



TURNING TORSO @ MALMO, SWEDEN
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facts

- building : mixed use
- 1st to 2nd cube : commercial space
- 3rd to 9th cube: residential space
- cost : 235million US\$

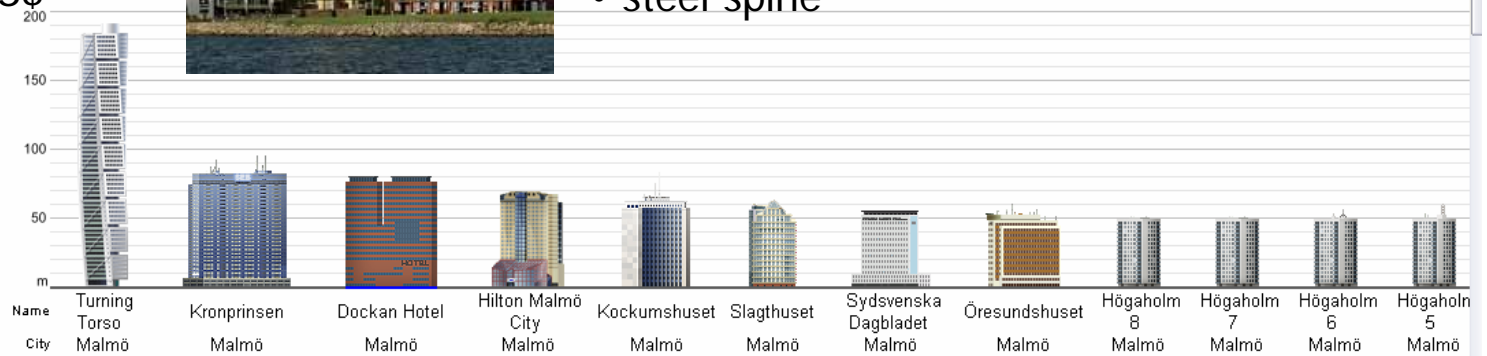
structure

- no of floors – 57
- basement – 2
- height – 190.4 mts
- 9 cubes of 5 floors each
- each floor: 1.6 deg
- each cube: 10 deg



materials

- concrete core-shear walls
- concrete floor slabs
- steel spine



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architectural concept



- designed to look like a turning human body
- nine vertically stacked cubes
- twisted 90 degrees from bottom to top
- steel spine twists along with the structure similar to spine and ribs of the human body



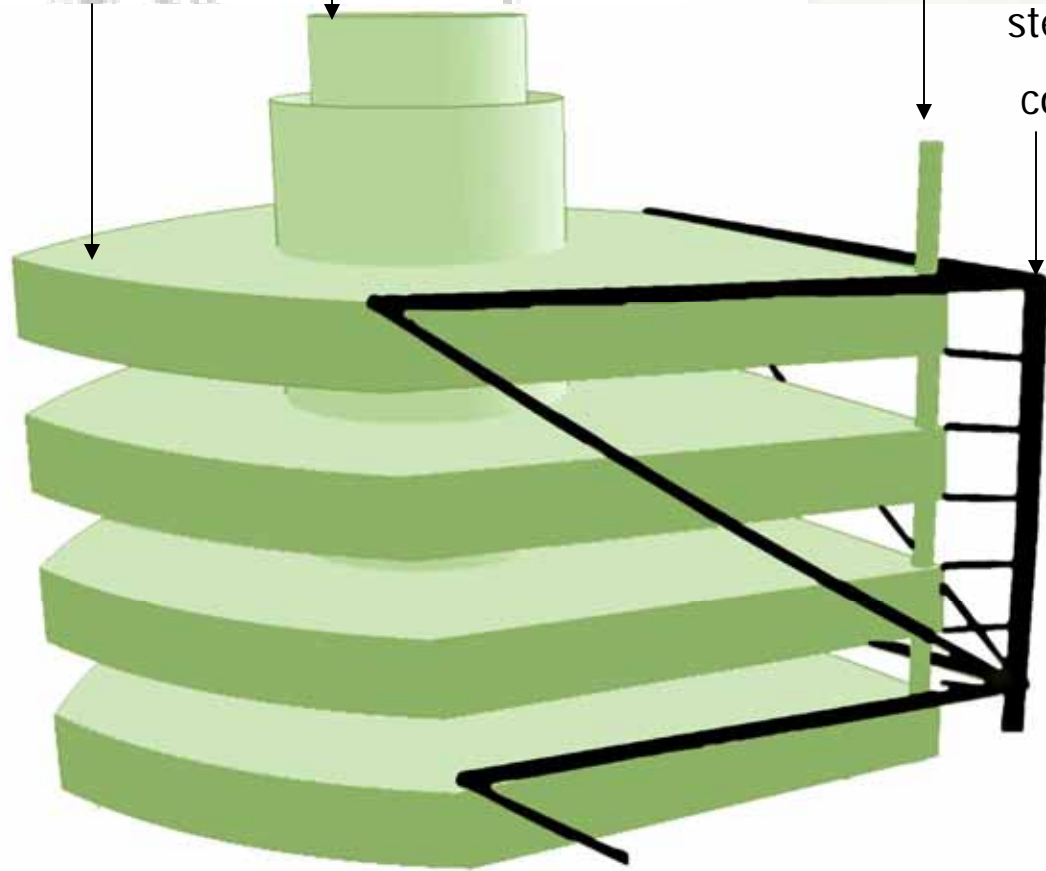
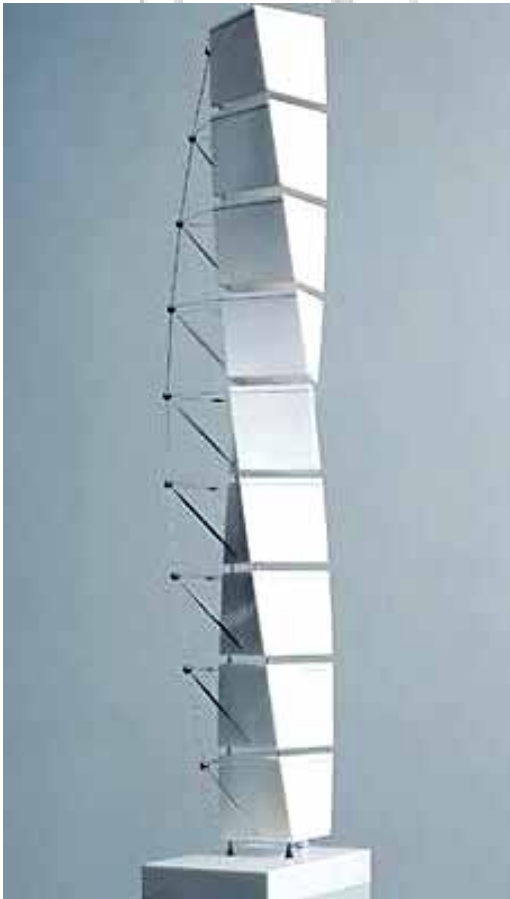
structural concept

concrete floor slab
1ft thk cantilevered
from the core

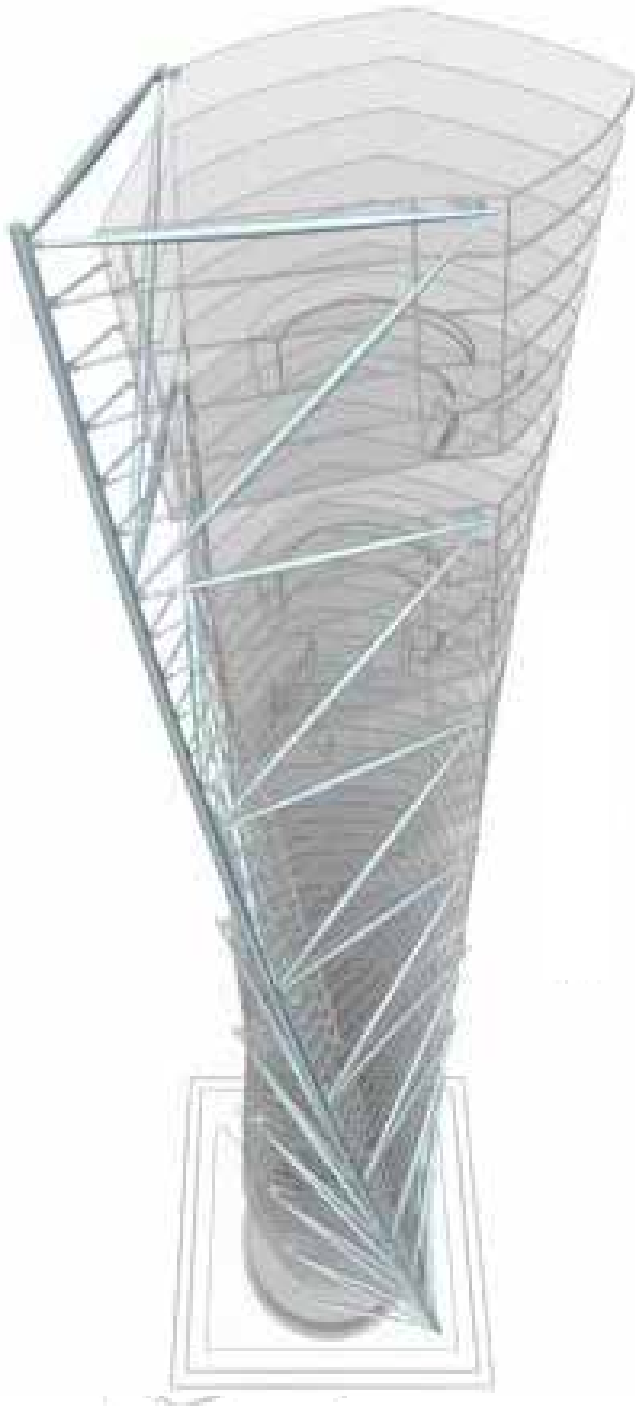
concrete tube core $r = 10.6$ mts

concrete perimeter column

steel spine pin
connected



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steel spine

- as exoskeleton for the structure
- reduces wind displacement
- acts as a reinforcing truss
- consists of 20 horizontal and 18 diagonal members known as cigars

lateral load transfer

steel spine



perimeter walls



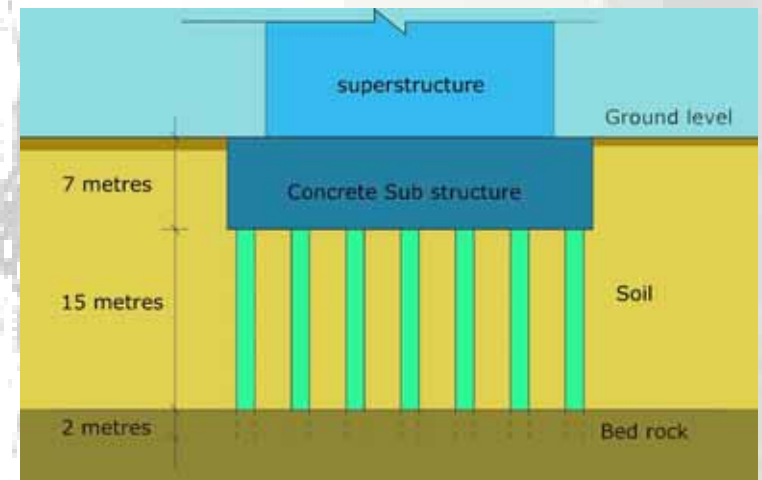
cantilever floor slabs

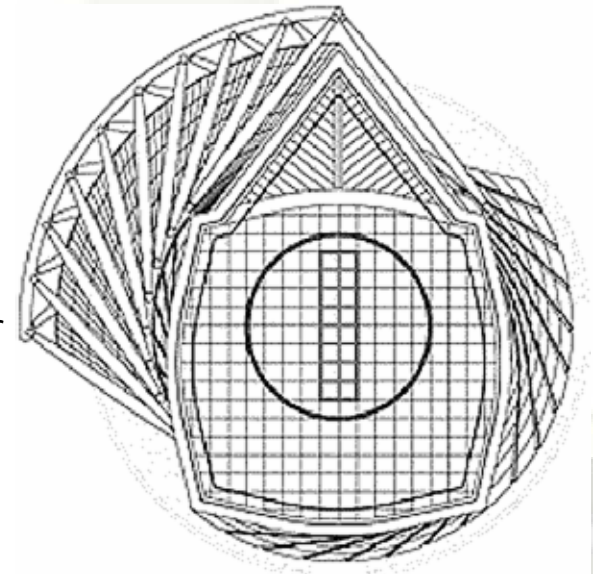
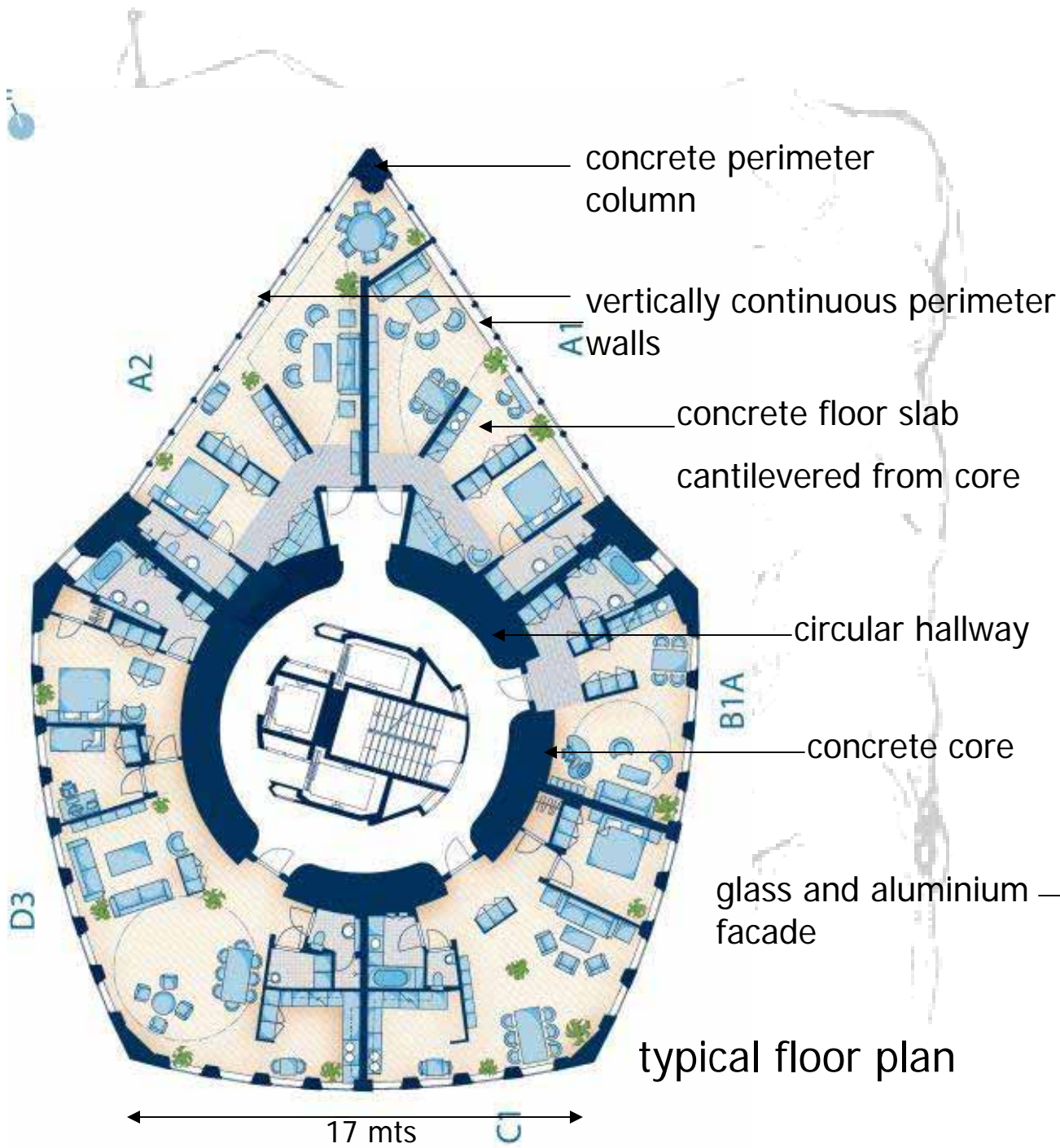


central core



foundation





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construction process

- self climbing slip forms
- steel spine erected using air-driven winches
- steel treated with special anti-corrosive paint



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analysis

wind load calculations

velocity pressure =

$$q_z = 0.613 \cdot K_z \cdot K_{zt} \cdot K_d \cdot V^2 \cdot I$$

(N/m²)

design wind load =

$$F = q_z \cdot G \cdot C_f \cdot A_f \quad (\text{N})$$

wind velocity at each floor =

$$V_r \cdot (h/h_r) \cdot K$$

wind velocity (reference) =

$$V_r = 44 \text{ m/sec}$$

$$h_r = 10 \text{ mts}$$

h = ht of floor above ground

$$K = 1/5$$

K_z = exposure category

K_{zt} = topographic factor

K_d = wind directionality factor

V = wind speed

I = importance factor

G = gust effect factor

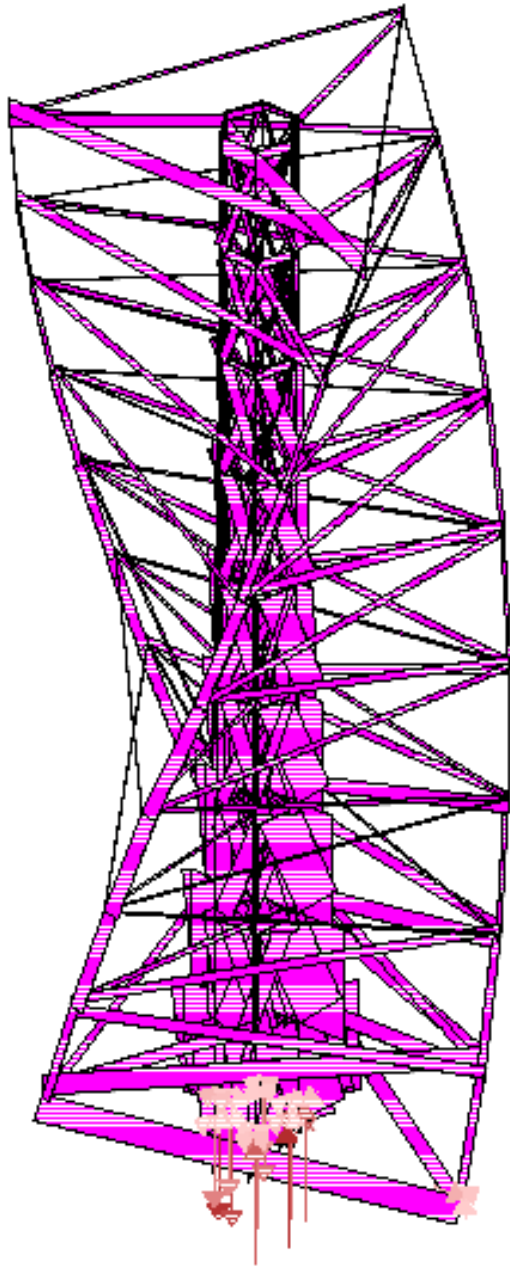
C_f = force coefficient

A_f = projected area

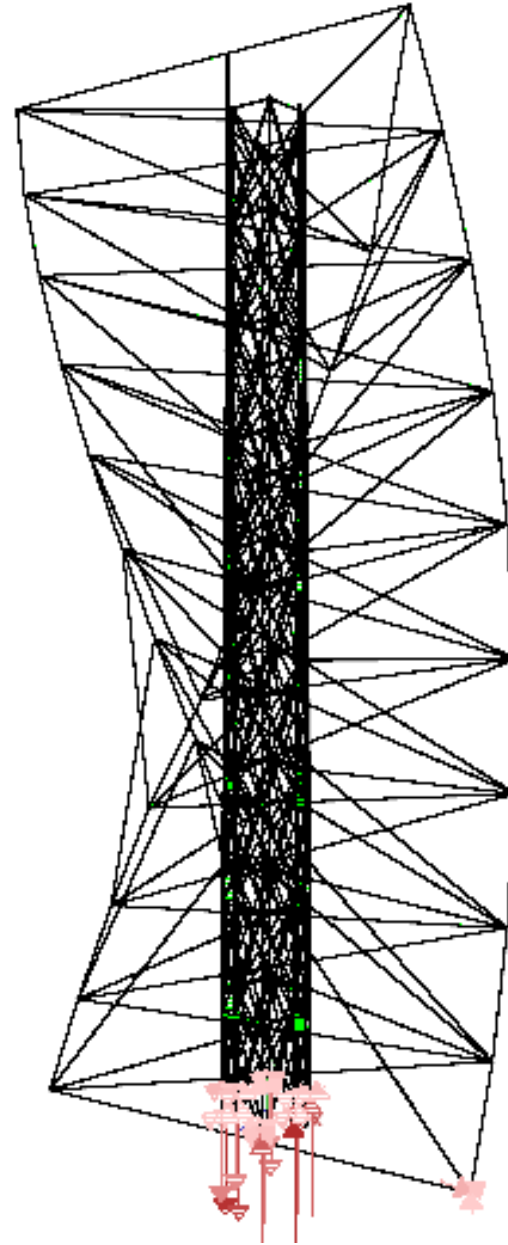
note:

- all values from ASCE-07
- all factors are generic factors not dependent on geographic location

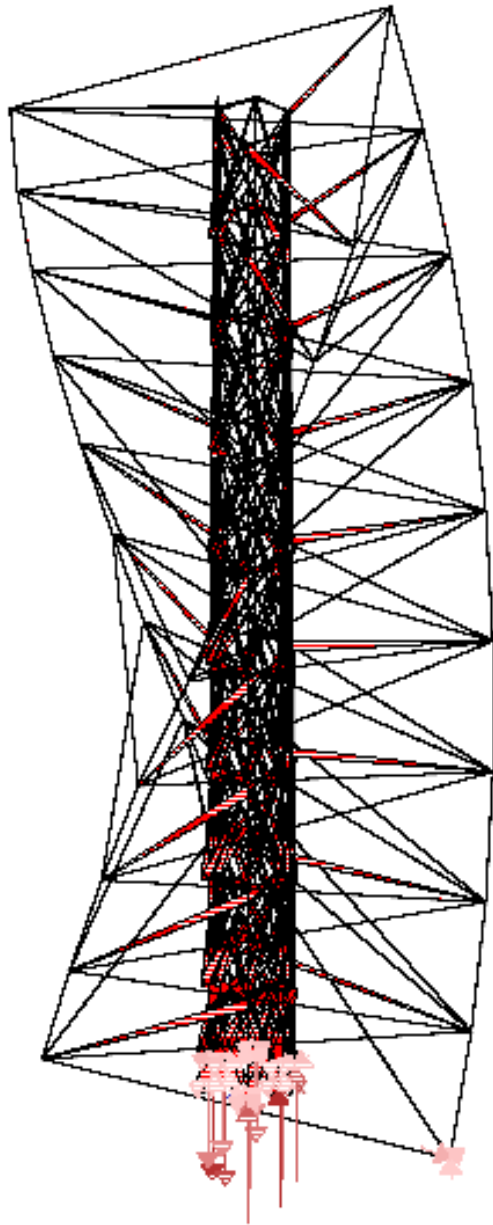
axial force diagram



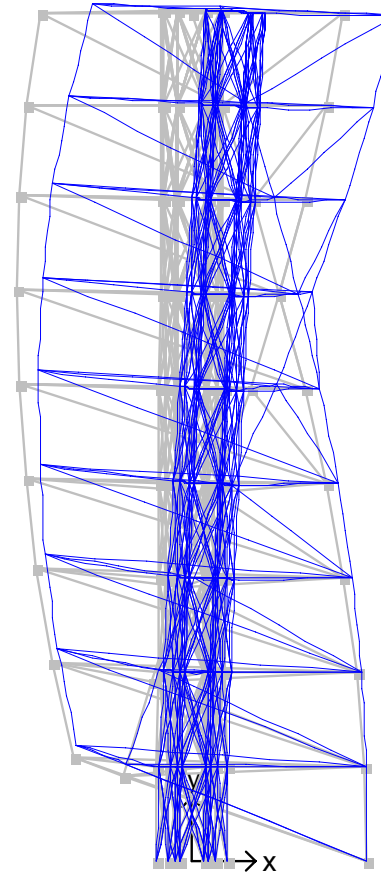
shear force diagram



moment diagram



deflection diagram + anim



conclusion

- example of a structure where steel exoskeleton is used as an efficient lateral bracing mechanism
- central core in concrete is the main element responsible for transferring vertical loads towards the foundation

resources

- <http://skyscraperpage.com/diagrams/?b8368>
- http://www.dexigner.com/design_news/2482.html
- <http://skyscraperpage.com/cities/?buildingID=8368>
- http://www.turningtorso.com/html/faq_en.htm
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