



3rd Work shop on Harmonization of Design Codes in the Asian Region

(in Hanoi, Vietnam)

Date: April, 18, 2009 Saturday

Venue: Horison Hotel

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Registration Free of charge

Workshop Schedule

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Introduction of ACECC Activities towards Code Harmonization in the Asian Region

Dr. Kenichi Horikoshi,
Secretary of ACECC TC-8,
Chair of ACECC Committee, JSCE


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Activities of ACECC for Harmonization of Design Codes in the Asian Regions

Kenichi Horikoshi

Chair of Committee on ACECC, JSCE
Secretary of ACECC TC-8
Secretary of International Activities Committee, JSCE
Civil Engineering Research Institute, Taisei Corporation, JAPAN


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Introduction of ACECC:

The **Asian Civil Engineering Coordinating Council**
formally established on Sept. 27, 1999 in Tokyo.

Member of ACECC (in alphabetic order)

ASCE	American Society of Civil Engineers
CICHE	Chinese Institute of Civil and Hydraulic Engineering
EA	Engineers Australia
HAKI	Indonesian Society of Civil and Structural Engineers
JSCE	Japan Society of Civil Engineers
KSCE	Korean Society of Civil Engineers
MACE	Mongolian Association of Civil Engineers
PICE	Philippine Institute of Civil Engineers
VFCEA	Vietnam Federation of Civil Engineering Associations

The two organizations may join to ACECC after the approval by ACECC ECM
(ICEI) Institution of Civil Engineers India)
(CACE) Cambodian Association of Civil Engineers)


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Objectives of the ACECC

- To **promote and advance the science and practice** of civil engineering and related professions for sustainable development in the Asian region.
- To **encourage communication** between persons in charge of scientific and technical responsibility for any field of civil engineering.
- To **improve, extend and enhance activities** such as infrastructure construction and management, preservation of the precious environment and natural disaster prevention.
- To **foster exchange of ideas** among the member societies/institutions.
- To **cooperate with any regional, national and international organizations** to support their work, as the ACECC deems necessary.

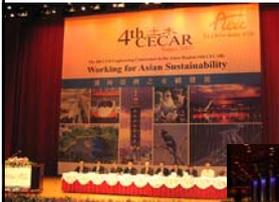

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Objectives of the ACECC

- To **provide advice to member societies/institutions** to strengthen their domestic activities.
- To achieve the above objectives, international conferences called the **Civil Engineering Conference in the Asian Region (CECAR)** will be held on a triennial basis as the main activity of the ACECC.

CECAR: Civil Engineering Conference in the Asian Region

1st CECAR	February 19-20, 1998	Manila, Philippines
2nd CECAR	April 16-20, 2001	Tokyo, Japan
3rd CECAR	August 16-19, 2004	Seoul, Korea
4th CECAR	June 25-27, 2007	Taipei, Taiwan
5th CECAR	August 8-12, 2010	Sydney, Australia







More than 1000 participants from all over the world!!

The 5th Civil Engineering Conference in the Asian Region 8-12 August 2010

Sydney Convention and Exhibition Centre, Sydney, Australia




Abstract Categories:

Climate change and coastal management,	Water management
Innovative construction (Project management and methods)	
Mining Infrastructure (Industry needs and issues)	
Sustainable infrastructure,	Transportation and road safety
Disaster reduction and recovery,	Leadership (Management and ethics)
Geotechnical engineering,	Asset management
Waste management (Solid & water waste)	
Analysis methods,	Bridge and infrastructure engineering
Building applications,	Concrete structures
Soil/structure interaction,	Steel and composite structures
Structural control and dynamics,	Structural failures
Structural health Monitoring,	Sustainability issues in structures

Organization of ACECC

Executive Committee Meeting (ECM)

Technical Coordinating Committee

- TC1* Asian and Pacific Coastal Network (JSCE)
- TC2* Integrated River Management (JSCE)
- TC3 Inter-regional Cooperation for Great Mekong Sub-region (JSCE)
- TC4* The Sumatra Offshore Earthquake and the Indian Ocean Tsunami (JSCE)
- TC5 The Sustainable Development of Civil Engineering (CICHE)
- TC6* Quantitative Risk Assessment for Hazard Mitigation (ASCE)
- TC7 : Disaster Mitigation and Preparedness Strategies (PICE)
- TC8 : **Harmonization of Design Codes in the Asian Region (JSCE)** * finished

Planning Committee 企画委員会

Sub-committee

1) Membership, 2) Awarding, 3) Operational Task, 4) E-publication

Local Organizing Committee for CECAR

ACECC Technical Committee (TC-8) on Harmonization of design codes in the Asian region

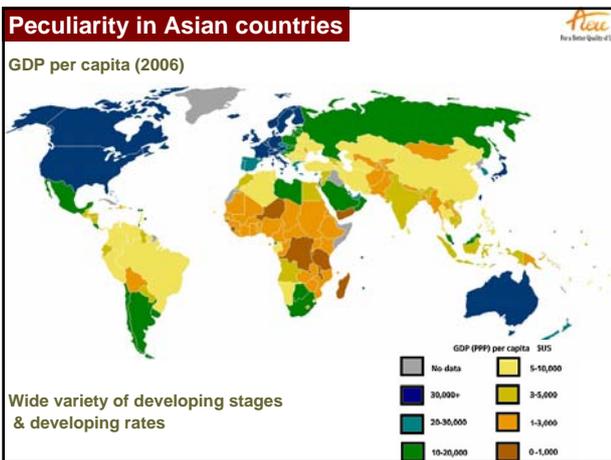
Chair Prof. Yusuke Honjo (Gifu University, JSCE)

Secretary Dr. Kenichi Horikoshi (Taisei Corporation, JSCE)

Terms of References of the new TC:

- 1) Create and strengthen **human network** on code development through continuous discussions,
- 2) Provide the **latest information** on design code in the Asian region, and make it public on the website, and
- 3) Create the **glossary of terminology** for basis of design, which will be based on a new concept such as performance based design.

Activity period: 2007-2010



Code Development and related issues

Developing Countries

International projects based on bilateral or multilateral assistance,
Code development can not catch up with very rapid infrastructure development,
Without own code, or Mixture of different overseas codes,
Lack of latest code information source,

Developed Countries

Cooperation for code development as global standard
Cooperation for creation of unified idea of design concept and terminologies

Necessity

to discuss future of code development
to exchange information on code development in each country
to enhance personal network among code writers
beyond boundaries of nations and fields of study

Information on Design Codes in each ACECC members

2. Source of code information in each ACECC member

Australia

Australian Standards <http://www.standards.com.au/catalogue/scripts/Search.asp>
<http://www.standards.org.au/>
 Australian Building Codes Board <http://www.abcb.gov.au/>
 National Association of Testing Authorities <http://www.nata.asn.au/>
 National Standards Commission <http://www.nsc.gov.au/index.html>

Japan

General
 Japan Industrial Standard Committee (JISC) <http://www.jisc.go.jp/eng/index.html>
 Japan Standard Associations (JSA) http://www.jsa.or.jp/default_english.asp

Activities related to ISO
 Institute of International Harmonization for Building and Housing (iibh) http://www.bekkoame.ne.jp/~acbh/index_e.htm
 ISO/TC289/SC3/WG10: Bases for design of structures - Seismic actions for designing geotechnical works. <http://www.jsce.or.jp/lop/ctc89sc3wg10/links.htm>

Concrete
 International Committee on Concrete Model Code for Asia (ICCMCA) <http://www.iccmca.org/>

Geotechnical Engineering
 International Society for Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering TC 23 Limit State Design in Geotechnical Engineering Practice <http://www.cive.gifu-u.ac.jp/~tc23/index.html>

Related Institute
 Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport <http://www.mlit.go.jp/eng/index.html>

<http://www.acecc.net/modules/tinycontent5/index.php?id=37>

Workshops and Forums on Code Harmonization

4 November, 2006 (Taipei, Taiwan)
1st Workshop on Harmonization of Design Codes in the Asian Region

27 June, 2007 (Taipei Taiwan)
4th CECAR Special Forum:
Harmonization of Design Codes in the Asian Region

11 September, 2008 (Sendai, Japan)
2nd Workshop on Harmonization of Design Codes in the Asian Region

18 April, 2009 (Hanoi, Vietnam)
3rd Workshop on Harmonization of Design Codes in the Asian Region

Level of Harmonization	
Step 1	Share of information beyond boundaries of societies and civil eng. fields (source of code, methodology of code development) Activities of this level have already been started by ACECC, i.e. code information on ACECC website, and ACECC workshop on Harmonization of design codes in the Asian region Nov. 4, 2006
Step 2	Harmonization of basic terminologies used for designs, Harmonization of design concept , such as limit state design, performance based design, Informative to code writers Avoid misunderstanding among engineers in practice
Step 3	Harmonized code for basis of design , Harmonized code for a specific design field, such as concrete, structural engineering, and geotechnical engineering. Codes to be refereed by code writers in each country Such as Eurocode 0: Basis of Design, ISO 2394: General principles on reliability for structures,
Step 4	Harmonization extended to broader area and broader engineering field. Asian Concrete Model Code activity toward ISO Asian Voice to the world

Main Objectives of ACECC workshop & Forum	
1.	To share the information on activities and methodologies for formulating design codes in each country and make use of them for future activities,
2.	To discuss the direction for the code harmonization in the Asian region. As well, to <u>provide a place</u> for discussions in the same languages and vocabularies,
3.	To transmit to the world the idea about the design code in the Asian region <u>as the Asian voice</u> ,
4.	To create stronger human network among the people involved in the code development

Some of summaries of workshops so far:	
1)	Wide variety of design codes in each field in each country, which have been influenced by many other countries, such as Russia, USA, Europe, and Japan.
2)	We should realize that we have common natural conditions , such as climates, ground types and disasters in the Asian region.
3)	We need to differentiate between short-term and long-term targets . Creating a glossary of terminology may also be a nice step for the harmonization.
4)	The limit state design concept was a base for the harmonization in European countries. A new concept such as 'performance based-design', 'performance based specifications', and 'sustainable design' may be necessary for harmonization.
5)	A civil engineering society is not the only body to deal with design codes. It is necessary to exchange information with other professional groups such as concrete and steel institutes, and architectural institute.
6)	Eurocodes are the government-oriented projects and they have close ties with European Union. Collaboration work and information exchange with governments are necessary for future harmonization.

Meeting at Vietnam Institute for Building Science and Technology, and Ministry of Construction	
Translation of design codes to the common languages among Asian countries, Flexible codes which can accommodate the variety of different developing stages, Takes longer time for harmonization, start harmonization from what we can harmonize, Collaboration with governments, Common natural conditions (soft soils, humid climate with much rain, similar disasters), Different (unique) natural conditions from European Countries,	
	

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Introduction of JSCE Standard Specifications for Steel and Composite Structures

Prof. Eiki Yamaguchi,
Kyushu Institute of Technology

Introduction of JSCE Standard Specifications for Steel and Composite Structures



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JSCE (Japan Society of Civil Engineers)

JSCE was founded in 1914.

JSCE has been recognized as one of the most prestigious engineering societies.

JSCE has a membership of over 35,000.

About 30 committees have been actively conducting a wide range of studies and researches.

Design Code for Steel Structures

Committee on Steel Structures, JSCE

First published in 1987

Part A : Structures in General
Part B : Specific Structures

Allowable Stress Design

Revised in 1997

Part A : Structures in General
Part B : Composite Structures

Limit State Design

Model Code: Advanced

Code of Practice: ASD



Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport

Basis of Structural Design for Buildings and Public Works (2002)

Code for Code Writers:

Directions in the Development of Design Codes

Limit State Design



Basis of Structural Design for Buildings and Public Works

Design Codes in Japan: for specific structures

Inconsistent with each other
Inconsistent with international standards

Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport



Basis of Structural Design for Buildings and Public Works

Chapters:

1. General
2. Limit states
3. Actions
4. Seismic design
5. Method of verifying performance



Basis of Structural Design for Buildings and Public Works

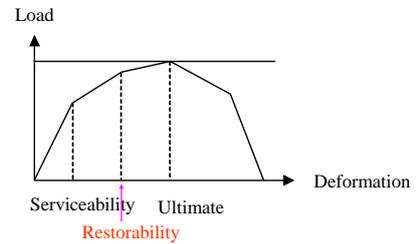
1. General

design working life

safety, serviceability and restorability

Basis of Structural Design for Buildings and Public Works

2. Limit states



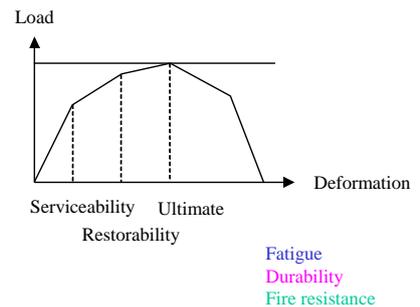
Basis of Structural Design for Buildings and Public Works

Restorability limit states:

- * located between **serviceability** limit states and **ultimate** limit states
- * beyond which continued use of the structure by repair using technologies available **within reasonable ranges of cost and time** is no longer feasible under damage resulting from foreseeable actions.

Basis of Structural Design for Buildings and Public Works

2. Limit states



Basis of Structural Design for Buildings and Public Works

3. Actions

direct, indirect, **environmental**

4. Seismic design

performance matrix

5. Method of verifying performance

reliability (partial factors)
ISO2394

Performance-Based Design Codes

The **WTO/TBT** agreement (Article 2.8) :

'wherever appropriate, Members shall specify technical regulations based on product requirements **in terms of performance** rather than design or descriptive characteristics'.



Performance-Based Design Codes

JSSC (Japan Society of Steel Construction)

Guidelines for Performance-Based Design of Civil Engineering Steel Structures (2001)

Steel Structures in General

Code for PBD Code Writers

Earlier than Ministry Works
Later than Concrete



Guidelines for Performance-Based Design of Civil Engineering Steel Structures

I **General Rules** for Performance-Based Design of Steel Structures

II **Manual** for Verification Procedure of Steel Structure Design

III Appendices

Guidelines for Performance-Based Design of Civil Engineering Steel Structures

Performance-based design: **Optimization Problem**

Objective: Minimize LCC (Life Cycle Cost)
LCCO₂ (Life Cycle CO₂)

Constraints: Performance Requirements

Guidelines for Performance-Based Design of Civil Engineering Steel Structures

Design procedure of performance-based design is as follows:

Step 1: * **Design conditions** such as loads and design working life

* **Performance requirements**, which may depend on the importance of a structure to be designed

Step 2: * **Dimensions and materials** of a structure

* **Evaluation** of structural performance: the demand (S) and the capacity (R)

Guidelines for Performance-Based Design of Civil Engineering Steel Structures

Design Procedure:

Step 3: * **Partial factors** applied to S and R: Design values **S_d** and **R_d**

Step 4: * **Comparison** between S_d and R_d

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Verification of the performance requirements

Step 5: * Among those structures that meet the performance requirements, the one that **minimizes LCC/LCCO₂** would be the optimum structure under the given conditions.

Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport

Entrusted the development of **PBD Model Code** to **JSCE**:

Code PLATFORM ver.1: Principles, Guidelines and Terminologies for Structural Design Code Drafting Founded on the Performance-Based Design Concept (2003)



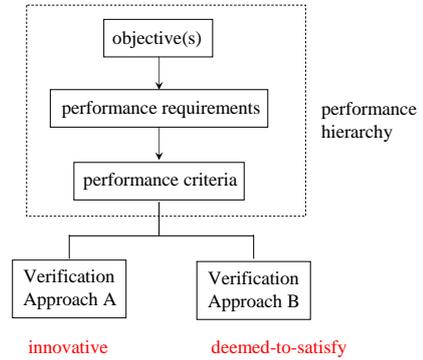
Code for PBD Code Writers

Code PLATFORM ver.1

Chapters:

1. Definition of terminologies
2. General
3. Performance requirements of structures
4. Verification procedures
5. Structural design report

Code PLATFORM ver.1



JSCE (Japan Society of Civil Engineers)

For Construction of Performance-Based Design for Steel Structures (2003)

General Provisions
Structural Planning
Design
Construction



A Model Code of Performance-Based Design

not very comprehensive yet

Seismic Performance Design Objective Matrix (VISION 2000)

		Earthquake Performance Level			
		Fully Operational	Operational	Life Safe	Near Collapse
Earthquake Design Level	Frequent	●			
	Occasional	▲	●		
	Rare	◆	▲	●	
	Very Rare		◆	▲	●

● : Basic Objective; ▲ : Essential/Hazardous Objective; ◆ : Safety Critical Objective

Seismic Design for Highway Bridges: Matrix for Seismic Performance

Design Ground Motion	Bridge Category	
	A	B
Level 1	Seismic Performance 1	
Level 2	Seismic Performance 3	Seismic Performance 2

Seismic Performance 1: No damages in the aftermath of seismic events

Seismic Performance 2: Damage is limited so that the function can be recovered promptly

Seismic Performance 3: Damage is not fatal

Model Code for Concrete Structures

Concrete Committee, JSCE

Standard Specifications

Long History

LSD

Partial factor format

Performance-based design (2002)

Always ahead of steel structures



Standard Specifications for Steel and Composite Structures

Committee on Steel Structures, JSCE

Subcommittee for **Standard Specifications** in 2004

6 volumes:

1. General Provision
2. Structural Planning 2007
3. Design
4. Seismic Design 2008
5. Construction 2009
6. Maintenance



1. General Provision

Engineering Ethics:

Accountability
Traceability
Compliance

Life Cycle Performance:

Structural Planning
Design
Construction
Maintenance

2. Structural Planning

Six Performances:

Safety, Serviceability, Restorability, Durability,
Social and Environmental Compatibility, Constructibility

Safety:

Structural Safety, Public Safety

3. Design

Chapter 1	General provisions
Chapter 2	Actions
Chapter 3	Materials
Chapter 4	Structural analysis
Chapter 5	Strength of members
Chapter 6	Required performance and verification for safety
Chapter 7	Required performance and verification for serviceability
Chapter 8	Required performance and verification for durability
Chapter 9	Required performance and verification for social and environmental compatibility
Chapter 10	Provisions for structural members
Chapter 11	Provisions for connections
Chapter 12	Provisions for structures
Chapter 13	Provisions for plate structures
Chapter 14	Design of slabs
Chapter 15	Design of composite girder structures

Required Performances and Limit States

Safety-----Safety limit states
Serviceability-----Serviceability limit states
Durability-----Durability limit states
Social and Environmental Compatibility (LCC, LCCO₂, Noise, etc.)

Required Performance



Performance items

e.g.
Safety:
structure (ultimate strength, stability);
public safety

Design Code for Steel Structures

6.2 Verification for Ultimate Limit State of Frame Members

6.2.1 Members subject to axial forces

Members subject to axial forces shall be verified as given below:

(1) In tension

$$P_d/P_{tu} \leq 1 \quad (6.1)$$

(2) In compression

$$P_d/P_{cu} \leq 1 \quad (6.2)$$

where ...



Standard Specifications for Steel and Composite Structures

6.3.1.1 Verification of load-carrying capacity of members in framed structure

The load-carrying capacity of a structural member in a framed structure shall be verified for all applicable cases among the following:

- (1) axial force
- (2) bending moment
- (3) combined axial force and bending moment
- (4) shear force or a combination of shear force and torsional moment
- (5) combined axial force, bending moment, and shear force
- (6) biaxial stress in the above five cases when significant



Standard Specifications for Steel and Composite Structures

Current activities

* English version
coming out in 2009

* Revision

Chapter 3 "Materials"

- How to utilize new steels
- How to determine the characteristic value and partial factor for materials
- Data accumulation on material properties
- Consistency with other design codes

Standard Specifications for Steel and Composite Structures

Consistency: **Young's modulus**

JRA Code	200 kN/mm ²
JSCE	205
AIJ Code	205
Eurocode 3	210
AASHTO LRFD	200

Standard Specifications for Steel and Composite Structures

Current activities

* Revision

Chapter 5 "Structural member resistance"

- How to determine the characteristic resistance and partial factor for resistance
- Data accumulation on resistance of members
- Classification of cross section
- Separation of material factor and structural member factor

The current situation of Standardization in Viet Nam

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Introduction

1. Standardization in VN
2. Situation of Vietnamese Codes & Standards in Construction

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Standardization in VN

Overview of Vietnamese Standards System

Vietnam Standards (TCVN) is the standard state:

- **Based on:**
 - research of scientific-technical and applied experience in advanced and
 - accepted international standards, regional and foreign accordance with economic conditions - Social Vietnam.
- **Issued** by Ministry of Science and Technology (MoST) or other Ministry (For example: TCXDVN is issued by Ministry of Construction – MOC)
- **Amount:** 6500 standards (International, regional and other countries standards: > 2000)
- **Situation:** Old → New (Prior)

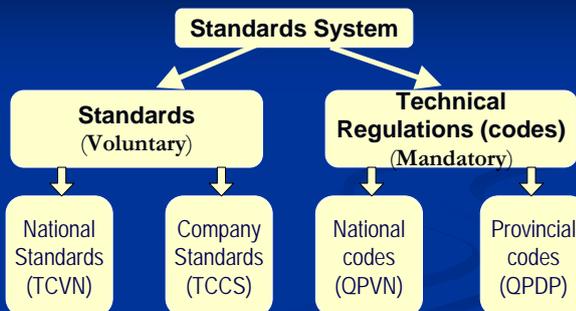
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Structure of Vietnamese Standards System (Old)

Level	Code	Field	Issue	Example
National (mandatory or voluntary)	TCVN	General specifications, Production standards (cements, tiles, reinforcement, etc.)	MOST	TCVN 3992:1985
	TCXD, TCXDVN	Other fields (design, construction, planning, etc.)	MOC	TCXD 238:1999 TCXDVN 375:2006
Sector (Voluntary)	22 TCN	Transportation construction	MT	22 TCN 223:95
	14 TCN	Agriculture construction	MARD	14 TCN 63:2002
Company standards	TCCS	Any field (products)	Company	TCCS 1:2008

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Law on Standards and Technical Regulations (New - From 2007)



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The Duties of Standardization in VN to 2010

1. Improve system Technical Regulations to service management :
 - Review the mandatory requirements & convert to Technical Regulations from current standards;
 - Edit a new Technical Regulation.
2. Complete the National standard System to service management and harmonise with the international and regional standards:
 - Review & convert the existing standards;
 - Edit a new standards
 - Promote socialization activities separated, encourage construction and application of standards

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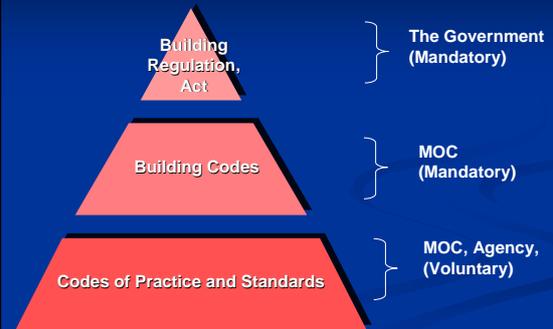
Building Codes & Standards System in VN

Development of Standards/codes by Ministry of Construction - MOC

- > **Management of Standards/codes Development:** Department of Science Technology & Environment (DSTE) -MOC
- > **Standards Preparation:** Any organisation.
Mainly:
 - Vietnam Institute for Building Science and Technology (IBST), Website: www.ibst.vn
 - Institute of Architectural & Planning Research, and
 - Institute of Building Materials.

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Structure of Building Codes & Standards



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Exits Building Codes

- BCV - Building Code of Vietnam Volume I (1996), Volumes II, III (1997): Review;
- BCV – Plumbing (1999);
- BCV – Accessibility for people with disabilities in buildings (2002);
- BCV - Energy Efficiency construction (2005);
- BCV - Occupational Health and Safety (2008);
- BCV - Natural Data for Construction. Part 1 (2009).

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Building Codes under development

- BCV - Fire safety;
- BCV – Underground Construction in Urban Area;
- BCV – Architectures, Structures;
- BCV - Master Planning.
- BCV - Energy Efficiency construction (Continuous);
- BCV - Natural Data for Construction. Part 2

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Construction Standards System

- > **Amount:** > 1100 standards
- > **Fields:**
 - General standards;
 - Design standards: Planning, Surveying, Designing, Infrastructure ...;
 - Quality Control, Construction and Assessment;
 - Material Products;
 - Protection, Safety and Environment of Construction;
 - Testing standards

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Vietnamese design standards

- Based mainly on Russian system (**old standards**).
 - Design of Concrete Structures: TCXDVN 356:2005
 - Design of Steel Structures: TCXDVN 338:2005
 - Design of Masonry Structures: TCVN 5573:1991
 - Design of Timber Structures: TCXD 44:1970
- Orientation of Vietnamese design standards (**New approach**).
Adoption of ISO and Eurocodes

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Approved Program for adoption of Eurocodes

> Eurocodes being transformed into Vietnamese standards

- EN 1990
- EN 1991
- EN 1992
- EN 1996
- EN 1997

* EN 1998 is adopted as TCXDVN 375:2006 "Design code for earthquake resistant of structures" Part 1&2 were approved and issued in October 2006. Other parts will be issued soon.

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Difficulties in the adoption of Eurocode in Vietnam

- > Development of Vietnam National Annex
 - Lack of database
 - Different from European countries
- > Reference documents to various EN standards:
 - Not ready to use
 - Referred EN standards also need to be adopted

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Thank you for your attention!

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ĐỊNH HƯỚNG PHÁT TRIỂN QUY CHUẨN, TIÊU CHUẨN CỦA NGÀNH XÂY DỰNG

VỤ KHOA HỌC CÔNG NGHỆ & MÔI TRƯỜNG - BỘ XÂY DỰNG
Báo cáo: TS. Trần Hữu Hà - Phó Vụ trưởng

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VỤ KHOA HỌC CÔNG NGHỆ - BỘ XÂY DỰNG

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1. Các quy định của pháp luật về Quy chuẩn, tiêu chuẩn

- ❑ Quy chuẩn xây dựng (Building Code)
- ❑ Luật Xây dựng : “*QCXD là các quy định bắt buộc áp dụng trong hoạt động XD do cơ quan quản lý Nhà nước có thẩm quyền về xây dựng ban hành*”
- ❑ Nghị định 209/2004/NĐ-CP ngày 16/12/2004 : “*QCXDVN là cơ sở để quản lý hoạt động xây dựng và là căn cứ để ban hành tiêu chuẩn*”
- ❑ QCXDVN do Bộ Xây dựng ban hành.
- ❑ Tiêu chuẩn xây dựng (Standards, Code of Practice)
- ❑ Luật Xây dựng : “*TCXD là các quy định về chuẩn mực kỹ thuật, định mức KTKT, trình tự thực hiện các*

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công việc kỹ thuật, các chỉ tiêu, các chỉ số kỹ thuật và các chỉ số tự nhiên được các cơ quan, tổ chức có thẩm quyền ban hành hoặc công nhận để áp dụng trong hoạt động xây dựng. TCXD gồm tiêu chuẩn bắt buộc áp dụng và tiêu chuẩn khuyến khích áp dụng”

- ❑ Những TCXD bắt buộc áp dụng :
 - Điều kiện khí hậu xây dựng; Điều kiện địa chất thủy văn, khí trọng; Tải trọng và tác động; Phân vùng động đất; Phòng chống cháy, nổ; Bảo vệ môi trường; An toàn lao động.
 - Các tiêu chuẩn trích dẫn trong QCXDVN và có yêu cầu bắt buộc.
- ❑ Các TCXDVN khác : khuyến khích áp dụng, không bắt buộc phải tuân thủ, có thể sử dụng tiêu chuẩn khác.

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- ❑ Luật tiêu chuẩn và quy chuẩn kỹ thuật (68/2006/QH11):
 - Có hiệu lực từ 1/1/2007
 - Tiêu chuẩn kỹ thuật quốc gia (TCVN) do Bộ KH-CN công bố, khuyến khích áp dụng;
- ❑ Các Tiêu chuẩn ngành (TCXD, TCXDVN, TCN...) sẽ chuyển đổi thành TCVN trong các năm 2007 – 2010. Từ 2008, Bộ Xây dựng đang tiến hành:
 - Soát xét, hủy các tiêu chuẩn ngành không phù hợp;
 - Soát xét, chuyển đổi các tiêu chuẩn ngành thành TCVN; -
 - Soát xét, sửa đổi, bổ sung để chuyển các tiêu chuẩn ngành thành TCVN.

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2. Quy chuẩn xây dựng Việt Nam đã ban hành

- ❑ QCXDVN ban hành 1997 (3 tập, đang soát xét lại)
 - Tập I : Quy định chung; Thiết kế QH XD
 - Tập II : Công trình dân dụng, công nghiệp; Công trình chuyên ngành; Thi công xây lắp;
 - Tập III : Số liệu tự nhiên khu vực XD

Dự án do Chính phủ Úc tài trợ năm 1997
- ❑ Quy chuẩn cấp thoát nước cho nhà và công trình xây dựng (1999) - *Dự án do Hiệp hội cấp thoát nước và cơ khí Hoa Kỳ tài trợ*
- ❑ Quy chuẩn xây dựng công trình để đảm bảo cho người tàn tật tiếp cận sử dụng (2002) - *Dự án do Ủy ban Tổng thống Hoa Kỳ về việc làm cho người tàn tật PCEPD tài trợ.*

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- ❑ QCXDVN – Các công trình XD sử dụng năng lượng có hiệu quả (2005) - *Dự án có sự phối hợp của Công ty tư vấn Quốc tế Deringer Group (Hoa Kỳ) trong khuôn khổ dự án “Quản lý sử dụng điện năng theo nhu cầu – DSM”*

Hiện nay, Bộ Xây dựng đang tổ chức thực hiện biên soạn và hoàn thiện hệ thống các QCXDVN.

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3. Hệ thống Tiêu chuẩn xây dựng Việt Nam

- ❑ Hệ thống TCXDVN gồm :
 - Quy định chuẩn mực kỹ thuật (TCVN, TCXDVN...);
 - Định mức kinh tế - kỹ thuật (đơn giá, định mức...);
 - Chỉ tiêu, chỉ số kỹ thuật (KTQH, nhân trắc, v.v...).
- ❑ Tiêu chuẩn xây dựng Việt Nam
 - Liên quan đến hoạt động xây dựng : có > 1100 tiêu chuẩn, trong đó có hơn 380 TCXDVN, còn lại các tiêu chuẩn TCVN, tiêu chuẩn ngành XD giao thông (22TCN), thủy lợi (14TCN) và tiêu chuẩn do Bộ Xây dựng ban hành trước đây (20TCN, TCXD);
 - Từ năm 2000, các tiêu chuẩn do Bộ Xây dựng ban hành có số hiệu TCXDVN.

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Nội dung Tiêu chuẩn xây dựng Việt Nam gồm các nhóm:

- ❑ Những vấn đề chung
 - Thuật ngữ;
 - Ký hiệu;
 - Số liệu, kích thước trong XD;
 - Thông tin;
- ❑ Tiêu chuẩn thiết kế
 - Quy hoạch xây dựng;
 - Khảo sát xây dựng;
 - Những vấn đề chung về thiết kế;
 - Kết cấu xây dựng (móng, BTCT, thép, gạch đá, v.v...)
 - Nhà ở và công trình công cộng;

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- Công trình công nghiệp;
- Công trình nông nghiệp;
- Công trình giao thông;
- Công trình thủy lợi;
- Kho tàng, trạm và đường ống dẫn dầu;
- Hệ thống kỹ thuật cho nhà ở và công trình công cộng;
- ❑ Quản lý chất lượng, thi công và nghiệm thu
 - Quản lý chất lượng;
 - Thi công và nghiệm thu;
- ❑ Vật liệu xây dựng, sản phẩm cơ khí
 - Xi măng, vôi, thạch cao;
 - Cốt liệu xây dựng;
 - Gốm sứ trong XD;

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- Bê tông và hỗn hợp bê tông;
- Gỗ xây dựng;
- Vật liệu lọc, chất dẻo;
- Vật liệu chịu lửa;
- Chế phẩm xây dựng;
- Sản phẩm cơ khí xây dựng;
- Thủy tinh;
- ❑ Bảo vệ công trình, an toàn và môi trường
 - Bảo vệ công trình;
 - An toàn trong xây dựng;
 - Đất xây dựng;
 - Nước, không khí;
 - Công trình xử lý chất thải (nước, rác thải)

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- ❑ Phương pháp thử
 - Xi măng, vôi, thạch cao;
 - Cốt liệu xây dựng;
 - Bê tông và hỗn hợp bê tông;
 - Gốm;
 - Kim loại;
 - Vật liệu lọc, chất dẻo;
 - Vật liệu chịu lửa;
 - Đất xây dựng;
 - Thủy tinh, kính xây dựng;
 - Nước, không khí;
 - Gốm sứ xây dựng;
 - Thí nghiệm công trình (móng, công trình...)

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❑ Thống kê các TCVN, TCXDVN, TCN hiện hành (đến 2006)

TT	Tên chi phần	S. Lượng	TT	Tên chi phần	S. Lượng	TT	Tên chi phần	S. Lượng
1	Nguyên tắc chung	70	17	Vật liệu gốm nung	19	34	Kết cấu XD	12
2	Vật liệu thép	49	18	Vật liệu đá ốp lát	3	35	Nền và móng	7
3	Vật liệu hợp kim	1	19	Hàn, que hàn	13	36	Bê tông cốt thép	11
4	Vật liệu gỗ	18	20	Vật liệu thủy tinh	3	37	Kết cấu thép	2
5	Vật liệu cát	6	21	Vật liệu sành sứ	5	38	Kết cấu gỗ	1
6	Vật liệu đá, sỏi, cốt liệu	3	22	Nước	9	39	Kết cấu gạch đá	1
7	Vật liệu xi măng	24	23	Thành phẩm XD	13	40	Môi trường	20
8	Vật liệu phụ gia	6	24	Khảo sát xây dựng	18	41	Thi nghiệm địa chất	21
9	Vật liệu vôi	4	25	Kiến trúc (chung), vật lý	26	42	Thi nghiệm công trình	15
10	Vật liệu đất	2	26	Kiến trúc dân dụng	29	43	Thi nghiệm vật liệu	236
11	Vật liệu sơn	4	27	Kiến trúc công nghiệp	8	44	Thi nghiệm NDT	31
12	Bột màu, bột bả...	2	28	Quy hoạch XD	8	45	Thi nghiệm môi trường	50
13	Vật liệu tổng hợp	14	29	Hệ thống kỹ thuật	5	46	Quản lý chất lượng	25
14	Vua, bê tông	10	30	Cấp thoát nước	12	47	An toàn	26
15	Vật liệu chịu lửa	13	31	Cấp điện, chống sét	25	48	Phòng chống cháy nổ	21
16	Vật liệu lọc	5	32	Thi công xây lắp	30	49	Giao thông (XD)	10
			33	Cơ khí, máy XD	28	50	Thủy lợi (XD)	21
						51	Nông nghiệp (XD)	3

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4. Định hướng Quy chuẩn, Tiêu chuẩn XD Việt Nam

- ❑ Yêu cầu của quá trình hội nhập quốc tế
 - Khu vực mậu dịch tự do ASEAN (AFTA) : yêu cầu dỡ bỏ rào cản kỹ thuật, hài hòa tiêu chuẩn quốc tế;
 - Tổ chức thương mại thế giới WTO (1995): thông điệp “Thương mại hoá toàn cầu cần tới những tiêu chuẩn toàn cầu”; Dỡ bỏ các rào cản kỹ thuật trong thương mại TBT (Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade);
- ❑ Do hệ thống QC, TCXDVN được xây dựng qua nhiều năm, dựa trên cơ sở tiêu chuẩn kỹ thuật của nhiều nước. Do đó, cần hoàn thiện theo xu hướng phù hợp với kinh tế thị trường, hài hòa và tiệm cận với tiêu chuẩn quốc tế.
- ❑ “Nghiên cứu xây dựng đồng bộ hệ thống TCXDVN đến năm 2010 theo hướng đổi mới và hội nhập” của Bộ Xây dựng nêu định hướng :

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Hệ thống Quy chuẩn xây dựng Việt Nam đã và đang thực hiện đến năm 2010

- ❑ QCXDVN. Quy hoạch xây dựng (2008);
- ❑ QCXDVN. Các số liệu điều kiện tự nhiên dùng trong xây dựng (2009);
- ❑ QCXDVN. Xây dựng nhà và công trình (2010);
- ❑ QCXDVN. Quy chuẩn cấp thoát nước cho nhà và công trình xây dựng (1999);
- ❑ QCXDVN. Quy chuẩn xây dựng công trình để đảm bảo cho người tàn tật tiếp cận sử dụng (2002);
- ❑ QCXDVN. Các công trình xây dựng sử dụng năng lượng có hiệu quả (2005);

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- ❑ QCXDVN. An toàn phòng cháy chữa cháy (2009);
- ❑ QCXDVN. An toàn sinh mạng (2008);
- ❑ QCXDVN. Các công trình giao thông (2009);
- ❑ QCXDVN. Các công trình thủy lợi (2009);
- ❑ QCXDVN. Các công trình hạ tầng kỹ thuật đô thị (2010);
- ❑ QCXDVN. Xây dựng công trình ngầm đô thị (2009);

Đến năm 2010, về cơ bản sẽ hoàn thành các Quy chuẩn

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Hoàn thiện Tiêu chuẩn xây dựng Việt Nam

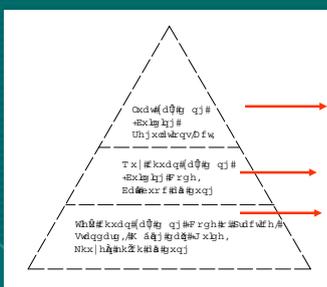
- Kiến trúc – quy hoạch : rà soát TC cũ, bổ sung tiêu chuẩn mới trên cơ sở tham khảo tiêu chuẩn ISO, Nga, Trung quốc và các nước ASEAN;
- Kết cấu và công nghệ XD : chọn mô hình của châu Âu EN, tham khảo thêm tiến bộ của Hoa Kỳ; các hình thức gồm tiêu chuẩn (Standard), tiêu chuẩn thực hành (code of practice), hướng dẫn kỹ thuật (guidelines);
- Vật liệu xây dựng : ISO (chất kết dính vô cơ và hữu cơ, bê tông, vật liệu chịu lửa, gốm sứ), EN (chất kết dính, bê tông), ASTM (bê tông, kính xây dựng);
- Hạ tầng và môi trường : ISO, EN, các nước ASEAN, Nga và Trung Quốc;
- Kinh tế, QLXD : hoàn thiện định mức, quản lý giá...

Đến năm 2010, sẽ hoàn thành 1200 tiêu chuẩn xây dựng

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- Do Quốc Hội, Chính phủ ban hành (Bắt buộc áp dụng)
- Do Chính quyền ban hành; Bộ Xây dựng ban hành (bắt buộc)
- Do Bộ, Ngành, Hiệp hội, ... ban hành, khuyến khích áp dụng

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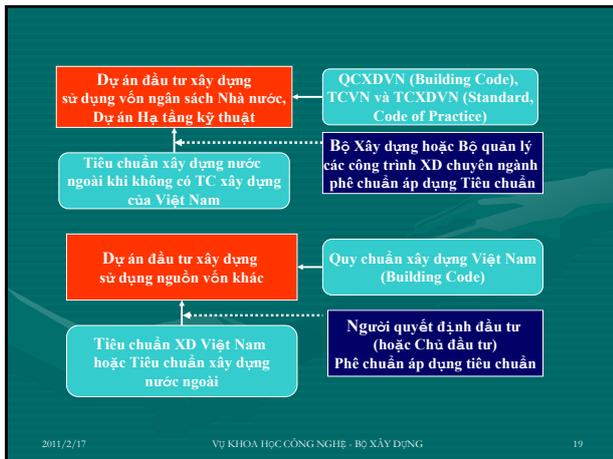
5. Sử dụng QC, TCXDVN trong hoạt động xây dựng

- ❑ QCXDVN : bắt buộc đối với mọi hoạt động đầu tư & xây dựng;
- ❑ TCXDVN : ngoại trừ các TCVN bắt buộc sử dụng, các TCVN và TCXDVN khác đều thuộc dạng khuyến khích áp dụng;
- ❑ Với công trình sử dụng vốn ngân sách, phải áp dụng các TCVN và TCXDVN hiện hành;
- ❑ Với công trình sử dụng nguồn vốn khác : Người quyết định đầu tư (hoặc Chủ đầu tư) phê chuẩn tiêu chuẩn áp dụng cho dự án;
- ❑ Khi không có tiêu chuẩn Việt Nam, có thể sử dụng TC nước ngoài theo Quy chế ban hành theo Quyết định số 09/2005/QĐ-BXD ngày 7/4/2005 của Bộ Xây dựng

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6. Áp dụng tiêu chuẩn nước ngoài

Quy chế áp dụng TCXD nước ngoài trong hoạt động xây dựng ở Việt Nam, ban hành theo Quyết định số 09/2005/QĐ-BXD ngày 7/4/2005:

- Điều kiện áp dụng TC nước ngoài :
- Người quyết định đầu tư xem xét, quyết định;
- Đáp ứng yêu cầu của QCXDVN;
- Đảm bảo an toàn sinh mạng, sinh thái, môi trường; Đảm bảo đồng bộ và khả thi trong quá trình XD (thiết kế, thi công, nghiệm thu); Sử dụng số liệu đầu vào liên quan đến điều kiện tự nhiên của VN...
- Phải là tiêu chuẩn quốc gia, tiêu chuẩn quốc tế
- Với công trình vốn ngân sách, phải được BXD hoặc Bộ có chuyên ngành XD chấp thuận.

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- Thẩm quyền chấp thuận áp dụng tiêu chuẩn nước ngoài
 - Người quyết định đầu tư;
 - Bộ Xây dựng : Công trình sử dụng vốn ngân sách; Công trình hạ tầng kỹ thuật đô thị; Công trình do Thủ tướng Chính phủ yêu cầu; Các tiêu chuẩn có nội dung kỹ thuật chưa được đề cập đến trong QCXDVN;
 - Bộ quản lý công trình xây dựng chuyên ngành : Bộ NN&PTNT (thủy lợi, đê điều); Bộ giao thông (công trình giao thông); Bộ Công nghiệp (hầm mỏ, dầu khí, nhà máy điện, đường dây tải điện, trạm biến áp và công trình công nghiệp chuyên ngành).
 - Bộ Công an : hướng dẫn áp dụng các TC phòng chống cháy của nước ngoài theo quy định tại Nghị định số 35/2003/NĐ-CP ngày 4/4/2003 Quy định chi tiết một số điều Luật PCCC.
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Introduction of Current Japanese Design Codes, and Terminologies for basis of designs

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Introduction of Current Japanese Design Codes
- Two different stories on the same event –
and Terminologies for Basis of Design

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Purpose of this presentation

We are planning to propose glossary of terminologies based on **Performance based Design (PBD)** concept.

In this contest, PBD concept is explained referring to the recent design codes development in Japan.

Story one: one side of story on PBD in Japan

- 1995 WTO/TBT agreement enforced
- 1997 JGS committee for PBD started
- 1998 Three year plan for Deregulation
- 2001 1st draft of Geo-code 21.
- 2001 Three year plan for regulation reform promotion
- 2003 revision work for TSPHS started and SHB started.
- 2003 MLT/JSCE code PLATFORM ver.1 published
- 2004 Geo-code 21 published
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WTO/TBT agreement:

- WTO/TBT was enforced in 1995, and is applied to all WTO member countries.
- Purpose of the agreement is to ensure that technical regulations and standards ... do not create unnecessary obstacles to international trade.
 - Technical regulations should based on international standards, if such exist.
 - Performance based regulations.

WTO/TBT (1995)

(AGREEMENT ON TECHNICAL BARRIERS TO TRADE)

Article 2: Preparation, Adoption and Application of Technical Regulations by Central Government Bodies

- 2.4 Wherever technical regulations are required and relevant international standards exist ... Members shall use them, or relevant part of them, as basis for their technical regulations ...
- 2.8 Wherever appropriate, Members shall specify technical regulations based on product requirements in terms of performance rather than design or descriptive characteristics.

Government Policy for deregulation (1)

Headquarter for Administrative reform (Head the Prime Minister)
'Three years plan for Deregulation '

March, 1998 the cabinet decision

- 1) All economic regulation should be eliminated in principle. The social regulations should be minimized. All regulation should be eliminated or deregulated.
- 2) Rationalization of regulation methods. For example, tests can be outsourced from the private sector.
- 3) Simplification and clarification of the contents of the regulations.
- 4) International harmonization of the regulations.
- 5) Speed up of the regulation related procedures.
- 6) Transparency of the regulation related procedure.

Government Policy for deregulation (2)

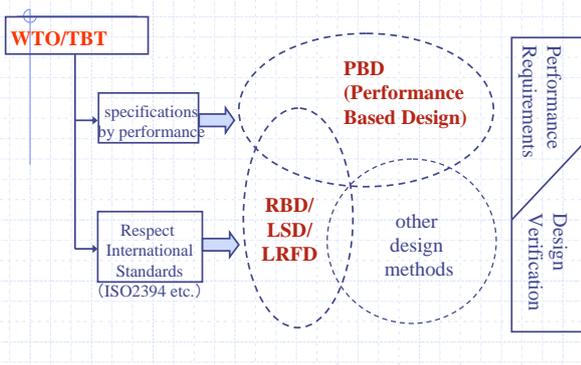
'Three years plan for regulation reform promotion'
March, 2001 the cabinet decision

- 1) Realization of sustainable economic development by promotion of economic activities.
- 2) Realization of transparent, fair and reliable economic society
- 3) Secure diversified alternatives for life styles.
- 4) Realization of economic society that is open to the world.

Background in Administrative Aspects

- 'Three years plan for promotion of regulation reform' March, 2001, the cabinet decision
 - For Codes and Standards, Harmonized to International Standards, Performance based Specification
- Ministry of Land and Transportation, Program on Restructuring of Public Works Costs, March, 2003 →
 - Revision of Common specifications for civil works
 - Review of Highway Bridge Specifications
 - Revision of Technical Standards for Port and Harbor Facilities to performance based.

WTO/TBT agreement, PBD and RBD



Events calendar

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What is PBD ?

Performance approach (PBD)
is, in essence,
the practice of thinking and
working in terms of *end*
rather than *means*.

(Foliente, G.C. 2000)

Performance based design(1) performance based specifications



Structure for
Building
Regulations

NKB report No.34
November 1978

Defined regulation
Structure for buildings
To which level regulation
be enforced, and to which
level it should be given to
the judgment of designers.

Structure for Building Regulations, NKB report No.34, Nov. 1978, Preface

The system of rules which now governs building in the Nordic countries is made up of legislation, regulations and other building rules. In the action program of the Nordic Council of Ministers for the Nordic co-operation which the building sector is stated that **the system of rules should in the first place be structures into a limited number of levels characterizing the purpose of the regulations from the comprehensive objective of the statute down to the technical solution. In this way co-operation would be facilitated even if the administrative system varies from country to country.**

Performance based design(2) performance based specifications

Nordic 5	Leave	New Zealand	Australia	UK	Canada	
Goal	Objectives	Objectives	Goals	Objectives		
Functional Requirements	Functional Requirements	Functional Requirement.	Functional Requirements	Functional Requirement.		
Operational Requirements	Performance Requirements	Perform. Requirement. / Deem to Satisfy				Mandatory Requirement.
Verification Methods	Verification Methods		Performance Technical Sol.	Acceptable Solutions		Supporting Documents (Guidance)
Acceptable Solutions	Acceptable Methods		Alternative Approaches			

(CIB,1998)

Performance based design(3) Performance Matrix

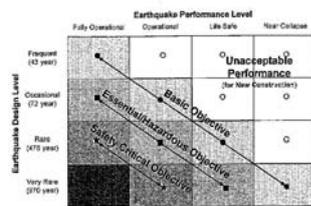


Figure 2-2: Recommended Performance Objectives for Buildings

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(SEAO 1995)

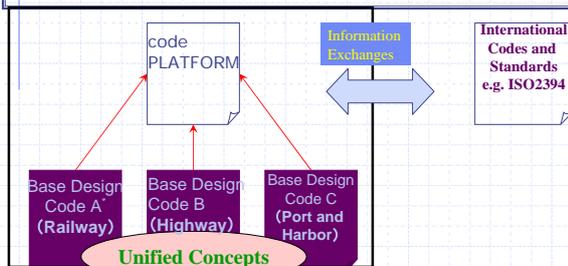
A tool for dialogue
between the owner
and the designer
on performances of
a buildings

Performance-based design

A design methodology for designing a structure exclusively to satisfy performance requirements regardless of the structural format, structural material, design procedure or construction method. This design methodology explicitly presents the objectives of the structure and the performance requirements to achieve the objectives, defines the performance criteria to provide the performance requirements (functions) and provides the functions satisfactorily by securing the performance requirements throughout the working life of the structure. Similar terms include performance-based design, performance based specification, performance-expressing design and performance-oriented design.

Comprehensive Design Code

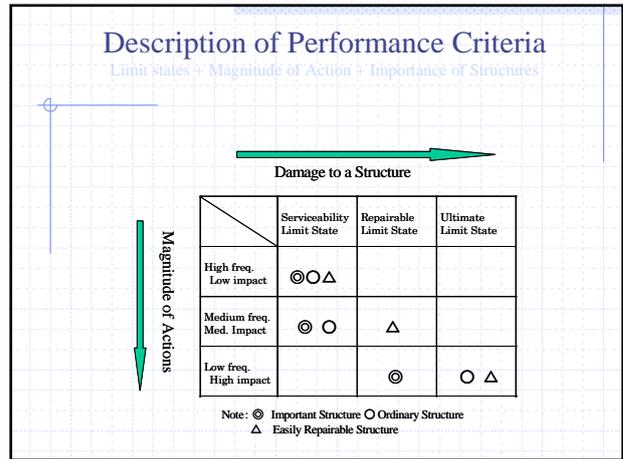
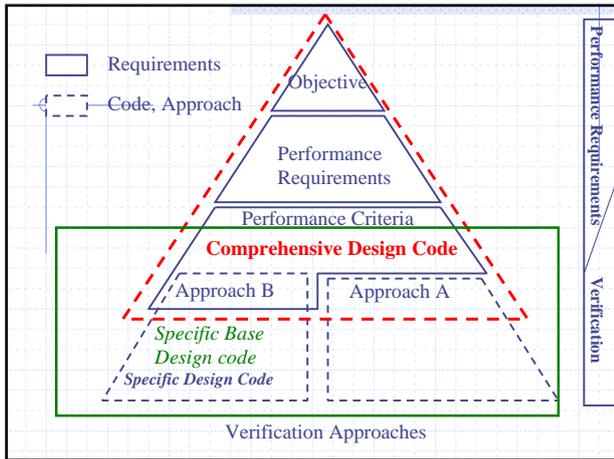
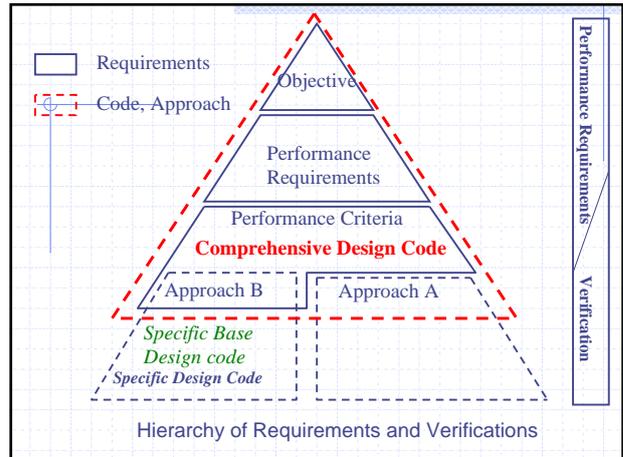
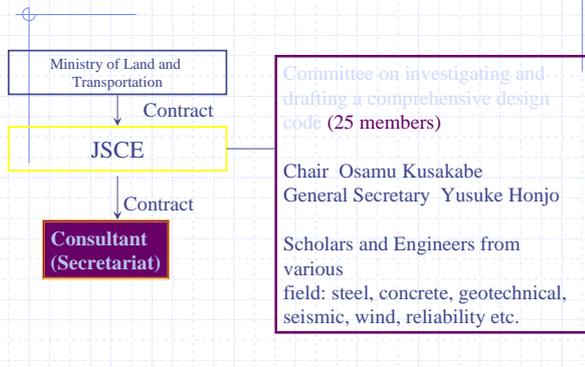
- Describing basic rules of design code, e.g. concepts, terminologies and procedures.
- A code for code writers



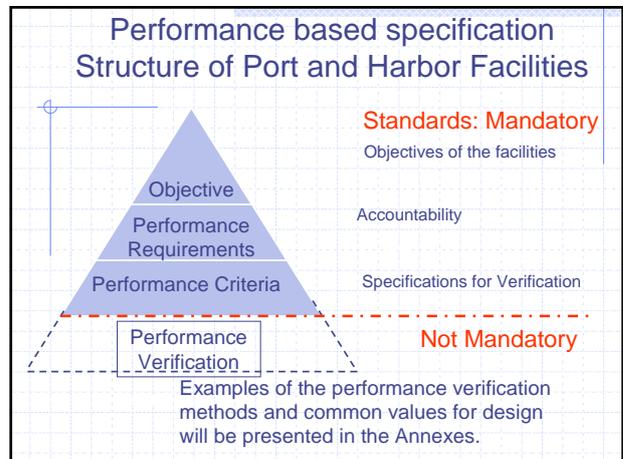
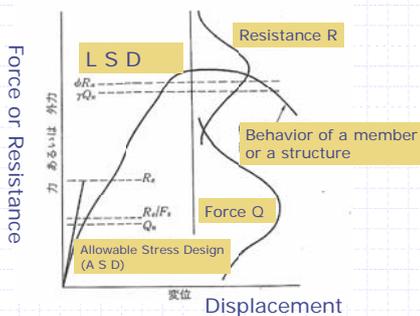
Objectives of Code PLATFORM

- Provide a framework of a structural design code based on performance based concept.
- Define structure to define performance requirements.
Objective – Performance Requirements – Performance Criteria
- Define the elements of Performance Criteria
Limit states – design situations – time
- Performance verification procedure
by performance concepts vs. by codes

Drafting Body(2001-2002)



Limit State Design Concept: The concept Eurocodes are based



Story Two: The other side of the story.

Government

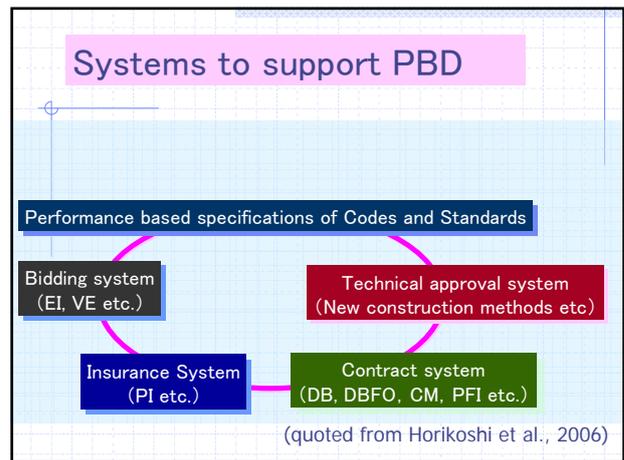
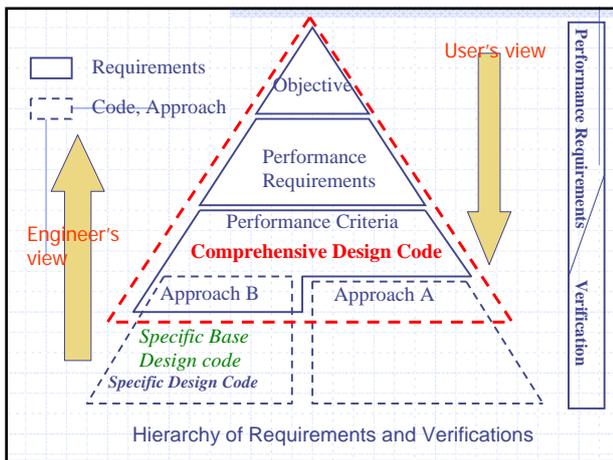
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Conclusion

- ◆ PBD is NOT engineer driven, it is government policy driven.
- ◆ PBD is user/administrator oriented approach, not engineer oriented approach.
- ◆ Because of these reasons, it has become popular in very short period of time.



Cà m o'n

Thank you very much!



March 2003
Ver. 1.0

**Principles, guidelines and terminologies for structural design code
drafting founded on the performance based design concept ver.1.0**

code PLATFORM ver.1.0

**Committee for basic study for drafting the principles,
guidelines and terminologies for structural design code**

Japan Society of Civil Engineers

Introduction

Comprehensive design codes or base codes provide basic ideas and procedures for drafting design codes and are drafted for the purpose of reference by code writers while drafting specific design codes. ISO2394 and Eurocode0 have been published overseas as comprehensive design codes. In Japan, Geotechnical Code 21 (Japanese Geotechnical Society) and the Bases of Design for Civil and Building Structures (Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport) have been developed.

Technical standards for specific structures such as roads, rivers, ports and airports and buildings have been established according to their history, culture and objectives. Technical standards therefore vary substantially from structure to structure. In recent years, numerous organizations have energetically been revising design codes based on an emerging concept of “performance based design.” At present, however, they are revising design codes in a traditional framework as mentioned above, or defining terminologies and formats arbitrarily as it were. The present condition is a source of apprehension because

- (1) It is necessary to plainly communicate excellent civil engineering technologies of Japan to other countries,
- (2) The present conditions look like a non-tariff barrier to engineers of other countries intending to enter Japanese markets, and because
- (3) The basic ideas of structural design of Japan should be transferred to next generations of engineers in a plain and systematic format.

In the future, the principles and terminologies that code writers refer to when they draft technical standards should be unified. Thereby the above conditions would be improved considerably.

The comprehensive design code described in this document (PLATFORM) was studied in a “committee for basic study for reviewing/drafting the principles, guidelines and terminologies for structural design code” that was established in the Japan Society of Civil Engineers at the request of the National Institute for Land and Infrastructure Management (NILIM), Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport. Establishing a comprehensive code was expected to require long-term efforts of more than ten years if the identification of its legal positioning, coordination with the organizations concerned and implementation of the code were included. The code was therefore basically drafted to provide an appropriate design code rather than considering the codes in place at present. The committee was composed mainly of young code writers. Frontline code writers in various fields from steel structures to concrete structures, resistance to earthquakes, waves and wind, and buildings were requested to serve on the committee to draft a comprehensive code. The fact that these code writers in diverse fields have agreed on the comprehensive design code is very important let alone the code descriptions.

Drafting PLATFORM is only a step along a long way toward coordinating design methods. We would appreciate the understanding and cooperation of the organizations concerned to enable us to continue our efforts.

Osamu Kusakabe
Chairperson

Committee for basic study for drafting the principles,
guidelines and terminologies for structural design code

Supplementary explanations

Supplementary explanations are provided to help you better understand the design principles.

Name of this document

Presented here are the principles, guidelines and terminologies for structural design code drafting founded on the performance-based design concept ver. 1 (code PLATFORM ver. 1) that were drafted in fiscal year 2001-2001 by a research committee established in the Japan Society of Civil Engineers at the request of the National Institute for Land and Infrastructure Management (NILIM), Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport.

The committee members who participated in drafting the comprehensive code suggest that the completed document should be referred to as the principles, guidelines and terminologies for structural design code drafting founded on the performance-based design concept ver. 1 (code PLATFORM ver. 1) rather than naming it a “comprehensive design code.” The term “code” implies a design standard. The proposed name is considered preferable to the term “comprehensive code” that means a code above all the other codes, for conveying that the document has been agreed on by Japanese code writers inducing little misunderstanding about the goal of the document.

How the research was conducted

The “committee for basic study for reviewing/drafting the principles, guidelines and terminologies for structural design code” was established in the Japan Society of Civil Engineers that was requested by NILIM to make a research. Osamu Kusakabe, Professor of the Tokyo Institute of Technology and Yusuke Honjo, Professor of Gifu University were appointed Chairperson and Secretary-General of the committee, respectively as the research was assigned based on Chapter 0 of the Geotechnical Code 21.

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Fundamental policy

The following points were confirmed before drafting the code.

- (1) Ideals shall be pursued. An appropriate code shall be drafted regardless of the present conditions.
- (2) The code shall be drafted with a view to developing a uniform Asian code in the future.

- (3) The comprehensive design code shall be drafted to represent the essence of the design concepts in different fields and be compatible with the design concepts, and to disrupt no future design code framework and encourage the development of new technologies.
- (4) Other standards such as ISO2394 and 13822, and the “Bases of Design for Civil and Building Structures” shall be honored.
- (5) Use of new terminologies shall be minimized and the terminologies used in existing authoritative documents shall be respected.
- (6) No mention shall be made of the level of reliability that structures should achieve. Only the structural performance requirements shall be described.
- (7) The design code shall be drafted for constructing new structures not for repairing or maintaining existing structures.
- (8) The design code shall be drafted mainly for designing general purpose structures.
- (9) The design code shall be neither an integration of existing codes such as the Specifications for Highway Bridges, Technical Standards for Port and Harbor Facilities and Design Standards for Railway Structures nor a mixture thereof. Ideals and simplified concepts shall be presented. (The code that code writers honor daily shall be critically assessed.)
- (10) Performance requirements shall be expressed using the state (or limit state) of the structure, time and action or the combination thereof, or the combination of significance. Then, the state of the structure shall be expressed as a function of time to present durability and deterioration. The idea of maintenance shall naturally be incorporated into design.
- (11) The code shall be structured as simple and easy to understand as possible. Whatever existing concepts available shall be employed.
- (12) Explaining the design code to an international audience shall be kept in mind. Excessively complex concepts are little understood.
- (13) The design code shall be a comprehensive design code concerning the structural design.
- (14) The restorability limit should be determined based on economic factors.
- (15) The limit state design method is currently most suitable for realizing performance-based design.
- (16) Two types of verification procedures proposed in Geotechnical code 21 shall be adopted.
- (17) In relation to the relationship between social systems and design codes, reference shall be made to the flow of exchange of information on design among the owner, designer and contractor, qualifications of design engineers, and fundamental ethics that design engineers should respect.

We found at the end of drafting the code that the above points were respected.

1. Definitions of terminologies

This chapter defines the terminologies that are used in the comprehensive design codes, and in the basic specific design codes and specific design codes that are in accordance with the comprehensive design codes.

Superscripts attached to terminologies have the following meanings.

- 0) Terminology defined in the comprehensive design codes
- 1) Terminology that is defined in ISO2394 (3rd version. 1998) and should be in accordance with the definitions in and revisions to ISO2394.
- 2) Terminology defined in the comprehensive design codes based on the Guidelines for Performance-based Design of Civil Engineering Steel Structures (October 2001)
- 3) Terminology defined in the comprehensive design codes based on Geomechanical code 21
- 4) Terminology defined in the comprehensive design codes based on the Bases of Design for Civil and Building Structures (October 2002)
- 5) Terminology that is defined in ISO13822 (1st version. 2001) and should be in accordance with the definitions in and revisions to ISO13822.

1.1 General terms

(1) General

Structure¹⁾: Organized combination of connected parts designed to provide some measure of rigidity.

Structural element¹⁾: Physically distinguished part of a structure.

EXAMPLES: Column, beam, plate.

Structural system¹⁾: Load-bearing elements of building or civil engineering works and the way in which these elements function together.

Life, lifetime, life period²⁾: The period that begins with the construction of a structure and ends with the discontinuance of its use and its removal for one reason or another. Life is classified into physical, functional or economic life.

Life cycle¹⁾: Total period of time during which the planning, execution and use of a construction works takes place. The life cycle begins with identification of needs and ends with demolition.

Quality²⁾: A characteristic of a product that is represented using a quantitative indicator. Experimental values of quantitative indicators can be obtained in a predetermined inspection or test. One example is the Charpy impact value.

Reliability¹⁾: Ability of a structure or structural element goes fulfill the specified requirements, including the working life, for which it has been designed.

Failure¹⁾: Insufficient load-bearing capacity or inadequate serviceability of a structure or structural element.

(2) Design codes and design methods

Comprehensive design codes³⁾: Comprehensive design codes are that describe the basis of the design civil structures and buildings within a country or region. It is not a code for designing individual structures, rather, it provides common items such as a mean to specify the performance of the structures, the unification of terminologies, the introduction of safety margins for the design specifications, the format of verification, the standardization of the information transfer among concerned bodies, fundamental check lists for the design, etc. It is a code on the highest level of the design code system hierarchy that covers both Approach A and Approach B. It can be thought of as “a code for code writers,” but contains more basic and useful information than just that required by code writers.

Basic specific design codes³⁾: Basic specific design codes are codes that specify the structural performance criteria of structures by regulating agencies such as central government agencies/local government authorities/the owner. It is likely that some recommendations for verification methods and acceptable methods for use with Approach B may be provided.

Specific design codes³⁾: Specific design codes are codes that detail the performance criteria of specific structures which may be limited to a specific use or to a certain region, etc. The specification shall be based on the basic specific design code that is ranked above this code. Certain acceptable verification procedures can be attached to this code.

Performance-based design²⁾: A design methodology for designing a structure exclusively to satisfy performance requirements regardless of the structural format, structural material, design procedure or construction method. This design methodology explicitly presents the objectives of the structure and the functions to achieve the objectives, defines the performance required to provide the functions and provides the functions satisfactorily by securing the performance requirements throughout the working life of the structure. Similar terms include performance-based design, performance-expressing design and performance-oriented design.

Performance-based design codes³⁾: A performance-based design is a code whose specifications on structures have not been give by prescriptive means, but by outcome performances based on the requirements of society and/or the client or the owner.

NOTE: Reference 6) defines the design method that identifies the relationship between the level of performance required to meet the functional requirements of the structure and the level of action used for verifying the achievement of the requirements as the performance-based or -expressing design method.

Specification-based design²⁾: A design methodology for designing a structure using the specified types and sizes of structural materials, analysis procedure, etc. Many of the existing design standards are applicable to this type of design.

Pre-verified specification²⁾: The specification that exemplifies a “solution” that is considered to satisfy performance requirements. It is applied in the case where no performance verification methods can be explicitly presented. Examples include specifications for structural material and their size for which no relationship is available to performance requirements, analysis methods that do not directly verify the performance requirements considered valid based on the past practice and verification methods using resistance estimation equations. Other terms available are pre-verified criteria and approved design.

The term pre-verified specification is used because it is more appropriate than pre-verified criteria as the specification covers existing analysis methods or estimation equations specified in various standards.

Reliability-based design²⁾: A design methodology that involves the stochastic verification of the probability of a structure reaching a limit state.

Target reliability level⁵⁾: The level of reliability required to satisfy performance requirements.

Limit state design²⁾: A design methodology that explicitly defines the limit states to be verified. In most cases, the partial safety factor design method at level I of the reliability theory is adopted as the verification format. The term partial safety factor design is therefore sometimes used to mean the limit state design.

Partial factors format¹⁾: Calculation format in which allowance is made for the uncertainties and variabilities assigned to the basic variables by means of representative values, partial factors and, if relevant additive quantities.

Partial factor design format³⁾: The partial factor design format is a format in which several partial factors are applied to various sources of uncertainties in the verification formula in order to ensure a sufficient safety margin; it is usually classified into the following two approaches.

Material factor approach (MFA)³⁾: MFA is a type of partial factor format in which partial factors are applied directly to the characteristic values of basic variables.

Resistance factor approach (RFA)³⁾: RFA is a type of partial factor format in which partial factors are applied to resistances.

1.2 Terms on design methodology

(1) General

Design work life¹⁾: Assumed period for which a structure or a structural element is to be used for its intended purpose without major repair being necessary.

Structural integrity (structural robustness)¹⁾: Ability of a structure not to be damaged by events like fire, explosions, impact or consequences of human errors, to an extent disproportionate of the original cause.

Reliability class of structures¹⁾: Class of structures or structural elements for which a particular specified degree of reliability is required.

Required performance matrix²⁾: A matrix indicating the grade of performance that should be provided to a structure and the grades of assumed external forces. The design engineer selects performance that should be provided to a structure from the matrix according to the significance of the structure. Reference 2) proposes required performance matrices concerning earthquakes, fatigue and wind.

Assessment¹⁾: Total set of activities performed in order to find out if the reliability of a structure is acceptable or not.

Pre-evaluation²⁾: The verification made in the structural planning and design phases to evaluate whether the required performance is satisfied or not when fabricating, erecting, using, dismantling or re-using a structure.

Post-evaluation²⁾: The verification of required performance after the fabrication and erection of a structure such as the quality inspection during the fabrication and erection of a structure, and the inspection and investigation while the structure is in service or at the time of damage to the structure due to an accidental external force.

(2) Terms on performance description

Objective⁰⁾: The reason for building a structure expressed in general terms. The term owners/users should preferably be used as the subject of sentences.

Performance requirement⁰⁾: The performance that a structure should possess to achieve its objectives, expressed in general terms.

Performance criterion⁰⁾: The performance requirement described specifically to enable performance verification. Performance criterion is defined by a combination of the limit state of the structure, action and environmental influences and time.

Basic performance requirement⁰⁾: The performance requirement that is essential to the achievement of the objectives of the structure. It may also be regarded as the “function” of the structure.

Significance of structures⁰⁾: The degree of significance of a structure that should be determined based on the benefit that the structure produces, necessity of the structure under emergency conditions and the availability of alternatives.

Serviceability¹⁾: Ability of a structure or structural element to perform adequately for normal use under all expected actions.

(3) Terms on limit state

Limit states⁰⁾: A state beyond which the structure no longer satisfies the design performance requirements.

Ultimate limit state¹⁾: A state associated with collapse, or with other forms of structural failure.

NOTE: This generally corresponds to the maximum load-carrying resistance of structure or structural element but in some cases to the maximum applicable strain or deformation.

Serviceability limit state¹⁾: A state which corresponds to conditions beyond which specified service requirements for a structure or structural element are no longer met.

Restorability limit state⁰⁾: A limit state under which a structure can be used continuously through restoration using applicable technologies at reasonable cost in a reasonable timeframe even in the case of damage expected to be incurred due to an assumed action. It may be regarded as one of the serviceability limit states.

Irreversible limit state¹⁾: A limit state which will remain permanently exceeded when the actions which caused the excess are removed.

Reversible limit state¹⁾: A limit state which will not be exceeded when actions which caused the excess are removed.

(4) Terms on verification

Verification²⁾: The determination of whether the structure satisfies the performance criteria or not. In the case of limit state design, whether equation $S \leq R$ or $f(S, R) \leq 1.0$ is satisfied or not is determined where S is the response value and R is the limit value.

Verification approach A⁰⁾: A verification approach that imposes no restrictions on the structural verification method but requires that the design engineer should prove that the structure satisfies the specified performance requirement and ensures an appropriate level of reliability.

Verification approach B⁰⁾: A verification approach that makes verification of the structure based on the specific base design codes or specific design codes specified by an administrative organization, local public body or business that governs the structural performance of the structure, and according to the procedure shown in such codes e.g. a design calculation procedure.

(5) Design examination, accreditation and others

Design examination⁰⁾: The detailed inspection of a series of design procedures from the definition of an objective to verification made by an accredited third-party organization. Upon the passage of the examination, the third-party organization certifies the design work.

Accreditation⁰⁾: The appointment of organizations that are authorized to carry out examinations.

Certification⁰⁾: The examination of a series of design procedures from the definition of an objective to verification and the issue of a certificate.

Compliance¹⁾: The satisfaction of requirements.

1.3 Terms relating to actions, action effects and environmental influences

Action¹⁾:

- a) An assembly of concentrated or distributed mechanical forces acting on a structure (direct actions).
- b) The cause of deformation imposed on the structure or constrained in it (indirect action).

NOTE⁰⁾: In some categorizations, environmental influences are regarded as an action.

Representative value of action¹⁾: A value used for the verification of a limit state.

NOTE: Representative values consist of characteristic values, combination values, frequent values and quasi-permanent values, but may also consist of other values.

Characteristic value of an action¹⁾: Principal representative value

NOTE 1: It is either on a statistical basis, so that it can be considered to have a specified probability of not being exceeded towards unfavorable values during a reference period, or on acquired experience, or on physical constraints.

NOTE 2: **Characteristic value**³⁾: Representative value of parameter estimated to be most suitable to the model for predicting the limit state that is examined in design. Characteristic values should be determined based on a theory or acquired experience fully considering variations and the applicability of a simplified model.

Design values of an action, F_d ¹⁾: Value obtained by multiplying the representative value by the partial factor γ_F .

Permanent action¹⁾:

- a) Action which is likely to act continuously throughout a given reference period and for which variations in magnitude with time are small compared with the mean value.
- b) Action whose variation is only in one sense and can lead to some limiting value.

Variable action¹⁾: Action for which the variation in magnitude with time is neither negligible in relation to the mean value nor monotonic.

Accidental action¹⁾: Action that is unlikely to occur with a significant value on a given structure over a given reference period.

NOTE: Accidental action is in most cases of short duration.

Fixed action¹⁾: Action which has a fixed distribution on a structure, such as its magnitude and direction are determined unambiguously for the whole structure when determined at one point in the structure.

Free action¹⁾: Action which may have an arbitrary spatial distribution over the structure within given limits.

Static action¹⁾: Action which will not cause significant acceleration of the structure or structural elements.

Dynamic action¹⁾: Action which may cause significant acceleration of the structure or structural elements.

Bounded action¹⁾: Action which has a limiting value which cannot be exceeded and which is exactly or approximately known.

Unbounded action¹⁾: Action which has no known limiting values.

Combination value¹⁾: Value chosen, in so far as it can be fixed on statistical bases, so that the probability that the action effect values caused by the combination will be exceeded is approximately the same as when a single action is considered.

Frequent value¹⁾: Value determined, in so far as it can be fixed on statistical bases, so that:

- the total time, within a chosen period or time, during which is exceeded is only a small given part of the chosen period of time; or
- the frequency of its exceedance is limited to a given value.

Quasi-permanent value¹⁾: Value determined, in so far as it can be fixed on statistical bases, so that the total time, within a chosen period of time, during which is exceeded is of the magnitude of half period.

Action combination⁰⁾: A combination of design values used for verifying the structural reliability in a limit state where different actions are considered simultaneously. It is also referred to as load combination.

Environmental influence¹⁾: Mechanical, physical, chemical or biological influence which may cause deterioration of the materials constituting a structure, which in turn may effect its serviceability and safety in an unfavorable way.

Load⁴⁾: Action acting on the structure that is converted to a combination of mechanical forces loaded directly on the structure. It is input for calculating stress resultant, stress, displacement and other parameters using an action model for the purpose of design.

Reference period¹⁾: A chosen period of time which is used as a basis for assessing values of variable actions, time-independent material properties, etc.

Design situation¹⁾: Set of physical conditions representing a certain time interval for which the design demonstrates that relevant limit states are not exceeded.

Persistent situation¹⁾: Normal condition of use for the structure, generally related to its design working life.

NOTE: “Normal use” includes possible extreme loading conditions due to wind, snow, imposed loads, earthquakes in areas of high seismicity, etc.

Transient situation³⁾: Provisional condition of use or exposure for the structure.

EXAMPLE: During its construction or repair, which represents a time period much shorter than the design working life.

1.4 Terms relating to structural response, resistance, material properties and geometrical quantities

Characteristic value of a material property¹⁾: A prior specified fractile of the statistical distribution of the material property in the supply produced within the scope of the relevant material standard.

Characteristic value of a geometrical quantity¹⁾: A quantity usually corresponding to dimensions specified by the designer.

Design value of a material property¹⁾: Value obtained by dividing the characteristic value by a partial factor γ_M or, in special circumstance, by direct assessment.

Design value of a geometrical quantity¹⁾: Characteristic value plus or minus a additive geometrical quantity.

Conversion factor¹⁾: Factor which converts properties obtained from test specimens to properties corresponding to the assumptions made in calculation models.

Conversion function¹⁾: Function which converts properties obtained from test specimens to properties corresponding to the assumptions made in calculation models.

Fractile value⁴⁾: The value of a random variable with a cumulative probability lower than specified.

NOTE: Expressed like “x% fractile is y.”

Design value³⁾: The design value is the value obtained by multiplying a partial factor by a characteristic value in the case of an MFA partial factor format.

Demand, response value **S**²⁾: The physical quantity that occurs in the structure due to an external force.

Capacity, limit value of performance **R**²⁾: The limit value allowed for the response value. A physical quantity that is determined according to the type of “limit state.” If the response value exceeds the limit value, the performance requirement is not satisfied.

Statistical uncertainty¹⁾: Uncertainty related to the accuracy of the distribution and estimation of parameters

Basic variable¹⁾: Part of a specified set of variables representing physical quantities which characterize actions and environmental influences, material properties including soil properties, and geometrical quantities.

Primary basic variable¹⁾: Variables whose value is of primary importance to the design results.

Limit state function¹⁾: A function g of the basic variables, which characterizes a limit state when $g(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n) = 0$: $g > 0$ identifies with the desired state and $g < 0$ with the undesired state.

Reliability index, β ¹⁾: A substitute for the failure probability P_f , defined by $\beta = -\phi^{-1}(p_f)$, where ϕ^{-1} is the inverse standardized normal distribution.

Reliability element¹⁾: Numerical quantity used in the partial factors format, by which the specified degree of reliability is assumed to be reached.

Element reliability¹⁾: Reliability of a single structural element which has one single failure dominating failure mode.

System reliability¹⁾: Reliability of a structural element which has more than one relevant failure mode or the reliability of a system of more than one relevant structural element.

Model¹⁾: Simplified mathematical description or experimental set-up simulating actions, material properties, the behavior of a structure, etc.

NOTE: Models should generally take an account of decisive factors and neglect the less important ones.

Model uncertainty¹⁾: Related to the accuracy of models, physical or statistical.

1.5 Terms on performance assessment of existing structures

Assessment⁵⁾: Total set of activities performed in order to find out if the reliability of structure is acceptable or not.

Rehabilitation⁰⁾: The improvement of the resistance of a structure to performance deterioration with time.

Upgrading⁰⁾: Efforts to enhance the mechanical performance of a structure.

Damage⁵⁾: Changes in condition of a structure that may have an adverse effect on its performance.

Deterioration⁵⁾: The reduction of performance and reliability of a structure with time.

Deterioration model⁵⁾: A model of deterioration with time representing the performance of a structure as a function of time.

Inspection⁵⁾: A nondestructive test conducted in the field to determine the present state of a structure.

Investigation⁵⁾: The collection of data and evaluation through inspection, data surveys, loading tests and other testing.

Loading test⁵⁾: A test conducted applying the load or imposed displacement to evaluate the behavior or properties of an entire structure or part thereof or to estimate load bearing capacity.

Maintenance⁵⁾: Total set of activities performed during the design working life of a structure to enable it to fulfill the requirements for reliability.

Monitoring⁵⁾: Frequent or continuous observation or measurement of the condition of a structure or the action applied to the structure. Monitoring generally takes place over a long period of time.

Remaining working life⁵⁾: The period during which an existing structure is assumed to be maintained and placed in service.

Note: The criteria for the comprehensive code are classified into three categories, REQ, REC or POS. The applicable category is specified at the beginning of each criterion.

REQ: The criterion defined by the code. “It is necessary to ”

REC: The criterion is the one recommended more than any other alternative. “It is desirable to ”

POS: One of the alternative methods or criteria. “It is possible to ”

2. General

2.1 Scope

- (1) [REQ] The objective of this comprehensive structural design code is to disseminate the concept of performance-based design as it pertains to structural design, and thereby encourage rational design and technological progress so as to build superior infrastructure for future generations.
- (2) [REQ] This code, in principle, can be applied to all kinds of structures.
- (3) [REQ] This comprehensive design code is based on the concept of performance-based design and stands at the top of the hierarchy of the structural design code system in Japan.
- (4) [REQ] Performance-based design is defined as a design concept that requires designed structures to satisfy specified performance requirements, and does not define requirements for any specific structure type, material, design method or construction method.
- (5) [REQ] Design codes of the lower hierarchy should be drafted under the following specifications:
 - 1) This comprehensive design code should be referred to.
 - 2) Internationally accepted codes and rules should be respected.
- (6) [REQ] This comprehensive design code consists of six main policies:
 - 1) Present the fundamental views and format/system of performance based design codes.
 - 2) Encourage rational design by facilitating communication between those involved in structural design work.
 - 3) Encourage the development of structural construction-related technologies that have scope to deal with the progress of construction technology, as well as alteration of values and the environment.
 - 4) Harmonize codes in accordance with internationally recognized concepts of performance based design.
 - 5) Take conventional design methods into consideration.
 - 6) Encourage maintenance of high engineering ethics among structural design engineers.
- (7) [REQ] This comprehensive design code specifies the following items:
 - 1) Method to specify the performance requirements of a structure.
 - 2) Definition of the relationship between the performance requirements and the issues that should be verified in design (performance criteria).
 - 3) Acceptable verification methods including institutions.
 - 4) Definition of terminologies that are used in structural design and design codes.
 - 5) Processing of the information concerning structural design.
 - 6) Qualifications and accountability of engineers.

[Description]

- (1) The objective of this comprehensive structural design code is defined.
- (2) This comprehensive structural design code is described basically for newly constructed structures. There is, however, no need to limit its application to new structures. In the case where applying the comprehensive structural design code without modification is considered inappropriate, however, deviation from the criteria specified in the comprehensive code is allowed in view of such a special condition. Examples include the construction of a structure with a special purpose or functions and the repair or upgrade of an existing structure.

The application of this comprehensive structural design code is not limited to the structural aspects of a structure such as safety and serviceability. With changes in social value, non-structural performance has been actively demanded in the design of structures on an increasing number of occasions. Such performance is related to the environment and aesthetics.

- (3) This comprehensive structural design code has no legal force. It, however, stands on top of the code hierarchy in Japan. Criteria are defined because it is considered important that the comprehensive structural design code is authorized by engineering societies involved in structural design including the Japan Society of Civil Engineers, forms a basis for establishing a code system in Japan and contributes to the enhancement of accountability and transparency of Japan's structural design system to other countries and to the transfer of easy-to-understand technologies to next generations of engineers.
- (4) The definition of “performance-based design” in the comprehensive structural design code is provided. In the description of the comprehensive structural design code, (i) identifying and describing performance requirements and the (ii) methods of verification (including the verification of systems) are important. The comprehensive structural design code subsequently describes the basic ideas concerning these two points inasmuch as necessary.
- (5) When drafting a design code at a lower level in the code hierarchy than the comprehensive design code, the code should be compatible with the comprehensive design code and other international standards or criteria. If the comprehensive design code is in conflict with international standards or criteria, the former should have precedence over the latter. International standards and criteria here include ISO2394 and 13822.
- (6) Basic policies of the comprehensive structural design code are given.
 - 1) The comprehensive structural design code, positioned at the highest level in the code hierarchy concerning performance-based design, naturally governs the basic concepts and framework of performance-based design. The comprehensive design code is also reflected in the rules and terminologies that are respected when the codes at lower levels are drafted.
 - 2) Those involved in structural design work include not only engineers (design engineers) directly involved in design work but also all the engineers and citizens involved in planning, construction and use of structures. Specifically, owners (operating bodies, owners and administrators), investigators, designers, constructors, construction material suppliers and users are included. The basic idea is that the development of excellent social infrastructure should not be based on exclusive decision-making by a group of experts but

should be achieved through active consensus building among those concerned. This idea is reflected in the handling of technical data and terminologies.

- 3) Future technical advancements are taken into consideration. They are reflected in the performance requirements and performance criteria for the comprehensive design code established and in the allowable verification methods.
 - 4) Design codes are a type of criterion. Attention is paid to international compatibility in view of the globalization of construction industries and deregulation. To achieve the international compatibility of design codes, either Japanese rules may be made compatible with existing international rules (passive compatibility) or Japanese rules may be presented as international rules (active compatibility). An active approach is preferable in relation to technical systems for performance-based design, and is reflected in the code system and terminologies.
 - 5) Continuity with existing technologies and design methods are considered. Continuity is reflected mainly in allowable verification methods.
 - 6) Designing structures is important to the development of infrastructure systems for the public and to the guarantee of public safety. Professional engineers who are requested to make judgments based on their expertise should maintain high sense of ethics in the process of design work. Their contributions increase social appreciation of professional engineers.
- (7) Details of the comprehensive structural design code are provided.
- 1), 2) The comprehensive design code specifies performance in sections under the titles of objectives, performance requirements and performance criteria.
 - 3) The comprehensive design code specifies allowable verification methods and systems concerning verification in view of the existing codes and future technical advancements.
 - 4) The comprehensive design code defines basic terminologies concerning performance-based design for smooth exchange of accurate information and accurate understanding.
 - 5) The comprehensive design code specifies the methods for handling technical information to encourage smooth information exchange and assume accountability. The handling of technical information means the standardization of information exchange methods, identification of senders and receivers of information and specification of the means of communication.
 - 6) Professional engineers are required to maintain high sense of ethics. In order for them to assume the responsibility, they are authorized to exclusively use their qualifications and titles. Qualifications of professional engineers are therefore important in design. Explicitly presenting the accountability of professional engineers is necessary because structural design is closely related to public safety.

2.2 Framework of design codes

- (1) [REQ] As shown in Fig. 1, this comprehensive design code forms the basis for the construction of a design code system that incorporates internationally recognized design codes and standards, guidelines on actions, comprehensive design codes for different categories of structures, and specific base design codes and specific codes.
- (2) [REQ] A code drafted based on this comprehensive design code should specify the performance of a structure in a hierarchy as shown in Fig. 2. The objective(s) of the structure should be translated into performance requirements, and then into performance criteria that can be directly used in verification. The process of translation from the objectives to the performance requirements, and then to performance criteria, should be transparent.
- (3) [REQ] A designer should ensure that all performance criteria are followed in verification. In doing so, the designer can choose one of two verification approaches, A or B: In approach A, any verification procedure can be employed, whereas in approach B, procedures specified in an appropriate specific base design code or specific design code should be used.

[Description]

- (1) This comprehensive structural design code should aim at a design code system that organically incorporates various domestic specific base codes around a comprehensive design code. Then, various domestic design codes could respect region-specific culture and technologies and be in harmony with international standards.

The action and environmental influences used to specify structural performance criteria should be described in specific design codes. Comprehensive guidelines on action as a common basis for action and environmental influences are required to ensure compatibility among specific design codes and compliance with international standards.

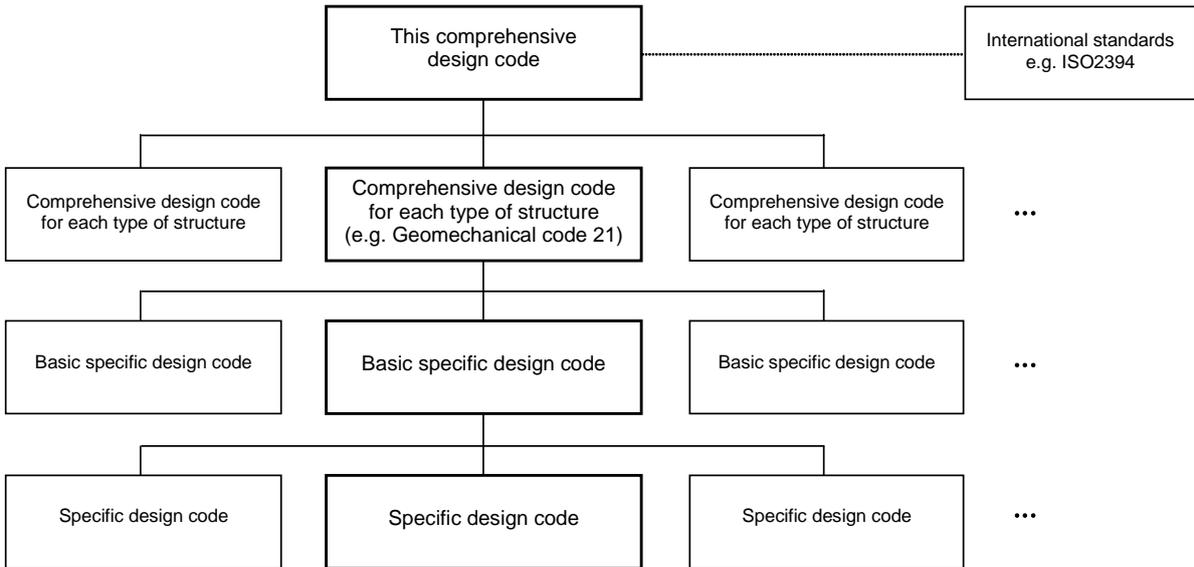


Figure 1 Design code system

- (2) The levels of performance description are specified. Three levels, objectives, performance requirements and performance criteria are adopted. Detailed descriptions are presented at respective levels in subsequent chapters.

This comprehensive structural design code also specifies the framework of design systems. When drafting specific base design codes and specific design codes, the framework is respected and more specific descriptions are provided according to the type and use of the structure.

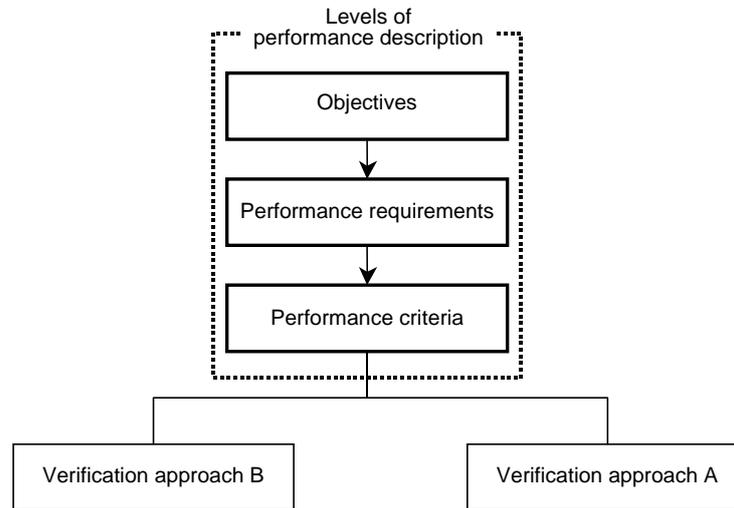


Figure 2 Concept of design code format

It is mandatory that the level of performance requirements higher than that specified in the performance criteria can be specified. In the case where the writer of a specific base design code or specific design code defines the performance criteria implicitly assuming an existing design method, there is a concern that the extraordinary restrictions may be imposed on the verification method. In order to prevent disadvantages under the above condition in case of the emergence of a new technology better than assumed in existing design methods, examining the compatibility of translation of performance criteria based on the performance requirements is important.

- (3) Performance verification should be made by design engineers. Verification is an action to prove that the performance criteria translated from the objectives and performance requirements are satisfied.

Verification is classified into the following two categories according to whether the verification method is specified or not.

- Verification approach A specifying no verification method: The design engineer is required to prove by an appropriate method that performance requirements are satisfied. The case where only the performance requirements are given and the design engineer defines the performance criteria based on the requirements and makes verification is also categorized under verification approach A.

- Verification approach B specifying a verification method: The design engineer verifies performance using a lower level of design code (specific based design code or specific design code) specified by the owner. Then, this comprehensive design code serves as “a code for code writers” for drafting a specific design code.

Verification approaches A and B are described in detail in the chapters below.

3. Performance requirements of structures

3.1 Objectives of a structure

- (1) [REQ] The objectives of a structure are explanations of the necessity of the structure in plain language.
- (2) [REC] The objectives should preferably use the owners/users as the subject of sentences.

[Description]

- (1) Objectives of structures are classified into major categories such as private use, commercial use, development of industrial infrastructure, development of social infrastructure and preservation of national land. Explicitly presenting the objectives of structures is necessary because the objectives of design vary greatly as the cost and benefit of structures and performance requirements vary according to the objectives of structures. The objectives of structures are bases for extracting the required performance. The objectives should therefore be defined with the performance in mind that should be taken into consideration in structural design.

Explicitly defining the objectives of structures is important also from a viewpoint of accountability of design engineers. Explicit definition at the time of design is expected to help avoid unnecessary disputes in case where the objectives of structures alter.

A structure sometimes constitutes a larger structure, network or system. Highway bridges, for example, are part of a highway network. Thus, structures have hierarchical objectives. The hierarchical nature of objectives may be reflected in the description of objectives.

The objectives of multi-purpose dams, for example, include the provision of benefit to businesses through power generation and water use, development of regional industries by irrigation and enhancement of public welfare by preventing flood disasters. The objectives of highway bridges are the development of regional economy by constituting a highway network, enhancement of public welfare through assistance in emergency rescue activities during a disaster and others.

- (2) The objectives of structures here refer to the objectives of construction of structures in society. The objectives should therefore naturally be specified in sentences using the owners or users as the subject.

3.2 Performance requirements

- (1) [REQ] Performance requirements are statements expressed in plain language describing the performance of the structure with respect to the given objectives.
- (2) [REC] The structure should be the subject of sentences pertaining to performance requirements.
- (3) [POS] It is possible to classify the performance requirements into basic performance requirements (or “functions”) and additional performance requirements. The former are essential requirements to achieve the objectives of the structure, whereas the latter are of secondary importance.
- (4) [REC] The performance requirements include, but are not limited to, safety, serviceability, environmental, construction, and economic requirements.
- (5) [REC] It is desirable to specify the performance requirements of a structure taking into account not only situations encountered during the service period of the structure but also all possible situations from the start of construction, to demolition and renewal.

[Description]

- (1) Performance requirements are a basis of performance criteria, so they should be presented with the performance that should be considered in structural design in mind. Performance requirements may, however, be specified without regarding any verification methods.
- (2) The structure should be the subject of sentences describing performance requirements while the owners or users should be used as the subject of sentences describing the objectives of structures.
- (3) The base performance requirement of highway bridges, for example, is “to carry a designated volume of traffic.” Additional performance requirements include “to be free from any deformation that causes user discomfort (serviceability),” “to satisfy base performance requirements during a designated working life including the time of an ordinary disaster (serviceability),” “to cause no human damage during an extremely rare disaster (safety)” or “to carry a minimum volume of traffic to ensure emergency rescue operation during an extremely rare disaster (safety).” Not only minimum performance requirements for structures but also additional performance requirements are listed. Enhancing or increasing the number of structural performance requirements naturally increases the construction cost and value added of structures. When defining performance requirements, cost-benefit analysis may be required. Performance requirements define the balance between the value added and cost of the structure. Performance requirements are sometimes contradictory to one another. Trade-offs and priorities should therefore be taken into consideration in some cases.
- (4) Safety refers to safety against failure, safety of drivers, public safety and fail-safe requirements. Economic requirements include recovery from a disaster, minimization of life-cycle cost and maintainability. Listed as serviceability parameters are economic requirements, comforts of vehicle occupants, appearance, water tightness, and freedom from noise and vibration. Environmental requirements refer to the consideration of regional and global environments, reusability, and ease of refreshing or changing objectives.

3.3 Performance criteria

3.3.1 Definitions

- (1) [REQ] Performance criteria represent the group of performance items extended from the performance requirements, and should be described in a specific way that can be verified by appropriate procedures.
- (2) [REQ] Each performance criterion is specified by a combination of three factors: limit states of a structure, actions/environmental influences and their combinations, and time. Note that in some cases, performance criteria are specified by the maximization/minimization of some quantities that cannot be specified by any limit states. In these cases, limit states can be replaced by states described by the maximization/minimization of these quantities.
- (3) [REC] It is desirable to take the importance of a structure into account in specifying the performance criteria.
- (4) [REC] It is recommended that, in specifying a performance criterion, the relationship between the performance requirement and content specified by the performance criterion should be transparent and clearly understood by designers so that the performance requirement itself can be more directly reflected in the design.
- (5) [REQ] Performance requirements concerning structural safety should be specified for structures that have the potential to cause human injury and loss of life.
- (6) [REC] Note that those performance requirements that are not translated into performance criteria are not necessarily less important, and should preferably be taken into account when designing a structure.

[Description]

- (1) Performance criteria define an interface between the structural plan and design. They are a component of the hierarchy of objectives, performance requirements and performance criteria. Performance criteria should have a link with verification methods. It is mandatory that compliance with performance criteria can be proved (verified). No structural performance therefore can be specified in performance criteria unless it can be verified. Performance criteria should be expressed in technical language.

Design codes present the minimum judicial and social requirements for structural performance and reliability but not “how to consultate” structures. Then, design codes limit the discretion of design engineers. In view of the objectives of performance-based design, on the other hand, design engineers should be given as much discretion as possible when drafting design codes. In order to meet the conflicting requirements, performance criteria find a trade-off between the freedom of design engineers and the limits imposed on them by society.

- (2) One of the major characteristics of this comprehensive structural design code is the proposal to specify performance criteria based on the combination of “limit states of a structure,” “actions/environmental influences and their combinations” and “time.” Respective components are described below.

As a means of specifying (explicitly presenting) structural performance, the idea of performance matrix is well known that expresses performance using combinations of the “frequency and magnitude of action” and “limit states of the structure.” This comprehensive structural design code uses the two parameters plus time-based fluctuations of structural performance e.g. deterioration, a third parameter. Thus, this design code demands that structures satisfy designated performance criteria not only in the early days after construction but also throughout the specified period. Verification should therefore be made after the action and environmental influences and resultant fluctuations of structural performance are all expressed as a function of time. The magnitude of action and environmental influences fluctuates according to the time considered in design. Performance including structural resistance also fluctuates with time. Explicitly presenting time is essential when defining performance criteria. For example, performance criteria concerning seismic safety may read, “Structural response to the maximum ground motion conceivable at the location should not exceed the ultimate limit at any point in the working life.”

The limit state design method has conventionally been adopted. In most cases, certain limit states were adopted to represent performance requirements. If economic or environmental indices rather than mechanical indices are employed, the performance criterion may not be represented using specific limit states. This comprehensive structural design code suggests that limit states should be applied not only to structural performance but also to other types of performance.

- (6) Performance requirements not translated into performance criteria should not be fully ignored in design. Such performance requirements do exist but may have not been translated into performance criteria for making performance verification for some reasons. In such cases, the performance requirements should be respected in design as much as possible. In the case, for example, where an environmental performance requirement suggests that “the burden on the global environment should be minimized” but the requirement has not been translated into performance criteria, an alternative should be selected in design that minimizes environmental burden.

3.3.2 Limit states of structures

- (1) [REQ] A limit state is a state that can separate the intended condition of a structure from an unintended condition based on a performance criterion.
- (2) [REC] It is desirable to specify limit states in terms of quantitative measures of the performance of a structure.
- (3) [POS] It should be recognized that there are performance criteria that are not suitable to be specified in terms of limit states.

[Description]

- (1) The limit states referred to in conventional limit state design methods are related to structural properties. Ultimate and serviceability limit states are typical examples.
- (3) This comprehensive structural design code suggests that the idea of limit state should be applied not only to the structural properties such as safety and serviceability but also to non-structural properties such as environmental, construction and economic requirements.

3.3.3 Actions and environmental influences: magnitude and their combinations

- (1) [REQ] Actions are classified as permanent, variable or accidental actions based on the time fluctuation characteristics from the mean value during the design working life of a structure.
- (2) [REQ] In the verification process for each performance criterion, magnitudes and combinations of actions and environmental influences should be considered appropriately.
- (3) [REQ] Appropriate consideration is required when actions and environmental influences change with time, and repeated actions have some influence on structure performance.

[Description]

- (1) Actions are classified into the following categories according to their fluctuation with time relative to the mean value during the period under study.

Permanent actions : The fluctuation of the magnitude of the action is almost none or sufficiently small relative to the mean value to be ignored.

Variable actions : The magnitude of the action frequently fluctuates with time. The fluctuation of magnitude is so large relative to the mean value that it cannot be ignored.

Accidental actions : The probability of the action occurring during the period under study is small. The action, however, has serious impact on the structure.

- (2) Safety performance should be verified for all the actions that occur throughout the period under study. Verifications are made for combinations of actions that have the maximum impact on structural safety during the period under study. Actions acting on structures are rarely caused by a single phenomenon. Multiple phenomena should therefore generally be considered. Even where fluctuating actions occur simultaneously, the probability of maximum expectation values occurring simultaneously is generally considered small. In the case where multiple fluctuating actions are combined, adjusting the magnitude of the combination according to the combination under study is effective. One way of safety verification is to divide fluctuating actions into primary and secondary actions, and to use the maximum expectation value as the characteristic value of the primary fluctuating action and determine the characteristic value of secondary fluctuating action appropriately according to the combination with the primary fluctuating action or accidental action. Accidental actions are combined only with permanent actions but not with other fluctuating actions.

For other types of performance than safety performance, verifications may generally be made in numerous cases for the magnitude that occurs frequently although the significance of the structure sometimes has an influence.

- (3) Fatigue failure may occur if the structure is subjected to fluctuating actions repeatedly. Where there is a concern about fatigue failure, not only the magnitude of the action but also the effect of its repetition should be considered.

For dynamic phenomena for which the relationship between the fluctuation of the magnitude of the action and time cannot be ignored such as earthquakes and travels in vehicle, the method appropriate to their effect should be adopted for verification. Then, attention should be paid to the fluctuations of magnitude of the effects of the action on the structure according to the combination of the characteristics of action and structure. For example, when multiple seismic waves are examined to assess the influences of an earthquake, the type of seismic wave that has the greatest influence on the structure may fluctuate according to the predominant period or duration of the seismic wave, or the natural period of the structure.

3.3.4 Time

- (1) [REQ] An appropriate time period should be defined in verifying the performance of structures.
- (2) [REQ] Temporal fluctuations of actions, environmental influences and the characteristics of structures and their elements within the considered time period should be considered in the verification of structure performance.
- (3) [REC] It is desirable to clearly describe methods and frequencies of maintenance schemes, i.e. inspection, rehabilitation and upgrading, in the considered time period.

[Description]

- (1) In performance verification of a structure, whether the designated performance requirement is satisfied or not is confirmed during a certain period of time. For the performance verification of a structure, the period of time should be determined.
- (2) Fluctuations of structural characteristics with time during the period of time specified for verification are caused by material deterioration for environmental reasons or by the damage to the structure due to accidental actions. Where such fluctuations of structural characteristics are expected, their effects should be taken into consideration in advance.

The effects of fluctuations of action characteristics are described in 3.3.3 Actions and environmental influences - magnitude and their combinations. Note that variations of structural characteristics lead to the variation of the effect of an action on the structure. In the case where stiffness fluctuates due to the deterioration of or damage to a structure, response to one and the same action varies. Such a phenomenon should be taken into consideration.

In structural performance verification, explicitly presenting the maintenance method is important. If the maintenance method considered in verification is not implemented, verification may be of no significance.

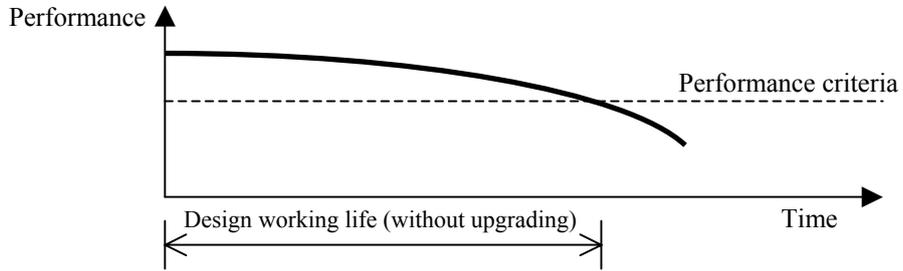
- (3) Rehabilitation here means the improvement of resistance of the structure to performance reduction due to the deterioration with time, or prolonging of the working life of a structure. Upgrading refers to the enhancement of mechanical performance of the structure.

The relationship between time and structural performance is shown in Figure 3. In the figure, the design working life is specified as the period for verification.

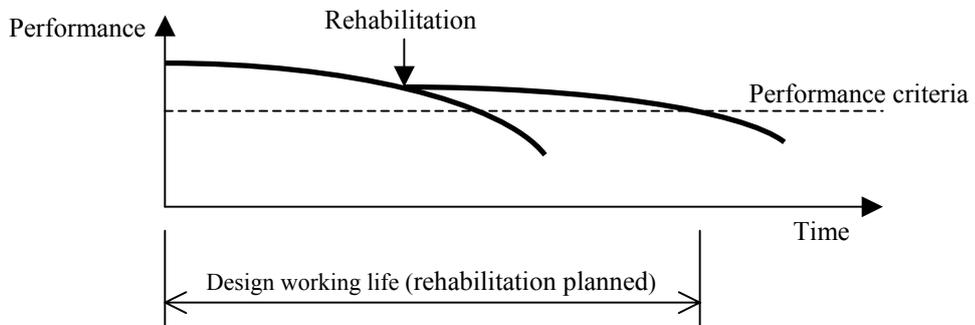
Figure 3 (a) is the case with neither rehabilitation nor upgrading. Structures may deteriorate with time. Performance criteria may not be satisfied beyond the design working life. Then, the structure is discarded or replaced with another.

Figures 3 (b) and (c) show cases with rehabilitation and upgrading during the design working life, respectively. Performance deterioration of a structure is controlled or performance is enhanced through rehabilitation or upgrading during the design working life. Then it is ensured that the structure satisfies the performance criteria. A relatively long period of time can be set for verification. To that end, the structure should be modularized or simplified in the construction phase to facilitate rehabilitation or upgrading.

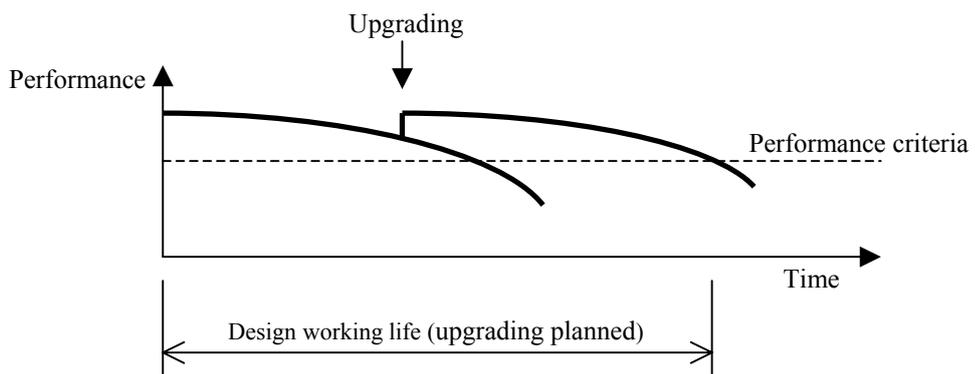
In any case, appropriate maintenance is required. Regular inspections, performance confirmation during the working life and rehabilitation or upgrading based on the assessment results are required.



(a) Without rehabilitation or upgrading during the design working life



(b) With rehabilitation during the design working life



(c) With upgrading during the design working life

Figure 3 Time and structural performance

3.3.5 Significance of structures

- (1) [REQ] The significance of structures should be evaluated based on construction cost, benefit earned by the structure, necessity in case of emergency, existence of alternative facilities, and other aspects.

[Description]

- (1) The significance of structures is basically determined by economic influences. For designing structures in the future, the most economical design should be selected based on the results of cost-benefit analysis or other types of analyses after evaluating the construction cost, benefit and the damage cost and cost of recovery from a disaster. Note, however, that no economic verification may be possible for safety or other parameter.

Providing high level of performance to costly structures, structures producing great benefits and structures required under emergency conditions prevents confusion and reduces damage cost during a disaster. For structures with less social influences on the other hand, construction cost can be reduced by curtailing their performance.

Performance criteria including seismic serviceability should be specified using economic indices to objectively reflect the significance of structures in the performance criteria without defining the significance in explicit ways.

4. Verification procedures

4.1 Allowable verification procedures

4.1.1 General

- (1) [REQ] In verification, it should be demonstrated that a structure satisfies all the performance criteria described in Chapter 3.
- (2) [REQ] Verification should be accomplished by verification approach A or B as specified in section 4.2.

[Description]

- (2) Two verification approaches are available. Design engineers decide whether they adopt verification approach A or B in numerous cases. There are, however, cases where the owner specifies the verification approach. Even where the owner specifies a verification approach, the design engineer may propose the other. This comprehensive structural design code does not specify which verification approach should be adopted. Once the approach has been selected, the regulations in Section 4.2 or 4.3 should be respected.

4.1.2 Designers

- (1) [REQ] Designers should have a thorough knowledge and understanding of structural design in specific fields.
- (2) [REC] It is preferable that designers are qualified engineers in a specific field and are accredited by a publicly recognized institute.

[Description]

- (2) In the specific base design code or specific design code used in verification approach B, qualifications of professional engineers should be explicitly specified wherever necessary.

4.2 Verification approach A

- (1) [REQ] In verification approach A, there is no restriction on the methods used for performance verification. However, designers are requested to prove that the designed structures satisfy all the performance criteria described in the format specified in Chapter 3 of this comprehensive design code with sufficient reliability.
- (2) [REC] It is recommended that the designer submit a structural design report to an appropriate institute for design examination.
- (3) [REC] It is desirable that the design report be prepared according to the specifications described in chapter 5 of this comprehensive design code.
- (4) [REC] It is desirable that an appropriate design examination institute examine and judge the designed structure with respect to satisfaction of all performance criteria based on the structure design report submitted by appropriate procedures.
- (5) [REC] It is recommended that the design examination institute archives all documents created at the time of examination during the period that the structure remains in operation.

[Description]

- (1) Verification approach A is defined here. It is extremely different from conventional design methods. How to establish a design examination institute and its role have been little known. This section simply presents a verification procedure conceivable at present. An alternative may be “authorizing a design organization that is capable of design taking verification approach A and approving the design by the authorized organization.” The descriptions in (2) and subsequent sections have been categorized as [REQ] because such uncertain factors as described above have been taken into consideration.
- (2) An appropriate institute refers to a neutral third party organization independent both of the owner and of the designer.
- (4) Appropriate procedures include the formation of a committee staffed with those who are familiar with the expertise related to the design of the structure and independent of the owner and the designer. No discussions have yet been fully made on examination institutes in the capacity of a “neutral third party organization independent both of the owner and of the designer” mentioned in 4. 2 (2). At present, therefore, specifically describing the details and levels of examination is difficult. Discussions should be made in the future on the responsibilities of the owner, designer and examiner and on other related matters.

4.3 Verification approach B

- (1) [REQ] Designers should verify the performance of structures based on design codes of lower hierarchy (i.e. “specific base design codes” or “specific design codes”) specified by the owner of the structures.
- (2) [REQ] Specific base design codes and specific design codes should be drafted according to the rules described in this comprehensive design code.
- (3) [REC] In specific base design codes and specific design codes, it is desirable to specify criteria in a specific and quantitative manner such that structures and structural members can be verified in a straightforward manner.
- (4) [POS] In specific base design codes and specific design codes, multiple methods, such as structural analyses, loading tests, model experiments, monitoring, observational design and construction methods, and “Deemed to Satisfy” solutions, should be considered when specifying verification methods.
- (5) [REC] In adopting pre-verified specifications (i.e. “Deemed to Satisfy” solutions) in specific base design codes and specific design codes, it is recommended that the performance requirements that the specifications are intending to verify be described.
- (6) [REC] It is recommended to adopt a “partial factors format” in drafting specific base design codes and specific design codes.
- (7) [REQ] The “partial factors format,” if adopted for specific base design codes and specific design codes, should be drafted with reference to ISO2394.

[Description]

- (1) In verification approach B, performance should be verified based on a lower level of code in the code hierarchy specified by the owner of the structure (specific base design code or specific design code). This section describes the requirements for the lower level of design code.
- (2) Appropriate procedures include the formation of a committee staffed with those who are familiar with the expertise related to the design of the structure and independent of the owner and the designer.
- (3) Not only structures but also structural members are mentioned. This is because specific base design code and specific design code, like conventional design codes, often verify structural members instead of structures.
- (6) The “partial factors format” is recommended in ISO2394 and the “Bases of Design for Civil and Building Structures.”

- (7) The third version of ISO2394 includes “9. Partial factors format.” For basic variables, analysis models and principles of probability-based design, refer to “6. Basic variables,” “7. Models” and “8. Principles of probability-based design” of the third version of ISO2394. It is also desirable to refer to “Annex D Design based on experimental models,” “Annex E Principles of reliability-based design” and “Annex F Combinations of actions and estimation of action values” of the third version of ISO2394 for the design methods based on experimental models, principles of reliability-based design and combinations of actions and estimation of action values.

5. Structural design report

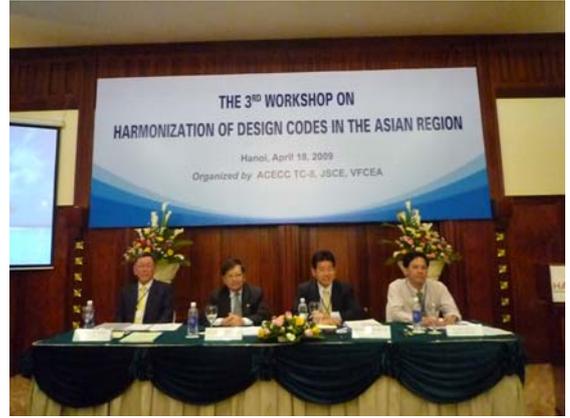
- (1) [REQ] Designers should report the results of structural design to the owner of the structure in the form of a structural design report.
- (2) [REQ] The structural design report should describe key design matters.
- (3) [REC] The structural design report should include a summary of the main information used in the design, as well as the objective, performance requirements and performance criteria of the structure, limit states, assumptions made in design, conditions on actions and environmental influences, material/ground parameters and characteristic values as well as their temporal changes, appropriateness of chosen structural type, design calculation model and procedures, verification methods for given performance criteria, results, and the designers' names and qualifications.
- (4) [REC] Grades of detail and elaboration of structural design reports will differ depending on the scale and significance of the structure.
- (5) [REQ] The owner should retain the structural design report for as long as the structure remains in operation.

[Description]

- (3) The structural design report should contain the following descriptions but not limited thereto.
 - 1) Descriptions of the site and surrounding areas. Descriptions of geological conditions and supporting materials.
 - 2) Descriptions of the objectives, performance requirements and performance criteria of the structure to be designed.
 - 3) Descriptions of limit states of the structure.
 - 4) Descriptions of actions and combinations thereof.
 - 5) Descriptions of evaluations of actions dependent on site characteristics such as seismic and wind actions.
 - 6) Descriptions of justifications and bases for determining the material and ground parameters and their characteristic values.
 - 7) Descriptions of the design codes and technical materials applied.
 - 8) Descriptions of appropriateness of the chosen structural type.
 - 9) Descriptions of structural risk and justification for the reliability of performance criteria adopted.
 - 10) Descriptions of preconditions of construction.
 - 11) Design calculations and drawings of the structure.
 - 12) Descriptions of items to be checked for monitoring during construction and for maintenance.

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