

PRECAST CONCRETE PILES**20.9.2 Example 2: Axially Loaded, Pile-Supported Abutment with Full Lateral Soil Support/20.9.2.1.1 Losses due to Shrinkage, Relaxation, and Creep, Δf_{pLT}**

$$\begin{aligned} P_p &= \text{Service load capacity of pile (from geotechnical analysis)} \\ &= 120 \text{ kips} = 60 \text{ tons} \end{aligned}$$

14-in.-square prestressed concrete pile:

$$\begin{aligned} f'_c &= 5.00 \text{ ksi} \\ f'_{ci} &= 3.50 \text{ ksi} \\ w_c &= 0.150 \text{ kcf (normal weight concrete)} \\ H &= \text{relative humidity} = 75\% \end{aligned} \quad [\text{LRFD Fig. 5.4.2.3.3-1}]$$

Properties of 14-in.-square pile:

$$\begin{aligned} A_g &= 196 \text{ in.}^2 \\ I &= 3201 \text{ in.}^4 \\ S &= 457 \text{ in.}^3 \end{aligned}$$

Strand pattern and properties:

Assume eight ½-in.-diameter, low-relaxation, Grade 270 ($f_{pu} = 270$ ksi) strands.

Strands are tensioned to 75% of the tensile strength of the strands:

$$\begin{aligned} f_{pi} &= \text{initial stress in strands before any losses} \\ &= 0.75f_{pu} = 0.75(270) = 202.5 \text{ ksi} \\ A_{ps} &= \text{area of one strand} = 0.153 \text{ in.}^2 \\ F_{pi} &= \text{total prestress force in strands before any losses} \\ &= 8(0.153)(202.5) = 247.9 \text{ kips} \end{aligned}$$

Yield strength of strands:

$$f_{py} = 0.90f_{pu} = 0.90(270) = 243.0 \text{ ksi} \quad [\text{LRFD Table 5.4.4.1-1}]$$

20.9.2.1 Losses

Losses are computed in accordance with the *LRFD Specifications*, with modifications noted in Section 20.5.5.2 of this manual.

20.9.2.1.1 Losses due to Shrinkage, Relaxation, and Creep, Δf_{pLT}

The equation for estimating combined losses due to shrinkage, relaxation, and creep in prestressed concrete members, Δf_{pLT} , is:

$$\Delta f_{pLT} = 10.0 \frac{f_{pi} A_{ps}}{A_g} \gamma_h \gamma_{st} + 12 \gamma_h \gamma_{st} + \Delta f_{pR} \geq 0 \quad [\text{LRFD Eq. 5.9.3.3-1}]$$

where

$$\gamma_h = 1.7 - 0.01H = 1.7 - 0.01(75) = 0.95 \quad [\text{LRFD Eq. 5.9.3.3-2}]$$

$$\gamma_{st} = 5 / (1 + f'_{ci}) = 5 / (1 + 3.5) = 1.11 \text{ ksi} \quad [\text{LRFD Eq. 5.9.3.3-3}]$$

$$f_{pi} = 202.5 \text{ ksi (strand stress prior to transfer)}$$

$$\Delta f_{pR} = \text{Estimate of relaxation loss, taken as 2.4 ksi for low-relaxation strand}$$

$$\Delta f_{pLT} = (10.0) \frac{(202.5)(8)(0.153)}{196} (0.95)(1.11) + 12(0.95)(1.11) + 2.4 = 13.3 + 12.7 + 2.4 = 28.4 \text{ ksi} \geq 0$$