

# Arch 324

# Structures II

Winter 2026 Recitation 004

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Welcome to session 12! Last one!!

- Quick Lecture Recap
- Homework #11 Masonry Walls
- Lab: Masonry Walls

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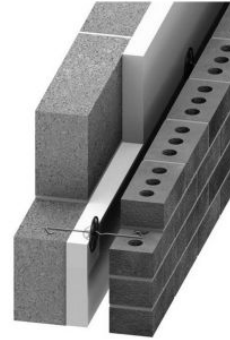
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# Lecture: Masonry Walls (4/15)

## Analysis and Design

### Empirical approach

- based on experience
- limits on lateral loading
- limits on height
- limits on eccentricity (basically, no flexure)
- non-reinforced



### Rational approach

- based on Strength Design (LRFD)
- either reinforced or non-reinforced
- limited by strength



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## Rational Masonry Analysis

Procedure  
Strength Design (LRFD) – **non-reinforced**

Given: geometry, material  
Find: axial compressive load capacity,  $P_n$

1. Determine the masonry strength,  $f'_m$ , based on unit strength,  $f_u$ , and mortar type (table)
2. Find the net area,  $A_n$ , and Moment of Inertia,  $I_n$  (see NCMA TEK 14-1B with HW problem pdf.)
3. Calculate radius of gyration,  $r = \sqrt{I_n/A}$
4. Calculate  $h/r$
5. Choose the axial strength equation,  $P_n$ :  
If  $h/r < 99$  use TMS 402 eq.9-11  
If  $h/r > 99$  use TMS 402 eq.9-12
6. Calculate  $\phi P_n$  where  $\phi$  for axial force = 0.90
7. Check that  $\phi P_n$  is greater than  $P_u$ .

## Rational Approach

for axial compression  
using TMS 402 (2016)

(Equation 9-11) for  $h/r < 99$

$$P_n = 0.80 \left\{ 0.80 A_n f'_m \left[ 1 - \left( \frac{h}{140r} \right)^2 \right] \right\}$$

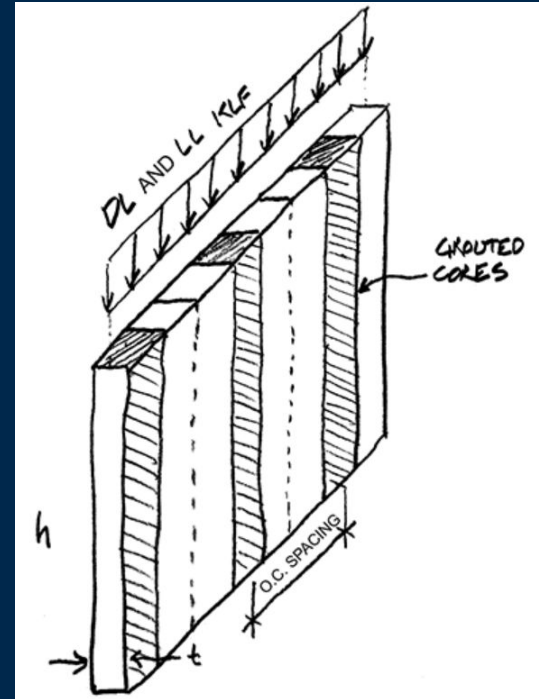
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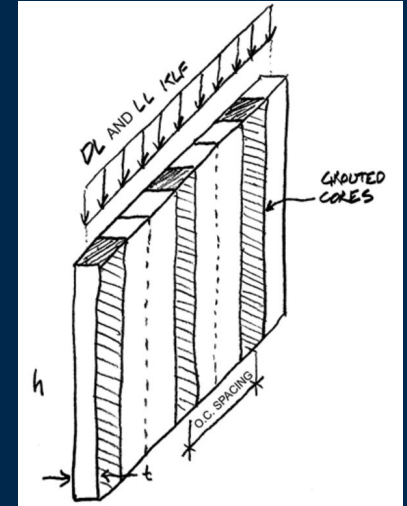
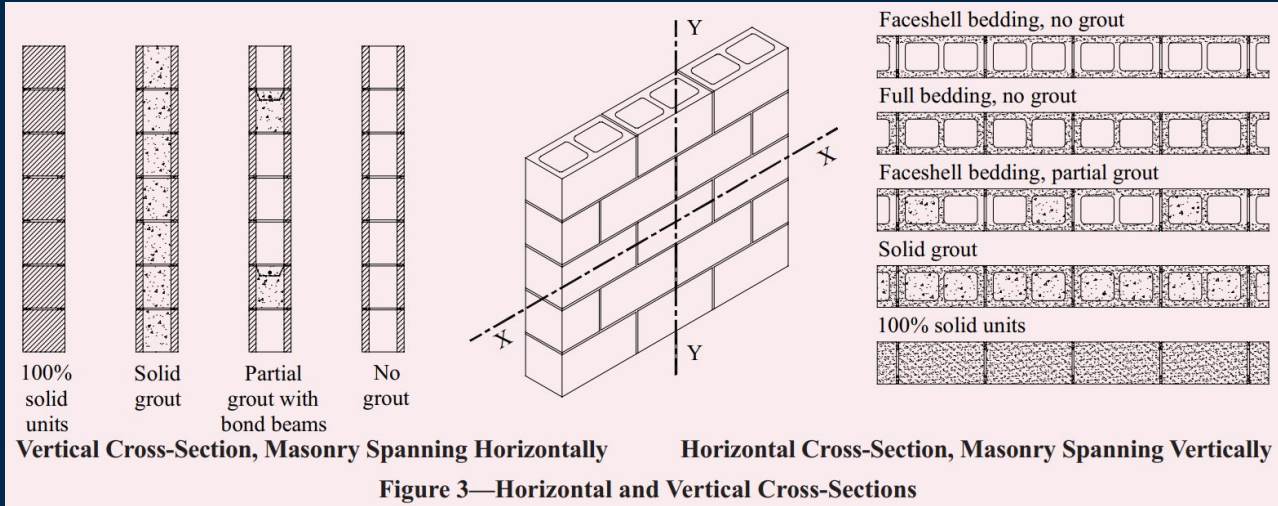
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HW - Given

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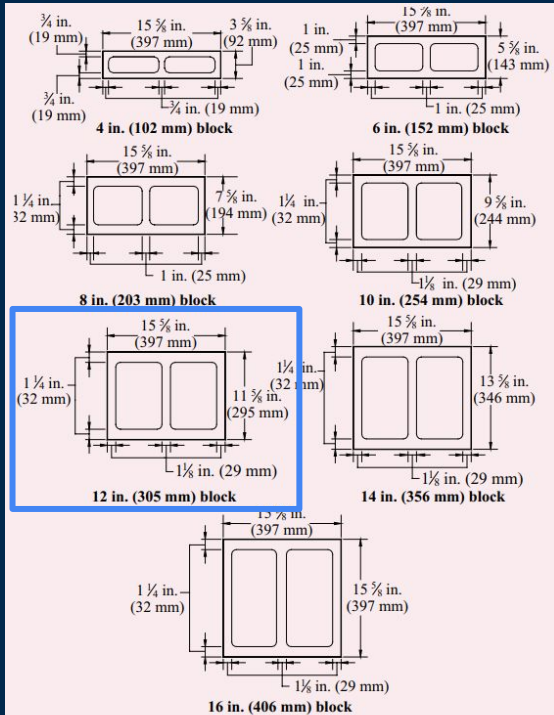
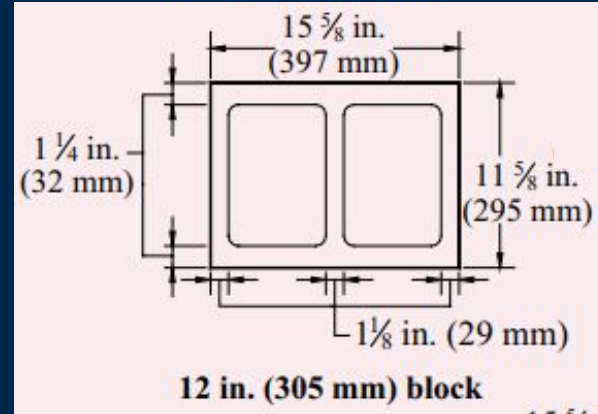


Figure 1—Specified Block Dimensions and Minimum Face Shell and Web Thicknesses (ref. 4)



Given nominal thickness = 12"  
 Actual wall thickness = 11 5/8"

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Table 5—12-inch (305-mm) Single Wythe Walls, 1/4 in. (32 mm) Face Shells (standard)

5a: Horizontal Section Properties (Masonry Spanning Vertically)

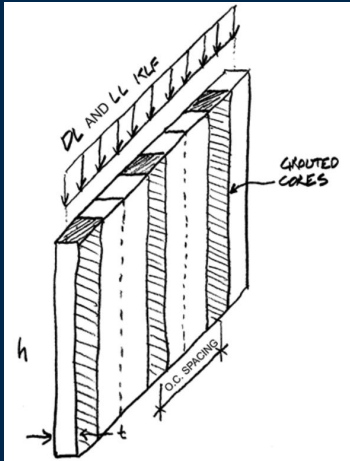
Unit	Grout spacing (in.)	Mortar bedding	Net cross-sectional properties <sup>A</sup>			Average cross-sectional properties <sup>B</sup>			
			$A_n$ (in. <sup>2</sup> /ft)	$I_n$ (in. <sup>4</sup> /ft)	$S_n$ (in. <sup>3</sup> /ft)	$A_{avg}$ (in. <sup>2</sup> /ft)	$I_{avg}$ (in. <sup>4</sup> /ft)	$S_{avg}$ (in. <sup>3</sup> /ft)	$r_{avg}$ (in.)
Hollow	No grout	Face shell	30.0	811.2	139.6	53.1	971.5	167.1	4.28
Hollow	No grout	Full	53.1	971.5	167.1	53.1	971.5	167.1	4.28
100% solid/solidly grouted		Full	139.5	1,571.0	270.3	139.5	1,571.0	270.3	3.36
Hollow	16	Face shell	87.3	1,208.9	208.0	95.0	1,262.3	217.2	3.64
Hollow	24	Face shell	68.2	1,076.3	185.2	81.0	1,165.4	200.5	3.79
Hollow	32	Face shell	58.7	1,010.1	173.8	74.1	1,116.9	192.2	3.88
Hollow	40	Face shell	52.9	970.3	166.9	69.9	1,087.8	187.2	3.95
Hollow	48	Face shell	49.1	943.8	162.4	67.1	1,068.4	183.8	3.99
Hollow	72	Face shell	42.7	899.6	154.8	62.4	1,036.1	178.3	4.07
Hollow	96	Face shell	39.6	877.5	151.0	60.1	1,020.0	175.5	4.12
Hollow	120	Face shell	37.6	864.2	148.7	58.7	1,010.3	173.8	4.15

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4. Radius of gyration per foot of wall

$$r = \sqrt{\frac{I}{A}} = \sqrt{\frac{624.6 \text{ in}^4}{52.4 \text{ in}^2}} = \boxed{3.45 \text{ in}}$$

5. Ratio of  $h/r$

$$\frac{\text{height of wall}}{\text{radius}} = \frac{15 \times 12}{3.45} = \boxed{52.17}$$

7. Nominal axial strength

$$P_n = 0.80 \left\{ 0.80 A_n f'_m \left[ 1 - \left( \frac{h}{140r} \right)^2 \right] \right\}$$

$$= 0.80 \left\{ 0.80 (52.4) (3000) \left[ 1 - \left( \frac{15 \times 12}{140(3.45)} \right)^2 \right] \right\}$$

$$= 0.80 (108,294.007)$$

$$= 86,635.21 \times \frac{1}{1000} = \boxed{86.64 \text{ KLF}}$$

(Equation 9-11) for  $h/r < 99$

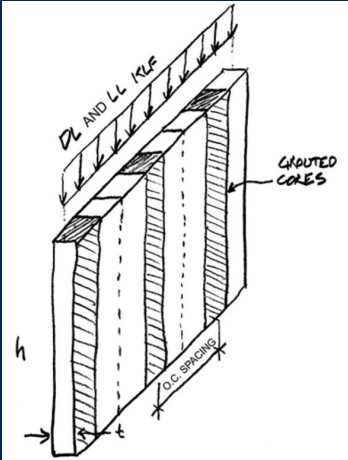
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8. Factored nominal strength

$$\phi P_n = 0.9(86.64)$$
$$= \boxed{77.97 \text{ KLF}}$$

9. Axial strength required by loads

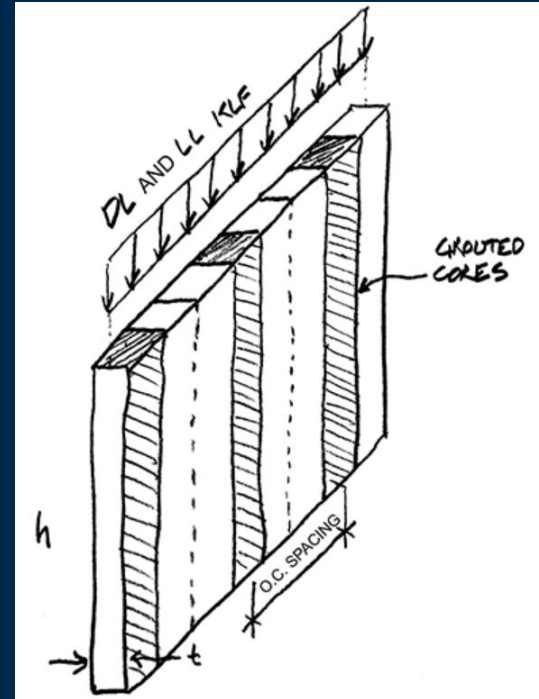
$$P_u = 1.2(DL) + 1.6(LL)$$
$$= 1.2(28) + 1.6(21)$$
$$= \boxed{67.2 \text{ KLF}} < \phi P_n = 77.97$$

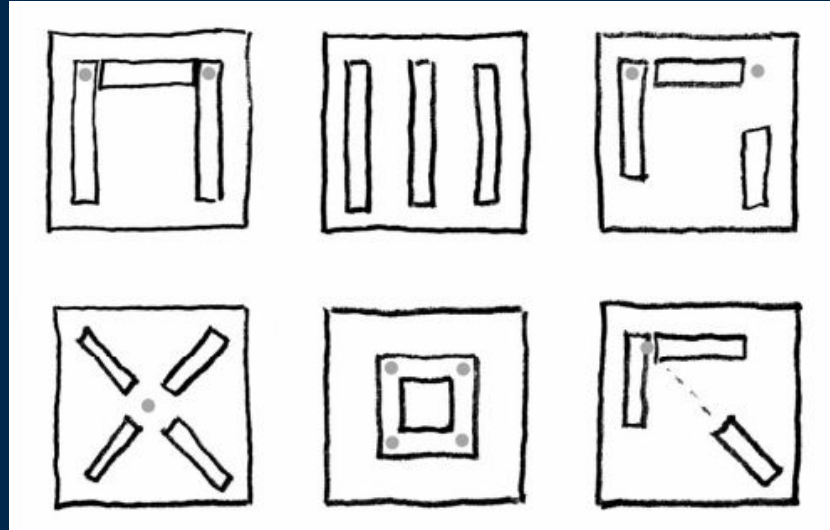
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