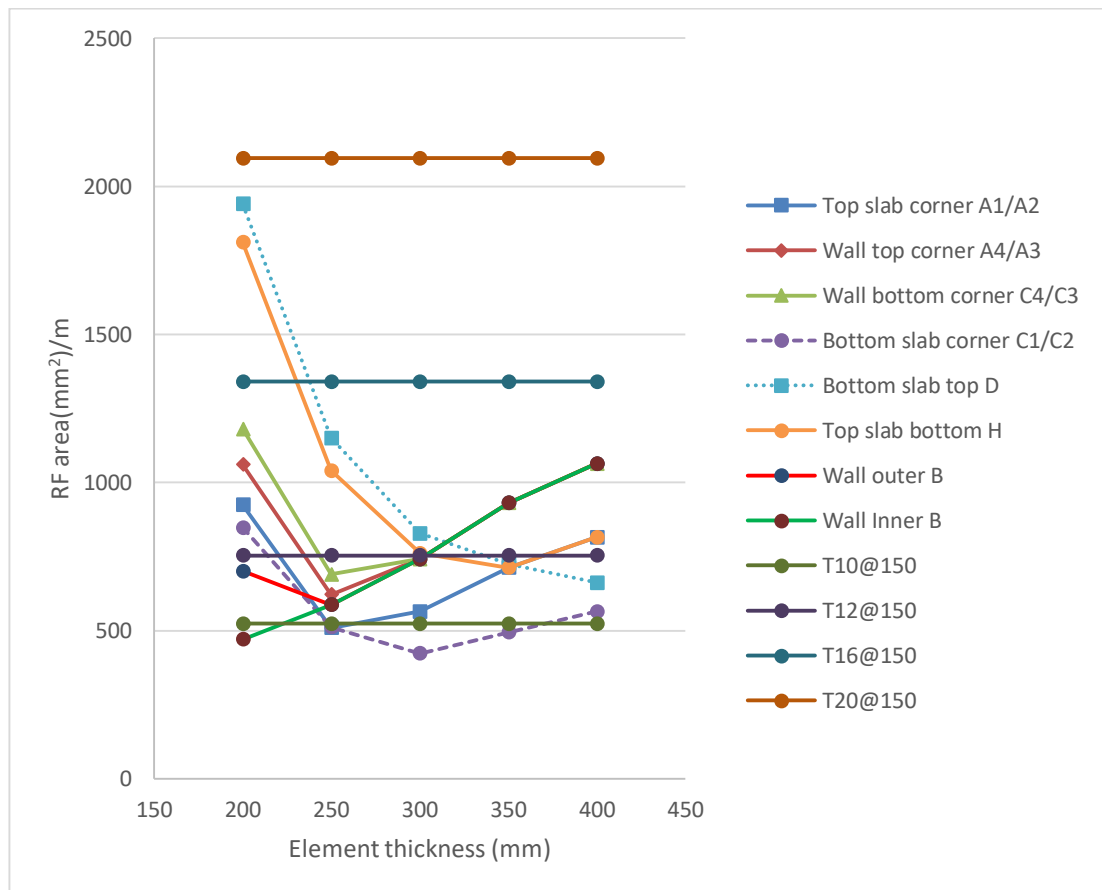


Figure 31: Box culvert 2.0mx2.0m with 6m fill

4.2.2.6 Soil fill 8.0m

Input data for the numerical model

W =2.0 m H =2.0 m H' =8.0 m

B.C =100 kN/m²

t =200, 250, 300, 350, 400 mm

Output from numerical model

Refer Appendix C2

Data interpretation

Amount of reinforcement requirement for each location can be plotted against thickness of the section

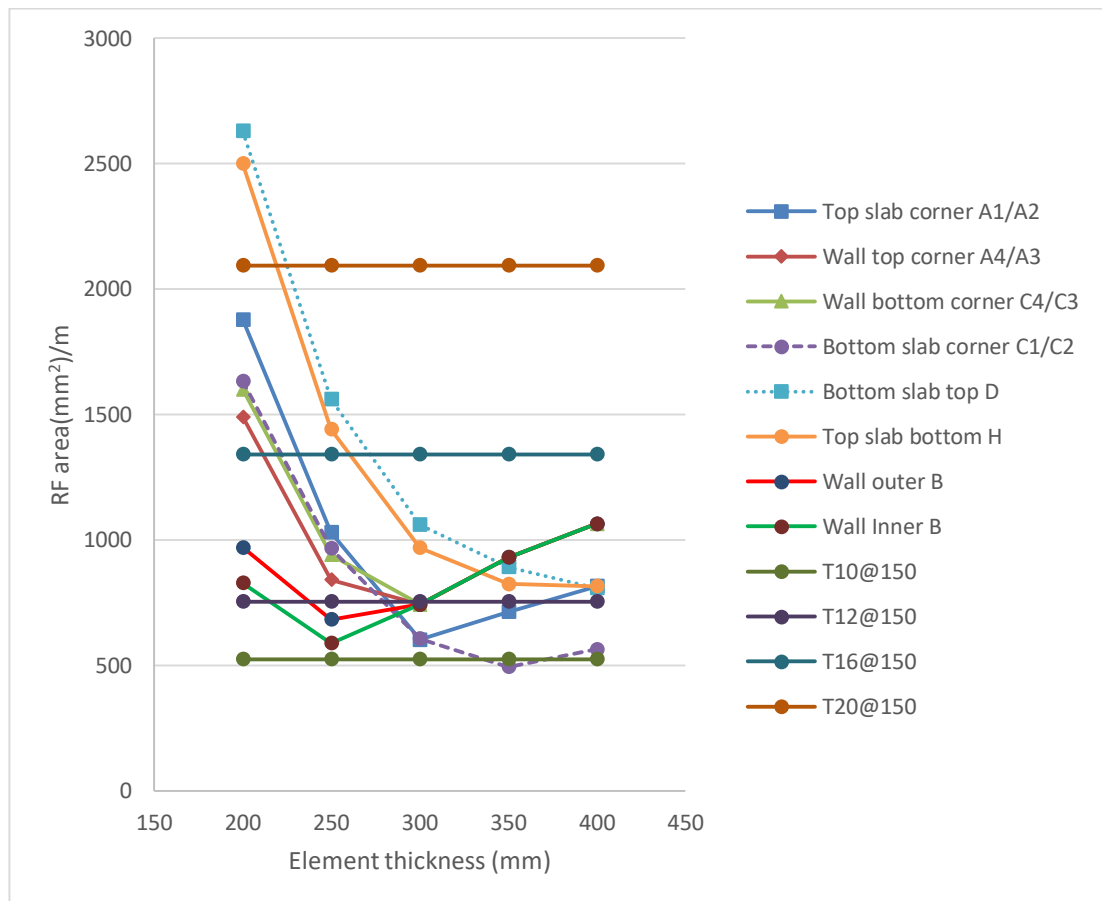


Figure 32: Box culvert 2.0mx2.0m with 8m fill

4.2.2.7 Soil fill 10.0m

Input data for the numerical model

W =2.0 m H =2.0 m H' =10.0 m

B.C =100 kN/m²

t =200, 250, 300, 350, 400 mm

Output from numerical model

Refer Appendix C2

Data interpretation

Amount of reinforcement requirement for each location can be plotted against thickness of the section

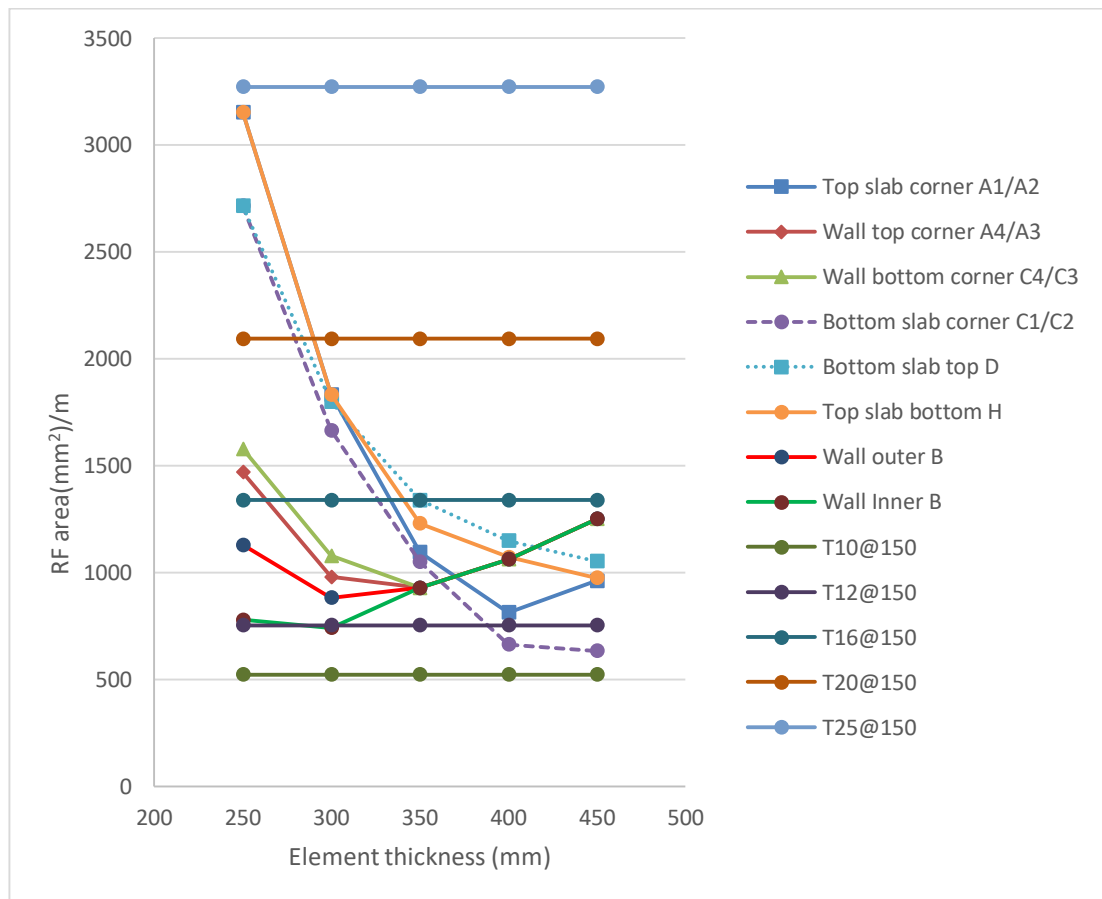


Figure 33: Box culvert 2.0mx2.0m with 10m fill

4.2.3 Box culvert of 3.0 m x 3.0 m

4.2.3.1 Soil fill 0.5m

Input data for the numerical model

W =3.0 m H =3.0 m H' =0.5 m

B.C =100 kN/m²

t =250, 300, 350, 400, 450 mm

Output from numerical model

Refer Appendix C3

Data interpretation

Amount of reinforcement requirement for each location can be plotted against thickness of the section

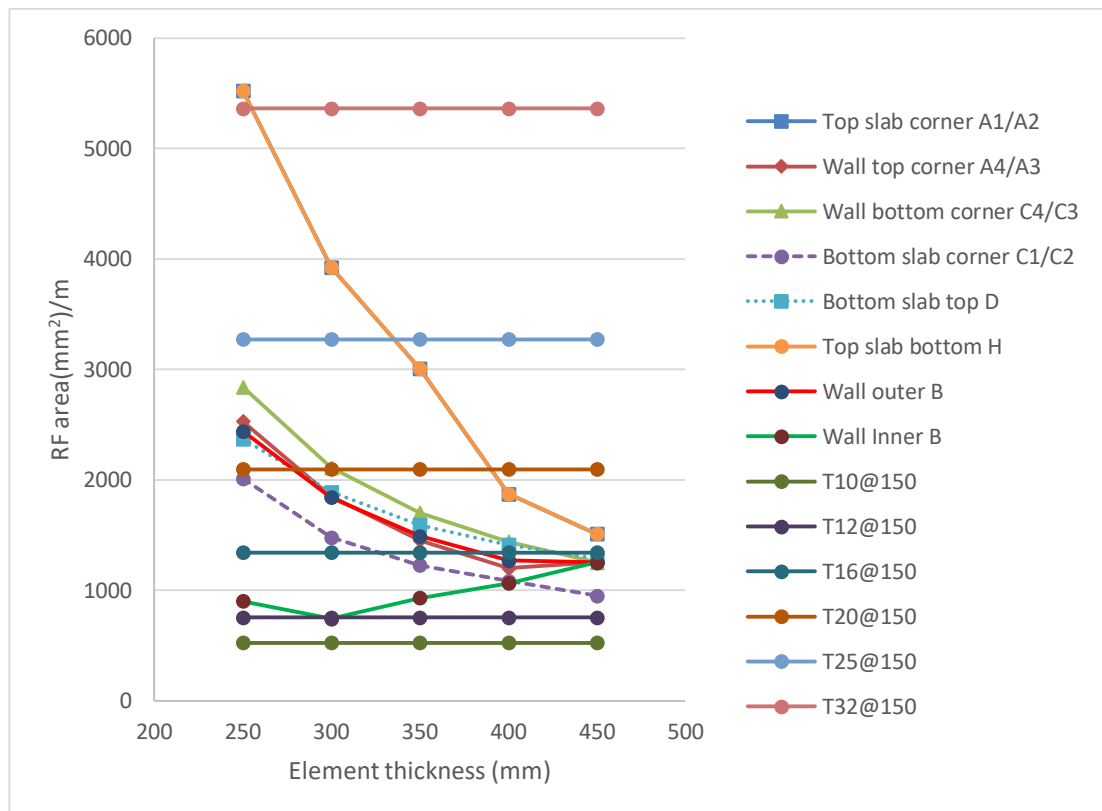


Figure 34: Box culvert 3.0mx3.0m with 0.5m fill

4.2.3.2 Soil fill 1.0m

Input data for the numerical model

W =3.0 m H =3.0 m H' =1 m

B.C =100 kN/m²

t =200, 250, 300, 350, 400 mm

Output from numerical model

Refer Appendix C3

Data interpretation

Amount of reinforcement requirement for each location can be plotted against thickness of the section

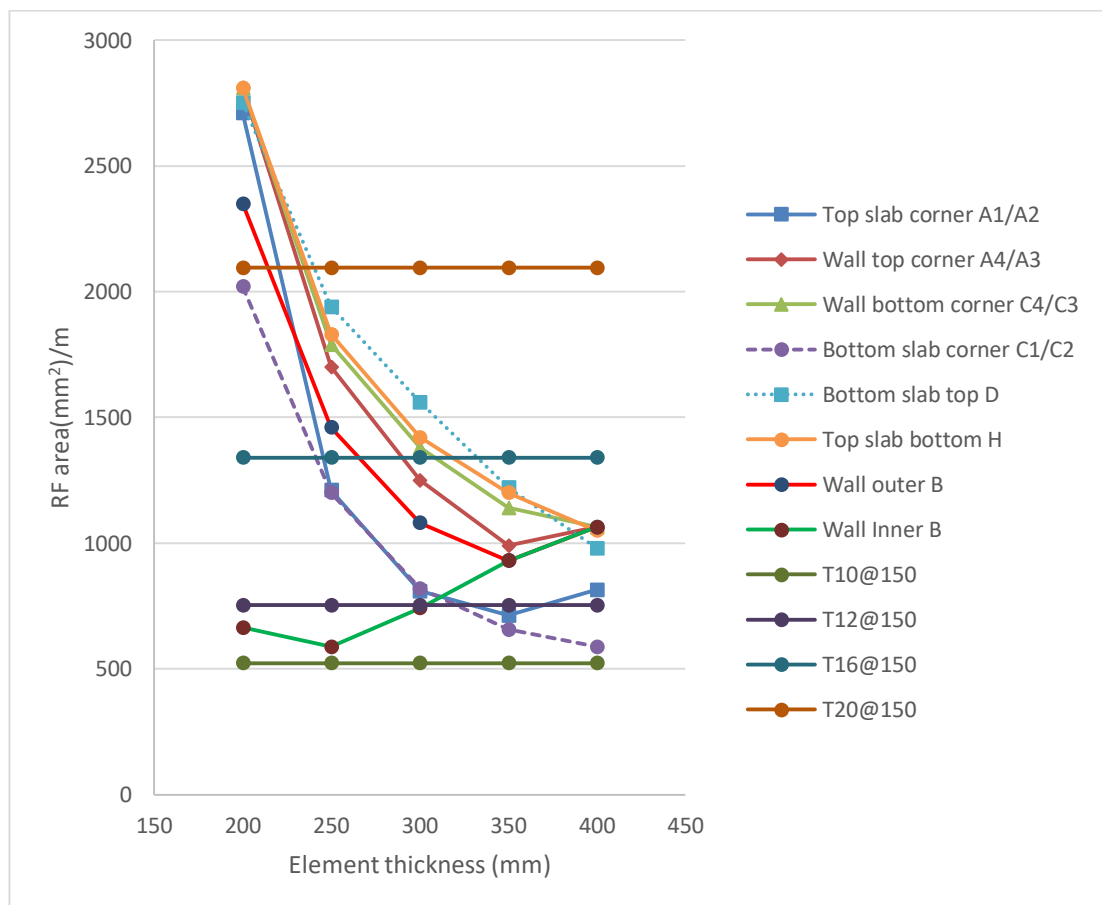


Figure 35: Box culvert 3.0mx3.0m with 1m fill

4.2.3.3 Soil fill 2.0m

Input data for the numerical model

W =3.0 m H =3.0 m H' =2 m

B.C =100 kN/m²

t =200, 250, 300, 350, 400 mm

Output from numerical model

Refer Appendix C3

Data interpretation

Amount of reinforcement requirement for each location can be plotted against thickness of the section

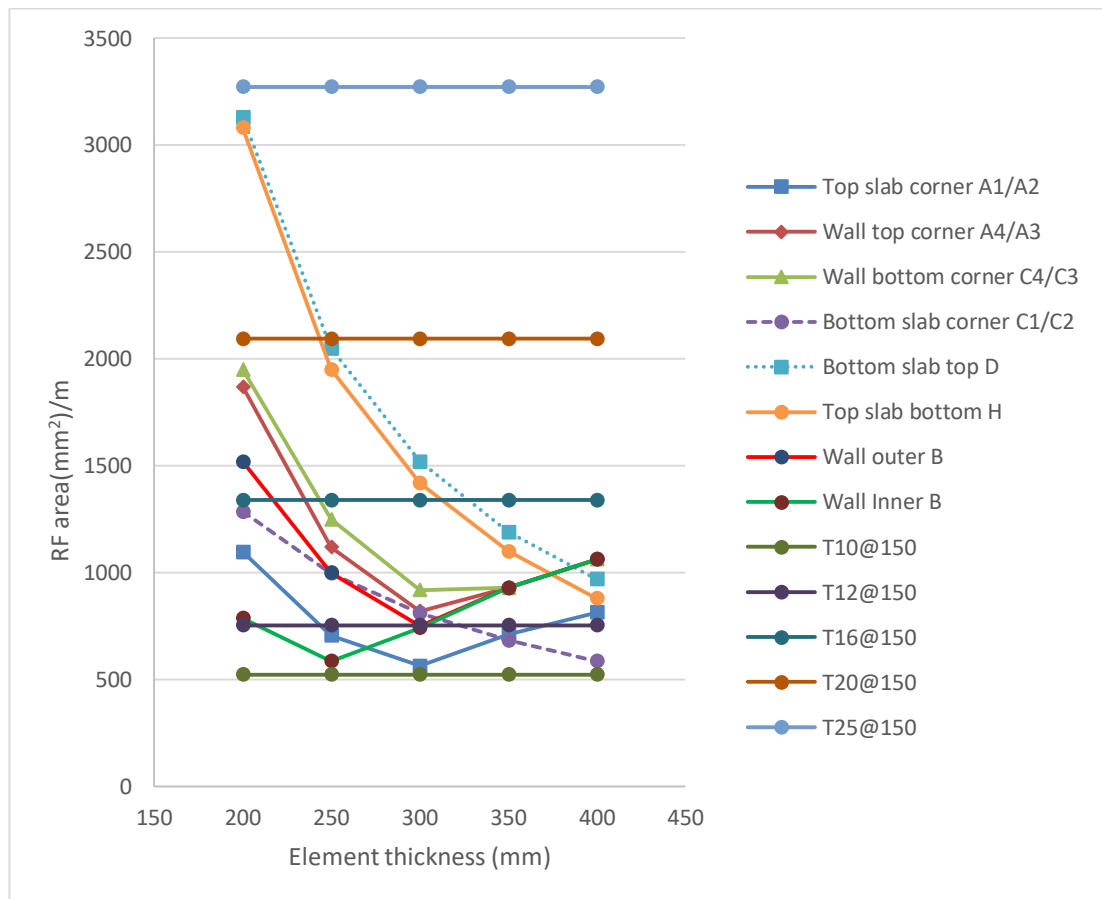


Figure 36: Box culvert 3.0mx3.0m with 2m fill

4.2.3.4 Soil fill 4.0m

Input data for the numerical model

W =3.0 m H =3.0 m H' =4 m

B.C =100 kN/m²

t =200, 250, 300, 350, 400 mm

Output from numerical model

Refer Appendix C3

Data interpretation

Amount of reinforcement requirement for each location can be plotted against thickness of the section

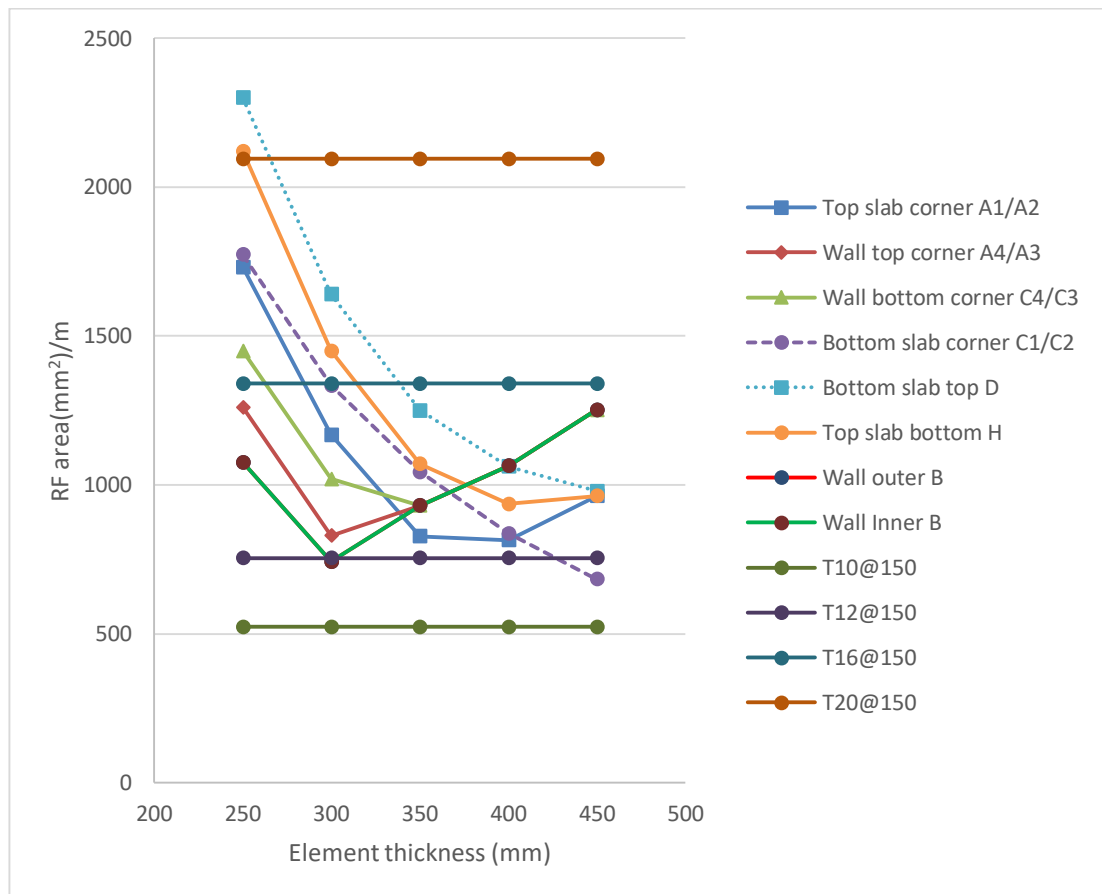


Figure 37: Box culvert 3.0mx3.0m with 4m fill

4.2.3.5 Soil fill 6.0m

Input data for the numerical model

W =3.0 m H =3.0 m H' =6 m

B.C =100 kN/m²

t =250, 300, 350, 400, 450 mm

Output from numerical model

Refer Appendix C3

Data interpretation

Amount of reinforcement requirement for each location can be plotted against thickness of the section

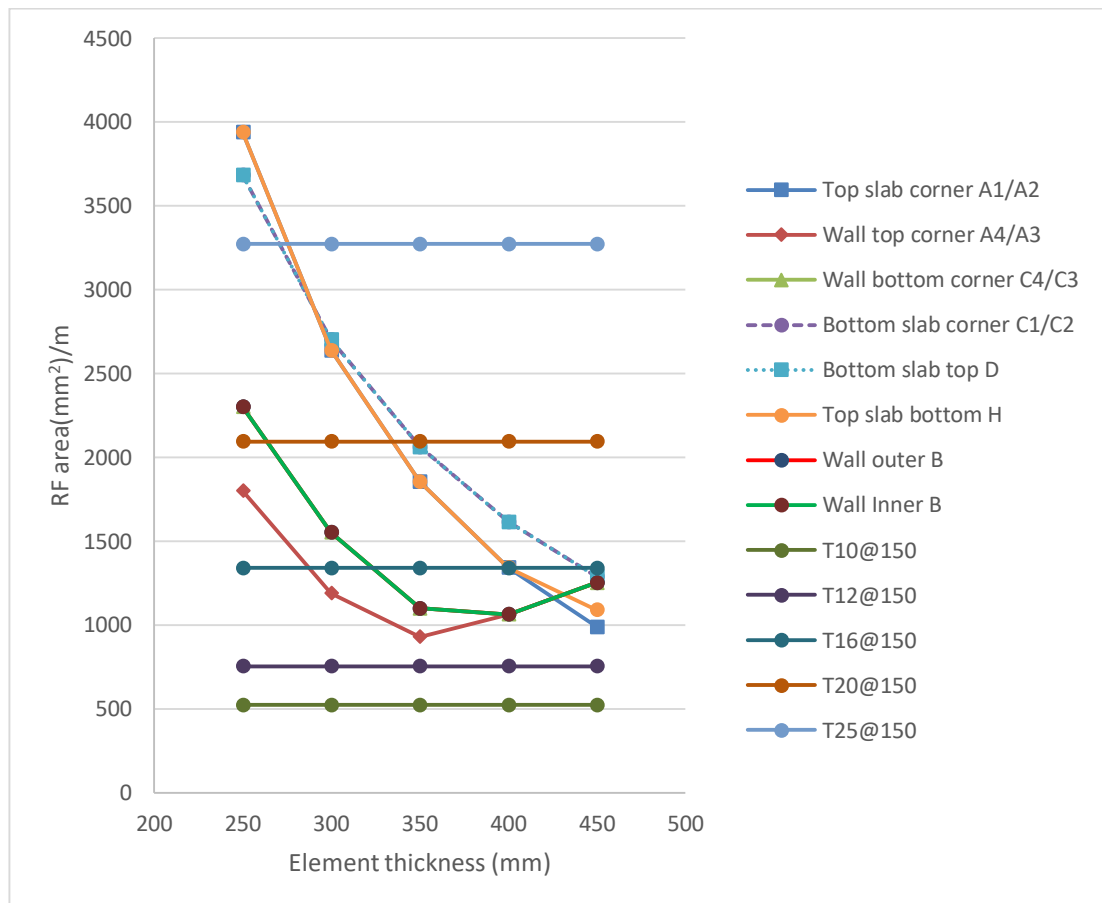


Figure 38: Box culvert 3.0mx3.0m with 6m fill

4.2.3.6 Soil fill 8.0m

Input data for the numerical model

W =3.0 m H =3.0 m H' =8 m

B.C =100 kN/m²

t =300, 350, 400, 450, 500 mm

Output from numerical model

Refer Appendix C3

Data interpretation

Amount of reinforcement requirement for each location can be plotted against thickness of the section

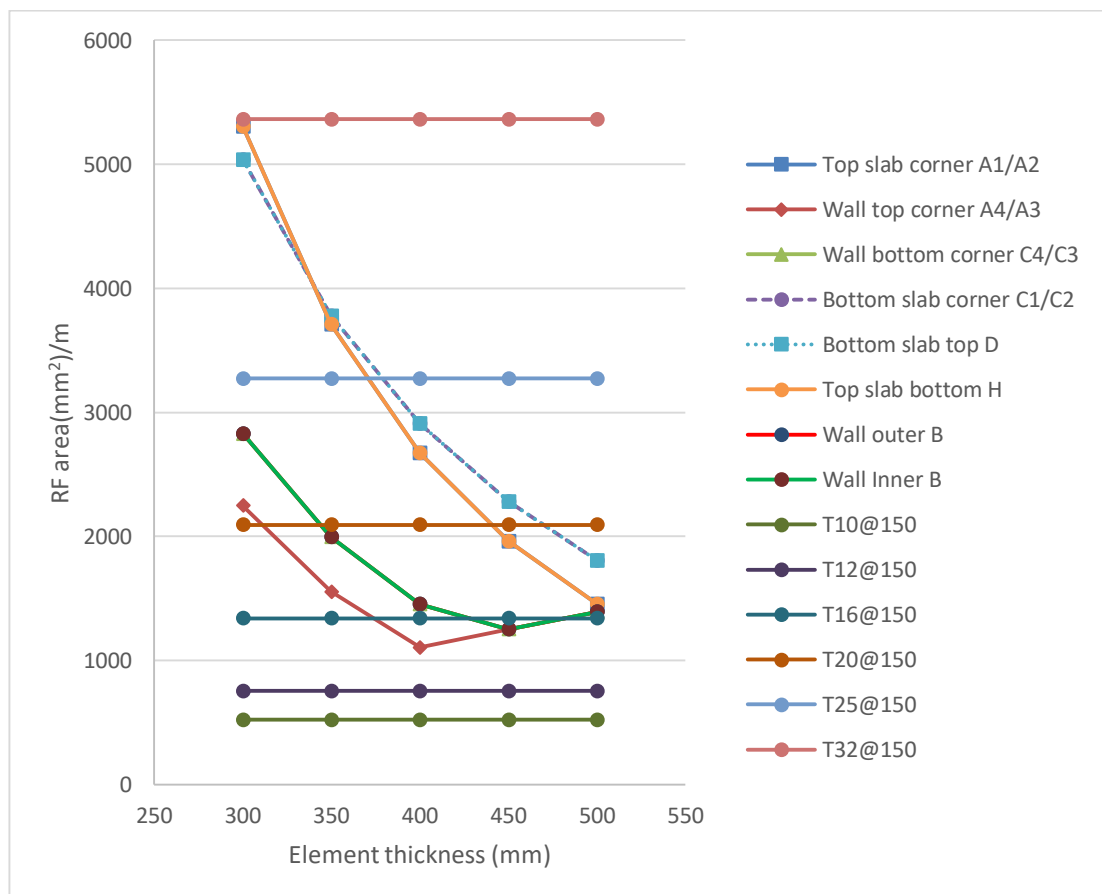


Figure 39: Box culvert 3.0mx3.0m with 8m fill

4.2.3.7 Soil fill 10.0m

Input data for the numerical model

W =3.0 m H =3.0 m H' =10 m

B.C =100 kN/m²

t =350, 400, 450, 500, 550 mm

Output from numerical model

Refer Appendix C3

Data interpretation

Amount of reinforcement requirement for each location can be plotted against thickness of the section

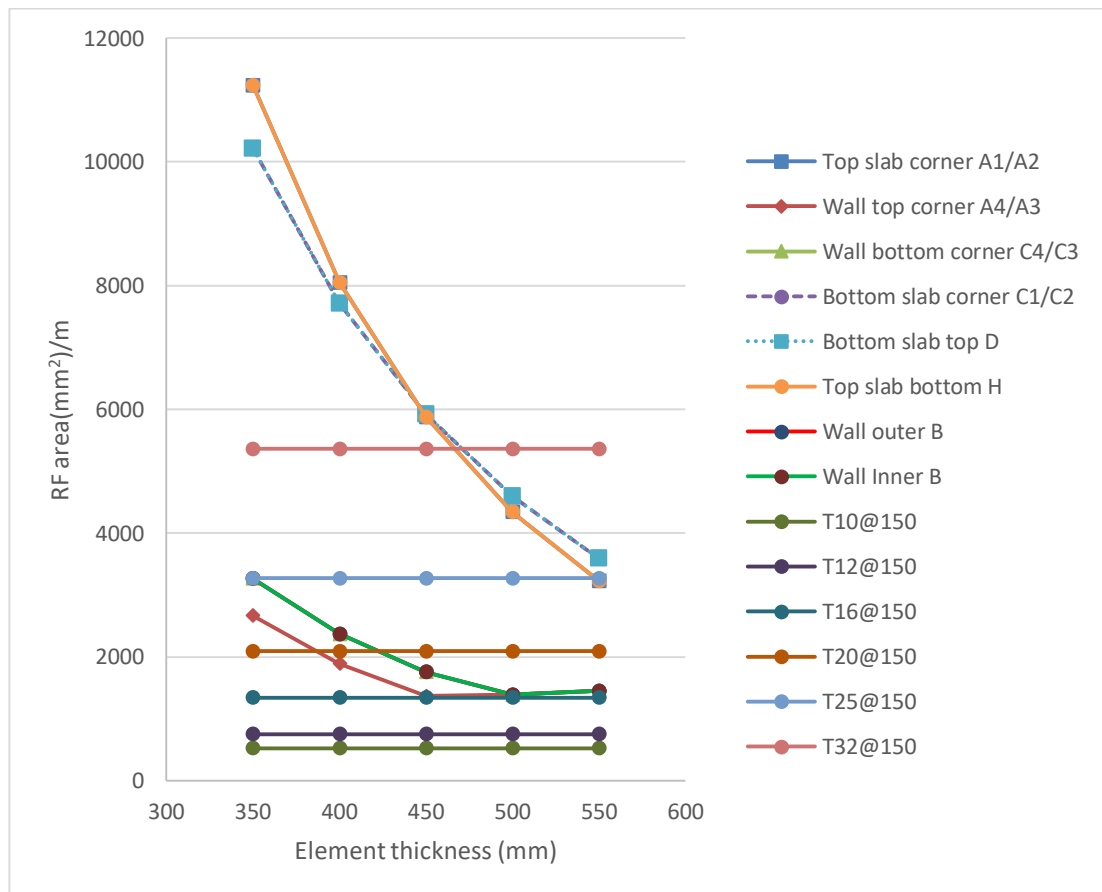


Figure 40: Box culvert 3.0mx3.0m with 10m fill

4.3 Optimum thickness of box culvert

From the analysis done in 4.2 it can be identified optimum thickness range (exact thickness depend on reinforcement to concrete cost ratio) and reported in Table 9, Table 10 and Table 11

Table 9: Optimum thicknesses for 1.5mx1.5m box culvert

Fill height (H') m	Optimum Thickness(t_o) mm	W/t
0.5	250-300	5.0- 6.0
1	250	6.0
2	200-250	6.0- 7.5
4	200-250	6.0- 7.5
6	250	6.0
8	250-300	5.0- 6.0
10	250-300	5.0- 6.0

Table 10: Optimum thicknesses for 2.0mx2.0m box culvert

Fill height (H') m	Optimum Thickness(t_o) mm	W/t
0.5	300-350	6.7 - 5.7
1	300	6.7
2	250-300	8.0 - 6.7
4	250-300	8.0 - 6.7
6	250-300	8.0 - 6.7
8	300-350	6.7 - 5.7
10	350	5.7

Table 11: Optimum thicknesses for 3.0mx3.0m box culvert

Fill height (H') m	Optimum Thickness(t_o) mm	W/t
0.5	350-400	8.6 - 7.5
1	350	8.6
2	300-350	10-8.6
4	350	8.6
6	350	8.6
8	400	7.5
10	500	6.0

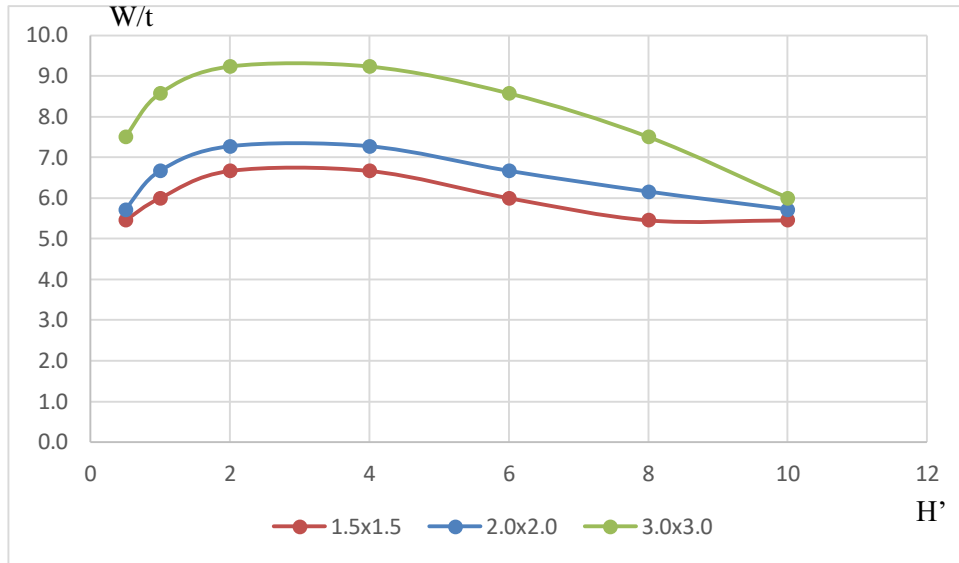


Figure 41: Variation of optimum width to thickness (W/t) ratio against soil cover thickness H'

It is not possible to identify constant W/t ratio for optimum thickness of the box culvert but it vary largely

For 1.5 x 1.5 optimum W/t ratio vary between 5.0 and 7.5

For 2.0 x 2.0 optimum W/t ratio vary between 5.7 and 8.0

For 3.0 x 3.0 optimum W/t ratio vary between 6.0 and 10.0

5 CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATION

5.1 Conclusion

First objective of the research is to investigate the sensitivity of internal forces in the element of box culvert to the bearing capacity used for the analysis

For t/W ratio $< 1/20$ top slab bending moment is less sensitive and bottom slab bending moment is much sensitive to bearing capacity of ground

For t/W ratio $> 1/10$ top slab bending moment is not sensitive and bottom slab bending moment is less sensitive to bearing capacity of ground and also bending moment inversely proportional to bearing capacity of ground

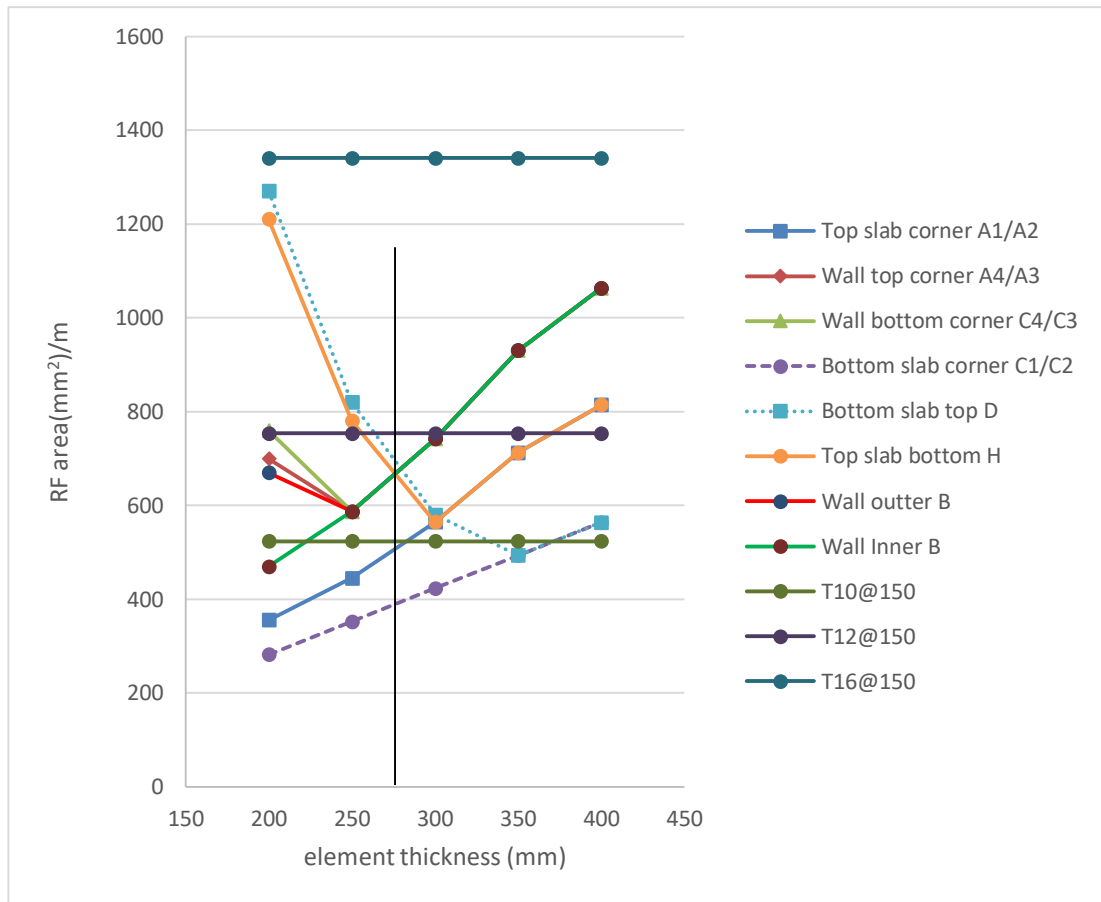
Second objective is to develop standard chart including member thickness and reinforcement for different sizes and fill height given on section 4.2(See 5.3, for the procedure to follow the proposed design chart)

Third objective is to find optimum thickness for box culvert for different sizes and thicknesses, given in 4.3

5.2 Recommendation for future research

- Need to develop standard chart for box sizes greater than 3x3
- Need to develop standard chart for multi cell boxes
- Need to study the capability of optimization using different thickness for different members

Step 3: Find RF for each element and each location



Draw a vertical line at 275mm thickness

Find the possible reinforcement arrangement for each location. In this example

Top slab top corner	=	T10@150
Bottom slab bottom corner	=	T10@150
Wall top corner outer	=	T12@150
Wall top bottom outer	=	T12@150
Wall inner/outer at mid height	=	T12@150
Bottom slab top	=	T12@150
Top slab bottom mid	=	T12@150

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APPENDIX A - USAGE OF OAPI FOR THE STUDY

OAPI facility given in SAP2000 allows 3rd party software to create models, run analysis and extract analysis results by using specific set of commands given in SAP2000

In this project Microsoft Excel (EXCEL) together with Visual Basic (VB) use as 3rd party software

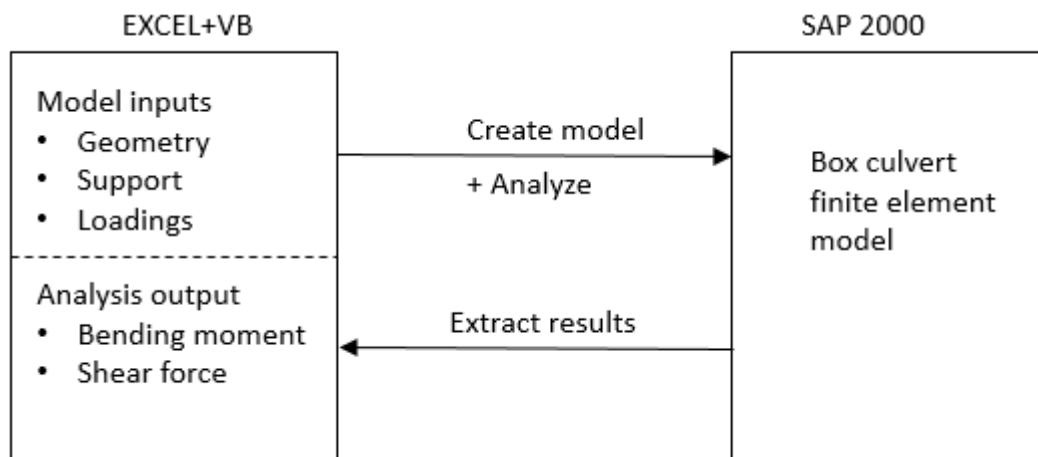


Figure A.1: Usage of OAPI

All the VB codes required to modelling analysis and extracting the results are given in CSi OAPI Documentation which is available in SAP2000 installed folder

APPENDIX B - ANALYSIS DETAILS

2D Model

2D model develop only for the cases which is traction force not apply ($H' > L_L$), to explain the modelling procedure use following example

$$W = 3.0\text{m}$$

$$H = 3.0\text{m}$$

$$H' = 6.0\text{m}$$

$$t = 0.3\text{m}$$

$$\text{Soil unit weight } (\gamma_s) = 18 \text{ kN/m}^3$$

$$\text{Road construction material unit weight } (\gamma_r) = 23 \text{ kN/m}^3$$

1.1 Model geometry details

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Center to center width of culvert} &= \text{internal width of culvert} + \text{slab thickness} \\ &= 3.0 + 0.3 \\ &= 3.3\text{m} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Center to center height of culvert} &= \text{internal height of culvert} + \text{slab thickness} \\ &= 3.0 + 0.3 \\ &= 3.3\text{m} \end{aligned}$$

1.2 Box culvert geometry modelling

Draw 3.3m height and 3.3m width box using frame element as shown in figure

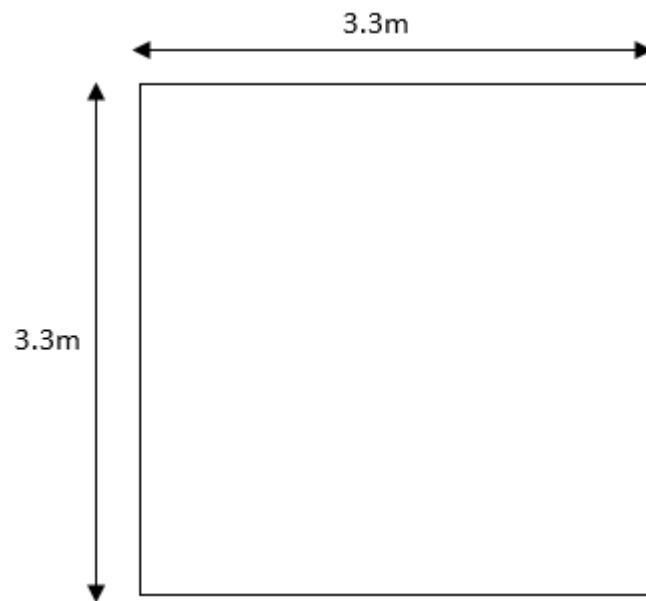


Figure B.1: Centerline model of box culvert

Frame mesh at main results interesting location as shown in figure 18 and figure 19 and further meshed as maximum element size is not more than 150mm

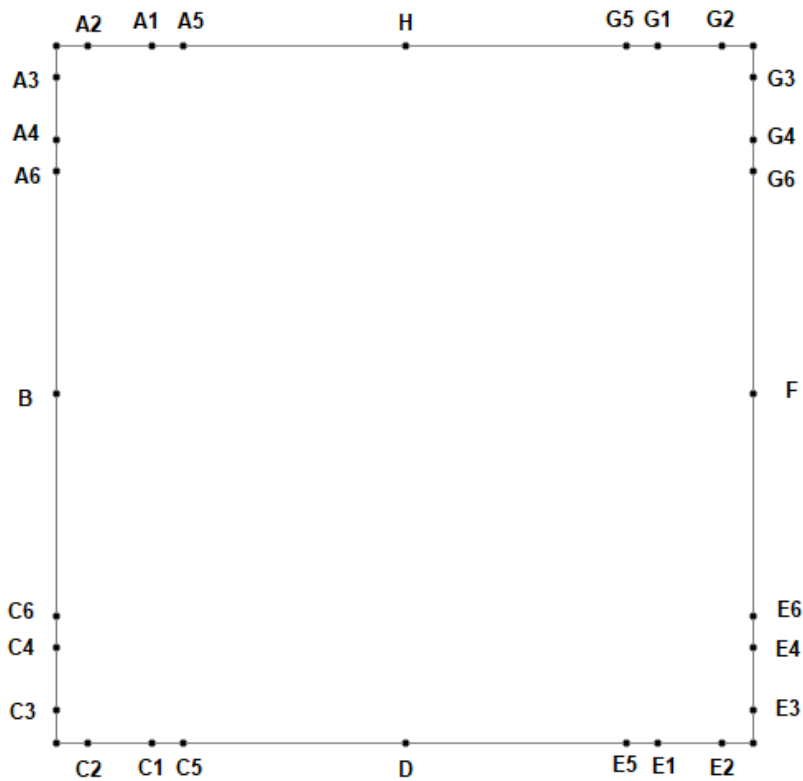


Figure B.2: FEM Mesh of box culvert

1.3 Define material property

For concrete G30

Strength = 30 N/mm²

Elastic module = 28 kN/mm²

Poisson's ration = 0.2

Coefficient of thermal expansion = 12x10⁻⁶

1.4 Define section property

Stiff section inside the wall =2t =0.60m (height) x 1.0m (width)

Chamfer =1.5t =0.45m (height) x 1.0m (width)

Normal section =t =0.30m (height) x 1.0m (width)

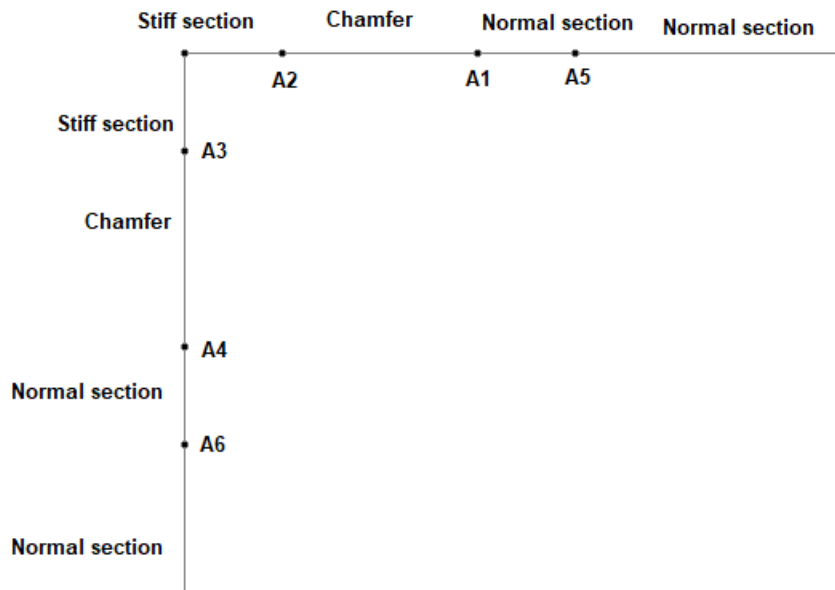


Figure B.3: Section property assignment

1.5 Support conditions

For bottom slab assign line spring

Soil subgrade module	=	40 x F.O.S x Allowable bearing capacity
	=	40 x 2.5 x 100
	=	10000 kN/m ² /m
Line spring	=	10000 x 1
	=	10000 kN/m/m

1.6 Assign loads

Modelling step 6

Dead load –Self weight automatically generated by the software

Soil horizontal (k=1)

Soil load on top edge of wall	=	$(H+t/2-0.2) \times \gamma_s + 0.2 \times \gamma_r$
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$$= (6+0.15-0.2) \times 18 + 0.2 \times 23$$

$$= 111.7 \text{ kN/m}^2$$

Soil load on bottom edge of wall = $(H'+H+1.5t-0.2) \times \gamma_s + 0.2 \times \gamma_r$

$$= (6+3+0.45-0.2) \times 18 + 0.2 \times 23$$

$$= 171.1 \text{ kN/m}^2$$

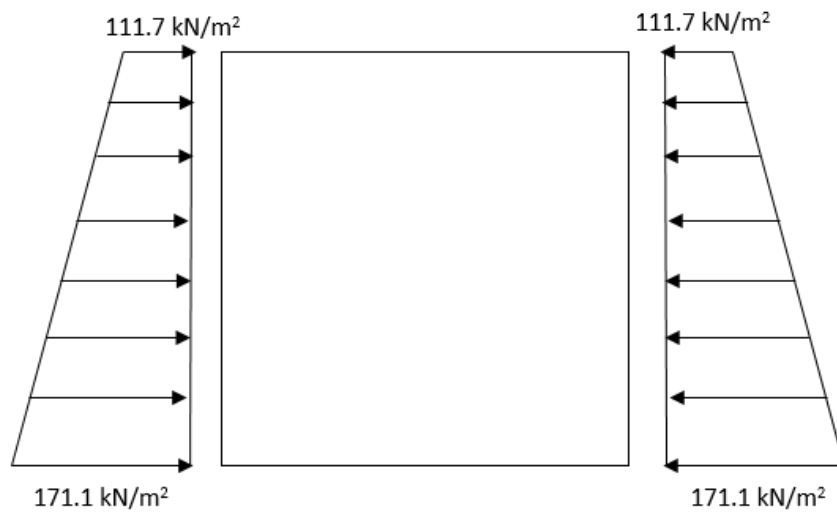


Figure B.4: Horizontal soil load on culvert

HA Surcharge (k=1) = 10 kN/m²

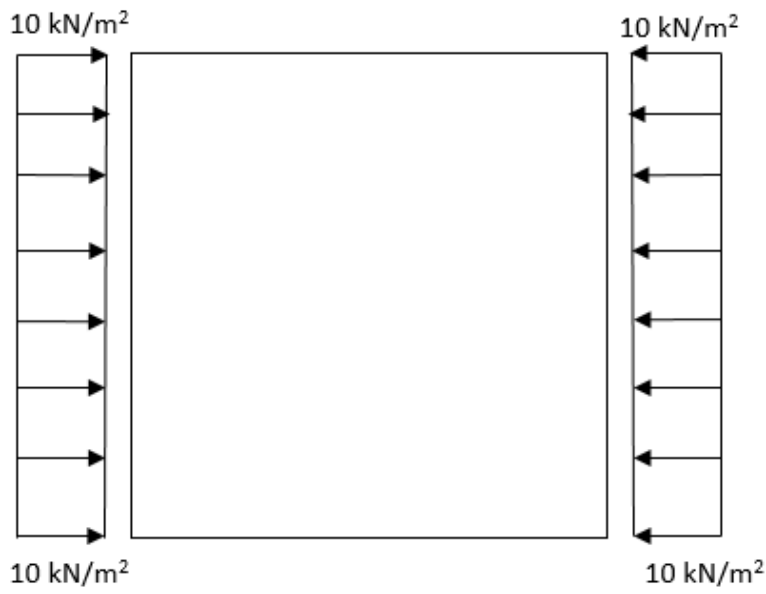


Figure B.5: Horizontal HA surcharge load on culvert

HB Surcharge (k=1) = 12 kN/m²

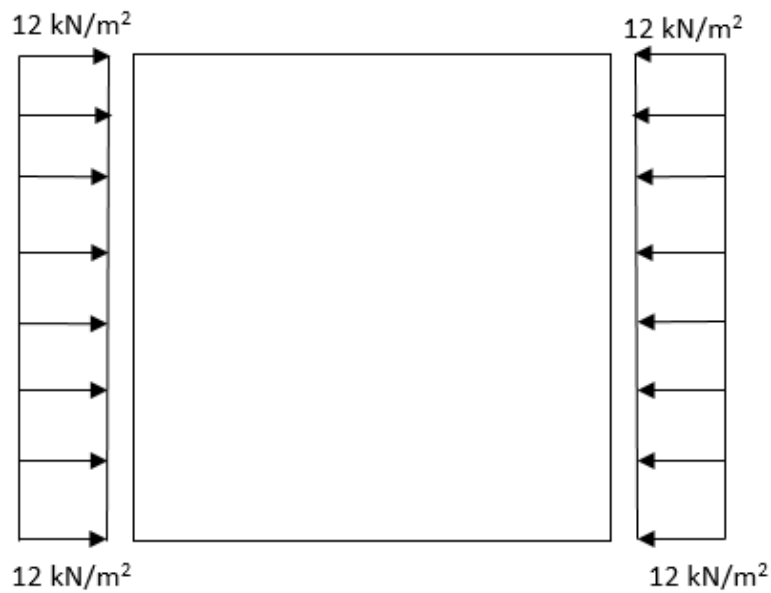


Figure B.6: Horizontal HB surcharge load on culvert

HB vertical load

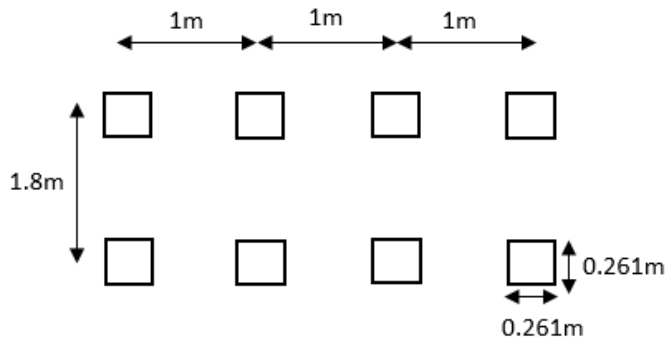


Figure B.7: Wheel arrangement of HB vehicle that load transfer on to culvert

Dispersion of wheel load through the fill is vertical 2 to horizontal 1, since fill height is 6m dispersion area of all wheel overlap therefore can consider as one unit

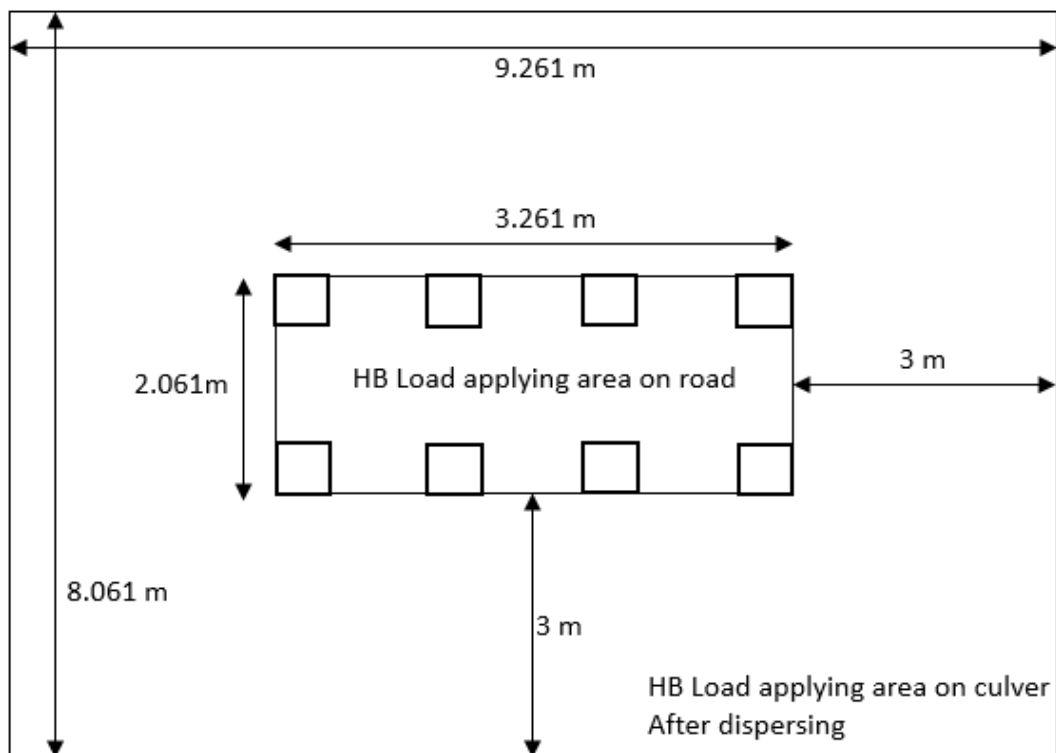


Figure B.8: Effective area of HB wheel on culvert top slab level

HB load by 8 wheels $=75 \times 8$

$=600 \text{ kN}$

HB Vertical load as a pressure $=600 / (8.061 \times 9.261)$

$=8.03 \text{ kN/m}^2$

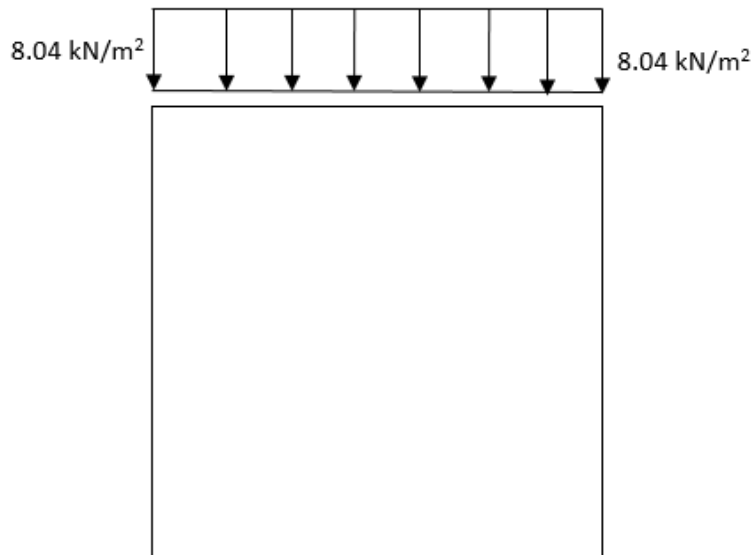


Figure B.9: HB vertical load on culvert

HA vertical load

Since fill height is greater than 0.6m HA load replaced by HB load value

Therefore

HA Vertical load as a pressure $=8.03 \text{ kN/m}^2$

SID load due to road construction material

$$\text{SID load on top slab} = 0.2 \times \gamma_r = 0.2 \times 23 = 4.6 \text{ kN/m}^2$$

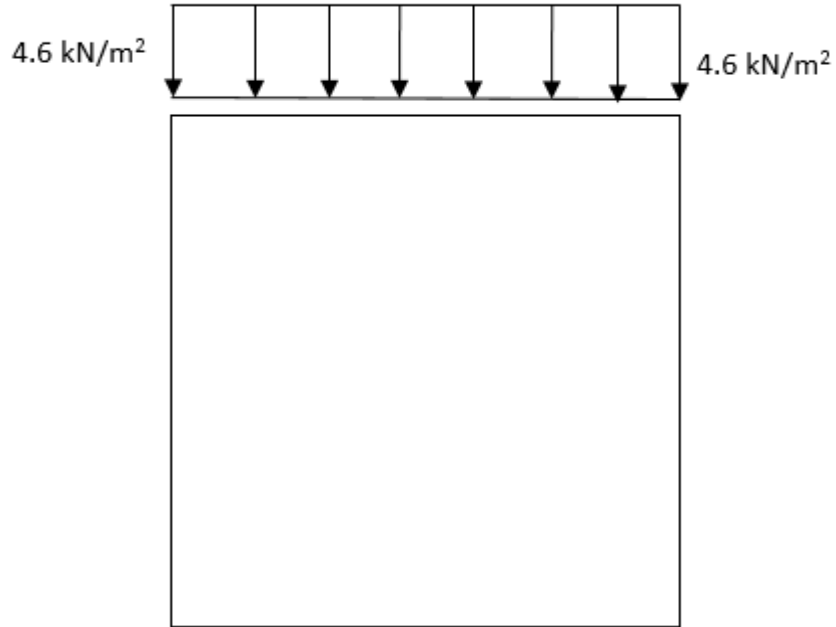


Figure B.10: SID road load on culvert

SID load due to soil fill

$$\text{SID load on top slab} = (H' - 0.2) \times \gamma_r = 5.8 \times 18 = 104.4 \text{ kN/m}^2$$

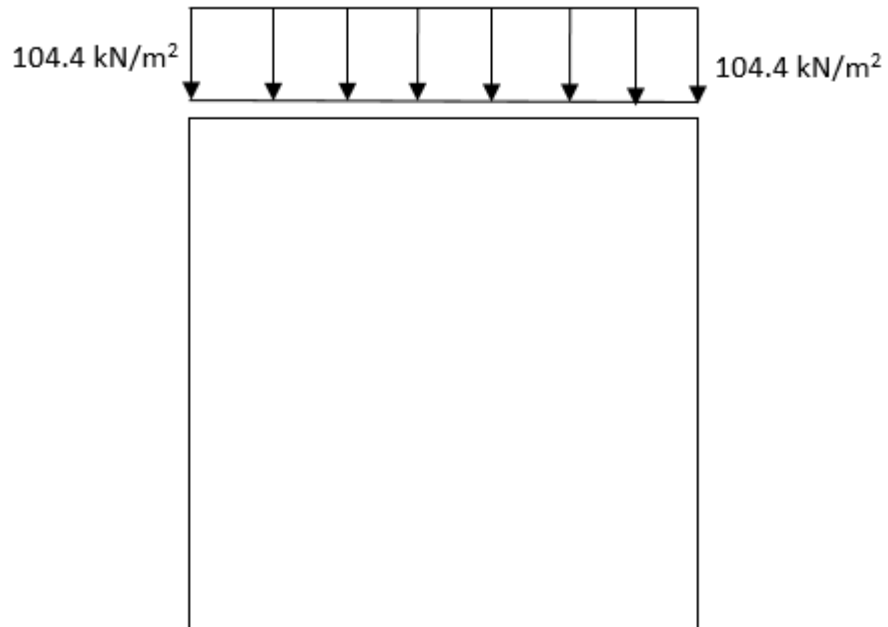


Figure B.11: SID soil load on culvert

1.7 Define Load combinations

Combination A1

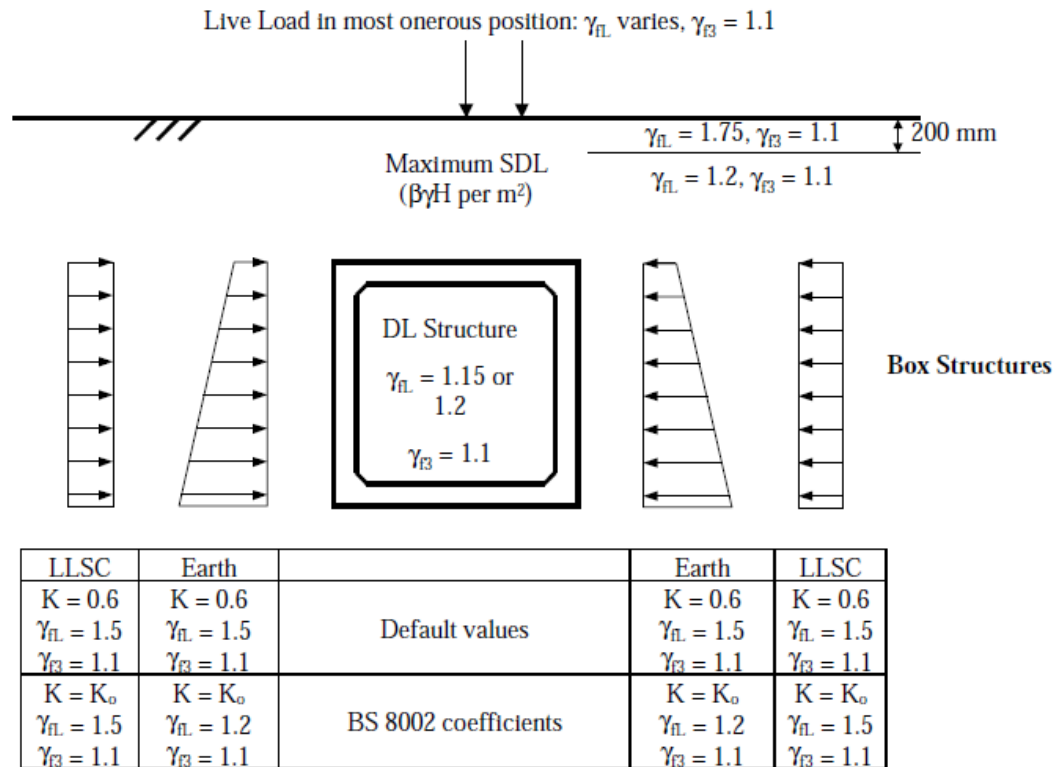


Figure B.12: Combination A1

Combination A1 HA ULS

Name	factors notations	factors values	final load factor
DEAD	$\gamma_{fl} \times \gamma_{f3}$	1.15×1.1	1.265
SID top 200	$\gamma_{fl} \times \gamma_{f3} \times \beta$	$1.75 \times 1.1 \times 1.15$	2.214
SID Soil	$\gamma_{fl} \times \gamma_{f3} \times \beta$	$1.20 \times 1.1 \times 1.15$	1.518
Soil horizontal	$\gamma_{fl} \times \gamma_{f3} \times K_o$	$1.50 \times 1.1 \times 0.60$	0.990
HA surcharge	$\gamma_{fl} \times \gamma_{f3} \times K_o$	$1.50 \times 1.1 \times 0.60$	0.990
HB surcharge			
HA Vertical	$\gamma_{fl} \times \gamma_{f3}$	1.50×1.1	1.650
HB Vertical			

Combination A1 HA SLS

Name	factors notations	factors values	final load factor
DEAD	γ_{fl}	1.00	1.00
SID top 200	$\gamma_{fl} \times \beta$	1.20 x 1.15	1.38
SID Soil	$\gamma_{fl} \times \beta$	1.00 x 1.15	1.15
Soil horizontal	$\gamma_{fl} \times K_o$	1.00 x 0.60	0.60
HA surcharge	$\gamma_{fl} \times K_o$	1.00 x 0.60	0.60
HB surcharge			
HA Vertical	γ_{fl}	1.20	1.20
HB Vertical			

Combination A1 HB ULS

Name	factors notations	factors values	final load factor
DEAD	$\gamma_{fl} \times \gamma_{f3}$	1.15 x 1.1	1.265
SID top 200	$\gamma_{fl} \times \gamma_{f3} \times \beta$	1.75 x 1.1 x 1.15	2.214
SID Soil	$\gamma_{fl} \times \gamma_{f3} \times \beta$	1.20 x 1.1 x 1.15	1.518
Soil horizontal	$\gamma_{fl} \times \gamma_{f3} \times K_o$	1.50 x 1.1 x 0.60	0.990
HA surcharge			
HB surcharge	$\gamma_{fl} \times \gamma_{f3} \times K_o$	1.50 x 1.1 x 0.60	0.990
HA Vertical			
HB Vertical	$\gamma_{fl} \times \gamma_{f3}$	1.30 x 1.1	1.430

Combination A1 HB SLS

Name	factors notations	factors values	final load factor
DEAD	γ_{fl}	1.00	1.00
SID top 200	$\gamma_{fl} \times \beta$	1.20 x 1.15	1.38
SID Soil	$\gamma_{fl} \times \beta$	1.00 x 1.15	1.15
Soil horizontal	$\gamma_{fl} \times K_o$	1.00 x 0.60	0.6
HA surcharge			
HB surcharge	$\gamma_{fl} \times K_o$	1.00 x 0.60	0.6
HA Vertical			
HB Vertical	γ_{fl}	1.10	1.10

Combination A1 SLS Permanent

Name	factors notations	factors values	final load factor
DEAD	γ_{fl}	1.00	1.00
SID top 200	$\gamma_{fl} \times \beta$	1.20 x 1.15	1.38
SID Soil	$\gamma_{fl} \times \beta$	1.00 x 1.15	1.15
Soil horizontal	$\gamma_{fl} \times K_o$	1.00 x 0.60	0.60
HA surcharge			
HB surcharge			
HA Vertical			
HB Vertical			

Combination A2

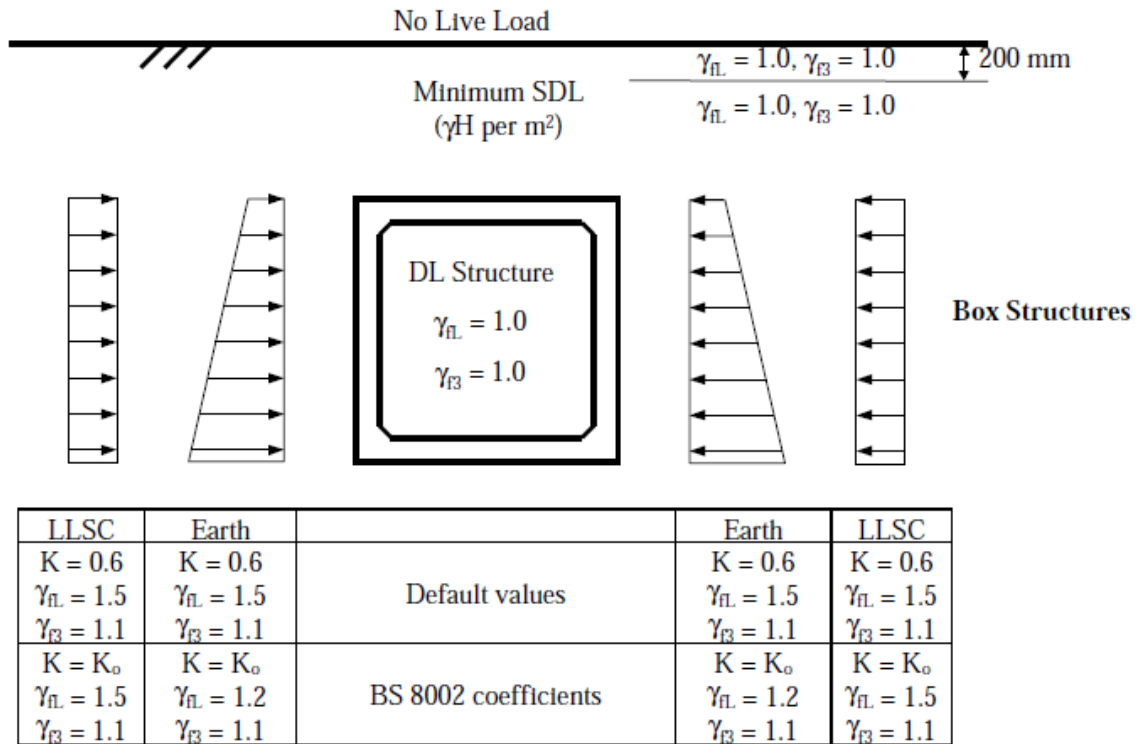


Figure B.13: Combination A2

Combination A2 HB ULS

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SID top 200	$\gamma_{fl} \times \gamma_{f3} \times \beta$	1.00 x 1.00 x 1.00	2.214
SID Soil	$\gamma_{fl} \times \gamma_{f3} \times \beta$	1.00 x 1.00 x 1.00	1.518
Soil horizontal	$\gamma_{fl} \times \gamma_{f3} \times K_o$	1.50 x 1.1 x 0.60	0.990
HA surcharge			
HB surcharge	$\gamma_{fl} \times \gamma_{f3} \times K_o$	1.50 x 1.1 x 0.60	0.990
HA Vertical			
HB Vertical			

Combination A2 HB SLS

Name	factors notations	factors values	final load factor
DEAD	γ_{fl}	1.00 x 1.00	1.265
SID top 200	$\gamma_{fl} \times \beta$	1.00 x 1.00 x 1.00	2.214
SID Soil	$\gamma_{fl} \times \beta$	1.00 x 1.00 x 1.00	1.518
Soil horizontal	$\gamma_{fl} \times K_o$	1.00 x 0.60	0.6
HA surcharge			
HB surcharge	$\gamma_{fl} \times K_o$	1.00 x 0.60	0.6
HA Vertical			
HB Vertical			

Combination A2 SLS Permanent

Name	factors notations	factors values	final load factor
DEAD	γ_{fl}	1.00 x 1.00	1.265
SID top 200	$\gamma_{fl} \times \beta$	1.00 x 1.00 x 1.00	2.214
SID Soil	$\gamma_{fl} \times \beta$	1.00 x 1.00 x 1.00	1.518
Soil horizontal	$\gamma_{fl} \times K_o$	1.00 x 0.60	0.6
HA surcharge			
HB surcharge			
HA Vertical			
HB Vertical			

Combination A3

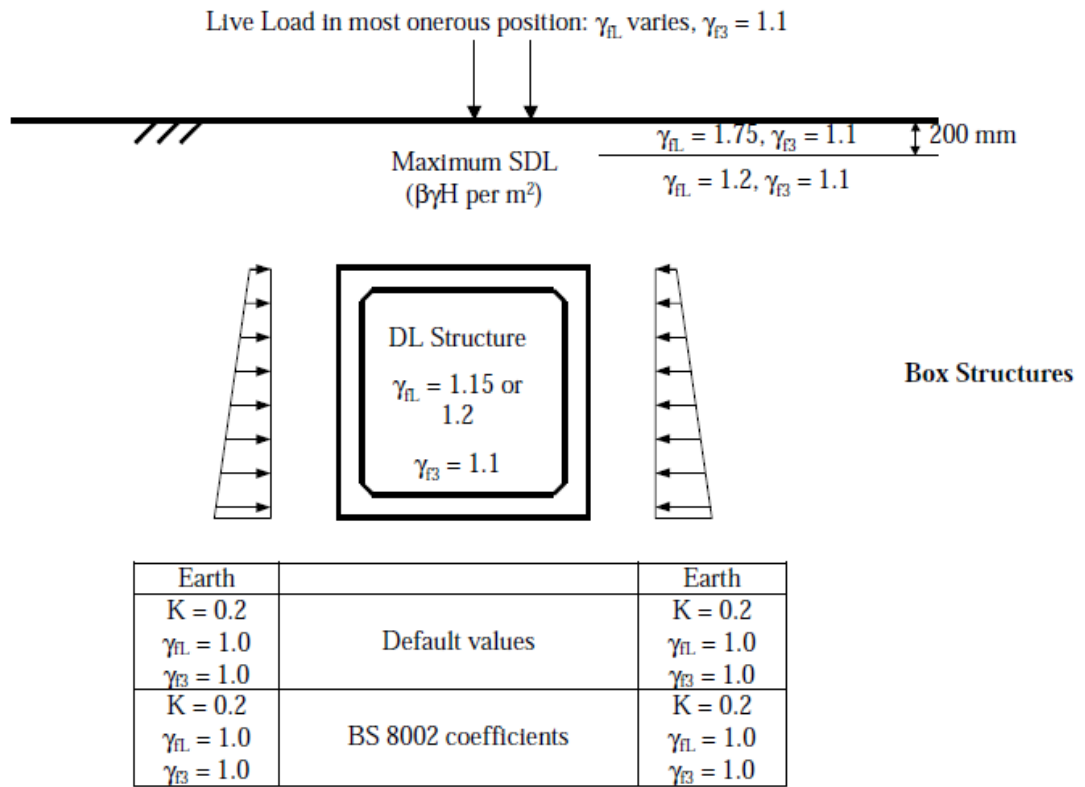


Figure B.14: Combination A3

Combination A3 HA ULS

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SID Soil	$\gamma_{fl} \times \gamma_{f3} \times \beta$	$1.20 \times 1.10 \times 1.15$	1.518
Soil horizontal	$\gamma_{fl} \times \gamma_{f3} \times K_o$	$1.00 \times 1.00 \times 0.20$	0.200
HA surcharge			
HB surcharge			
HA Vertical	$\gamma_{fl} \times \gamma_{f3}$	1.50×1.1	1.650
HB Vertical			

Combination A3 HA SLS

Name	factors notations	factors values	final load factor
DEAD	γ_{fl}	1.00	1.00
SID top 200	$\gamma_{fl} \times \beta$	1.20 x 1.15	1.38
SID Soil	$\gamma_{fl} \times \beta$	1.00 x 1.15	1.15
Soil horizontal	$\gamma_{fl} \times K_o$	1.00 x 0.20	0.20
HA surcharge			
HB surcharge			
HA Vertical	γ_{fl}	1.20	1.20
HB Vertical			

Combination A3 HB ULS

Name	factors notations	factors values	final load factor
DEAD	$\gamma_{fl} \times \gamma_{f3}$	1.15 x 1.1	1.265
SID top 200	$\gamma_{fl} \times \gamma_{f3} \times \beta$	1.75 x 1.1 x 1.15	2.214
SID Soil	$\gamma_{fl} \times \gamma_{f3} \times \beta$	1.20 x 1.1 x 1.15	1.518
Soil horizontal	$\gamma_{fl} \times \gamma_{f3} \times K_o$	1.00 x 1.00 x 0.20	0.200
HA surcharge			
HB surcharge			
HA Vertical			
HB Vertical	$\gamma_{fl} \times \gamma_{f3}$	1.30 x 1.1	1.430

Combination A3 HB SLS

Name	factors notations	factors values	final load factor
DEAD	γ_{fl}	1.00	1.00
SID top 200	$\gamma_{fl} \times \beta$	1.20 x 1.15	1.38
SID Soil	$\gamma_{fl} \times \beta$	1.00 x 1.15	1.15
Soil horizontal	$\gamma_{fl} \times K_o$	1.00 x 0.20	0.20
HA surcharge			
HB surcharge			
HA Vertical			
HB Vertical	γ_{fl}	1.10	1.10

Combination A3 SLS Permanent

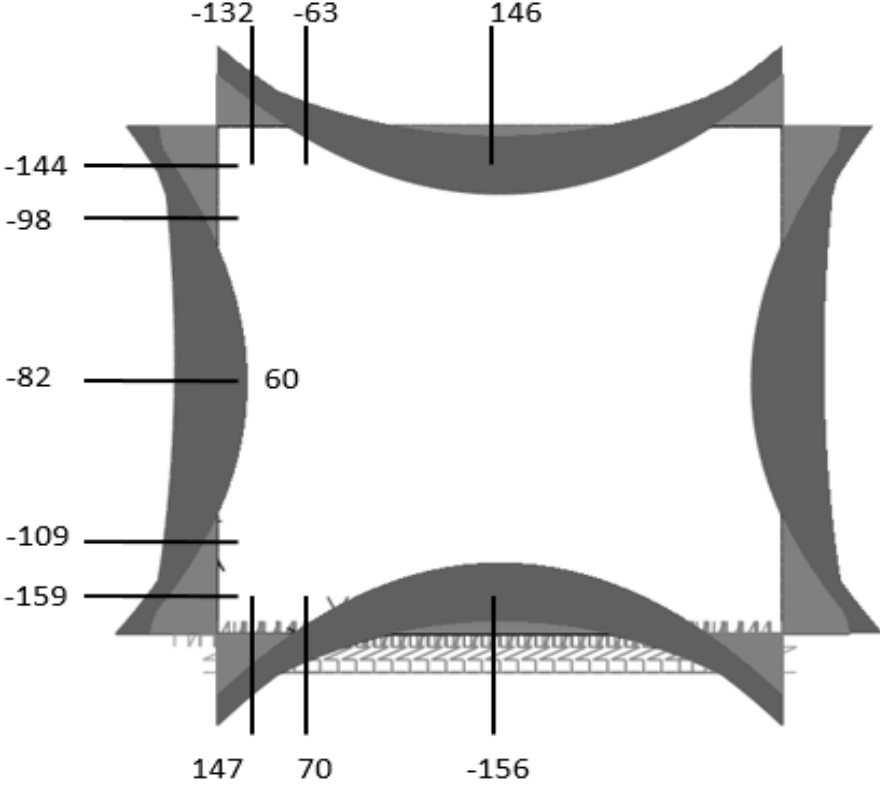
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SID Soil	$\gamma_{fl} \times \beta$	1.00 x 1.15	1.15
Soil horizontal	$\gamma_{fl} \times K_o$	1.00 x 0.20	0.20
HA surcharge			
HB surcharge			
HA Vertical			
HB Vertical			

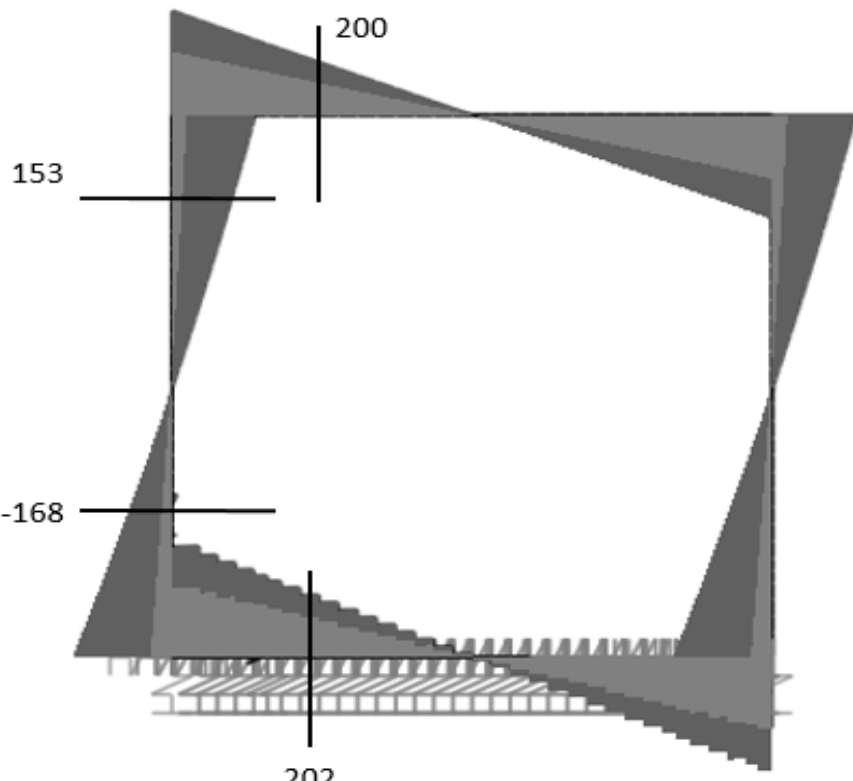
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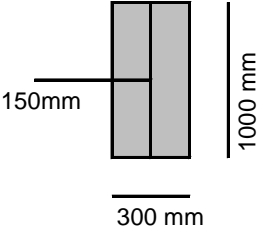
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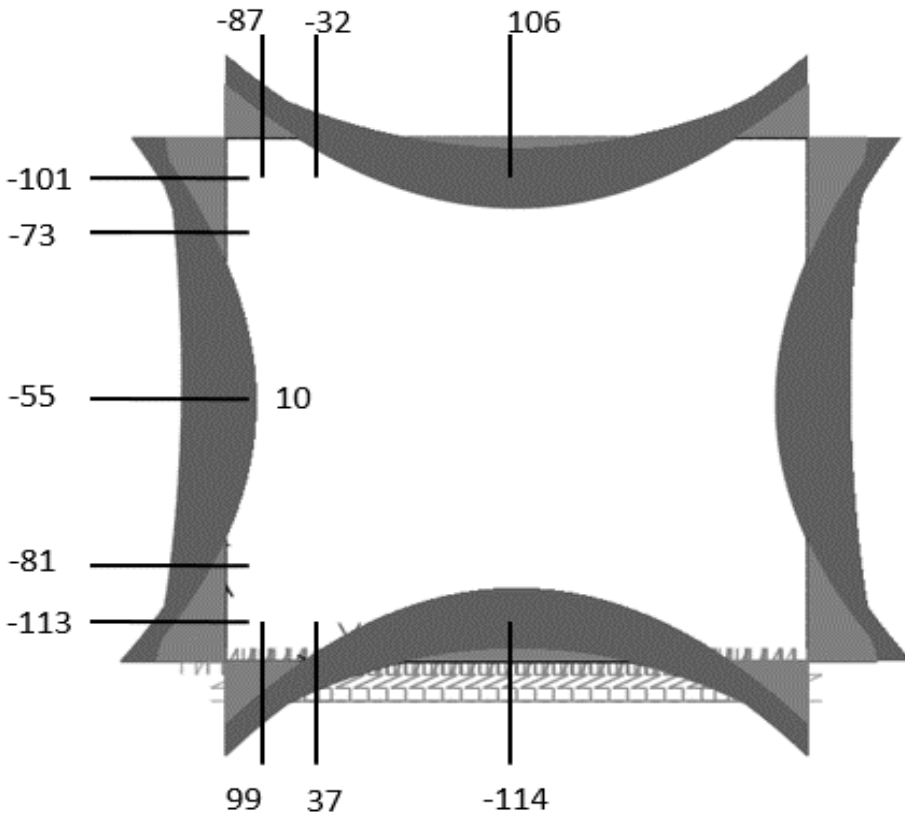
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	Shear force from analysis = 200 kN/m	V = 200 kN/m
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	0.75X(f _{cu}) ^{1/2} = 0.75x(30) ^{1/2} = 4.108 N/mm ²	0.833 N/mm ²
	Design shear stress, v = 0.83 < 0.75x(f _{cu}) ^{1/2} or 4.75 N/mm ² Hence O.K	
	Assume longitudinal tension reinforcement A _{s,pro} = 2637 mm ² /m	
BS 5400 Part 4: 1990 5.3.3.2	Allow. shear resistance = (0.27/g _m)(100A _s /b _w d) ^{1/3} (f _{cu}) ^{1/3} x _s x _s v _c	
	Where, depth ratio, ξ _{ss} = (500/d) ^{1/4} = (500/240) ^{1/4} = 1.20 or 0.7 (greater value)	
	ξ _{ss} v _c = (0.27/1.25)x(100x2637/1000x240) ^{1/3} x(30) ^{1/3} x1.20 = 0.83 N/mm ² = actual shear stress	ξ _{ss} v _c = 0.83 N/mm ²
B/D 28/87 Incorporating Amendment No.1 1989	D-4 SHRINKAGE AND TEMPERATURE REINFORCEMENT REQUIREMENT 	
	f _{cu} = 30 N/mm ² f _y = 460 N/mm ²	
	A _c = 1000 x 150 = 150000 mm ²	
5.1	f _{ct} = 0.12 (f _{cu}) ^{0.7} = 0.12 (30) ^{0.7} = 1.30 N/mm ²	
5.3	A _s = (f _{ct} ÷ f _y) x A _c = $\frac{1.30}{460}$ x 150000 A _s = 423 mm ²	
5.3 BS 5400 Part 4: 1990 Table 1 B/D 28/87 Incorporating Amendment No.1 1989 Table 2 Table 1 5.9 5.7	A _s = $\frac{f_{ct} \times A_c \times \phi}{f_b \times 2w}$ [R(ε _{sh} + ε _{th}) - 0.5 ε _{ult}] w = 0.25 mm ε _{ult} = 200 x 10 ⁻⁶ f _{ct} ÷ f _b = 0.67 ε _{sh} = 0.5 x ε _{ult} = 100 x 10 ⁻⁶ φ = 20 mm R = 0.5 T ₁ = 35 T ₂ = 12 α = 12 x 10 ⁻⁶	

Reference	Calculation	Output
	$\begin{aligned} \epsilon_{th} &= 0.8 \alpha (T_1 + T_2) \\ &= 0.8 \times 12 \times 10^{-6} (35 + 12) \\ &= 451.2 \times 10^{-6} \end{aligned}$ $A_s = 706 \text{ mm}^2$ <p>Maximum r/f required = 706 mm²</p>	
D-5	<p>FLEXURAL CRACK WIDTH REINFORCEMENT REQUIREMENT</p> <p>to find the reinforcement requirement for crack width , assume a amount for reinforcement and calculate crack width</p> <p>then change the assumed amount of reinforcement until crack width reach to design crack width (0.25mm)</p> 	
	Figure D.3:SLS bending moment (kNm/m) diagram	

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