

Analysis of a 2'-8" Murata Retaining Wall with No Surcharge and Level Backfill

These calculations are written and derived using a per foot width of retaining wall.

Soil Properties

The following soil values are used for example purposes only and shall NOT be used for individual wall designs without consulting a geotechnical engineer for site conditions and soil values.

Murata Fill

$\Phi_c =$	36°	Peak friction angle of the Murata fill
$\gamma_c =$	125 pcf	Density of compacted Murata fill

Retained Soil

$\Phi_r =$	26°	Peak friction angle for the retained soil
$\gamma_r =$	110 pcf	Density of the retained soil
Bearing =	1500 psf	Bearing capacity of the retained soil

Calculate the mobilized interface friction factor for the Murata fill and retained soil

Murata Fill

$$\begin{aligned}\delta_c &= 2/3\Phi_c \\ &= 2/3(36^\circ) \\ &= 24.0^\circ\end{aligned}$$

Retained Soil

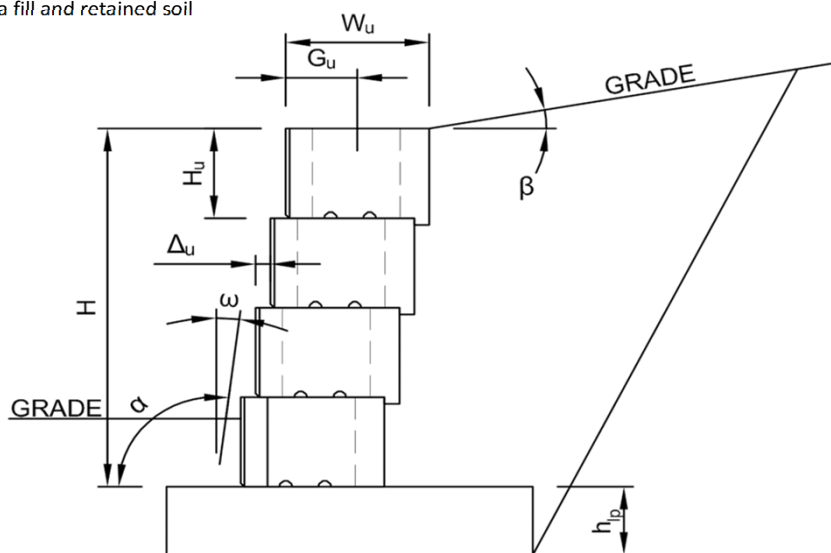
$$\begin{aligned}\delta_r &= 2/3\Phi_r \\ &= 2/3(26^\circ) \\ &= 17.3^\circ\end{aligned}$$

Miscellaneous Properties and Loads

$PGA_m =$	0.427	from USGS detailed printout
$K_v =$	0 g	Assume 0
$q_d =$	0 psf	Dead load surcharge
$q_l =$	0 psf	Live load surcharge

Wall and Block Properties

$H =$	2.625 ft	Height of wall
$H_u =$	0.656 ft	Segmental Retaining Wall (SRW) unit height
$W_u =$	0.968 ft	SRW unit width
$D_u =$	1.312 ft	SRW unit depth
$h_{lp} =$	0.5 ft	Leveling pad depth
$\gamma_u =$	120.8 pcf	SRW average density of SRW unit and Murata Fill
$G_u =$	0.484 ft	SRW unit center of gravity from the front face of the unit
$\Delta_u =$	0.101 ft	Setback per course
$\mu_{SRW} =$	0.74	Unfactored coefficient of static friction between SRW units
$\mu_b =$	0.7	Masonry Reduction Factor
$\beta =$	0.0°	Back slope angle
$a_u =$	449 lbs	Tested shear capacity between SRW units.



Calculate the weight of a 1' wide strip of the wall.

$$\begin{aligned}W_w &= \gamma_u W_u H (1' \text{ width}) \\ &= (120.8 \text{ pcf})(0.968')(2.625')(1') \\ &= 307 \text{ lbs}\end{aligned}$$

Calculate the SRW wall batter angle from vertical.

$$\begin{aligned}\omega &= \text{Arctan}(\Delta_u/H_u) \\ &= \text{Arctan}(0.101'/0.656') \\ &= 8.730^\circ\end{aligned}$$

Calculate the SRW wall batter angle from the toe horizontal.

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha &= 90^\circ + \omega \\ &= 90^\circ + 8.73^\circ \\ &= 98.730^\circ\end{aligned}$$

Soil Loading Coefficient

Calculate the active soil pressure coefficient induced on the wall by the Murata fill.

$$K_a = \frac{\sin^2(\Phi_r + \omega)}{\sin^2(\alpha) \sin(\alpha - \delta_c) (1 + \sqrt{(\sin(\Phi_r + \delta_c) \sin(\Phi_r - \beta)) / (\sin(\alpha - \delta_c) \sin(\beta + \alpha))})^2}$$

$$= \frac{\sin^2(36^\circ + 8.73^\circ)}{\sin^2(98.73^\circ) \sin(98.73^\circ - 24^\circ) \left[1 + \sqrt{\frac{\sin(36^\circ + 24^\circ) \sin(36^\circ - 0^\circ)}{\sin(98.73^\circ - 24^\circ) \sin(0^\circ + 98.73^\circ)}} \right]^2}$$

$$= 0.179$$

Calculate the resultant active soil force induced on the wall by the Murata fill and its horizontal and vertical components.

$P_s = 0.5K_a \gamma_c H^2$	$P_{SH} = P_s \cos(\delta_r - \omega)$	$P_{SV} = P_s \sin(\delta_c - \omega)$
$= 0.5(0.179)(125 \text{ pcf})(2.625')^2$	$= (77 \text{ lbs}) \cos(24^\circ - 8.73^\circ)$	$= (77 \text{ lbs}) \sin(24^\circ - 8.73^\circ)$
$= 77.0 \text{ lbs}$	$= 74.3 \text{ lbs}$	$= 20.3 \text{ lbs}$

Calculate the active soil pressure coefficient induced on the wall by the retained soil.

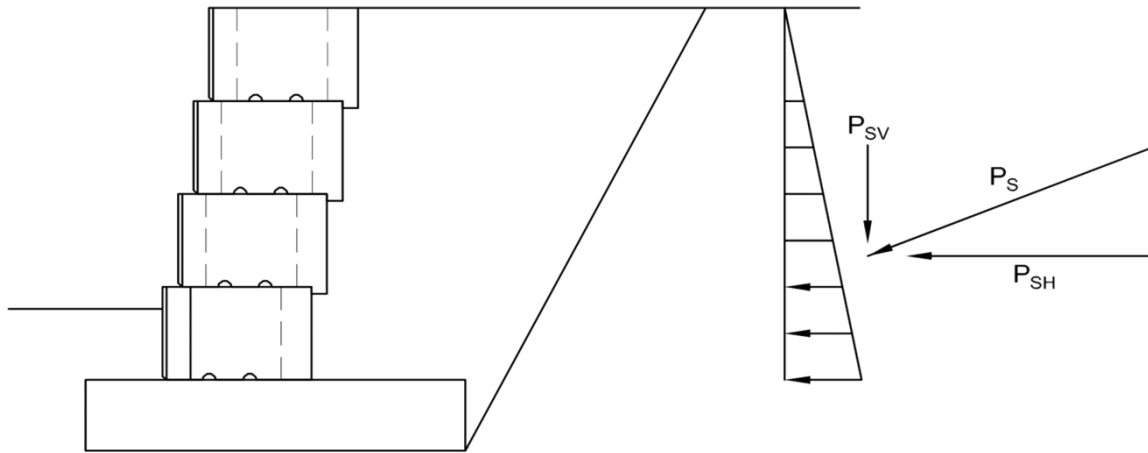
$$K_a = \frac{\sin^2(\Phi_r + \omega)}{\sin^2(\alpha) \sin(\alpha - \delta_r) (1 + \sqrt{(\sin(\Phi_r + \delta_r) \sin(\Phi_r - \beta)) / (\sin(\alpha - \delta_r) \sin(\beta + \alpha))})^2}$$

$$= \frac{\sin^2(26^\circ + 8.73^\circ)}{\sin^2(98.73^\circ) \sin(98.73^\circ - 17.3^\circ) \left[1 + \sqrt{\frac{\sin(26^\circ + 17.3^\circ) \sin(26^\circ - 0^\circ)}{\sin(98.73^\circ - 17.3^\circ) \sin(0^\circ + 98.73^\circ)}} \right]^2}$$

$$= 0.289$$

Calculate the resultant active soil force induced on the wall by the retained soil and its horizontal and vertical components.

$P_s = 0.5K_a \gamma_r H^2$	$P_{SH} = P_s \cos(\delta_r - \omega)$	$P_{SV} = P_s \sin(\delta_r - \omega)$
$= 0.5(0.289)(110 \text{ pcf})(2.625')^2$	$= (109.6 \text{ lbs}) \cos(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ)$	$= (109.6 \text{ lbs}) \sin(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ)$
$= 109.6 \text{ lbs}$	$= 108.4 \text{ lbs}$	$= 16.4 \text{ lbs}$



Seismic Active Earth Force Coefficient

Calculate the variable, K_h and intermediate variable, θ .

$$K_h = (1.45 - PGA_m)PGA_m/2 \qquad \theta = \text{Arctan}(k_h/(1-k_v))$$

$$= 0.427(1.45 - 0.427)/2 \qquad = \text{Arctan}(0.218/(1-0))$$

$$= 0.218 \text{ g} \qquad = 12.3^\circ$$

Calculate the active seismic and soil coefficient induced on the wall by the Murata fill.

$$K_{ae} = \frac{\sin^2(\Phi_i + \alpha - \theta)}{\cos(\theta)\sin^2(\alpha)\sin(\alpha - \theta - \delta_i)(1 + \sqrt{(\sin(\Phi_i + \delta_i)\sin(\Phi_i - \theta - \beta))/(\sin(\alpha - \delta_i - \theta)\cos(\beta + \alpha))})^2}$$

$$= \frac{\sin^2(36^\circ + 98.73^\circ - 12.3^\circ)}{\cos(12.3^\circ)\sin^2(98.73^\circ)\sin(98.73^\circ - 12.3^\circ + 24^\circ) \left[1 + \sqrt{\frac{\sin(36^\circ + 24^\circ)\sin(36^\circ - 12.3^\circ - 0^\circ)}{\sin(98.73^\circ - 24^\circ - 12.3^\circ)\sin(0^\circ + 98.73^\circ)}}\right]^2}$$

$$= 0.317$$

Calculate the resultant active seismic and soil force induced on the wall by the Murata fill and its horizontal and vertical components.

$$P_{aE} = 0.5K_{ae}(1 - k_v)\gamma_c H^2 \qquad P_{aEH} = P_{aE}\cos(\delta_r - \omega) \qquad P_{aEV} = P_{aE}\sin(\delta_r - \omega)$$

$$= 0.5(0.317)(1 - 0)(125 \text{ pcf})(2.625')^2 \qquad = (136.5 \text{ lbs})\cos(24^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \qquad = (136.5 \text{ lbs})\sin(24^\circ - 8.73^\circ)$$

$$= 136.5 \text{ lbs} \qquad = 131.7 \text{ lbs} \qquad = 36.0 \text{ lbs}$$

Recall the resultant active soil force induced on the wall by the Murata fill and its components.

$$P_s = 77.0 \text{ lbs} \qquad P_{sH} = 74.3 \text{ lbs} \qquad P_{sV} = 20.3 \text{ lbs}$$

Calculate the resultant seismic force induced on the wall by the Murata fill and its horizontal and vertical components.

$$\Delta P_{aE} = P_{aE} - P_s \qquad \Delta P_{aEH} = P_{aEH} - P_{sH} \qquad \Delta P_{aEV} = P_{aEV} - P_{sV}$$

$$= 136.5 \text{ lbs} - 77 \text{ lbs} \qquad = 131.7 \text{ lbs} - 74.3 \text{ lbs} \qquad = 36 \text{ lbs} - 20.3 \text{ lbs}$$

$$= 59.5 \text{ lbs} \qquad = 57.4 \text{ lbs} \qquad = 15.7 \text{ lbs}$$

Calculate the active seismic and soil coefficient induced on the wall by the retained soil. The following equation incorporates a phase shift of 90 degrees in some trigonometric functions as shown in The Principles of Foundation Engineering (1984).

$$K_{ae} = \frac{\sin^2(\Phi_r + \alpha - \theta)}{\cos(\theta)\sin^2(\alpha)\sin(\alpha - \theta - \delta_r)(1 + \sqrt{(\sin(\Phi_r + \delta_r)\sin(\Phi_r - \theta - \beta))/(\sin(\alpha - \delta_r - \theta)\cos(\beta + \alpha))})^2}$$

$$= \frac{\sin^2(26^\circ + 98.73^\circ - 12.3^\circ)}{\cos(12.3^\circ)\sin^2(98.73^\circ)\sin(98.73^\circ - 12.3^\circ + 17.3^\circ) \left[1 + \sqrt{\frac{\sin(26^\circ + 17.3^\circ)\sin(26^\circ - 12.3^\circ - 0^\circ)}{\sin(98.73^\circ - 17.3^\circ - 12.3^\circ)\sin(0^\circ + 98.73^\circ)}}\right]^2}$$

$$= 0.476$$

Calculate the resultant active seismic and soil force induced on the wall by the retained soil and its horizontal and vertical components.

$$P_{aE} = 0.5K_{ae}(1 - k_v)\gamma_c H^2 \qquad P_{aEH} = P_{aE}\cos(\delta_r - \omega) \qquad P_{aEV} = P_{aE}\sin(\delta_r - \omega)$$

$$= 0.5(0.476)(1 - 0)(110 \text{ pcf})(2.625')^2 \qquad = (180.3 \text{ lbs})\cos(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \qquad = (180.3 \text{ lbs})\sin(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ)$$

$$= 180.3 \text{ lbs} \qquad = 178.3 \text{ lbs} \qquad = 27.0 \text{ lbs}$$

Recall the resultant active soil force induced on the wall by the retained soil and its components.

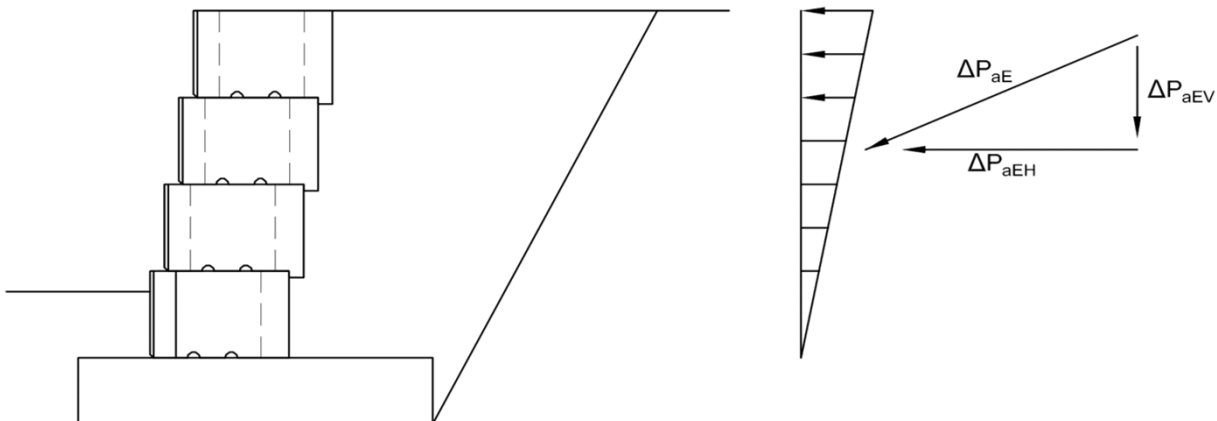
$$P_s = 109.6 \text{ lbs} \qquad P_{sH} = 108.4 \text{ lbs} \qquad P_{sV} = 16.4 \text{ lbs}$$

Calculate the resultant seismic force induced on the wall by the retained soil and its horizontal and vertical components.

$$\Delta P_{aE} = P_{aE} - P_s \qquad \Delta P_{aEH} = P_{aEH} - P_{sH} \qquad \Delta P_{aEV} = P_{aEV} - P_{sV}$$

$$= 180.3 \text{ lbs} - 109.6 \text{ lbs} \qquad = 178.3 \text{ lbs} - 108.4 \text{ lbs} \qquad = 27 \text{ lbs} - 16.4 \text{ lbs}$$

$$= 70.7 \text{ lbs} \qquad = 69.9 \text{ lbs} \qquad = 10.6 \text{ lbs}$$



Summary of Wall Forces

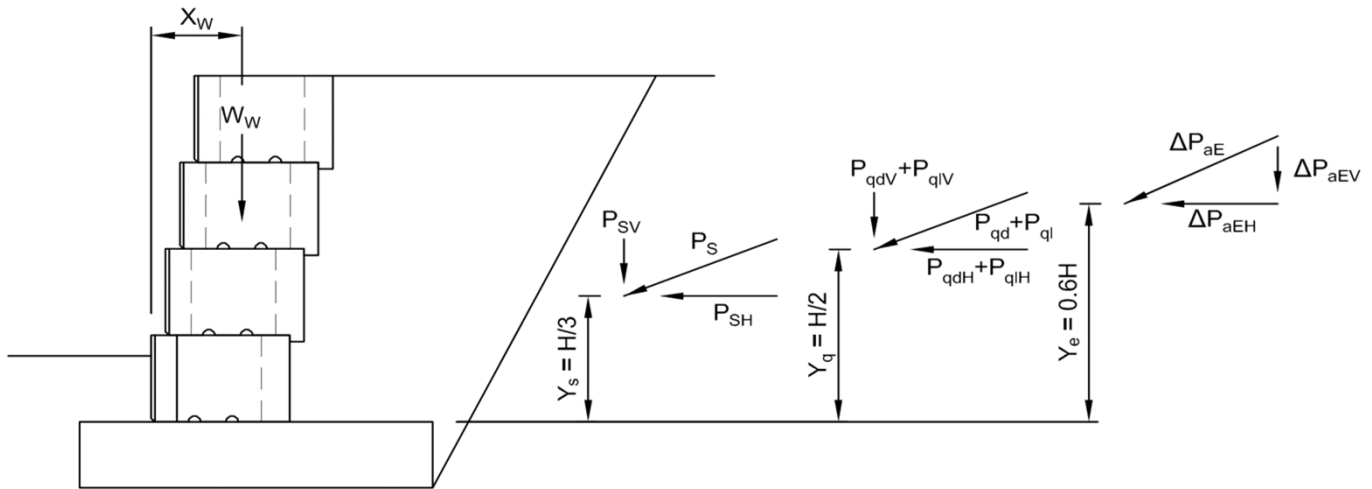
The maximum resultant forces summarized below are enveloped from the forces induced by both the Murata fill and retained soil.

Max P_s =	109.6 lbs	P_{sH} =	108.4 lbs	P_{sV} =	16.4 lbs
Max P_{aE} =	180.3 lbs	P_{aEH} =	178.3 lbs	P_{aEV} =	27.0 lbs
ΔP_{aE} =	70.7 lbs	ΔP_{aEH} =	69.9 lbs	ΔP_{aEV} =	15.7 lbs

Surcharge Loads

Calculate the resultant force on the SRW induced by the surcharge load on the retained soil and its horizontal and vertical components. It is assumed that the surcharge load is uniform and continuous.

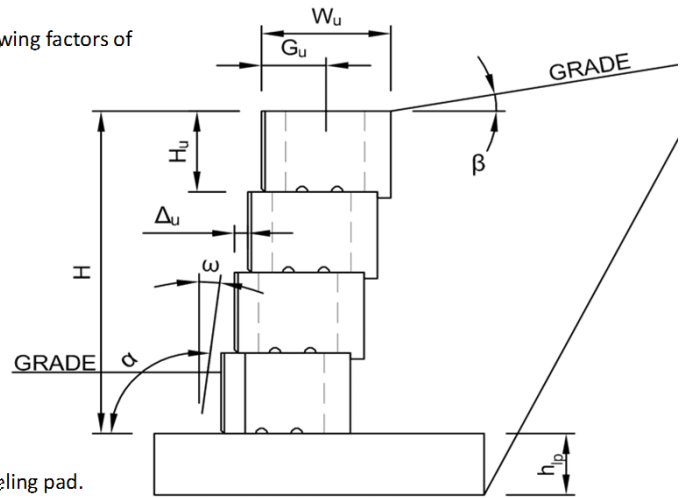
$P_{qd} = q_d K_a H$ = (0 psf)(0.289)(2.625') = 0.0 lbs	$P_{qdH} = P_{qd} \cos(\delta - \omega)$ = (0 lbs) $\cos(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ)$ = 0.0 lbs	$P_{qdV} = P_{qd} \sin(\delta - \omega)$ = (0 lbs) $\sin(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ)$ = 0.0 lbs
$P_{q1} = q_1 K_a H$ = (0 psf)(0.289)(2.625') = 0.0 lbs	$P_{q1H} = P_{q1} \cos(\delta - \omega)$ = (0 lbs) $\cos(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ)$ = 0.0 lbs	$P_{q1V} = P_{q1} \sin(\delta - \omega)$ = (0 lbs) $\sin(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ)$ = 0.0 lbs



External Stability Checks

The National Concrete and Masonry Association (NCMA) recommends the following factors of safety for the individual failure modes of a retaining wall (2010).

Failure Mode		Static	Seismic
Base Sliding	FS _{sl}	1.5	1.1
Leveling Pad Sliding	FS _{sl}	1.5	1.1
Internal Sliding	FS _{isl}	1.5	1.1
Internal Overturning	FS _{iot}	1.5	1.1
Overturning	FS _{ot}	1.5	1.1
Allowable Bearing	FS _{be}	1.0	1.0
Global Stability	Consult a Geotechnical Engineer		



Base Block Sliding

Calculate the factor of safety for the base retaining wall block sliding on the leveling pad.

Static Case

Calculate the resistance to sliding due to friction between the base retaining wall block and the leveling pad.

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_{sc} &= (\mu_b)(W_w + P_{sv} + P_{qdV} + P_{qIV}) \tan \Phi_i \\
 &= (0.7)(307 \text{ lbs} + 16.4 \text{ lbs} + 0 \text{ lbs} + 0 \text{ lbs}) * \tan(36^\circ) \\
 &= 164 \text{ lbs}
 \end{aligned}$$

Calculate the driving forces for a sliding failure.

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_{aH} &= P_{sH} + P_{qdH} + P_{qIH} \\
 &= 108.4 \text{ lbs} + 0 \text{ lbs} + 0 \text{ lbs} \\
 &= 108.4 \text{ lbs}
 \end{aligned}$$

Calculate the factor of safety for base block sliding.

$$\begin{aligned}
 FS_{sl} &= R_{sc} / P_{aH} \\
 &= 164 \text{ lbs} / 108.4 \text{ lbs} \\
 &= 1.52
 \end{aligned}$$

Seismic Case

Calculate the resistance to sliding due to friction between the base retaining wall block and the leveling pad.

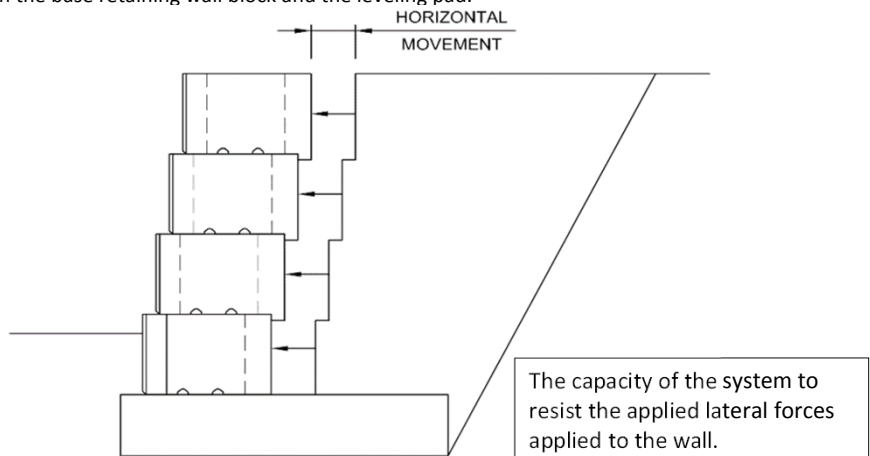
$$\begin{aligned}
 R_{sc} &= (\mu_b)(W_w + P_{sv} + P_{qdV} + P_{qIV} + 0.5 \Delta P_{aEV}) \tan \Phi_i \\
 &= (0.7)(307 \text{ lbs} + 16.4 \text{ lbs} + 0 \text{ lbs} + 0 \text{ lbs} + 7.8 \text{ lbs}) \tan(36^\circ) \\
 &= 168 \text{ lbs}
 \end{aligned}$$

Calculate the driving forces for a sliding failure.

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_{aEH} &= P_{sH} + P_{qdH} + P_{qIH} + 0.5 \Delta P_{aEH} \\
 &= 108.4 \text{ lbs} + 0 \text{ lbs} + 0 \text{ lbs} + 35 \text{ lbs} \\
 &= 143.3 \text{ lbs}
 \end{aligned}$$

Calculate the factor of safety for base block sliding on the leveling pad.

$$\begin{aligned}
 FS_{sl} &= R_{sc} / P_{aH} \\
 &= 168 \text{ lbs} / 143.3 \text{ lbs} \\
 &= 1.17
 \end{aligned}$$



Leveling Pad Base Sliding

Calculate the factor of safety for the leveling pad sliding on the native foundation soil.

Static Case

Calculate the resistance to sliding due to friction between the leveling pad and the retained soil.

$$R_{slp} = (W_w + P_{sv} + P_{qdV} + P_{qIV} + \gamma_c(h_{ip})(W_u + h_{ip})(1' \text{ width})) \tan \Phi_r$$

$$= (307 \text{ lbs} + 16.4 \text{ lbs} + 0 \text{ lbs} + 0 \text{ lbs} + (125 \text{ pcf})(0.5')(0.968' + 0.5')(1')) \tan(26^\circ)$$

$$= 202 \text{ lbs}$$

Calculate the driving forces for a sliding failure.

$$P_{aH} = P_{sH} + P_{qdH} + P_{qIH}$$

$$= 108.4 \text{ lbs} + 0 \text{ lbs} + 0 \text{ lbs}$$

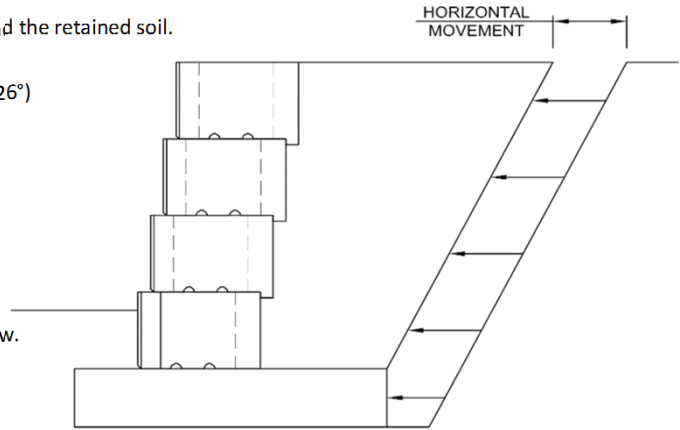
$$= 108.4 \text{ lbs}$$

Calculate the factor of safety for leveling pad sliding on the retained soil below.

$$FS_{sl} = R_{slp} / P_{aH}$$

$$= 202 \text{ lbs} / 108.4 \text{ lbs}$$

$$= 1.87$$



The capacity of the system to resist the applied lateral forces applied to the wall.

Seismic Case

Calculate the resistance to sliding due to friction between the leveling pad and the retained soil.

$$R_{sc} = (W_w + P_{sv} + P_{qdV} + P_{qIV} + 0.5 \Delta P_{aEV} + \gamma_c(h_{ip})(W_u + h_{ip})(1' \text{ width})) \tan \Phi_r$$

$$= (307 \text{ lbs} + 16.4 \text{ lbs} + 0 \text{ lbs} + 0 \text{ lbs} + 7.8 \text{ lbs} + (125 \text{ pcf})(0.5')(0.968' + 0.5')(1')) \tan(26^\circ)$$

$$= 206 \text{ lbs}$$

Calculate the driving forces for a sliding failure.

$$P_{aH} = P_{sH} + P_{qdH} + P_{qIH} + 0.5 \Delta P_{aEH}$$

$$= 108.4 \text{ lbs} + 0 \text{ lbs} + 0 \text{ lbs} + 35 \text{ lbs}$$

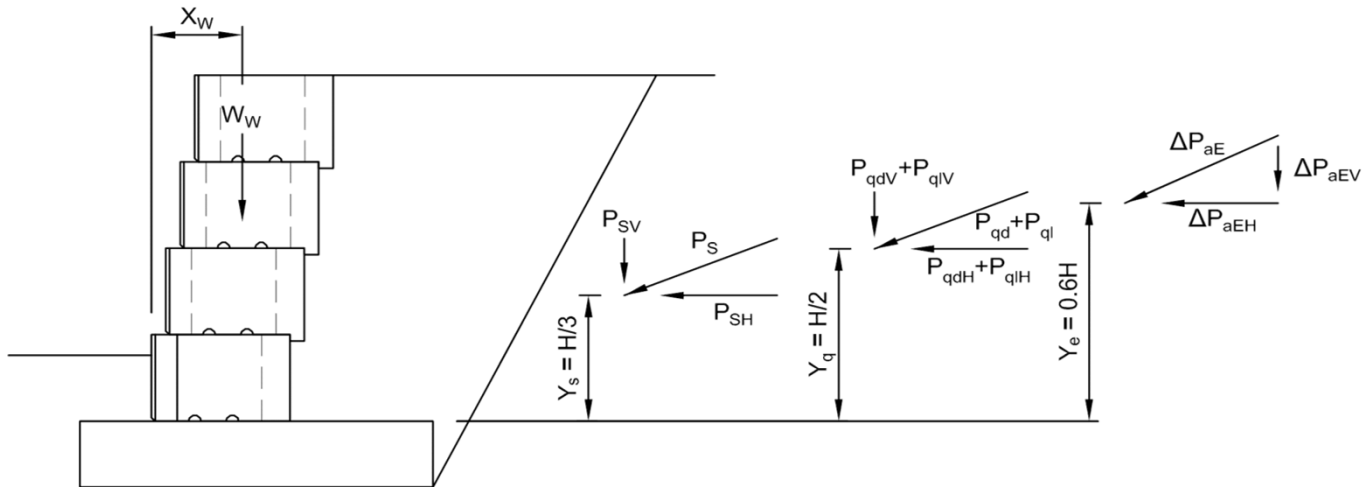
$$= 143.3 \text{ lbs}$$

Calculate the factor of safety for leveling pad sliding on the retained soil below.

$$FS_{sl} = R_{slp} / P_{aH}$$

$$= 206 \text{ lbs} / 143.3 \text{ lbs}$$

$$= 1.44$$



Global Overturning Check

Calculate the factor of safety of the resistive moment versus the overturning moment about the front corner of the base block.

Calculate the resisting moment arm of the wall units.

$$\begin{aligned} X_W &= G_u + 0.5H \tan(\omega) - 0.5\Delta_u \\ &= 0.484' + 0.5(2.625') \tan(8.73^\circ) - 0.5(0.101') \\ &= 0.635 \text{ ft} \end{aligned}$$

Calculate the height at which the resultant surcharge force is applied.

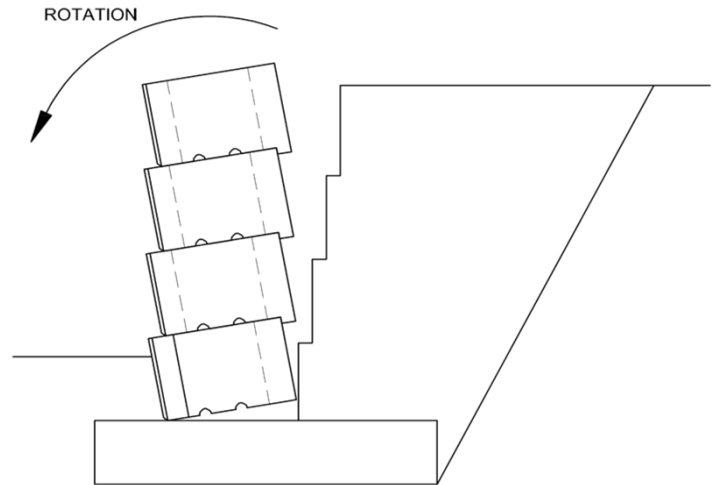
$$\begin{aligned} Y_q &= H/2 \\ &= 2.625'/2 \\ &= 1.312 \text{ ft} \end{aligned}$$

Calculate the height at which the resultant active soil force is applied.

$$\begin{aligned} Y_s &= H/3 \\ &= 2.625'/3 \\ &= 0.875 \text{ ft} \end{aligned}$$

Calculate the height at which the resultant seismic force is applied.

$$\begin{aligned} Y_e &= 0.6H \\ &= 0.6(2.625') \\ &= 1.575 \text{ ft} \end{aligned}$$



Static Case

Calculate the moment resisting overturning.

$$\begin{aligned} M_r &= W_W X_W + P_{sv} [W_u + Y_s \tan(\omega)] + P_{qdV} [W_u + Y_q \tan(\omega)] \\ &= (307 \text{ lbs})(0.635') + (16.4 \text{ lbs}) [(0.968') + (0.875') \tan(8.73^\circ)] + (0 \text{ lbs}) [(0.968') \tan(8.73^\circ)] \\ &= 213 \text{ lbs-ft} \end{aligned}$$

Calculate the overturning moment.

$$\begin{aligned} M_o &= P_{sH} Y_s + P_{dH} Y_q \\ &= (108.4 \text{ lbs})(0.875') + (0 \text{ lbs})(1.312') \\ &= 95 \text{ lbs-ft} \end{aligned}$$

Calculate the factor of safety for the retaining wall overturning about the front corner of the base block.

$$\begin{aligned} FS_{ot} &= M_r / M_o \\ &= 213 \text{ lbs-ft} / 95 \text{ lbs-ft} \\ &= 2.25 \end{aligned}$$

Seismic Case

Calculate the moment resisting overturning.

$$\begin{aligned} M_r &= W_W X_W + (P_{sv} + 0.5\Delta P_{aEV}) [W_u + Y_s \tan(\omega)] + P_{qdV} [W_u + Y_q \tan(\omega)] \\ &= (307 \text{ lbs})(0.635') + (16.4 \text{ lbs} + 7.8 \text{ lbs}) [(0.968') \tan(8.73^\circ)] + (0 \text{ lbs}) [(0.968') \tan(8.73^\circ)] \\ &= 222 \text{ lbs-ft} \end{aligned}$$

Calculate the overturning moment.

$$\begin{aligned} M_o &= P_{sH} Y_s + 0.5\Delta P_{aEH} Y_e + P_{dH} Y_q \\ &= (108.4 \text{ lbs})(0.875') + (35 \text{ lbs})(1.575') + (0 \text{ lbs})(1.312') \\ &= 150 \text{ lbs-ft} \end{aligned}$$

Calculate the factor of safety for the retaining wall overturning about the front corner of the base block.

$$\begin{aligned} FS_{ot} &= M_r / M_o \\ &= 222 \text{ lbs-ft} / 149.9 \text{ lbs-ft} \\ &= 1.48 \end{aligned}$$

Bearing Check

Calculate the factor of safety for the bearing pressure on retained soil versus the bearing capacity of the native foundation soil.
 Calculate the eccentricity between the horizontal location of the weight of the wall and the center of the base block.

$$\begin{aligned}
 e_w &= X_w \cdot 0.5W_u \\
 &= 0.635' - 0.5(0.968') \\
 &= 0.151 \text{ ft}
 \end{aligned}$$

Static Case

Calculate the eccentricity of the resultant bearing force and the center of the base block.

$$\begin{aligned}
 e_c &= (M_o - W_w e_w) / (W_w + P_{sv} + P_{qdV} + P_{qIV}) \\
 &= [(95 \text{ lbs-ft}) - (307 \text{ lbs})(0.151')] / (306.8 \text{ lbs} + 16.4 \text{ lbs} + 0 \text{ lbs} + 0 \text{ lbs}) \\
 &= 0.150 \text{ ft}
 \end{aligned}$$

Calculate the length of the Meyeroff pressure distribution.

$$\begin{aligned}
 B_c &= W_u + h_{ip} - 2e_c \\
 &= 0.968' + 0.5' - 2(0.15') \\
 &= 1.168 \text{ ft}
 \end{aligned}$$

Calculate the uniform Meyeroff bearing pressure.

$$\begin{aligned}
 Q_a &= (W_w + P_{sv} + P_{qdV} + P_{qIV}) / B_c \\
 &= (307 \text{ lbs} + 16.4 \text{ lbs} + 0 \text{ lbs} + 0 \text{ lbs}) / 1.168' \\
 &= 277 \text{ psf}
 \end{aligned}$$

Recall the allowable bearing pressure.

$$\text{Bearing} = 1500 \text{ psf}$$

Calculate the factor of safety for the leveling pad bearing on retained soil

$$\begin{aligned}
 FS_{be} &= \text{Bearing} / Q_a \\
 &= 1500 \text{ psf} / 277 \text{ psf} \\
 &= 5.42
 \end{aligned}$$

Seismic Case

Calculate the eccentricity of the resultant bearing force and the center of the base block.

$$\begin{aligned}
 e_c &= (M_o - W_w e_w) / (W_w + P_{sv} + P_{qdV} + P_{qIV} + \Delta P_{aEV}) \\
 &= [(150 \text{ lbs-ft}) - (307 \text{ lbs})(0.151')] / (306.8 \text{ lbs} + 16.4 \text{ lbs} + 0 \text{ lbs} + 0 \text{ lbs} + 15.7 \text{ lbs}) \\
 &= 0.305 \text{ ft}
 \end{aligned}$$

Calculate the length of the Meyeroff pressure distribution.

$$\begin{aligned}
 B_c &= W_u + h_{ip} - 2e_c \\
 &= 0.968' + 0.5' - 2(0.305') \\
 &= 0.857 \text{ ft}
 \end{aligned}$$

Calculate the uniform Meyeroff bearing pressure.

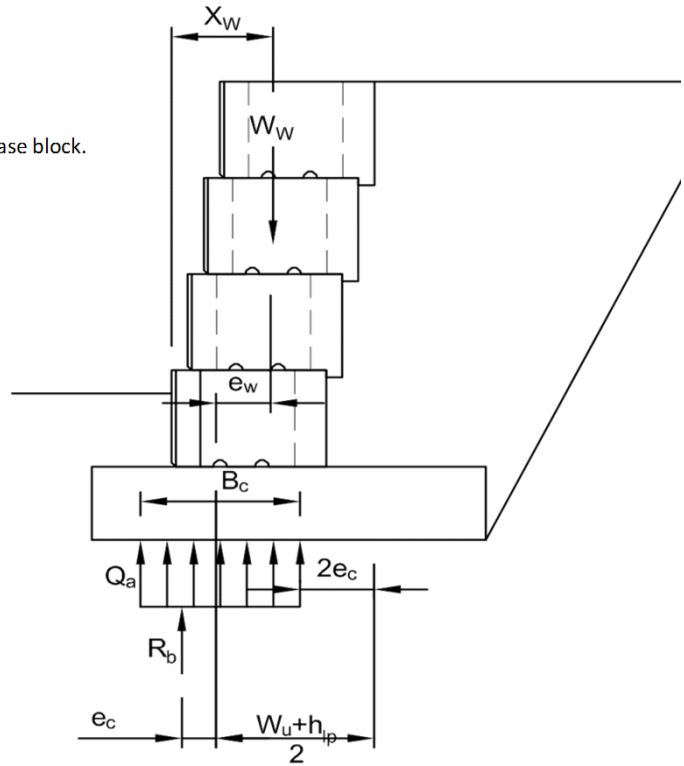
$$\begin{aligned}
 Q_a &= (W_w + P_{sv} + P_{qdV} + P_{qIV} + 0.5\Delta P_{aEV}) / B_c \\
 &= (307 \text{ lbs} + 16.4 \text{ lbs} + 0 \text{ lbs} + 0 \text{ lbs} + 7.8 \text{ lbs}) / 0.857' \\
 &= 386 \text{ psf}
 \end{aligned}$$

Calculate the transient bearing capacity. Consult a geotechnical engineer if a third increase in your bearing capacity for transient or short term loads.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Transient Bearing} &= 4 * \text{Bearing} / 3 \\
 &= 4(1500 \text{ psf}) / 3 \\
 &= 2000 \text{ psf}
 \end{aligned}$$

Calculate the factor of safety for the leveling pad bearing on retained soil.

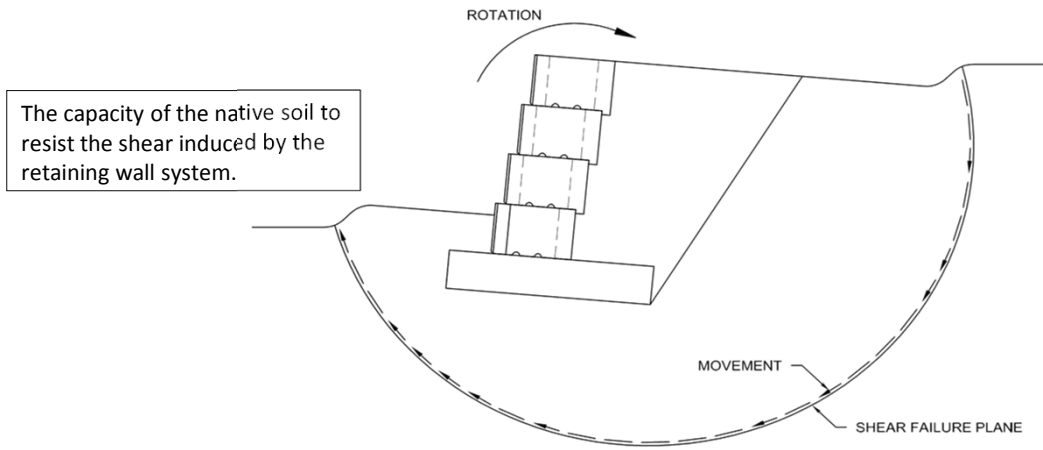
$$\begin{aligned}
 FS_{be} &= \text{Transient Bearing} / Q_a \\
 &= 2000 \text{ psf} / 386 \text{ psf} \\
 &= 5.18
 \end{aligned}$$



The capacity of the soil supporting the system to resist the vertical loads.

Global Stability

Consult a geotechnical engineer for global stability of the site soil around the retaining wall.



Summary

The following is a summary of the recommended factors of safety and the calculated factors of safety.

Failure Mode		Summary				
		Static	Seismic	Static	Seismic	
Base Sliding	FS _{sl}	1.5	1.1	1.52	1.17	PASS
Leveling Pad Sliding	FS _{sl}	1.5	1.1	1.87	1.44	PASS
Internal Sliding	FS _{isl}	1.5	1.1	10.38	10.99	PASS
Internal Overturning	FS _{iot}	1.5	1.1	3.91	1.51	PASS
Overturning	FS _{ot}	1.5	1.1	2.25	1.48	PASS
Allowable Bearing	FS _{be}	1.0	1.0	5.42	5.18	PASS
Global Stability	Consult a Geotechnical Engineer					

Conclusion

A 2'-8" Murata Retaining Wall (4 blocks tall) is structurally sufficient to resist the given soil pressures and 0 psf of surcharge and a 0 degree backslope.

Internal Stability Checks

Block 3

Block Number 3

$h =$ 1.969 $\text{ft} = 3(0.656''/\text{block})$

Static Loads

Murata Fill

Retained Soil

Recall the previous calculated active soil pressure coefficients.

$$K_a = 0.179$$

$$K_a = 0.289$$

Recall the given soil properties from the geotechnical engineer for the project.

$$\gamma_c = 125 \text{ pcf}$$

$$\gamma_r = 110 \text{ pcf}$$

$$\delta_c = 24.0^\circ$$

$$\delta_r = 17.3^\circ$$

Calculate the resultant active soil force induced on the wall and its horizontal and vertical components.

$$\begin{aligned} P_a &= 0.5K_a\gamma_c(1' \text{ wide})h^2 \\ &= 0.5(0.179)(125 \text{ pcf})(1')(1.969')^2 \\ &= 43.30 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{aH} &= P_a \cos(\delta_c - \omega) \\ &= (43.3 \text{ lbs}) \cos(24^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \\ &= 41.77 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{aV} &= P_a \sin(\delta_c - \omega) \\ &= (43.3 \text{ lbs}) \sin(24^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \\ &= 11.40 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_a &= 0.5K_a\gamma_r(1' \text{ wide})h^2 \\ &= 0.5(0.289)(110 \text{ pcf})(1')(1.969')^2 \\ &= 61.65 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{aH} &= P_a \cos(\delta_r - \omega) \\ &= (61.65 \text{ lbs}) \cos(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \\ &= 60.95 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{aV} &= P_a \sin(\delta_r - \omega) \\ &= (61.65 \text{ lbs}) \sin(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \\ &= 9.22 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$

Seismic Loads

Murata Fill

Retained Soil

Recall the previous calculated active seismic and soil pressure coefficients.

$$K_{aE} = 0.317$$

$$K_{aE} = 0.476$$

Calculate the active seismic pressure coefficient

$$K_E = 0.138 = K_{aE} - K_a$$

$$K_E = 0.187 = K_{aE} - K_a$$

Calculate the resultant active seismic force induced on the wall and its horizontal and vertical components.

$$\begin{aligned} P_{aE} &= 0.5K_E\gamma_c(1' \text{ wide})h^2 \\ &= 0.5(0.138)(125 \text{ pcf})(1')(1.969')^2 \\ &= 33.49 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{aEH} &= P_{aE} \cos(\delta_c - \omega) \\ &= (33.49 \text{ lbs}) \cos(24^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \\ &= 32.31 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{aEV} &= P_{aE} \sin(\delta_c - \omega) \\ &= (33.49 \text{ lbs}) \sin(24^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \\ &= 8.82 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{aE} &= 0.5K_E\gamma_r(1' \text{ wide})h^2 \\ &= 0.5(0.187)(110 \text{ pcf})(1')(1.969')^2 \\ &= 39.79 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{aEH} &= P_{aE} \cos(\delta_r - \omega) \\ &= (39.79 \text{ lbs}) \cos(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \\ &= 39.34 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{aEV} &= P_{aE} \sin(\delta_r - \omega) \\ &= (39.79 \text{ lbs}) \sin(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \\ &= 5.95 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$

Surcharge Loads

Calculate the resultant force on the SRW induced by the surcharge load on the retained soil and its horizontal and vertical components. It is assumed that the surcharge load is uniform and continuous.

$$\begin{aligned} P_{qd} &= q_d K_a (1' \text{ wide})h \\ &= (0 \text{ psf})(0.179)(1')(1.969') \\ &= 0.00 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$

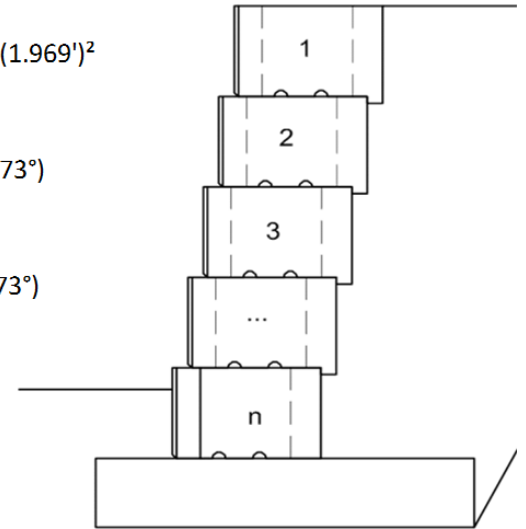
$$\begin{aligned} P_{qdH} &= P_{qd} \cos(\delta - \omega) \\ &= (0 \text{ lbs}) \cos(24^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \\ &= 0.00 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{qdV} &= P_{qd} \sin(\delta - \omega) \\ &= (0 \text{ lbs}) \sin(24^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \\ &= 0.00 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{qI} &= q_I K_a (1' \text{ wide})h \\ &= (0 \text{ psf})(0.289)(1')(1.969') \\ &= 0.00 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{qIH} &= P_{qI} \cos(\delta - \omega) \\ &= (0 \text{ lbs}) \cos(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \\ &= 0.00 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{qIV} &= P_{qI} \sin(\delta - \omega) \\ &= (0 \text{ lbs}) \sin(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \\ &= 0.00 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$



Static Load Application

Calculate the applied distributed load to the retaining wall and the resultant location from the bottom of block (3).

Horizontal Load at the Top of the (3) Block Wall

$$\begin{aligned}
 w_{HT} &= q_d K_a (1') \cos(\delta - \omega) + q_i K_a (1') \cos(\delta - \omega) \\
 &= (0 \text{ psf})(0.289)(1') \cos(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) + (0 \text{ psf})(0.289)(1') \cos(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \\
 &= 0.0 \text{ plf}
 \end{aligned}$$

Horizontal Load at the Bottom of the (3) Block Wall

$$\begin{aligned}
 w_{HB} &= w_{HT} + K_a \gamma_c h (1') \cos(\delta - \omega) + q_d K_a (1') \cos(\delta - \omega) + q_i K_a (1') \cos(\delta - \omega) \\
 &= 0 \text{ plf} + (0.289)(110 \text{ pcf})(1.969')(1') \cos(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \\
 &\quad + (0 \text{ psf})(0.289)(1') \cos(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) + (0 \text{ psf})(0.289)(1') \cos(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \\
 &= 61.9 \text{ plf}
 \end{aligned}$$

Calculate the location of the active soil pressure.

$$\begin{aligned}
 c_y &= h - [h(2w_{HB} + w_{HT})] / [3(w_{HB} + w_{HT})] \\
 &= 1.969' - [(1.969')(2(61.93 \text{ plf}) + 0 \text{ plf})] / [3(61.93 \text{ plf} + 0 \text{ plf})] \\
 &= 0.656 \text{ ft}
 \end{aligned}$$

Calculate horizontal resultant active soil force.

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_{aH} &= h(w_{HT} + w_{HB}) / 2 \\
 &= (1.969')(0 \text{ plf} + 61.93 \text{ plf}) / 2 \\
 &= 61.0 \text{ lbs @ } c_y
 \end{aligned}$$

Vertical Load at the Top of the (3) Block Wall

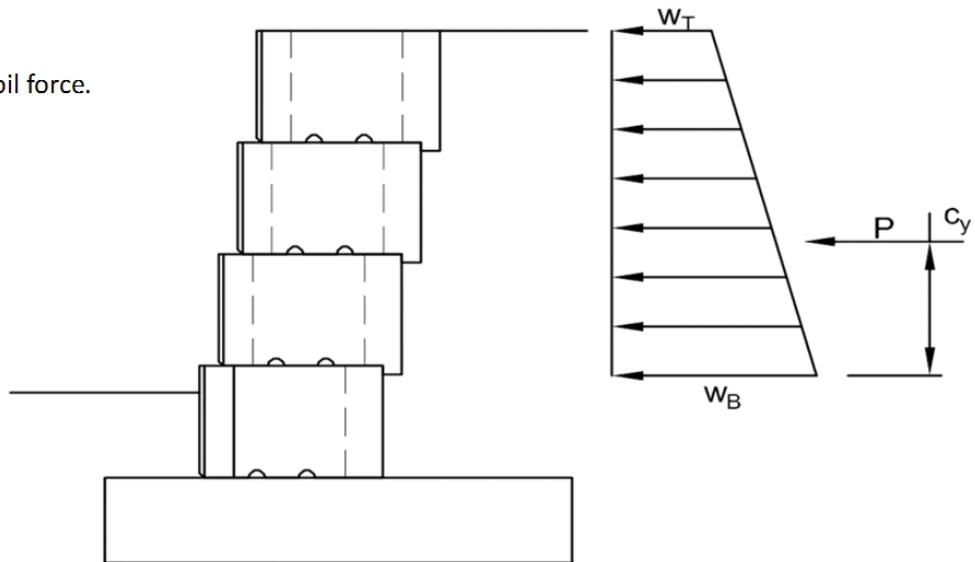
$$\begin{aligned}
 w_{VT} &= q_d K_a (1') \sin(\delta - \omega) + q_i K_a (1') \sin(\delta - \omega) \\
 &= (0 \text{ psf})(0.289)(1') \sin(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) + (0 \text{ psf})(0.289)(1') \sin(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \\
 &= 0.0 \text{ plf}
 \end{aligned}$$

Vertical Load at the Bottom of the (3) Block Wall

$$\begin{aligned}
 w_{VB} &= w_{VT} + K_a \gamma_c h (1') \sin(\delta - \omega) + q_d K_a (1') \sin(\delta - \omega) + q_i K_a (1') \sin(\delta - \omega) \\
 &= 0 \text{ plf} + (0.289)(110 \text{ pcf})(1.969')(1') \sin(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \\
 &\quad + (0 \text{ psf})(0.289)(1') \sin(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) + (0 \text{ psf})(0.289)(1') \sin(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \\
 &= 9.4 \text{ plf}
 \end{aligned}$$

Calculate vertical resultant active soil force.

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_{aV} &= h(w_{VT} + w_{VB}) / 2 \\
 &= (1.969')(0 \text{ plf} + 9.4 \text{ plf}) / 2 \\
 &= 9.2 \text{ lbs}
 \end{aligned}$$



Seismic Load Application

Calculate the applied distributed load to the retaining wall and the resultant location from the bottom of the base block.

Horizontal Load at the Top of the (3) Block Wall

$$\begin{aligned}
 w_{HTE} &= K_E \gamma_c H(1') \cos(\delta - \omega) + w_{HT} \\
 &= (0.187)(110 \text{ psf})(2.625')(1') \cos(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) + 0 \text{ plf} \\
 &= 40.0 \text{ plf}
 \end{aligned}$$

Horizontal Load at the Bottom of the (3) Block Wall

$$\begin{aligned}
 w_{HBE} &= K_E \gamma_c (H-h)(1') \cos(\delta - \omega) + w_{HB} \\
 &= (0.187)(110 \text{ psf})(2.625' - 1.969')(1') \cos(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) + 61.9 \text{ plf} \\
 &= 75.2 \text{ plf}
 \end{aligned}$$

Calculate the location of the active seismic and soil pressure.

$$\begin{aligned}
 c_{VE} &= h - [h(2w_{HBE} + w_{HTE})] / [3(w_{HBE} + w_{HTE})] \\
 &= 1.969' - [(1.969')(2(75.2 \text{ plf}) + 40 \text{ plf})] / [3(75.2 \text{ plf} + 40 \text{ plf})] \\
 &= 0.884 \text{ ft}
 \end{aligned}$$

Calculate vertical resultant active soil force.

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_{aEH} &= h(\text{Horizontal Load @ Top} + \text{Horizontal Load @ Bottom}) / 2 \\
 &= (1.969')(39.97 \text{ plf} + 75.25 \text{ plf}) / 2 \\
 &= 113.4 \text{ lbs @ } c_{VE}
 \end{aligned}$$

Vertical Load at the Top of the (3) Block Wall

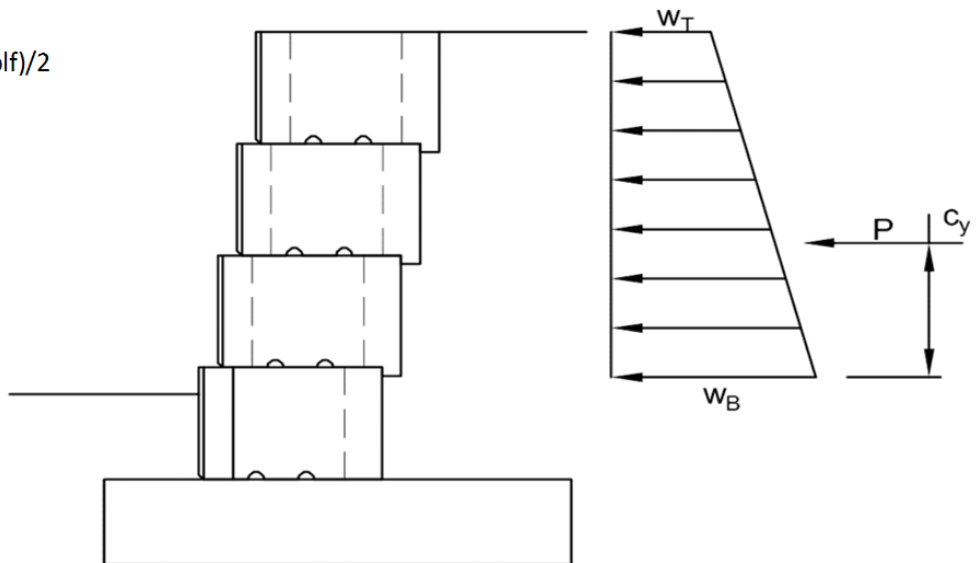
$$\begin{aligned}
 w_{VTE} &= K_E \gamma_c H(1') \sin(\delta - \omega) + w_{VT} \\
 &= (0.187)(110 \text{ psf})(2.625')(1') \sin(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) + 0 \text{ plf} \\
 &= 6.0 \text{ plf}
 \end{aligned}$$

Vertical Load at the Bottom of the (3) Block Wall

$$\begin{aligned}
 w_{VBE} &= K_E \gamma_c (H-h)(1') \sin(\delta - \omega) + w_{VB} \\
 &= (0.187)(110 \text{ psf})(2.625' - 1.969')(1') \sin(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) + 9.4 \text{ plf} \\
 &= 11.4 \text{ plf}
 \end{aligned}$$

Calculate vertical resultant active seismic and soil force.

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_{aEV} &= h(w_{VTE} + w_{VBE}) / 2 \\
 &= (1.969')(6.05 \text{ plf} + 11.39 \text{ plf}) / 2 \\
 &= 17.2 \text{ lbs}
 \end{aligned}$$



Internal Overturning Stability

Calculate the factor of safety of the resistive moment versus the overturning moment of the block (3) overturning about the front corner.

Static

Calculate the overturning moment.

$$\begin{aligned} M_o &= P_{aH}C_y \\ &= (61 \text{ lbs})(0.656') \\ &= 40.0 \text{ lbs-ft} \end{aligned}$$

Calculate the weight of a 1' wide strip of the wall (3) blocks tall.

$$\begin{aligned} w_w &= \gamma_u W_u h (1' \text{ wide}) \\ &= (120.8 \text{ pcf})(0.968')(1.969')(1') \\ &= 230 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$

Recall the resisting moment arm.

$$x_w = 0.635 \text{ ft}$$

Calculate the moment resisting overturning.

$$\begin{aligned} M_r &= w_w x_w + P_{av} [W_u + h \tan(\omega) / 2] \\ &= (230 \text{ lbs})(0.635') + (9.2 \text{ lbs}) [(0.968') + (0.656') \tan(8.73^\circ)] \\ &= 156 \text{ lbs-ft} \end{aligned}$$

Calculate the factor of safety for the retaining wall overturning about the front corner of the (3) block.

$$\begin{aligned} FS_{ot} &= M_r / M_o \\ &= 156 \text{ lbs-ft} / 40 \text{ lbs-ft} \\ &= 3.91 \end{aligned}$$

Seismic

Calculate the overturning moment.

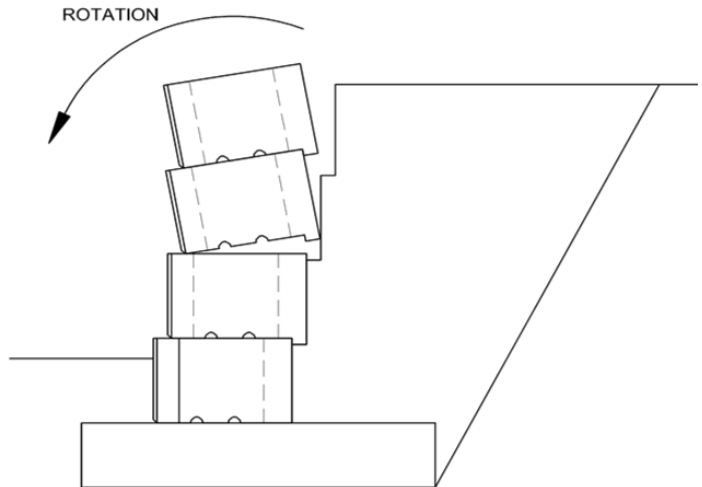
$$\begin{aligned} M_o &= P_{aEH}C_{yE} \\ &= (113.4 \text{ lbs})(0.884') \\ &= 100.2 \text{ lbs-ft} \end{aligned}$$

Calculate the moment resisting overturning.

$$\begin{aligned} M_r &= w_w x_w + 0.5 P_{aEV} [W_u + h \tan(\omega) / 2] \\ &= (230 \text{ lbs})(0.635') + (4.6 \text{ lbs}) [(0.968') + (0.656') \tan(8.73^\circ)] \\ &= 151 \text{ lbs-ft} \end{aligned}$$

Calculate the factor of safety for the retaining wall overturning about the front corner of the (3) block.

$$\begin{aligned} FS_{ot} &= M_r / M_o \\ &= 151 \text{ lbs-ft} / 100.2 \text{ lbs-ft} \\ &= 1.51 \end{aligned}$$



The capacity of the system to resist the overturning caused by the lateral forces applied to the wall.

Internal Sliding Stability

Calculate the factor of safety of block (3) sliding on block (4).

Static

Calculate the resistance to sliding due to friction between the (3) block and the block below it.

$$\begin{aligned} R_{sc} &= (\mu_{SRW})(w_W + P_{av}) + a_u \\ &= (0.74)(230.1 \text{ lbs} + 17.2 \text{ lbs}) + (449 \text{ lbs}) \\ &= 632 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$

Recall the resultant horizontal active soil force.

$$P_{aH} = 61.0 \text{ lbs}$$

Calculate the factor of safety for block sliding.

$$\begin{aligned} FS_{sl} &= R_{sc} / P_{aH} \\ &= 632 \text{ lbs} / 61 \text{ lbs} \\ &= 10.38 \end{aligned}$$

Seismic

Calculate the resistance to sliding due to friction between the (3) block and the block below it.

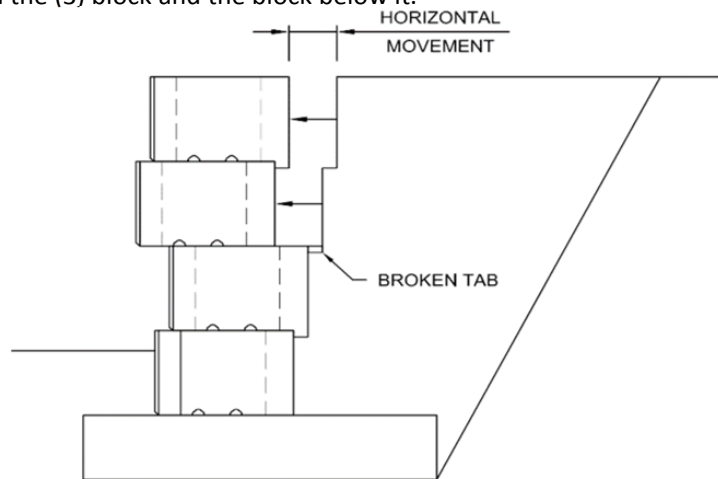
$$\begin{aligned} R_{sc} &= (\mu_{SRW})(w_W + 0.5P_{aEV}) + a_u \\ &= (0.74)(230.1 \text{ lbs} + 4.6 \text{ lbs}) + (449 \text{ lbs}) \\ &= 623 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$

Recall the resultant horizontal active seismic and soil force.

$$P_{aEH} = 113.4 \text{ lbs}$$

Calculate the factor of safety for block sliding.

$$\begin{aligned} FS_{sl} &= R_{sc} / 0.5P_{aEH} \\ &= 623 \text{ lbs} / 56.7 \text{ lbs} \\ &= 10.99 \end{aligned}$$



The capacity of the system to resist the overturning caused by the lateral forces applied to the wall.

Internal Stability Checks

Block 2

Block Number 2

$h =$ 1.312 $\text{ft} = 2(0.656''/\text{block})$

Static Loads

Murata Fill

Retained Soil

Recall the previous calculated active soil pressure coefficients.

$K_a = 0.179$

$K_a = 0.289$

Recall the given soil properties from the geotechnical engineer for the project.

$\gamma_c = 125 \text{ pcf}$

$\gamma_r = 110 \text{ pcf}$

$\delta_c = 24.0^\circ$

$\delta_r = 17.3^\circ$

Calculate the resultant active soil force induced on the wall and its horizontal and vertical components.

$$P_a = 0.5K_a\gamma_c(1' \text{ wide})h^2$$

$$= 0.5(0.179)(125 \text{ pcf})(1')(1.312')^2$$

$$= 19.25 \text{ lbs}$$

$$P_a = 0.5K_a\gamma_r(1' \text{ wide})h^2$$

$$= 0.5(0.289)(110 \text{ pcf})(1')(1.312')^2$$

$$= 27.40 \text{ lbs}$$

$$P_{aH} = P_a \cos(\delta_c - \omega)$$

$$= (19.25 \text{ lbs}) \cos(24^\circ - 8.73^\circ)$$

$$= 18.57 \text{ lbs}$$

$$P_{aH} = P_a \cos(\delta_r - \omega)$$

$$= (27.4 \text{ lbs}) \cos(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ)$$

$$= 27.09 \text{ lbs}$$

$$P_{aV} = P_a \sin(\delta_c - \omega)$$

$$= (19.25 \text{ lbs}) \sin(24^\circ - 8.73^\circ)$$

$$= 5.07 \text{ lbs}$$

$$P_{aV} = P_a \sin(\delta_r - \omega)$$

$$= (27.4 \text{ lbs}) \sin(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ)$$

$$= 4.10 \text{ lbs}$$

Seismic Loads

Murata Fill

Retained Soil

Recall the previous calculated active seismic and soil pressure coefficients.

$K_{aE} = 0.317$

$K_{aE} = 0.476$

Calculate the active seismic pressure coefficient

$K_E = 0.138 = K_{aE} - K_a$

$K_E = 0.187 = K_{aE} - K_a$

Calculate the resultant active seismic force induced on the wall and its horizontal and vertical components.

$$P_{aE} = 0.5K_E\gamma_c(1' \text{ wide})h^2$$

$$= 0.5(0.138)(125 \text{ pcf})(1')(1.312')^2$$

$$= 14.88 \text{ lbs}$$

$$P_{aE} = 0.5K_E\gamma_r(1' \text{ wide})h^2$$

$$= 0.5(0.187)(110 \text{ pcf})(1')(1.312')^2$$

$$= 17.68 \text{ lbs}$$

$$P_{aEH} = P_{aE} \cos(\delta_c - \omega)$$

$$= (14.88 \text{ lbs}) \cos(24^\circ - 8.73^\circ)$$

$$= 14.36 \text{ lbs}$$

$$P_{aEH} = P_{aE} \cos(\delta_r - \omega)$$

$$= (17.68 \text{ lbs}) \cos(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ)$$

$$= 17.48 \text{ lbs}$$

$$P_{aEV} = P_{aE} \sin(\delta_c - \omega)$$

$$= (14.88 \text{ lbs}) \sin(24^\circ - 8.73^\circ)$$

$$= 3.92 \text{ lbs}$$

$$P_{aEV} = P_{aE} \sin(\delta_r - \omega)$$

$$= (17.68 \text{ lbs}) \sin(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ)$$

$$= 2.65 \text{ lbs}$$

Surcharge Loads

Calculate the resultant force on the SRW induced by the surcharge load on the retained soil and its horizontal and vertical components. It is assumed that the surcharge load is uniform and continuous.

$$P_{qd} = q_d K_a (1' \text{ wide})h$$

$$= (0 \text{ psf})(0.179)(1')(1.312')$$

$$= 0.00 \text{ lbs}$$

$$P_{qI} = q_I K_a (1' \text{ wide})h$$

$$= (0 \text{ psf})(0.289)(1')(1.312')$$

$$= 0.00 \text{ lbs}$$

$$P_{qdH} = P_{qd} \cos(\delta - \omega)$$

$$= (0 \text{ lbs}) \cos(24^\circ - 8.73^\circ)$$

$$= 0.00 \text{ lbs}$$

$$P_{qIH} = P_{qI} \cos(\delta - \omega)$$

$$= (0 \text{ lbs}) \cos(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ)$$

$$= 0.00 \text{ lbs}$$

$$P_{qdV} = P_{qd} \sin(\delta - \omega)$$

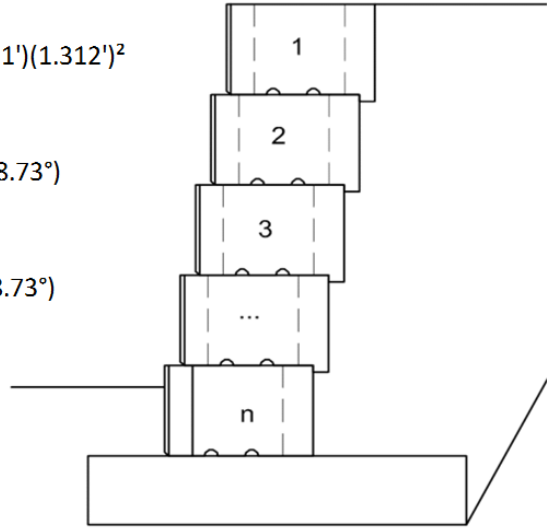
$$= (0 \text{ lbs}) \sin(24^\circ - 8.73^\circ)$$

$$= 0.00 \text{ lbs}$$

$$P_{qIV} = P_{qI} \sin(\delta - \omega)$$

$$= (0 \text{ lbs}) \sin(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ)$$

$$= 0.00 \text{ lbs}$$



Static Load Application

Calculate the applied distributed load to the retaining wall and the resultant location from the bottom of block (2).

Horizontal Load at the Top of the (2) Block Wall

$$\begin{aligned}
 w_{HT} &= q_d K_a (1') \cos(\delta - \omega) + q_i K_a (1') \cos(\delta - \omega) \\
 &= (0 \text{ psf})(0.289)(1') \cos(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) + (0 \text{ psf})(0.289)(1') \cos(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \\
 &= 0.0 \text{ plf}
 \end{aligned}$$

Horizontal Load at the Bottom of the (2) Block Wall

$$\begin{aligned}
 w_{HB} &= w_{HT} + K_a \gamma_c h (1') \cos(\delta - \omega) + q_d K_a (1') \cos(\delta - \omega) + q_i K_a (1') \cos(\delta - \omega) \\
 &= 0 \text{ plf} + (0.289)(110 \text{ pcf})(1.312')(1') \cos(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \\
 &\quad + (0 \text{ psf})(0.289)(1') \cos(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) + (0 \text{ psf})(0.289)(1') \cos(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \\
 &= 41.3 \text{ plf}
 \end{aligned}$$

Calculate the location of the active soil pressure.

$$\begin{aligned}
 c_y &= h - [h(2w_{HB} + w_{HT})] / [3(w_{HB} + w_{HT})] \\
 &= 1.312' - [(1.312')(2(41.28 \text{ plf}) + 0 \text{ plf})] / [3(41.28 \text{ plf} + 0 \text{ plf})] \\
 &= 0.437 \text{ ft}
 \end{aligned}$$

Calculate horizontal resultant active soil force.

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_{aH} &= h(w_{HT} + w_{HB}) / 2 \\
 &= (1.312')(0 \text{ plf} + 41.28 \text{ plf}) / 2 \\
 &= 27.1 \text{ lbs @ } c_y
 \end{aligned}$$

Vertical Load at the Top of the (2) Block Wall

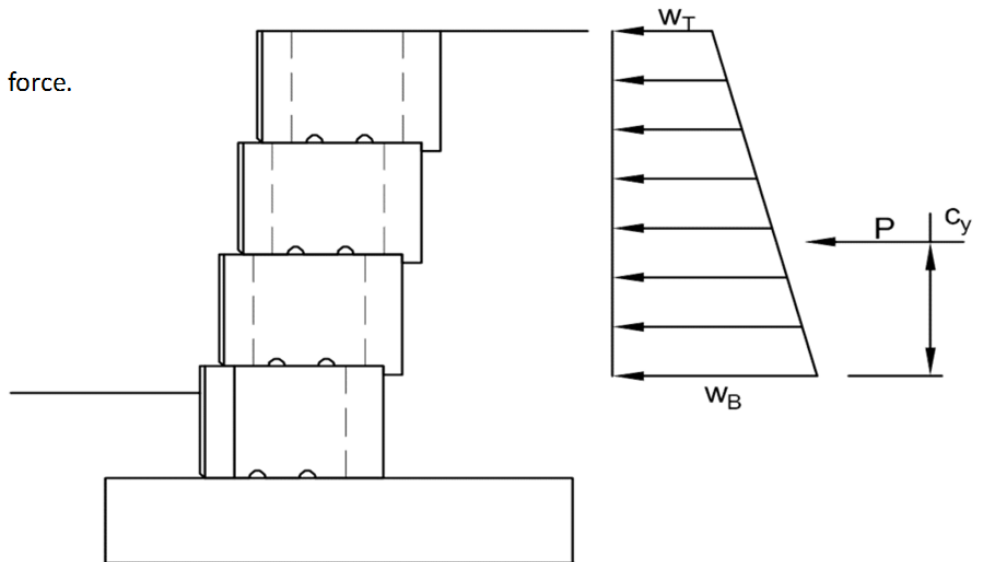
$$\begin{aligned}
 w_{VT} &= q_d K_a (1') \sin(\delta - \omega) + q_i K_a (1') \sin(\delta - \omega) \\
 &= (0 \text{ psf})(0.289)(1') \sin(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) + (0 \text{ psf})(0.289)(1') \sin(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \\
 &= 0.0 \text{ plf}
 \end{aligned}$$

Vertical Load at the Bottom of the (2) Block Wall

$$\begin{aligned}
 w_{VB} &= w_{VT} + K_a \gamma_c h (1') \sin(\delta - \omega) + q_d K_a (1') \sin(\delta - \omega) + q_i K_a (1') \sin(\delta - \omega) \\
 &= 0 \text{ plf} + (0.289)(110 \text{ pcf})(1.312')(1') \sin(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \\
 &\quad + (0 \text{ psf})(0.289)(1') \sin(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) + (0 \text{ psf})(0.289)(1') \sin(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \\
 &= 6.2 \text{ plf}
 \end{aligned}$$

Calculate vertical resultant active soil force.

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_{aV} &= h(w_{VT} + w_{VB}) / 2 \\
 &= (1.312')(0 \text{ plf} + 6.2 \text{ plf}) / 2 \\
 &= 4.1 \text{ lbs}
 \end{aligned}$$



Seismic Load Application

Calculate the applied distributed load to the retaining wall and the resultant location from the bottom of the base block.

Horizontal Load at the Top of the (2) Block Wall

$$\begin{aligned}
 w_{HTE} &= K_E \gamma_c H(1') \cos(\delta - \omega) + w_{HT} \\
 &= (0.187)(110 \text{ psf})(2.625')(1') \cos(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) + 0 \text{ plf} \\
 &= 26.6 \text{ plf}
 \end{aligned}$$

Horizontal Load at the Bottom of the (2) Block Wall

$$\begin{aligned}
 w_{HBE} &= K_E \gamma_c (H-h)(1') \cos(\delta - \omega) + w_{HB} \\
 &= (0.187)(110 \text{ psf})(2.625' - 1.312')(1') \cos(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) + 41.3 \text{ plf} \\
 &= 67.9 \text{ plf}
 \end{aligned}$$

Calculate the location of the active seismic and soil pressure.

$$\begin{aligned}
 c_{VE} &= h - [h(2w_{HBE} + w_{HTE})] / [3(w_{HBE} + w_{HTE})] \\
 &= 1.312' - [(1.312')(2(67.9 \text{ plf}) + 26.6 \text{ plf})] / [3(67.9 \text{ plf} + 26.6 \text{ plf})] \\
 &= 0.561 \text{ ft}
 \end{aligned}$$

Calculate vertical resultant active soil force.

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_{aEH} &= h(\text{Horizontal Load @ Top} + \text{Horizontal Load @ Bottom}) / 2 \\
 &= (1.312')(26.65 \text{ plf} + 67.93 \text{ plf}) / 2 \\
 &= 62.1 \text{ lbs @ } c_{VE}
 \end{aligned}$$

Vertical Load at the Top of the (2) Block Wall

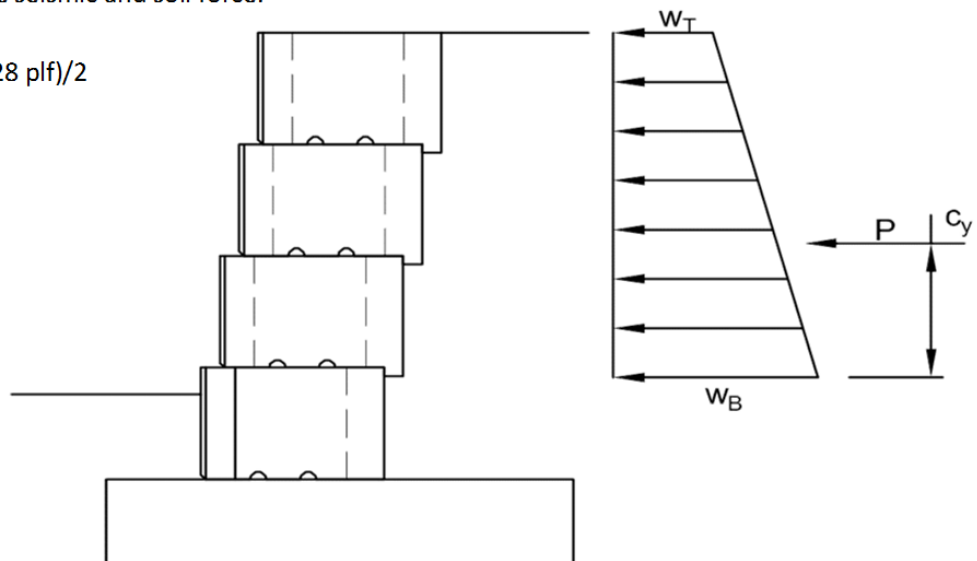
$$\begin{aligned}
 w_{VTE} &= K_E \gamma_c H(1') \sin(\delta - \omega) + w_{VT} \\
 &= (0.187)(110 \text{ psf})(2.625')(1') \sin(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) + 0 \text{ plf} \\
 &= 4.0 \text{ plf}
 \end{aligned}$$

Vertical Load at the Bottom of the (2) Block Wall

$$\begin{aligned}
 w_{VBE} &= K_E \gamma_c (H-h)(1') \sin(\delta - \omega) + w_{VB} \\
 &= (0.187)(110 \text{ psf})(2.625' - 1.312')(1') \sin(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) + 6.2 \text{ plf} \\
 &= 10.3 \text{ plf}
 \end{aligned}$$

Calculate vertical resultant active seismic and soil force.

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_{aEV} &= h(w_{VTE} + w_{VBE}) / 2 \\
 &= (1.312')(4.03 \text{ plf} + 10.28 \text{ plf}) / 2 \\
 &= 9.4 \text{ lbs}
 \end{aligned}$$



Internal Overturning Stability

Calculate the factor of safety of the resistive moment versus the overturning moment of the block (2) overturning about the front corner.

Static

Calculate the overturning moment.

$$\begin{aligned}M_o &= P_{aH}C_y \\ &= (27.1 \text{ lbs})(0.437') \\ &= 11.9 \text{ lbs-ft}\end{aligned}$$

Calculate the weight of a 1' wide strip of the wall (2) blocks tall.

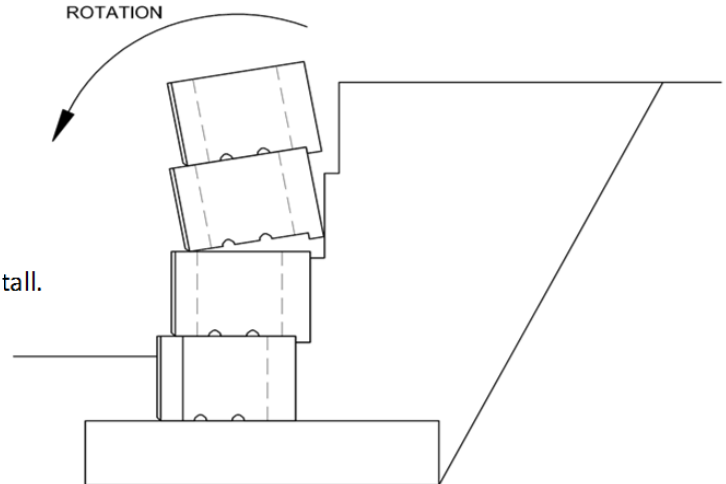
$$\begin{aligned}w_w &= \gamma_u W_u h(1' \text{ wide}) \\ &= (120.8 \text{ pcf})(0.968')(1.312')(1') \\ &= 153 \text{ lbs}\end{aligned}$$

Recall the resisting moment arm.

$$x_w = 0.635 \text{ ft}$$

Calculate the moment resisting overturning.

$$\begin{aligned}M_r &= w_w x_w + P_{av} [W_u + h \tan(\omega) / 2] \\ &= (153 \text{ lbs})(0.635') + (4.1 \text{ lbs}) [(0.968') + (0.437') \tan(8.73^\circ)] \\ &= 102 \text{ lbs-ft}\end{aligned}$$



The capacity of the system to resist the overturning caused by the lateral forces applied to the wall.

Calculate the factor of safety for the retaining wall overturning about the front corner of the (2) block.

$$\begin{aligned}FS_{ot} &= M_r / M_o \\ &= 102 \text{ lbs-ft} / 11.9 \text{ lbs-ft} \\ &= 8.59\end{aligned}$$

Seismic

Calculate the overturning moment.

$$\begin{aligned}M_o &= P_{aEH}C_{yE} \\ &= (62.1 \text{ lbs})(0.561') \\ &= 34.8 \text{ lbs-ft}\end{aligned}$$

Calculate the moment resisting overturning.

$$\begin{aligned}M_r &= w_w x_w + 0.5 P_{aEV} [W_u + h \tan(\omega) / 2] \\ &= (153 \text{ lbs})(0.635') + (2 \text{ lbs}) [(0.968') + (0.437') \tan(8.73^\circ)] \\ &= 100 \text{ lbs-ft}\end{aligned}$$

Calculate the factor of safety for the retaining wall overturning about the front corner of the (2) block.

$$\begin{aligned}FS_{ot} &= M_r / M_o \\ &= 100 \text{ lbs-ft} / 34.8 \text{ lbs-ft} \\ &= 2.86\end{aligned}$$

Internal Sliding Stability

Calculate the factor of safety of block (2) sliding on block (3).

Static

Calculate the resistance to sliding due to friction between the (2) block and the block below it.

$$\begin{aligned} R_{sc} &= (\mu_{SRW})(w_w + P_{av}) + a_u \\ &= (0.74)(153.4 \text{ lbs} + 9.4 \text{ lbs}) + (449 \text{ lbs}) \\ &= 570 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$

Recall the resultant horizontal active soil force.

$$P_{aH} = 27.1 \text{ lbs}$$

Calculate the factor of safety for block sliding.

$$\begin{aligned} FS_{sl} &= R_{sc} / P_{aH} \\ &= 570 \text{ lbs} / 27.1 \text{ lbs} \\ &= 21.04 \end{aligned}$$

Seismic

Calculate the resistance to sliding due to friction between the (2) block and the block below it.

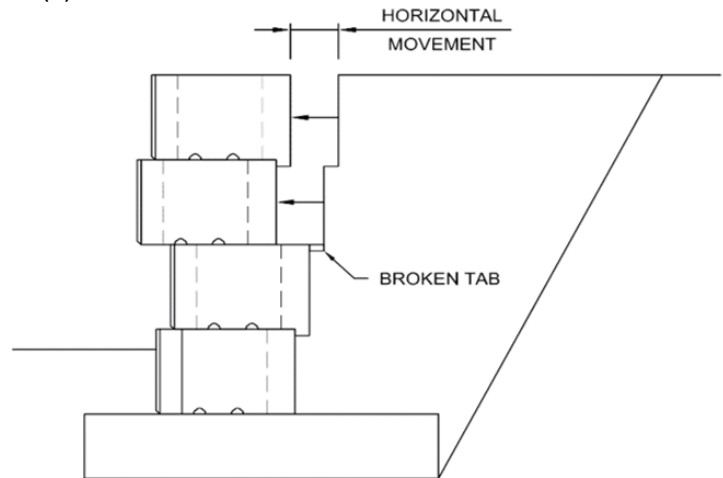
$$\begin{aligned} R_{sc} &= (\mu_{SRW})(w_w + 0.5P_{aEV}) + a_u \\ &= (0.74)(153.4 \text{ lbs} + 2 \text{ lbs}) + (449 \text{ lbs}) \\ &= 564 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$

Recall the resultant horizontal active seismic and soil force.

$$P_{aEH} = 62.1 \text{ lbs}$$

Calculate the factor of safety for block sliding.

$$\begin{aligned} FS_{sl} &= R_{sc} / 0.5P_{aEH} \\ &= 564 \text{ lbs} / 31 \text{ lbs} \\ &= 18.19 \end{aligned}$$



The capacity of the system to resist the overturning caused by the lateral forces applied to the wall.

Internal Stability Checks

Block 1

Block Number 1

$h =$ 0.656 $\text{ft} = 1(0.656''/\text{block})$

Static Loads

Murata Fill

Retained Soil

Recall the previous calculated active soil pressure coefficients.

$$K_a = 0.179$$

$$K_a = 0.289$$

Recall the given soil properties from the geotechnical engineer for the project.

$$\gamma_c = 125 \text{ pcf}$$

$$\gamma_r = 110 \text{ pcf}$$

$$\delta_c = 24.0^\circ$$

$$\delta_r = 17.3^\circ$$

Calculate the resultant active soil force induced on the wall and its horizontal and vertical components.

$$\begin{aligned} P_a &= 0.5K_a\gamma_c(1' \text{ wide})h^2 \\ &= 0.5(0.179)(125 \text{ pcf})(1')(0.656')^2 \\ &= 4.81 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{aH} &= P_a \cos(\delta_c - \omega) \\ &= (4.81 \text{ lbs}) \cos(24^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \\ &= 4.64 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{aV} &= P_a \sin(\delta_c - \omega) \\ &= (4.81 \text{ lbs}) \sin(24^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \\ &= 1.27 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_a &= 0.5K_a\gamma_r(1' \text{ wide})h^2 \\ &= 0.5(0.289)(110 \text{ pcf})(1')(0.656')^2 \\ &= 6.85 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{aH} &= P_a \cos(\delta_r - \omega) \\ &= (6.85 \text{ lbs}) \cos(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \\ &= 6.77 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{aV} &= P_a \sin(\delta_r - \omega) \\ &= (6.85 \text{ lbs}) \sin(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \\ &= 1.02 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$

Seismic Loads

Murata Fill

Retained Soil

Recall the previous calculated active seismic and soil pressure coefficients.

$$K_{aE} = 0.317$$

$$K_{aE} = 0.476$$

Calculate the active seismic pressure coefficient

$$K_E = 0.138 = K_{aE} - K_a$$

$$K_E = 0.187 = K_{aE} - K_a$$

Calculate the resultant active seismic force induced on the wall and its horizontal and vertical components.

$$\begin{aligned} P_{aE} &= 0.5K_E\gamma_c(1' \text{ wide})h^2 \\ &= 0.5(0.138)(125 \text{ pcf})(1')(0.656')^2 \\ &= 3.72 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{aEH} &= P_{aE} \cos(\delta_c - \omega) \\ &= (3.72 \text{ lbs}) \cos(24^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \\ &= 3.59 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{aEV} &= P_{aE} \sin(\delta_c - \omega) \\ &= (3.72 \text{ lbs}) \sin(24^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \\ &= 0.98 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{aE} &= 0.5K_E\gamma_r(1' \text{ wide})h^2 \\ &= 0.5(0.187)(110 \text{ pcf})(1')(0.656')^2 \\ &= 4.42 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{aEH} &= P_{aE} \cos(\delta_r - \omega) \\ &= (4.42 \text{ lbs}) \cos(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \\ &= 4.37 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{aEV} &= P_{aE} \sin(\delta_r - \omega) \\ &= (4.42 \text{ lbs}) \sin(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \\ &= 0.66 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$

Surcharge Loads

Calculate the resultant force on the SRW induced by the surcharge load on the retained soil and its horizontal and vertical components. It is assumed that the surcharge load is uniform and continuous.

$$\begin{aligned} P_{qd} &= q_d K_a (1' \text{ wide})h \\ &= (0 \text{ psf})(0.179)(1')(0.656') \\ &= 0.00 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$

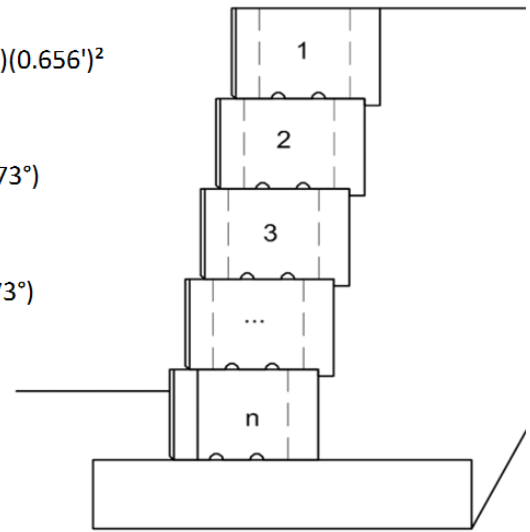
$$\begin{aligned} P_{qdH} &= P_{qd} \cos(\delta - \omega) \\ &= (0 \text{ lbs}) \cos(24^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \\ &= 0.00 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{qdV} &= P_{qd} \sin(\delta - \omega) \\ &= (0 \text{ lbs}) \sin(24^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \\ &= 0.00 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{qI} &= q_I K_a (1' \text{ wide})h \\ &= (0 \text{ psf})(0.289)(1')(0.656') \\ &= 0.00 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{qIH} &= P_{qI} \cos(\delta - \omega) \\ &= (0 \text{ lbs}) \cos(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \\ &= 0.00 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{qIV} &= P_{qI} \sin(\delta - \omega) \\ &= (0 \text{ lbs}) \sin(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \\ &= 0.00 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$



Static Load Application

Calculate the applied distributed load to the retaining wall and the resultant location from the bottom of block (1).

Horizontal Load at the Top of the (1) Block Wall

$$\begin{aligned}
 w_{HT} &= q_d K_a (1') \cos(\delta - \omega) + q_i K_a (1') \cos(\delta - \omega) \\
 &= (0 \text{ psf})(0.289)(1') \cos(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) + (0 \text{ psf})(0.289)(1') \cos(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \\
 &= 0.0 \text{ plf}
 \end{aligned}$$

Horizontal Load at the Bottom of the (1) Block Wall

$$\begin{aligned}
 w_{HB} &= w_{HT} + K_a \gamma_c h (1') \cos(\delta - \omega) + q_d K_a (1') \cos(\delta - \omega) + q_i K_a (1') \cos(\delta - \omega) \\
 &= 0 \text{ plf} + (0.289)(110 \text{ pcf})(0.656')(1') \cos(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \\
 &\quad + (0 \text{ psf})(0.289)(1') \cos(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) + (0 \text{ psf})(0.289)(1') \cos(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \\
 &= 20.6 \text{ plf}
 \end{aligned}$$

Calculate the location of the active soil pressure.

$$\begin{aligned}
 c_y &= h - [h(2w_{HB} + w_{HT})] / [3(w_{HB} + w_{HT})] \\
 &= 0.656' - [(0.656')(2(20.64 \text{ plf}) + 0 \text{ plf})] / [3(20.64 \text{ plf} + 0 \text{ plf})] \\
 &= 0.219 \text{ ft}
 \end{aligned}$$

Calculate horizontal resultant active soil force.

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_{aH} &= h(w_{HT} + w_{HB}) / 2 \\
 &= (0.656')(0 \text{ plf} + 20.64 \text{ plf}) / 2 \\
 &= 6.8 \text{ lbs @ } c_y
 \end{aligned}$$

Vertical Load at the Top of the (1) Block Wall

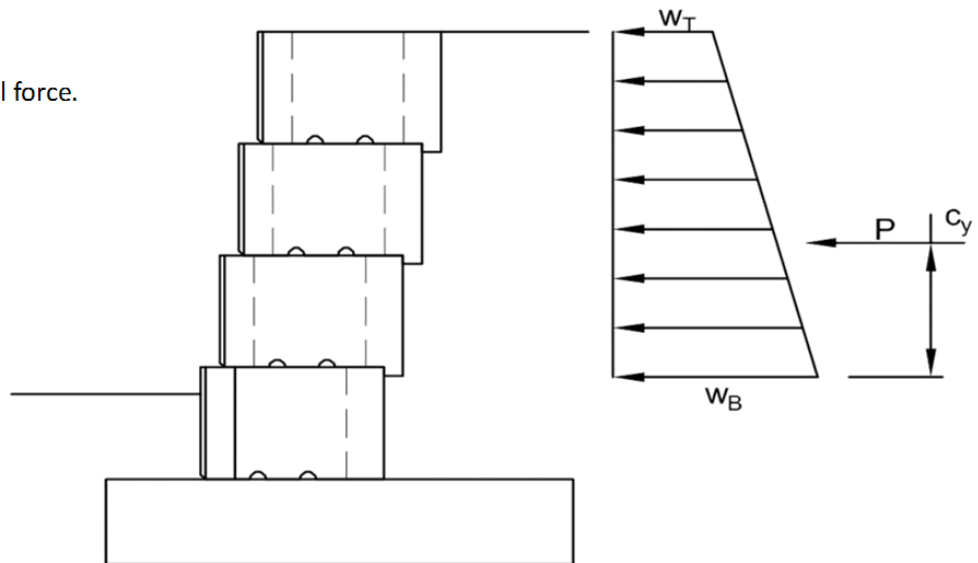
$$\begin{aligned}
 w_{VT} &= q_d K_a (1') \sin(\delta - \omega) + q_i K_a (1') \sin(\delta - \omega) \\
 &= (0 \text{ psf})(0.289)(1') \sin(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) + (0 \text{ psf})(0.289)(1') \sin(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \\
 &= 0.0 \text{ plf}
 \end{aligned}$$

Vertical Load at the Bottom of the (1) Block Wall

$$\begin{aligned}
 w_{VB} &= w_{VT} + K_a \gamma_c h (1') \sin(\delta - \omega) + q_d K_a (1') \sin(\delta - \omega) + q_i K_a (1') \sin(\delta - \omega) \\
 &= 0 \text{ plf} + (0.289)(110 \text{ pcf})(0.656')(1') \sin(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \\
 &\quad + (0 \text{ psf})(0.289)(1') \sin(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) + (0 \text{ psf})(0.289)(1') \sin(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) \\
 &= 3.1 \text{ plf}
 \end{aligned}$$

Calculate vertical resultant active soil force.

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_{aV} &= h(w_{VT} + w_{VB}) / 2 \\
 &= (0.656')(0 \text{ plf} + 3.1 \text{ plf}) / 2 \\
 &= 1.0 \text{ lbs}
 \end{aligned}$$



Seismic Load Application

Calculate the applied distributed load to the retaining wall and the resultant location from the bottom of the base block.

Horizontal Load at the Top of the (1) Block Wall

$$\begin{aligned}
 w_{HTE} &= K_E \gamma_c H(1') \cos(\delta - \omega) + w_{HT} \\
 &= (0.187)(110 \text{ psf})(2.625')(1') \cos(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) + 0 \text{ plf} \\
 &= 13.3 \text{ plf}
 \end{aligned}$$

Horizontal Load at the Bottom of the (1) Block Wall

$$\begin{aligned}
 w_{HBE} &= K_E \gamma_c (H-h)(1') \cos(\delta - \omega) + w_{HB} \\
 &= (0.187)(110 \text{ psf})(2.625' - 0.656')(1') \cos(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) + 20.6 \text{ plf} \\
 &= 60.6 \text{ plf}
 \end{aligned}$$

Calculate the location of the active seismic and soil pressure.

$$\begin{aligned}
 c_{yE} &= h - [h(2w_{HBE} + w_{HTE})] / [3(w_{HBE} + w_{HTE})] \\
 &= 0.656' - [(0.656')(2(60.6 \text{ plf}) + 13.3 \text{ plf})] / [3(60.6 \text{ plf} + 13.3 \text{ plf})] \\
 &= 0.258 \text{ ft}
 \end{aligned}$$

Calculate vertical resultant active soil force.

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_{aEH} &= h(\text{Horizontal Load @ Top} + \text{Horizontal Load @ Bottom}) / 2 \\
 &= (0.656')(13.32 \text{ plf} + 60.61 \text{ plf}) / 2 \\
 &= 24.3 \text{ lbs @ } c_{yE}
 \end{aligned}$$

Vertical Load at the Top of the (1) Block Wall

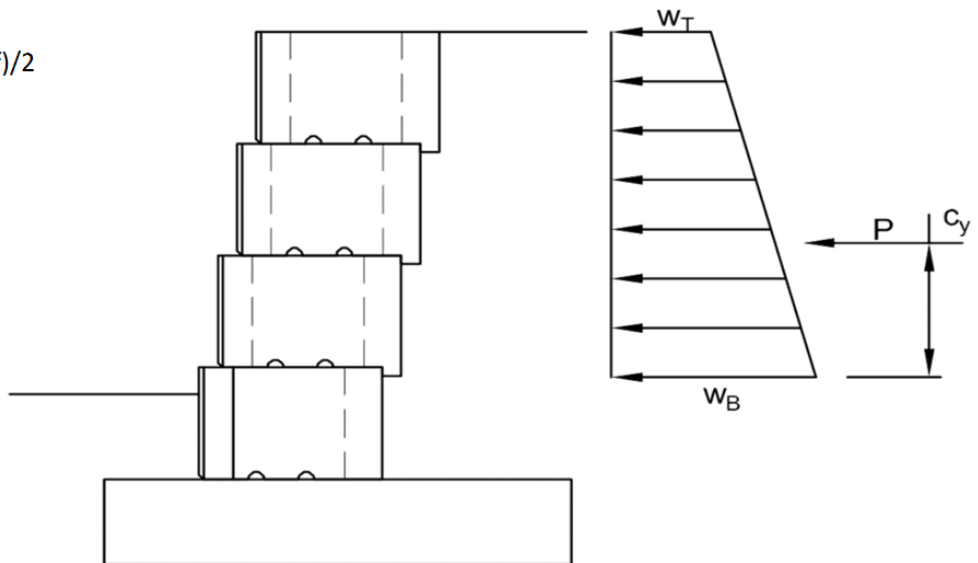
$$\begin{aligned}
 w_{VTE} &= K_E \gamma_c H(1') \sin(\delta - \omega) + w_{VT} \\
 &= (0.187)(110 \text{ psf})(2.625')(1') \sin(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) + 0 \text{ plf} \\
 &= 2.0 \text{ plf}
 \end{aligned}$$

Vertical Load at the Bottom of the (1) Block Wall

$$\begin{aligned}
 w_{VBE} &= K_E \gamma_c (H-h)(1') \sin(\delta - \omega) + w_{VB} \\
 &= (0.187)(110 \text{ psf})(2.625' - 0.656')(1') \sin(17.3^\circ - 8.73^\circ) + 3.1 \text{ plf} \\
 &= 9.2 \text{ plf}
 \end{aligned}$$

Calculate vertical resultant active seismic and soil force.

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_{aEV} &= h(w_{VTE} + w_{VBE}) / 2 \\
 &= (0.656')(2.02 \text{ plf} + 9.17 \text{ plf}) / 2 \\
 &= 3.7 \text{ lbs}
 \end{aligned}$$



Internal Overturning Stability

Calculate the factor of safety of the resistive moment versus the overturning moment of the block (1) overturning about the front corner.

Static

Calculate the overturning moment.

$$\begin{aligned}M_o &= P_{aH}C_y \\ &= (6.8 \text{ lbs})(0.219') \\ &= 1.5 \text{ lbs-ft}\end{aligned}$$

Calculate the weight of a 1' wide strip of the wall (1) blocks tall.

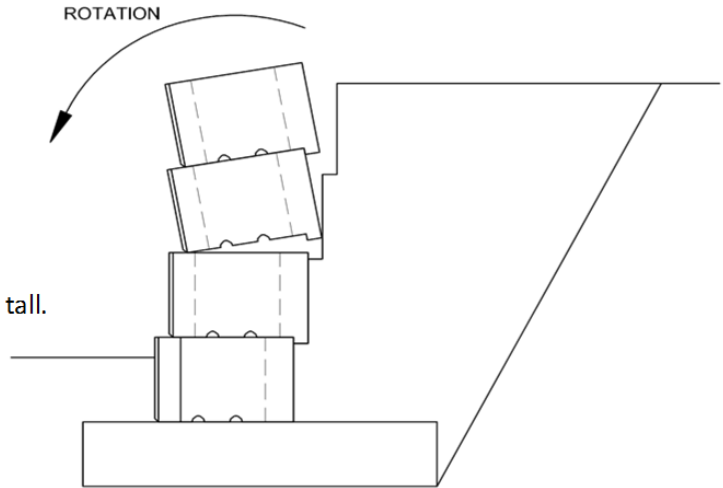
$$\begin{aligned}w_w &= \gamma_u W_u h(1' \text{ wide}) \\ &= (120.8 \text{ pcf})(0.968')(0.656')(1') \\ &= 77 \text{ lbs}\end{aligned}$$

Recall the resisting moment arm.

$$x_w = 0.635 \text{ ft}$$

Calculate the moment resisting overturning.

$$\begin{aligned}M_r &= w_w x_w + P_{av} [W_u + h \tan(\omega) / 2] \\ &= (77 \text{ lbs})(0.635') + (1 \text{ lbs}) [(0.968') + (0.219') \tan(8.73^\circ)] \\ &= 50 \text{ lbs-ft}\end{aligned}$$



The capacity of the system to resist the overturning caused by the lateral forces applied to the wall.

Calculate the factor of safety for the retaining wall overturning about the front corner of the (1) block.

$$\begin{aligned}FS_{ot} &= M_r / M_o \\ &= 50 \text{ lbs-ft} / 1.5 \text{ lbs-ft} \\ &= 33.59\end{aligned}$$

Seismic

Calculate the overturning moment.

$$\begin{aligned}M_o &= P_{aEH}C_{yE} \\ &= (24.3 \text{ lbs})(0.258') \\ &= 6.3 \text{ lbs-ft}\end{aligned}$$

Calculate the moment resisting overturning.

$$\begin{aligned}M_r &= w_w x_w + 0.5 P_{aEV} [W_u + h \tan(\omega) / 2] \\ &= (77 \text{ lbs})(0.635') + (0.5 \text{ lbs}) [(0.968') + (0.219') \tan(8.73^\circ)] \\ &= 49 \text{ lbs-ft}\end{aligned}$$

Calculate the factor of safety for the retaining wall overturning about the front corner of the (1) block.

$$\begin{aligned}FS_{ot} &= M_r / M_o \\ &= 49 \text{ lbs-ft} / 6.3 \text{ lbs-ft} \\ &= 7.86\end{aligned}$$

Internal Sliding Stability

Calculate the factor of safety of block (1) sliding on block (2).

Static

Calculate the resistance to sliding due to friction between the (1) block and the block below it.

$$\begin{aligned} R_{sc} &= (\mu_{SRW})(w_w + P_{av}) + a_u \\ &= (0.74)(76.7 \text{ lbs} + 3.7 \text{ lbs}) + (449 \text{ lbs}) \\ &= 509 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$

Recall the resultant horizontal active soil force.

$$P_{aH} = 6.8 \text{ lbs}$$

Calculate the factor of safety for block sliding.

$$\begin{aligned} FS_{sl} &= R_{sc} / P_{aH} \\ &= 509 \text{ lbs} / 6.8 \text{ lbs} \\ &= 75.15 \end{aligned}$$

Seismic

Calculate the resistance to sliding due to friction between the (1) block and the block below it.

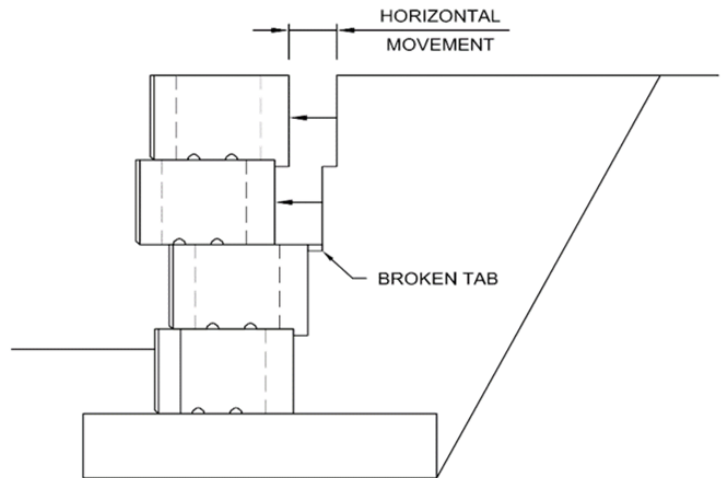
$$\begin{aligned} R_{sc} &= (\mu_{SRW})(w_w + 0.5P_{aEV}) + a_u \\ &= (0.74)(76.7 \text{ lbs} + 0.5 \text{ lbs}) + (449 \text{ lbs}) \\ &= 507 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$

Recall the resultant horizontal active seismic and soil force.

$$P_{aEH} = 24.3 \text{ lbs}$$

Calculate the factor of safety for block sliding.

$$\begin{aligned} FS_{sl} &= R_{sc} / 0.5P_{aEH} \\ &= 507 \text{ lbs} / 12.1 \text{ lbs} \\ &= 41.77 \end{aligned}$$



The capacity of the system to resist the overturning caused by the lateral forces applied to the wall.