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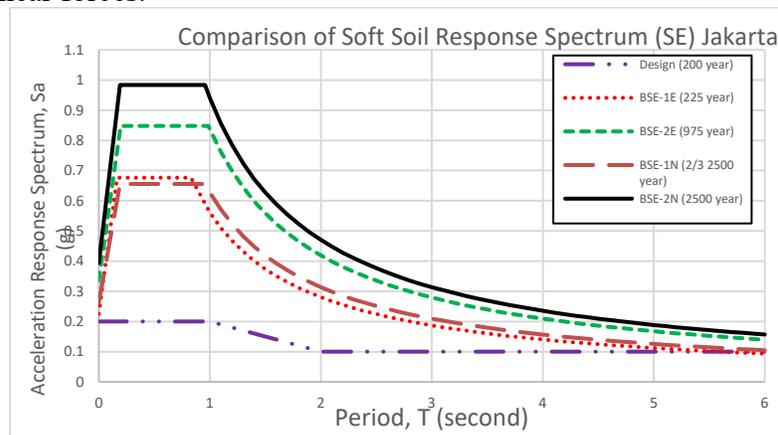


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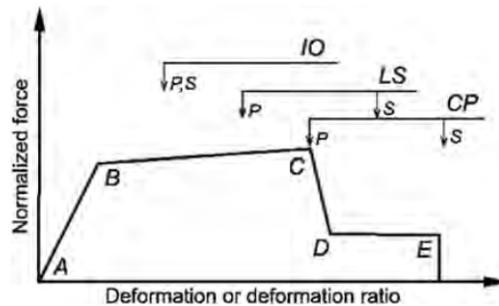


Fig. 2 Illustration of Acceptance Criteria  
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Fig. 3 Plan View Office Building model

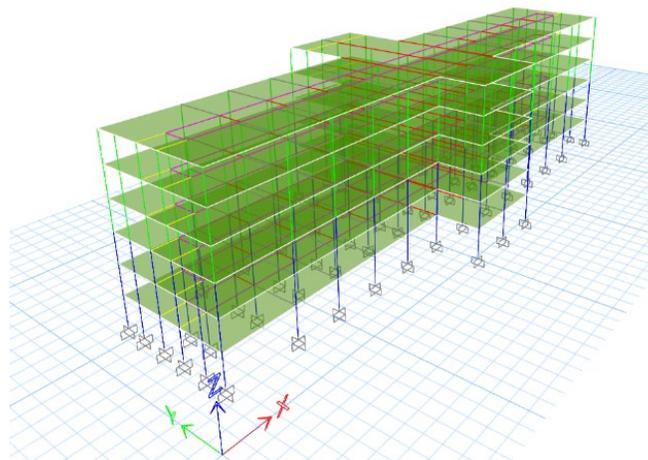


Fig. 4 Existing Office Building 3-D model

### Results and Discussion

The results of the tier 1 evaluation of existing office buildings were obtained by screening the list item from tables determined by ASCE 41-17 for visual checking and quick calculations. Base shear used in tier 1 is 135,191kN. The tier 1 evaluation results found deficiencies in the shear stress of columns, beams, and plates. Therefore, evaluation continues to tier 2 evaluation using linear static analysis on columns, beams, and column flat plate joints with predetermined action classifications. The base shear force in the linear analysis used for assessment is 73,406kN. The results from column evaluation showed that the column was still adequate for axial and shear action, but failure was found to be 50.48% due to the combined axial and bending action. When checking the beam components, it was found that failure was 7.25% due to bending action, and 43.96% failure was due to shear action. Meanwhile, checking each column flat plate joint for shear

action, both interior and edge, is still capable of serving the action that occurs in the BSE-2E seismic hazard. Based on the result, the building did not achieve the target performance level.

A tier 3 evaluation used nonlinear static analysis (pushover) to assess the building's nonlinear performance. The base shear force in the nonlinear analysis used for assessment is 48,294kN. The results of the pushover curve for the existing office building are depicted in Figure 5 and Figure 6 respectively. In the X direction, the target displacement (performance level point) from the curve is 466mm, indicating a life safety performance. Meanwhile in the Y direction, the target displacement is 451mm, signifying collapse prevention performance. Consequently, the office building has attained the target performance level as per ASCE 41-17.

The nonlinear static analysis (pushover) results reveal that plastic joint formation initially occurred in the beam due to bending forces. Certain plastic joints met the required safety standards with no bending-related failures in the beam. Nonetheless, examination of the beam against shear action yielded a failure rate of 19.57%. Meanwhile, the column evaluation noted that several columns failed due to plastic hinge formation, resulting from increased collapse prevention performance under axial bending forces. Notably, no failures were observed when assessing the columns against shear action. Similarly, the column flat plate joints exhibited no failures under shear action.

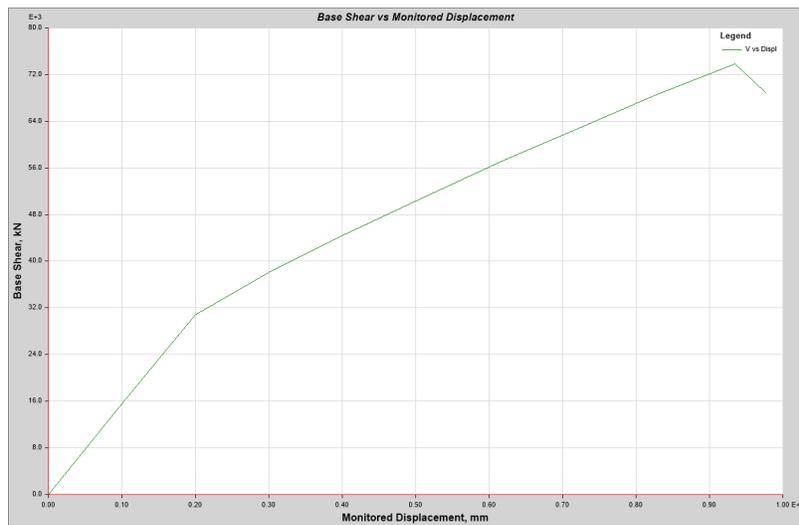


Fig. 5 Base Shear Force Versus Nodal Displacement in X Direction

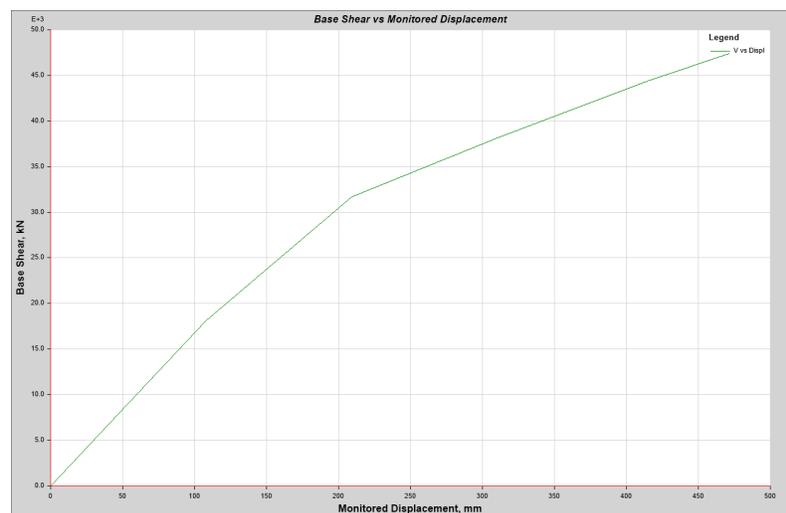


Fig. 6 Base Shear Force Versus Nodal Displacement in Y Direction

Tables 1 to Table 5 shows a comparison of the number of element failure percentages evaluated at tier 2 with linear static procedure analysis (LSP) and tier 3 with nonlinear static procedure analysis (NSP). In linear static, there are more failures because linear analysis evaluates component performance up to the maximum elastic point without considering the inelastic properties of the component. Therefore, the results of the nonlinear analysis are the actual building performance conditions. Based on the results of the nonlinear analysis, It has determined that the maximum base shear force is lower than the linear base shear force.

*Table 1 Comparison of Column Evaluations for Deformation Controlled Actions*

Story	Total Column	Percentage of Column Failure Due to Combined of Axial Bending Action			
		Tier 2 PSL	Percentage (%)	Tier 3 PSN	Percentage (%)
6	69	0	0.00	0	0.00
5	69	0	0.00	0	0.00
4	69	8	11.59	0	0.00
3	69	63	91.30	0	0.00
2	69	69	100.00	0	0.00
1	69	69	100.00	15	21.74
Total	414	209	50.48	15	3.62

*Table 2 Comparison of Column Evaluations for Force Controlled Actions*

Story	Total Column	Percentage of Column Failure Due to Axial and Shear Action			
		Tier 2 PSL	Percentage (%)	Tier 3 PSN	Percentage (%)
6	69	0	0.00	0	0.00
5	69	0	0.00	0	0.00
4	69	0	0.00	0	0.00
3	69	0	0.00	0	0.00
2	69	0	0.00	0	0.00
1	69	0	0.00	0	0.00
Total	414	0	0.00	0	0.00

*Table 3 Comparison of Beam Evaluations for Deformation Controlled Actions*

Story	Total Beam	Percentage of Beam Failure Due to Bending Action			
		Tier 2 PSL	Percentage (%)	Tier 3 PSN	Percentage (%)
6	44	0	0.00	0	0.00
5	44	3	4.35	0	0.00
4	44	8	11.59	0	0.00
3	44	8	11.59	0	0.00
2	44	8	11.59	0	0.00
1	44	3	4.35	0	0.00
Total	264	30	7.25	0	0.00

*Table 4 Comparison of Beam Evaluations for Force Controlled Actions*

Story	Total Beam	Percentage of Beam Failure Due to Shear Action			
		Tier 2 PSL	Percentage (%)	Tier 3 PSN	Percentage (%)
6	44	12	17.39	5	7.25
5	44	34	49.28	16	23.19
4	44	39	56.52	16	23.19
3	44	41	59.42	16	23.19
2	44	40	57.97	16	23.19
1	44	16	23.19	12	17.39
Total	264	182	43.96	81	19.57

*Table 5 Comparison of Plate Column Joint Evaluations for Force Controlled Actions*

Story	Total Joint	Percentage of Flat Plate Column Joint Due to Shear Action			
		Tier 2 PSL	Percentage (%)	Tier 3 PSN	Percentage (%)
6	51	0	0.00	0	0.00
5	51	0	0.00	0	0.00
4	51	0	0.00	0	0.00
3	51	0	0.00	0	0.00
2	51	0	0.00	0	0.00
1	51	0	0.00	0	0.00
Total	306	0	0.00	0	0.00

### Conclusion

We can derive several significant conclusions based on the detailed explanation in the previous discussion:

1. Based on the results of the linear static evaluation, 50.48% of the columns failed due to the combined of axial and bending action. As a result of the same action, the results of the nonlinear static evaluation (pushover) only resulted in 3.62% failure in the column.
2. Based on the results of the linear static evaluation, failure occurred 7.25% due to bending action and 43.96% due to shear action. Meanwhile, in nonlinear static (pushover) failure only occurred in 19.57% of the beams due to shear action.
3. The connection joint between the flat plate and column in the current office building still has enough capacity to resist the shear forces generated by seismic load.
4. According to ASCE 41-17, the existing office buildings have the capacity to meet the specified level of collapse prevention in both the X and Y directions.
5. The results of the nonlinear static analysis indicate a lower incidence of failures than the linear static analysis. Therefore, it is advisable to consider the nonlinear static analysis results when rehabilitating an existing building.

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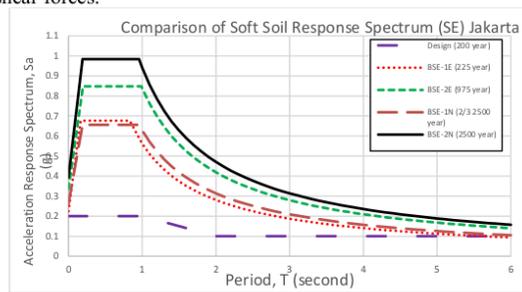


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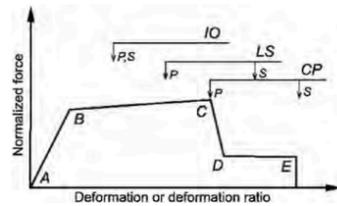


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(Source : ASCE 41-17)

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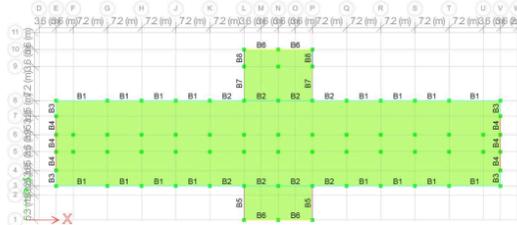


Fig. 3 Plan View Office Building model

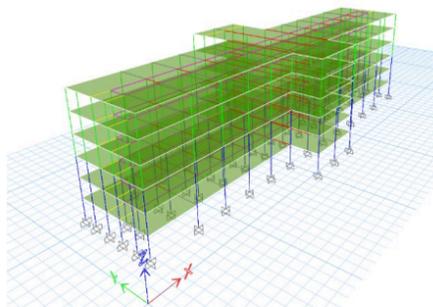


Fig. 4 Existing Office Building 3-D model

### Results and Discussion

The results of the tier 1 evaluation of existing office buildings were obtained by screening the list item from tables determined by ASCE 41-17 for visual checking and quick calculations. Base shear used in tier 1 is 135,191kN. The tier 1 evaluation results found deficiencies in the shear stress of columns, beams, and plates. Therefore, evaluation continues to tier 2 evaluation using linear static analysis on columns, beams, and column flat plate joints with predetermined action classifications. The base shear force in the linear analysis used for assessment is 73,406kN. The results from column evaluation showed that the column was still adequate for axial and shear action, but failure was found to be 50.48% due to the combined axial and bending action. When checking the beam components, it was found that failure was 7.25% due to bending action, and 43.96% failure was due to shear action. Meanwhile, checking each column flat plate joint for shear

action, both interior and edge, is still capable of serving the action that occurs in the BSE-2E seismic hazard. Based on the result, the building did not achieve the target performance level.

A tier 3 evaluation used nonlinear static analysis (pushover) to assess the building's nonlinear performance. The base shear force in the nonlinear analysis used for assessment is 48,294kN. The results of the pushover curve for the existing office building are depicted in Figure 5 and Figure 6 respectively. In the X direction, the target displacement (performance level point) from the curve is 466mm, indicating a life safety performance. Meanwhile in the Y direction, the target displacement is 451mm, signifying collapse prevention performance. Consequently, the office building has attained the target performance level as per ASCE 41-17.

The nonlinear static analysis (pushover) results reveal that plastic joint formation initially occurred in the beam due to bending forces. Certain plastic joints met the required safety standards with no bending-related failures in the beam. Nonetheless, examination of the beam against shear action yielded a failure rate of 19.57%. Meanwhile, the column evaluation noted that several columns failed due to plastic hinge formation, resulting from increased collapse prevention performance under axial bending forces. Notably, no failures were observed when assessing the columns against shear action. Similarly, the column flat plate joints exhibited no failures under shear action.

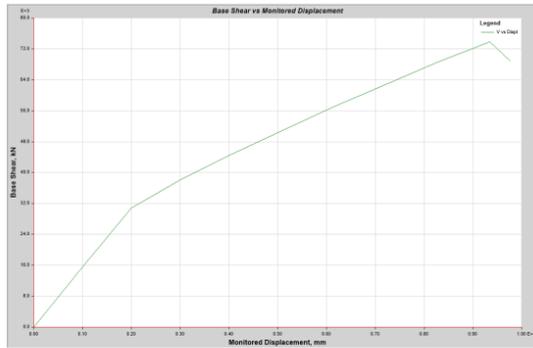


Fig. 5 Base Shear Force Versus Nodal Displacement in X Direction

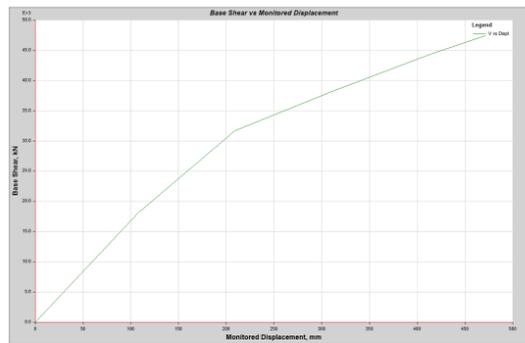


Fig. 6 Base Shear Force Versus Nodal Displacement in Y Direction

Tables 1 to Table 5 shows a comparison of the number of element failure percentages evaluated at tier 2 with linear static procedure analysis (LSP) and tier 3 with nonlinear static procedure analysis (NSP). In linear static, there are more failures because linear analysis evaluates component performance up to the maximum elastic point without considering the inelastic properties of the component. Therefore, the results of the nonlinear analysis are the actual building performance conditions. Based on the results of the nonlinear analysis, It has determined that the maximum base shear force is lower than the linear base shear force.

Table 1 Comparison of Column Evaluations for Deformation Controlled Actions

Story	Total Column	Percentage of Column Failure Due to Combined of Axial Bending Action			
		Tier 2 PSL	Percentage (%)	Tier 3 PSN	Percentage (%)
6	69	0	0.00	0	0.00
5	69	0	0.00	0	0.00
4	69	8	11.59	0	0.00
3	69	63	91.30	0	0.00
2	69	69	100.00	0	0.00
1	69	69	100.00	15	21.74
Total	414	209	50.48	15	3.62

Table 2 Comparison of Column Evaluations for Force Controlled Actions

Story	Total Column	Percentage of Column Failure Due to Axial and Shear Action			
		Tier 2 PSL	Percentage (%)	Tier 3 PSN	Percentage (%)
6	69	0	0.00	0	0.00
5	69	0	0.00	0	0.00
4	69	0	0.00	0	0.00
3	69	0	0.00	0	0.00
2	69	0	0.00	0	0.00
1	69	0	0.00	0	0.00
Total	414	0	0.00	0	0.00

Table 3 Comparison of Beam Evaluations for Deformation Controlled Actions

Story	Total Beam	Percentage of Beam Failure Due to Bending Action			
		Tier 2 PSL	Percentage (%)	Tier 3 PSN	Percentage (%)
6	44	0	0.00	0	0.00
5	44	3	4.35	0	0.00
4	44	8	11.59	0	0.00
3	44	8	11.59	0	0.00
2	44	8	11.59	0	0.00
1	44	3	4.35	0	0.00
Total	264	30	7.25	0	0.00

Table 4 Comparison of Beam Evaluations for Force Controlled Actions

Story	Total Beam	Percentage of Beam Failure Due to Shear Action			
		Tier 2 PSL	Percentage (%)	Tier 3 PSN	Percentage (%)
6	44	12	17.39	5	7.25
5	44	34	49.28	16	23.19
4	44	39	56.52	16	23.19
3	44	41	59.42	16	23.19
2	44	40	57.97	16	23.19
1	44	16	23.19	12	17.39
Total	264	182	43.96	81	19.57

Table 5 Comparison of Plate Column Joint Evaluations for Force Controlled Actions

Story	Total Joint	Percentage of Flat Plate Column Joint Due to Shear Action			
		Tier 2 PSL	Percentage (%)	Tier 3 PSN	Percentage (%)
6	51	0	0.00	0	0.00
5	51	0	0.00	0	0.00
4	51	0	0.00	0	0.00
3	51	0	0.00	0	0.00
2	51	0	0.00	0	0.00
1	51	0	0.00	0	0.00
Total	306	0	0.00	0	0.00

**Conclusion**

We can derive several significant conclusions based on the detailed explanation in the previous discussion:

1. Based on the results of the linear static evaluation, 50.48% of the columns failed due to the combined of axial and bending action. As a result of the same action, the results of the nonlinear static evaluation (pushover) only resulted in 3.62% failure in the column.
2. Based on the results of the linear static evaluation, failure occurred 7.25% due to bending action and 43.96% due to shear action. Meanwhile, in nonlinear static (pushover) failure only occurred in 19.57% of the beams due to shear action.
3. The connection joint between the flat plate and column in the current office building still has enough capacity to resist the shear forces generated by seismic load.
4. According to ASCE 41-17, the existing office buildings have the capacity to meet the specified level of collapse prevention in both the X and Y directions.
5. The results of the nonlinear static analysis indicate a lower incidence of failures than the linear static analysis. Therefore, it is advisable to consider the nonlinear static analysis results when rehabilitating an existing building.

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