

Design Loads  
Seismic  
Example 1

Determine SDS, SD1, and Seismic Design Category for the following building:

- Children's Hospital located at 100 Mario Capecchi Drive, SLC, UT 84113
- Soils Report shows
  - Site Class D
  - $S_s = 1.281$
  - $S_1 = 0.474$

STEP #1: DETERMINE RISK CATEGORY

HOSPITAL  $\rightarrow$  RISK CATEGORY IV

STEP #2: DETERMINE SHORT-PERIOD SITE COEFFICIENT,  $F_a$

USE TABLE 11.4-1

SITE CLASS D

$$S_s = 1.281$$

INTERPOLATE TO FIND  $F_a$ :

$$S_{s_1} = 1.25 \quad F_{a_1} = 1.0$$

$$S_{s_2} = 1.5 \quad F_{a_2} = 1.0$$

$$\therefore F_a = 1.0$$

STEP #3: DETERMINE  $S_{MS}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{EQUATION 11.4-1} \rightarrow S_{MS} &= F_a S_s \\ &= 1.0(1.281) \\ &= 1.281 \end{aligned}$$

$$\underline{S_{MS} = 1.281}$$

STEP #4: DETERMINE  $F_v$

USE TABLE 11.4-2

SITE CLASS D

$$S_1 = 0.474$$

INTERPOLATE TO FIND  $F_v$

$$S_{1_1} = 0.4 \quad F_{v_1} = 1.9$$

$$S_{1_2} = 0.5 \quad F_{v_2} = 1.8$$

$$\begin{aligned} F_v &= F_{v_1} + \left[ \left( \frac{S_1 - S_{1_1}}{S_{1_2} - S_{1_1}} \right) (F_{v_2} - F_{v_1}) \right] \\ &= 1.9 + \left[ \left( \frac{0.474 - 0.4}{0.5 - 0.4} \right) (1.8 - 1.9) \right] \\ &= 1.826 \end{aligned}$$

$$\underline{F_v = 1.826}$$

STEP #5: DETERMINE  $S_{M1}$

$$\text{EQUATION 11.4-2} \rightarrow S_{M1} = F_v S_1$$

$$= 1.826(0.474)$$

$$= 0.866$$

$$S_{M1} = 0.866$$

STEP #6: DETERMINE  $S_{DS}$  &  $S_{D1}$

$$\text{EQUATION 11.4-3} \rightarrow S_{DS} = \frac{2}{3} S_{MS}$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} (1.281)$$

$$= 0.854$$

$$\text{EQUATION 11.4-4} \rightarrow S_{D1} = \frac{2}{3} S_{M1}$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} (0.866)$$

$$= 0.577$$

$$S_{DS} = 0.854$$

$$S_{D1} = 0.577$$

STEP #7: DETERMINE SEISMIC DESIGN CATEGORY  
SECTION 11.6

TABLE 11.6-1  $\rightarrow S_{DS} \rightarrow D$

TABLE 11.6-2  $\rightarrow S_{D1} \rightarrow D$

$\therefore$  SEISMIC DESIGN CATEGORY D