SCiA ENGINEER

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Advanced Professional Training
Dynamics

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1. Introduction

The examples in this manual can be made in a full licensed as well as in a tryout or student version of SCIA Engineer.

Here follows an overview of the required SCIA Engineer modules / editions, per subject:

- **Eigen frequency calculations**
esas.21 (Dynamics (natural frequencies) - Frames)   **Professional edition**
esas.22 (Dynamics (natural frequencies) - Surfaces)   **Professional edition**

- **Advanced dynamic calculations**
esas.23 (Dynamics (advanced) - Frames)   **Professional edition**
esas.24 (Dynamics (advanced) - Surfaces)   **Professional edition**

- **Non uniform damping characteristics**
esas.25 (Non uniform damping - Frames)   Not part of an edition

Dynamic calculations are not so frequent in civil engineering as static calculations. On the other hand, they are inevitable in certain projects. Wind effects on high-rise structures, transverse vibration of towers and chimneys, structures located in seismic regions,…
SCIA Engineer contains specialized modules covering common dynamics-related issues. In this course, the different aspects of these modules are regarded in detail.
First, the foundation of dynamic calculations is examined: the eigen frequency calculation. Eigen frequencies form the basis for all types of dynamic analysis.
In the third chapter the eigen frequency calculation is extended with harmonic loads: the influence of for example vibrations due to machinery, can be calculated using these principles.
Two chapters are devoted to seismic calculations and the influence of damping on the seismic action. The final chapter of the course discusses the aspects of Vortex Shedding, used for example to calculate chimneys.

All chapters are illustrated with examples. The relatively easy examples have been purposefully chosen to provide a clear understanding of what actually happens in the dynamic calculations. To this end, nearly all calculations have been verified by manual calculations to give a good insight into the application of the theory in SCIA Engineer.
When the principles are clearly understood, they can be applied to more complex structures without difficulties.

The project files can be found on the accompanying CD and have been divided into two groups:
- **Initial Projects:** The project files without the dynamic input, used throughout the course.
- **Final Projects:** The project files completed with the dynamic calculations, thus representing the final results at the end of the course.

2. Free Vibration: Eigen Frequencies

In this chapter, the calculation of eigen frequencies in SCIA Engineer is explained in detail. Eigen frequencies can be required to verify comfort criteria for buildings, to analyze wind-induced resonance for bridges, to check requirements for sensitive equipment,…
First, the theory behind the calculation is discussed and illustrated with an example. The procedure is then used for both frame and slab structures. The results of all examples are compared with manual calculations to provide a clear understanding of the applied principles.

2.1 Theory

To understand what is going on during the dynamic analysis of a complex structure with frames or finite elements, the free vibration of a SDOF (Single Degree Of Freedom) system is regarded in detail. A complete overview can be found in reference [1].

Consider the following system:
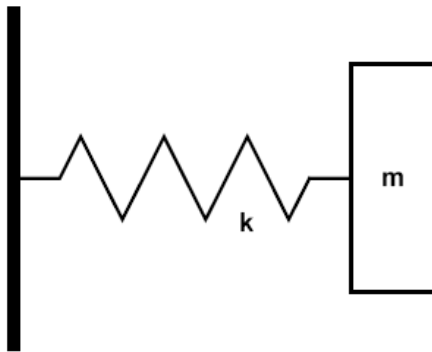
A body of mass **m** is free to move in one direction. A spring of constant stiffness **k**, which is fixed at one end, is attached at the other end to the body.
The equation of motion can be written as:

$$m \cdot \ddot{y}(t) + k \cdot y(t) = 0 \tag{2.1}$$

A solution for this differential equation is: $y(t) = A \cdot \cos(w \cdot t)$
Inserting this in (2.1) gives:

$$(-m \cdot \omega^2 + k) \cdot A \cdot \cos(\omega \cdot t) = 0 \tag{2.2}$$

This implies that:

$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} \tag{2.3}$$

Where ω is called the natural circular frequency.
The natural period **T** can be written as:

$$T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega} \tag{2.4}$$

The natural frequency (or eigen frequency) **f** can be written as:

$$f = \frac{1}{T} = \frac{\omega}{2\pi} \tag{2.5}$$

For a general, MDOF (Multiple Degree Of Freedom) structure, equation (2.1) can be written in matrix notation:

$$M \cdot \ddot{U} + K \cdot U = 0 \tag{2.6}$$

Where: **U** is the vector of translations and rotations in nodes,

$\ddot{U}$ is the vector of corresponding accelerations,

K is the stiffness matrix assembled for the static calculation,

M is the mass matrix assembled during the dynamic calculation.

From this equation it is clear that the calculation model created for a static analysis needs to be completed with additional data: masses.

The solutions of (2.6) are harmonic functions in time. A possible solution can have the following form:

$$U \quad = \quad \Phi \cdot \sin\big(\omega \cdot (T - T_0)\big) \qquad\qquad (2.7)$$

Notice that in this solution a separation of variables is obtained:

-   The first part, (Φ), is a function of spatial co-ordinates,
-   The second part, $\sin\big(\omega \cdot (T - T_0)\big)$, is a function of time.

When substituting (2.7) in (2.6), an equation is obtained which is known as the **Generalized Eigenproblem Equation**:

$$K \cdot \Phi \quad - \quad \omega^2 \cdot M \cdot \Phi = \quad 0 \qquad\qquad (2.8)$$

The solution of (2.8) yields as many eigenmodes as there are equations.

Each eigenmode consists of 2 parts:

-   An eigenvalue: value ω_i

-   An eigenvector: vector Φ_i, which is not fully determined. The deformation shape is known, but the scale factor is unknown.

This scale factor can be chosen in different ways. In the next paragraph this will be explained further.

An overview of the mathematical (matrix) approach behind the calculation of eigenvalues and eigenvectors can be found in reference [25].

2.2 Eigen Frequencies in SCIA Engineer

In SCIA Engineer, as scale factor, a **M-orthonormalisation** has been implemented. This is shown in the following relation:

$$\Phi_i^T \cdot M \cdot \Phi_i = 1 \tag{2.9}$$

Some of the characteristics of M-orthonormalisation are:

$$\Phi_j^T \cdot M \cdot \Phi_i = 0 \text{, When } i \neq j \tag{2.10}$$

$$\Phi_i^T \cdot K \cdot \Phi_i = \omega_i^2 \tag{2.11}$$

The *M*-matrix (the mass matrix) can be computed in different ways. SCIA Engineer uses the so-called **lumped mass matrix** representation of the *M*-matrix. The lumped mass matrix offers considerable advantages with respect to memory use and computational effort because in this case the *M*-matrix is a diagonal matrix. The masses are thus guided to the **nodes of the Finite Element mesh**.

This principle is illustrated on the following figure [28]:
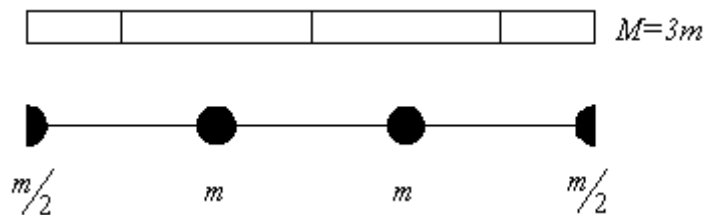
The calculation of eigenmodes and eigen frequencies is thus made on a discretised finite element model of the structure. This means that instead of a general structure with an infinite number of degrees of freedom, a calculation model with a **finite number of degrees of freedom** is analyzed.

The number of degrees of freedom can generally be determined by a simple multiplication: the **number of mesh nodes** is **multiplied** by the number of **possible displacements** in the node.

It is important to know that **the accuracy of the model** is in proportion to the "precision of discretisation", i.e. to **the number of elements** of the finite element mesh. This refinement has almost no practical meaning in static calculations. However, for dynamic and non-linear analyses, it significantly affects the accuracy of the results.

Consider the following example. A beam on two supports is loaded by its self-weight. By default (for a static calculation) there is only one finite element for the beam. Taking the above into account, the mass M of the beam will be guided to the two end nodes of the beam since these correspond with the mesh nodes of the finite element mesh.
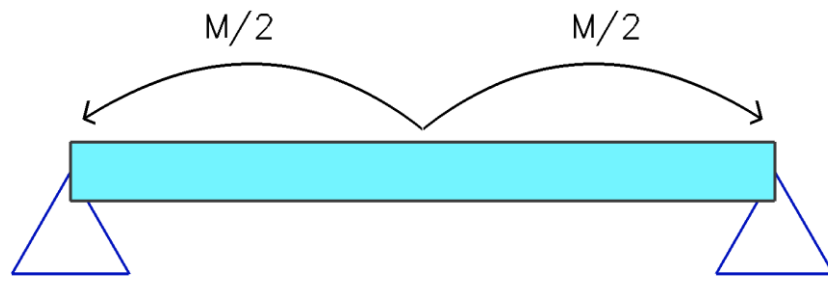
In this case, this means that the entire mass will be located in the supports so no mass can go into vibration and the dynamic calculation cannot be executed. As indicated, a mesh refinement is required here to attain results.

The following diagram shows the required steps to perform a Free Vibration calculation:

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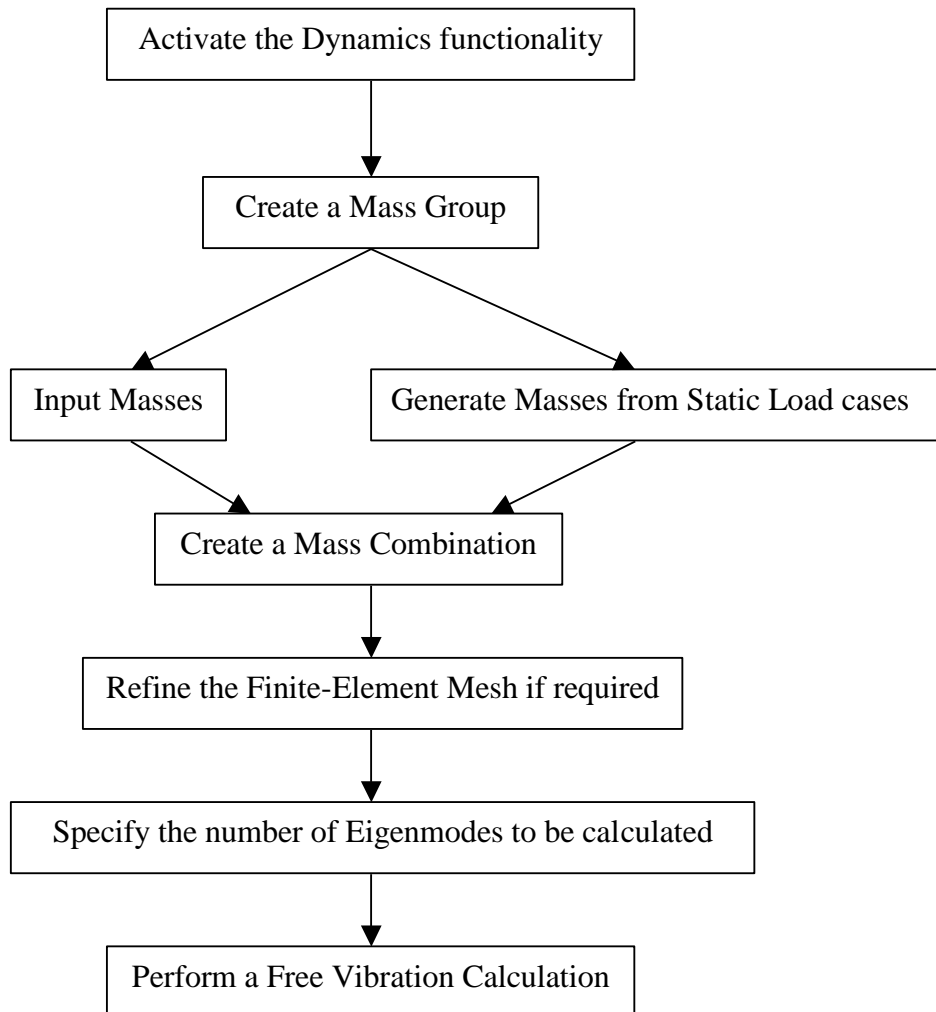
The analogy between a static and dynamic calculation is clear:

- In a static calculation, **Loads** are grouped in **Load cases** and the Load cases are used in **Combinations**.

- In a dynamic calculation **Masses** are grouped in **Mass Groups** and the Mass Groups are used in **Mass Combinations**.

The required steps from this diagram are illustrated in the following example.

Example 2-1: Free_Vibration_1.esa

In this example, a beam on two supports is modeled. The beam has a cross-section type **IPE 200**, a length of **6m** and is manufactured in **S235** according to **EC-EN**. A node has been added to the middle of the beam, which will make it possible to add a nodal mass in that location.
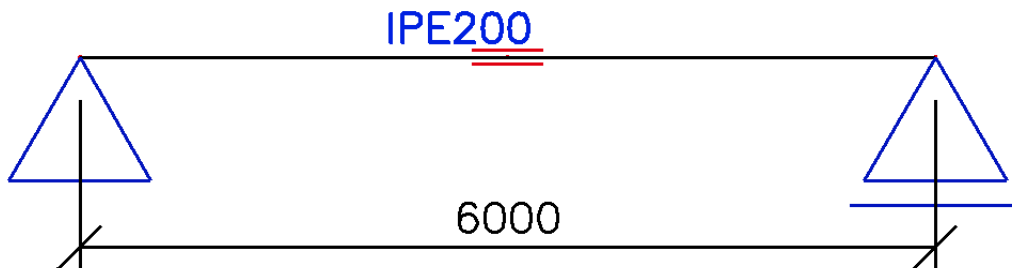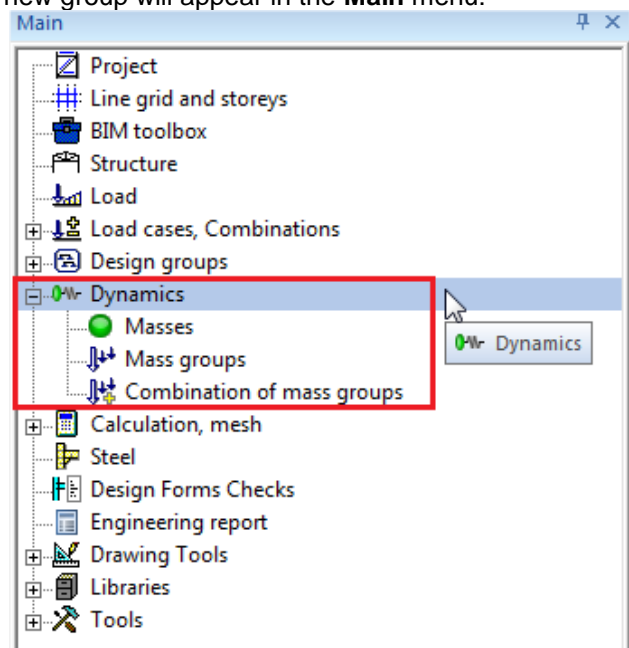

Only one static load case is created: the **self weight** of the beam.

Step 1: Functionality

The first step in the Dynamic calculation is to activate the functionality **Dynamics** on the **Functionality** tab in the **Project Data**.
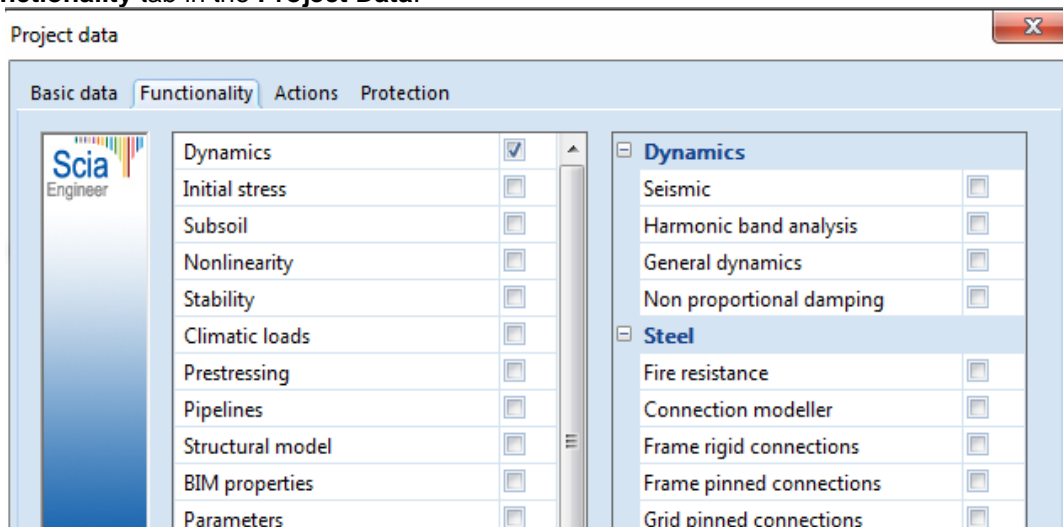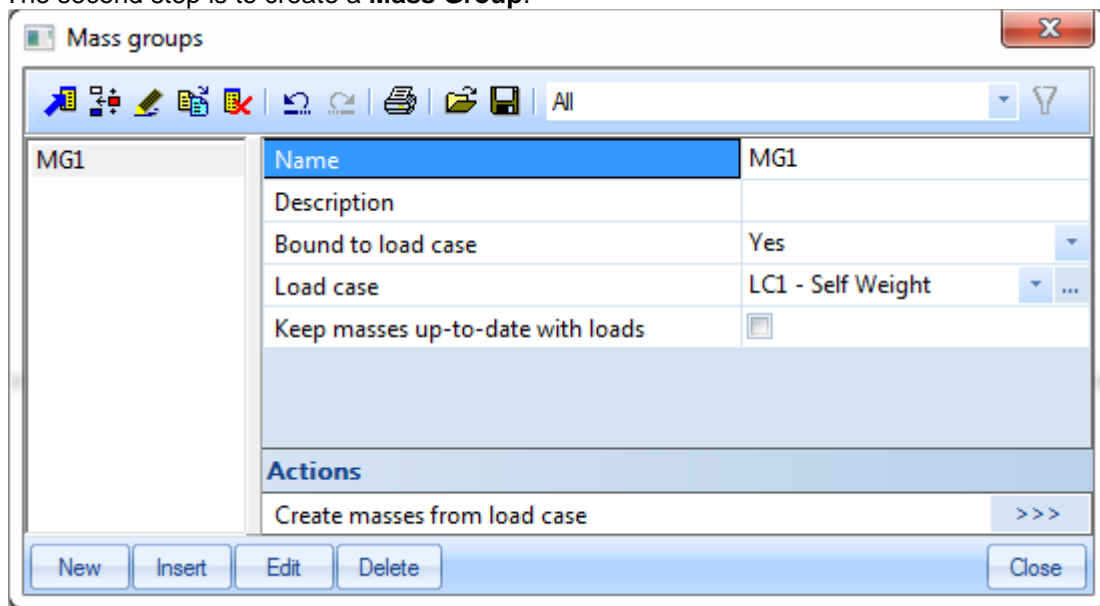

When this is done, a new group will appear in the **Main** menu:

Step 2: Mass group

The second step is to create a **Mass Group**.

As indicated in the diagram, a Mass Group is used to group masses in a same way a Load Case is used to group Loads. When a Mass Group is defined, masses can be inputted.
SCIA Engineer also allows the user to create masses from a static load case.

When for example a roof weight is inputted as line loads, the action **"Create masses from load case"** will automatically generate masses from these line loads. It is clear that this provides a quick input of necessary data. When the option **"Keep masses up-to-data with loads"** is ticked on, then the action to create masses will create masses which remain linked to the loads of the load case. The amount of mass in a 'linked' mass is updated each time you click on the action button "Create masses from load case" or each time you perform a calculation.

Note:

- The self-weight of a structure is always taken into account automatically for a dynamic calculation. Even if there is no mass group linked to self weight. The mass of the self-weight is not displayed.
- When specifying a load case but not using the action 'Create masses from load case' nothing will happen: no masses will be created.
- When creating masses from loads, SCIA Engineer will use the acceleration of gravity specified on the **Loads** *tab of the* **Project Data**. *By default this value is* **9,81 m/s².**
- The mass is generated only from vertical force components.
- Free loads cannot be converted into masses.
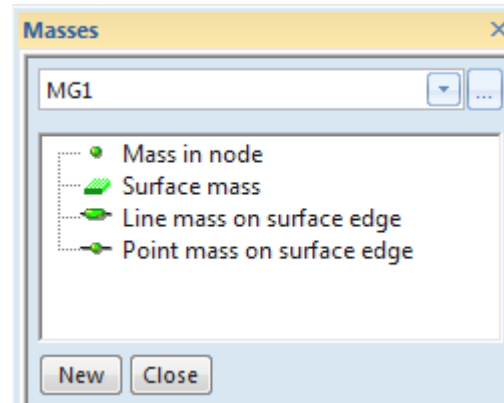
Step 3: Masses

When Mass Groups are created, **Masses** can be inputted on the structure. SCIA Engineer allows the input of

- Mass in node

- Point mass on beam

- Line mass on beam

- Surface mass

- Line mass on surface edge
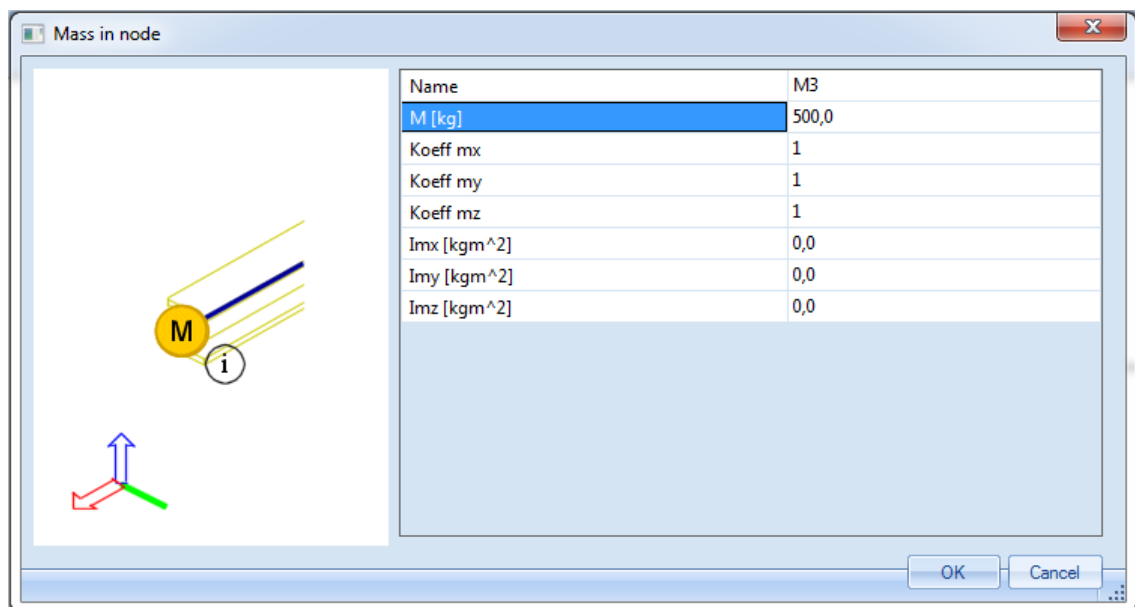
- Point mass on surface edge

For 1D members:
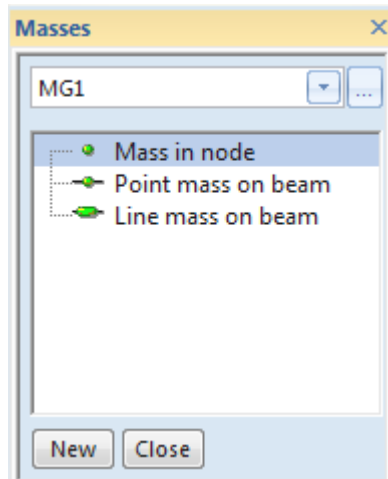
For 2D members:

In this example, a mass of **500 kg** will be inputted on the middle node of the beam using **Mass in node**.


Name	M3
M [kg]	500,0
Koeff mx	1
Koeff my	1
Koeff mz	1
Imx [kgm^2]	0,0
Imy [kgm^2]	0,0
Imz [kgm^2]	0,0

The parameters **Koeff mx, Koeff my** and **Koeff mz** specify how much of the mass will participate in the vibration according to the global X, Y or Z axis.
This can be used when calculating for example a chimney: when **Koeff mx** is put on 1 and **Koeff my** and **Koeff mz** are taken 0, then the mass can only vibrate in the global X-direction so only eigenmodes in that direction will be obtained.
Imx, Imy and **Imz** specify the moment of inertia around the global X, Y or Z axis. By default a nodal mass is concentrated so it has no inertia. When the mass represents a large machine, it is possible to input the moment of inertia of this machine.

The nodal mass of **500 kg** is inputted on the middle node of the beam:
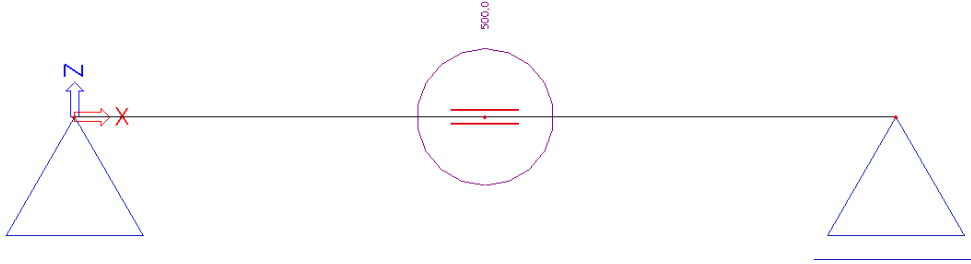
Note:

*- To display masses and mass labels, go to **Set View Parameters For All** > **Loads/Masses**.*
*- Masses are **Additional Data**, which can be moved/copied to other entities.*

Step 4: Mass matrix

Next, the Mass groups can be combined within a **Combination of Mass Groups**.
This is actually the mass matrix M which has been mentioned in the beginning of this chapter.
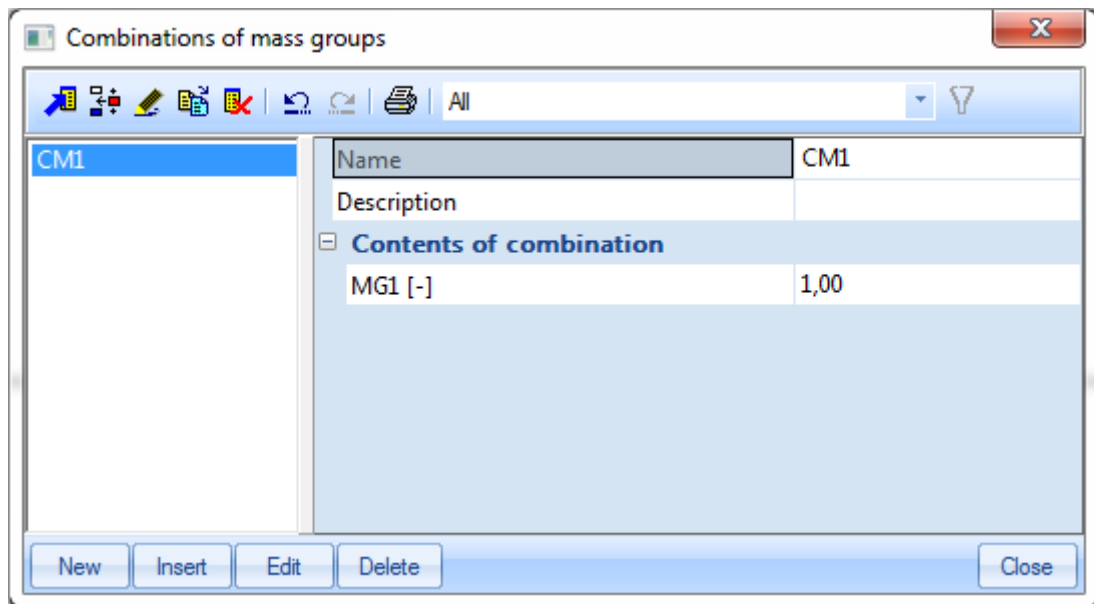
The Combination of Mass Groups works in the same way as a linear Load Combination.
A multiplication coefficient can be inputted for each Mass Group. This coefficient can be used
when the mass of a structure changes during its lifetime. Consider for example a water tank.
One Combination of Mass Groups can be created with a coefficient 1,00 to specify a full tank
and another Combination of Mass Groups can be created with a coefficient 0,50 to specify a
tank, which is half-full. In this way, both cases can be calculated in one time. As stated in step 2:
the self-weight is automatically taken into account for each Combination of Mass Groups.

Step 5: Mesh setup

After executing the previous steps, the calculation can already be started. However, as stated in
2.2 it can be required to refine the Finite Element mesh.
This can be done through **Calculation, Mesh** > **Mesh Setup**.
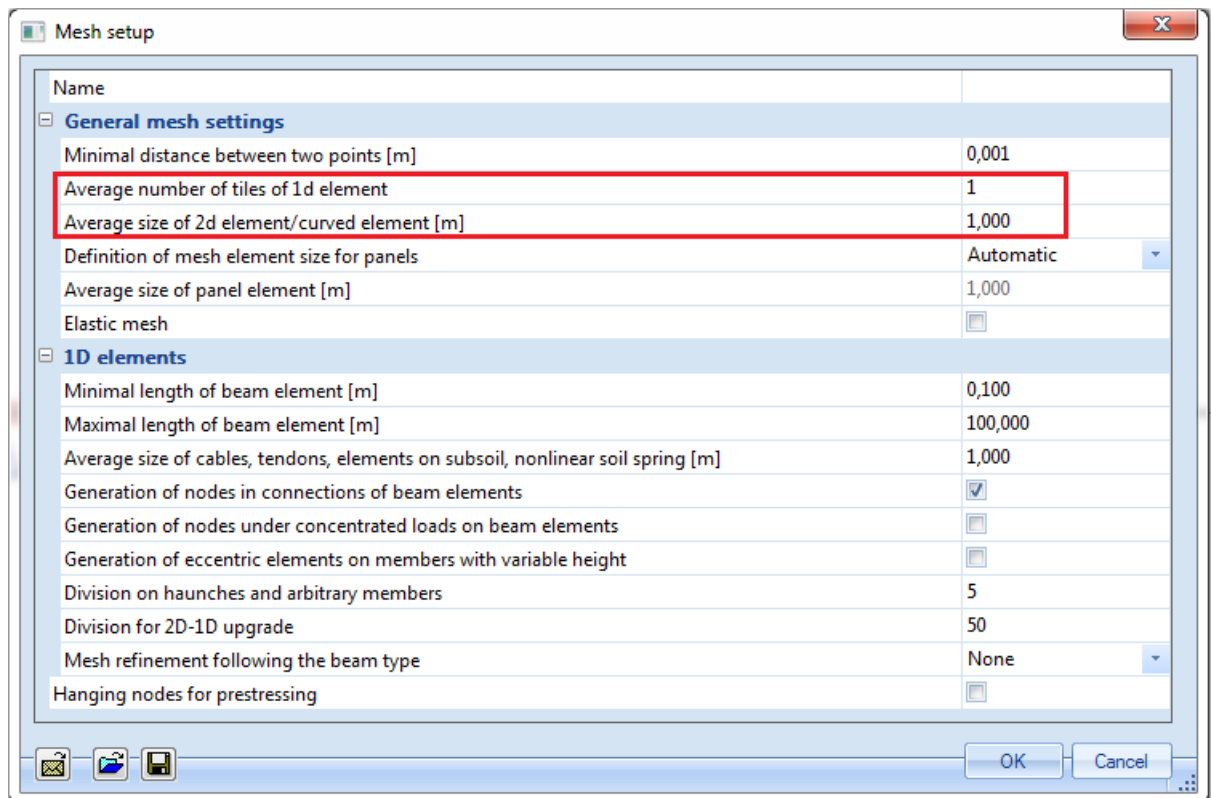
For 1D members (beams) the **Average number of tiles of 1D element** can be augmented. In general**, 5 to 10** tiles are sufficient for a dynamic calculation. When specifying a too high amount, the calculation will take a long time to complete. For 2D elements (plates & shells) the **Average size of 2D element** needs to be altered.

In this example, due to the inserting of the middle node, there is already a mesh node there, so it is not required to have a denser Finite Element Mesh.
This can be seen after mesh generation 🔲 Mesh generation
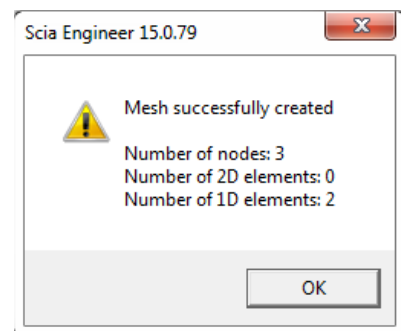
The created mesh elements and mesh nodes are shown with their number:
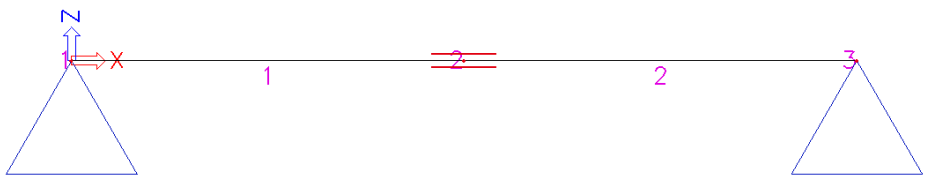
Note:

- *To display the numbering of finite elements:*
    *1. Go to **Set View Parameters For All** > **Structure** > **Mesh** and tick **Draw mesh** on.*
    *2. Go to **Set View Parameters For All** > **Labels** > **Mesh** and tick **Display Label & Elements 1D** on.*

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Step 6: Solver Setup
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Another important step before launching the calculation is to specify the amount of eigenmodes that need to be calculated and with which method they can be calculated.
This can be done through **Calculation, Mesh** > **Solver Setup**.

By default, the **Lanczos** method is used. This method is set as default even in older projects where originally another method was used. In comparison with older methods, the Lanczos method is faster and more stable.
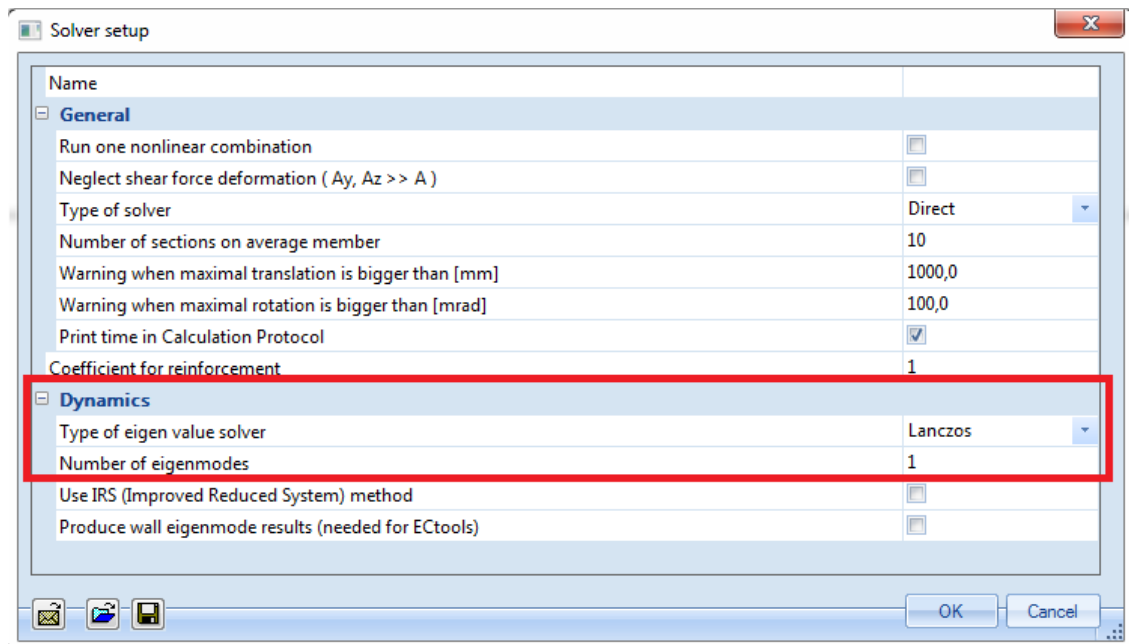
As explained above, the number of eigen frequencies is dependent of the number of degrees of freedom of the structure which are on their turn dependent of the discretisation.
In this example, only the mesh node located in the middle of the beam can vibrate vertically. Therefore only one eigenmode needs to be calculated. The **Number of Frequencies** can thus be lowered to **1**.

The options "Use IRS (Improved Reduced System) method" requires floors to be defined first, so this option cannot be used now. "Produce wall eigenmode results (needed for ECtools)" is only used if you are using the extra program ECtools to analyse seismic effects in masonry.

Note:

When the number of frequencies is higher than the amount of degrees of freedom, a message will appear during the calculation, stating the calculation cannot be executed. The solution is to lower the number of frequencies to be calculated or to apply a mesh refinement so more degrees of freedom are created.
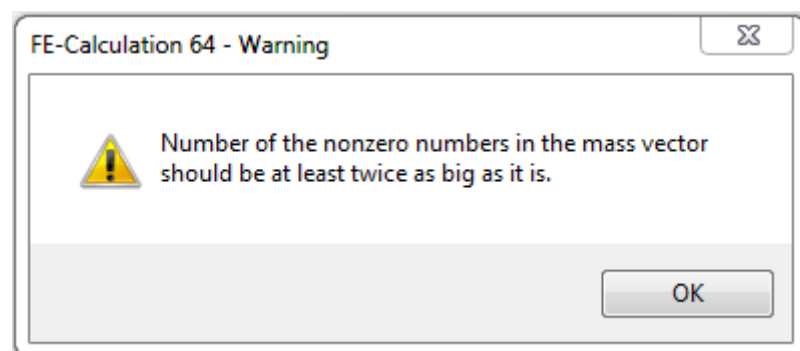
Step 7: Modal Analysis

The last step is to perform the **Modal Analysis** calculation through
Calculation, Mesh > Calculation.
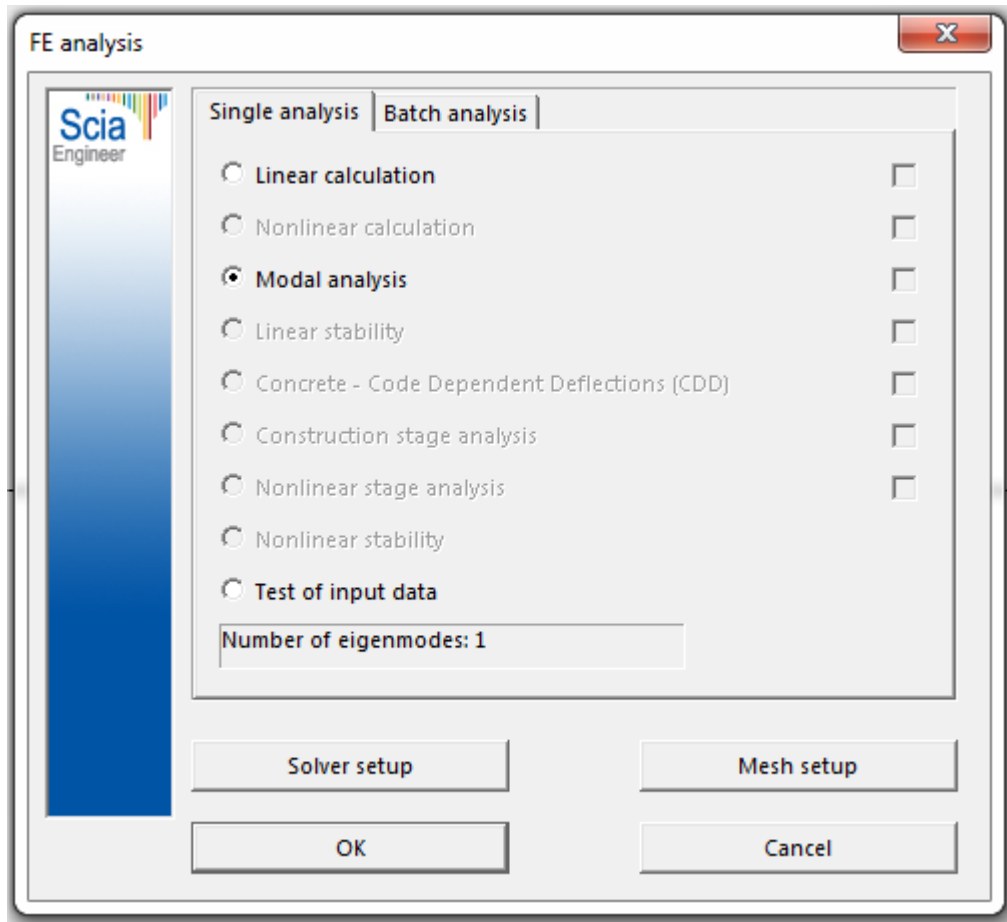
After performing the calculation, the Results menu shows the option **Dynamics →Eigen Frequencies**:
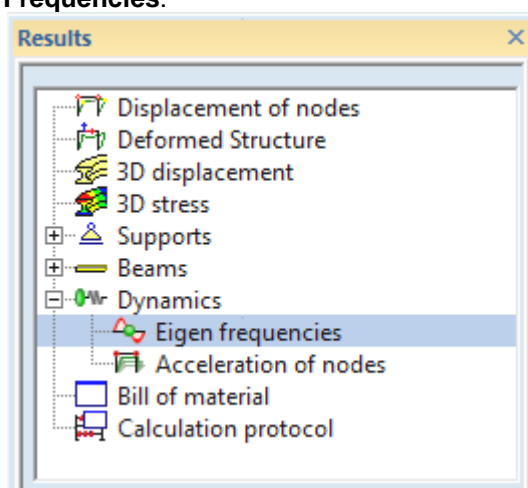
The preview shows the following result:

Eigen frequencies

N	f [Hz]	omega [1/s]	omega^2 [1/s^2]	T [s]
Mass combination : CM1				
1	6,31	39,67	1573,66	0,16

According to this calculation, the natural frequency of the first mode is shown to be **6,31 Hz**.

Step 8: Calculation protocol

To view the results in more detail, it is possible to look at the **Calculation Protocol** for the **Eigen Frequency** calculation:
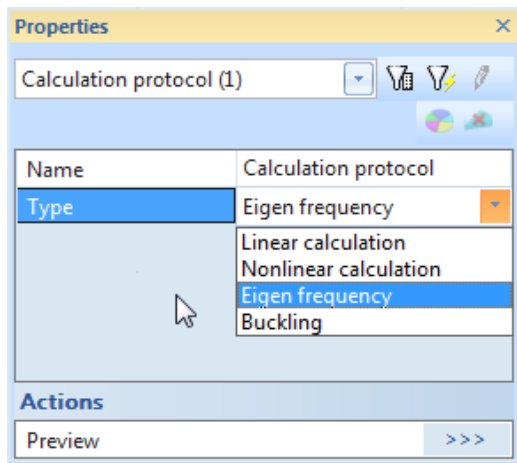
Calculation protocol

Solution of Free Vibration

Number of 2D elements	0
Number of 1D elements	2
Number of mesh nodes	3
Number of equations	18
Combination of mass groups	MC 1 CM1
Number of frequencies	1
Method	Lanczos
Type of analysis model	Standard
Start of calculation	03.04.2015 11:18
End of calculation	03.04.2015 11:18

Sum of masses

[kg]	X	Y	Z
Combination of mass groups 1	600.68	0.00	567.12

Modal participation factors

Mode	Omega [rad/s]	Period [s]	Freq. [Hz]	Wxi / Wxtot	Wyi / Wytot	Wzi / Wztot	Wxi_R / Wxtot_R	Wyi_R / Wytot_R	Wzi_R / Spectral
1	39.6705	0.1584	6.3138	0.0000	0.0000	1.0000	0.0000	1.0000	0.0000
				0.0000	0.0000	1.0000	0.0000	1.0000	0.0000

Now we will go more in detail about the results in the calculation protocol:

Solution of the Free Vibration:

- The model was divided in **2 finite elements**, resulting in **3 mesh nodes**.
- Each node has a 6 degrees of freedom (X, Y, Z, Rx, Ry, Rz) resulting in **18 equations**.
- The combination of mass groups for the results was **CM1**.
- The **number of frequencies** set in the solver settings is **1**.
- The **Lanczos** method was used to perform this calculation.

Sum of masses

The Sum of masses shows the amount of mass, which can vibrate for this Combination of Mass Groups (**CM1**). In this example, this is governed by the mass of 500 kg and the mass of the beam.

The mass of the beam can be calculated as follows:
- The beam is an IPE 200 with cross-section A= 0,00285 m²
- The length of the beam is 6 m
- The volumetric mass of S235 is 7850 kg/m³

$$m = 0,00285m^2 * 7850\frac{kg}{m^3} = 22,3725\frac{kg}{m}$$

Now to find the total mass, we must assign the masses to the mesh nodes and take into account the vibrations which are possible:
- For node 1: $1,5m * 22,3725\frac{kg}{m} = 33,55875 \; kg$
  (¼ of the beam mass goes to the left node)

- For node 2: $3,0m * 22,3725\frac{kg}{m} + 500kg = 67,1175 \; kg + 500 \; kg = 567,1175 \; kg$
  (½ of the beam mass goes to the middle node along with the nodal mass in the node)

- For node 3: $1,5m * 22,3725\frac{kg}{m} = 33,55875 \; kg$
  (¼ of the beam mass goes to the right node)
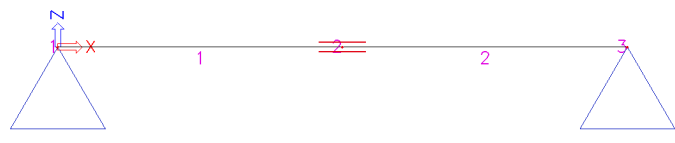
	X-direction	Y-direction	Z-direction
Node 1	Fixed	(Frame XZ)	Fixed
Node 2	567,1175 kg	(Frame XZ)	567,1175 kg
Node 3	33,55875 kg	(Frame XZ)	Fixed
TOTAL	600,67625 kg	X	567,1175 kg
Calc. Protocol	600,68 kg	0 kg	567,12 kg

As you can see, the sum of masses in the calculation protocol corresponds to the sum of masses in all mesh nodes, taking into account the degrees of freedom in each node.

It is clear that a denser mesh will provide a more accurate participation of the beam mass.

The **Modal Participation Factors** show the amount of mass that is vibrating in a specific eigenmode as a percentage of the total mass. In this example W_{zi}/W_{ztot} is equal to 1 which means that 100% of the mass is vibrating in the vertical direction for the first eigenmode. This means that in the other degrees of freedom, no mass will be displaced in the Z-direction.

The W_{yi_R}/W_{ytot_R} is equal to 1 means that this first eigenmode the only eigenmode in which mass can rotate around the global Y-axis.

As a side note, we must indicate that these results will strongly alter once we use a finer mesh. Since more nodes will add more degrees of freedom and thus more possible eigenmodes. These factors will be looked upon in more detail during the Seismic calculations.

Step 9: In this step we will check the eigenmodes

The eigenmode can be visualized through **Displacement of Nodes**.
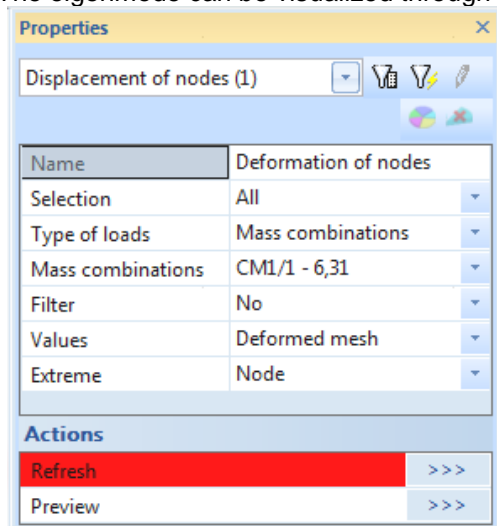
- Selection is set to **All**
- Type of loads is set to **Mass Combinations**
- For each eigenmode a specific Mass combination can now be chosen.
- The Values field is set to **Deformed Mesh** so the deformation of the mesh nodes is shown.
- The Values field is set to U_z to view the displacement of nodes (Table on the next page)
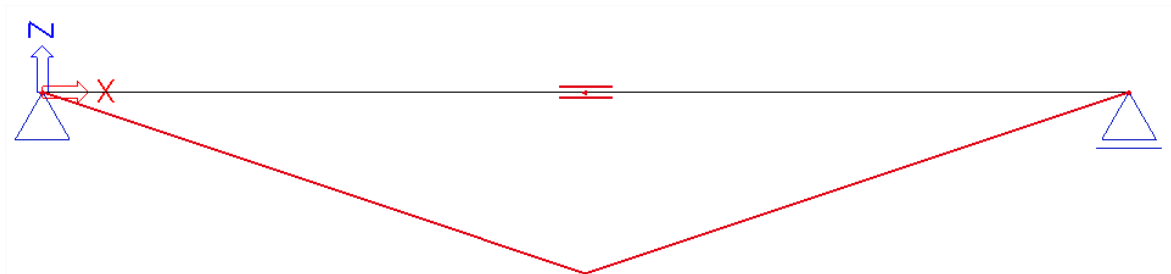
Displacement of nodes

Eigen solution, Extreme : Node
Selection : All
Mass combinations : CM1/1 - 6,31
Modal shapes are dimensionless, units are printed for consistency purposes.

Node	Case	Ux [mm]	Uz [mm]
N1	CM1/1 - 6,31	0,0	0,0
N2	CM1/1 - 6,31	0,0	0,0
N3	CM1/1 - 6,31	0,0	-42,0

The result is as expected, the inner node is vibrating. A denser mesh will provide a much better representation of the Eigenmode. It is important to bear in mind that a **vibration is in two directions**: in this case the eigenmode is shown moving up, however half a period later it will be moving down.

Free vibration gives only the conception of structure properties and allows predicting the behavior of the structure under time varying load conditions. In nature, each body prefers to remain in a standstill. If forced to move, it prefers the way requiring minimal energy consumption. These ways of motion are the eigenmodes.

The **eigenmodes** do not represent the actual deformation of the structure. They only show deformation that is **"natural" for the structure**. This is why the magnitudes of calculated displacements are dimensionless numbers. The numbers provided are orthonormed, i.e. they have a particular relation to the masses in the structure. The absolute value of the individual numbers is not important. What matters is their mutual proportion.

The vibration of the structure can be shown through **View** > **New Animation Window**.
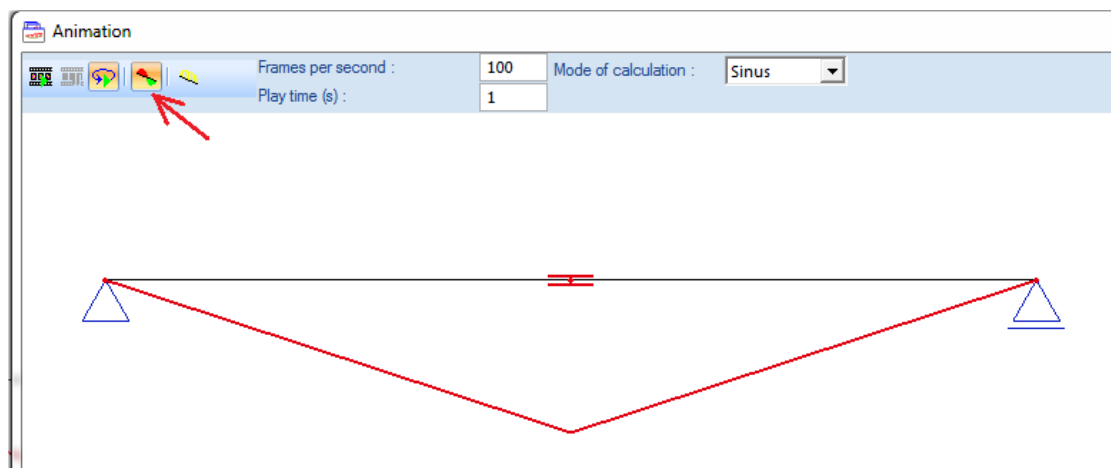
Activating the option **'Preset minimal ratio to invert MAX'** will show the actual vibration in both directions.

Note:

Using CTRL+Right mouse button, the structure can be rotated in the Animation Window.

Manual Calculation
In order to check the results of SCIA Engineer, the eigen frequency of this structure is calculated by a manual calculation.
Following reference [1], the circular frequency of a beam on two supports with a mass in the middle can be calculated as follows:

$$\omega^2 = 48\frac{EI}{ML^3}$$
(2.7)

With:

ω = Circular frequency
E = Modulus of Young
I = Moment of inertia of the beam
L = Length of the beam
M = Mass in the middle of the beam

In this example E = 210.000 N/mm²
Iy = 19430000 mm⁴
L = 6000 mm
M = 500 kg

$$=> \omega^2 = 48\frac{210.000\,N/mm^2 \cdot 19430000\,mm^4}{500kg \cdot (6000mm)^3} = 1813,47\,rad^2/s^2$$

$$=> \omega = 42,58\,rad/s$$

$$=> f = \frac{\omega}{2\pi} = \textbf{6,78 Hz}$$

The result calculated by SCIA Engineer was **6,31 Hz**.
The difference in results is caused by two assumptions in the manual calculation:

- The manual calculation does not take into account the self-weight of the beam

  Since $\omega = \sqrt{\dfrac{k}{m}}$ a lower mass will lead to a higher ω and a higher **f**.

- The manual calculation does not take into account shear deformation
  A lower deformation leads to a higher stiffness k, a higher ω and a higher **f**.

These two assumptions can also be implemented in the calculation model of SCIA Engineer:
- In order not to take the self-weight into account, the volumetric mass of **S235** can be set to **1 kg/m³** in the **Material** Library:
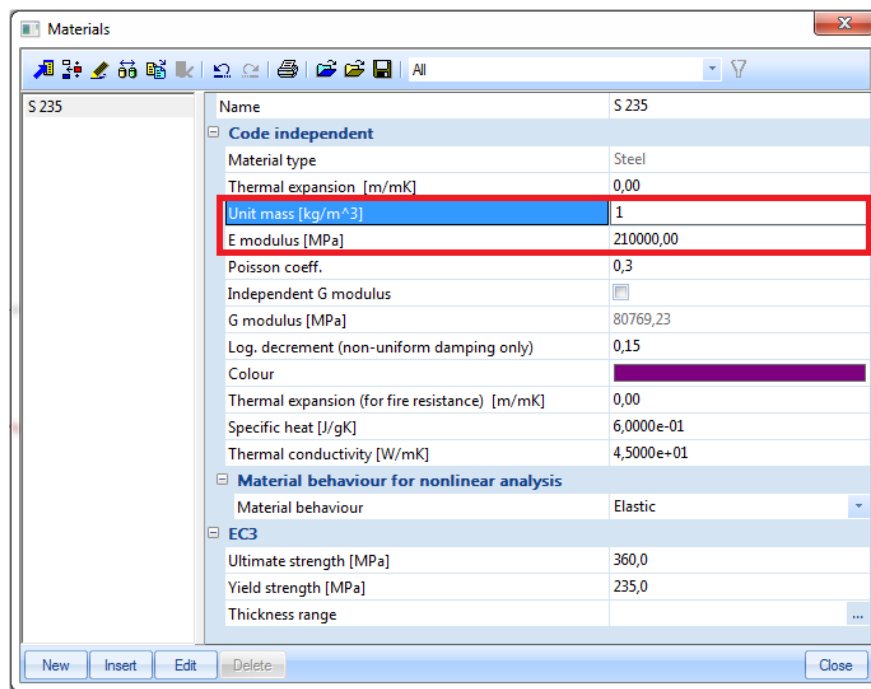
- To neglect the shear deformation, activate this option through **Calculation, Mesh** > **Solver Setup**:
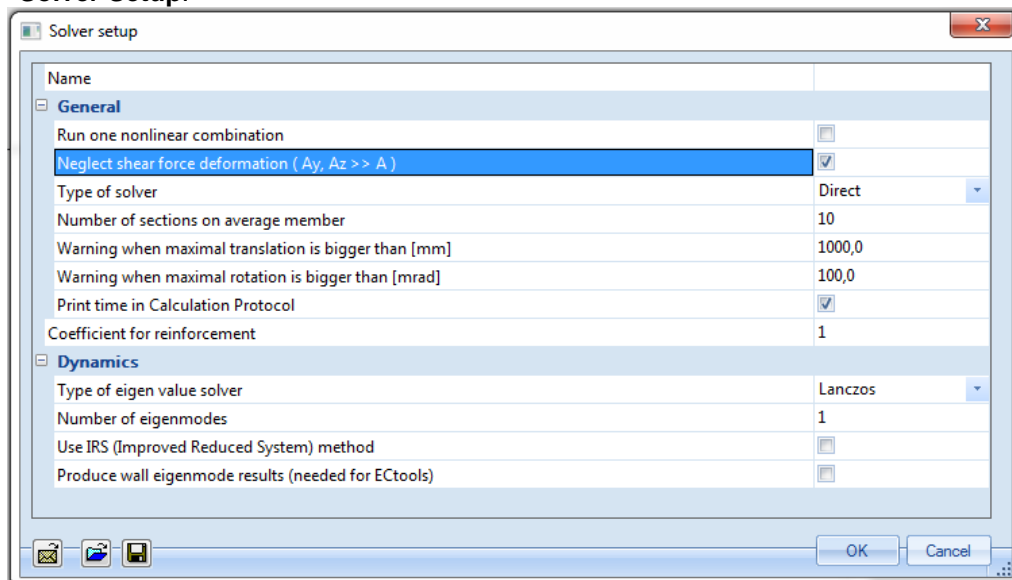
To obtain a correct and precise result, the mesh must also be refined. By refining the mesh to 10 finite elements. This can be done through **Calculation, Mesh** > **Mesh Setup**:

Mesh setup	
Name	
General mesh settings	
Minimal distance between two points [m]	0,001
Average number of tiles of 1d element	10
Average size of 2d element/curved element [m]	1,000
Definition of mesh element size for panels	Automatic
Average size of panel element [m]	1,000
Elastic mesh	☐
1D elements	
Minimal length of beam element [m]	0,100
Maximal length of beam element [m]	100,000
Average size of cables, tendons, elements on su...	1,000
Generation of nodes in connections of beam ele...	☑
Generation of nodes under concentrated loads ...	☐
Generation of eccentric elements on members ...	☐
Division on haunches and arbitrary members	5
Division for 2D-1D upgrade	50
Mesh refinement following the beam type	None
Hanging nodes for prestressing	☐

Now when the calculation is performed again, the following results are obtained:

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Eigen frequencies

N	f [Hz]	omega [1/s]	omega² [1/s²]	T [s]
Mass combination	: CM1			
1	6,78	42,58	1813,35	0,15

These results correspond exactly to the manual calculation.
This example clearly shows the importance of checking the assumptions behind the applied theories. When comparing results between two calculations, always make sure the same assumptions/hypotheses are used.

2.3 Frames

In this paragraph, the Free Vibration calculation is illustrated for frame structures. The principles of the theory are applied in detail and verified by means of manual calculations.

Example 2-2: Free_Vibration_2.esa

In this example a two-storey frame is modeled.
The members have cross-section **HEA 240** and are manufactured in **S235** according to **EC-EN**.

The height of each storey is **4m**.
The width of the frame is **5m**.
The column bases are inputted as fixed supports.

One static load case is created: **self-weight**.

On the beams of the floor and roof level, a line mass of **500 kg/m** will be introduced.
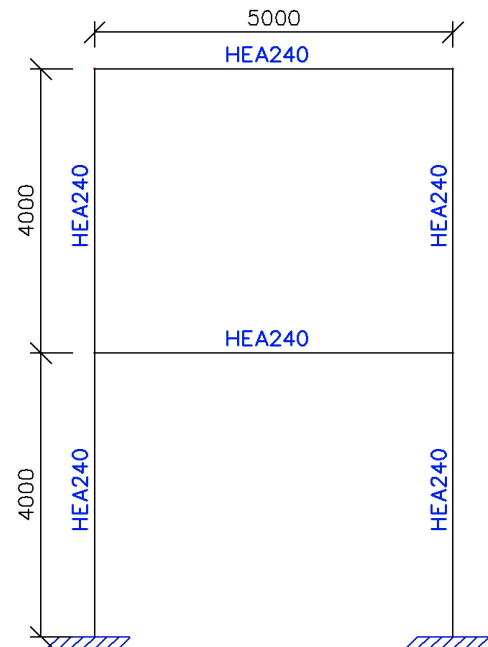
Step 1: Mass group

The activation of the **Dynamics** Functionality and the creation of a **Mass Group** are identical to the previous example.

Step 2: Masses

When the Mass Group is created, the line masses of **500 kg/m** can be inputted on the roof and floor beams of the frame.
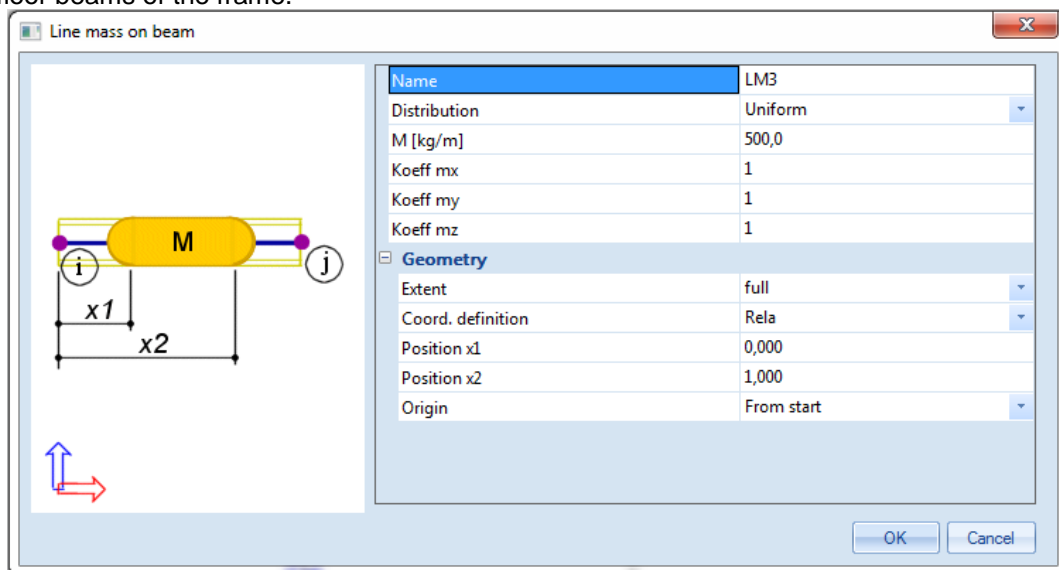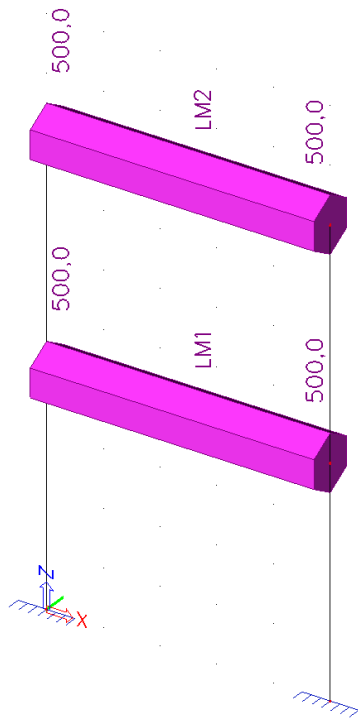
Note:

*To render the display of masses, go to **Set View Parameters For All** > **Miscellaneous** > **Drawing style for Model + Loads***

Step 3: Mass matrix
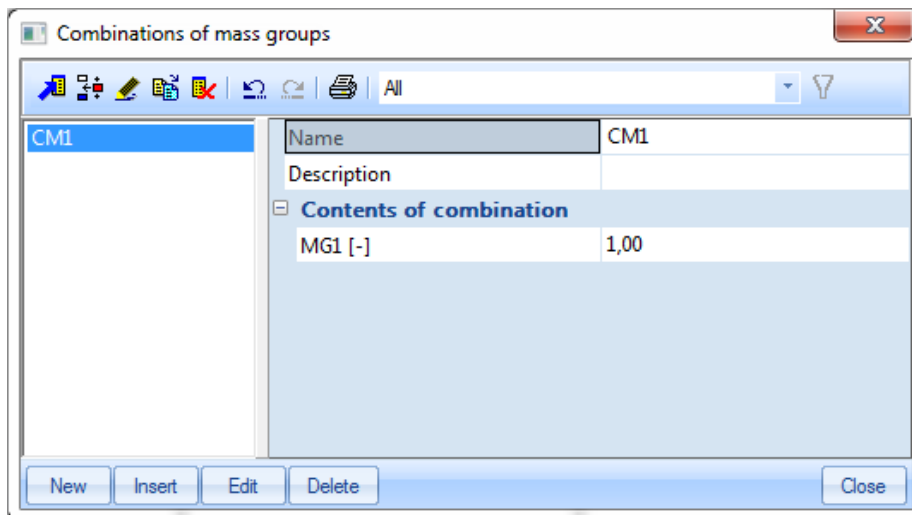
Next, a **Combination of Mass Groups** can be created.

Step 4: Mesh setup

To obtain precise results for the dynamics calculation, the Finite Element Mesh is refined.
This can be done through **Calculation, Mesh** > **Mesh Setup**.

The **Average number of tiles of 1D element** is set to **10** to obtain a good distribution of the line masses and the mass of the members.

Step 5: Solver setup

The last step before launching the calculation is setting the amount of eigenmodes to be calculated. The default value in **Calculation, Mesh** > **Solver Setup** is **4**. This is sufficient for this example.
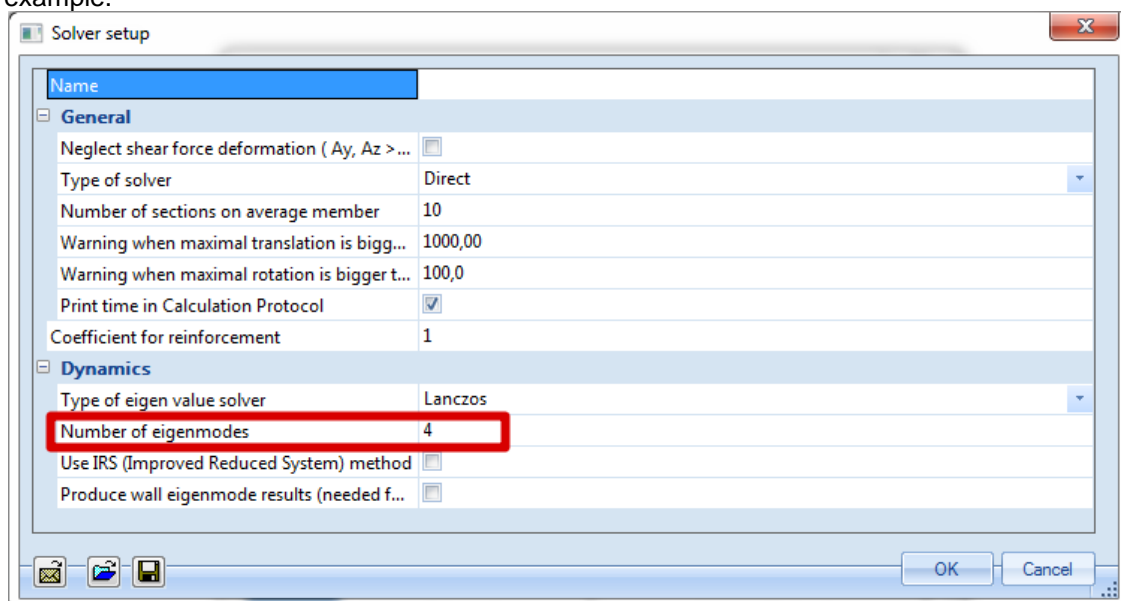
Step 6: Modal analysis

The **Free Vibration** calculation can now be executed through **Calculation, Mesh > Calculation.** The following results are obtained:

Eigen frequencies

N	f [Hz]	omega [1/s]	omega² [1/s²]	T [s]
Mass combination : CM1				
1	2,89	18,15	329,32	0,35
2	9,52	59,83	3579,23	0,11
3	14,51	91,18	8314,22	0,07
4	16,94	106,45	11332,53	0,06

As stated in the previous example, using **Deformation of Nodes**, the **Deformed Mesh** can be shown to view the eigenmodes:
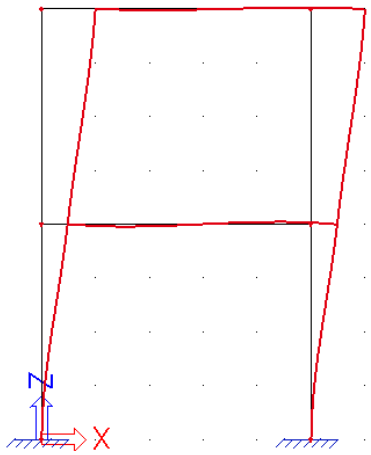
Eigenmode 1: f = **2,89 Hz**
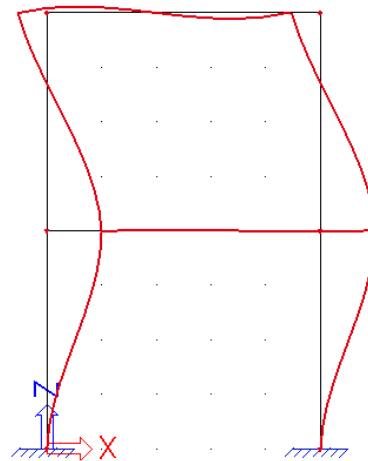
Eigenmode 2: f = **9,52 Hz**
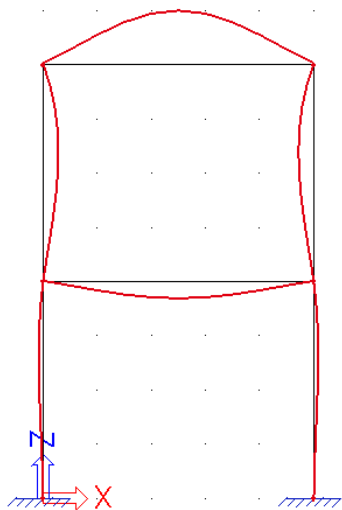
Eigenmode 3: f = **14,51 Hz**
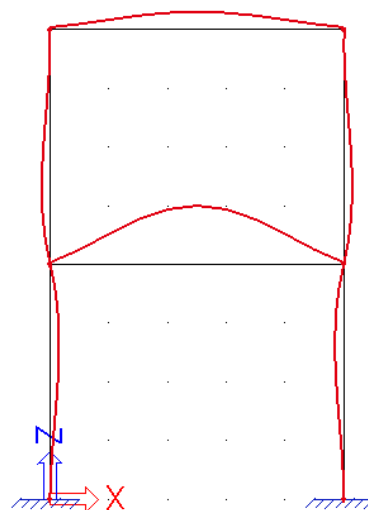
Eigenmode 4: f = **16,94 Hz**

The **Calculation Protocol** for the **Eigen Frequency** calculation shows the following:

Sum of masses

[kg]	X	Y	Z
Combination of mass groups 1	6543.37	0.00	6543.37

Modal participation factors

Mode	Omega [rad/s]	Period [s]	Freq. [Hz]	Wxi / Wxtot	Wyi / Wytot	Wzi / Wztot	Wxi_R / Wxtot_R	Wyi_R / Wytot_R	Wzi_R / Spectral
1	18.1477	0.3462	2.8883	0.8628	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0793	0.0000
2	59.8285	0.1050	9.5220	0.1108	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.4222	0.0000
3	91.1850	0.0689	14.5125	0.0000	0.0000	0.1554	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
4	106.4575	0.0590	16.9432	0.0000	0.0000	0.5360	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
				0.9736	0.0000	0.6914	0.0000	0.5014	0.0000

The Sum of masses shows the amount of mass, which can vibrate for this Mass combination. In this example, this is governed by the line masses of 500 kg/m and the mass of the members.
 This value can be calculated as follows:
- The members are of type HEA 240 with cross-section A= 0,00768 m²
- The volumetric mass of S235 is 7850 kg/m³
- The total length of the members is 4 x 4m + 2 x 5m = 26m

However, as stated in 2.2 the masses are guided to the mesh nodes. The Finite Element Mesh was refined to 10 1D elements per member.
This implies that for the two lower columns, half the mass of a 1D element is guided to a support and does not take part in the free vibration.
- The length of the columns is 4m
- The length of a 1D element is 4m / 10 = 0,4m
- The length of half a 1D element is 0,4m / 2 = 0,2m
    ⇨ The total length of the members taken into account for the mass is 26m – 0,2m – 0,2m = 25,6m
    ⇨ Total member mass = 0,00768 m² x 25,6 m x 7850 kg/m³ = 1543,37 kg

This mass is added to the line masses of 500 kg/m
    ⇨ Vibrating Mass = 2 x 500 kg/m x 5m + 1543,37 kg = **6543,37 kg**

The **Modal Participation Factors** show the amount of mass that is vibrating in a specific eigenmode as a percentage of the total mass.

- For Eigenmode 1: 86% of the total mass is vibrating in the X-direction

- For Eigenmode 2: 11% of the total mass is vibrating in the X-direction

- For Eigenmode 3: 16% of the total mass is vibrating in the Z-direction

- For Eigenmode 4: 54% of the total mass is vibrating in the Z-direction

The lower row shows the total percentage when these four modes are combined: **97%** is taken into account for the X-direction and **69%** for the Z-direction.

These factors will be looked upon in more detail during the Seismic calculations in Chapter 4. For a seismic calculation, it is required that sufficient eigenmodes are included in the calculation so that at least 90% of the total mass is being taken into account [7].

Manual Calculation
In order to check the results of SCIA Engineer, the lowest eigen frequency, or natural frequency of this structure is calculated by a manual calculation.
The method used here is described in the literature as Rayleigh's Energy Method. [1], [13].
In this method, the structure is idealized as a cantilever beam with lumped masses at each floor level:
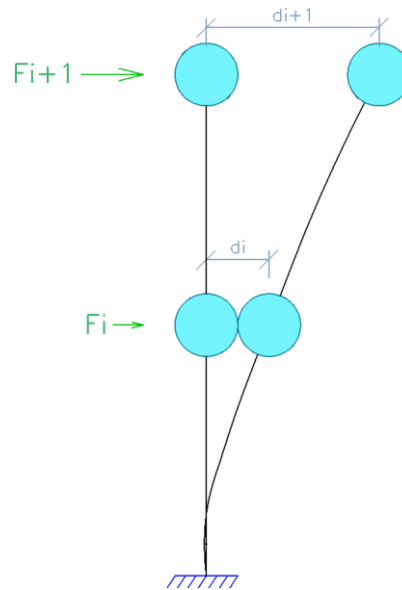
The structure is then loaded with a set of linearly increasing horizontal loads on each floor level. Due to this loading, the structure will deform and thus the rigidity of the system is known.
The eigen frequency of the structure can then be approximately calculated as follows:

$$f = \frac{1}{2\pi}\sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} F_i \cdot d_i}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} M_i \cdot d_i^2}}$$ (2.8)

With:
n = Number of floors
F_i = Horizontal force acting on floor level i
d_i = Horizontal deformation of floor level i
M_i = Idealized mass of floor level i

The analogy between this formula and $\omega = \sqrt{\dfrac{k}{m}}$ can clearly be seen.

To use this formula, the frame needs to be idealized to a cantilever:
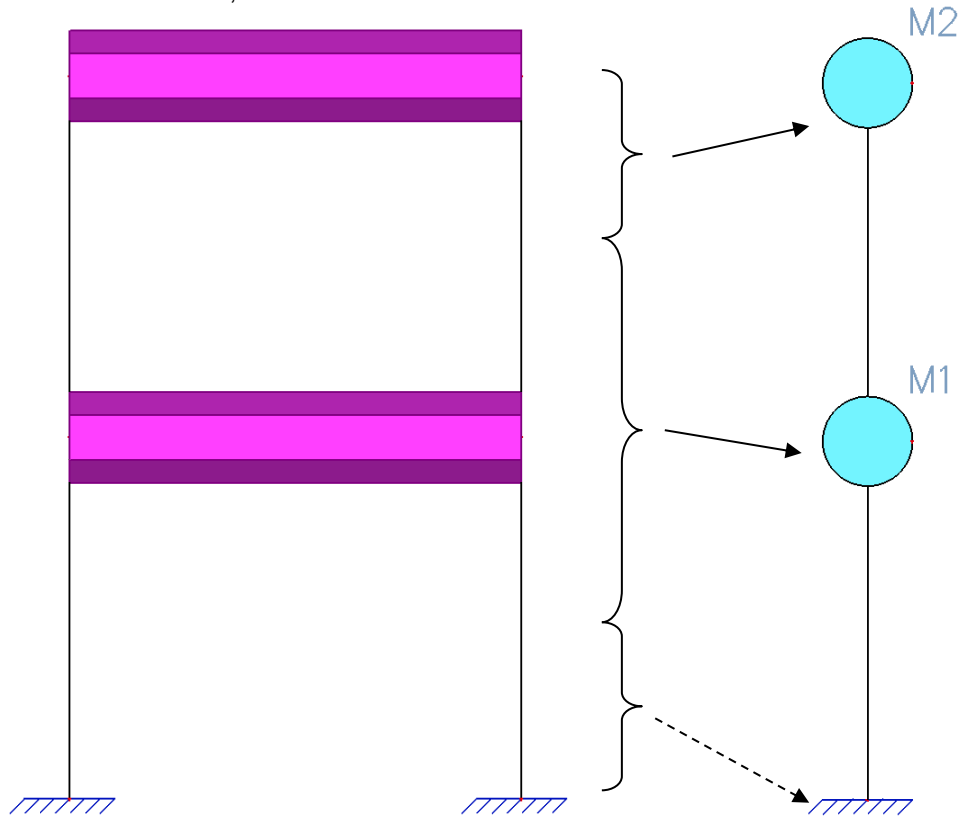
The mass of the lower part of the structure is idealized to the support of the cantilever so it takes no part in the vibration.

The mass M_1 can be calculated as follows:

0,00768 m² x (5 + 4 + 4) m x 7850 kg/m³ + 500 kg/m x 5m = **3283,74 kg**

The mass M_2 can be calculated as follows:

0,00768 m² x (5 + 4) m x 7850 kg/m³ + 500 kg/m x 5m = **3042,59 kg**

In order to calculate the horizontal deformations d_i of each floor level due to a linearly increasing load F_i, a static load case is calculated with SCIA Engineer consisting of loads of **100 kN** and **200 kN**. The following results are obtained for the nodal deformations:
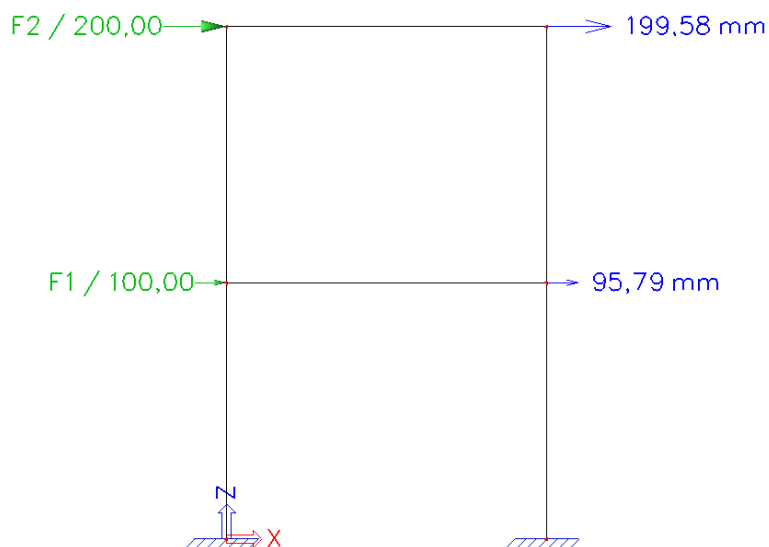
⇨ F$_1$ = 100 kN = 100000 N
⇨ F$_2$ = 200 kN = 200000 N
⇨ d$_1$ = 95,79 mm = 0,09579 m
⇨ d$_2$ = 199,58 mm = 0,19958 m

Applying formula (2.8):

$$f = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{100000N \cdot 0,09579m + 200000N \cdot 0,19958m}{3283,74kg \cdot (0,09579m)^2 + 3042,59kg \cdot (0,19958m)^2}} = \textbf{2,88 Hz}$$

This result corresponds to the **2,89 Hz** calculated by SCIA Engineer.

2.4 Combining mass groups

Mass Groups are combined in a **Combination of Mass Groups**.
According to Eurocode 8 [7] article 3.2.4, all gravity loads appearing in the following combination of actions need to be taken into account for an eigenmode calculation:

$$\sum G_k + \sum \psi_{E,i} \cdot Q_{k,i} \qquad\qquad (2.9)$$

Where: G_k = Characteristic value of the permanent load
$Q_{k,i}$ = Characteristic value of the variable load i
$\psi_{E,i}$ = Combination coefficient for load i $= \varphi \cdot \psi_{2,i}$

The combination coefficient $\psi_{E,i}$ takes into account the likelihood of the variable loads not being present over the entire structure during the occurrence of an earthquake.

Eurocode 8 [7] indicates that $\Psi_{E,i}$ should be calculated in the following way:

$$\psi_{Ei} = \varphi \cdot \psi_{2i}$$

NOTE The values to be ascribed to φ for use in a country may be found in its National Annex. The recommended values for φ are listed in Table 4.2.

Table 4.2: Values of φ for calculating ψ_{Ei}

Type of variable action	Storey	φ
Categories A-C[*]	Roof	1,0
	Storeys with correlated occupancies	0,8
	Independently occupied storeys	0,5
Categories D-F[*] and Archives		1,0

* Categories as defined in EN 1991-1-1:2002.

For example, if a first mass group MG1 represents the mass of permanent loads and a second mass group MG2 represents the mass of a variable load case with a **Category B** imposed load and independently occupied storeys, then φ is taken as **0,5** and $\psi_{2,i}$ as **0,3**.
This gives a value of **0,15** for $\Psi_{E,i}$.
The Combination of Mass Groups **CM1** can then be formulated as **1,00 MG1 + 0,15 MG2.**
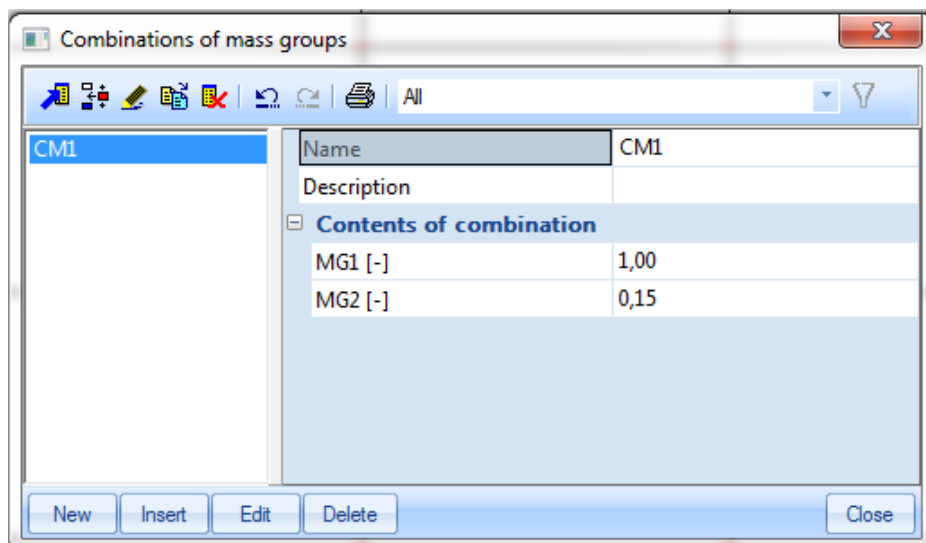
Example 2-3: Free_Vibration_3.esa

In this example an office building is modeled as a frame. The office is manufactured in **C30/37** according to **EC-EN**. The building has four storeys with a storey height of **4m**. In horizontal direction, the frame is made up of four columns with a distance of **6m** between them. In the direction out of plane, the frames are spaced **5m**. The column bases are inputted as fixed supports.

The members of the frame have following cross-sections:
- Columns: **Rectangular 300 x 450**
- Floor Beams: **Rectangular 250 x 500**
- Roof Beams: **Rectangular 150 x 300**

The vertical loads acting on the structure are:
- The **self-weight** of the concrete members
- The weight of the floors: **5 kN/m²**
- The weight of the roof: **2 kN/m²**
- A category B (Office) imposed load of **3 kN/m²**
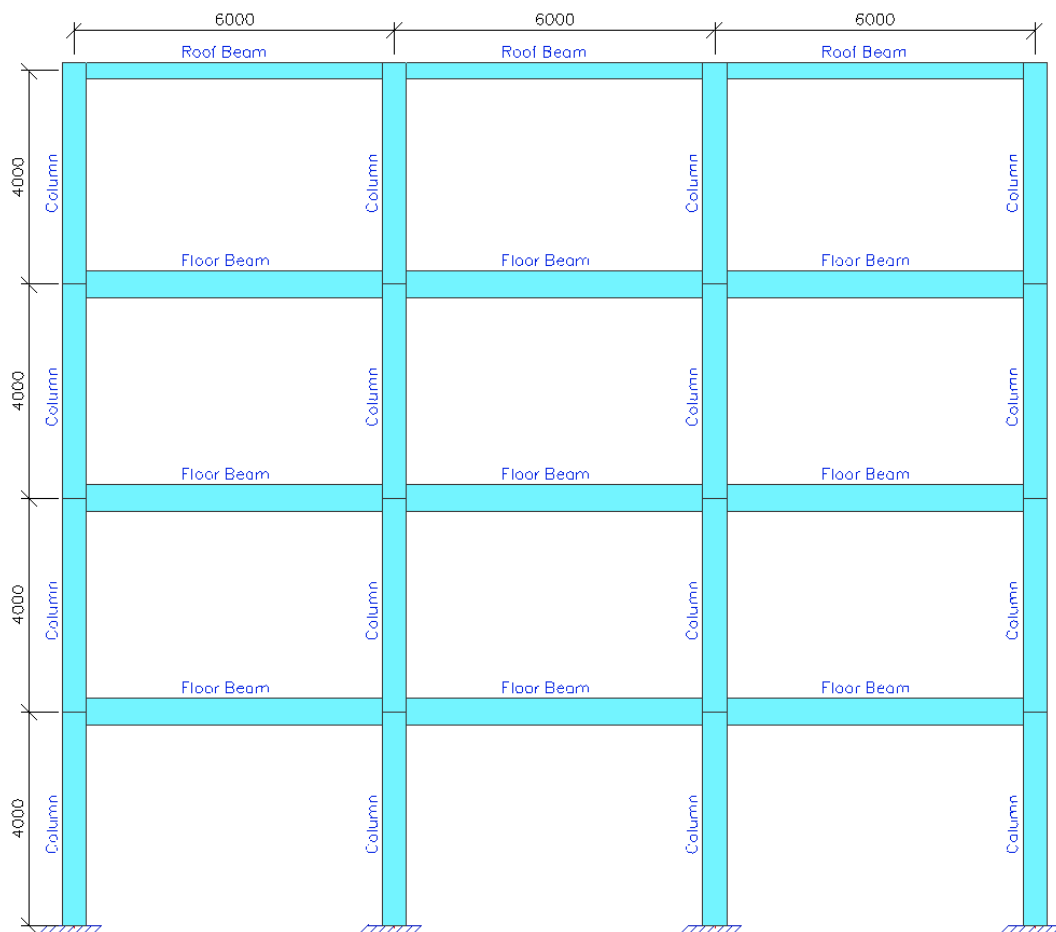
This gives 3 static Load-Cases:

LC1: **Self-Weight**

LC2: Permanent Load: **25 kN/m** on the floor beams, **10 kN/m** on the roof beams

LC3: Variable Load: **15 kN/m** on the floor beams

Step 1: Functionality

The first step in the Dynamic calculation is to activate the functionality **Dynamics** on the **Functionality** tab in the **Project Data**.

Step 2: Mass groups

The second step is to create **Mass Groups**, the third step the creation of **Masses**.
Since the self-weight is automatically taken into account in a **Combination of Mass Groups**, two **Mass Groups** are created here, one for each Static load case.

For the Mass Group **MG1**, the load case **LC2** is chosen: the weight of the floors and roof. Using the option **"Keep masses up-to-date with loads"** and then the action **"Create masses from load case"** automatically generates masses from the already inputted loads which remain linked to the loads.
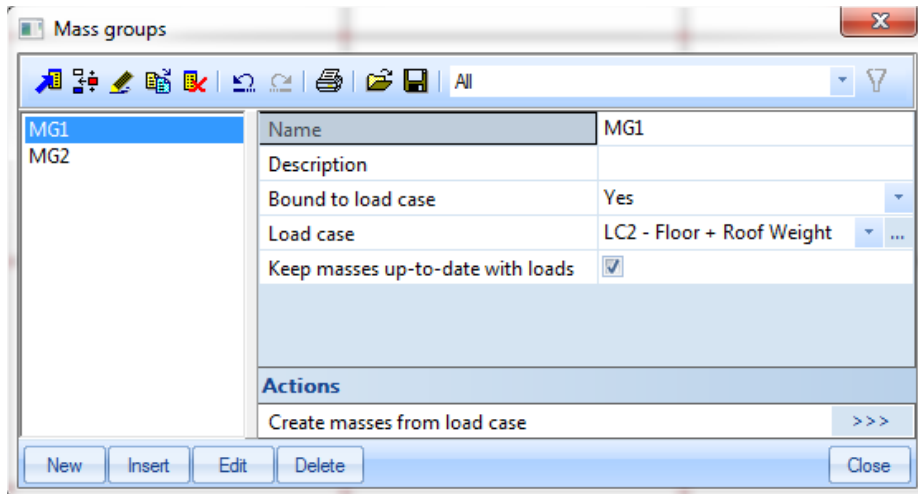
In the same way, the Mass Group **MG2** is created in which masses are automatically created from load case **LC3**: the imposed load.
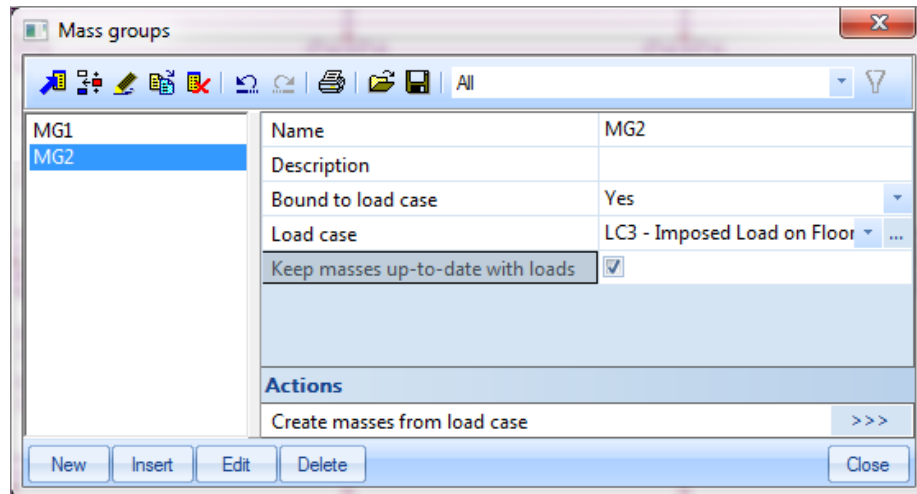
Note:

*- As stated in the first example: When creating masses from loads, SCIA Engineer will use the acceleration of gravity specified on the **Loads** tab of the **Project Data**. By default it is **9,81 m/s².**

- In versions previous to SCIA Engineer 2013, the mass will always remain unchanged after any modification or removal of the original force. If the mass is supposed to correspond to the modified force, it is necessary to remove the mass and to create it once more.*

Step 3: Masses

In the **Masses** menu, the contents of both Mass Groups can be visualized.
- *Mass Group MG1:*
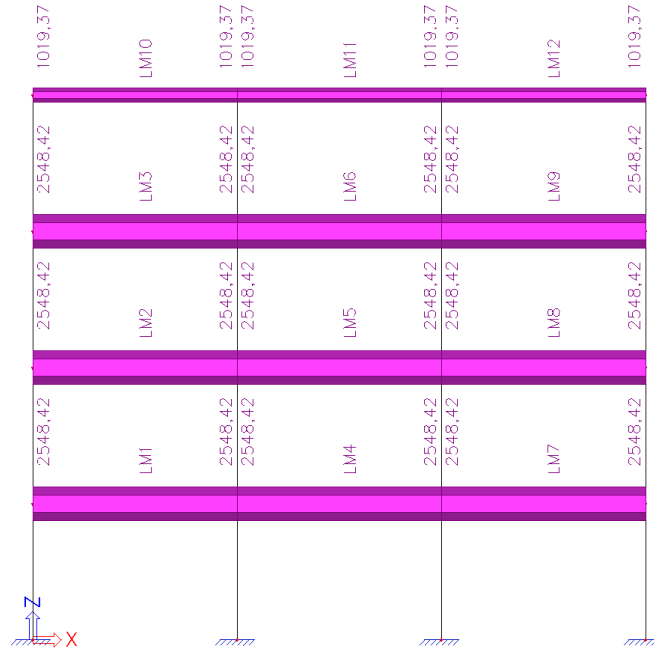
Floor mass: $\dfrac{25000\ {}^{N}\!/\!_{m}}{9{,}81\ {}^{m}\!/\!_{s^2}} = 2548{,}4\ {}^{kg}\!/\!_{m}$

Roof mass: $\dfrac{10000\ {}^{N}\!/\!_{m}}{9{,}81\ {}^{m}\!/\!_{s^2}} = 1019{,}4\ {}^{kg}\!/\!_{m}$

- *Mass Group MG2:*
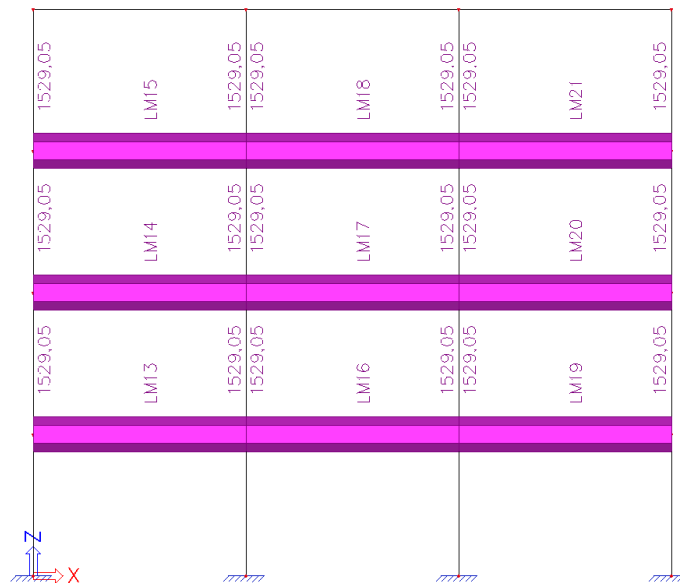
Mass of imposed load: $\dfrac{15000\ {}^{N}\!/\!_{m}}{9{,}81\ {}^{m}\!/\!_{s^2}} = 1529{,}1\ {}^{kg}\!/\!_{m}$

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Step 4: Mass matrix

Both Mass Groups can now be combined in a **Combination of Mass Groups**.
According to Eurocode 8 [7] article 3.2.4, all gravity loads appearing in the following combination of actions need to be taken into account for an eigenmode calculation:

$$\sum G_k + \sum \psi_{E,i} \cdot Q_{k,i} \tag{2.9}$$

For this example, with a **Category B** imposed load and independently occupied storeys, φ is taken as **0,5** and $\psi_{2,i}$ as **0,3**. This gives a value of **0,15** for $\Psi_{E,i}$.

The Combination of Mass Groups **CM1** can then be formulated as **1,00 MG1 + 0,15 MG2.**
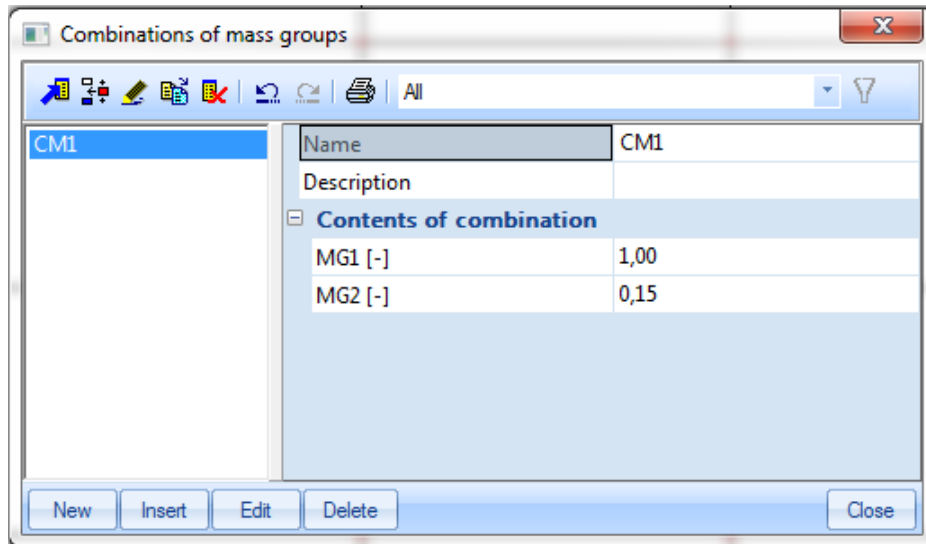
Step 5: Mesh setup

To obtain precise results for the dynamics calculation, the Finite Element Mesh is refined. This can be done through **Calculation, Mesh** > **Mesh Setup**.
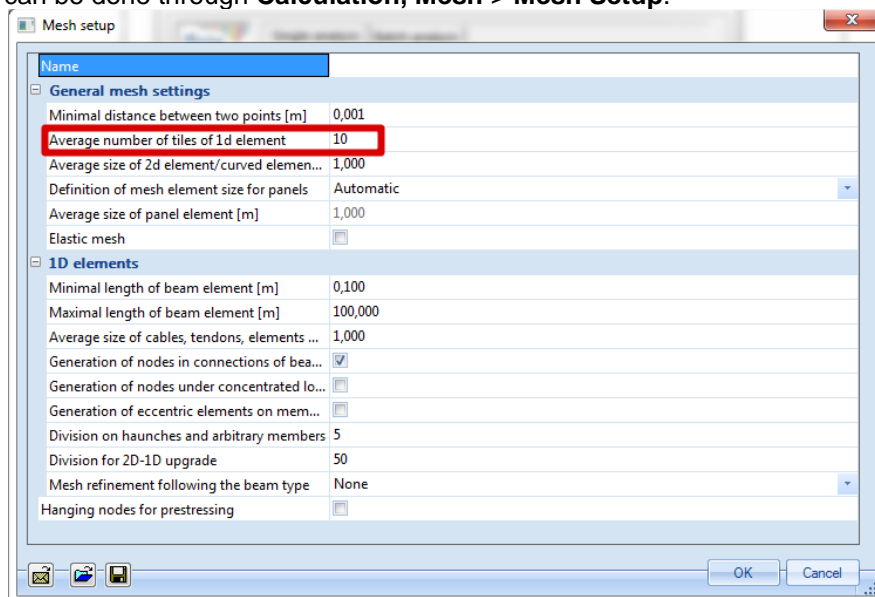
The **Average number of tiles of 1D element** is set to **10** to obtain a good distribution of the line masses and the mass of the members.

Step 6: Solver setup

The last step before launching the calculation is setting the amount of eigenmodes to be calculated. The default value in **Calculation, Mesh** > **Solver Setup** is **4**. This is sufficient for this example.
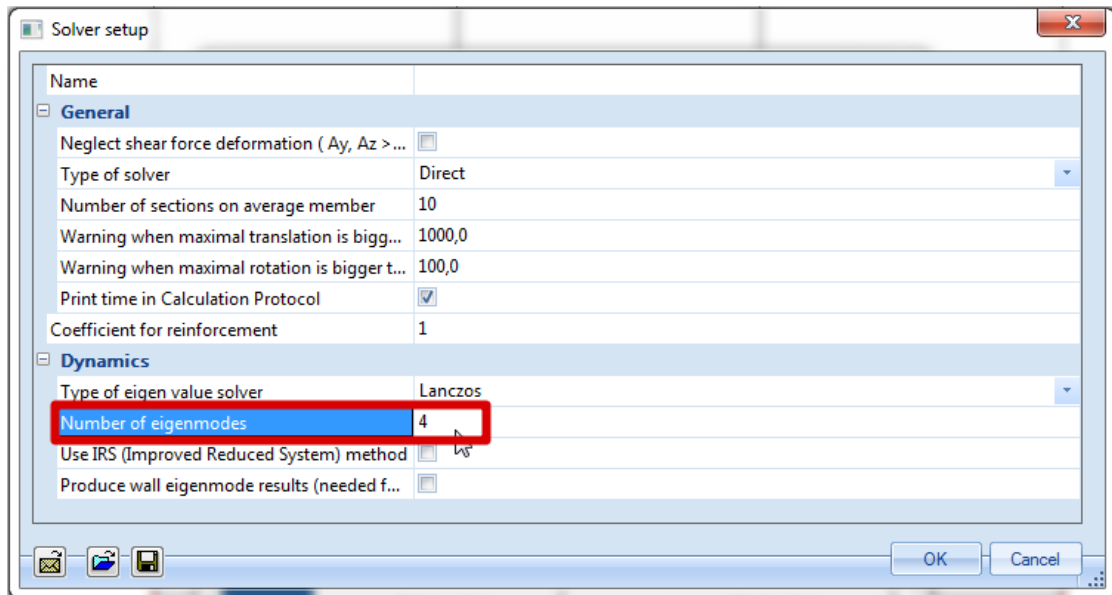
Step 7: Calculation

The **Free Vibration** calculation can now be executed through **Calculation, Mesh > Calculation.**

The following results are obtained:

Eigen frequencies

N	f [Hz]	omega [1/s]	omega² [1/s²]	T [s]
Mass combination : CM1				
1	1,28	8,01	64,19	0,78
2	3,70	23,26	541,06	0,27
3	6,01	37,76	1425,65	0,17
4	8,26	51,89	2692,46	0,12

With corresponding Eigenmodes:
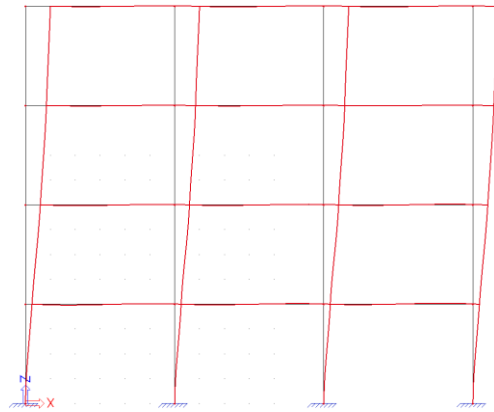
Eigenmode 1: f = **1,28 Hz**
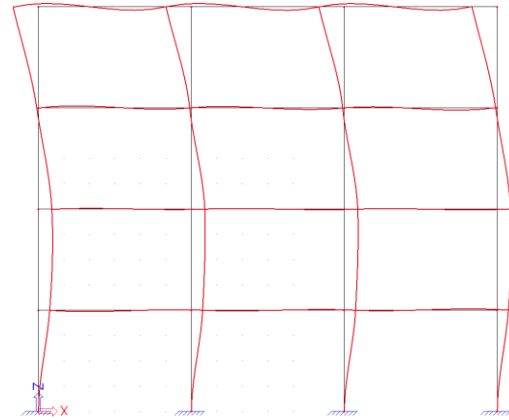
Eigenmode 2: f = **3,70 Hz**
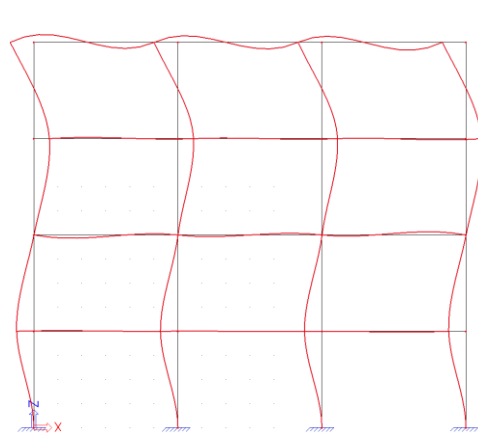
Eigenmode 3: f = **6,01 Hz**
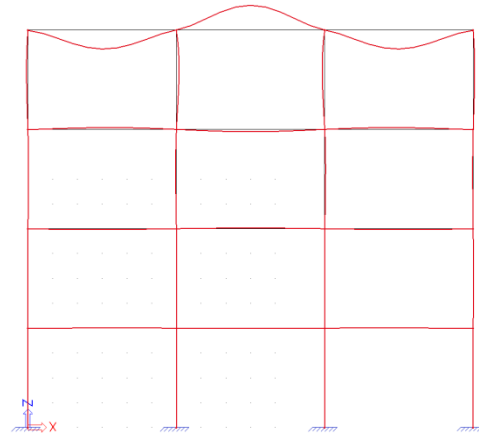
Eigenmode 4: f = **8,26 Hz**

The **Calculation Protocol** for the **Eigen Frequency** calculation shows the following:

Sum of masses

[kg]	X	Y	Z
Combination of mass groups 1	208578.62	0.00	208578.62

Modal participation factors

Mode	Omega [rad/s]	Period [s]	Freq. [Hz]	Wxi / Wxtot	Wyi / Wytot	Wzi / Wztot	Wxi_R / Wxtot_R	Wyi_R / Wytot_R	Wzi_R / Spectral
1	8.0122	0.7842	1.2752	0.8347	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0547	0.0000
2	23.2614	0.2701	3.7022	0.0979	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.2153	0.0000
3	37.7589	0.1664	6.0095	0.0422	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0466	0.0000
4	51.8905	0.1211	8.2586	0.0000	0.0000	0.0019	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
				0.9748	0.0000	0.0019	0.0000	0.3166	0.0000

The Sum of masses can be calculated as follows:

- According to the Bill of Material, the self-weight of the frame is 40500 kg.

Bill of material

Name	Mass [kg]	Surface [m²]	Volume [mm³]
Total results :	40500,00	193,200	1,6200e+10

However, for the four lower columns, half the mass of a 1D element is guided to a support and does not take part in the free vibration.
- The length of the columns is 4m
- Since 10 1D elements per member were used, the length of a 1D element is 4m / 10 = 0,4m
- The length of half a 1D element is 0,4m / 2 = 0,2m
- The columns have a cross-section of 0,135 m² and a volumetric mass of 2500 kg/m³
  - ⇨ The mass of the columns not taken into account is:

  4 x 0,135 m² x 0,2 m x 2500 kg/m³ = 270 kg
  - ⇨ The mass of the self-weight taken into account is: 40500 kg - 270 kg = *40230 kg*
- For MG1 the mass of the floors is 9 x 2548,42 kg/m x 6m = *137614,68 kg*

- For MG1 the mass of the roof is 3 x 1019,37 kg/m x 6m = *18348,66 kg*
- For MG2 the mass of the imposed load is 9 x 1529,05 kg/m x 6m = 82568,7 kg

  However only 15% was taken into account => 0,15 x 82568,7 kg = *12385,31 kg*
  - ⇨ Vibrating mass= 40230 kg + 137614,68 kg + 18348,66 kg + 12385,31 kg
  = **208578,65 kg**

Manual Calculation

In order to check the results of SCIA Engineer, the lowest eigen frequency of this structure is calculated by means of the Rayleigh Method.

As specified in the previous example, the frame is idealized as a cantilever:
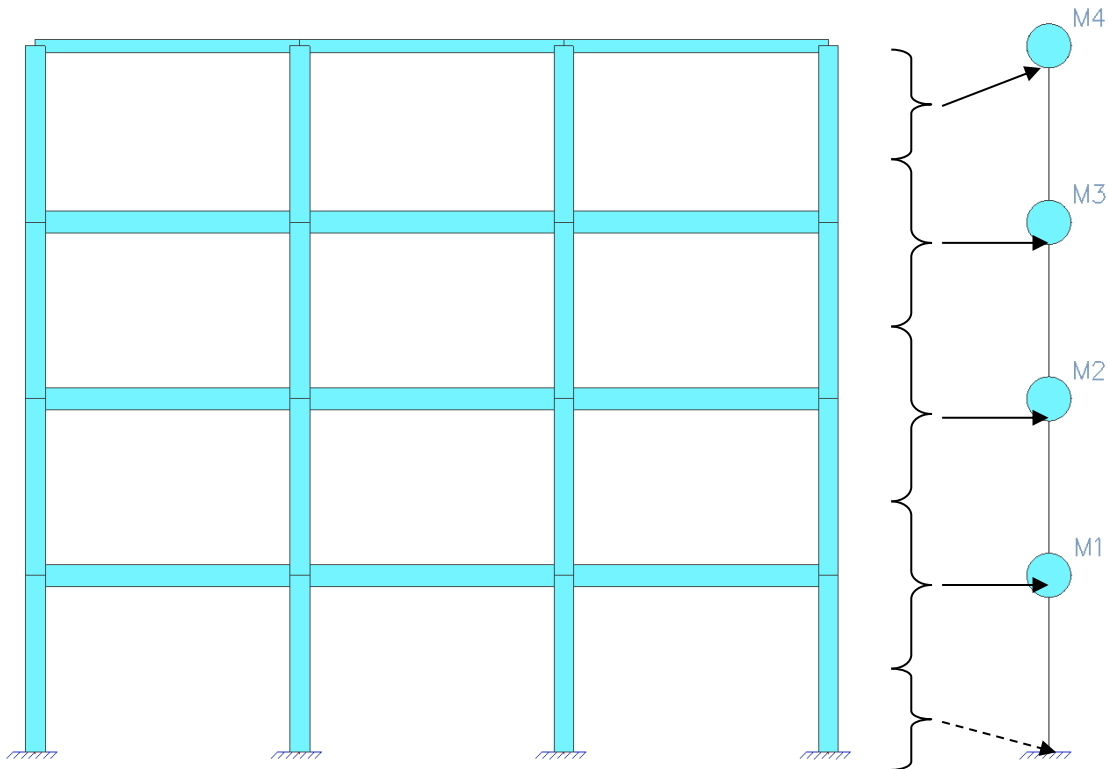
The masses M_1, M_2 and M_3 can be calculated as follows:
- Self-Weight of three floor beams and four columns:
    - ⇨ 3 x 0,125 m² x 2500 kg/m³ x 6 m = 5625 kg
    - ⇨ 4 x 0,135 m² x 2500 kg/m³ x 4 m = 5400 kg
    - ⇨ 5625 kg + 5400 kg = *11025 kg*

- Floor weight of mass group MG1:
    - ⇨ 3 x 2548,42 kg/m x 6 m = *45871,56 kg*
- Weight of Imposed load of mass group MG2 (15%)
    - ⇨ 0,15 x 3 x 1529,05 kg/m x 6 m = *4128,44 kg*

- Total: 11025 kg + 45871,56 kg + 4128,44 kg = **61024,995 kg**

The mass M_4 can be calculated as follows:
- Self-Weight of three roof beams and half of four columns:
    - ⇨ 3 x 0,045 m² x 2500 kg/m³ x 6 m = 2025 kg
    - ⇨ 0,5 x 4 x 0,135 m² x 2500 kg/m³ x 4 m = 2700 kg
    - ⇨ 2025 kg + 2700 kg = *4725 kg*

- Roof weight of mass group MG1:
    - ⇨ 3 x 1019,37 kg/m x 6 m = *18348,66 kg*

- Total: 4725 kg + 18348,66 kg = **23073,66 kg**

In order to calculate the horizontal deformations d_i of each floor level due to a linearly increasing load F_i, a static load case is calculated with SCIA Engineer consisting of loads of **100 kN, 200 kN, 300 kN** and **400 kN**. The following results are obtained for the nodal deformations:
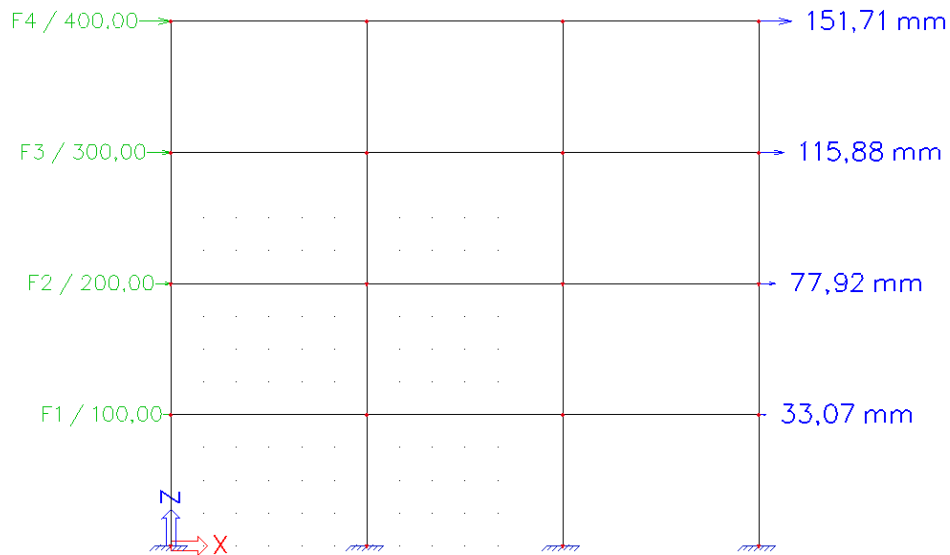
- ⇨ F_1 = 100 kN = 100000 N
- ⇨ F_2 = 200 kN = 200000 N
- ⇨ F_3 = 300 kN = 300000 N
- ⇨ F_4 = 400 kN = 400000 N
- ⇨ d_1 = 33,07 mm = 0,03307 m
- ⇨ d_2 = 77,92 mm = 0,07792 m
- ⇨ d_3 = 115,88 mm = 0,11588 m
- ⇨ d_4 = 151,71 mm = 0,15171 m

Applying formula (2.8):

$$f = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{100000N \cdot 0,03307m + 200000N \cdot 0,07792m + 300000N \cdot 0,11588m + 400000N \cdot 0,15171m}{61024,995kg \cdot (0,03307m)^2 + 61024,995kg \cdot (0,07792m)^2 + 61024,995kg \cdot (0,11588m)^2 + 23073,66kg \cdot (0,15171m)^2}} =$$

$f = $ **1,27 Hz**

This result corresponds to the **1,28 Hz** calculated by SCIA Engineer.

2.5 Slabs

The last paragraph of this chapter illustrates the procedure for the Free Vibration calculation of slabs. The applied method is entirely the same as for frames. This is shown in the following example.

Example 2-4: Free_Vibration_4.esa

In this example, a multi-span rectangular slab is modeled. The slab has a length and width of **6m**. The slab has a thickness of **0,06m** and is manufactured in **S235** according to **EC-EN**. On two sides the slab is simply supported, on the other two, the slab is free. In the middle of the slab, perpendicular on both simply supported edges, a line support is introduced.
One static load case is created: the **self-weight** of the slab.
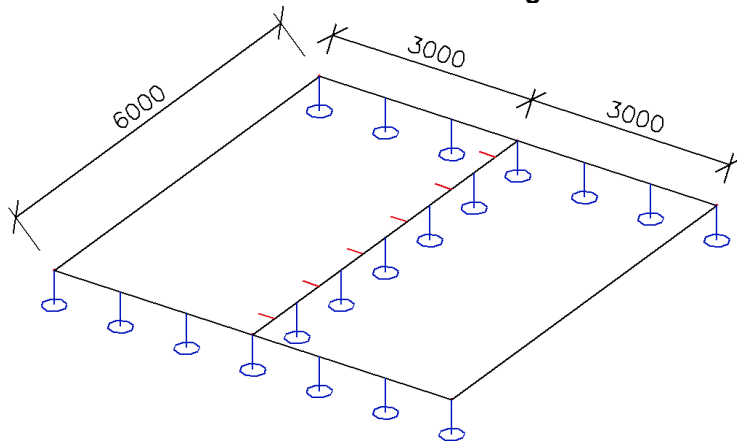
Step 1: Functionality

The first step in the Dynamic calculation is to activate the functionality **Dynamics** on the **Functionality** tab in the **Project Data**.

Step 2: Mass group

The second step is to create a **Mass Group**

Since the Free Vibration calculation will be executed for the self-weight of the slab, no additional masses need to be inputted.
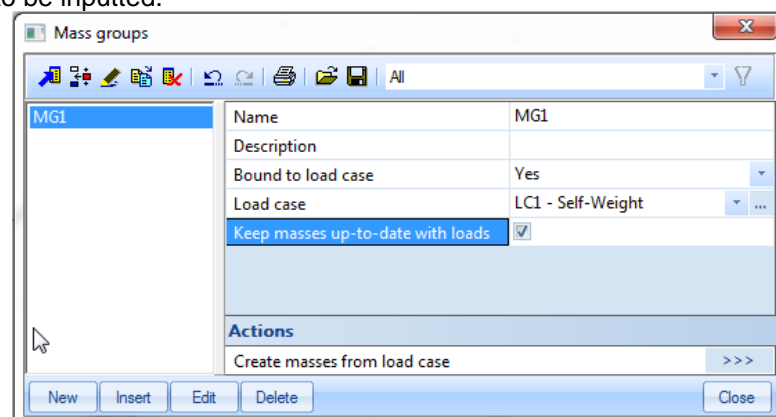
Step 3: Mass matrix
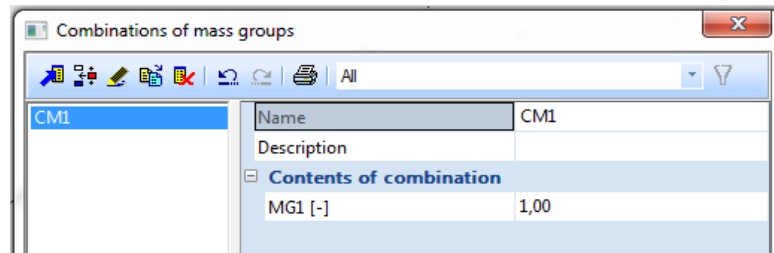
Next, a **Combination of Mass Groups** can be created.

Step 4: Mesh setup

To obtain precise results for the dynamics calculation, the Finite Element Mesh is refined. Analogous as for frames, this can be done through **Calculation, Mesh** > **Mesh Setup**.
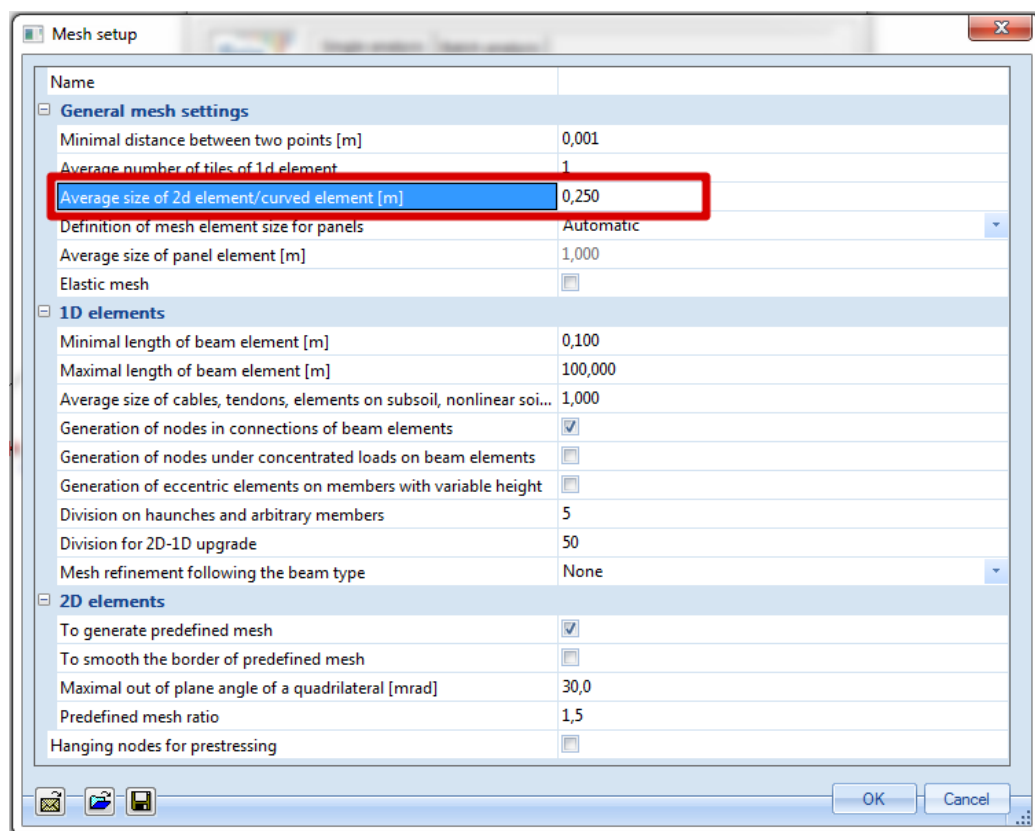
The **Average size of 2D elements** is set to **0,25m**.

Step 5: Solver setup

The last step before launching the calculation is setting the amount of eigenmodes to be calculated. The default value in **Calculation, Mesh** > **Solver Setup** is **4**. This is sufficient for this example.
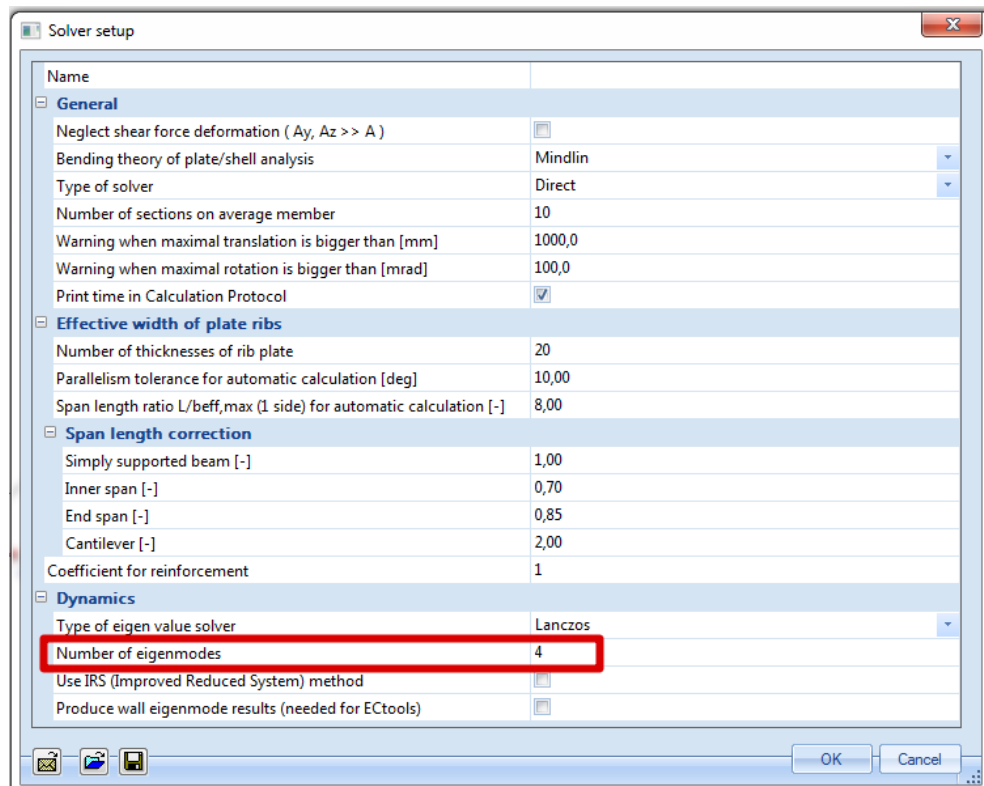
Step 6: Modal analysis

The **Free Vibration** calculation can now be executed through **Calculation, Mesh > Calculation.** The following results are obtained:

Eigen frequencies

N	f [Hz]	omega [1/s]	omega² [1/s²]	T [s]
Mass combination : CM1				
1	6,68	41,96	1760,78	0,15
2	9,44	59,32	3518,37	0,11
3	19,39	121,85	14846,46	0,05
4	21,05	132,25	17489,08	0,05

The same way as for frames, the Eigenmodes can be visualized through **Deformation of nodes** now under **2D Members**. The **Deformed structure** for value **Uz** shows the following:
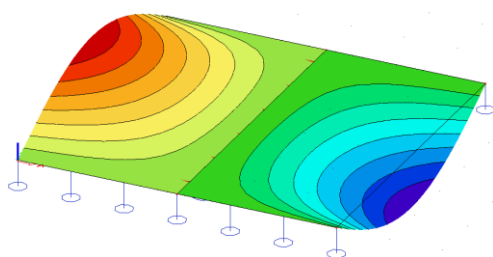
Eigenmode 1: f = **6,68 Hz**
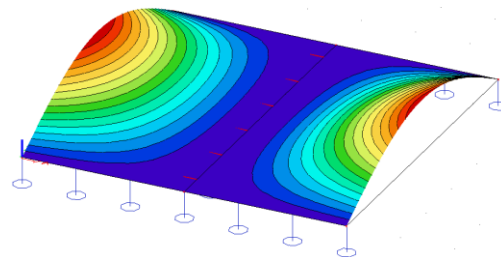
Eigenmode 2: f = **9,44 Hz**
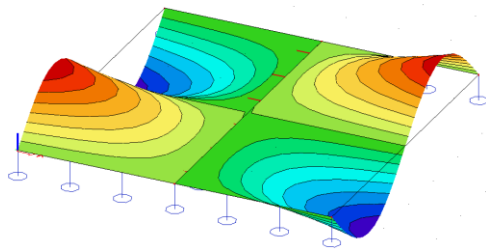
Eigenmode 3: f = **19,39 Hz**   Eigenmode 4: f =**21,05 Hz**
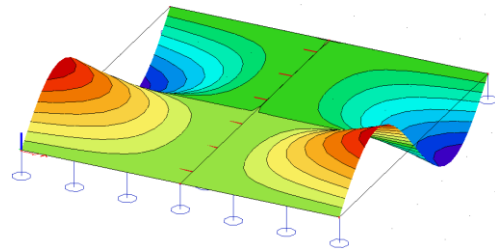
Note:

- *Viewing **2D Members** > **Deformation of nodes** > **Deformed Mesh** shows the deformation of both 2D and 1D elements. This allows seeing the complete eigenmode for a structure containing both element types i.e. General XYZ projects.*
- *To generate all eigenmodes quickly, the document can be used: The picture of one eigenmode can be set as a nested table for the Combinations of Mass Groups:*
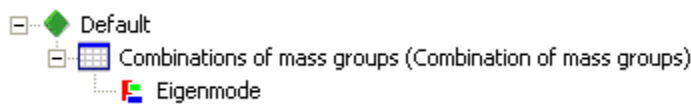
This way, all Eigenmodes are generated automatically.

The **Calculation Protocol** for the **Eigen Frequency** calculation shows that the following Sum of masses is accounted for:

Sum of masses			
[kg]	X	Y	Z
Combination of massgroups 1	0.00	0.00	15572.44

This value can be calculated as follows:
- The total weight of the slab is 6 m x 6 m x 0,06 m x 7850 kg/m³ = 16956 kg
- Half of the mass of the elements near the two externally supported edges is carried to the supports and does not participate in the vibration. Since the mesh size was set to 0,25 m, half the size of a 2D element is 0,125 m.
    - ⇨ 2 x 6 m x 0,125 m x 0,06 m x 7850 kg/m³ = *706,5 kg*

- The same applies for the internal edge, however the mass of the two elements on the start and end nodes has already been taken into account in the above calculation for the externally supported edges.

  This leaves a length of 6 m – 0,125 m – 0,125 m = 5,75 m. The following figure illustrates this length.
    - ⇨ 2 x 5,75 m x 0,125 m x 0,06 m x 7850 kg/m³ = *677,06 kg*

- The total mass taken into account for the Free Vibration calculation:
    - ⇨ 16956 kg – 706,5 – 677,06 = **15572,44 kg**
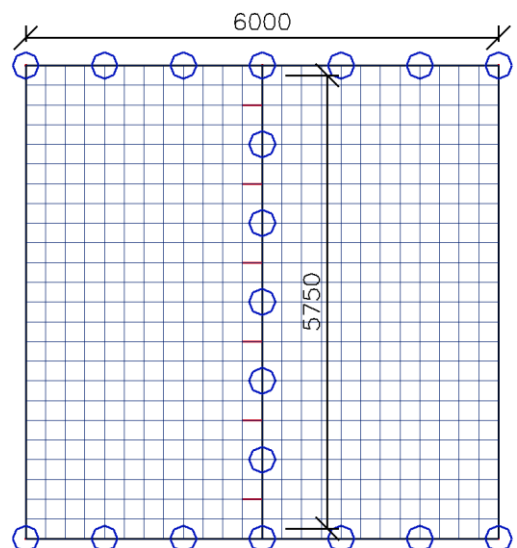
Manual Calculation

In order to check the results of SCIA Engineer, the eigen frequencies of the slab are calculated by a manual calculation.

The method used here is described in reference [14] In this reference; the eigen frequency of a multi-span slab is expressed in terms of a non-dimensional parameter λ.

$$\lambda = \frac{\omega L^2}{\pi^2} \sqrt{\frac{\rho h}{D}} \qquad (2.10)$$

Where:

ω = Circular frequency

L = Distance between the two simply supported external edges

ρ = Density of the slab material

h = Slab thickness

D = flexural rigidity of the slab $= \dfrac{Eh^3}{12(1-\upsilon^2)}$ $\qquad$ (2.11)

E = Modulus of Young

υ = Poisson's Ratio

In this example, the material properties are the following:

L = 6 m

ρ = 7850 kg/m³

h = 0,06 m

E = 210.000 N/mm² = 2,1 e^{11} N/m²

υ = 0,3

$$\Rightarrow \quad D = \frac{2,1e^{11}\,N/_{m^2} \cdot (0,06m)^3}{12 \cdot (1-0,3^2)} = 4153846,15 \text{ Nm}$$

The values for λ for the first four modes, for a slab with two edges simply supported and two edges free, a h/L ratio of 0,01 and an internal edge on position 0,5L are given in reference [14]:

Mode 1: λ = 1,6309

Mode 2: λ = 2,3050

Mode 3: λ = 4,7253

Mode 4: λ = 5,1271

Using these parameters in formula (2.10), the circular frequencies can be calculated:

Mode 1: ω = 41,99 rad/s   => f = **6,68 Hz**

Mode 2: ω = 59,34 rad/s   => f = **9,45 Hz**

Mode 3: ω = 121,66 rad/s => f = **19,36 Hz**

Mode 4: ω = 132 rad/s   => f = **21,01 Hz**

The results correspond perfectly to the results calculated by SCIA Engineer:

Mode 1: f = **6,68 Hz**

Mode 2: f = **9,44 Hz**

Mode 3: f = **19,39 Hz**

Mode 4: f = **21,05 Hz**

3. Forced Vibration: Harmonic Load

In this chapter, the forced vibration calculation is examined. More specifically, the structure will now be loaded with an external harmonic load, which will cause the structure to vibrate.
A forced vibration calculation can be required to check the response of a building near a railroad or major traffic lane, to check vibrations due to machinery, to verify structural integrity of a floor loaded by an aerobics class,…
As in the previous chapter, first the theory will be discussed. The theory will then be illustrated by examples, which will again be verified by manual calculations.

3.1 Theory

To understand what is going on during the dynamic analysis of a complex structure with frames or finite elements, the forced vibration of a SDOF (Single Degree Of Freedom) system is regarded in detail. A complete overview can be found in reference [1].

Consider the following system:
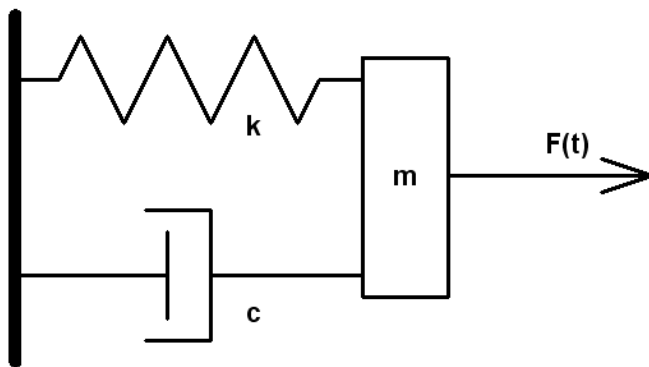
A body of mass **m** can move in one direction. A spring of constant stiffness **k**, which is fixed at one end, is attached at the other end to the body. The mass is also subjected to damping with a damping capacity **c**. An external time dependant force **F(t)** is applied to the mass.
The equation of motion can be written as:

$$m \cdot \ddot{y}(t) \;+\; c \cdot \dot{y}(t) \;+\; k \cdot y(t) \;=\; F(t) \tag{3.1}$$

When the acting force on this system is a harmonic load, equation (3.1) can be rewritten as follows:

$$m \cdot \ddot{y}(t) \;+\; c \cdot \dot{y}(t) \;+\; k \cdot y(t) \;=\; F \cdot \sin(v \cdot t) \tag{3.2}$$

Where: F = Amplitude of the harmonic load
v = Circular frequency of the harmonic load

A solution to this equation is the following:

$$y(t) \;=\; e^{-\xi \omega t} \cdot (A\cos(\omega_D \cdot t) + B\sin(\omega_D \cdot t)) \;+\; Y_S \cdot \frac{\sin(v \cdot t - \theta)}{\sqrt{(1-r^2)^2 + (2r\xi)^2}} \tag{3.3}$$

Where:

$$Y_S = \frac{F}{k} \qquad\qquad \text{The static deflection} \tag{3.4}$$

$$\xi \;=\; \frac{c}{2 \cdot m \cdot \omega} \qquad\qquad \text{The damping ratio} \tag{3.5}$$

$$\omega_D \;=\; \omega \cdot \sqrt{1-\xi^2} \qquad\qquad \text{The damped circular frequency} \tag{3.6}$$

$$\tan(\theta) \;=\; \frac{2 \cdot \xi \cdot r}{1-r^2} \tag{3.7}$$

$$r = \frac{v}{\omega} \qquad\qquad \text{The frequency ratio} \qquad\qquad (3.8)$$

The angle θ signifies that the displacement vector lags the force vector, that is, the motion occurs after the application of the force. A and B are constants which are determined from the initial displacement and velocity.

The first term of equation (3.3) is called the *Transient motion*. The second term is called the *Steady-state motion*. Both terms are illustrated on the following figure:
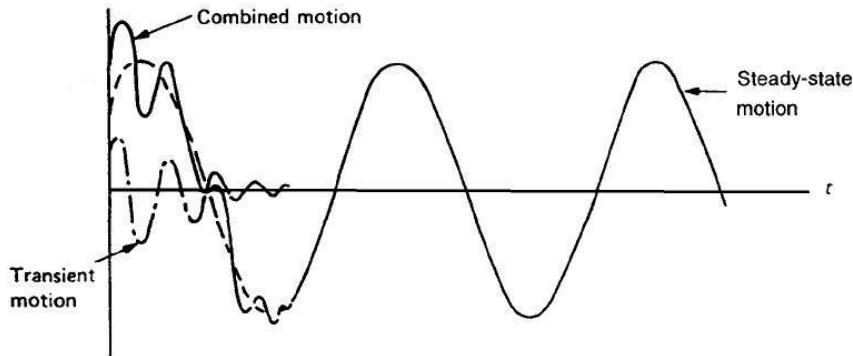
The amplitude of the transient response decreases exponentially ($e^{-\xi \omega t}$). Therefore, in most practical applications, this term is neglected and the total response *y(t)* can be considered as equal to the steady-state response (after a few periods of the applied load).

Equation (3.3) can then be written in a more convenient form:

$$\frac{Y}{Y_S} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(1-r^2)^2 + (2r\xi)^2}} \qquad\qquad (3.9)$$

Y/Y_S is known as the **Dynamic Magnification factor**, because Y_S is the static deflection of the system under a steady force F and Y is the dynamic amplitude.

The importance of mechanical vibration arises mainly from the large values of Y/Y_S experienced in practice when the frequency ratio **r** has a value near unity: this means that a small harmonic force can produce a large amplitude of vibration. This phenomenon is known as *resonance*. In this case, the dynamic amplitude does not reach an infinite value but a limiting value of $Y_S/2\xi$.

3.2 Harmonic Load in SCIA Engineer

In SCIA Engineer, a Harmonic Load can be inputted after creating a Combination of Mass Groups. This implies that the steps used to perform a Free Vibration calculation still apply here and are expanded by the properties of the Harmonic Load.

Conform the theory, a Harmonic Load is defined by a forcing frequency and an amplitude. To specify the damping ratio of the structure, the **logarithmic decrement** can be inputted. [1]

The logarithmic decrement Λ is the natural logarithm of the ratio of any two successive amplitudes in the same direction. This is illustrated on the following figure:

$$\Lambda = \ln \frac{X_1}{X_{11}}$$

(3.10)
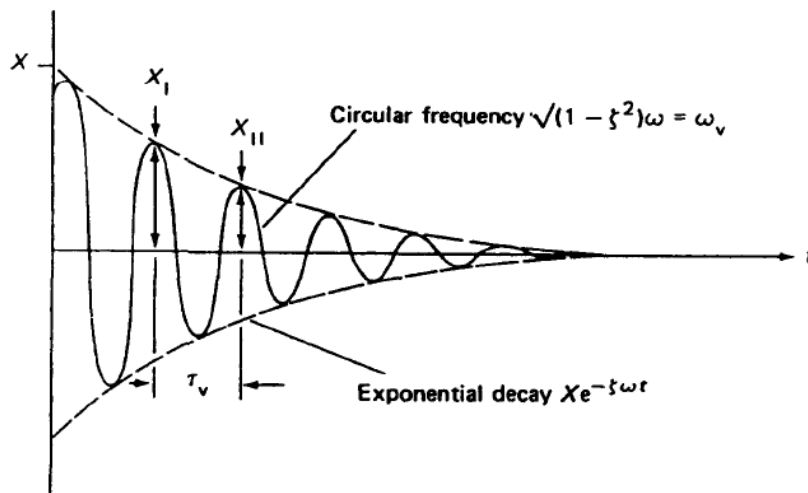
The **logarithmic decrement** Λ is related to the **damping ratio** ξ by the following formula:

$$\Lambda = \frac{2\pi\xi}{\sqrt{1 - \xi^2}}$$

(3.11)

The damping ratio and the logarithmic decrement are looked upon in more detail in Chapter 5. Harmonic Loads in SCIA Engineer are always defined as nodal forces i.e. a nodal load or a nodal moment. More than one node of the structure can be loaded in a load case, but the frequency of all solicitations is equal to the forcing frequency specified for that load case.

As specified in the theory, the static results are multiplied by the dynamic magnification factor. The dynamic calculation is thus transformed to an equivalent static calculation. Therefore, a Linear Calculation needs to be executed. During this calculation, the Free Vibration Calculation will also be performed since this data is needed for the result of the Harmonic Load.

The following diagram shows the required steps to perform a Forced Vibration calculation:

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                    │   Create a Mass Group  │
                    └───────────────────────┘
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          ┌───────────────┐   ┌────────────────────────────────────┐
          │  Input Masses │   │ Generate Masses from Static Load cases│
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                  │  Create a Mass Combination │
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                  │  Create a Harmonic Load case│
                  └───────────────────────────┘
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                  │    Input Harmonic Loads    │
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              ┌─────────────────────────────────────┐
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            │ Specify the number of Eigenmodes to be calculated│
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                  │  Perform a Linear Calculation│
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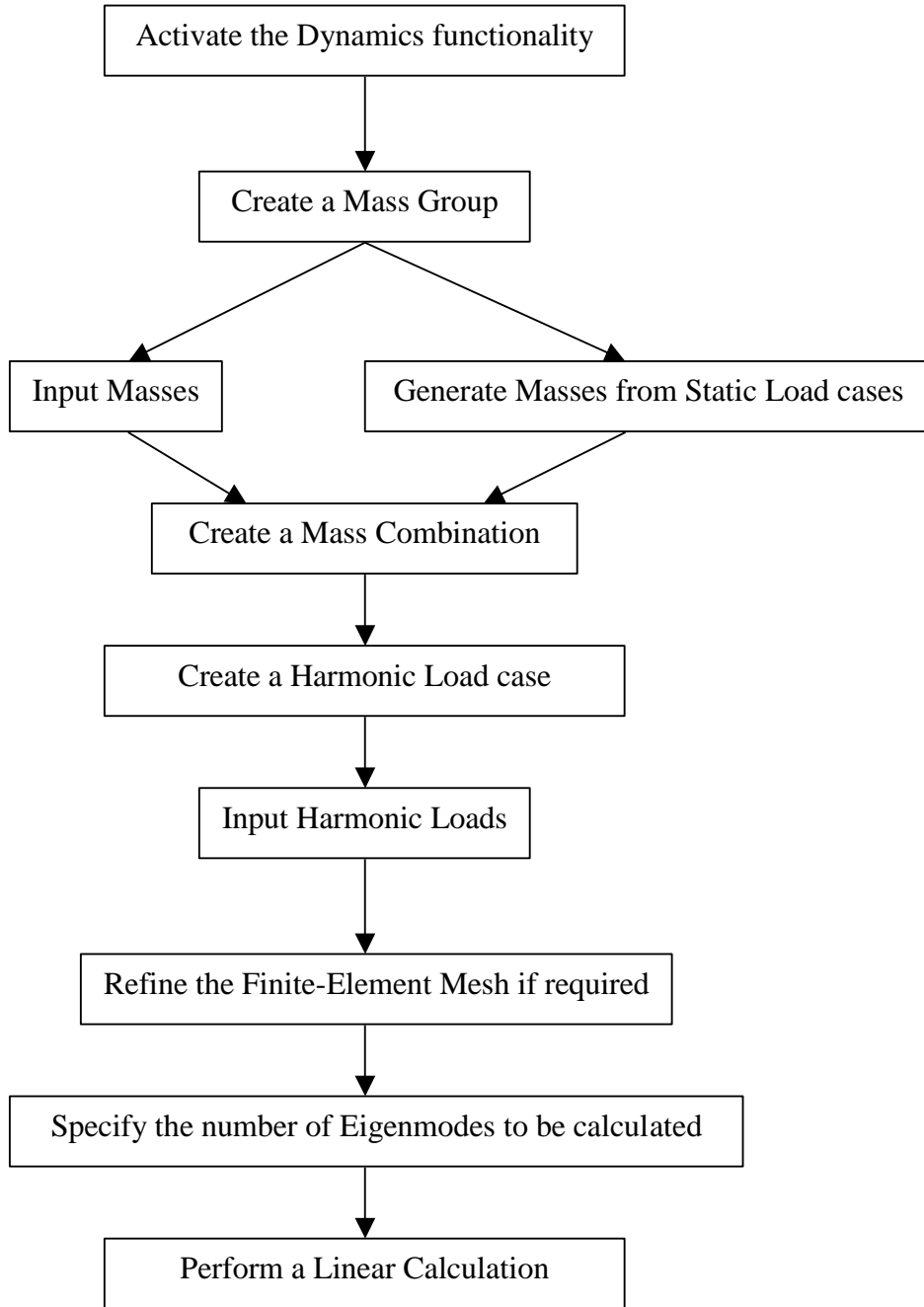
This diagram is illustrated in the following examples.

Example 3-1: Harmonic_Load_1a.esa

In this example, a beam on two clamped supports is modeled. The beam has a cross-section type **IPE 200**, a length of **6m** and is manufactured in **S235** according to **EC-EN**. A node has been added to the middle of the beam, in which a mass of **200 kg** will be inputted.
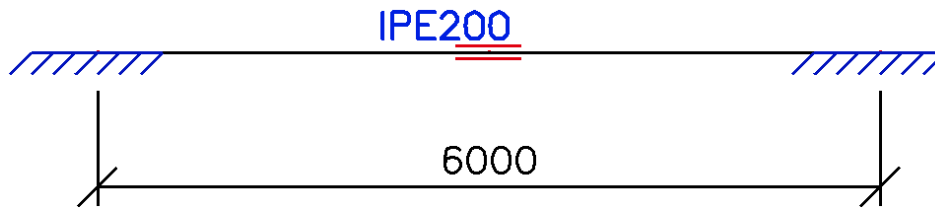
One static load case is created: the **self-weight** of the beam. However, in order not to take the self-weight into account for the dynamic calculation, the volumetric mass of **S235** can be set to **1 kg/m³** in the **Material** Library. This will render it easier to check the results through a manual calculation.
The mass of **200 kg** is vibrating with a frequency of **5 Hz**. The damping ratio of the system is taken as **5%**.

Step 1: Functionality

The first step in the Dynamic calculation is to activate the functionality **Dynamics** on the **Functionality** tab in the **Project Data**.

Step 2: Mass group

The second step is to create a **Mass Group**
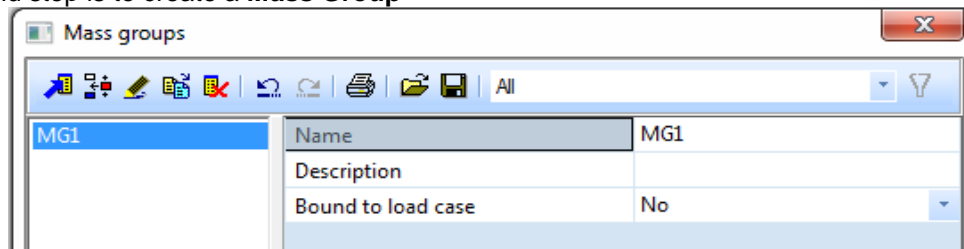
Step 3: Masses

After the Mass Group has been created; the mass of **200 kg** can be inputted in the middle of the beam.
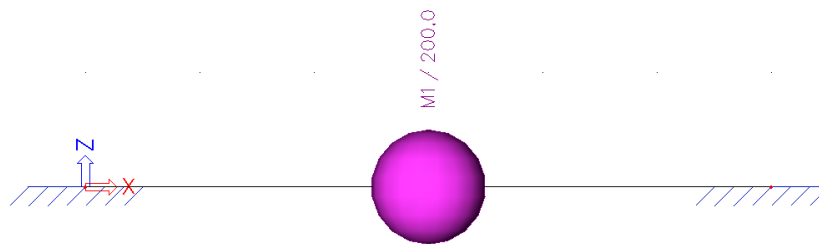
Step 4: Mass matrix

Next, the Mass Group is put within a **Combination of Mass Groups**, which can be used for defining the harmonic load.
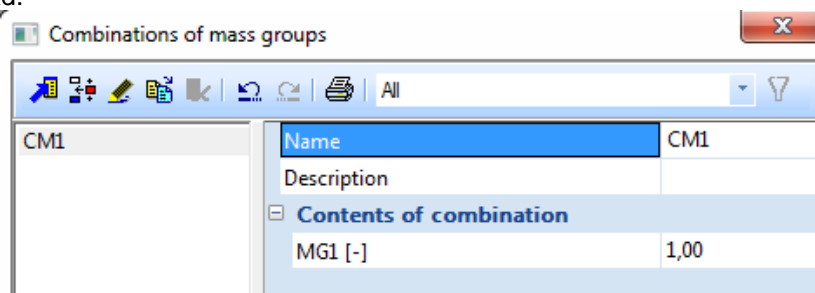
Step 5: Harmonic load case

After creating a Combination of Mass Groups, an **harmonic** load case can be defined through **Load cases, Combinations** > **Load Cases**.

- Action Type =   **Variable**
- Load Type =   **Dynamic**
- Specification =   **Harmonic**
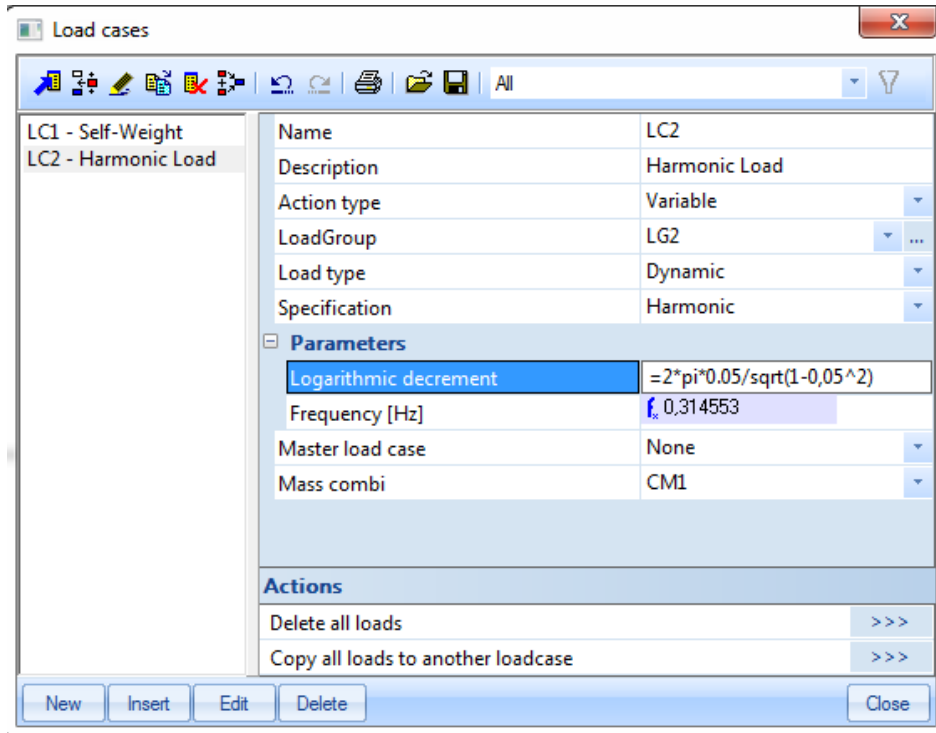
The damping ratio was given to be **5%**. Applying formula (3.11), the **logarithmic decrement** can be calculated:

$$\Lambda = \frac{2\pi\xi}{\sqrt{1-\xi^2}} = \frac{2\cdot\pi\cdot0,05}{\sqrt{1-(0,05)^2}} = 0,31455270229$$

This formula can also be inserted in the value field. It is not necessary to do a manual calculation to insert only the result in SCIA Engineer. The forcing frequency of the harmonic load is **5 Hz**. This must be inserted in the **Frequency [Hz]** field.
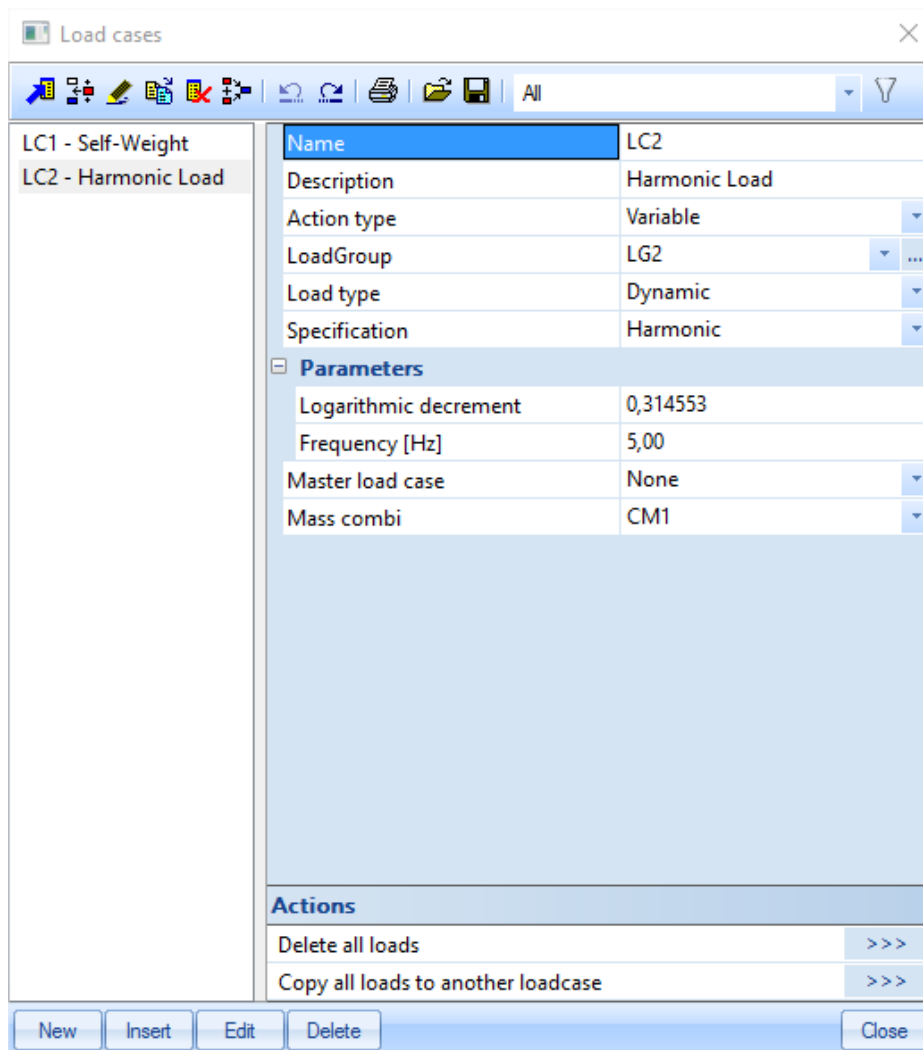
The last option, **Mass Combi** shows which **Mass Combination (mass matrix)** will be used for the calculation of the harmonic load case.

Step 6: Load

The parameters of the load case have been defined, what is left is inputting the amplitude of the load.
The mass was **200 kg**.
This corresponds to a load of **1,962 kN** using **9,81 m/s²** for the acceleration of gravity.
This load can be inputted through **Load** > **Point Force** > **In Node**
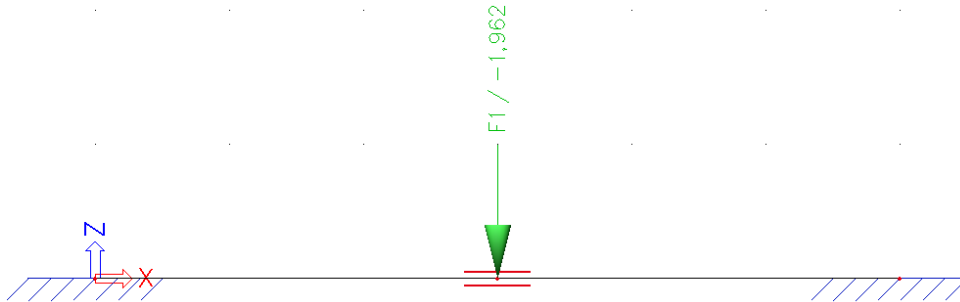
Note:

As specified in the theory, more than one harmonic load can be inputted in the same harmonic load case however the harmonic parameters like damping and forcing frequency are defined on the level of the load case. This implies that, for example, when several harmonic loads are vibrating with different frequencies, different load cases have to be created.

Step 7: Mesh setup

To obtain precise results for the dynamic calculation, the Finite Element Mesh is refined.
This can be done through **Calculation, Mesh** > **Mesh Setup**.

The **Average number of tiles of 1D element** is set to **10**.

Step 8: Solver setup

The last step before launching the calculation is setting the amount of eigenmodes to be calculated. For this example, only one eigenmode is required so in **Calculation, Mesh** > **Solver Setup** the number of frequencies is set to **1**.
To compare the results with a manual calculation, the **shear force deformation** is neglected.

Step 9: Calculation

All steps have been executed so the **Linear Calculation** can be started through **Calculation, Mesh > Calculation.**

This gives the following results:

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Eigen frequencies

N	f [Hz]	omega [1/s]	omega² [1/s²]	T [s]
Mass combination : CM1				
1	21,43	134,66	18133,11	0,05

The **deformation** for the harmonic load shows the following:

−0,5719 mm
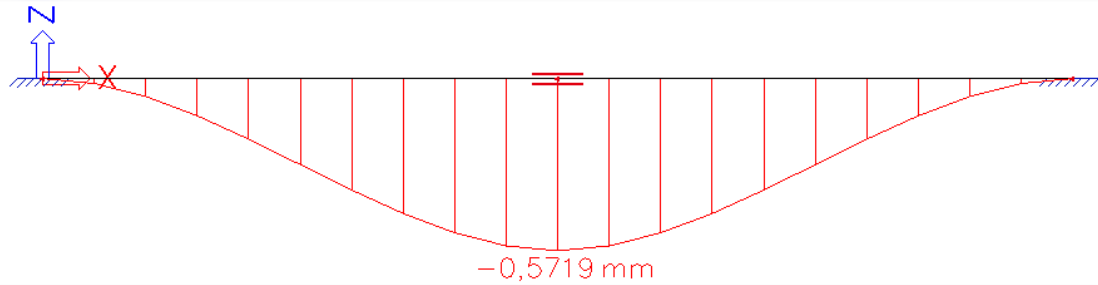
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Deformations on member

Linearcalculation,Extreme : Global,System : LCS
Selection: All
Load cases: LC2

Member	dx [m]	Case	ux [mm]	uz [mm]	fiy [mrad]	Resultant [mm]
B1	0,000	LC2	0,0000	0,0000	0,0	0,0000
B1	3,000	LC2	0,0000	-0,5719	0,0	0,5719
B1	4,500	LC2	0,0000	-0,2860	-0,3	0,2860
B1	1,500	LC2	0,0000	-0,2860	0,3	0,2860

It is however very important to keep in mind that this is a vibration: half a period later the deformation is to the upper side of the beam instead of the lower side.

The moment diagram for the harmonic load would give the next diagram:

−1,556 kNm

1,556 kNm
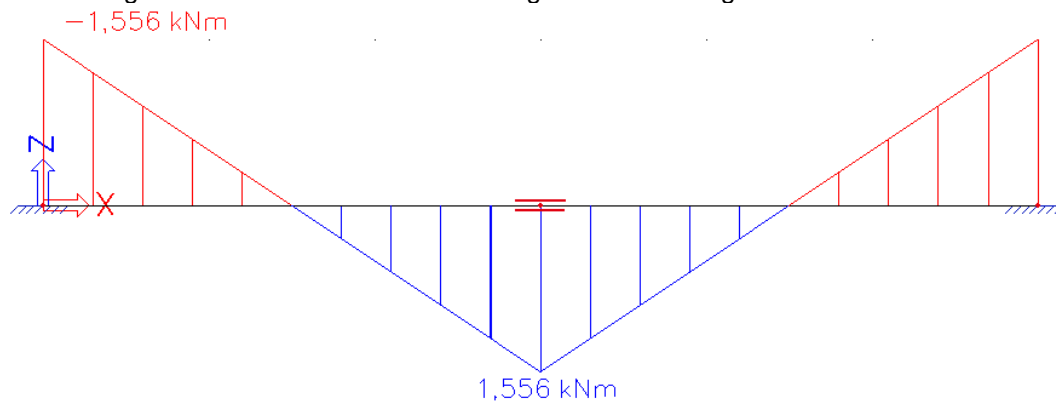
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Internal forces on member

Linearcalculation,Extreme : Global,System : LCS
Selection: All
Load cases: LC2

Member	css	dx [m]	Case	N [kN]	Vz [kN]	My [kNm]
B1	CS1 - IPE200	0,000	LC2	0,000	1,037	-1,556
B1	CS1 - IPE200	4,800	LC2	0,000	-1,037	-0,311
B1	CS1 - IPE200	0,900	LC2	0,000	1,037	-0,622
B1	CS1 - IPE200	3,000	LC2	0,000	1,037	1,556

This diagram is completely analogous to the moment diagram which one finds for a simple point load.

However, when performing dynamic calculations, one must always take into account both directions of the loading since the **load vibrates in both directions**.
In SCIA Engineer, this double sided deformation can easily be checked by creating **combinations** of **type code or envelope**. In these combinations, the dynamic load cases will be accounted for with both a positive and a negative combination coefficient and thus both sides of the vibration amplitude are taken into account.

In this example, a combination of type **Envelope - ultimate** is created which contains only the harmonic load case.
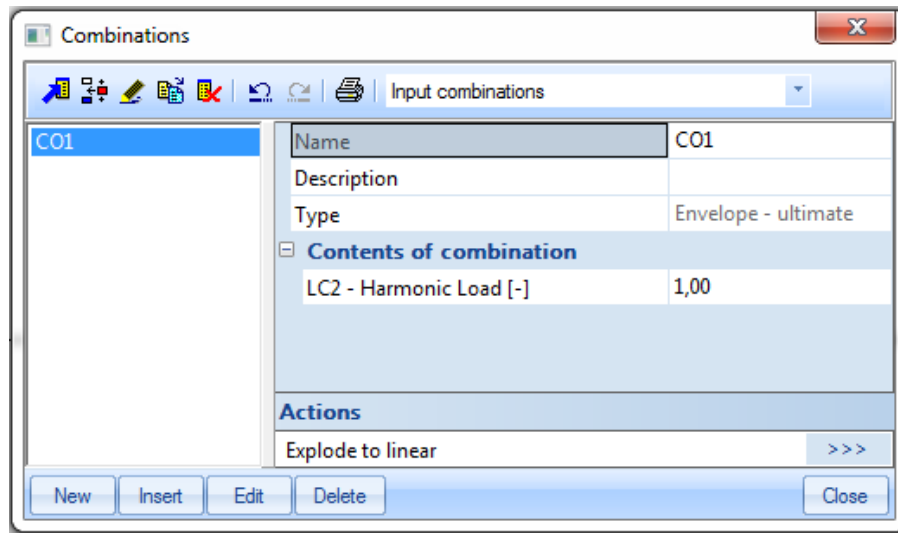
The moment diagram for this combination shows the following:
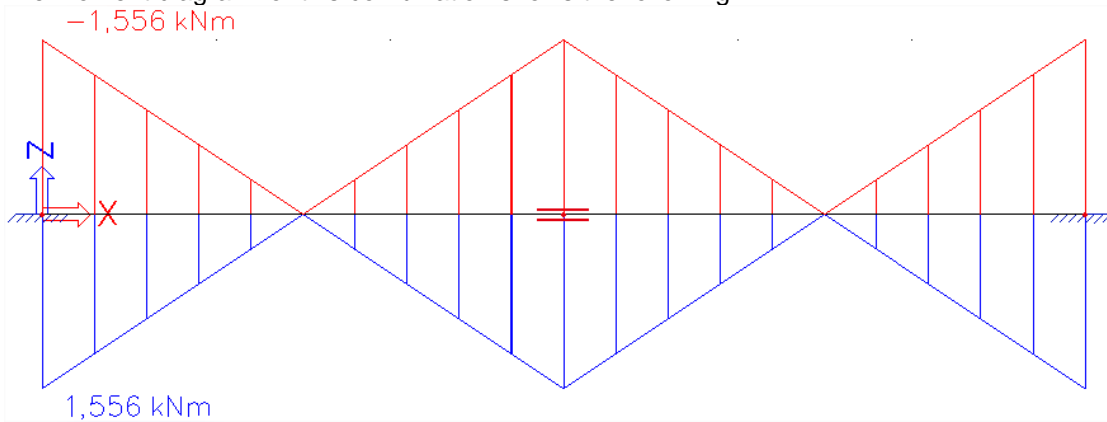
The vibration effect is correctly taken into account: both sides of the vibration are visible. This is also shown in the **Combination Key** of the **Document**; which shows the two generated Linear combinations from the Envelope combination (Local Extremes):

2. Combination key

Combination key

Name	Description of combinations
1	LC2*-1,00
2	LC2*1,00

Manual Calculation
In order to check the results of SCIA Engineer, a manual calculation is performed.
First, the calculated eigen frequency is checked using formula (2.3).
Using default engineering tables [11], the maximum static deformation of a beam with length L,
clamped at both sides and loaded with a load F in the middle is given as:

$$\delta_{max} = \frac{FL^3}{192EI} \qquad (3.12)$$

Where:

F = 1,962 kN = 1962 N
L = 6m = 6000 mm
E = 210000 N/mm²
I = 19430000 mm⁴

$$\delta_{max} = \frac{1962\,N \cdot (6000\,mm)^3}{192 \cdot 210.000\,N\!/\!mm^2 \cdot 19430000\,mm^4} = 0,54095\,mm$$

The rigidity k of this system can then be calculated:

$$k = \frac{F}{\delta_{max}} = \frac{1962N}{0,54095mm} = 3626,93\,N\!/\!mm = 3626933,33\,N\!/\!m$$

Applying formula (2.3):

$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} = \sqrt{\frac{3626933,33\,N\!/\!m}{200\,kg}} = 134,67\,rad\!/\!s$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad f = \frac{\omega}{2\pi} = \textbf{21,43 Hz}$$

This result corresponds exactly to the result calculated by SCIA Engineer.

Now the eigen frequency is known, the results of the harmonic load can be verified.
The harmonic load had a forcing frequency of **5 Hz**, which corresponds to a circular frequency of
31,416 rad/s.

Applying formula (3.8) the frequency ratio can be calculated:

$$r = \frac{v}{\omega} = \frac{31,416\,rad\!/\!s}{134,67\,rad\!/\!s} = \textbf{0,233289}$$

The frequency ratio can then be used in formula (3.9) to calculate the Dynamic Magnification Factor:

$$\frac{Y}{Y_s} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(1-r^2)^2 + (2r\xi)^2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\left(1-0,233289^2\right)^2 + \left(2 \cdot 0,233289 \cdot 0,05\right)^2}} = \textbf{1,0572}$$

This implies that the static results need to be multiplied by **1,0572** to obtain the dynamic results.
The static deformation was calculated as $\delta_{max} = 0,54095\,mm$

⇨ Dynamic deformation = 1,0572 x 0,54095 mm = **0,5719 mm**

This result corresponds exactly to the result calculated by SCIA Engineer.

In the same way the moment in the middle of the beam can be calculated.
Using default engineering tables [11], the maximum static moment in the middle of a beam with length
L, clamped at both sides and loaded with a load F in the middle is given as:

$$M = \frac{FL}{8} = \frac{1,962kN \cdot 6m}{8} = 1,4715kNm$$

⇨ Dynamic moment = 1,0572 x 1,4715 kNm = **1,556 kNm**

This result corresponds exactly to the result calculated by SCIA Engineer.

3.3 Resonance

As specified in the theory, resonance occurs when the frequency ratio **r** has a value near unity. In this case, large values for the Dynamic Amplification factor are obtained.
To illustrate this, the calculation of the Dynamic Amplification Factor is repeated for different frequency ratios and different damping percentages. The results are given in the following table:

In order to draw conclusions, the numerical results are plotted graphically:

Frequency Ratio	Forcing Frequence [Hz]	Mag. factor Damping 5%	Mag. factor Damping 8%	Mag. factor Damping 10%	Mag. factor Damping 15%	Mag. factor Damping 25%	Mag. factor Damping 50%
0,0	0,00	1,0000	1,0000	1,0000	1,0000	1,0000	1,0000
0,2	4,29	1,0414	1,0411	1,0408	1,0396	1,0361	1,0198
0,4	8,57	1,1891	1,1870	1,1851	1,1785	1,1581	1,0748
0,6	12,86	1,5557	1,5452	1,5357	1,5041	1,4148	1,1399
0,8	17,15	2,7116	2,6173	2,5384	2,3113	1,8582	1,1399
1,0	21,43	10,0000	6,2500	5,0000	3,3333	2,0000	1,0000
1,2	25,72	2,1926	2,0830	1,9952	1,7590	1,3440	0,7824
1,4	30,01	1,0308	1,0144	1,0000	0,9543	0,8417	0,5891
1,6	34,29	0,6377	0,6326	0,6280	0,6127	0,5704	0,4475
1,8	38,58	0,4450	0,4428	0,4408	0,4340	0,4142	0,3480
2,0	42,87	0,3326	0,3315	0,3304	0,3269	0,3162	0,2774
2,2	47,15	0,2600	0,2593	0,2587	0,2567	0,2503	0,2260
2,4	51,44	0,2098	0,2094	0,2090	0,2077	0,2037	0,1876
2,6	55,73	0,1734	0,1732	0,1729	0,1720	0,1694	0,1582
2,8	60,01	0,1461	0,1459	0,1457	0,1451	0,1432	0,1353
3,0	64,30	0,1249	0,1248	0,1246	0,1242	0,1229	0,1170
3,2	68,59	0,1082	0,1081	0,1080	0,1076	0,1066	0,1023
3,4	72,87	0,0946	0,0946	0,0945	0,0943	0,0935	0,0901
3,6	77,16	0,0836	0,0835	0,0835	0,0833	0,0827	0,0801
3,8	81,45	0,0744	0,0743	0,0743	0,0741	0,0737	0,0716
4,0	85,73	0,0666	0,0666	0,0666	0,0665	0,0661	0,0644
4,2	90,02	0,0601	0,0600	0,0600	0,0599	0,0596	0,0583
4,4	94,31	0,0545	0,0544	0,0544	0,0543	0,0541	0,0530
4,6	98,59	0,0496	0,0496	0,0496	0,0495	0,0493	0,0484
4,8	102,88	0,0454	0,0453	0,0453	0,0453	0,0451	0,0443
5,0	107,17	0,0417	0,0416	0,0416	0,0416	0,0414	0,0408

Amplitude-Frequency Response
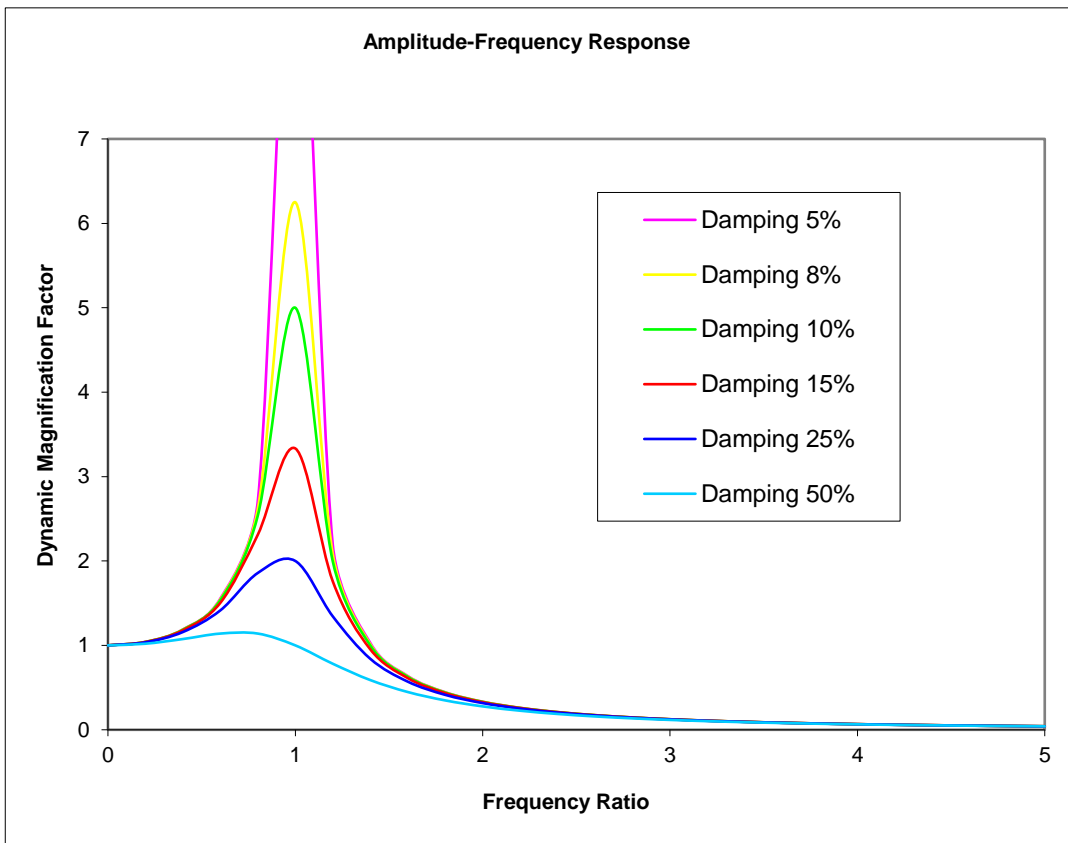
First of all, the resonance phenomenon is clearly visible. When the frequency ratio equals unity, the Dynamic Magnification factor becomes very large indicating that a small harmonic load can produce a large amplitude of vibration.
Second, the influence of the damping ratio on the system response in resonance is significant.
With a damping ratio of **5%**, the magnification factor is about **10**; with a damping ratio of **50%**, the magnification factor is reduced to **1**.

In general, the following can be concluded from this graphic [1]:
The system response at low frequencies is **stiffness-dependent**. In the region of resonance, the response is **damping-dependent** and at high frequencies, the response is governed by the system mass: **mass-dependent**.
It is important to keep this in mind when attempting to reduce the vibration of a structure. For example, the application of increased damping will have little effect if the excitation and response frequencies are in a region well away from resonance, such as that controlled by the mass of the structure.

The effect of resonance can also be illustrated in SCIA Engineer.
In the project "Harmonic_Load_1", the excitation frequency is 5Hz. The eigenfrequency is 21.43 Hz. So this is not in the resonance area.

To see the response in function of the frequency, we can create several load cases with other excitation frequency. You can easily do this by copying the existing load case and changing the excitation frequency. This is shown in the next example.

Example 3-2: Harmonic_Load_1b_5-30Hz.esa

This example is a continuation of the previous example.
We have **copied** the harmonic load case and changed the name, description and frequency in each load case.
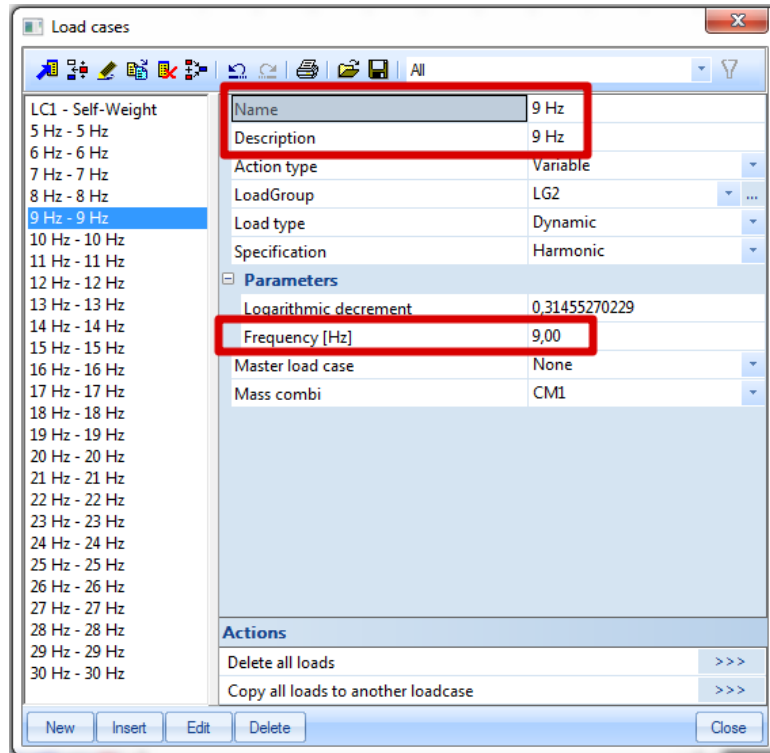
Those load cases can then be grouped in a class.
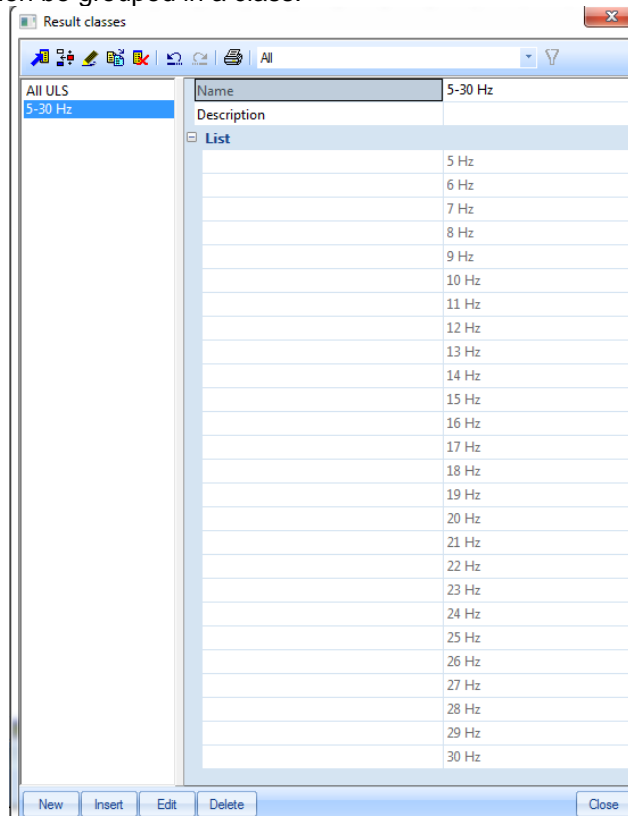
In the result menu, we can for instance ask for the Uz displacement of the middle node.

By asking the result for the class of the load cases 5-30 Hz, we can see clearly the effect of resonance if the excitation frequency is near the eigenfrequency.
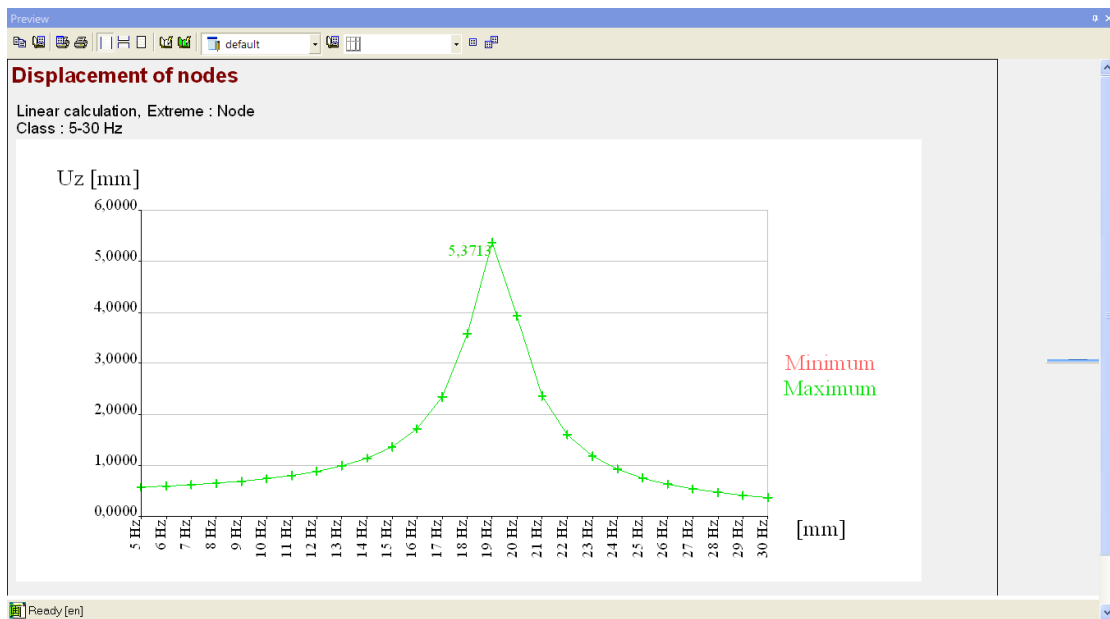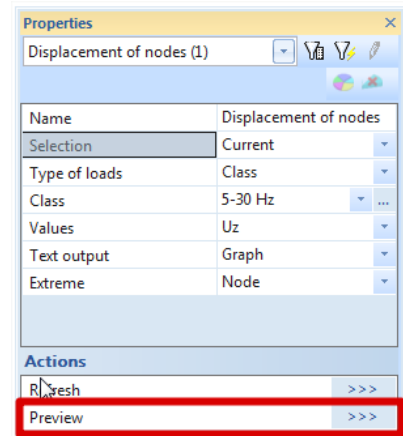
Note:

In SCIA Engineer, the logarithmic decrement is limited between 0,0001 and 10. The lower limit corresponds to a damping ratio $\approx 0,0016\%$. Zero damping is impossible since this would lead to an infinite response (division by zero) in resonance.

The upper limit corresponds to a damping ratio $\approx 85\%$. For structural vibrations, this is an extreme value, which, in nearly all cases, will never be attained. Damping will be discussed in more detail in Chapter 5.

Example 3-3: Harmonic_Load_2.esa

Another common application of a harmonic load is a structure loaded with a plunger system or a motor. Both the reciprocating effect of the plunger and the rotating unbalance of the motor produce an exciting force of the inertia type on the system.

For an unbalanced body of mass **m_r**, at an effective radius **e**, rotating at an angular speed **ν**, the exciting force **F** can be written as [1]:

$$F = m_r \cdot e \cdot v^2 \tag{3.13}$$

This is illustrated in the following example.

An electric motor with a mass of **500 kg** is mounted on a simply supported beam with overhang. The beam has a cross-section type **HEA 240** and is manufactured in **S235** according to **EC-EN**. The beam has a length of **4m** and the overhang is **3m**.

The motor has an unbalance of **0,6 kgm**. The damping ratio of the system is taken as **10%**.
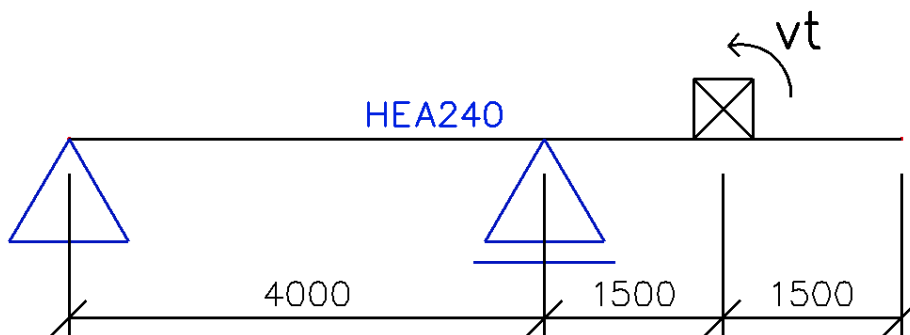
The motor can operate at speeds of **800**, **1000** and **1200 rpm**. For each of these speeds, the amplitude of forced vibration needs to be calculated to check, for example, if the vibrations induced by the motor are acceptable.

One static load case is created: the **self-weight** of the beam. However, in order not to take the self-weight into account for the dynamic calculation, the volumetric mass of **S235** can be set to **1 kg/m³** in the **Material** Library. This will render it easier to check the results through a manual calculation.

A node has been added to the middle of the overhang to specify the location of the motor.

Step 1: Functionality

The first step in the Dynamic calculation is to activate the functionality **Dynamics** on the **Functionality** tab in the **Project Data**.

Step 2: Mass group

The second step is to create a **Mass Group**.
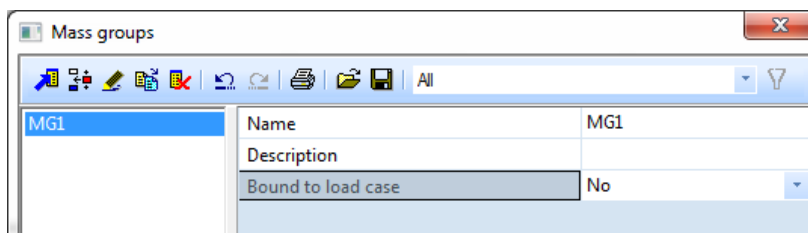
Step 3: Masses

After the Mass Group has been created; the **500 kg** mass of the motor can be inputted in the middle of the overhang.
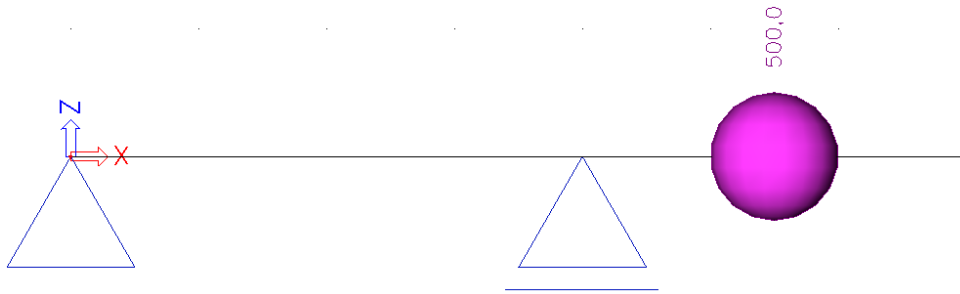
Step 4: Mass matrix

Next, the Mass Group is put within a **Combination of Mass Groups**, which can be used for defining the harmonic loads at the different speeds.
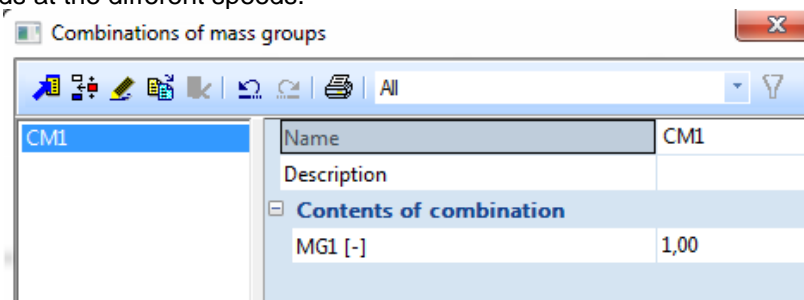
Step 5: Load cases

After creating the Mass Combination, three **harmonic** load cases can be defined, one for each speed. Each load case uses the same Mass Combination and has the same damping specifications.
The damping ratio was given to be **10%**. Applying formula (3.11) the **logarithmic decrement** can be calculated:

$$\Lambda = \frac{2\pi\xi}{\sqrt{1-\xi^2}} = \frac{2 \cdot \pi \cdot 0,10}{\sqrt{1-(0,10)^2}} = 0,631483883399$$

The forcing frequency is different for each load case and can be calculated from the given speeds:

$$v_{800} = 800\,rpm \cdot \frac{2\pi\,rad}{1\,rev} \cdot \frac{1\min}{60\,s} = 83,78\,rad\!\!\Big/\!\!s \qquad \Rightarrow f_{800} = 13,33\,Hz$$

$$v_{1000} = 1000\,rpm \cdot \frac{2\pi\,rad}{1\,rev} \cdot \frac{1\min}{60\,s} = 104,72\,rad\!\!\Big/\!\!s \qquad \Rightarrow f_{1000} = 16,67\,Hz$$

$$v_{1200} = 1200\,rpm \cdot \frac{2\pi\,rad}{1\,rev} \cdot \frac{1\min}{60\,s} = 125,66\,rad\!\!\Big/\!\!s \qquad \Rightarrow f_{1200} = 20,00\,Hz$$
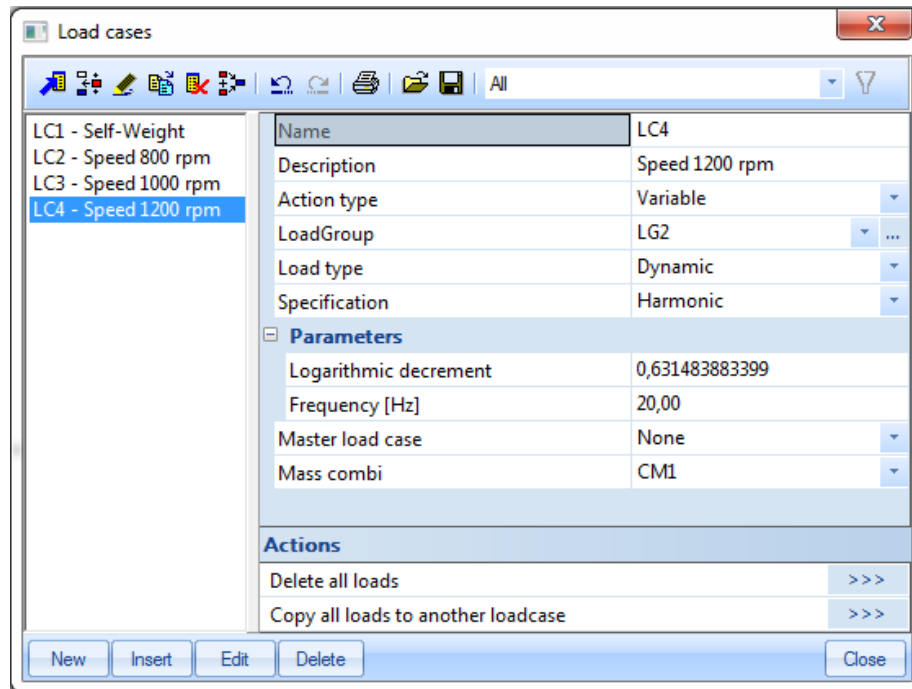
Step 6: Harmonic force

The parameters of the harmonic loads have been defined. What is left is inputting the amplitude of the three exciting forces.
Using formula (3.13) these forces can be calculated from the forcing circular frequency and the mass unbalance.

$$F_{800} = m_r \cdot e \cdot v_{800}^2 = 0,6\,kgm \cdot \left(83,78\,^{rad}\!/_s\right)^2 = 4211,03\,N = 4,21\,kN$$

$$F_{1000} = m_r \cdot e \cdot v_{1000}^2 = 0,6\,kgm \cdot \left(104,72\,^{rad}\!/_s\right)^2 = 6579,74\,N = 6,58\,kN$$

$$F_{1200} = m_r \cdot e \cdot v_{1200}^2 = 0,6\,kgm \cdot \left(125,66\,^{rad}\!/_s\right)^2 = 9474,82\,N = 9,47\,kN$$

The loads are inputted through **Load** > **Point Force** > **In Node**

Step 7: Mesh setup

To obtain precise results for the dynamic calculation, the Finite Element Mesh is refined.
This can be done through **Calculation, Mesh** > **Mesh Setup**.

The **Average number of tiles of 1D element** is set to **10**.

Step 8: Solver setup

The last step before launching the calculation is setting the amount of eigenmodes to be calculated. For this example, only one eigenmode is required so in **Calculation, Mesh** > **Solver Setup** the number of frequencies is set to **1**.
To compare the results with a manual calculation, the **shear force deformation** is neglected.

Step 9: Calculation

All steps have been executed so the **Linear Calculation** can be started through **Calculation, Mesh > Calculation.**

This gives the following results:

Eigen frequencies

N	f [Hz]	omega [1/s]	omega² [1/s²]	T [s]
Mass combination : CM1				
1	14,15	88,88	7899,96	0,07

The nodal deformations for the harmonic loads at the location of the motor are the following:

At 800 rpm:
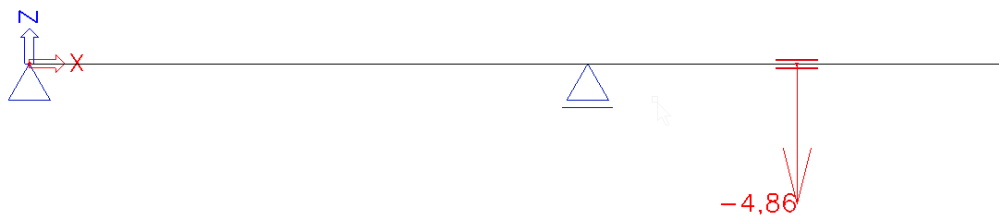
At 1000 rpm:
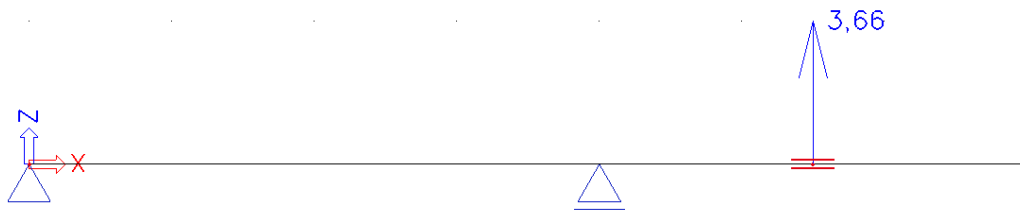
At 1200 rpm:
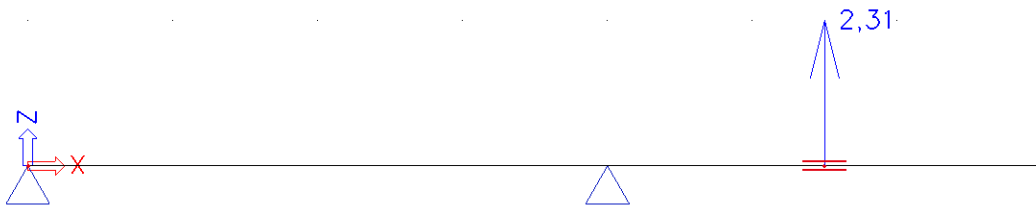
As stated in the previous example, it is important to keep in mind that the signs are not relevant since a vibration occurs on both sides of the equilibrium position.

Manual Calculation
In order to check the results of SCIA Engineer, a manual calculation is performed [15].
First, the calculated eigen frequency is checked using formula (2.3)
Using default engineering tables [11], the maximum static deformation of a simply supported beam with length **L**, an overhang with length **a** and loaded with a load **F** at the end of the overhang is given as:

$$\delta_{max} = \frac{Fa^2(L+a)}{3EI}$$

(3.14)
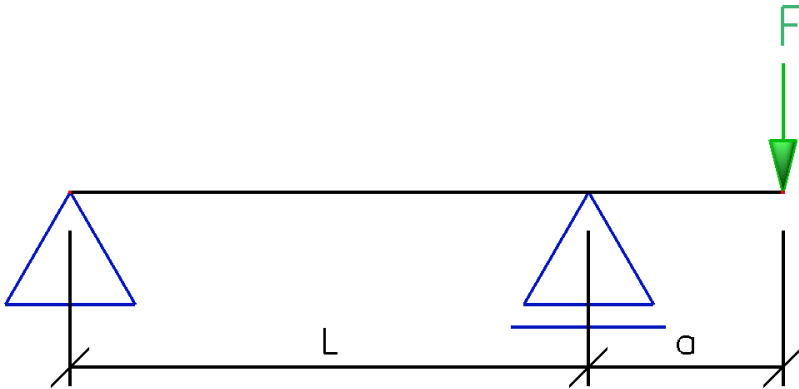
The rigidity k of this system can then be calculated:

$$k = \frac{F}{\delta_{max}} = \frac{3EI}{a^2(L+a)}$$

Where: L = 4m = 4000 mm
           a = 1,5m = 1500 mm
           E = 210000 N/mm²
           I = 77600000 mm⁴

$$k = \frac{3 \cdot 210000 \, N/mm^2 \cdot 77600000 \, mm^4}{(1500 \, mm)^2 \cdot (4000 \, mm + 1500 \, mm)} = 3950,55 \, N/mm = 3950545,45 \, N/m$$

Applying formula (2.3):

$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} = \sqrt{\frac{3950545,45 \, N/m}{500 \, kg}} = 88,89 \, rad/s$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad f = \frac{\omega}{2\pi} = \textbf{14,15 Hz}$$

This result corresponds exactly to the result calculated by SCIA Engineer.

Applying formula (3.8) the frequency ratios can be calculated for each motor speed:

$$r_{800} = \frac{v_{800}}{\omega} = \frac{83,78 \, rad/s}{88,89 \, rad/s} = 0,9425$$

$$r_{1000} = \frac{v_{1000}}{\omega} = \frac{104,72 \, rad/s}{88,89 \, rad/s} = 1,1781$$

$$r_{1200} = \frac{v_{1200}}{\omega} = \frac{125,66 \, rad/s}{88,89 \, rad/s} = 1,4137$$

The frequency ratios can then be used in formula (3.9) to calculate the Dynamic Magnification Factors.
When also applying formula (3.4) the Dynamic Amplitude can be calculated for each speed:

$$Y_{800} = \frac{F_{800}/k}{\sqrt{(1-r_{800}{}^2)^2 + (2r_{800}\xi)^2}} = \frac{4211,03N/3950545,45\,N/m}{\sqrt{\left(1-0,9425^2\right)^2 + \left(2 \cdot 0,9425 \cdot 0,10\right)^2}} = 4,86mm$$

$$Y_{1000} = \frac{F_{1000}/k}{\sqrt{(1-r_{1000}{}^2)^2 + (2r_{1000}\xi)^2}} = \frac{6579,74N/3950545,45\,N/m}{\sqrt{\left(1-1,1781^2\right)^2 + \left(2 \cdot 1,1781 \cdot 0,10\right)^2}} = 3,67mm$$

$$Y_{1200} = \frac{F_{1200}/k}{\sqrt{(1-r_{1200}{}^2)^2 + (2r_{1200}\xi)^2}} = \frac{9474,82N/3950545,45\,N/m}{\sqrt{\left(1-1,4137^2\right)^2 + \left(2 \cdot 1,4137 \cdot 0,10\right)^2}} = 2,31mm$$

These results correspond exactly to the results calculated by SCIA Engineer.
In the same way as in the previous example, the calculation can be repeated for several angular velocities. The result is shown graphically on the following figure:
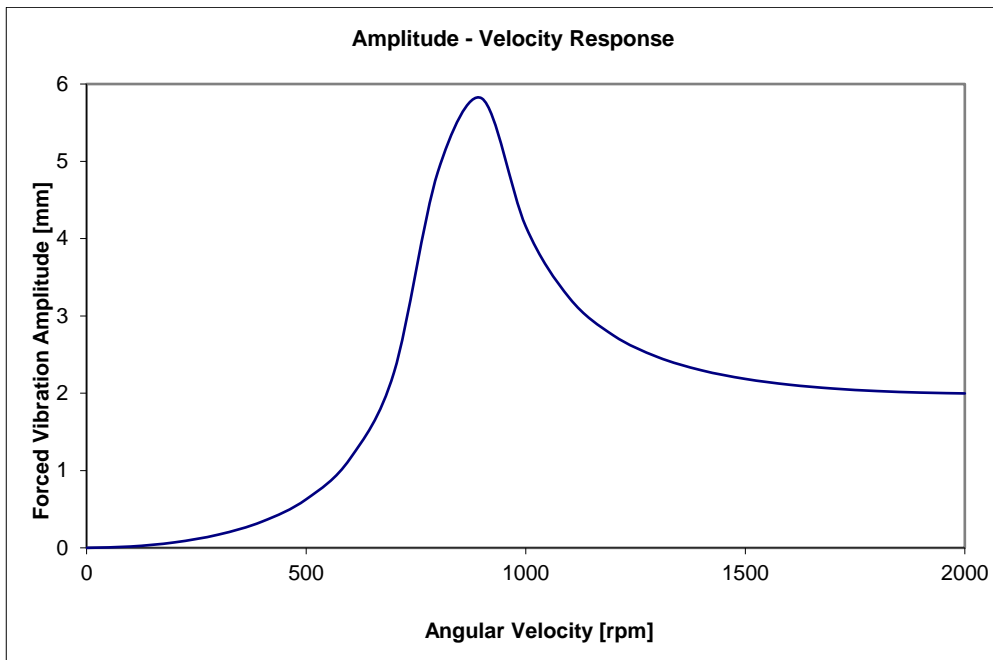
The main feature to notice is the decrease in vibration amplitude when the forcing frequency increases due to moving away from resonance. [15]

4. Spectral Analysis: Seismic Load

In this chapter the seismic analysis in SCIA Engineer is explained in detail.

During an earthquake, the subsoil bearing a structure moves. The structure tries to follow this movement and as a result, the masses in the structure begin to move. Subsequently, these masses subject the structure to inertial forces. When these forces are determined, they can be applied to the structure and thus, like with the harmonic load, the dynamic calculation is transformed to an equivalent static.

In the first part of the chapter, the theory will be explained. The theory will then be illustrated by examples, which are again verified by manual calculations.

4.1 Theory

General

Analogous to the previous chapters, before examining the dynamic analysis of a complex structure, the Seismic analysis of a SDOF (Single Degree Of Freedom) system is regarded in detail. A complete overview can be found in references [2], [3].

Generally, this paragraph deals with the analysis of structures that are submitted to a harmonic ground motion. The most important harmonic ground motions are earthquakes (seismic loads), but this calculation method can also be applied to the analysis of underground or surface explosions and vibrations generated by heavy traffic or machinery.

The following figure illustrates the displacement of a system that is submitted to a ground motion:
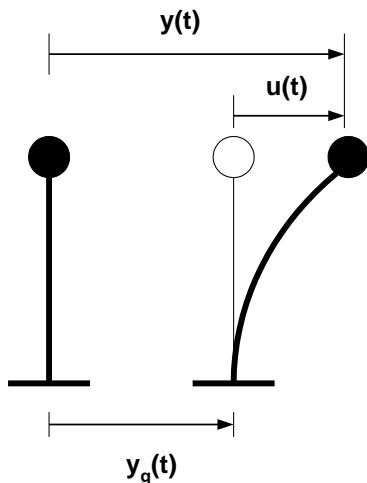
Where: $y_g(t)$ is the ground displacement
$y(t)$ is the total displacement of the mass
$u(t)$ is the relative displacement of the mass

The total displacement can thus be expressed as follows:

$$y(t) \quad = \quad y_g(t) \quad + \quad u(t) \tag{4.1}$$

Since y_g is assumed to be harmonic, it can be written as:

$$y_g(t) \quad = \quad Y_g \cdot \sin(v \cdot t) \tag{4.2}$$

The equilibrium equation of motion can now be written as:

$$m \cdot \ddot{y}(t) \quad + \quad c \cdot \dot{u}(t) \quad + \quad k \cdot u(t) \quad = \quad 0 \tag{4.3}$$

Since the inertia force is related to the total displacement (y) of the mass and the damping and spring reactions are related to the relative displacements (u) of the mass.

When (4.1) is substituted in (4.3) the following is obtained:

$$m \cdot (\ddot{u}(t) + \ddot{y}_g(t)) \;+\; c \cdot \dot{u}(t) \;+\; k \cdot u(t) \;=\; 0$$

or

$$m \cdot \ddot{u}(t) \;+\; c \cdot \dot{u}(t) \;+\; k \cdot u(t) \;=\; -m \cdot \ddot{y}_g(t) \tag{4.4}$$

This equation is known as the **General Seismic Equation of Motion**. This equation can be used to illustrate the behavior of structures that are loaded with a seismic load:

Substituting (4.2) in (4.4) gives the following:

$$m \cdot \ddot{u}(t) \;+\; c \cdot \dot{u}(t) \;+\; k \cdot u(t) \;=\; -m \cdot Y_g \cdot v^2 \cdot \sin(v \cdot t)$$

This equation can be compared with equation (3.2) of the previous chapter. As a conclusion, the ground motion can also be replaced by an external harmonic force with amplitude:

$$F \;=\; -m \cdot Y_g \cdot v^2$$

But an earthquake will be a combination of many harmonic loads acting on different frequencies simultaneously. The load represented in these harmonic loads is the acceleration of the structure multiplied with the mass of the structure. The frequencies of these harmonic loads are the frequencies on which this acceleration occurs in the earthquake.

The combination of all the accelerations over the different frequencies in the earthquake will be given by a response spectrum. A response spectrum is therefore nothing more than a list of accelerations and the frequencies on which they occur.

Response Spectra

When a structure has to be designed for earthquakes, in most cases spectral analysis is used because the earthquake loading is often described as a response spectrum.
This response spectrum can either be a displacement, velocity or acceleration spectrum.

The relation of an earthquake (given by an acceleration time-history) and the corresponding displacement response spectrum is given by [16]:

$$S_d(\xi, \omega) \;=\; \frac{1}{\omega} \cdot \left[\int \ddot{y}_g(\tau) \cdot e^{-\xi \cdot \omega \cdot (T - \tau)} \cdot \sin(\omega(T - \tau)) \cdot d\tau \right]_{max} \tag{4.5}$$

Where: $\ddot{y}_g(\tau)$ is the ground acceleration in function of time

ξ is the damping factor

T is the period $2\pi / \omega$

Instead of the displacement response spectrum S_d, also the velocity response spectrum S_v or the acceleration response spectrum S_a can be used. These three spectra are related by ω:

$$S_a \;=\; \omega \cdot S_v \;=\; \omega^2 \cdot S_d \tag{4.6}$$

In Eurocode 8 [7] the earthquake motion at a given point on the surface is represented by an **elastic ground acceleration response spectrum** or "Elastic Response Spectrum S_e" This spectrum is illustrated in the following figure:
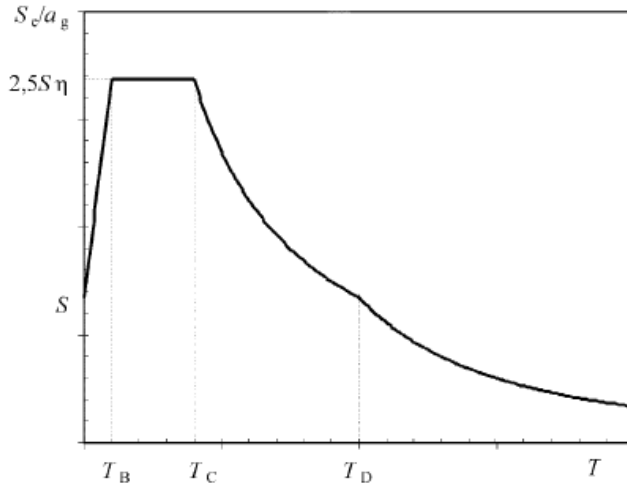
A commonly used way of describing an earthquake magnitude is the so-called Richter scale. **Annex A** gives a relation between the magnitude on the Richter scale and the Peak Ground Acceleration.

Spectral Analysis

For MDOF (Multiple Degree Of Freedom) systems, equation (4.4) can be written in matrix notation as a set of coupled differential equations:

$$M \cdot \ddot{U} \;+\; C \cdot \dot{U} \;+\; K \cdot U \;=\; -M \cdot \{1\} \cdot \ddot{Y}_g \qquad (4.7)$$

The matrix {1} is used to indicate the direction of the earthquake. E.g. for a two-dimensional structure (three degrees of freedom) with an earthquake that acts in the x-direction, the matrix is a sequence like {1,0,0,1,0,0,1,0,0,…}

The resulting set of coupled differential equations is reduced to a set of uncoupled differential equation by a transformation $U = Z.Q$, where Z is a subset of Φ (the eigenvectors) and Q is a vector, which is time-dependent.

$$M \cdot Z \cdot \ddot{Q} \;+\; C \cdot Z \cdot \dot{Q} \;+\; K \cdot Z \cdot Q \;=\; -M \cdot \{1\} \cdot \ddot{Y}_g \text{; or}$$

$$Z^T \cdot M \cdot Z \cdot \ddot{Q} \;+\; Z^T \cdot C \cdot Z \cdot \dot{Q} \;+\; Z^T \cdot K \cdot Z \cdot Q \;=\; -Z^T \cdot M \cdot \{1\} \cdot \ddot{Y}_g$$

This can be simplified to a set of uncoupled differential equations:

$$\ddot{Q} \;+\; C^* \cdot \dot{Q} \;+\; \Omega^2 \cdot Q \;=\; -Z^T \cdot M \cdot \{1\} \cdot \ddot{Y}_g \qquad (4.8)$$

Where C^* is a diagonal matrix containing terms like $2\omega_i \xi_i$.

Each equation j has a solution of the form:

$$Q_j \;=\; -Z^T \cdot M \cdot \{1\} \cdot \frac{1}{\omega} \cdot \int_0^t Y_g(\tau) \cdot e^{-\xi \cdot \omega_j \cdot (T-\tau)} \cdot \sin(\omega_j(T-\tau)) \cdot d\tau \qquad (4.9)$$

To obtain the maximum displacements, the displacement response spectrum S$_d$ of equation (4.5) can be substituted:

$$Q_{j,\max} \;=\; -Z^T \cdot M \cdot \{1\} \cdot S_d(\xi_j, \omega_j) \qquad (4.10)$$

Since $U = Z.Q$:

$$U_{j,\max} \;=\; -Z \cdot Z^T \cdot M \cdot \{1\} \cdot S_d(\xi_j, \omega_j) \text{; or}$$

$$U_{j,\max} \;=\; -Z \cdot \Psi \cdot S_d(\xi_j, \omega_j) \qquad (4.11)$$

Where $\Psi = Z^T \cdot M \cdot \{1\}$ is known as the modal participation factor.

4.2 Seismic Load in SCIA Engineer

Response Spectra in SCIA Engineer

In SCIA Engineer, a Seismic Load can be inputted after creating a Combination of Mass Groups. This implies that the steps used to perform a Free Vibration calculation still apply here and are expanded by the properties of the Seismic Load.

As specified in the theory, Eurocode 8 [7] specifies an Elastic Response Spectrum S_e. For design purposes, this spectrum is reduced to a **Design Spectrum S_d**. This Design Spectrum is dependent on several parameters: the **Ground Type**, the **Ground Acceleration**, the **Behavior Factor** and the **Damping**.

When defining a spectrum in SCIA Engineer, the spectrum can be defined either by combinations of Frequencies & accelerations, or Periods & accelerations, or by simply inputting the parameters that define this spectrum according to Eurocode 8. If the user wishes to compose the spectrum based on the parameters in Eurocode 8, then he will have the next input window:
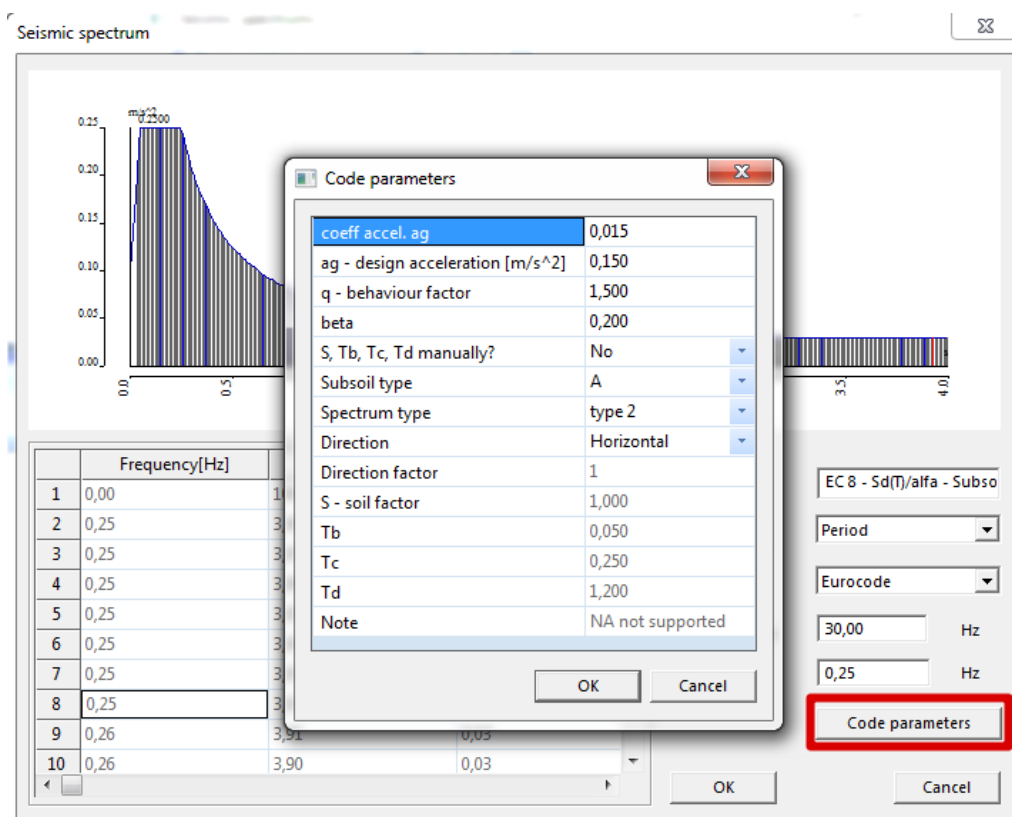
For a detailed description of these parameters, reference is made to Eurocode 8 [7]. The following is a brief overview for understanding the input needed for SCIA Engineer.

- **Damping**: The Design Spectra of Eurocode 8 are defined for a damping ratio of **5%**. If the structure has another damping ratio, the spectrum has to be adapted with a damping correction factor η. This will be looked upon in more detail in Chapter 5.

- **Ground Acceleration**: The ground acceleration a_g or the coefficient of acceleration α can be calculated from a_{gR} by means of an importance factor.

  ⇨ The **ground acceleration a_g** can be calculated from the importance factor and the peak ground acceleration (PGA) a_{gR}:

  $$\gamma_I * a_{gR} \tag{4.12}$$

⇨ The **Coefficient of Acceleration** α is defined as the ground acceleration divided by the acceleration of gravity g:

$$\alpha = \frac{a_g}{g}$$ (4.13)

⇨ The **importance factor** is derived from the return period of the seismic action and the importance of the structure. An importance factor γ_I equal to 1,0 is assigned to the reference return period.

⇨ The **peak ground acceleration (PGA) a_{gR}** can be found from the seismic zones in which a country is divided. By definition, the seismic hazard within each zone is assumed to be constant. The hazard is described by a single parameter: the peak ground acceleration (PGA) a_{gR}. The following figure illustrates the division in seismic zones for the map of Belgium [9]:
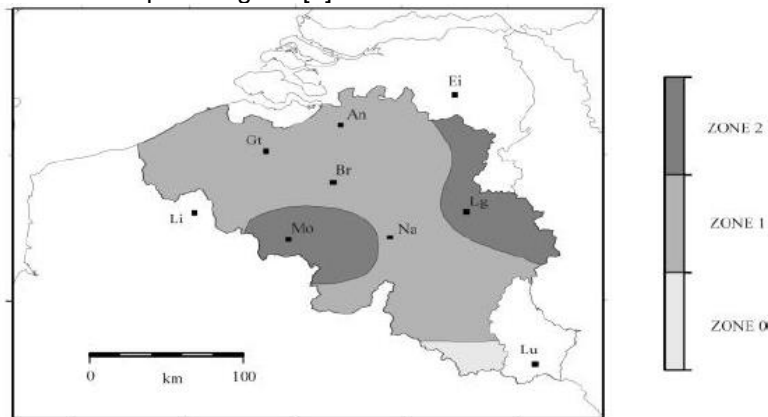
- **Behavior Factor (*EN1998, 3.2.2.5*):** To avoid explicit inelastic structural analysis in design, the capacity of the structure to dissipate energy, mainly through ductile behavior of its elements, is taken into account by performing an elastic analysis based on a response spectrum reduced with respect to the elastic one. This reduction is accomplished by introducing the behavior factor **q**.

  ⇨ For the vertical component of the seismic action a behavior factor q up to **1,5** should generally be adopted for all materials and structural systems. The adoption of values of q greater than 1,5 in the vertical direction should be justified through proper analysis.

  ⇨ The values of the behavior factor q, which also account for the influence of the viscous damping being different from 5%, are given for various materials and structural systems according to the relevant ductility classes in the various Parts of EN 1998. The value of the behavior factor q may be different in different horizontal directions of the structure, although the ductility classification shall be the same in all directions.

- **Beta**: The **lower bound factor** (β) for the horizontal design spectrum. The recommended value for (β) is 0,2 but can be overruled by the relevant national annex.

  ⇨ If you plot the spectrum as acceleration to frequency, then the most left value would be the lower bound factor multiplied with the ground acceleration.
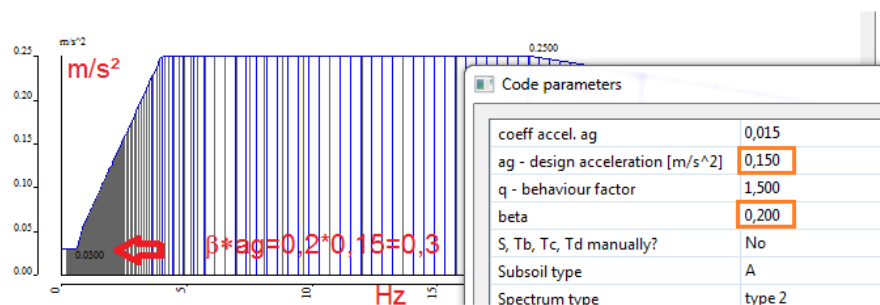
- **S, Tb, Tc, Td manually?**: If you set this to 'No', then the values to compose the spectrum are calculated automatically from the other properties in this window.

- **Ground Type**: The Ground Type is dependent on the soil characteristics and is specified by letters A to E.

Ground type	Description of stratigraphic profile	Parameters		
		$v_{s,30}$ (m/s)	N_{SPT} (blows/30cm)	c_u (kPa)
A	Rock or other rock-like geological formation, including at most 5 m of weaker material at the surface.	> 800	_	_
B	Deposits of very dense sand, gravel, or very stiff clay, at least several tens of metres in thickness, characterised by a gradual increase of mechanical properties with depth.	360 – 800	> 50	> 250
C	Deep deposits of dense or medium-dense sand, gravel or stiff clay with thickness from several tens to many hundreds of metres.	180 – 360	15 - 50	70 - 250
D	Deposits of loose-to-medium cohesionless soil (with or without some soft cohesive layers), or of predominantly soft-to-firm cohesive soil.	< 180	< 15	< 70
E	A soil profile consisting of a surface alluvium layer with v_s values of type C or D and thickness varying between about 5 m and 20 m, underlain by stiffer material with v_s > 800 m/s.			

- **Type of spectrum**: If the earthquakes that contribute most to the seismic hazard defined for the site for the purpose of probabilistic hazard assessment have a surface-wave magnitude, Ms, not greater than 5,5, it is recommended that the Type 2 spectrum is adopted. A simple formula to find the surface wave magnitude from the Richter magnitude scale ([29]) is:

$$M_s = -3,2 + 1,45\, M_l \qquad (4.14)$$

- **Direction**: If the spectrum is applied in X or Y direction, then this must be set to 'Horizontal'. If the spectrum is to be applied in the Z direction, then this property must be set to 'Vertical'.

Calculation Protocol

In the calculation protocol of SCIA Engineer the intermediate results that were determined while calculating the global effect of a spectral loading can be found.

This paragraph describes the formulas that have been used to determine those intermediate results.

Natural circular frequency and modal shape

Mass matrix	$[M]_D$
Mass vector	$\{m\} = [M]_D \cdot \{1\}$
Natural circular frequency of mode shape j	$\omega_{(j)}$

Natural normalized modal shape	$\{\phi\}_{(j)}$, With $\{\phi\}_{(j)}^{T} \cdot [M]_D \cdot \{\phi\}_{(j)} = M_{(j)} = 1$
Total mass in kth direction	$M_{k,tot}$
Acceleration response spectrum	$S_{a,k,(j)}$
Direction	k
Total number of directions	NK

Participation factor of the mode shape j in direction k

Participation factor	$\gamma_{k,(j)} = \dfrac{\{\phi_k\}^{T} \cdot \{m\}}{M_{(j)}} = \{\phi_k\}^{T} \cdot \{m\}$
Effective mass	$M_{k,ef,(j)} = \gamma_{k,(j)}^{2} \cdot M_{(j)} = \gamma_{k,(j)}^{2}$
Participation mass ratio	$L_{k,(j)} = \dfrac{M_{k,ef,(j)}}{M_{k,tot}}$

Mode coefficient for mode j

Mode coefficient in kth direction	$G_{k,(j)} = \dfrac{S_{a,k,(j)} \cdot \gamma_{k,(j)}}{\omega_{(j)}^{2}}$
Total mode coefficient	$G_{(j)} = \dfrac{\sum\limits_{k=1}^{NK} S_{a,k,(j)} \cdot \gamma_{k,(j)}}{\omega_{(j)}^{2}}$

Response of mode shape j

Displacement	$\{u\}_{(j)} = G_{(j)} \cdot \{\phi\}_{(j)}$ $\{u_k\}_{(j)} = G_{k,(j)} \cdot \{\phi_k\}_{(j)}$
Acceleration	$\{\ddot{u}\}_{(j)} = \omega_{(j)}^{2} \cdot G_{(j)} \cdot \{\phi\}_{(j)}$ $\{\ddot{u}_k\}_{(j)} = \omega_{(j)}^{2} \cdot G_{k,(j)} \cdot \{\phi_k\}_{(j)} = S_{a,k,(j)} \cdot \gamma_{k,(j)} \cdot \{\phi_k\}_{(j)}$
Lateral force in node i for direction k	$F_{i,k,(j)} = m_{i,k,(j)} \cdot S_{a,k,(j)} \cdot \gamma_{k,(j)} \cdot \phi_{i,k,(j)}$
Shear force in direction k	$F_{k,(j)} = \sum\limits_{i} F_{i,k,(j)} = \{\ddot{u}_k\}_{(j)}^{T} \cdot \{m\} = S_{a,k,(j)} \cdot \gamma_{k,(j)} \cdot \{\phi_k\}_{(j)}^{T} \cdot \{m\}$ $F_{k,(j)} = S_{a,k,(j)} \cdot \gamma_{k,(j)}^{2}$
Overturning moment in node i for direction k	$M_{i,k,(j)} = m_{i,k} \cdot S_{a,k,(j)} \cdot \gamma_{k,(j)} \cdot \phi_{i,k,(j)} \cdot z_i$
Overturning moment in direction k	$M_{k,(j)} = \sum\limits_{i} M_{i,k,(j)} = \sum\limits_{i} \left(m_{i,k} \cdot S_{a,k,(j)} \cdot \gamma_{k,(j)} \cdot \phi_{i,k,(j)} \cdot z_i \right)$ $M_{k,(j)} = S_{a,k,(j)} \cdot \gamma_{k,(j)} \cdot \sum\limits_{i} \left(m_{i,k} \cdot \phi_{i,k,(j)} \cdot z_i \right)$

The calculation of these parameters will be illustrated with an example further in this chapter.

Modal combination methods

Modal combination methods are used to calculate the response R of a seismic analysis. The term "response" (R) refers to the results obtained by a seismic analysis, i.e. displacements, velocities, accelerations, member forces and stresses.
Because the differential equations were uncoupled, a result will be obtained for each mode j.
To obtain the global response R_{tot} of the structure, the individual modal responses $R_{(j)}$ have to be combined.

The modal combination methods that are used in SCIA Engineer are:

1. **SRSS-method** (Square Root of Sum of Squares)

$$R_{tot} = \sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^{N} R_{(j)}^2}$$

Where:

$R_{(j)}$: The response of mode j

2. **CQC-method** (Complete Quadratic Combination)

$$R_{tot} = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{j=1}^{N} R_{(i)} \cdot \rho_{i,j} \cdot R_{(j)}}$$

Where:

$R_{(i)}, R_{(j)}$: The response of mode i and j

$\rho_{i,j}$: Modal Cross Correlation coefficients.

$$\rho_{i,j} = \frac{8\sqrt{\xi_i \xi_j} \cdot (\xi_i + r\xi_j) \cdot r^{\frac{3}{2}}}{(1-r^2)^2 + 4\xi_i\xi_j r(1+r^2) + 4(\xi_i^2 + \xi_j^2)r^2}$$

$$r = \frac{\omega_j}{\omega_i}$$

ξ_i , ξ_j : Damping ratio for mode i and j.

This method is based on both modal frequency and modal damping. The CQC-method thus requires the input of additional data: a **Damping Spectrum** to define the damping ratio for each mode.
In many cases however, there is no procedure to calculate the damping ratio for the higher modes. Most of the time, the same damping ratio is then used for all modes [17].

3. **MAX-method**

$$R_{tot} = \sqrt{R_{(j_{MAX})}^2 + \sum_{j=1}^{N} R_{(j)}^2}$$

Where:

$R_{(j)}$: The response of mode j

$R_{(j_{MAX})}$: The maximum response of all modes

Eurocode 8 [7] prescribes the **SRSS-method**. However this method may only be applied if all relevant modal responses are independent of each other. This is met if the period of mode j is smaller or equal to **90%** of the period of mode i.
If modal responses are not independent of each other a more accurate procedure like the **CQC-method** needs to be used.

The following numerical example shows this difference between SRSS and CQC.

Example 4-1: Spectral_Analysis_1.pdf

A four-storey symmetrical building is modeled in a 3D analysis (from [18], p.15-9). The building is symmetrical; however, the centre of mass of all floors is located 25 inches from the geometric centre of the building.
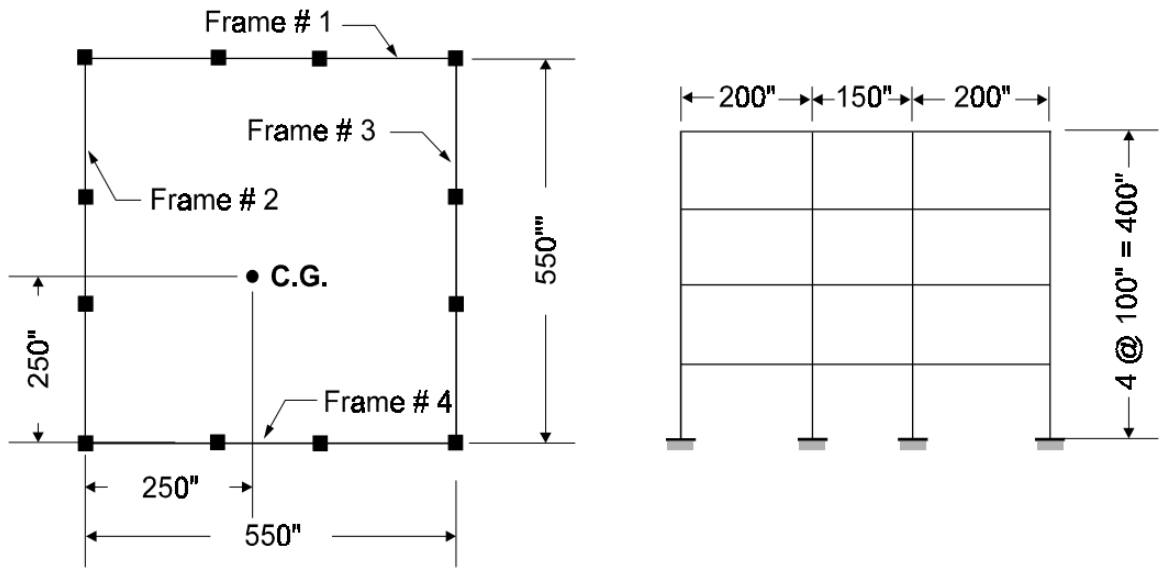
The structure has the following natural frequencies for the first 5 modes:
Mode 1: f = 13,87 Hz
Mode 2: f = 13,93 Hz
Mode 3: f = 43,99 Hz
Mode 4: f = 44,19 Hz
Mode 5: f = 54,42 Hz

It is clear that modes 1 & 2 and 3 & 4 are very closely spaced. It is typical for most three-dimensional building structures that they are designed to resist earthquakes from both directions equally. Therefore the similar eigenmodes in X and Y-direction have almost the same natural frequencies.

Because of the small mass eccentricity, which is normal in real structures, the fundamental mode shape has x, y, as well as torsion components. Therefore, the model represents a very common three-dimensional building system.

The building was subjected to one component of the Taft 1952 earthquake. An exact time history analysis using all 12 modes and a response spectrum analysis were conducted. The maximum modal base shears in the four frames for the first five modes are shown in the figure below.

The maximal base shear forces are:
Mode 1: F = -57,53 kN
Mode 2: F = 52,30 kN
Mode 3: F = -9,02 kN
Mode 4: F = 8,12 kN
Mode 5: F = 0,33 kN
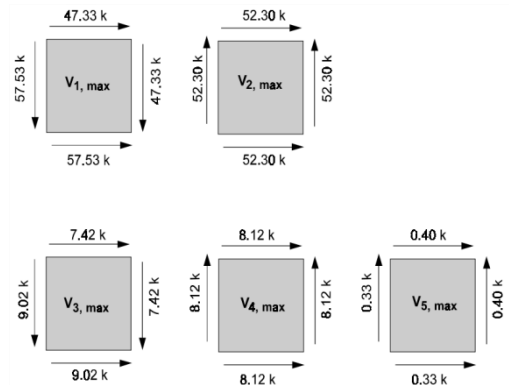
To obtain the Global Response, these modal responses are combined using both the **SRSS-method** and the **CQC-method** as well as a **sum of the Absolute Values**.

Now the maximum total base shears using different methods are compared.

- The **time history** base shears are exact.

- The **SRSS method** produces base shears that under-estimate the exact values in the direction of the loads by approximately 30 percent and overestimate the base shears normal to the loads by a factor of 10.

- The **sum of the absolute values** grossly over-estimates all results.

- The **CQC-method** produces very realistic values that are close to the exact time history solution.

(a) Time History   (b) SRSS

(c) Sum of Absolute Values   (d) CQC
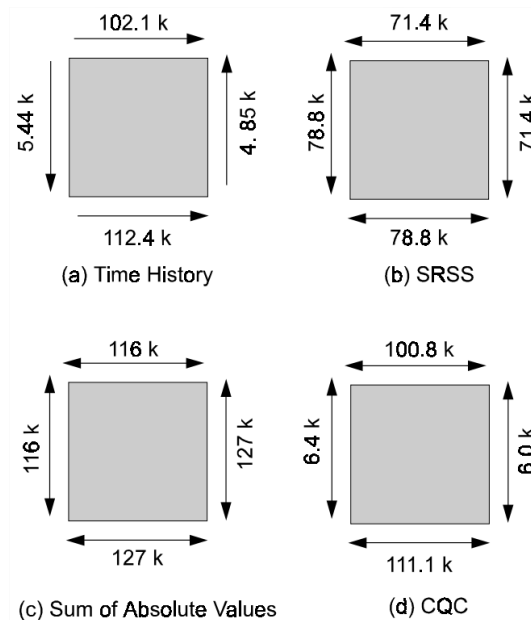
Results for the global Base Shear:	**Lateral**	**Transversal**
− Exact solution using Time-History Analysis:	**112,4 kN**	**5,44 kN**
− Global Base Shear using SRSS:	**78,8 kN**	**78,8 kN**
− Global Base Shear using CQC:	**111,1 kN**	**6,37 kN**

In this example, the SRSS-method overestimates the Base Shear by a factor of 10.

For the **CQC-method**, the following Modal Cross Correlation coefficients $\rho_{i,j}$ are used with a damping ratio $\xi_{i,j}$ of **5%**.

Mode	1	2	3	4	5
1	1,000	0,998	0,006	0,006	0,004
2	0,998	1,000	0,006	0,006	0,004
3	0,006	0,006	1,000	0,998	0,180
4	0,006	0,006	0,998	1,000	0,186
5	0,004	0,004	0,180	0,186	1,000

It is of importance to note the existence of the relatively large off-diagonal terms that indicate which modes are coupled.

If one notes the signs of the modal base shears shown on the previous page, it is apparent how the application of the CQC method allows the sum of the base shears in the direction of the external motion to be added directly. In addition, the sum of the base shears, normal to the external motion, tend to cancel.

The ability of the **CQC-method** to recognize the relative sign of the terms in the modal response is the key to the elimination of errors in the **SRSS-method**.

4.3 Seismic calculation in SCIA Engineer

The following diagram shows the required steps to perform a Spectral Analysis calculation:

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│  Activate the functionalities    - Dynamics  │
│                                  - Seismic    │
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        │    Create a Mass Group    │
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  │ Input Masses │    │ Generate Masses from Static Load cases │
  └──────────────┘    └────────────────────────────────────┘
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        │  Create a Mass Combination │
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        │  Define a Seismic Spectrum │
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        │  Create a Seismic Load case │
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   │ Refine the Finite-Element Mesh if required │
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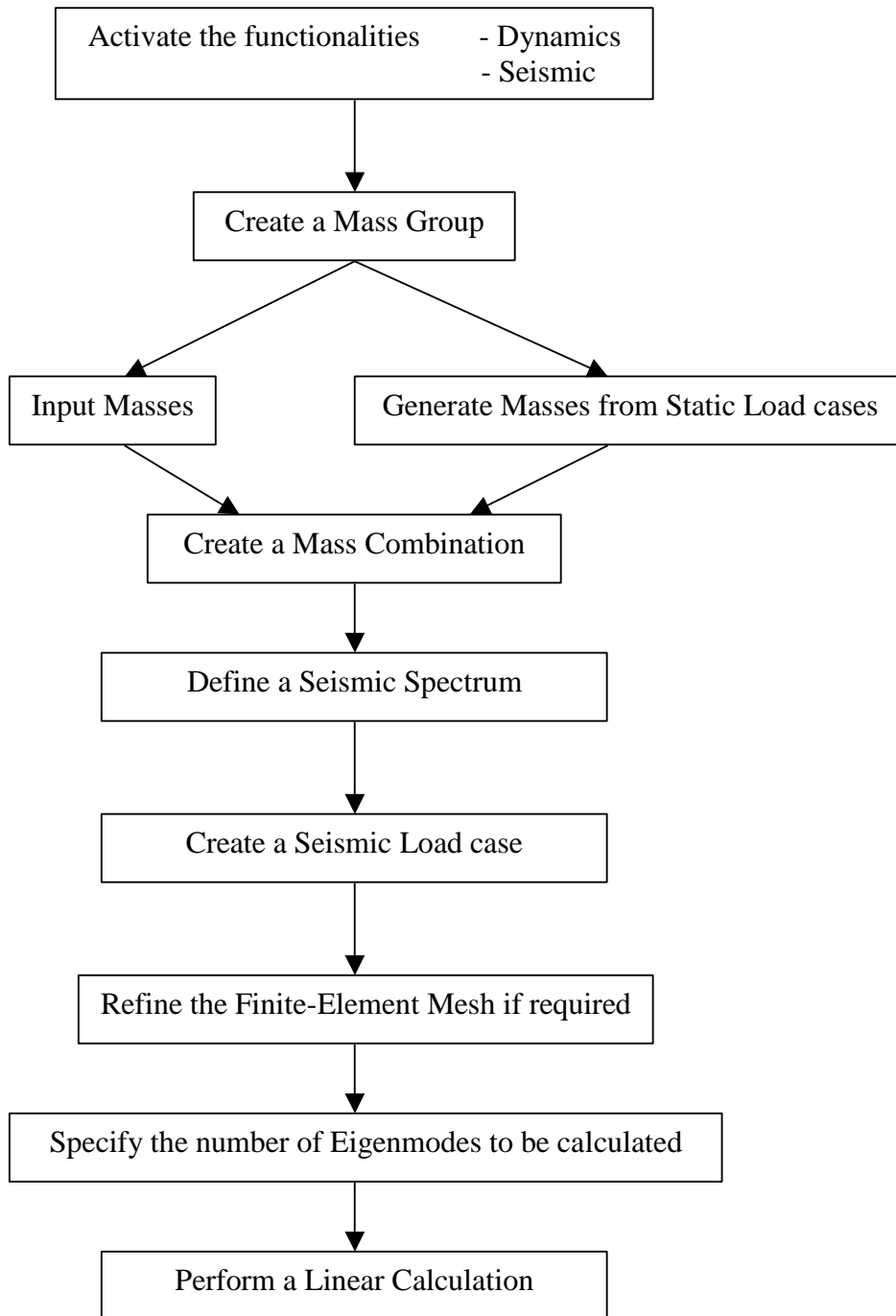
As specified in the theory, the dynamic calculation is transformed to an equivalent static calculation. Therefore, a Linear Calculation needs to be executed. During this calculation, the Free Vibration Calculation will also be performed since this data is needed for the Seismic results.
The diagram is illustrated in the following examples.

Example 4-2: Spectral_Analysis_2.esa

In this example a three-storey structure is modeled as a cantilever. The members have cross-section **IPE 200** and are manufactured in **S235** according to **EC-EN**. The height of each storey is **4m**. At each storey-level, the structure carries a mass of **500 kg**.
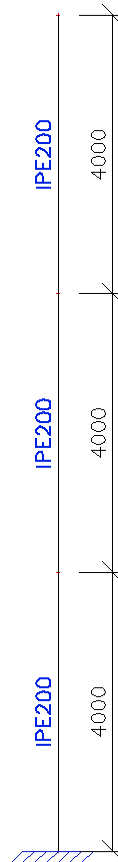
One static load case is created: the **self-weight** of the structure. However, in order not to take the self-weight into account for the dynamic calculation, the volumetric mass of **S235** can be set to **1 kg/m³** in the **Material** Library. This will render it easier to check the results through a manual calculation.
The structure will be subjected to an earthquake in X-direction according to Eurocode 8, using a Design Response Spectrum for Ground Type **B** with a behavior factor of **2**. The coefficient of acceleration is **0,35**.

Step 1: Functionality

The first step in the Dynamic calculation is to activate the functionality **Dynamics** on the **Functionality** tab in the **Project Data**. In order to execute a Seismic calculation, also the **Seismic** functionality needs to be activated:
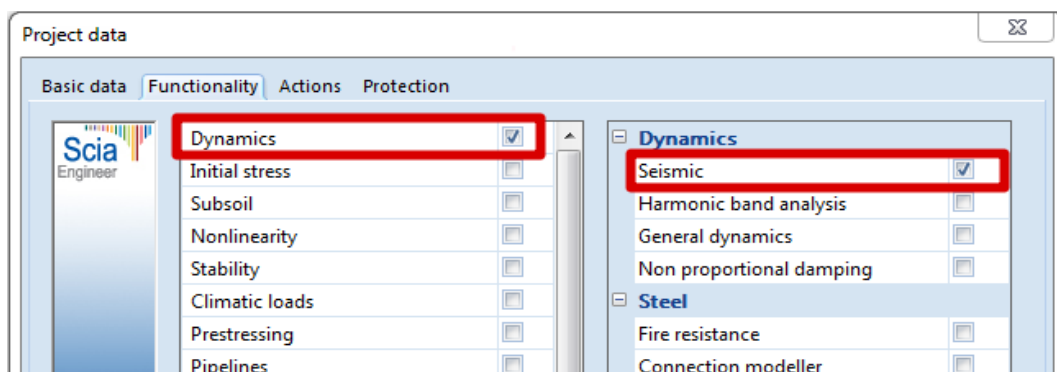
Step 2: Mass group

The second step is to create a **Mass Group**.
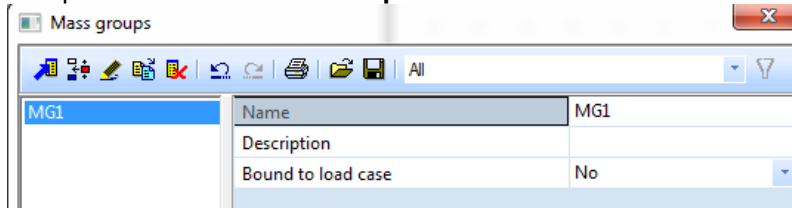
Step 3: Masses

After the Mass Group has been created; the **500 kg** masses can be inputted on each storey level:
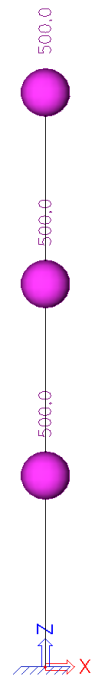
Step 4: Combination of mass groups

Next, the Mass Group is put within a **Combination of Mass Groups**,
which can be used for defining the Seismic load case.
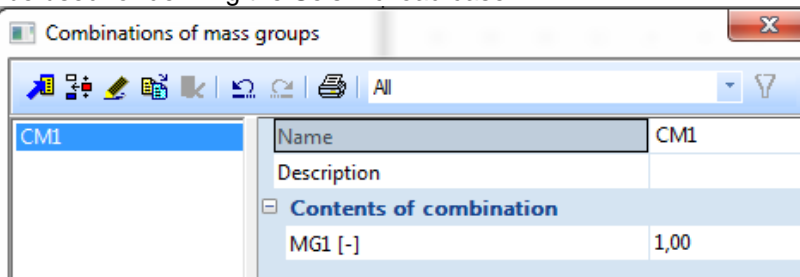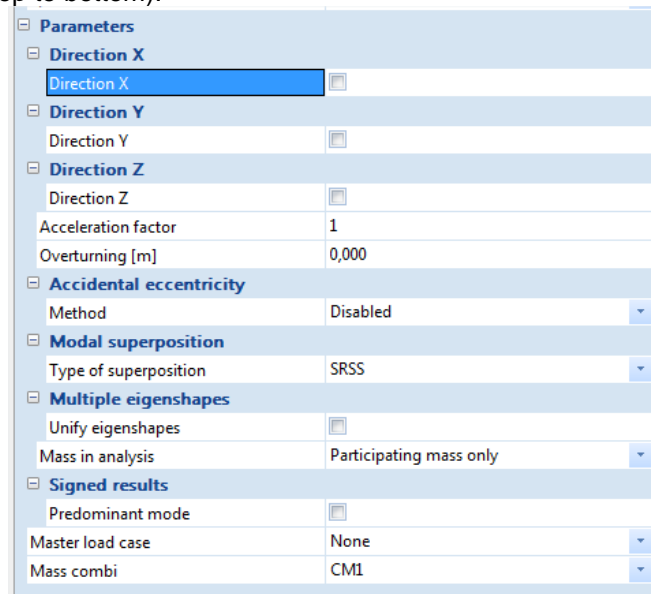
Step 5: Seismic load case

After creating a Mass Combination, a Seismic load case can be defined through **Load cases, Combinations > Load Cases.**

- Action Type =   **Variable**.

- Load Type =   **Dynamic**.

- Specification =   **Seismicity**.
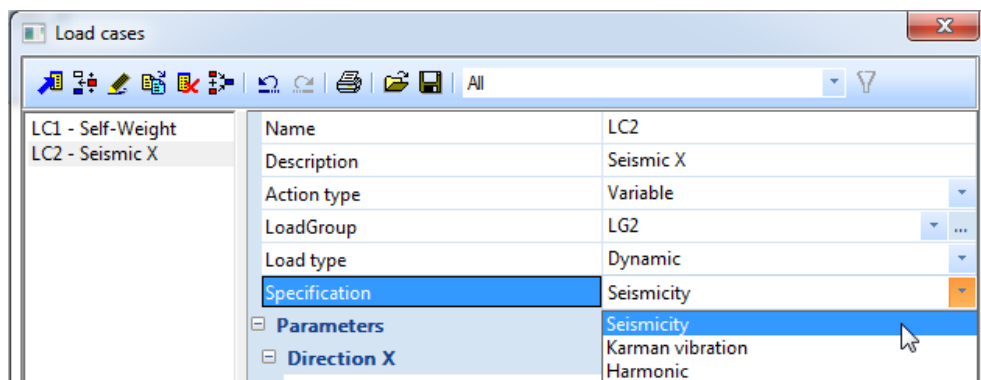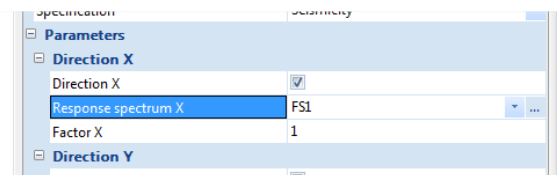
Now the parameters for the seismic load case will become visible. These parameters will now be explained (going from top to bottom).

> **Direction X, Y, Z**: You must tick on a direction to apply a spectrum in this global direction. We advise to use **1 direction per load case**, and to combine the different load cases in a seismic load combination.
>
>   o   After ticking on 'X', you will see the different spectrums which are already composed in the project. You can tick on the three points on the line "Response spectrum X" to go to the list with spectrums, and then choose "New" to create a new spectrum.

>   o   It is also possible that there is no spectrum in the project yet. Then after ticking on 'X', the software will automatically open the list with spectrums and click on "New" for you. The next window will pop up. Choose "**Input type = Eurocode**" and tick on "Code Parameters".
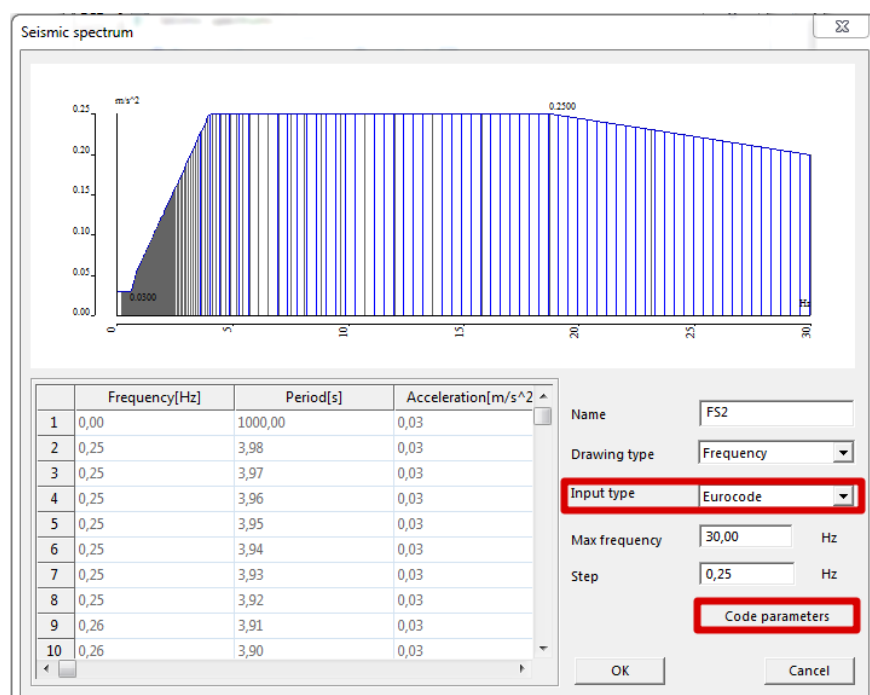
- o In '**Code parameters**' the spectrum will be defined (for more details, go to p.77).

  - ▪ The **coefficient of acceleration ag** is **0,35** (see input).
    Note that ag is automatically calculated after changing coeff accel. ag.

  - ▪ The behavior factor **q** is **2,0** (see input).

  - ▪ The subsoil type is **type B** (see input).

  - ▪ We use **spectrum type 2** (default).

  - ▪ The spectrum is used in X (and Y) direction, so the **Horizontal** direction.
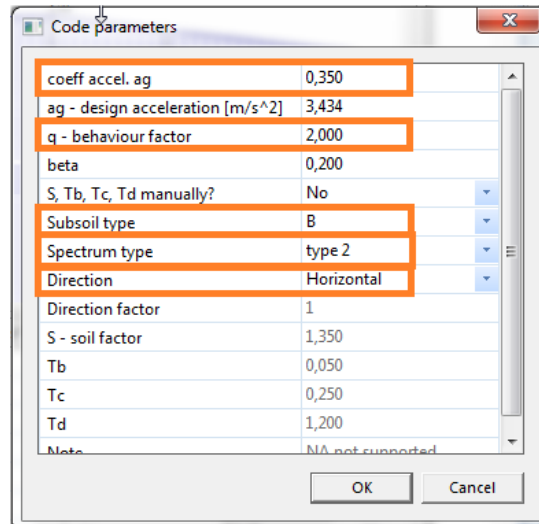
- o After changing the parameters, click on 'OK' until you get back to the load case.

- ➢ **Factor X, Y, Z**: This is used to modify the accelerations in the spectrum without changing the spectrum parameters. We advise to **set this to 1**.

- ➢ **Acceleration factor**: This factor is multiplied with the factor X, Y, Z (all of them). This factor should be **set to 1** since the acceleration factor is already used in the parameters of the spectrum..

- ➢ **Overturning:** This parameter is used when the supports of the structure are above ground level. By **default**, this value equals **0**.

- ➢ **Accidental eccentricity:** Most of the seismic codes require that structures are checked for torsion due to mass eccentricity including an additional eccentricity, which is the "accidental eccentricity". Please note, that "accidental eccentricity" may be used only together with the **reduced model analysis**. We will explain the reduced model analysis and accidental eccentricity later on.

- ➢ **Type of superposition:** Here the type of modal superposition can be chosen. In this example, the SRSS method is used. The use of the CQC method will be illustrated later on.

  - o **SRSS:** Square Root of the Sum of Squares. Because of the square root in the formulas of the modal combination methods, the results are **always positive**.

$$R = \sqrt{R_{(1)}^2 + R_{(2)}^2 + R_{(3)}^2 + R_{(4)}^2 + R_{(5)}^2 + ...}$$

  - o **Max**: Modified SRSS (method not included or described in Eurocode 8)

$$R_{tot} = \sqrt{R_{(j_{MAX})}^2 + \sum_{j=1}^{N} R_{(j)}^2}$$

  - o **CQC**: Complete Quadratic Combination

$$R_{tot} = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{j=1}^{N} R_{(i)} \cdot \rho_{i,j} \cdot R_{(j)}}$$

Note:

The options under Multiple Eigen Shapes can be used to avoid the errors in the SRSS-method for closely spaced modes. As specified in the theory however, it is advised to use the CQC-method in such cases.

➢ **Unify eigenshapes:** This option can be used in the seismic analysis in the case of the method SRSS. Classical the following formula is used for SRSS:

$$R = \sqrt{R_{(1)}^2 + R_{(2)}^2 + R_{(3)}^2 + R_{(4)}^2 + R_{(5)}^2 + ...}$$

If the option unify eigenshapes is checked, then the following condition is verified:

$$1 - \frac{\omega_i}{\omega_j} \leq precision\ \%\quad (where\ i < j\ and\ \omega_i \leq \omega_j)$$

If the check is fulfilled and mode (i) and (j) are multiple, then the superposition will be modified:

$$R = \sqrt{R_{(1)}^2 + (R_{(2)} + R_{(3)})^2 + R_{(4)}^2 + R_{(5)}^2 + ...}$$

➢ **Mass in analysis:** The user has to verify if 90% of the total mass is included in de modal masses. This will be checked later on in the calculation protocol. If the number of total participating mass is under 90%, the number of eigen frequencies has to be increased.

To avoid this check, it is possible to choose **missing mass in modes** or **residual mode**.

➢ **Signed results → Predominant mode:** The user can select the mode shape which will be used to define the sign. If **automatic** is chosen as mode shape, the mode shape with the biggest mass participation is used (sum of direction X, Y and Z). This option can be used for example for shear walls.

This result only makes sense if this single eigenmode is clearly the most dominant for that spectrum, and all other modes have almost no significance for that spectrum. But since this option manipulates the results, **we advise you not to use it**, unless you have a very good knowledge of SCIA Engineer and of seismic calculations.

Note:

The options under Multiple Eigen Shapes can be used to avoid the errors in the SRSS-method for closely spaced modes. As specified in the theory however, it is advised to use the CQC-method in such cases (as advised in Eurocode 8, article 4.3.3.3.2).

To conclude, the complete set of parameters in the load case will be shown in the image below.
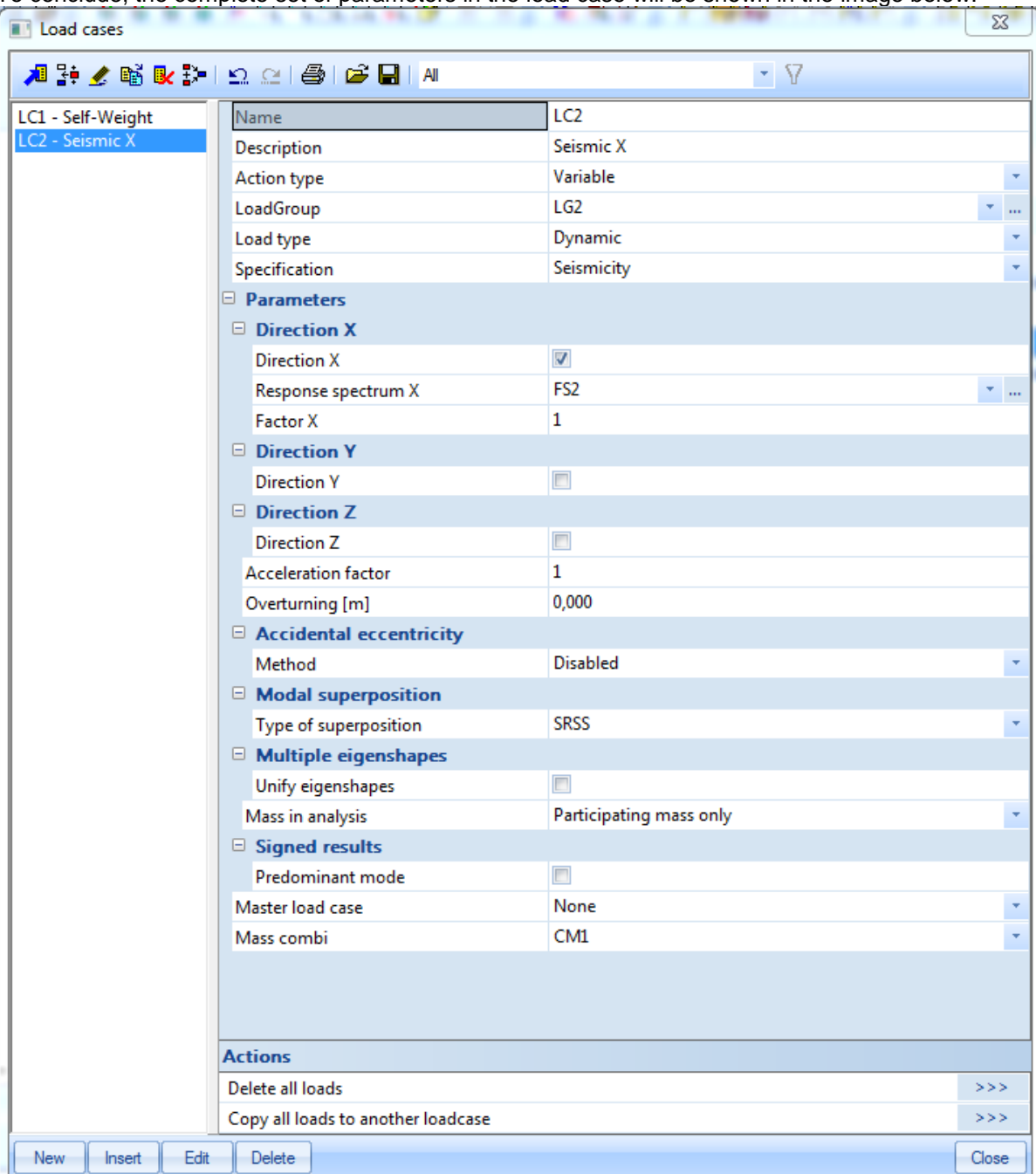
Step 6: Finite element mesh

As specified in the previous chapters, the finite element mesh needs to be refined to obtain precise results. This can be done through **Calculation, Mesh** > **Mesh Setup**.
For this example however, the default mesh is not refined which will make it easier to verify the results by a manual calculation. But for a default dynamic calculation, we advise to change the number of 1D elements in the finite mesh to 5 ~ 10 finite elements
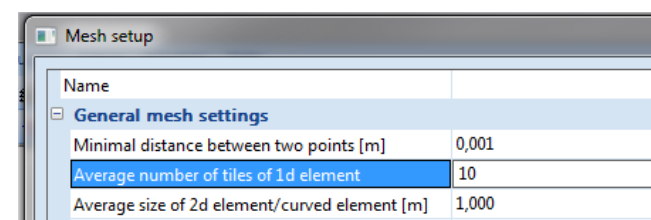
Step 7: Number of frequencies

The last step before the seismic results can be checked, is setting a sufficient amount of eigenmodes to be calculated. For this example, 2 eigenmodes are chosen.
In **Calculation, Mesh** > **Solver Setup** the number of frequencies is thus set to **2**.
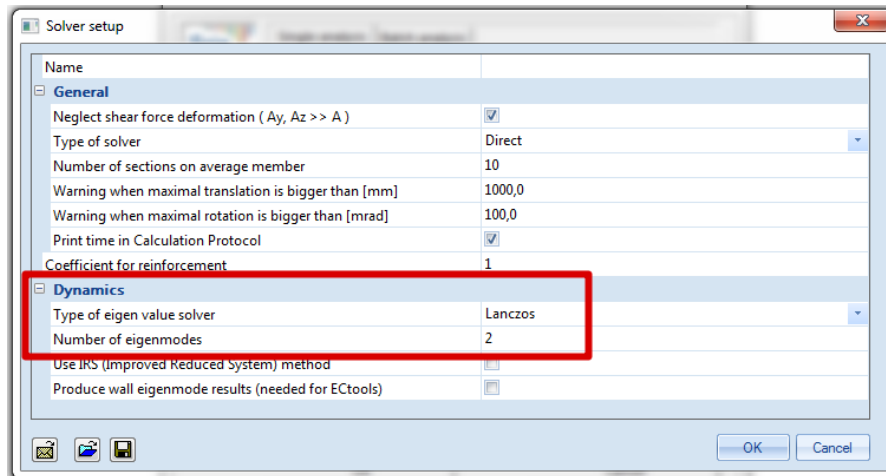
To check if the number of eigenmodes is sufficient, the **calculation protocol** for the **Eigen frequency** calculation must be checked. To check the calculation protocol, the Modal Analysis has to be done first (under **Calculation, Mesh > Calculation).**
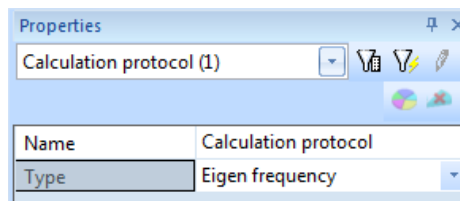
Modal participation factors

Mode	Omega [rad/s]	Period [s]	Freq. [Hz]	Wxi / Wxtot	Wyi / Wytot	Wzi / Wztot	Wxi_R / Wxtot_R	Wyi_R / Wytot_R	Wzi_R / Spectral
1	3.3027	1.9024	0.5256	0.7267	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.2723	0.0000
2	21.6256	0.2905	3.4418	0.2154	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.5273	0.0000
				0.9421	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.7996	0.0000

As specified in the first example of this course, the **Modal Participation Factors** show the amount of mass that is vibrating in a specific eigenmode as a percentage of the total mass.
For the first Eigenmode, **73%** of the total mass is vibrating. For the second Eigenmode, **22%** is vibrating. In total, these two Eigenmodes account for about **94%** of the total mass.

According to Eurocode 8 [7] the sum of the effective modal masses for the modes taken into account must amount to at least **90%** of the total mass of the structure.

This criterion is fulfilled which indicates the two Eigen modes are sufficient for this example.
But it is important to see that the number of eigenmodes taken into account is **only sufficient in the X-direction** to evaluate a dynamic load working in the **X-direction**. If the total would be under 90%, the number of eigenmodes in the solver setup would have to be augmented and the calculation protocol for the Eigen Frequency would have to be checked again.

Step 8: General results

The model has been prepared and checked to perform the **Linear Calculation.** This can be done under **Calculation, Mesh > Calculation**.

Using **Displacement of Nodes**, the **Deformed Structure** can be shown to view the eigenmodes:
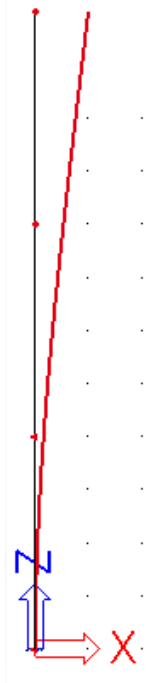
Eigenmode 1:   *Eigenmode 2:*
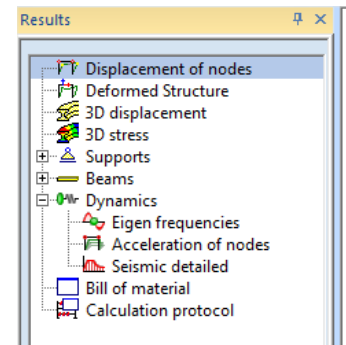
There is a separate part **Dynamics** where the **eigen frequencies** can be checked:
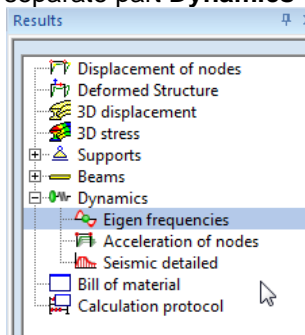
Eigen frequencies

N	f [Hz]	omega [1/s]	omega² [1/s²]	T [s]
Mass combination : CM1				
1	0,53	3,30	10,91	1,90
2	3,44	21,62	467,64	0,29

The **deformations** caused by the seismic load case can also be checked under **Seismic detailed**.
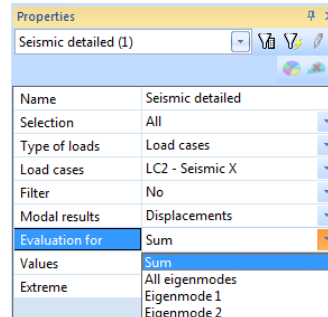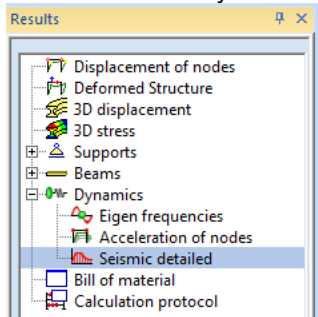
Node	X [m]	Y [m]	Z [m]	Ux [mm]	Uy [mm]	Uz [mm]	Fix [mrad]	Fiy [mrad]	Fiz [mrad]
N2	0,000	0,000	4,000	13,6	0,0	0,0	0,0	6,0	0,0
N3	0,000	0,000	8,000	43,6	0,0	0,0	0,0	9,0	0,0
N4	0,000	0,000	12,000	81,4	0,0	0,0	0,0	10,3	0,0

The details of the seismic calculation can be found in the **Calculation Protocol (Linear Calculation)**:

Dynamic loadcase: 2 : LC2

Mode	Freq. [Hz]	Damp ratio	Damp|coe	Sax [m/s²]	Say [m/s²]	Saz [m/s²]	G(j)	Fx [kN]	Fy [kN]	Mx [kNm]	My [kNm]
1	0.5256	0.0500	1.0000	0.6870	0.0000	0.0000	2.0794	0.7489	0.0000	0.0000	-7.4878
2	3.4418	0.0500	1.0000	4.9856	0.0000	0.0000	0.1916	1.6112	0.0000	0.0000	-4.6585
Level=	0.00							1.78	0.00	0.00	8.82

The **Damping ratio** shows the manually inputted damping ratio for the respective Eigenmodes.
It is important to keep in mind that the Seismic Spectra of Eurocode 8 have been calculated with a damping ratio of **5%** as specified in the theory. When a damping ratio is manually inputted, the spectra need to be adapted. This is done through the **Damping Coefficient**.

- ➢ **Sax, Say & Saz:** These show the **spectral accelerations**.

- ➢ **G(j):** This shows the **mode coefficient** for mode j.

- ➢ **Fx & Fy:** These are the **Base Shears** for each mode.

- ➢ **Mx & My:** These are the **Overturning Moments** for each mode.

The last line in the table shows the global response. This response was obtained by means of the SRSS-method for combining the modal responses.
The formulas for these parameters have been shown in the theory and a manual check can be found in annex C.

Example 4-3: Spectral_Analysis_3.esa

The previous example is repeated and will now be calculated using the **CQC-method**. For all frequencies, a damping ratio of **2%** is used. In *Step 6*, **CQC** is chosen in the **Type of evaluation** box:
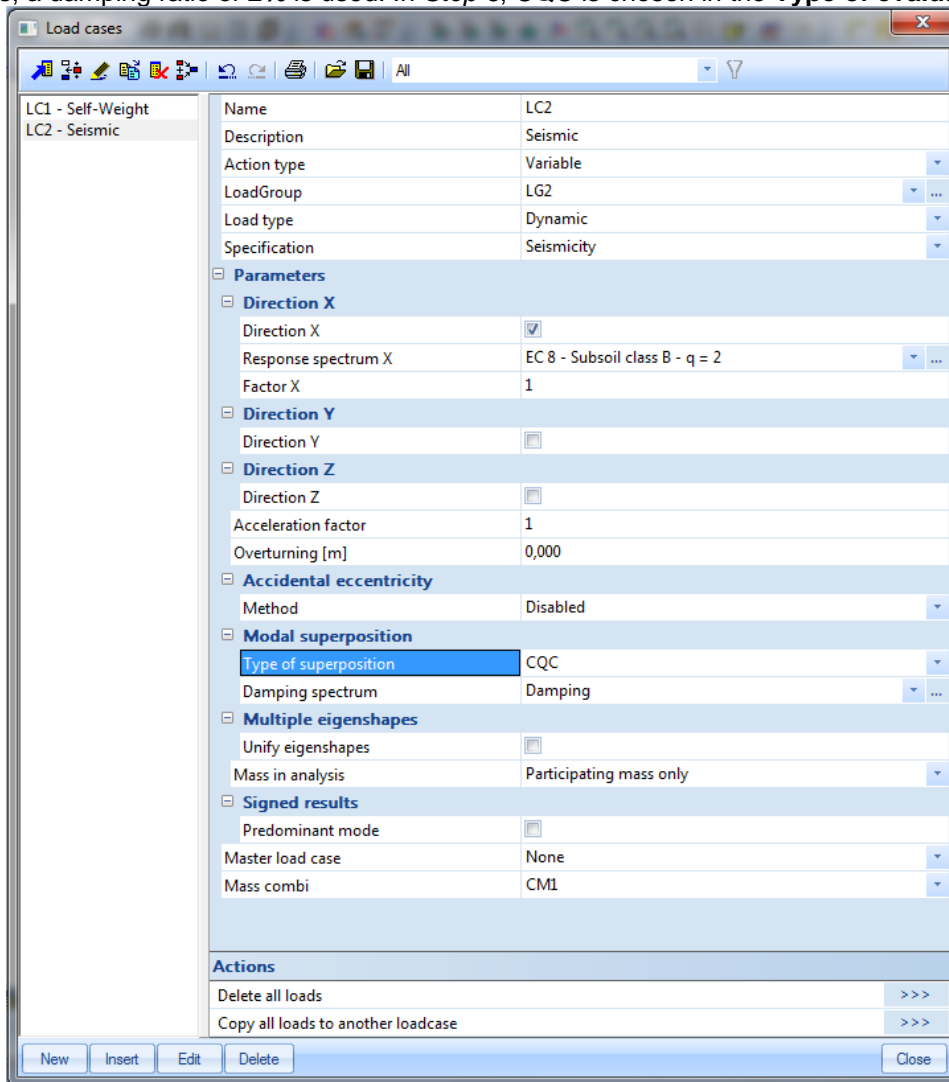
Using the button [...] behind CQC, a damping spectrum can be inputted. Since for this example a constant damping ratio will be used for all eigenmodes, the ratio of **2%** is inputted starting from frequency **0 Hz** to **100 Hz**
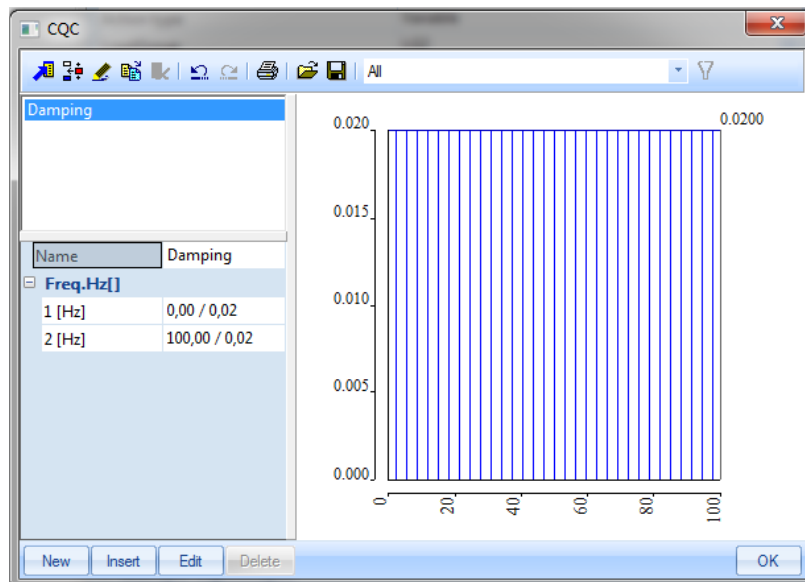
This damping spectrum will be used for the calculation of the **Modal Cross Correlation coefficients** of the **CQC-method** and will also be used to calculate the **Damping Coefficient** for each mode as specified in the previous example.

When the spectrum has been inputted, the **Linear Calculation** can be re-run.

The following results are obtained through the **Calculation protocol** of the **Linear Calculation**:

Mode	Freq. [Hz]	Damp ratio	Damp|coe	Sax [m/s²]	Say [m/s²]	Saz [m/s²]	G(j)	Fx [kN]	Fy [kN]	Mx [kNm]	My [kNm]
1	0.5256	0.0200	1.1952	0.8211	0.0000	0.0000	2.4854	0.8951	0.0000	0.0000	-8.9496
2	3.4418	0.0200	1.1952	5.9589	0.0000	0.0000	0.2291	1.9258	0.0000	0.0000	-5.5680
Level=	0.00							2.12	0.00	0.00	10.54

The results show that for each mode, the **Damping Ratio** is equal to **2%**.

As specified in the theory, the Seismic Spectra of Eurocode 8 have been defined using a Damping Ratio of 5%. Since now another value is used for the damping, the spectrum needs to be corrected using a **Damping Coefficient** η.

Following Eurocode 8 [6], this coefficient is calculated as follows:

$$\eta = \sqrt{\frac{10}{(5+\xi)}} \geq 0,55 \tag{4.13}$$

Where ξ = Damping Ratio expressed in percent

For a default damping ratio of **5%**, η equals unity.

The lower limit of **0,55** for the Damping Coefficient indicates that Damping Ratio's higher than ± **28.06%** have no further influence on the seismic spectrum.
For the exact application of η in the formulas of the seismic design spectra, reference is made to Eurocode 8 [7].

In this example, the damping ratio of 2% causes the following Damping Coefficient:

$$\eta = \sqrt{\frac{10}{(5+2)}} = \mathbf{1,1953}$$

This indicates that the spectral accelerations will be augmented by **20%** due to the fact that less damping is present in the structure. The spectral accelerations of the previous example can thus be multiplied by η:

$$\Rightarrow S_{ax,(1)} = 0,6870\,\frac{m}{s^2} * 1,1953 = 0,8212\,\frac{m}{s^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow S_{ax,(2)} = 4,9856\,\frac{m}{s^2} * 1,1953 = 5,9589\,\frac{m}{s^2}$$

With these new spectral accelerations, the calculation of the Base Shear, Overturning Moment,… can be repeated.

Manual Calculation

In this paragraph, the application of the **CQC-method** is illustrated for the global response of the Base Shear.

- Mode 1: $\omega_{(1)}$ = 3,3027 rad/s $F_{(1)}$ = 0,8951 kN

- Mode 2: $\omega_{(2)}$ = 21,6256 rad/s $F_{(2)}$ = 1,9258 kN

Using a spreadsheet, the Modal Cross Correlation coefficients $\rho_{i,j}$ are calculated with a damping ratio $\xi_{i,j}$ of **2%**.

Mode	1	2
1	1	0,0003065
2	0,0003065	1

$$R_{tot} = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{j=1}^{N} R_i * \rho_{i,j} * R_j}$$

$$= \sqrt{\begin{array}{l} 0,8951\ kN * 1 * \ 0,8951\ kN + 0,8951\ kN * 0,0003065 * \ 1,9258\ kN \\ +1,9258\ kN * 0,0003065 * \ 0,8951\ kN + 1,9258\ kN * 1 * \ 1,9258\ kN \end{array}}$$

$$= 2,12\ kN$$

4.3 Seismic Combinations

There are different possibilities to create load combinations which include also seismic load cases. Since SCIA Engineer 14, there is an optimal possibility available due to some changes in seismic combinations. This is also linked to the following message which is displayed when opening an older project with dynamic functionalities activated in it:
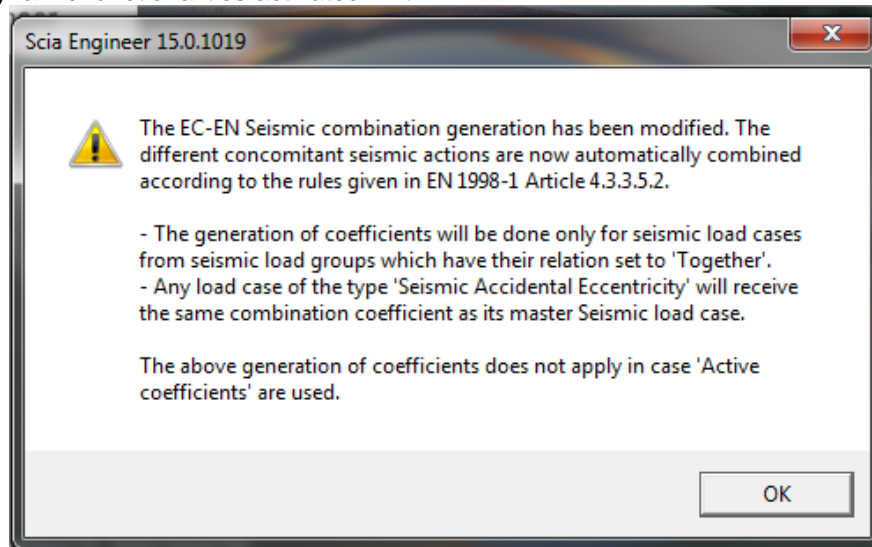
Example 4-4: Spectral_Analysis_4_Combs.esa

First of all, 3 load cases are created.
The general format of effects of actions should be:

$$E_d = E\left\langle G_{k,j}; P; A_{Ed}; \psi_{2,i} Q_{k,i} \right\rangle \text{ j} \geq 1; \text{i} \geq 1$$

The combination of actions in brackets can be expressed as:

$$\sum_{j\geq 1} G_{k,j} "+" P "+" A_{ED} "+" \sum_{i\geq 1} \psi_{2,i} Q_{k,i}$$

Where $E_{d:}$

$$E_{Edx} + 0,3 E_{Edy} + 0,3 E_{Edz}$$

$$0,3 E_{Edx} + E_{Edy} + 0,3 E_{Edz}$$

$$0,3 E_{Edx} + 0,3 E_{Edy} + E_{Edz}$$

So, these load cases include respectively the seismic spectra in the directions X, Y and Z.

For example:
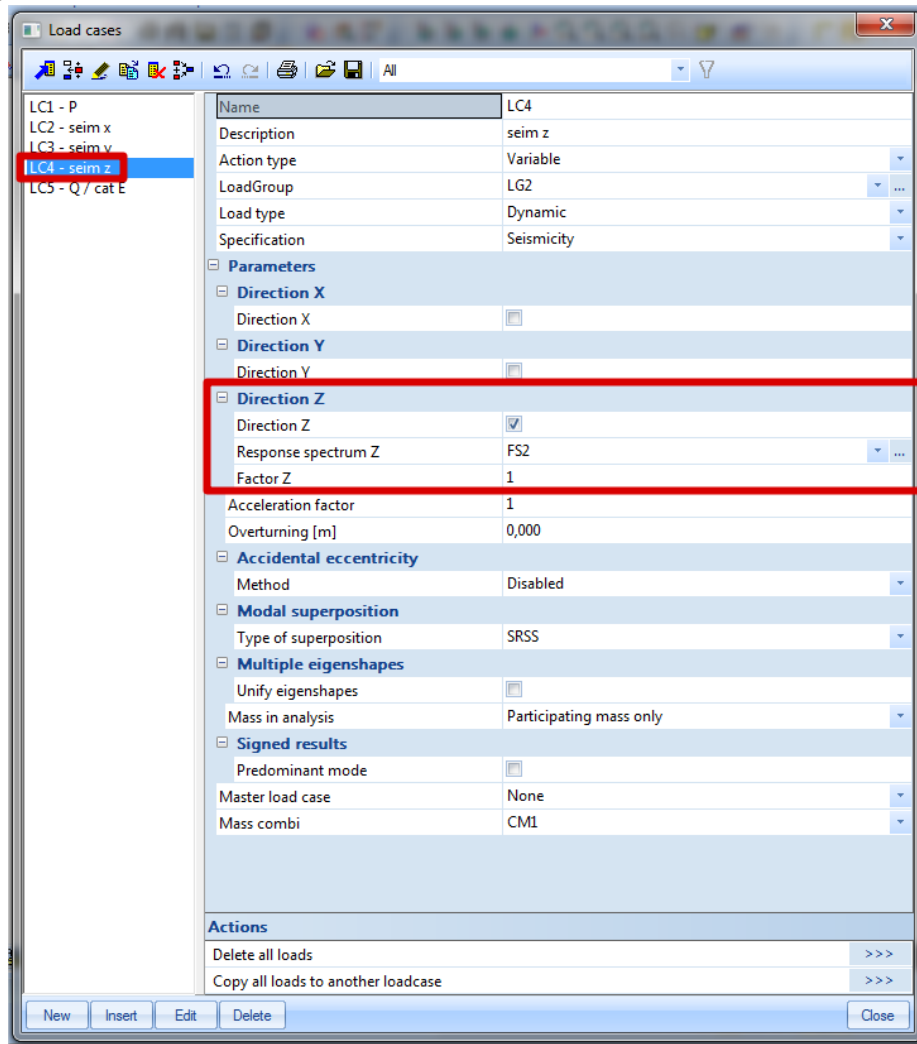
Please note that a different Eurocode must be generated for the vertical direction. In SCIA Engineer, a load case must be made for component of the earthquake in the X-direction, another for the Y-direction, and another for the Z-direction.

Please make sure that the 'factor' just underneath the spectrum is not set to 'zero', since the accelerations in the seismic spectrum will be multiplied with this value.
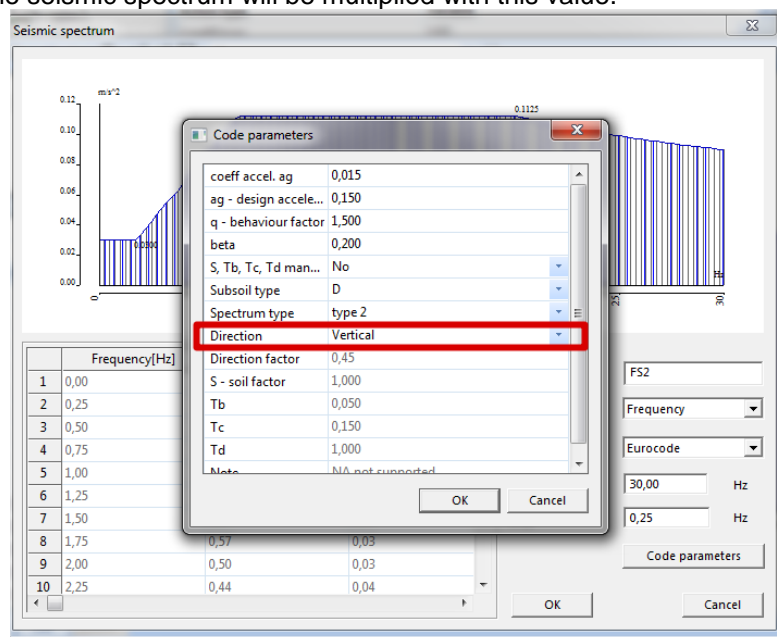
Next, we have to assign a type of load group to the seismic load case.

First of all, the relation between load cases in the same group has to be defined. The three seismic spectra have to appear always in the same combination. So, the option 'together' will be chosen here. Next, the type of load has to be selected: for this, the special type 'seismic' has been implemented.
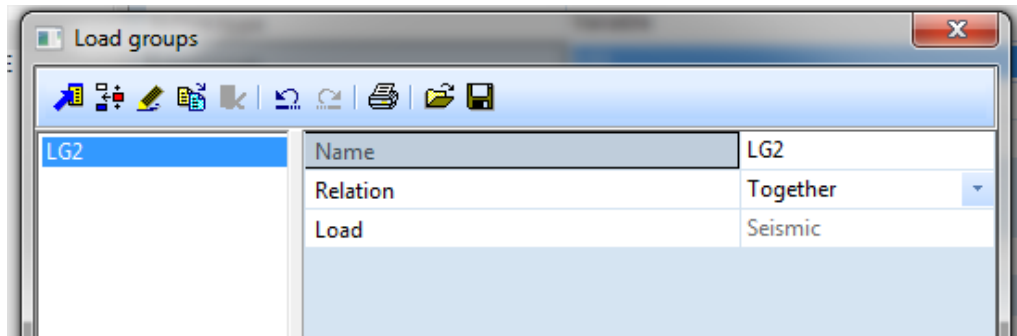
After the creation of seismic load cases, the combinations can be made. For this purpose, a new type of combinations was implemented: namely the Seismic combination according to the EC-EN.
To use this special type of combination, the seismic load cases must have a load group with properties 'seismic' and 'together' assigned to it. Also no active coefficients can be used.
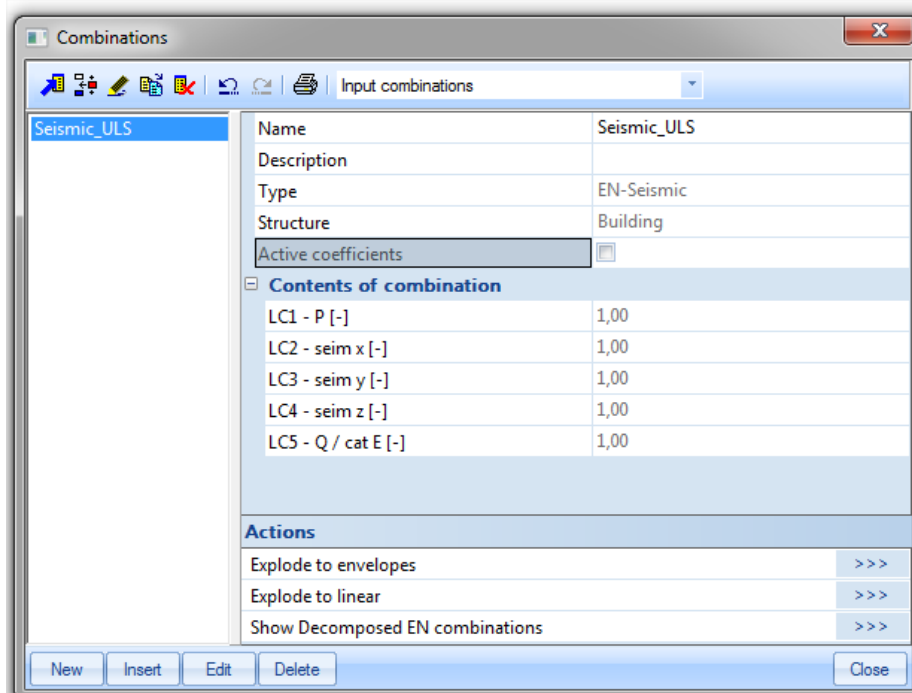
This combination will automatically look at the seismic load cases with both a positive and a negative coefficient, and will automatically make one of the seismic load cases the primary load case and the others secondary load cases.

If we would not yet take into account that the coefficients can be both positive and negative, then an example would be:

$$E_{Edx} + 0,3E_{Edy} + 0,3E_{Edz}$$

$$0,3E_{Edx} + E_{Edy} + 0,3E_{Edz}$$

$$0,3E_{Edx} + 0,3E_{Edy} + E_{Edz}$$

Note:

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*In the case of the EC-EN, we have to make two sets of combinations, one for the **deformations** and one for the **internal forces**. This means that we would have in total 6 EN-Seismic load cases. For internal forces, the load cases have to be introduced as described above. For deformation results, we must create 3 new load cases, which have a **behavior factor q** equal to 1.0.*

If we consider our example with a q factor of 1.5, we would have to copy the existing seismic load cases, and give the new load cases new spectra with a behavior factor q set to 1,0.
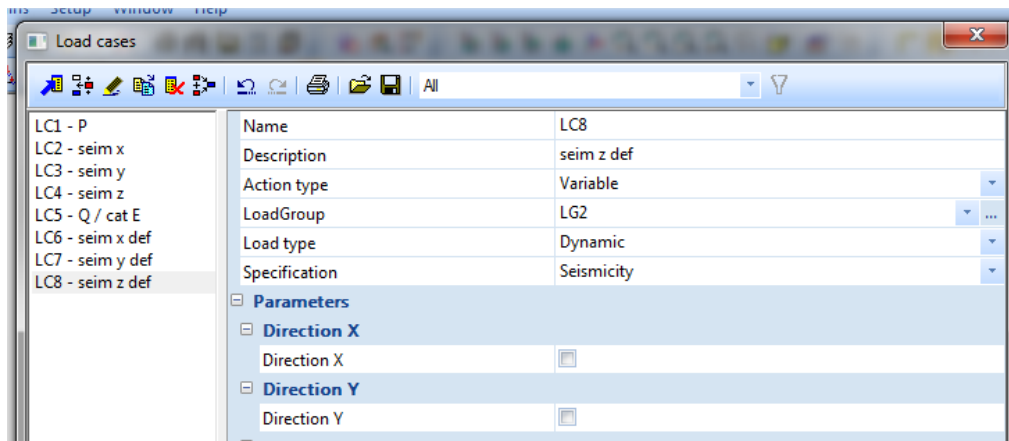
Then all you have to do, is make a new seismic combination with the new load cases.
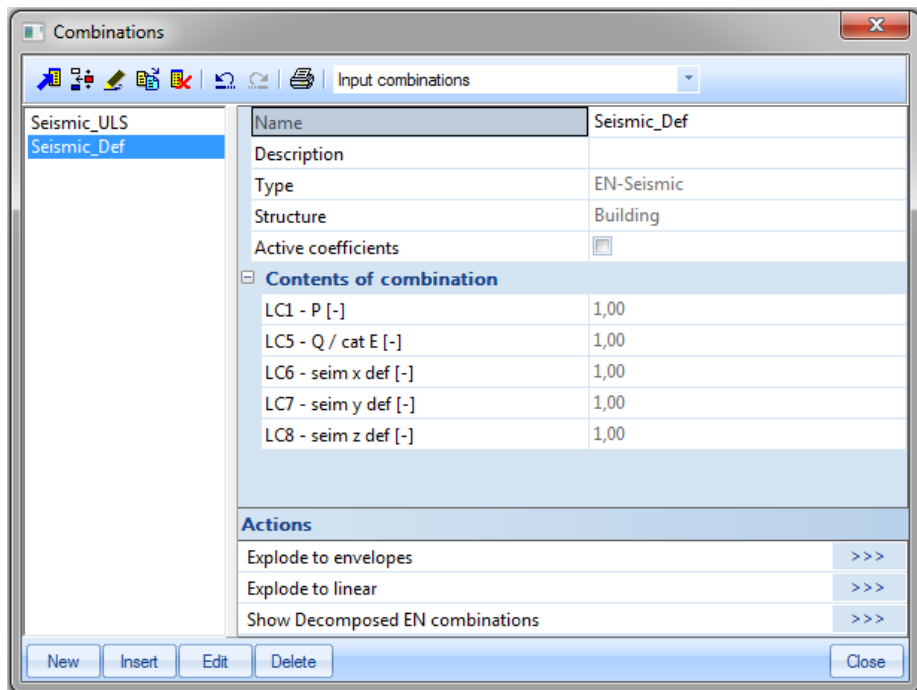
4.4 Mass in Analysis

As mentioned before, the sum of the effective modal masses for the modes taken into account must amount to at least 90%. The user can try to achieve this with the following possibilities:

- Take more natural frequencies into account.

- Assign mass more to nodes/connection instead of beams (to avoid local eigenmodes).

The mass which has not been taken into account (for example, if the effective modal mass is 90%, then there is 10% not taken into account), can be treated in 3 possible different ways in SCIA Engineer:

The used method is set in each seismic load case and is again displayed in the linear calculation protocol. Let's take as example that the effective modal mass in a direction is 90%. Then how can the other 10% be treated?

- **Participation mass only**: In this case, the 10% would be ignored. We would only take into account 90% of the mass of the structure to calculate the effects of an earthquake.

- **Missing mass in modes**: In this case, the missing mass would be divided over the calculated modes. Which means the 10% would be distributed over the eigenmodes which make up for the 90% which we did find. This is done according to their weight. So for the calculation of internal forces and deformations, the masses in the calculated modes would be increased by 100%/90% = 1,111...

- **Residual mode**: In this case, a 'fictual' mode corresponding to the combination of all missing modes can be calculated. But since these missing modes are over different natural frequencies, the last found frequency will also be the natural frequency of this mode. In the calculation, the forces in this mode will be calculated in the same way as in the other modes.

A detailed explanation of these modes by using examples can be found in Annex D.

4.5 Modal superposition

The response spectrum method uses a modal superposition of the relevant eigenmodes of the structure. The methods which are used for modal superposition are the ones described at the beginning of the chapter: SRSS or CQC.

These methods have the advantage of very easily providing design values of all results (displacements, internal forces…) but only part of the information is available:

- min and max values of any result can be determined

- the actual sign of a result cannot be defined

- the concomitance of separate results cannot be defined

The loss of concomitance and sign of results is an issue typically when computing resulting forces in shear walls: it is not possible to compute a resultant from internal forces after modal superposition, as typically all raw results are positive.
Computing resultant forces in one of those shear walls would typically give near-zero moments and extremely overestimated axial forces.

In SCIA Engineer 2013 and higher, an automatic method can be used since using signed results (described below) is only a workaround to obtain usable resulting forces.

The rigorous method for computation of resultants in the context of the response spectrum method can be summarized as follows:

- compute the local internal forces for each eigenmode

- compute the resultant force for each eigenmode separately

- apply the modal superposition to the obtained modal resultant values

When proceeding so, no result signature is necessary to obtain correct values of resulting forces. Moreover there are cases where the method described in the previous paragraph gives overestimated results of most result components and can therefore only be seen as an approximation. The method described here is clearly more accurate.

Since version 2013, this option is enabled by default for new projects in SCIA Engineer. For old projects, you have to open the Solver > Setup and activate it:
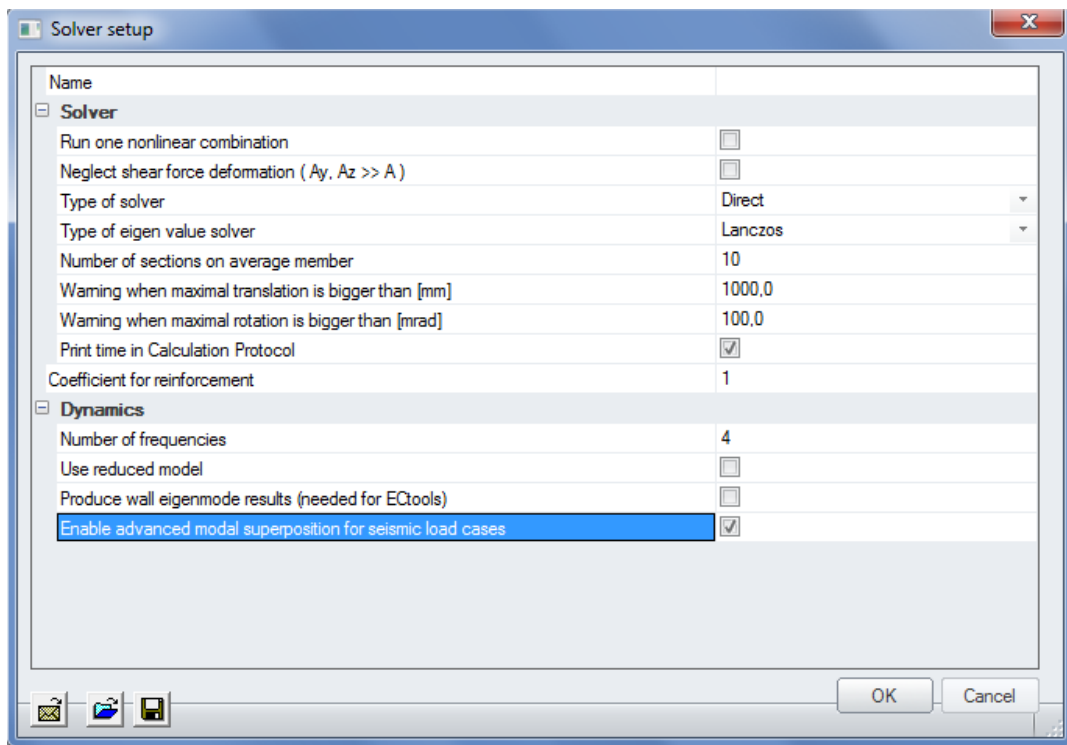
To obtain usable values of resulting forces, a possibility is the so-called "signed results" method.
It consists of applying some signature scheme to raw results of the modal superposition. A classical approach uses the sign of the most significant eigenmode.

It is however very important to know that this method will only give good result if there is 1 and only 1 eigenmode of great importance in that respective direction (compared to the other eigenmodes).
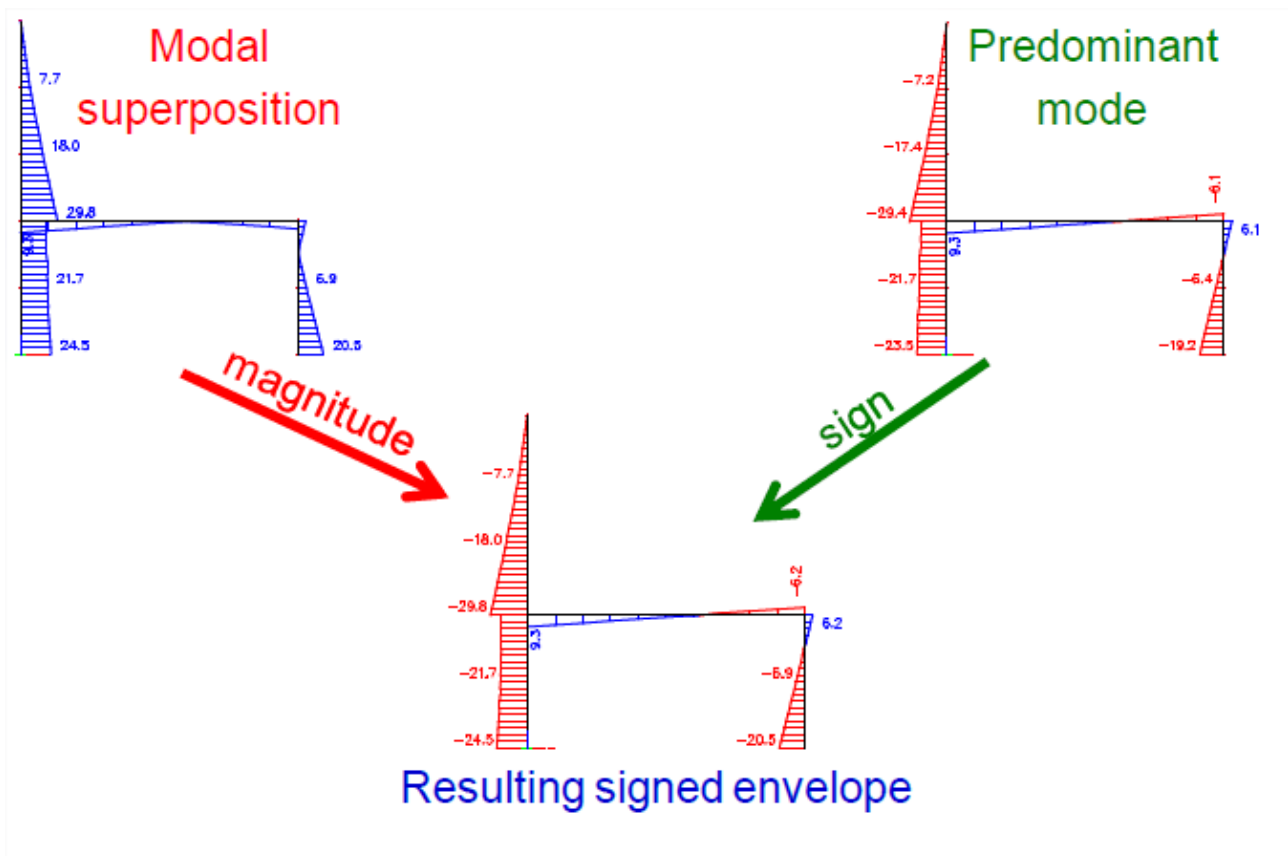
Applying this to shear walls, it is possible to "sign" the internal forces, making them suitable for computation of resulting forces.

You can sign results in SCIA Engineer by selecting a signature mode manually or a default mode determined by the program. If the Automatic is chosen, the mode shape with the biggest mass participation is used (sum of direction X, Y and Z):
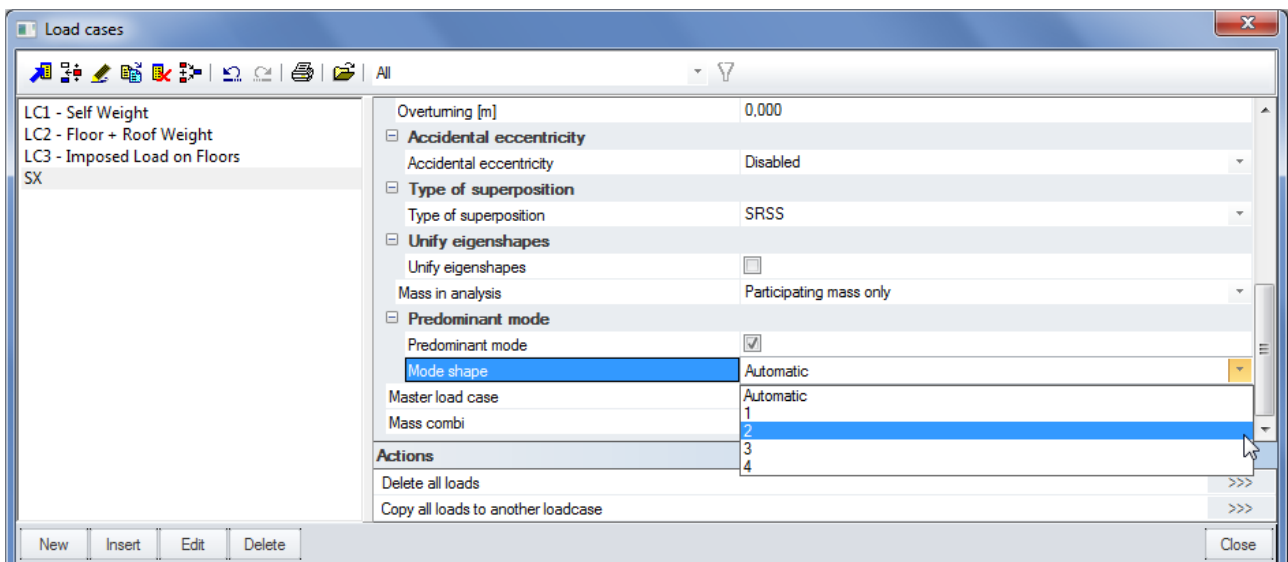
5. Damping

In the previous chapters, the influence of damping on the dynamic response of a structure was shown. Especially in the vicinity of resonance the effect of damping was significant.
In this chapter, damping will be looked upon in more detail. First the theory will be explained after which the input of non-uniform damping in SCIA Engineer is regarded.
By means of the examples of the previous chapter, the influence of damping on the seismic response is illustrated. The chapter is finished with a 3D structure, which takes into account material damping of the different elements.

5.1 Theory

Damping can have different causes. The component that is always present is structural damping. Structural damping is caused by hysteresis in the material: the transfer of small amounts of energy into warmth for each vibration cycle possibly increased by friction between internal parts.
Other causes can be the foundation soil of the building and aerodynamic damping due to the diversion of energy by the air [22]. In many cases, damping is increased by adding artificial dampers to the structure.

In the same way as for the previous chapters, first the theory is examined. A complete overview can be found in reference [1].

Consider the following damped free-vibrating system:
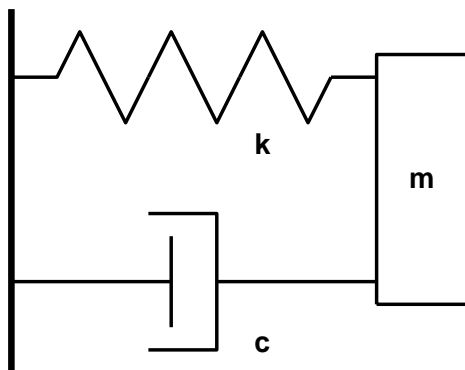
A body of mass **m** can move in one direction. A spring of constant stiffness **k**, which is fixed at one end, is attached at the other end to the body. The mass is also subjected to damping with a damping capacity **c**.

The **equation of motion**, using matrix notations can be written as:

$$M \cdot \ddot{x}(t) \;+\; C \cdot \dot{x}(t) \;+\; K \cdot x(t) \;=\; 0 \tag{5.1}$$

A **possible solution** to this equation is one of the type:

$$x \;=\; A \cdot e^{st} \tag{5.2}$$

Substituting (5.2) in (5.1) gives:

$$M \cdot s^2 \cdot A \cdot e^{st} \;+\; C \cdot s \cdot A \cdot e^{st} \;+\; K \cdot A \cdot e^{st} \;=\; 0 \tag{5.3}$$

This equation can be rewritten as:

$$s^2 \;+\; 2 \cdot n \cdot s \;+\; \omega_n^2 \;=\; 0 \tag{5.4}$$

$$\text{With:} \quad n \;=\; \frac{C}{2M} \tag{5.5}$$

$$\omega_n \;=\; \sqrt{\frac{K}{M}} \tag{5.6}$$

The possible solutions for equation (5.4) are:

$$s \;=\; -n \;\pm\; \sqrt{n^2 - \omega_n^2} \tag{5.7}$$

It is clear that the response of the system depends on the numerical value of the radical. Therefore the following three possibilities need to be examined:

$$n \;=\; \omega_n$$
$$n \;<\; \omega_n \tag{5.8}$$
$$n \;>\; \omega_n$$

These can be rewritten as:

$$C \;=\; 2 \cdot \sqrt{K \cdot M}$$
$$C \;<\; 2 \cdot \sqrt{K \cdot M} \tag{5.9}$$
$$C \;>\; 2 \cdot \sqrt{K \cdot M}$$

The condition $C \;=\; 2 \cdot \sqrt{K \cdot M} \;=\; C_c$ is called *critical damping*. In this case, the displaced body is restored to equilibrium in the shortest possible time, without oscillation.

The ratio $\xi = \dfrac{C}{C_c}$ is called the **damping ratio** or the **relative damping**.

Therefore, when assuming $n = \xi \cdot \omega_n$, equation (5.5) can be written as:

$$C \;=\; 2 \cdot \xi \cdot \omega_n \cdot M \tag{5.10}$$

The three possibilities of equation (5.8) can then be rewritten as:

$$\xi \;=\; 1$$
$$\xi \;<\; 1 \tag{5.11}$$
$$\xi \;>\; 1$$

When looking at the conditions $\xi \;=\; 1$ and $\xi \;>\; 1$, it can be shown that there is no harmonic solution. Only the condition $\xi \;<\; 1$ gives a harmonic solution.

Introducing the **damped circular frequency** $\omega_D \;=\; \omega_n \cdot \sqrt{1 - \xi^2}$, the solution to equation (5.1) can be written as:

$$x \;=\; e^{-\xi \omega_n t} \left\{ A \cdot \cos(\omega_D t) + B \cdot \sin(\omega_D t) \right\} \tag{5.12}$$

In chapter 2 this vibration equation was illustrated by the following figure:
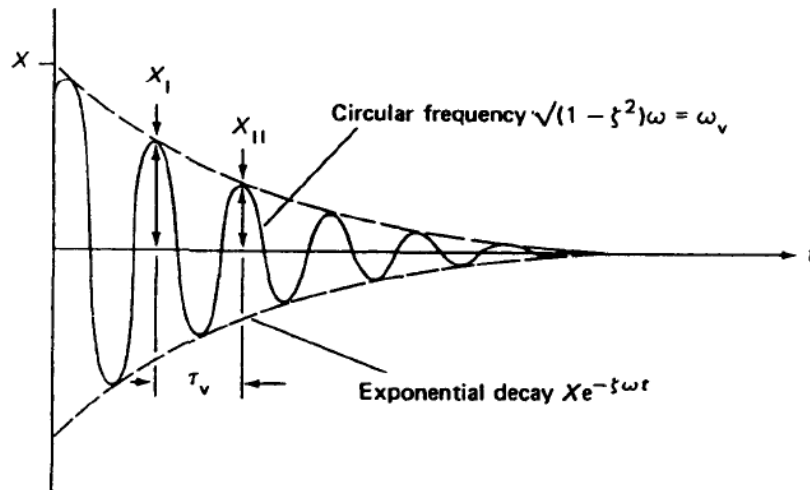
A convenient way to determine the damping in a system was shown to be the **logarithmic decrement** Λ, which is the natural logarithm of the ratio of any two successive amplitudes in the same direction.

$$\Lambda = \ln \frac{X_1}{X_{11}} = \frac{2\pi\xi}{\sqrt{1-\xi^2}} \qquad (5.13)$$

Note:

As shown above, the circular frequency is reduced by the damping action to obtain the damped circular frequency. However, in many systems this reduction is likely to be small because very small values of ξ are common; for example, in most engineering structures ξ is rarely greater than 0,02. Even if $\xi = 0,2$; $\omega_D = 0,98\omega_n$

Annex B gives some references for numerical values of the damping ratio.

5.2 Damping in SCIA Engineer

In SCIA Engineer, damping can be specified on 1D elements, 2D elements and supports. The damping of each of these elements (or substructures) will be used to calculate a modal damping ratio for the whole structure for each Eigenmode. In the literature this is described as **Composite Damping**. Composite damping is used in partly bolted, partly welded steel constructions, mixed steel-concrete structures, constructions on subsoil, ...

For structural systems that consist of substructures with different damping properties, the composite damping matrix C can be obtained by an appropriate superposition of damping matrices C_i for the individual substructures:

$$C \;=\; \sum_{i=1}^{N} C_i \qquad (5.14)$$

With: C_i = The damping matrix for the ith substructure in the global coordinate system.
N = The number of substructures being assembled.

Proportional Damping (Rayleigh Damping)

A way of describing the damping is assuming that the damping matrix is formed by a linear combination of the mass and stiffness matrices.

$$C_i \;=\; \alpha_i \cdot M_i \;+\; \beta_i \cdot K_i \qquad (5.15)$$

With: α_i and β_i = Proportional damping coefficients for the ith part of the structure.
M_i = Mass matrix for the ith part of the structure in the global coordinate system.

K_i = Stiffness matrix for the ith part of the structure in the global coordinate system.

Formulas for these proportional damping coefficients can be found in reference [19].
Examples can be found in reference [20].

Stiffness-Weighted Damping

For structures or structural systems that consist of major substructures or components with different damping characteristics, composite modal damping values can be calculated using the elastic energy of the structure [8], [21]:

$$\xi_j \quad = \quad \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N} \xi_i \cdot E_i}{E} \tag{5.16}$$

With: $\quad \xi_j$ = Damping ratio of the considered eigenmode.

E = Elastic energy of the structure, associated with the modal displacement of the considered eigenmode.

N = The number of all substructures.

ξ_i = Damping ratio for the ith substructure.

E_i = Elastic energy for the ith substructure, associated with the modal displacement of the considered eigenmode.

Equation (5.16) can be rewritten in the following way [19]:

$$\xi_j \quad = \quad \frac{\Phi_j^T \cdot \left[\sum_{i=1}^{N} [\xi K]_i \right] \cdot \Phi_j}{\omega_j^2} \tag{5.17}$$

With: $\quad [\xi K]_i$ = Stiffness matrix for the ith substructure in the global coordinate system, scaled by the modal damping ratio of the ith substructure.

Note:

*This formula may be used as long as the resulting damping values are less than **20%** of critical. If values in excess of 20% are computed, further justification is required.*

As specified, in SCIA Engineer on each element a damping ratio can be inputted. For this ratio, also the damping of the material can be used from which the element is manufactured.

When no damping ratio is inputted on an element, a default value will be used since all elements need a damping ratio before the above formulas can be applied. The input of this default will be shown in the examples.
Analogous to the input of other objects in SCIA Engineer, **Damping** on elements will be grouped in a **Damping Group**. In turn, this Group can be assigned to a **Combination of Mass Groups**.

Support Damping

Additional to the damping of 1D and 2D elements, SCIA ENGINEER allows the input of a damper on a flexible nodal support. The modal damping ratio ξ_j is calculated by the following formula:

$$\xi_j \quad = \quad Alpha \cdot \frac{\Phi_{s,j}^T \cdot \left[\sum_s C_s \right] \cdot \Phi_{s,j}}{4 \cdot \omega_j} \tag{5.18}$$

With: $\quad \omega_j$ = The circular frequency of mode j

$\Phi_{s,j}$ = The modal displacement in support node s for mode j

C_s = The damping constant for the support

Alpha = A user defined parameter (> 0)

The total modal damping ratio can then be calculated as the summation of equations (5.17) and (5.18). As specified, on all 1D and 2D elements a damping ratio has to be defined. This is not the case with supports, not every support needs to have a damping value.

The following diagram shows how non-proportional damping is inputted in SCIA Engineer:

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│                                 - Non-Proportional Damping│
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              │  Create a Damping Group   │
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                  ┌──────────────────┐
                  │  Input Dampers    │
                  └──────────────────┘
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      ┌────────────────────────────────────────────────┐
      │ Assign the Damping Group to a Mass Combination  │
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        │ Proceed with the steps of the previous chapters│
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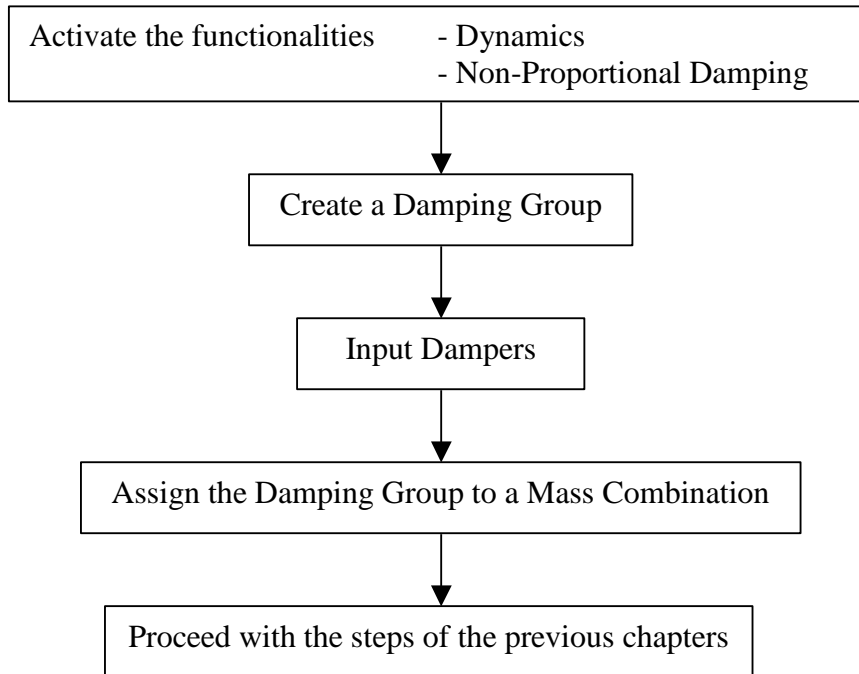
The use of dampers and the calculation of the composite damping ratio will be illustrated in the following examples.

Example 5-1: Damping_1.esa

In this example, the principle of stiffness-weighted damping is illustrated.
A concrete frame is modeled in which the beam is assumed to be rigid. In this case, only the columns take part in the horizontal stiffness of the frame.
The left column has a **Rectangular 500 x 500** section, the right column a **Rectangular 350 x 350** section. The column bases are modeled as rigid. To model the rigid beam, a **Rectangular 500000 x 500000** section is used. To make sure this beam acts as rigid, in the nodes between the columns and the beam, supports are inputted which have a fixed **Translation Z** and **Rotation Ry**. The height of the columns and the length of the beam are taken as **5m**. All elements are manufactured in **C30/37** according to **EC-EN**.
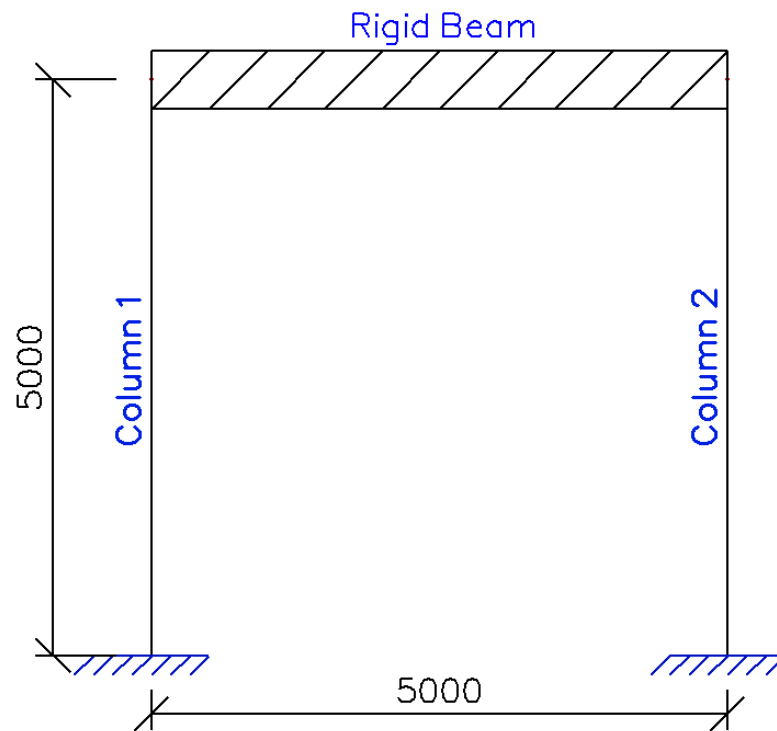
The beam is loaded by a line mass of **500 kg/m**. The left column has a damping ratio of **12%**, the right column a damping ratio of **3%**.

One static load case is created: the **self-weight** of the beam. However, in order not to take the self-weight into account for the dynamic calculation, the volumetric mass of **C30/37** can be set to **1e-10 kg/m³** in the **Material** Library. This low value is chosen to avoid any influence by the rigid beam.

The steps of the Free Vibration calculation are followed and extended with the input of damping.

Step 1: Functionality

The first step in the Dynamic calculation is to activate the functionalities **Dynamics** and **Non-Proportional Damping** on the **Functionality** tab in the **Project Data**.
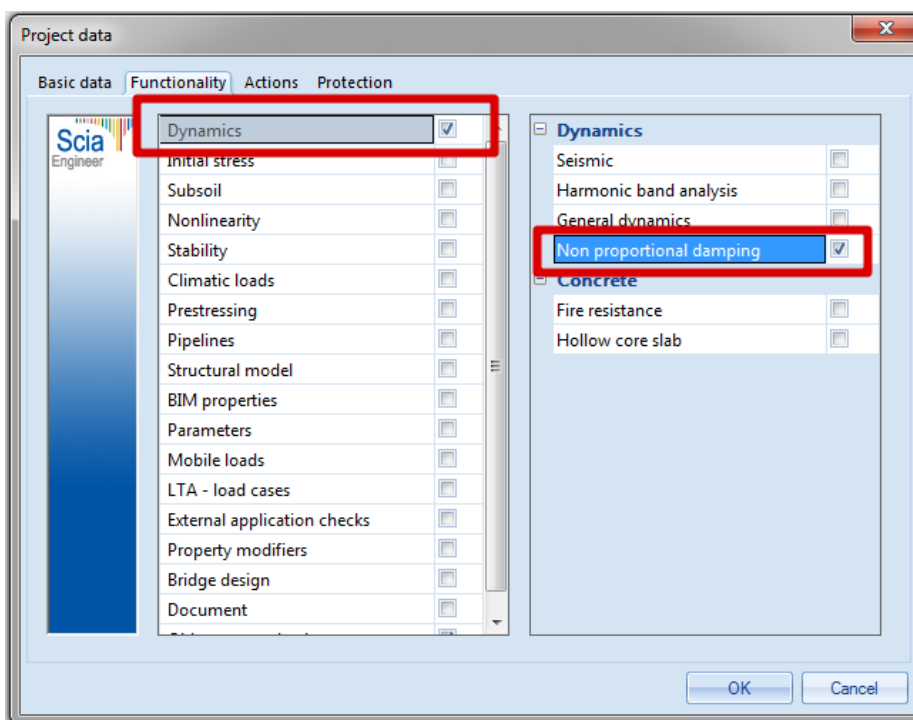
Step 2: Mass group and masses

A **Mass Group** is created after which the line mass of **500 kg/m** can be inputted on the rigid beam.
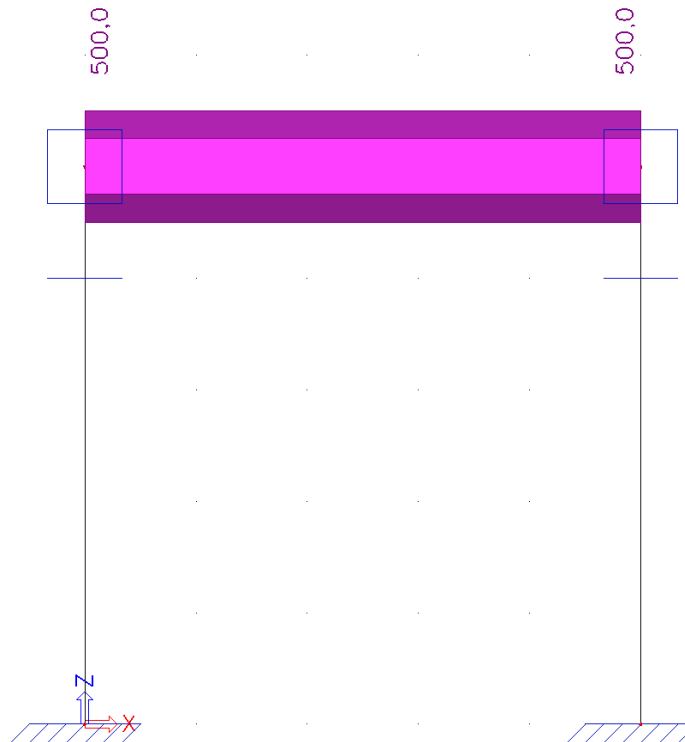
Step 3: Damping

Before creating a **Combination of Mass Groups**, the dampers are inputted.

First of all, a **Damping Group** is created.
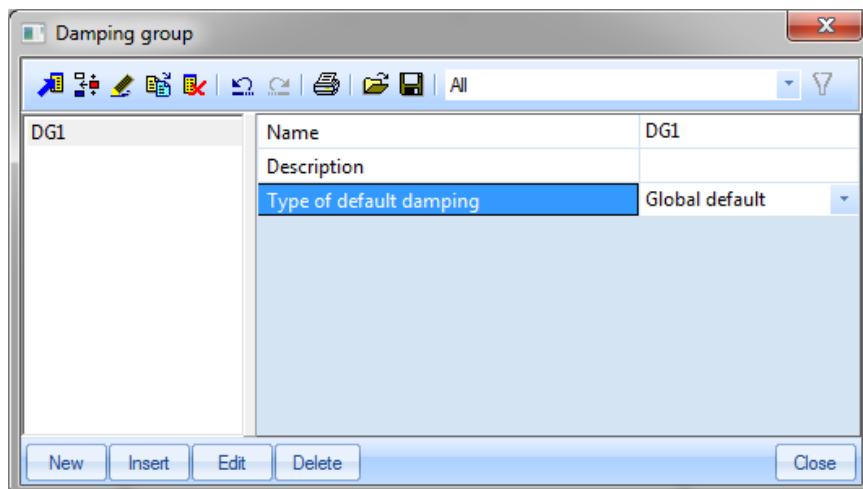
As specified in the theory, on each element a damping ratio needs to be inputted. When no damper is specified, a default value will be taken. In the properties of the **Damping Group**, this default can be set as either:

- *Global default*: The logarithmic decrement specified in the **Damper Setup** will be used
- *Material default*: The logarithmic decrement of the material will be used

In this example, the *Global default* is chosen.

After the creation of a **Damping Group**, **Dampers** can be inputted. In this example, **1D Damping** shall be inputted on the columns. The damping can be inputted in the following ways, which have been explained in the theory:
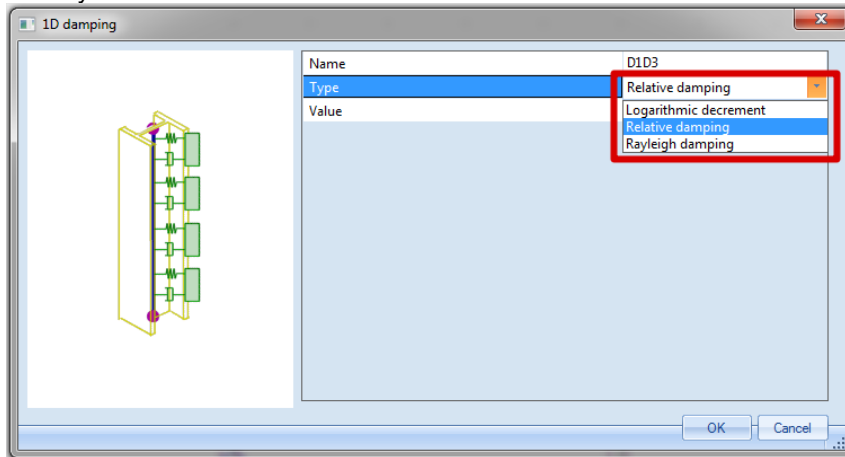
On the left column, a **Relative damping** of **0,12** is inputted, on the right column a **Relative damping** of **0,03**.
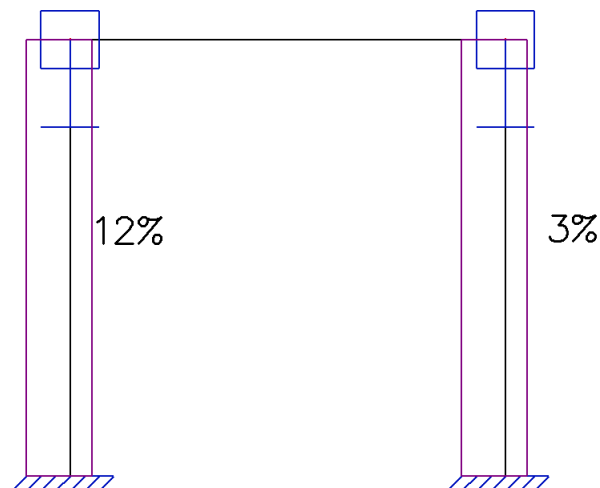
As a final step, the general parameters can be checked through **Damper Setup**:
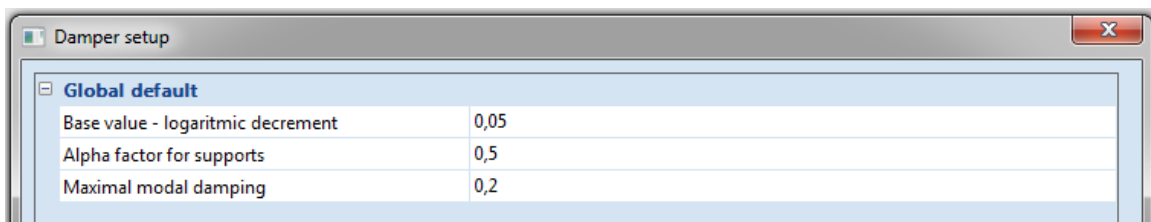
The *Base value* specifies the default value when a Damping Group of type Global default is chosen and no damper is inputted on an element.

The *Alpha factor* is used in the damping calculation for supports as specified in the theory.

When the composite modal damping ratio is calculated, the value is checked with the *Maximal modal damping* value inputted here. If the calculated value is higher than the maximal value, the maximal value is used. In this example, the maximal value is set to **0,2** in accordance with the remark for formula (5.17)

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Step 4: Mass matrix
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A **Combination of Mass Groups** can now be created and the **Damping Group** can be specified.
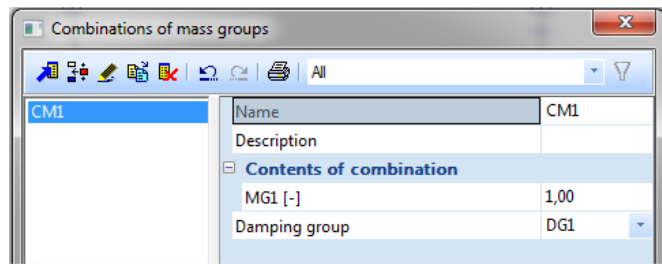

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Step 5: Mesh setup
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To obtain precise results for the dynamic calculation, the Finite Element Mesh is refined.
This can be done through **Calculation, Mesh** > **Mesh Setup**.
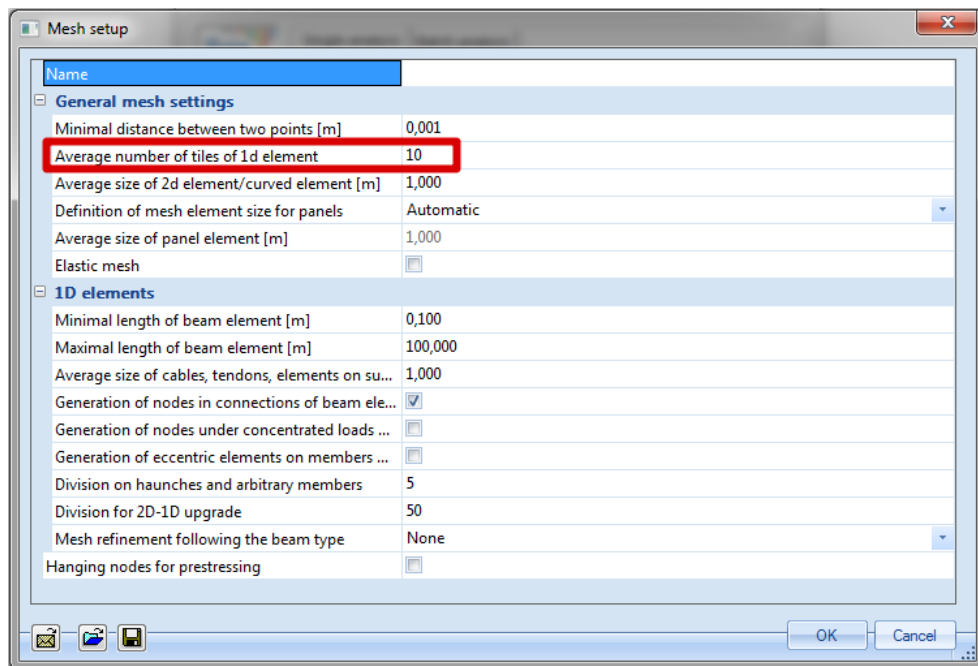
The **Average number of tiles of 1D element** is set to **10**.

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Step 6: Solver setup
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The last step before launching the calculation is setting the amount of eigenmodes to be calculated.
For this example, only one eigenmode is required so in **Calculation, Mesh** > **Solver Setup** the
number of frequencies is set to **1**.
To compare the results with a manual calculation, the **shear force deformation** is neglected.
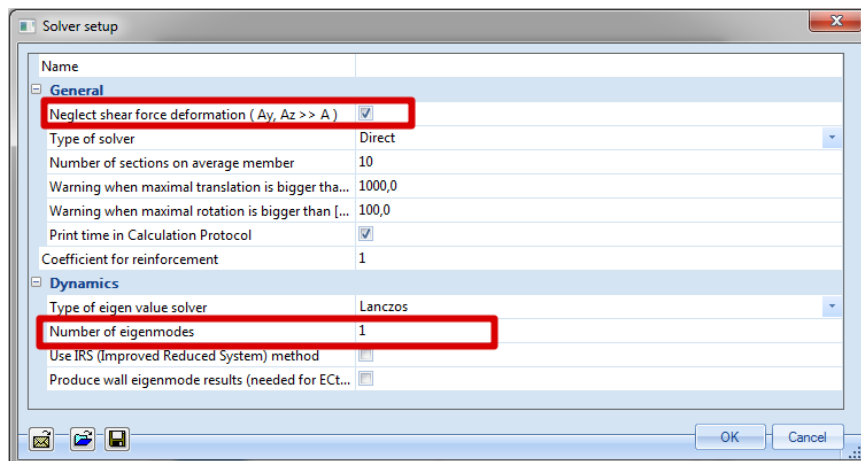
Step 7: Calculation

All steps have been executed so the **Free Vibration** calculation can be started through **Calculation, Mesh > Calculation.**

The following results are obtained through the **Calculation Protocol** for the **Eigen Frequency** calculation:

Sum of masses

[kg]	X	Y	Z
Combination of mass groups 1	2500.00	0.00	2250.00

Modal participation factors

Mode	Omega [rad/s]	Period [s]	Freq. [Hz]	Wxi / Wxtot	Wyi / Wytot	Wzi / Wztot	Wxi_R / Wxtot_R	Wyi_R / Wytot_R	Wzi_R / Spectral	Damp ratio
1	89.0865	0.0705	14.1786	1.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.1026
				1.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	

The calculated modal damping ratio is shown to be **0,1026** or **10,26%**.

Manual Calculation
In order to check the results of SCIA Engineer, a manual calculation is performed.
First, the calculated eigen frequency is checked using formula (2.3)
In this example, the two columns can be treated as fixed-fixed beams. Using default engineering tables [12], each column contributes the following stiffness to the frame:

$$k = \frac{12EI}{L^3} \qquad (5.19)$$

With: Column 1:
E = 32000 N/mm²
I = 5208300000 mm⁴
L = 5000 mm
Column 2:
E = 32000 N/mm²
I = 1250500000 mm⁴
L = 5000 mm

$$\Rightarrow k_1 = \frac{12 \cdot 32000 \, N/mm^2 \cdot 5208300000 \, mm^4}{(5000 \, mm)^3} = 15999,8976 \, N/mm$$

$$\Rightarrow k_2 = \frac{12 \cdot 32000 \, N/mm^2 \cdot 1250500000 \, mm^4}{(5000 \, mm)^3} = 3841,536 \, N/mm$$

Both columns act in parallel since each column will displace the same amount due to the fact the beam is rigid. The beam itself does not bend so it does not contribute to the stiffness.

$$\Rightarrow k_{tot} = k_1 + k_2 = 15999,8976 \, N/mm + 3841,536 \, N/mm = 19841,4336 \, N/mm$$

The vibrating mass is calculated as:

$$500 \, kg/m \cdot 5m = 2500 kg$$

$$\Rightarrow \omega \quad = \quad \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} = \sqrt{\frac{19841433,6 \, N/m}{2500 \, kg}} = 89,087 \, rad/s$$

$$\Rightarrow f \quad = \quad \frac{\omega}{2\pi} = \textbf{14,1787 Hz}$$

These results correspond exactly to the results obtained by SCIA Engineer.

Next, the stiffness-weighted damping ratio is calculated. The first column has a damping ratio of **12%**, the second column a damping ratio of **3%**.
Using the elastic energy principle of formula (5.16) the modal damping ratio can be calculated as follows:

$$\xi = \frac{\xi_1 \cdot k_1 + \xi_2 \cdot k_2}{k_{tot}} = \frac{0,12 \cdot 15999,8976 \, N/mm + 0,03 \cdot 3841,536 \, N/mm}{19841,4336 \, N/mm}$$

$$= 0,1026 = \textbf{10,26\%}$$

This result corresponds exactly to the result obtained by SCIA Engineer.
The modal damping ratio can now be used to calculate the Damping Coefficient in a seismic calculation. This will be illustrated in the following examples.

Example 5-2: Damping_2.esa

In this example, non-proportional damping is accounted for in a seismic calculation using the SRSS modal combination method. To this end, the example **Spectral_Analysis_2**.**esa** from the previous chapter is extended with dampers.

More specifically, a relative damping of **12%**, **3%** and **8%** is inputted on the three columns starting from the base of the structure.

Step 1: Functionality

The first step to take into account the damping is to activate the functionality **Non-Proportional Damping** on the **Functionality** tab in the **Project Data**.

Step 2: Damping group

The second step is the creation of a **Damping Group**.

Since a damper will be inputted on all elements, the choice of the default damping type is not relevant.

Step 3: Dampers

After the creation of a **Damping Group**, **Dampers** can be inputted. A relative damping of **12%**, **3%** and **8%** is inputted on the three columns starting from the base of the structure:

Step 4: Mass matrix
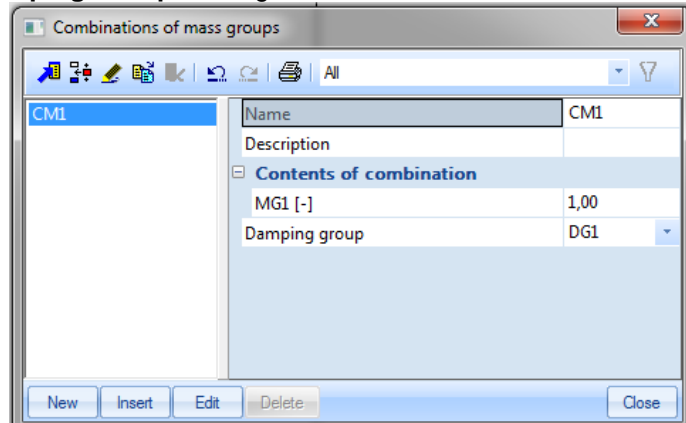
As a final step, the **Damping Group** is assigned to the **Mass Combination**:

The non-proportional damping has now been inputted so the **Linear Calculation** can be re-done to see the Seismic results.
The following results are obtained through the **Calculation protocol** of the **Linear Calculation**:

Mode	Freq. [Hz]	Damp ratio	Damp|coe	Sax [m/s²]	Say [m/s²]	Saz [m/s²]	G(j)	Fx [kN]	Fy [kN]	Mx [kNm]	My [kNm]
1	0.5253	0.0996	0.8176	0.1651	0.0000	0.0000	0.5003	0.1800	0.0000	0.0000	-1.7994
2	3.4249	0.0711	0.9085	0.3979	0.0000	0.0000	0.0155	0.1288	0.0000	0.0000	-0.3716
Level=	0.00							0.22	0.00	0.00	1.84

For both eigenmodes the Composite Modal **Damping Ratio** is calculated using equation (5.17). As specified in the previous chapter, this Damping Ratio will be used to calculate the **Damping Coefficient**, which influences the spectral accelerations. Using equation (4.13):

$$\eta_1 = \sqrt{\frac{10}{(5+9,96)}} = 0,8176$$

$$\eta_2 = \sqrt{\frac{10}{(5+7,11)}} = 0,9087$$

As expected, since the modal damping ratios are higher than the default 5% used in the acceleration spectrum, they will have a positive effect thus lowering the response of the structure.
More specifically, for the first eigenmode only **81,7%** of the spectral acceleration will be taken into account and for the second eigenmode **90,8%**.

The spectral accelerations of the original example without damping can thus be multiplied by η:

$$\Rightarrow S_{ax,(1)} = 0,2019 \, m\!/\!s^2 \cdot 0,8176 = 0,1651 \, m\!/\!s^2$$

$$\Rightarrow S_{ax,(2)} = 0,4380 \, m\!/\!s^2 \cdot 0,9087 = 0,3980 \, m\!/\!s^2$$

These adapted spectral accelerations will thus influence the mode coefficients, the base shear, the overturning moment, the nodal displacements and accelerations,…

Example 5-3: Damping_3.esa

In this example, non-proportional damping is accounted for in a seismic calculation using the CQC modal combination method. To this end, the example **Spectral_Analysis_3.esa** from the previous chapter is extended with dampers.

More specifically, a relative damping of **2%**, **5%** and **2%** is inputted on the three columns starting from the base of the structure.

As seen in the theory and the original example, the CQC method required the definition of a **Damping Spectrum**. This damping spectrum was used for the calculation of the **Modal Cross Correlation Coefficients** and to calculate the **Damping Coefficient** for each mode.

When however Non-Proportional Damping is used, the calculated Composite Modal Damping Ratios are used *instead* of the data of the Damping Spectrum. This is illustrated in this example.

Step 1: Functionality

The first step to take into account the damping is to activate the functionality **Non-Proportional Damping** on the **Functionality** tab in the **Project Data**.

Step 2: Damping group

The second step is the creation of a **Damping Group**.

Since a damper will be inputted on all elements, the choice of the default damping type is not relevant.

Step 3: Dampers

After the creation of a **Damping Group**, **Dampers** can be inputted. A relative damping of **2%**, **5%** and **2%** is inputted on the three columns starting from the base of the structure:

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Step 4: Mass matrix

As a final step, the **Damping Group** is assigned to the **Mass Combination**:

The non-proportional damping has now been inputted so the **Linear Calculation** can be re-done to see the Seismic results.
The following results are obtained through the **Calculation protocol** of the **Linear Calculation**:

Mode	Freq. [Hz]	Damp ratio	Damp|coe	Sax [m/s²]	Say [m/s²]	Saz [m/s²]	G(j)	Fx [kN]	Fy [kN]	Mx [kNm]	My [kNm]
1	0.5253	0.0265	1.1432	0.2308	0.0000	0.0000	0.6995	0.2517	0.0000	0.0000	-2.5160
2	3.4249	0.0330	1.0980	0.4809	0.0000	0.0000	0.0187	0.1556	0.0000	0.0000	-0.4491
Level=	0.00							0.30	0.00	0.00	2.56

In the original example, a Damping Spectrum with a constant damping ratio of **2%** was used. Due to the inputted dampers, the calculated Composite Modal Damping Ratios of **2,64%** and **3,30%** are now used.
Using equation (4.13) the **Damping Coefficients** can be calculated:

$$\eta_1 = \sqrt{\frac{10}{(5+2,65)}} = 1,1432$$

$$\eta_2 = \sqrt{\frac{10}{(5+3,30)}} = 1,0976$$

As was the case in the original example, the damping ratios are lower than the default 5% used in the acceleration spectrum, they will have a negative effect thus augmenting the response of the structure. Since the calculated damping ratios are higher than the original 2%, the response will be less when compared to the original example.
Second, the calculated Composite Modal Damping Ratios will be used for the calculation of the **Modal Cross Correlation Coefficients** of the **CQC-method**.
This will be illustrated in a manual calculation.

Manual Calculation
In this paragraph, the application of the **CQC-method** using the calculated Composite Modal Damping Ratios is illustrated for the global response of the Base Shear.

Mode 1: $\omega_{(1)}$ = 3,3007 rad/s $F_{(1)}$ = 0,2701 kN

Mode 2: $\omega_{(2)}$ = 21,5192 rad/s $F_{(2)}$ = 0,1629 kN

Using a spreadsheet, the Modal Cross Correlation Coefficients $\rho_{i,j}$ are calculated with a damping ratio $\xi_{i,j}$ of **2,64%** for the first eigenmode and **3,30%** for the second eigenmode.

Mode	1	2
1	1	0,00055202
2	0,00055202	1

$$
\begin{aligned}
R_{tot} &= \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{N}\sum_{j=1}^{N} R_{(i)} \cdot \rho_{i,j} \cdot R_{(j)}} \\
&= \sqrt{\begin{array}{l} 0,2701kN \cdot 1 \cdot 0,2701kN + 0,2701kN \cdot 0,00055202 \cdot 0,1629kN \\ + 0,1629kN \cdot 0,00055202 \cdot 0,2701kN + 0,1629kN \cdot 1 \cdot 0,1875kN \end{array}} \\
&= 0,315kN
\end{aligned}
$$

The difference between these Correlation Coefficients and the original is very small which was to be expected since the calculated damping ratios are close to the original 2%.

Example 5-4: Damping_4.esa

In this example, a seismic analysis is carried out on a storage depot. The layout of the structure is given in the pictures below. The depot is constructed with steel members manufactured of **S235** according to **EC-EN**. On the upper roof, a steel shell is used with thickness **20 mm**.
On each floor level, concrete slabs are used with thickness **200 mm**. The slabs are manufactured in **C25/30** according to **EC-EN**.
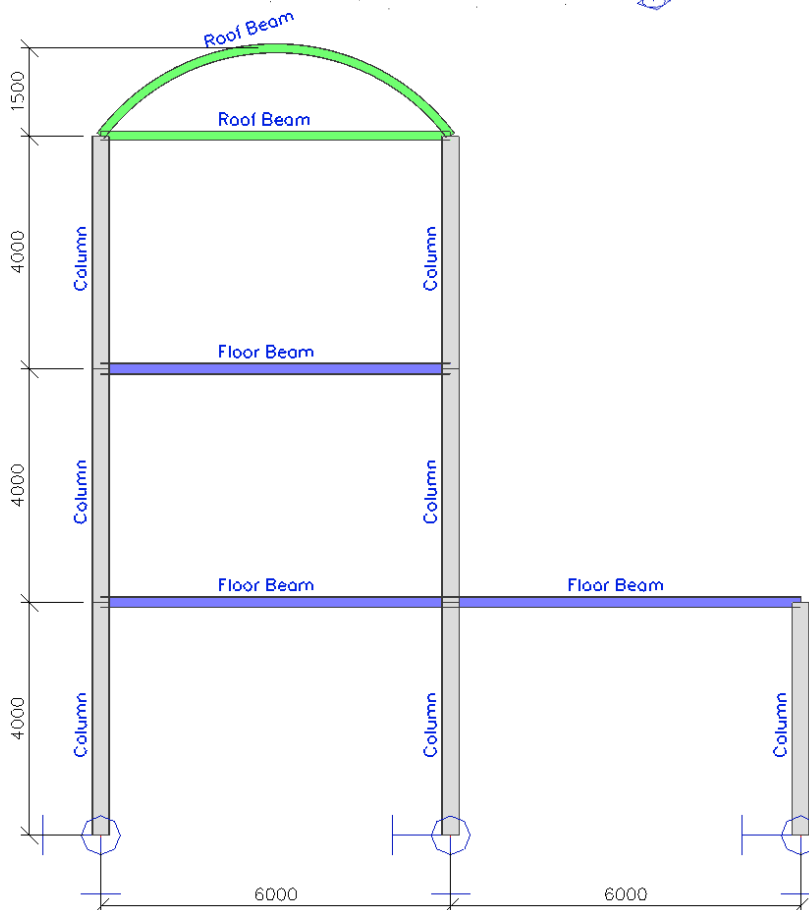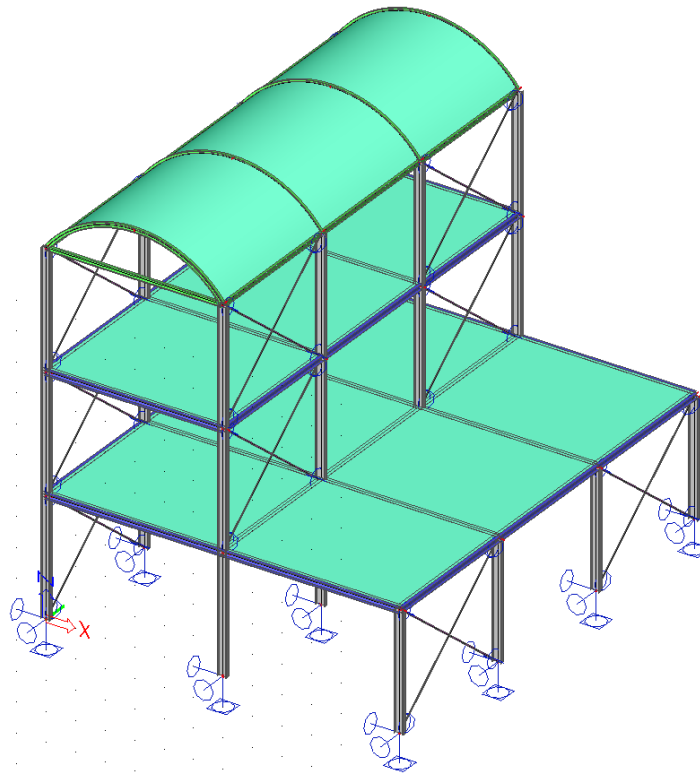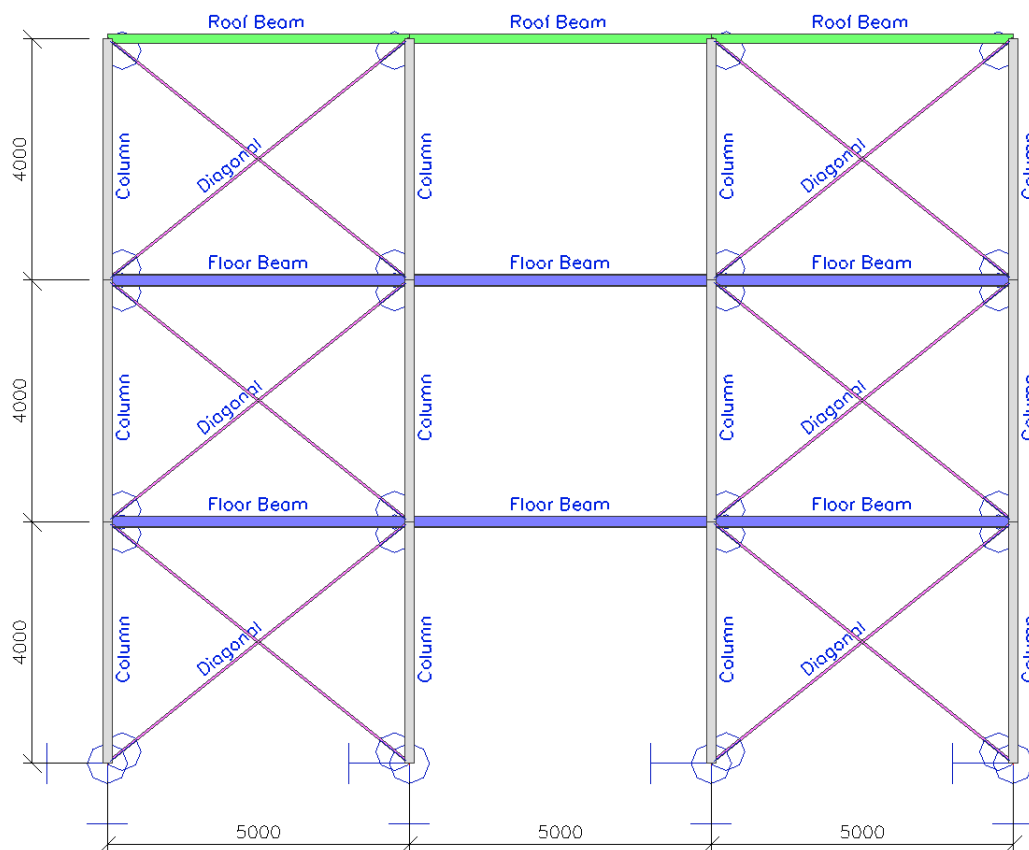
The diagonals are **hinged** in both directions. The column bases are also **hinged** though the anchors are spaced such that the rotation around the **Z-axis** is taken as **fixed**.
The steel members of the depot have following cross-sections:
- Columns: **IPE 300**
- Floor Beams: **HEA 200**
- Roof Beams: **IPE 160**
- Diagonals: **L(ARC) 40x40x4**

The vertical loads acting on the structure are:
- Load Case 1: The **self-weight** of the depot
- Load Case 2: A category E (Storage) imposed load of **5 kN/m²** on all floor slabs.

The structure will be subjected to an earthquake loading in both **X**, **Y** and **Z** direction, using a Design Response Spectrum according to Eurocode 8 for Ground Type **A** with a behavior factor of **1,5**. This means that the spectrum for the internal forces will be divided by this value. The acceleration coefficient is **0,50**.
For the dynamic calculation, the structural damping of the depot is taken into account. More specifically, a **logarithmic decrement** of **0,025** is used for steel and **0,056** for concrete [22].

Step 1: Functionality

The first step in the Seismic calculation is to activate the functionalities **Dynamics** and **Seismic** on the **Functionality** tab in the **Project Data**. In order to take the structural damping into account, the functionality **Non-Proportional Damping** is also activated.
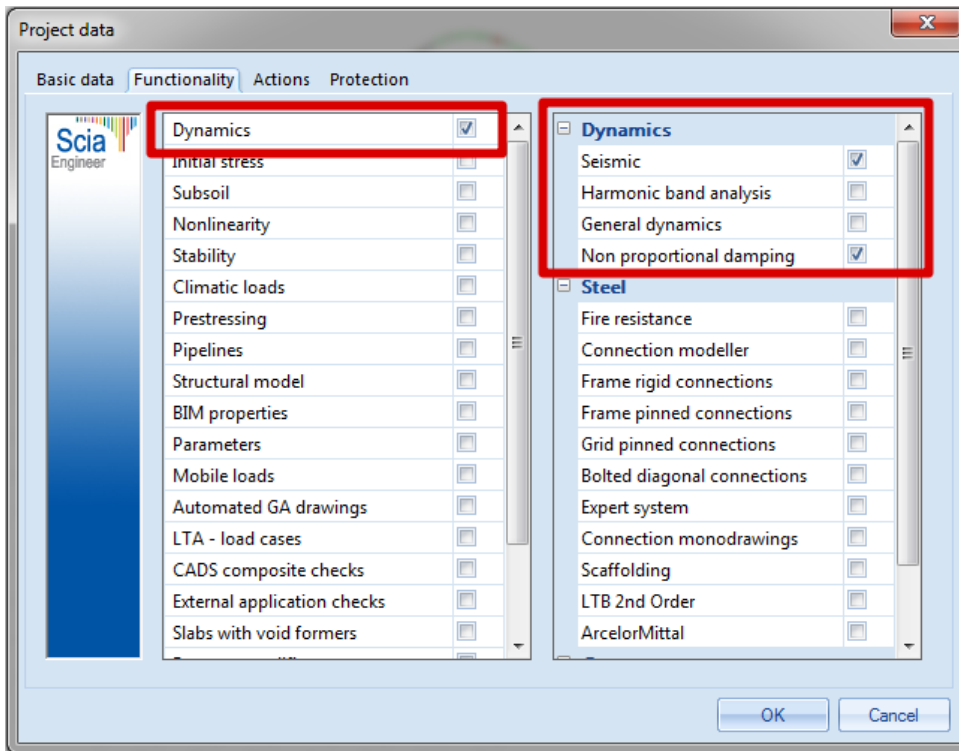
Step 2: Masses & Mass groups

The second step is to create **Mass Groups** and then the creation of **Masses**.
Since the self-weight is automatically taken into account in a **Combination of Mass Groups**, only one **Mass Group** is created here, a group to take the mass of the imposed load into account.

Using the action ⸻Create masses from load case⸻ automatically generates masses from the already inputted loads.
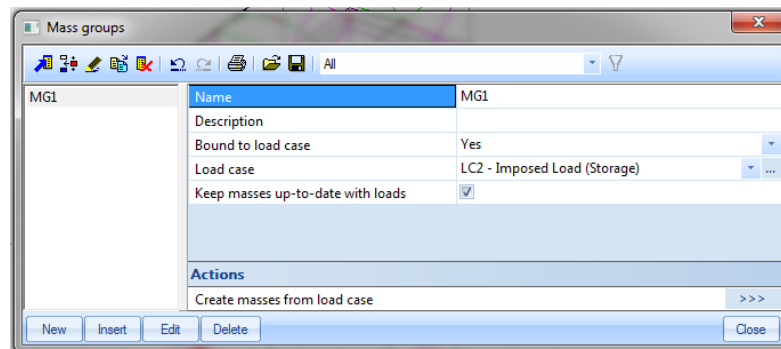
Step 3: Damping groups

Before creating a **Combination of Mass Groups**, the damping is specified.

First of all, a **Damping Group** is created.
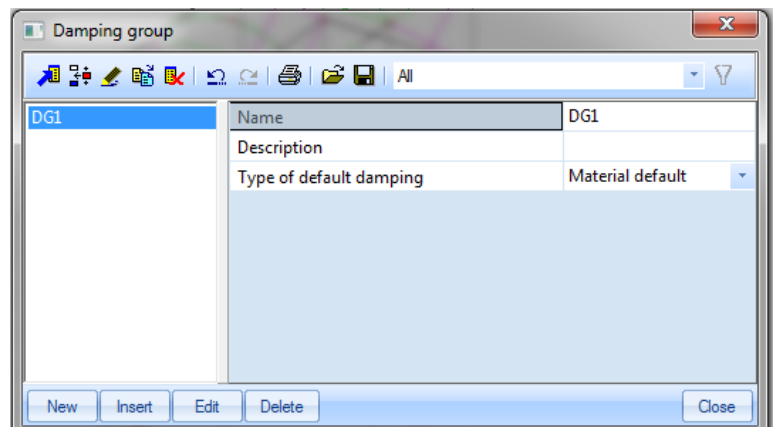
Since, in this example, the structural damping of the steel and concrete is taken into account, the *Type of default damping* is set to **Material default**. This way, when no damper is inputted on an element, the default damping value of the material will be used.

The damping values can be specified in the **Material** Library:
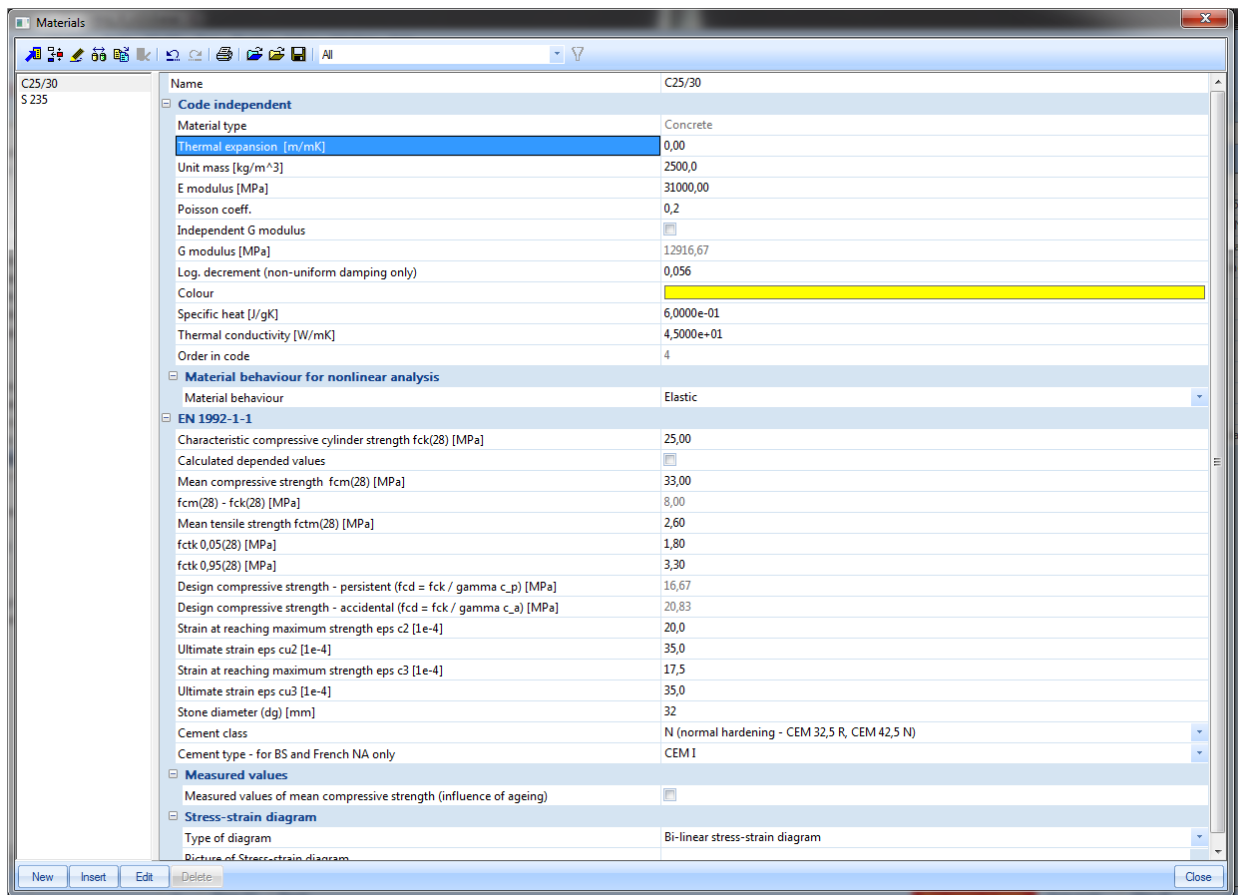
For the concrete, a logarithmic decrement of **0,056** is inputted, for the steel a value of **0,025**.

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Step 4: Mass matrix
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The **Mass Group** and **Damping Group** can now be combined in a **Combination of Mass Groups**.

As specified in formula (2.9) all gravity loads appearing in the following combination of actions need to be taken into account for an eigenmode calculation:

$$\sum G_k + \sum \psi_{E,i} \cdot Q_{k,i}$$

For this example, with a **Category E** imposed load, φ is taken as **1,0** and $\psi_{2,i}$ as **0,8**. This gives a value of **0,8** for $\psi_{E,i}$

Since the Self-Weight is automatically taken into account, the Combination of Mass Groups **CM1** can be formulated as **0,80 MG1**
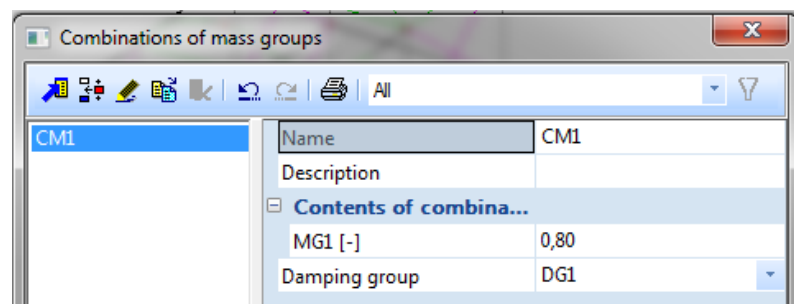
As a final step, the **Damping Group** is assigned to the **Combination of Mass Groups.**

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Step 5: Seismic spectrum

Before creating the Seismic load cases, the Seismic Spectrum needs to be defined through **Libraries>Loads** > **Seismic Spectrums**.
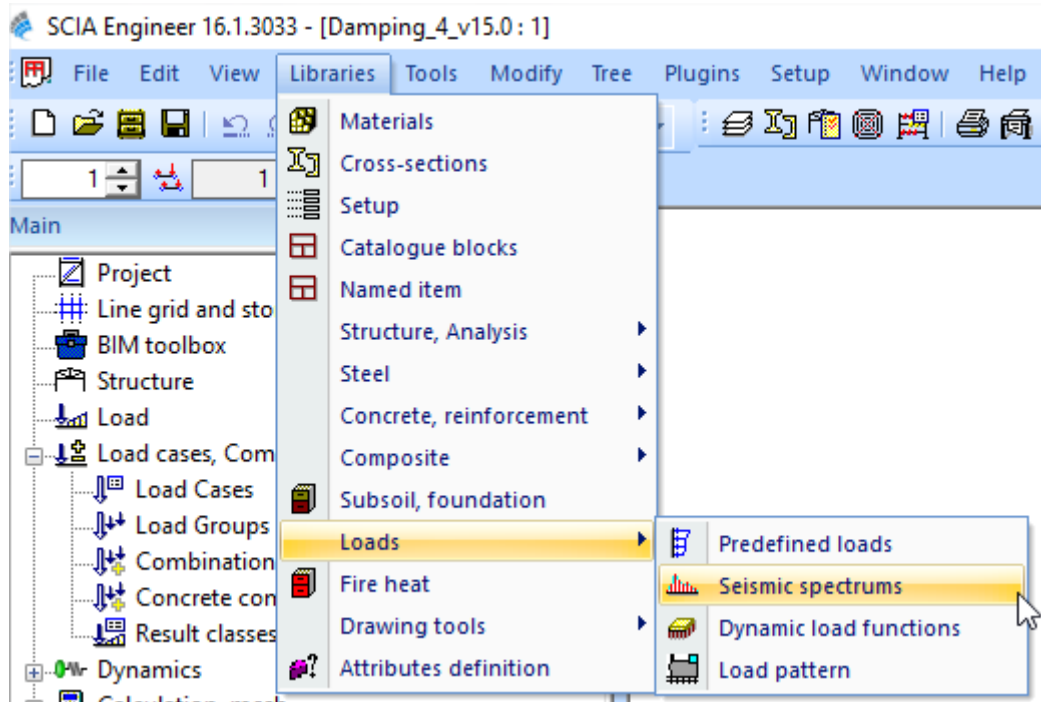
Instead of inputting a spectrum manually, the spectrum according to EC8 is chosen. In this example, the spectrum for Ground Type **A** with a Behavior Factor **q = 1,5** is used for all directions:
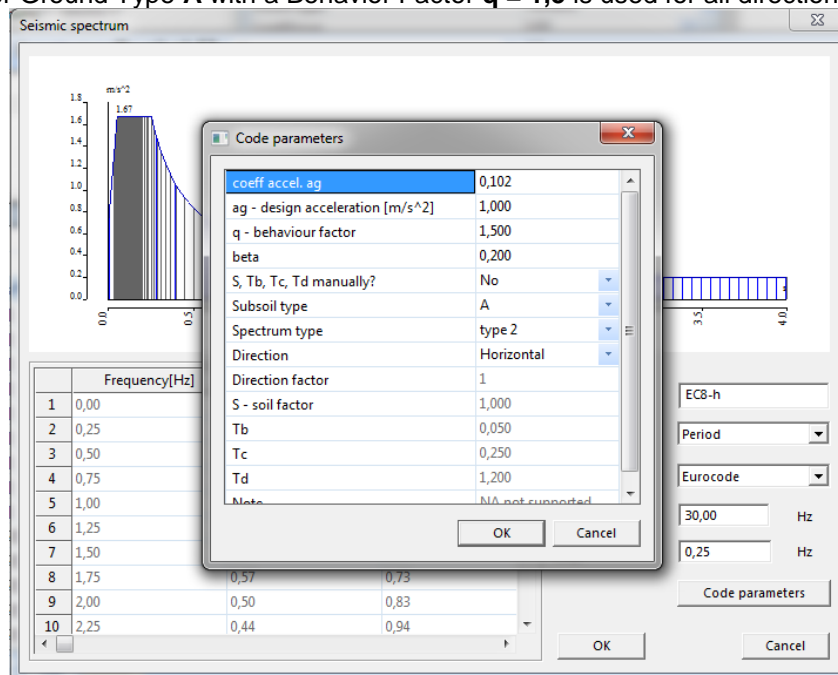
Step 6: Seismic load case

The **Seismic** load cases can now be defined through **Load cases, Combinations** > **Load Cases**. For the Seismic load case in the **X-direction**, the following parameters are used:
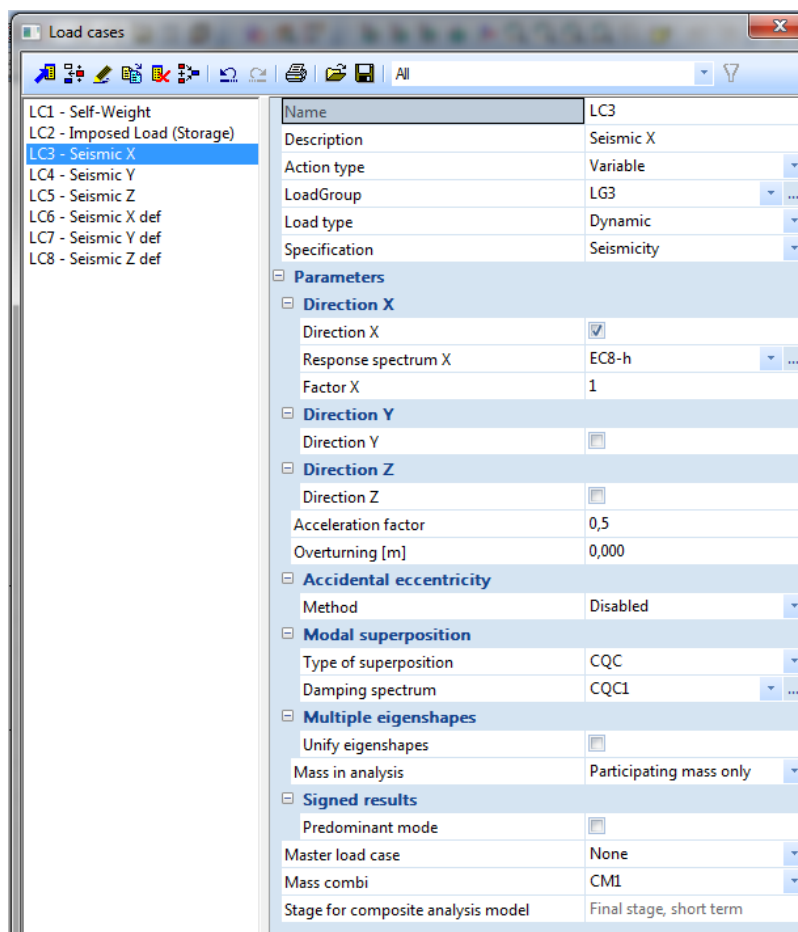
The **Coefficient of Acceleration** is set to **0,5**. As Type of evaluation the **CQC-method** is used.

In exactly the same way, the Seismic load cases in the **Y and Z-direction** are defined:

Note:

- *For the load case Seismic Z a new spectrum has to be defined with type **vertical**.*
- ***3 other EN-Seismic load cases** have to be defined, the first 3 are for internal forces and 3 new (with q-behavior factor set to 1) for deformation. Each group of load cases has to get a load group with type "seismic" & "together" and they must be placed in separate combinations.*

According to Eurocode 8 [7] the action effects due to the combination of the horizontal components of the seismic action may be computed using the following combinations:

$$E_{Edx} \; "+" \; 0,3E_{Edy} \; "+" \; 0,3E_{Edz}$$

$$0,3E_{Edx} \; "+" \; E_{Edy} \; "+" \; 0,3E_{Edz}$$

$$0,3E_{Edx} \; "+" \; 0,3E_{Edy} \; "+" \; E_{Edz}$$

Where:

"+" = Implies "to be combined with".

E_{Edx} = Represents the action effects due to the application of the seismic action along the chosen horizontal axis x of the structure.

E_{Edy} = Represents the action effects due to the application of the same seismic action along the orthogonal horizontal axis y of the structure.

E_{Edz} = Represents the action effects due to the application of the same seismic action along the orthogonal vertical axis z of the structure.

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First of all, this implies that all Load cases must always be considered together in a combination. In SCIA Engineer this can be done by putting both Seismic Load cases in a **Load Group** with relation **Together**.
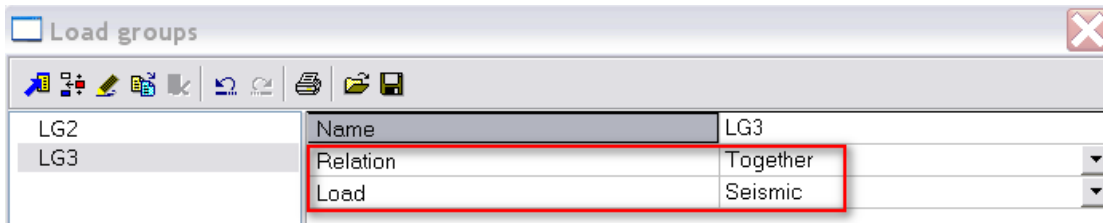
Note:

The EC1 – load type will not be used in this example. In the new EC-EN it is possible to specify the load type as Seismic.

Next, the combination for the Seismic calculation can be inputted. According to Eurocode 8 [7] this combination is the following:

$$\sum G_k + P + A_{Ed+} \sum \psi_{2,i} \cdot Q_{k,i}$$ (5.22)

Where A_{ed} signifies the accidental action, in this case the combined seismic action.
In SCIA Engineer, the **'EN-seismic'** type can be used for this purpose.
To fulfill the conditions of the Eurocode, 6 load combinations of this type are created:
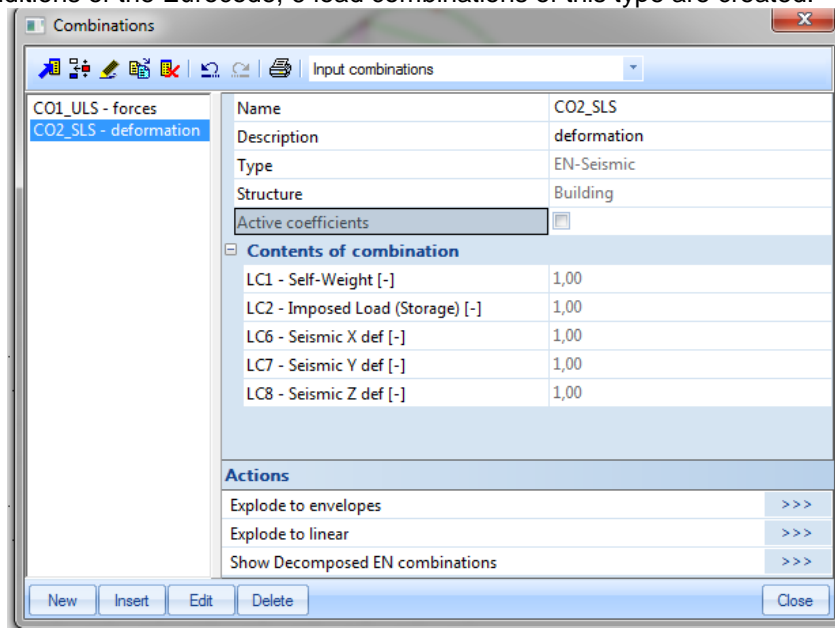
Step 7: Mesh setup

To obtain precise results, the Finite Element Mesh is refined through **Calculation, Mesh** > **Mesh Setup**. The **Average number of tiles of 1D element** is set to **10**; the **Average size of 2D element** is set to **0,25m**.
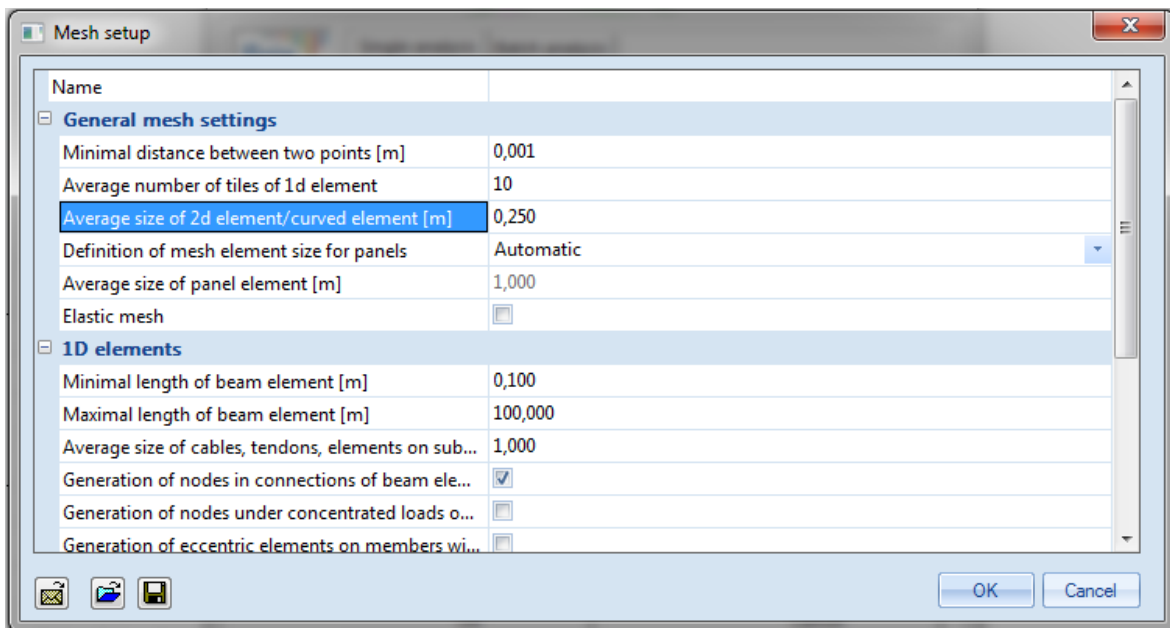
Step 8: Solver setup

The last step before launching the calculation is setting the amount of eigenmodes to be calculated. For this example, five eigenmodes are chosen.
In **Calculation, Mesh** > **Solver Setup** the number of frequencies is thus set to **5**.
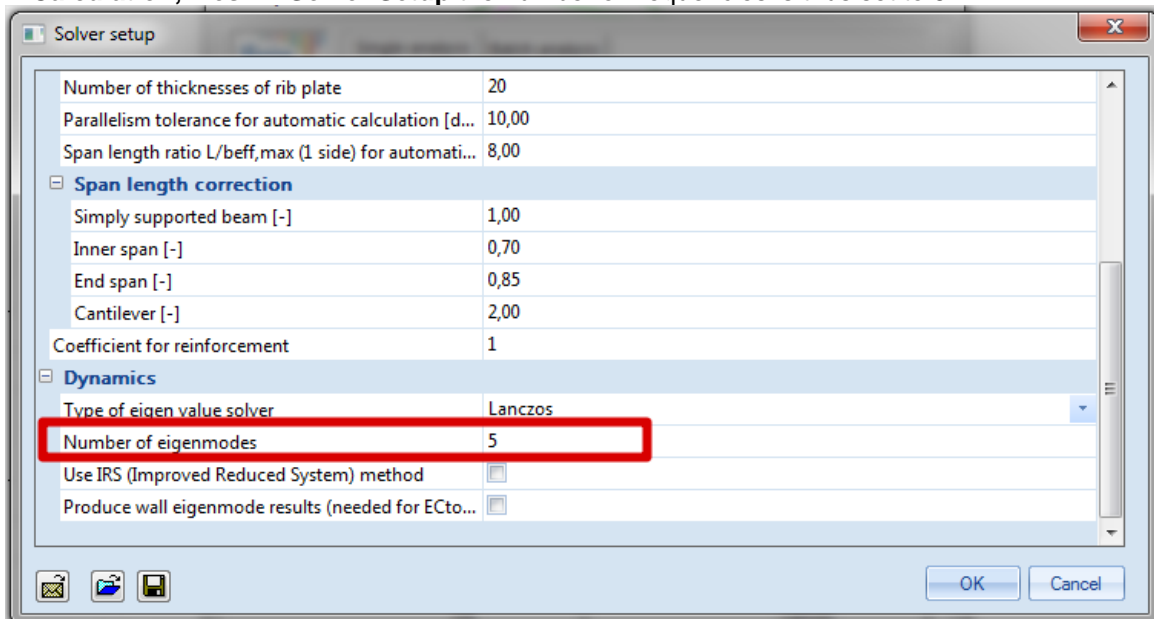
Step 9: Calculation & Results

All steps have been executed so the **Linear Calculation** can be started through **Calculation, Mesh > Calculation.**

The **Calculation Protocol** for the **Eigen Frequency** calculation shows the following:

Mode	Omega [rad/s]	Period [s]	Freq. [Hz]	Wxi / Wxtot	Wyi / Wytot	Wzi / Wztot	Wxi_R / Wxtot_R	Wyi_R / Wytot_R	Wzi_R / Spectral	Damp ratio
1	4.6018	1.3654	0.7324	0.9688	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0103	0.0000	0.0050
2	11.4191	0.5502	1.8174	0.0000	0.6685	0.0000	0.0190	0.0000	0.2863	0.0042
3	13.6354	0.4608	2.1701	0.0270	0.0000	0.0002	0.0000	0.3696	0.0000	0.0050
4	13.8212	0.4546	2.1997	0.0000	0.2705	0.0000	0.0003	0.0000	0.5285	0.0072
5	14.9356	0.4207	2.3771	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0004	0.0060
				0.9957	0.9391	0.0002	0.0193	0.3798	0.8151	

It can be seen that for both horizontal directions more than **90%** of the total mass is taken into account in these five modes so it is concluded that sufficient Eigenmodes have been calculated.
Through **Deformation of nodes** under **2D Members**, the **Deformed Mesh** can be used to visualize the first four Eigenmodes:
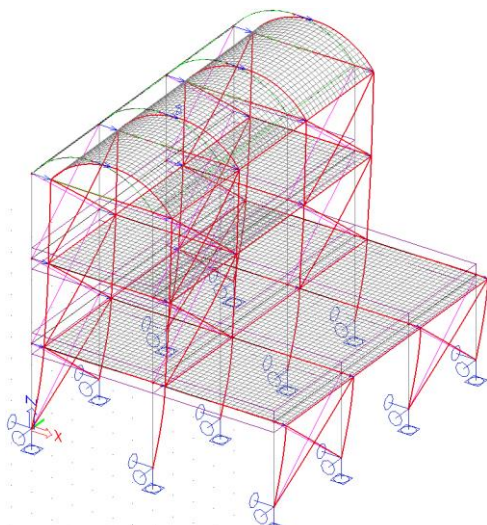
Eigenmode 1: f = **0,73 Hz**
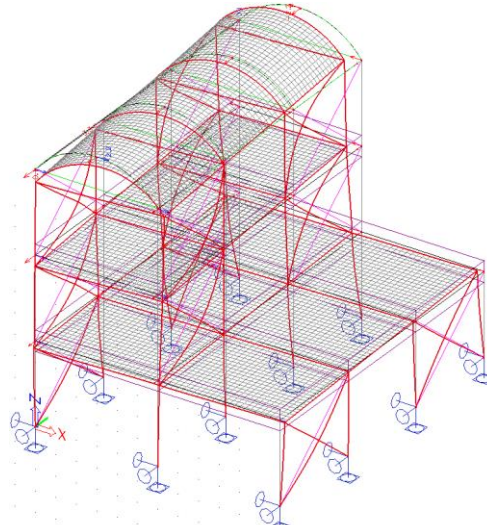
Eigenmode 2: f = **1,82 Hz**
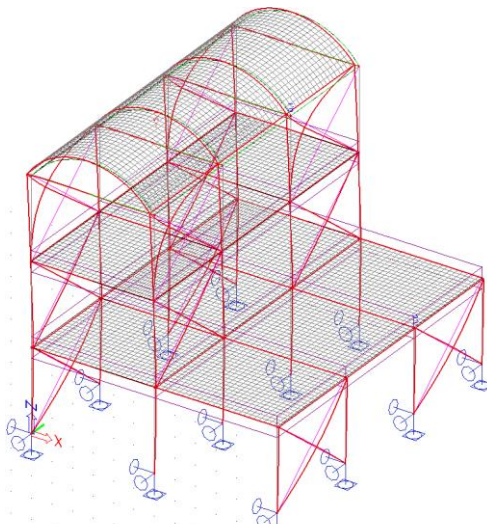
Eigenmode 3: f = **2,17 Hz**
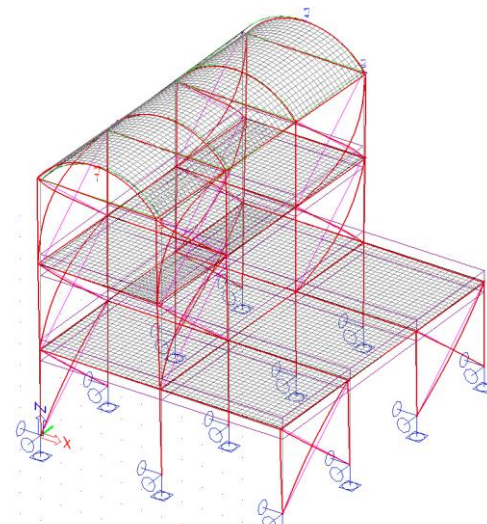
Eigenmode 4: f = **2,20 Hz**

The **Calculation Protocol** for the **Linear** calculation shows the results of the seismic calculation:

Dynamic loadcase: 3 : LC3

Mode	Freq. [Hz]	Damp ratio	Damp|coe	Sax [m/s²]	Say [m/s²]	Saz [m/s²]	G(j)	Fx [kN]	Fy [kN]	Mx [kNm]	My [kNm]
1	0.7324	0.0050	1.3486	0.1863	0.0000	0.0000	4.5314	49.4355	0.0000	-0.0000	-311.0481
2	1.8174	0.0042	1.3580	0.5147	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	-0.0000	0.0000	-0.0000
3	2.1701	0.0050	1.3485	0.6101	0.0000	0.0000	-0.2820	4.5072	0.0000	-0.0000	43.7299
4	2.1997	0.0072	1.3221	0.6062	0.0000	0.0000	-0.0000	0.0000	-0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
5	2.3771	0.0060	1.3368	0.6623	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	-0.0000	-0.0000
Level=	0.00							49.64	0.00	0.00	314.10

Dynamic loadcase: 4 : LC4

Mode	Freq. [Hz]	Damp ratio	Damp|coe	Sax [m/s²]	Say [m/s²]	Saz [m/s²]	G(j)	Fx [kN]	Fy [kN]	Mx [kNm]	My [kNm]
1	0.7324	0.0050	1.3486	0.0000	0.1863	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	-0.0000	-0.0000
2	1.8174	0.0042	1.3580	0.0000	0.5147	0.0000	-1.6892	-0.0000	94.2627	-630.0326	0.0000
3	2.1701	0.0050	1.3485	0.0000	0.6101	0.0000	-0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	-0.0000	0.0000
4	2.1997	0.0072	1.3221	0.0000	0.6062	0.0000	0.8640	-0.0000	44.9331	-256.2757	-0.0000
5	2.3771	0.0060	1.3368	0.0000	0.6623	0.0000	0.0102	0.0000	0.0078	-0.0395	-0.0000
Level=	0.00							0.00	104.57	680.99	0.00

For each Eigenmode the **Composite Damping Ratio** has been calculated using the structural damping of the steel and concrete.

The combinations can now be used to verify the structural elements.

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6. Reduced Analysis Model

6.1 Theory

The actual tendency in FE structural analysis is using full 3D modelization of the considered structure. SCIA Engineer obeys that rule as structures are usually modeled in 3D using beam and shell elements, including buildings.

Once a detailed 3D model is ready for statical analysis of a structure, it is natural to use it also for dynamic analysis and, more specifically, for seismic design. A typical issue of full 3D model is, that seismic design regards mostly the global behavior of the structure whence the full mesh of the structure provides a lot of information about local behaviors. When performing the modal analysis, the full mesh finds all local and global vibration modes, but the local modes are irrelevant for the overall seismic response of the structure. It appears hence logical to use a different, reduced mesh for the dynamic analysis, which ignores these local modes.

There are well known matrix condensation techniques (Guyan Reduction, also known as static condensation) which allow the user to obtain a reduced system in a very efficient way, but those methods are not well suited for dynamic analysis. An Improved Reduced System (IRS) method has been developed which takes into account not only the stiffness matrix of the system, but also the mass matrix during the condensation process. That method proved to give excellent results for dynamic analysis, with both modal analysis and direct time integration methods.

The algorithm implemented in SCIA Engineer uses the IRS method and consists of 3 steps:

1. The IRS method is used for condensing the mesh of the analysis model.
2. The modal analysis is performed using the reduced mesh, which has typically 1'000 times less degrees of freedom than the original full mesh. This makes the calculation of eigenvalues massively faster on large structures and also avoids unwanted local modes. The latter is particularly interesting for seismic analysis.
3. The results of the reduced system are expanded to the original full mesh, allowing for output of detailed results in the entire structure.

Full 3D Storey-based input   Condensed model &   Expand back to full mesh for
                                     dynamic analysis   result input
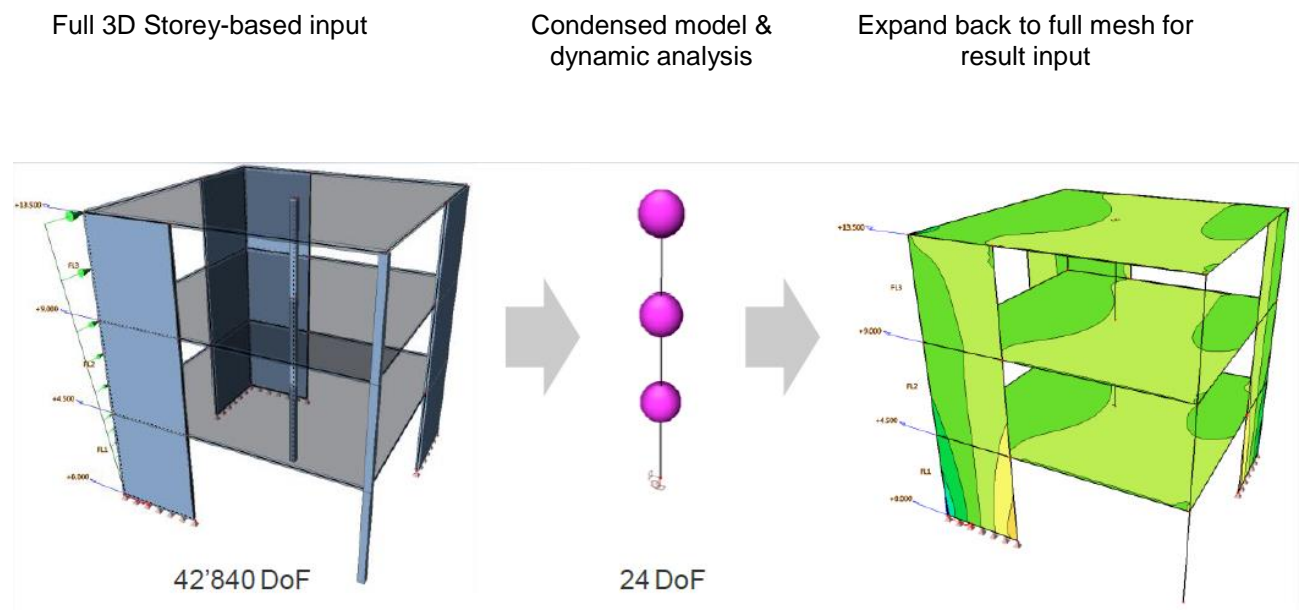
The IRS method allows:

1. **Elimination of irrelevant, local bending vibration modes in the slabs**: local modes in all structural elements are implicitly removed, due to the elimination of unwanted degrees of freedom. Of course, adding more reduction nodes would allow for more detailed analysis of local modes, but it is particularly interesting for seismic analysis to keep in the reduced model only the nodes that are strictly necessary to reproduce the typical seismic behavior of a building. Ultimately, it is up to the user to choose the reduction points in such a way that the wanted eigenmodes are obtained.

2. **Reduction of computation time**: the computation time is reduced, due to the drastic reduction of the number of degrees of freedom; actually, the reduction is even more important than with diaphragms, as supporting members are also condensed.

3. **Easy handling of mass eccentricities for each deck**: the IRS analysis uses a full mass matrix, which allows for exact implementation of mass eccentricity in each node of the reduced system.

Remark: The elimination of unwanted frame effects from the structural behavior (considering deck slabs as diaphragms) is not addressed by the IRS analysis in itself, as it does not modify the mechanical behavior of the structure. However, as unwanted local bending modes are implicitly removed from the reduced system, so-called flexible diaphragms may be easily simulated by significantly reducing the bending stiffness of deck slabs. Not only does that allow obtaining classical diaphragm behavior by means of a very low bending stiffness, but also intermediate behavior where the bending stiffness is less drastically reduced and frame effects are therefore reduced, but not completely removed.

The condensed model is obtained from Reduction nodes. R-nodes are placed in each storey, at the specified level, in the middle of the structure (all R-nodes are located on the same vertical axis).

During the analysis, the reduced model is automatically generated from the full mesh of the structure. Each node of the full mesh is mapped to the closest R-node. In a typical building configuration, this means that each R-node will receive the stiffness, loads and masses from the corresponding deck slab, from the top half of the supporting members below the slab and from the bottom half of the supporting members above the slab.
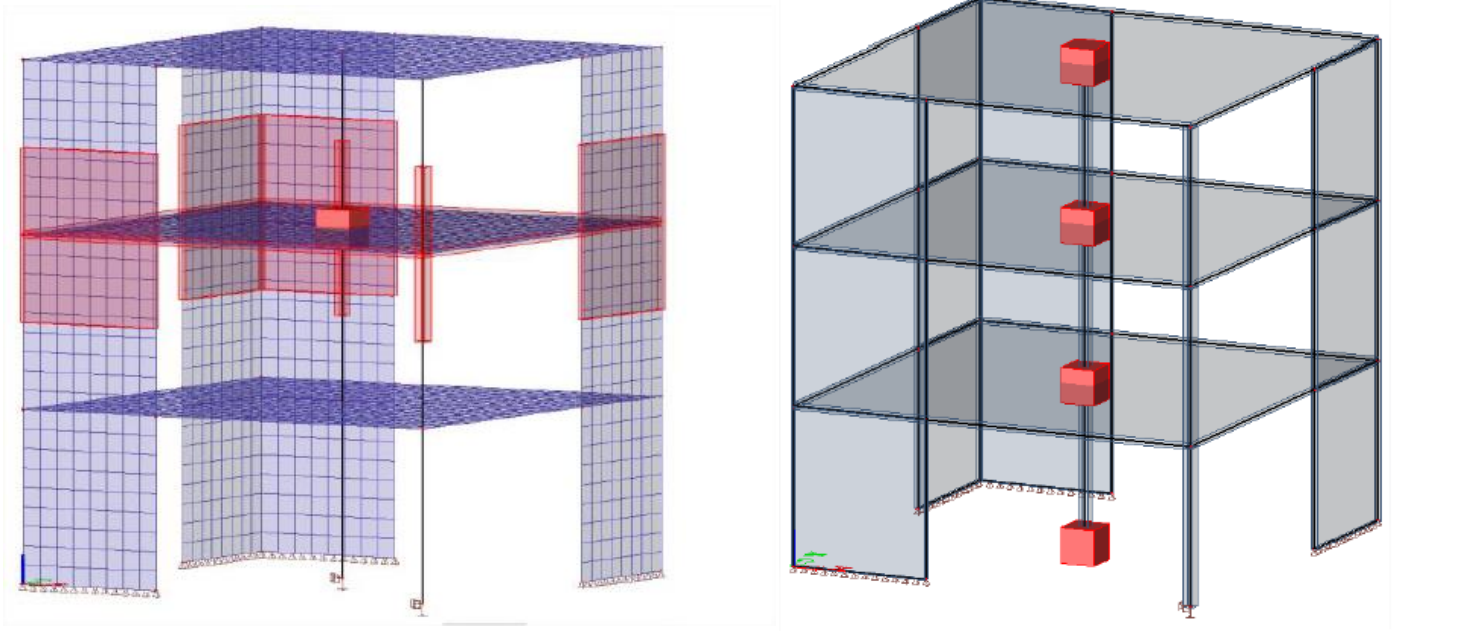
Unlike the classical modal analysis, which typically uses a lumped mass matrix (only diagonal terms are non-zero), the reduced system uses a full mass matrix , with non-zero values out of the diagonal. This means that mass eccentricities can be taken into account easily by the reduced system. The very small size of the reduced system allows using the full mass matrix.

Therefore the reduction points – or so-called R-nodes – that will constitute the reduced model do not need to be located in a particular position, such as the mass center of each storey. As the structure may have to be calculated several times with various distributions of the masses, the mass center of each storey is likely to be slightly different depending on the selected mass combination. Thanks to the use of a full mass matrix, the same R-nodes may be used in all cases.

During the analysis, the reduced model is computed automatically from the full mesh. Each node of the full mesh is mapped to the closest R-node of the reduced model.

6.2 IRS Method in SCIA Engineer

To make an IRS calculation, you first have to perform all the steps as described in detail for seismic calculation in previous chapters. As a reminder, those steps are:

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│ Activate the functionalities  - Dynamics │
│                               - Seismic  │
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        │  Create a Mass Group │
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  │ Input Masses │   │ Generate Masses from Static Load  │
  │              │   │ cases                             │
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        │ Create a Mass Combination  │
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        │  Define a Seismic Spectrum │
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        │  Create a Seismic Load case │
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   │ Refine the Finite-Element Mesh if required │
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│ Specify the number of Eigenmodes to be calculated │
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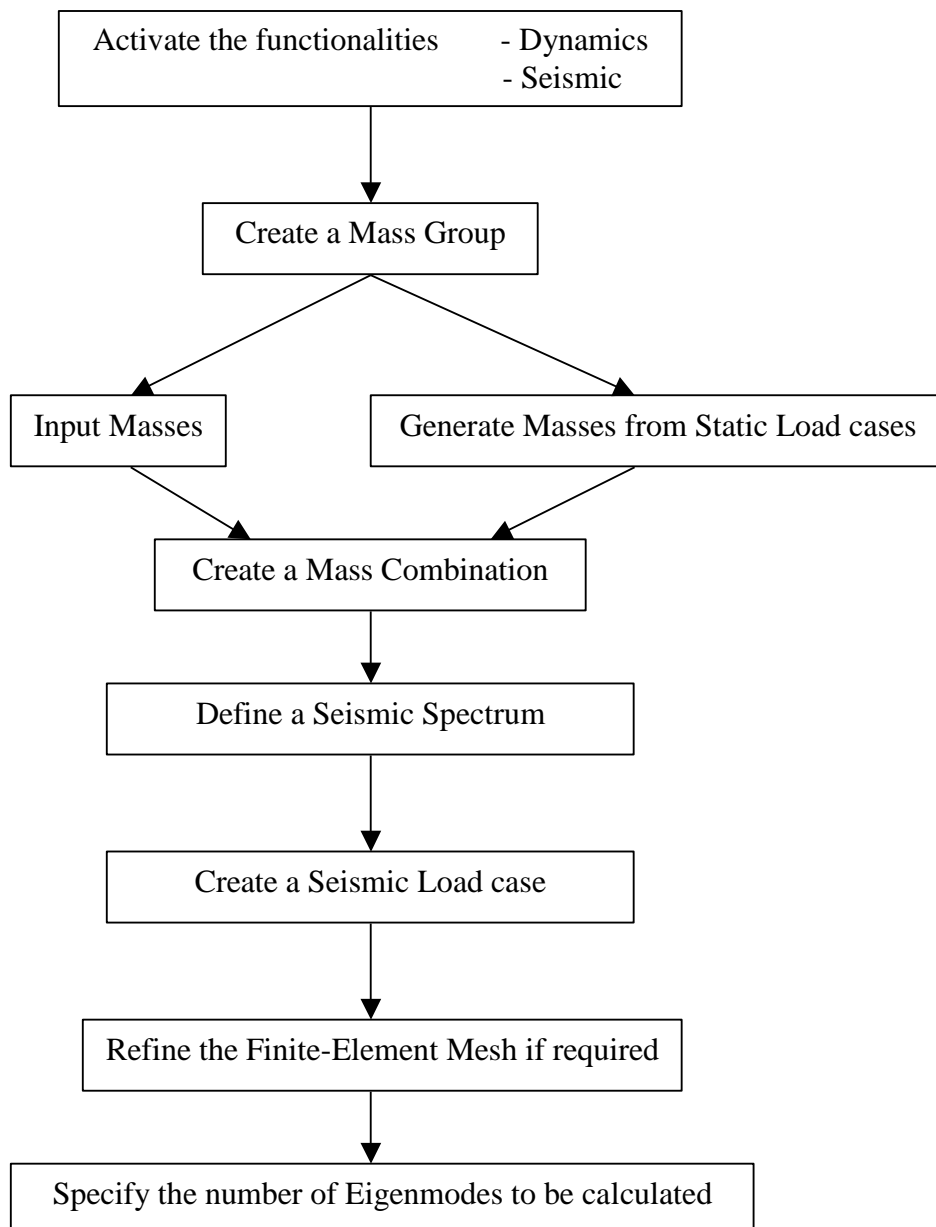
Before doing the linear analysis, the additional steps you have to execute in order to make an IRS calculation are:

1. You have to enable the reduced model analysis in the project. This can be done via **Setup menu > Solver**:
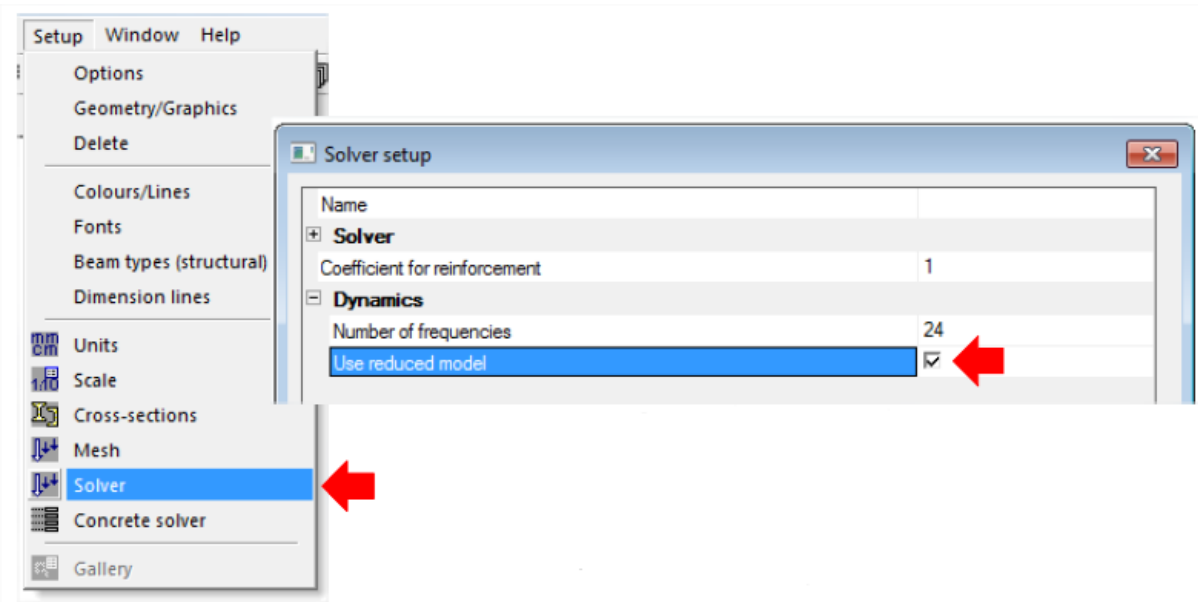
2. Define the building storeys. The Reduction nodes will be calculated from the storey data. In SCIA Engineer, each storey is reduced into one R node.
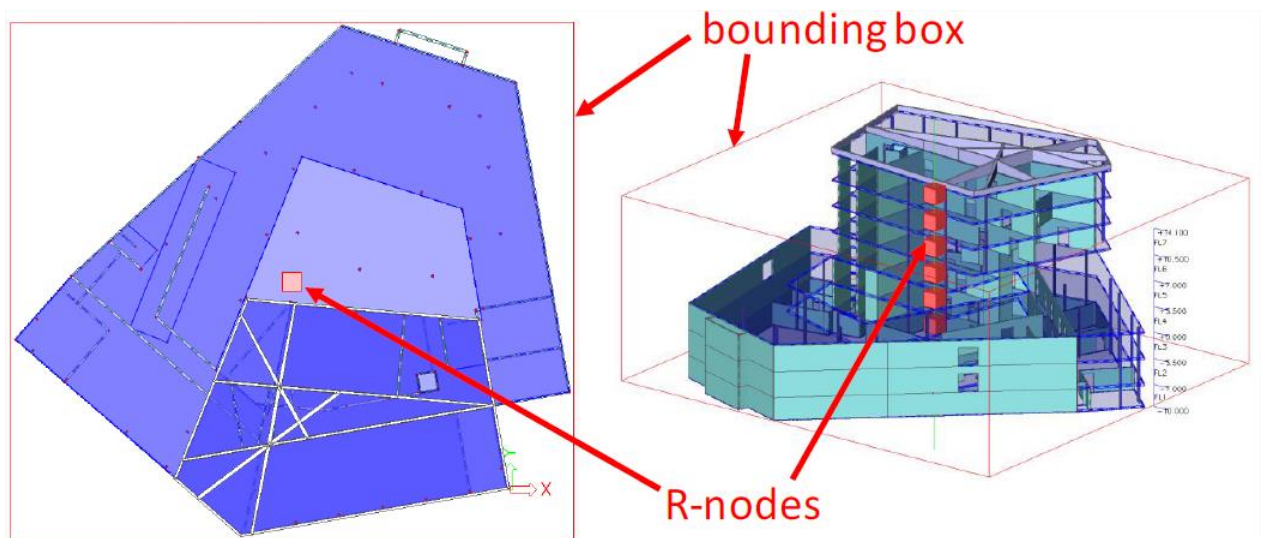
To introduce the building storeys, go to **Main menu > Line grid and storeys > Storeys**:
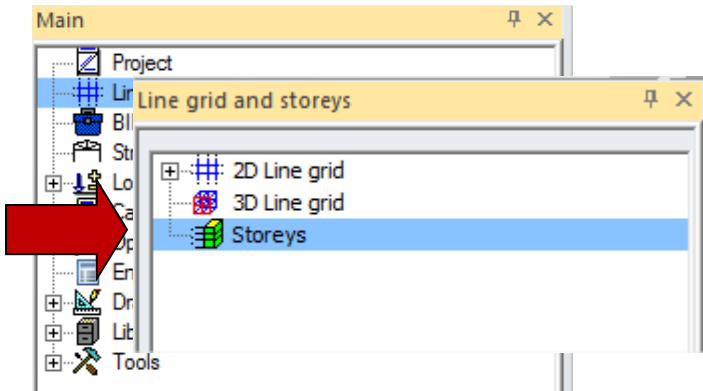
The storey manager where you can input the levels opens:

	Name	Z-Bottom [m]	h_fl [m]	Rep	Z-Top [m]	Description
1	FL1	0,000	4,000	1	4,000	
2	FL2	4,000	3,000	1	7,000	
3	FL3	7,000	4,000	1	11,000	
4	FL4	11,000	0	1	11,000	
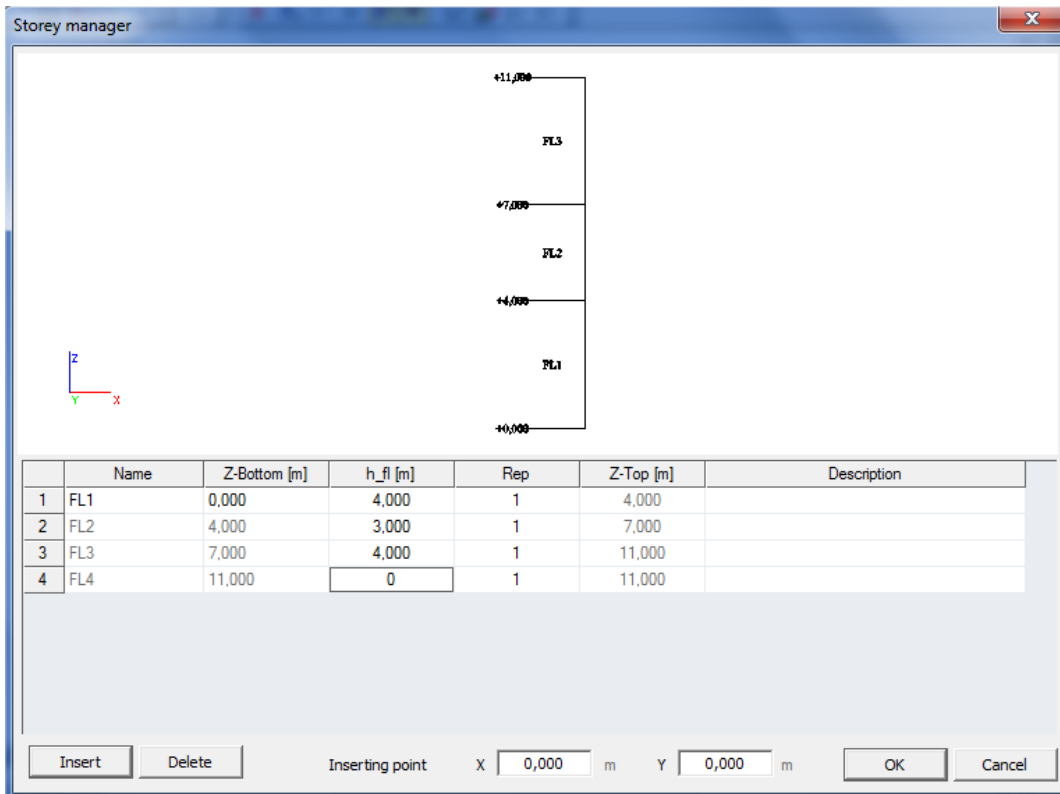
With the default settings, the deck slab of each storey is located at the bottom of the storey, and so is the corresponding R-node. It is recommended to keep it that way. This can be seen from the storey Properties:
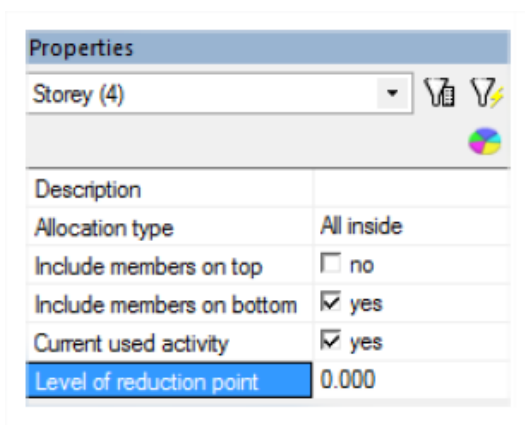
3. Once the linear calculation has been executed, results are available. There are fundamentally two types of results available after an IRS analysis:

    - The results of the reduced model are automatically expanded to the original mesh and are accessible through standard output. This will not be detailed here as it is the same as what has been explained in the previous chapters.

    - Some dedicated results, coming directly from the reduced model, are available in the new result service **Results menu > Storeys > Summary Storey Results**. This typically gives information about the masses, displacements and accelerations at each storey in the reduced model.

    - Other results can be displayed via **Results menu > Storeys > Detailed Storey Results**: this menu can be used to display results from the full mesh analysis. It may be used for results from any linear analysis, with or without dynamic analysis, with or without IRS analysis. It provides results in all supporting members, with easy selection of members per storey. Walls and columns may be represented on the same drawing. Typical provided results are: internal forces, resultants per wall or per storey…
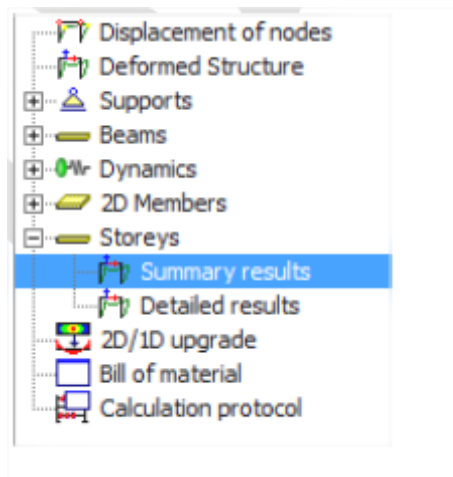
Example 6-1: IRS_1.esa

Open the project IRS.esa
We are going to apply the principles seen above to this small building.

Step 1: Set up the seismic model

- Activate **Dynamic and Seismic functionalities** from the Project data menu.
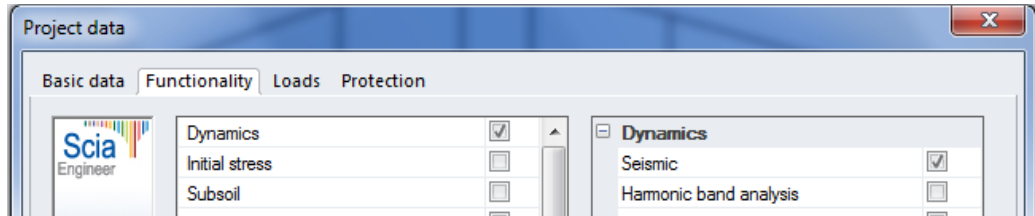
- Create **mass groups**. For this example we are going to consider 3 mass groups related to 3 static predefined load cases : self weight, Dead Load (DL) and Live Load (LL).

- Create a **combination of mass groups**
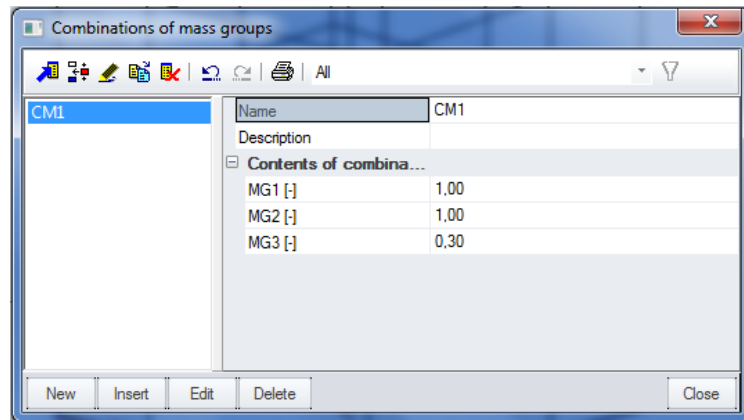
- Define a **seismic spectrum**. Let's consider a seismic spectrum with the following parameters:

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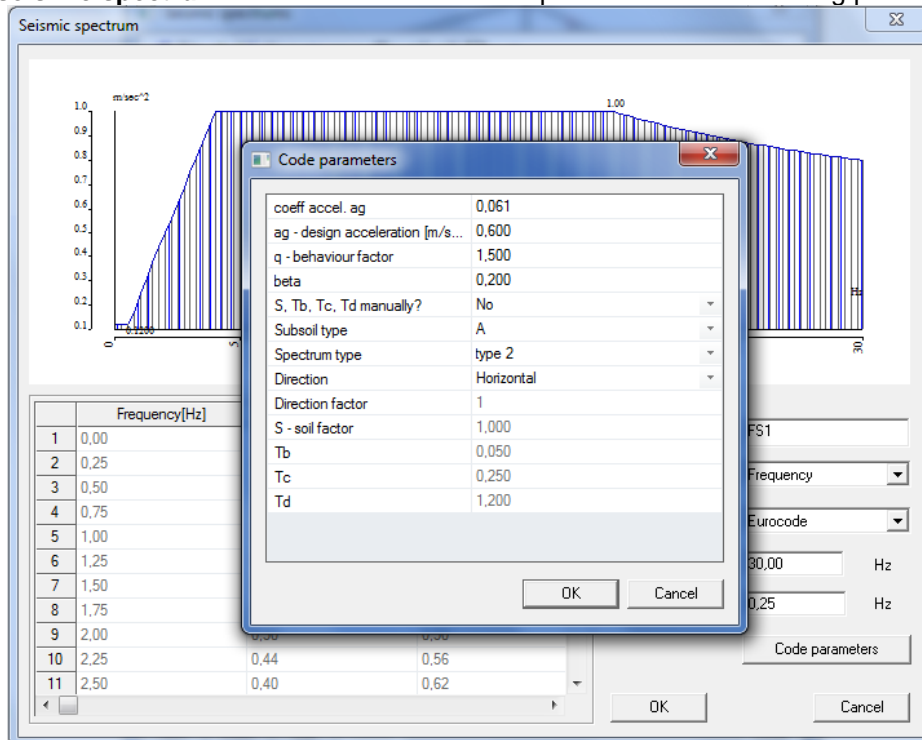
- Create the seismic load cases in X and Y direction in the **Load cases menu**:
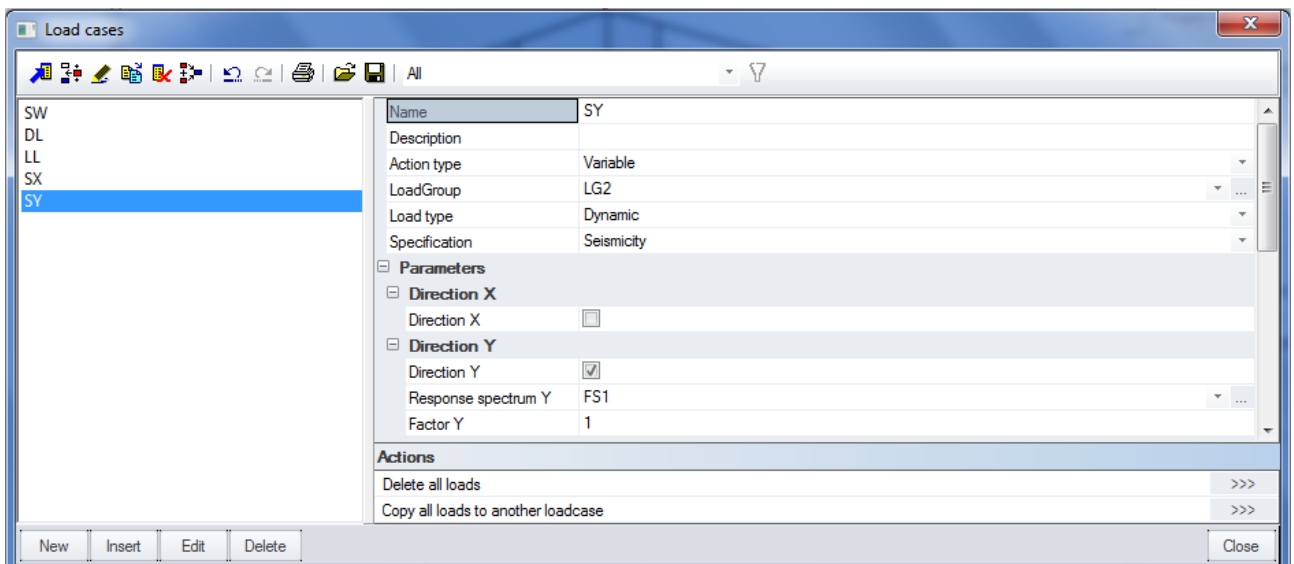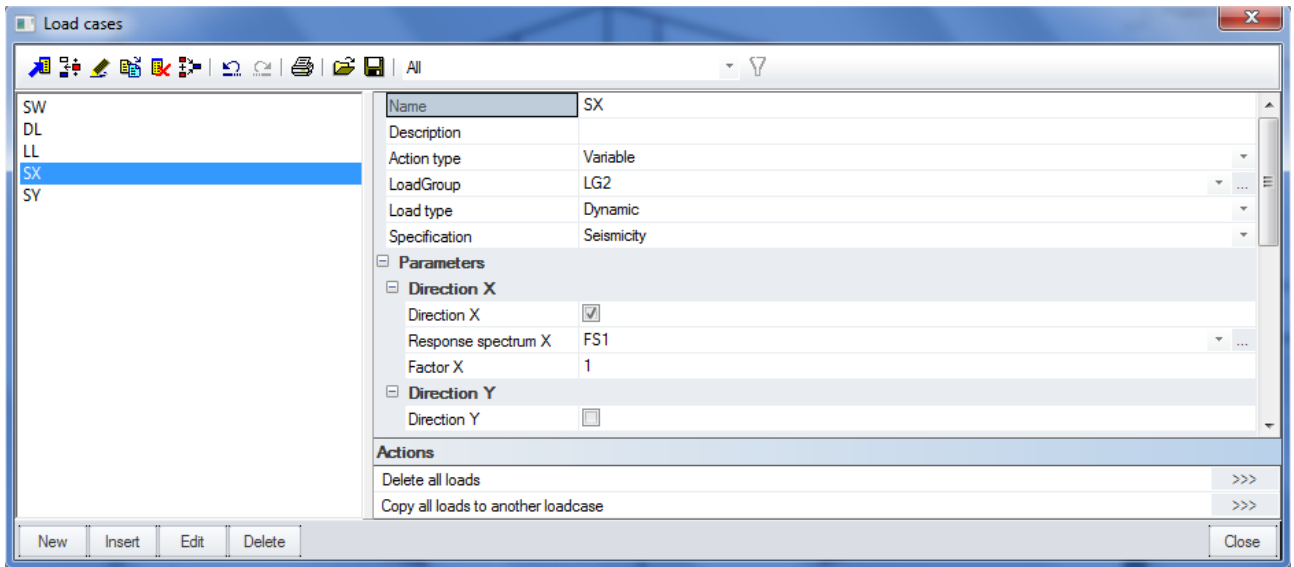
- Refine the mesh. For this example, we set the mesh as follow:
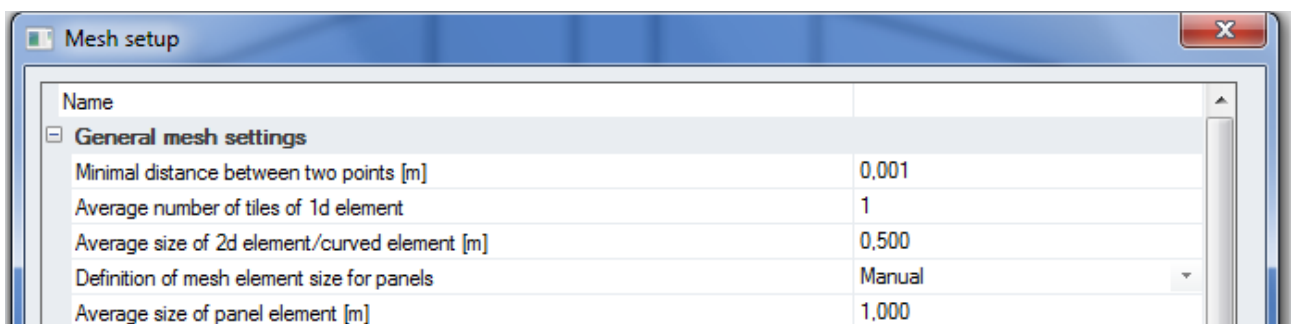
- Chose the number of frequencies which have to be calculated (**Setup > Solver**). We chose **10 values**.

Step 2: Activate the option "Use IRS (Improved Reduced Model)"
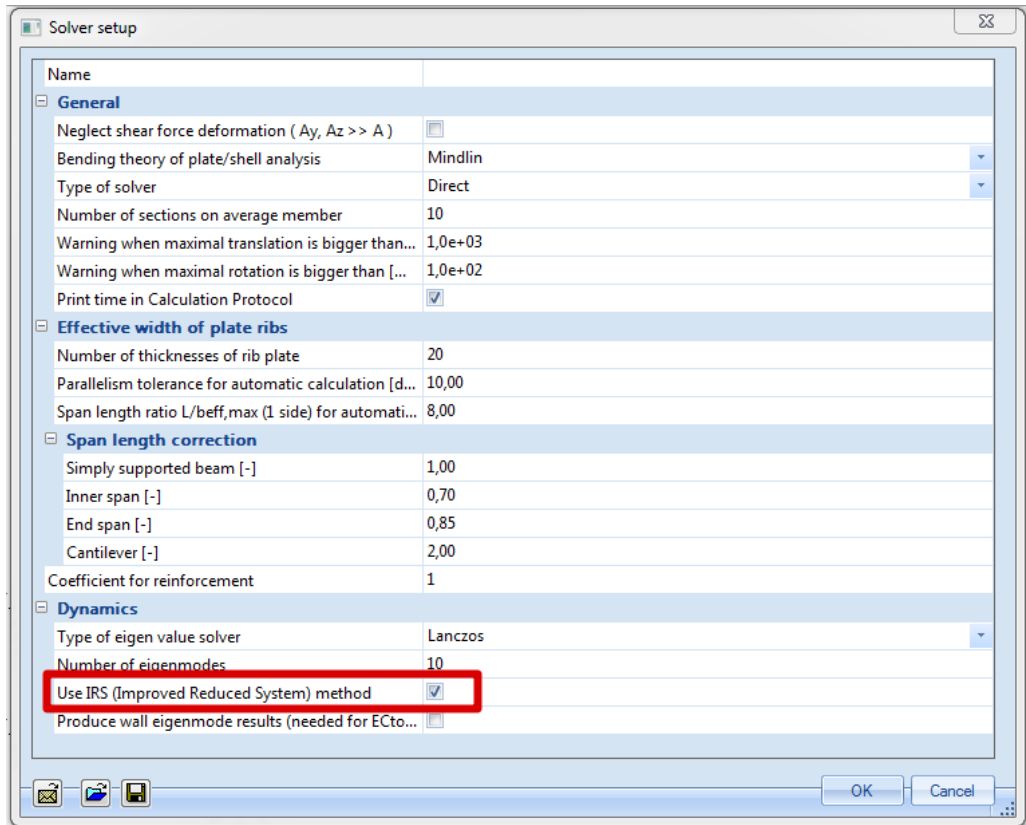
Step 3: Define storeys

Define the Storeys form the **Main menu > Line grid and storeys**
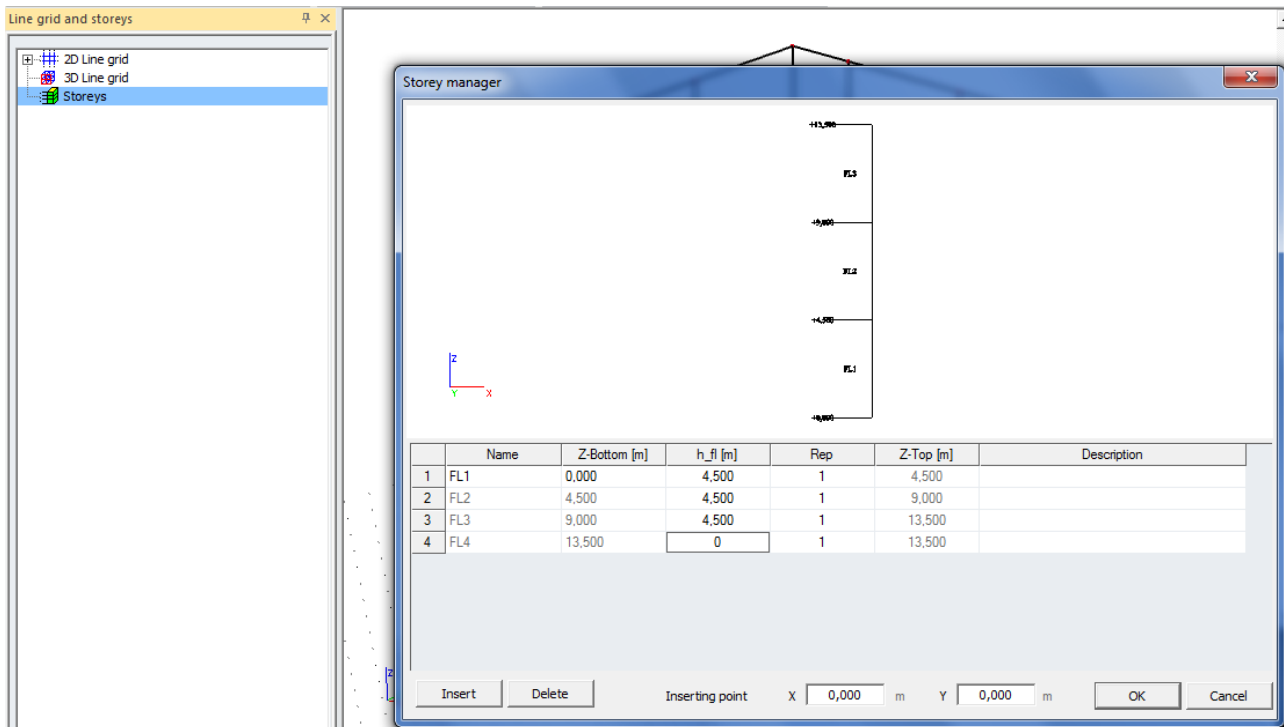
The levels are shown graphically. If you select a storey level, you can adapt its properties from the Properties window:

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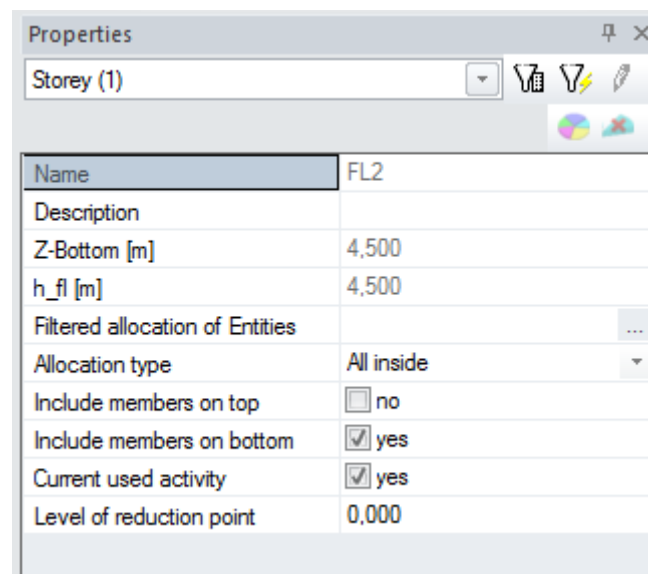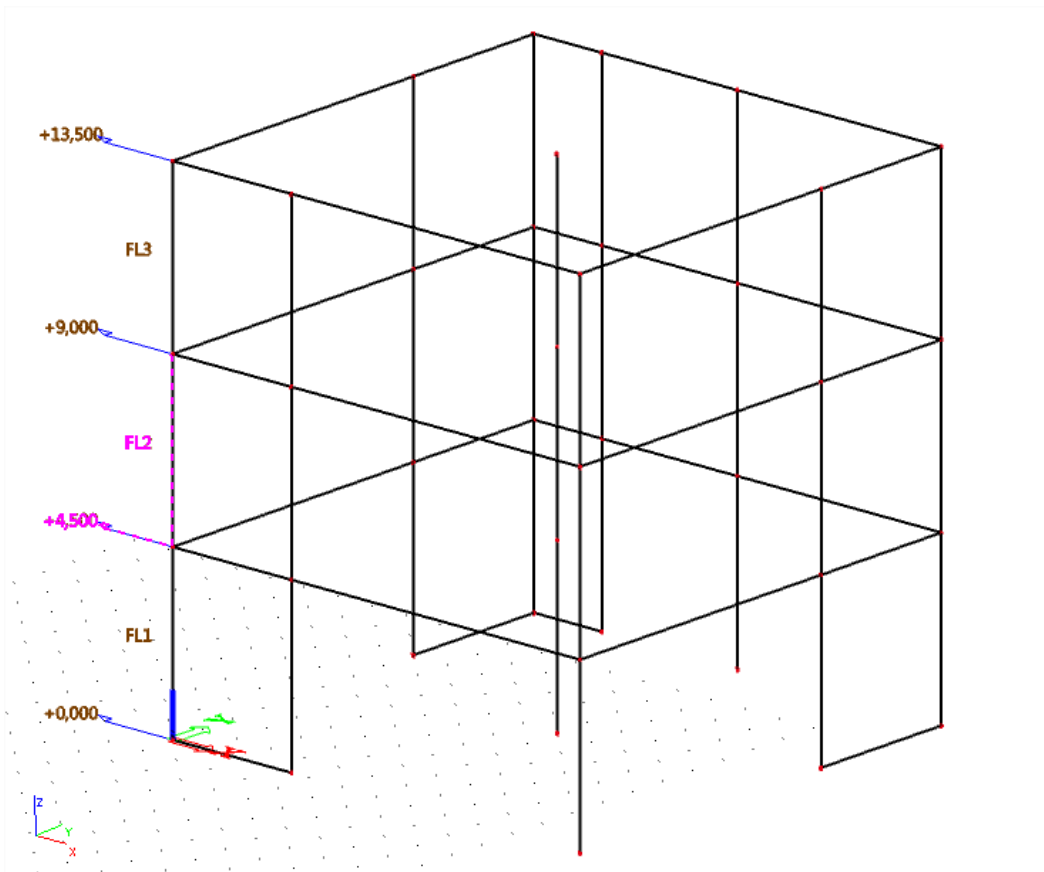
You can check if the supporting members of the building are properly allocated to storeys using the 'Filtered Allocation of Entities' property.

Optionally, R-nodes may be placed at any level in each storey. The storey property "level of reduction point" allows selecting the exact height of the reduction point for each storey separately. 0 corresponds to the bottom of the storey, 1 to the top of the storey.

Step 4: Perform the linear calculation and check the results

Summary Storey Results:

There are 3 types of results: Storey data, displacements and accelerations.

- Storey Data :

Storey data displays for each storey the total mass and the coordinates of the mass center. It is only available with mass combinations
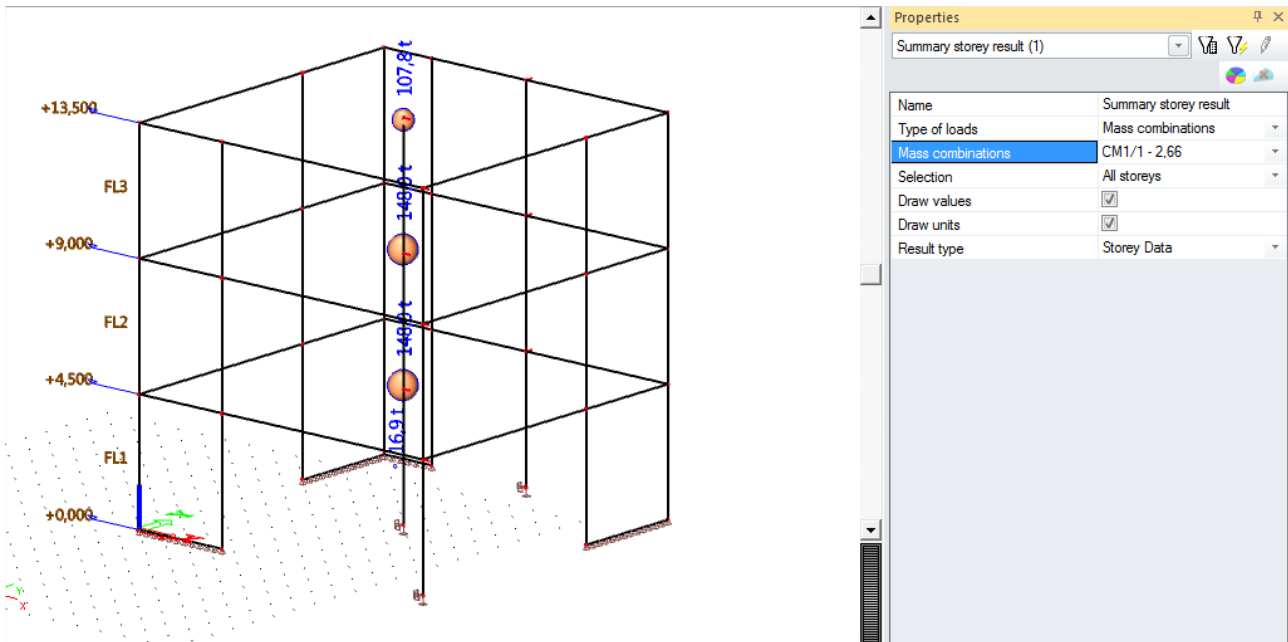
Summary storey result

Storey Data:
Eigen solution, Extreme: No, System: Principal
Selection: All
Mass combinations : CM1/1 - 2,66
Modal shapes are dimensionless, units are printed for consistency purposes.

Name	M [t]	XG [m]	YG [m]	ZG [m]
FL1	16,9	4,157	7,704	1,250
FL2	148,0	5,663	6,350	4,500
FL3	148,0	5,663	6,350	9,000
FL4	107,8	5,769	6,240	13,343

- Displacements & accelerations:

Displacements & Accelerations are available for eigenmodes and seismic load cases. The values of displacement & acceleration components are given at the mass center of each storey.

Results for mass combinations are raw, normalized results from modal analysis, without effect of response spectrum.

Results for seismic load cases are values after modal superposition.
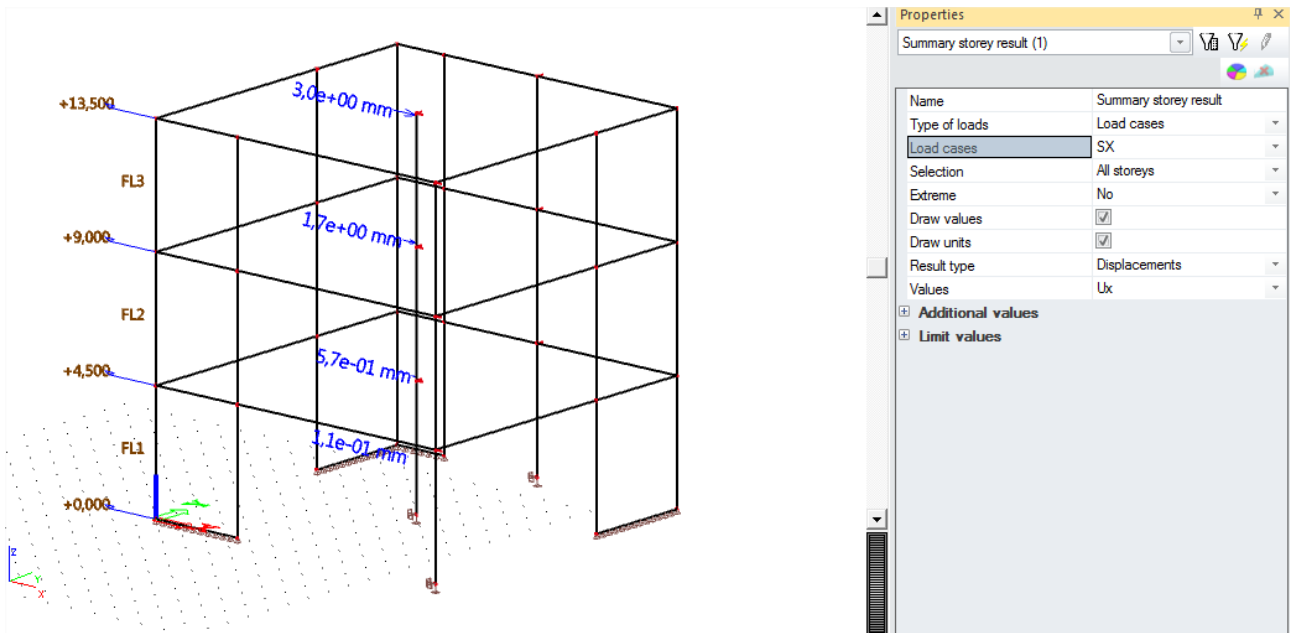
Using the option 'Additional values' in the properties windows you can display more components:
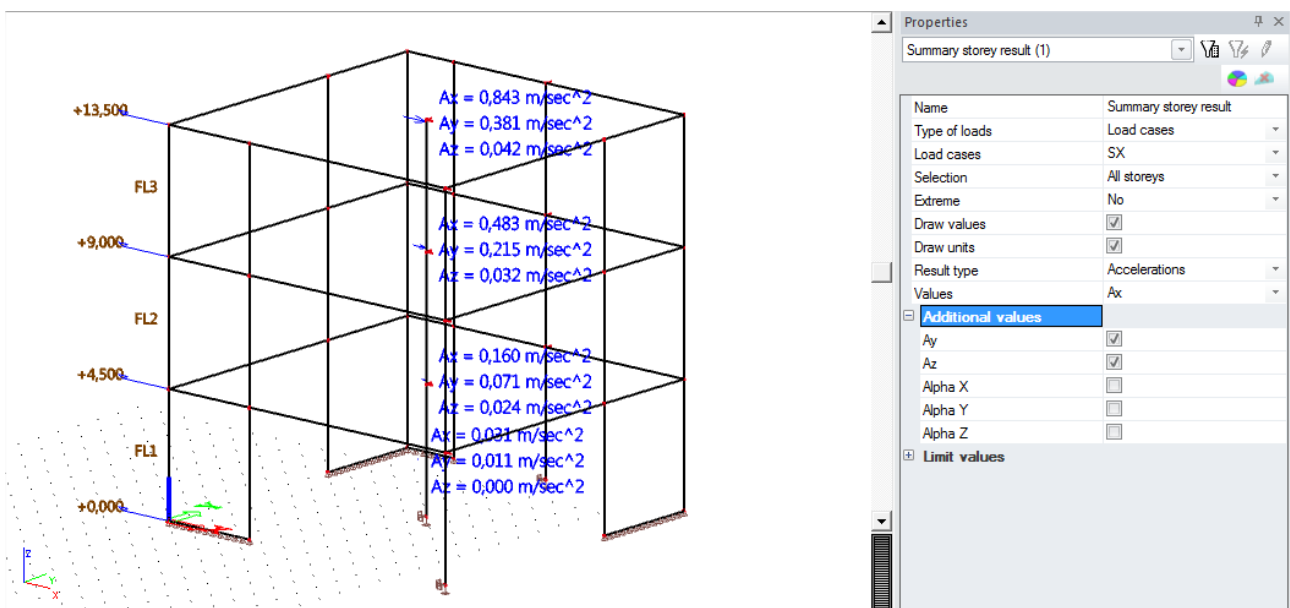
Detailed Storey Results:

Typical provided results are: internal forces, resultants per wall or per storey…

Mainly 4 types of results are available in this service:

- **Internal forces in supporting members**

The result can be displayed on different section levels:

- Top (section at the top of each storey)
- Middle (section at mid-height of the each storey)
- Bottom (section at the bottom of each storey)
- User defined
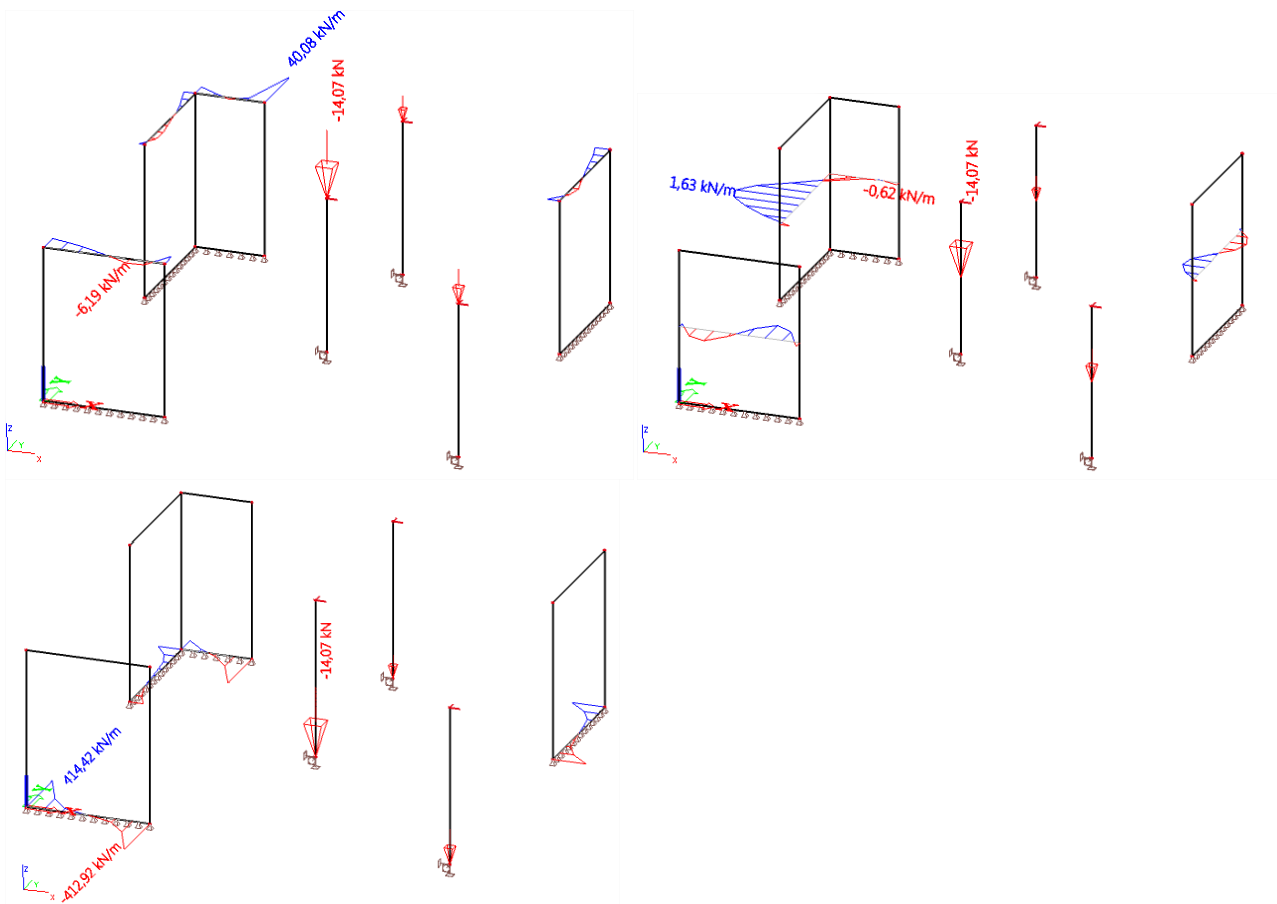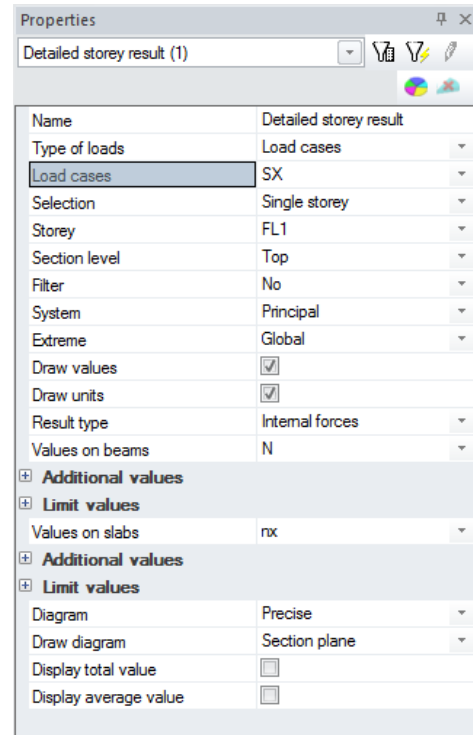
Detailed storey result

Linear calculation, Extreme: Global, System: Principal
Selection: FL1
Load cases : SX
Columns:

Name	Storey	x [m]	y [m]	z [m]	N [kN]	Vy [kN]	Vz [kN]	Mx [kNm]	My [kNm]	Mz [kNm]
B40	FL1	6,000	12,000	0,000	-5,32	0,17	1,11	0,04	-2,97	-0,62
B37	FL1	12,000	0,000	0,000	-7,10	0,28	0,60	0,04	-2,04	-0,89
B22	FL1	6,000	6,000	0,000	-14,07	0,28	1,12	0,03	-2,90	-0,77

Walls:

Name	Storey	x [m]	y [m]	z [m]	nx [kN/m]	ny [kN/m]	nxy [kN/m]	mx [kNm/m]	my [kNm/m]	mxy [kNm/m]	vx [kN/m]	vy [kN/m]
S15	FL1	3,500	0,000	0,000	-412,92	-656,81	-130,99	0,03	0,04	-0,02	0,21	0,26
S15	FL1	0,000	0,000	0,000	414,42	659,18	-131,51	-0,03	-0,03	-0,01	0,13	-0,13
S10	FL1	1,500	12,000	0,000	-151,68	-291,51	74,15	-0,02	0,01	0,05	-0,36	0,45
S7	FL1	0,000	12,000	0,000	135,23	297,29	-20,21	2,32	5,34	-2,17	14,69	-23,77
S10	FL1	0,000	12,000	0,000	139,96	294,00	-73,39	-3,00	-9,50	1,85	14,59	-57,50
S7	FL1	0,000	11,000	0,000	29,74	145,80	10,44	-0,05	-0,15	-0,44	-3,89	0,31
S10	FL1	0,500	12,000	0,000	38,76	58,18	18,97	-0,03	0,38	0,07	4,23	18,73

- **Resulting forces (by member)**

Location = by member: compute the resulting forces are computed for each wall member separately

Resulting forces in 1D members (columns) are identical to internal forces in 1D members.

Resulting forces in 2D members (walls) compute the resultant at the center of each wall, according to a dedicated local coordinate system, regardless of the System output setting. The coordinate system that is used is the same as the LCS of a vertical rib placed in the middle of the wall. It is also the same coordinate system that is used for integration strips.
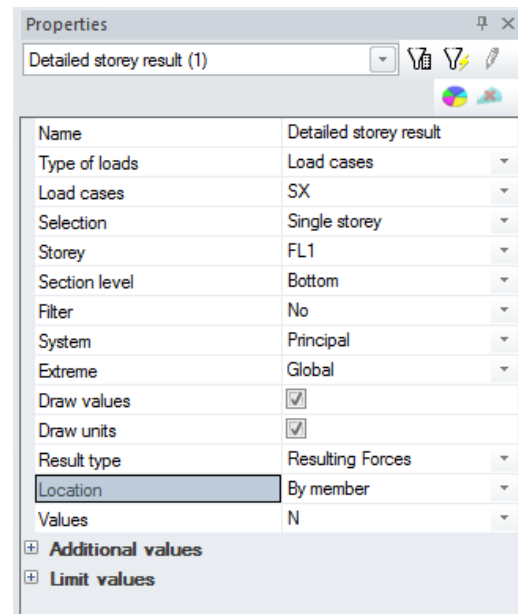
- The local X-axis is vertical, upwards
- The local Z-axis is identical to the Z-LCS of the wall
- $Y = Z \wedge X$

In this way, resulting forces in walls can be easily displayed together, consistently with internal forces in columns on a single drawing.

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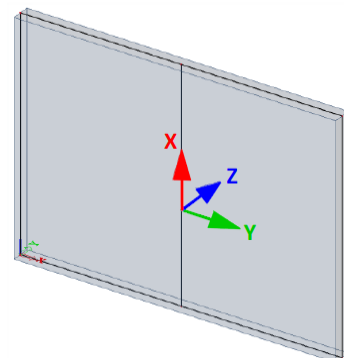
- **Resulting forces (by Storey)**

Location = by storey: the resulting forces are computed for each storey, considering all the supporting members at once; 1D (columns) and 2D members (walls) are taken into account **together**

Properties		무 X
Detailed storey result (1)		▾
Name	Detailed storey result	
Type of loads	Load cases	▾
Load cases	SX	▾
Selection	Single storey	▾
Storey	FL1	▾
Section level	Bottom	▾
Filter	No	▾
System	GCS	▾
Extreme	Global	▾
Draw values	☑	
Draw units	☑	
Result type	Resulting Forces	▾
Location	By storey	▾
Values	Fx	▾
⊞ Additional values		
⊞ Limit values		
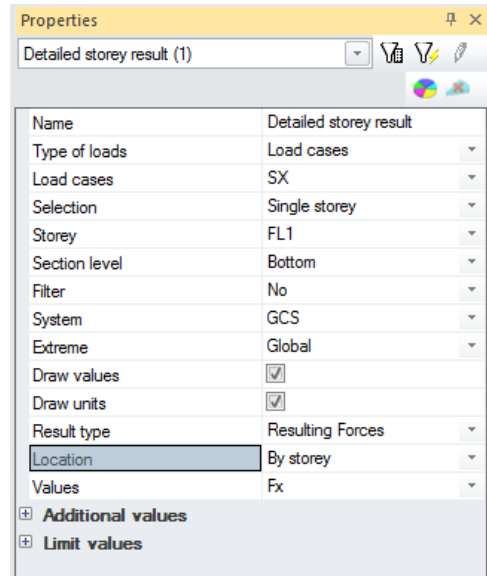
- **Total vertical forces in all storeys**

Properties		무 X
Detailed storey result (1)		▾
Name	Detailed storey result	
Type of loads	Load cases	▾
Load cases	SW	▾
Selection	All storeys	▾
Section level	Middle	▾
Filter	No	▾
System	GCS	▾
Extreme	No	▾
Draw values	☑	
Draw units	☑	
Result type	Resulting Forces	▾
Location	By storey	▾
Values	Fz	▾
⊞ Additional values		
⊞ Limit values		
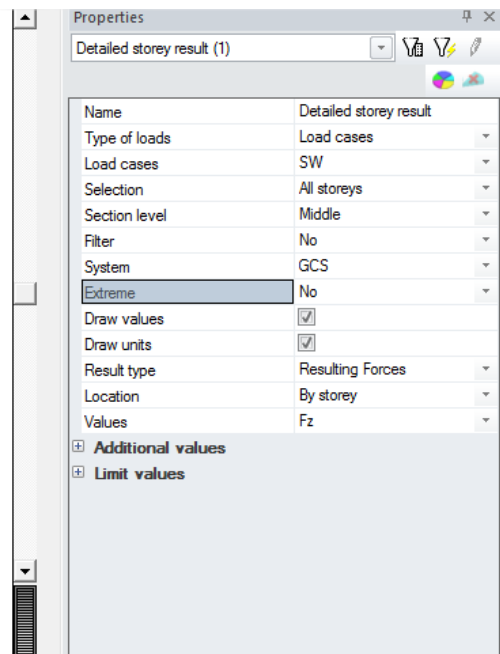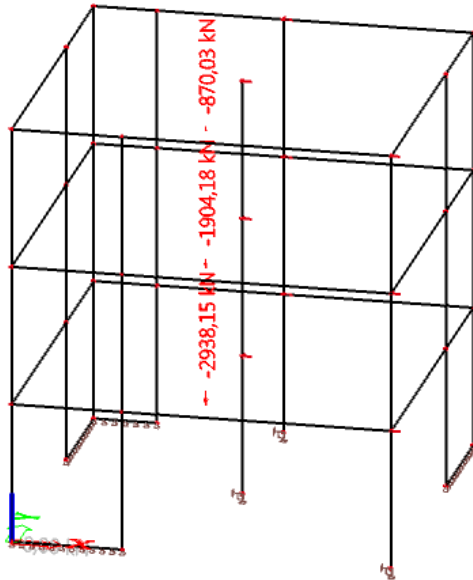
Detailed storey result

Linear calculation, Extreme: No, System: GCS
Selection: All
Load cases : SW
Resulting Forces

Name	x [m]	y [m]	z [m]	Fx [kN]	Fy [kN]	Fz [kN]	Mx [kNm]	My [kNm]	Mz [kNm]
FL1	4,507	7,549	2,250	-0,44	-1,04	-2938,15	3281,45	-3163,36	5,73
FL2	4,507	7,549	6,750	0,86	-0,87	-1904,18	2187,60	-2109,18	-0,09
FL3	4,507	7,549	11,250	1,09	-1,01	-870,03	1093,35	-1054,50	-0,82
FL4	0,000	0,000	0,000	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00

6.3 Accidental eccentricity (Accidental Torsion)

The accidental eccentricity accounts for inaccuracies in the distribution of masses in the structure. Design codes usually take it into account as an additional eccentricity that is defined as a fraction of the size of the structure.

In the Eurocode 8, the accidental eccentricity for a given floor is defined as 5% of the width of the floor perpendicularly to the direction of the acting seismic action.

In SCIA Engineer, using the IRS condensed model allows introducing accidental eccentricity easily, since the condensed model uses only one R-node per storey. The accidental eccentricity may be taken into account either as real mass eccentricity or as additional torsion actions (simplified method according to the design codes).
However, SCIA Engineer uses the simplified method using additional torsion moment.
Accidental eccentricity is added through static loading (acc. EN 1998-1 4.3.3.3.3)
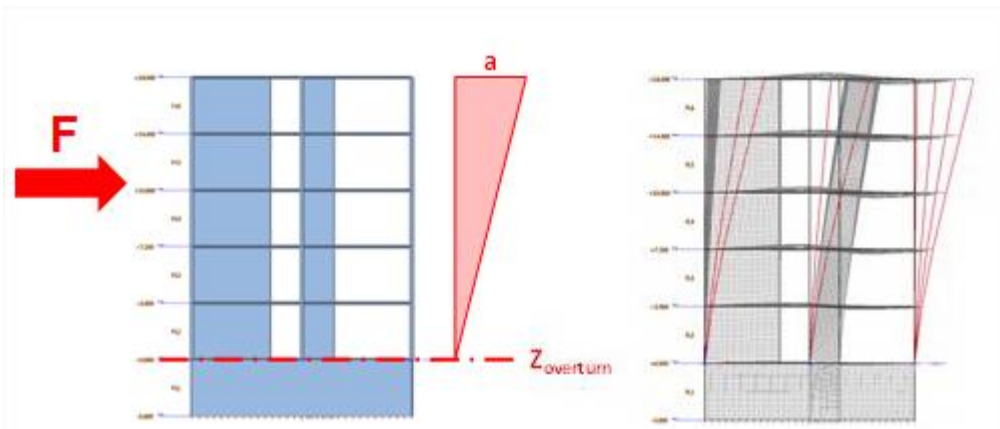
Example 6-2: IRS_2_Accidental_torsion.esa

In SCIA Engineer, the accidental torsion can be accounted for in a seismic project using the **IRS method**.
Open the **Load cases menu** and select one type of Accidental eccentricity:
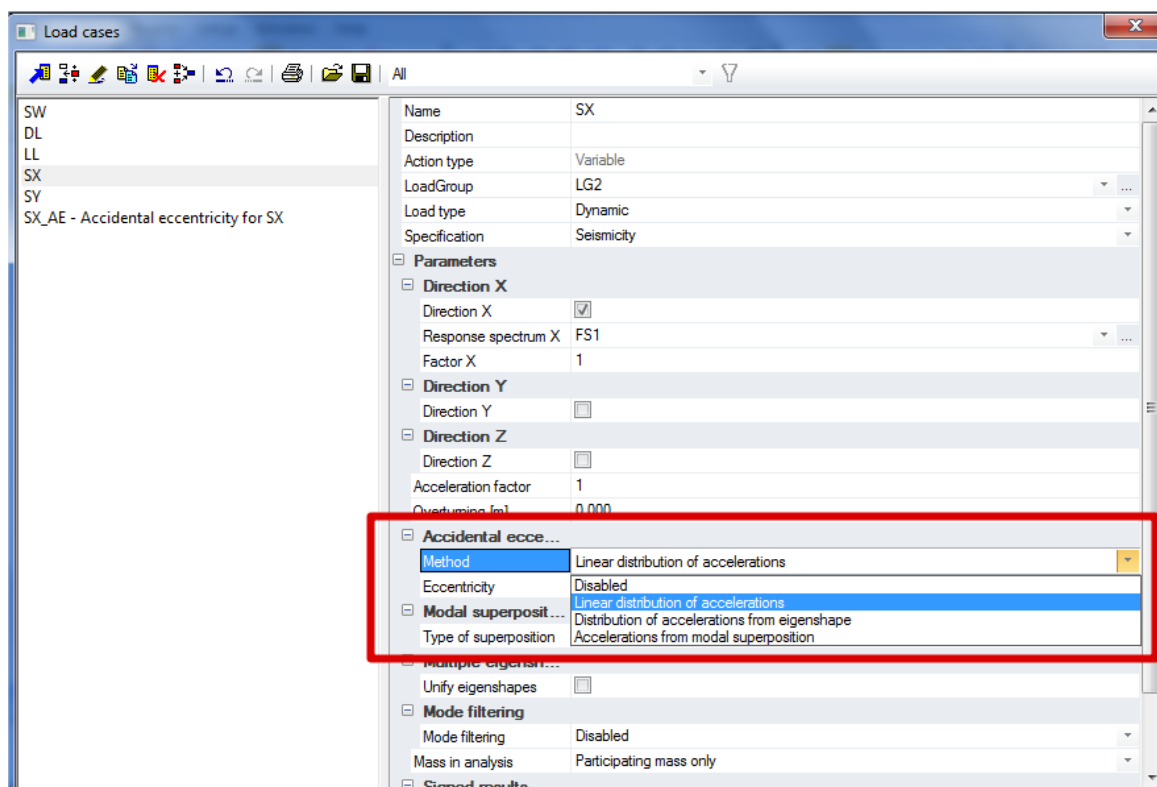
The following methods are available for calculation of AE moments:

- Linear distribution of accelerations (EN 1998-1 4.3.3.3.3 and formula (4.11))

- Distribution of accel. from eigenshape (EN 1998-1 4.3.3.3.3 and formula (4.10))

- Accelerations from modal superposition

Once the accidental eccentricity is selected, a new AE load case and also a new load group are automatically created:
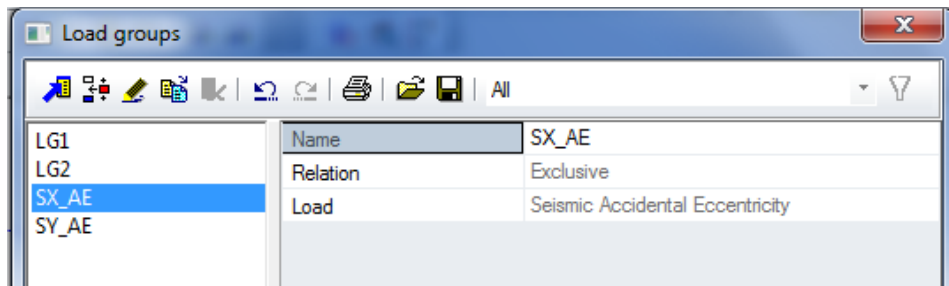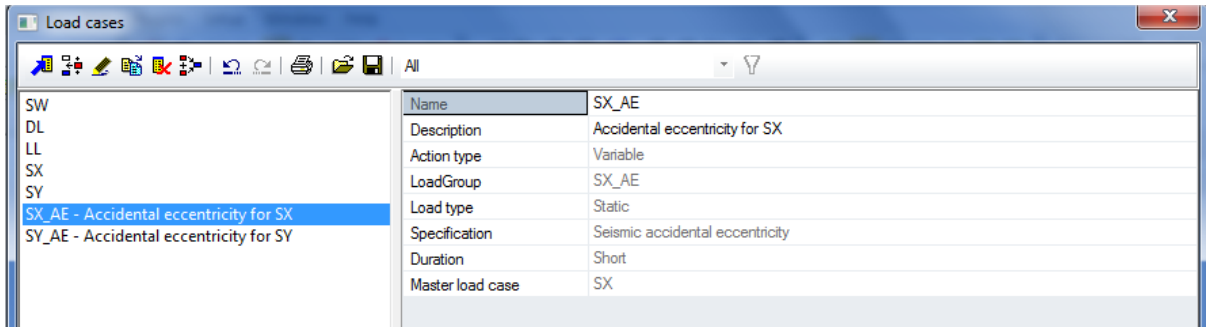
7. Vortex Shedding: Karman Vibration

In this chapter, the transverse vibration of cylindrical structures due to wind is examined.
First the theory is explained in which reference is made to the Harmonic load since Vortex shedding is a special case of harmonic loading.
The theory is then illustrated by an example of a steel chimney for which the results are again verified by a manual calculation.

7.1 Theory

One of the most important mechanisms for wind-induced oscillations is the formation of vortices (concentrations of rotating fluid particles) in the wake flow behind certain types of structures such as chimneys, towers, suspended pipelines,…
At a certain (critical) wind velocity, the flow lines do not follow the contours of the body, but break away at some points, thus the vortices are formed [27].
These vortices are shed alternately from opposite sides of the structure and give rise to a fluctuating load perpendicular to the wind direction. The following figure illustrates the vortex shedding for flow past a circular cylinder. The created pattern is often referred to as the *Karman vortex trail* [2]:
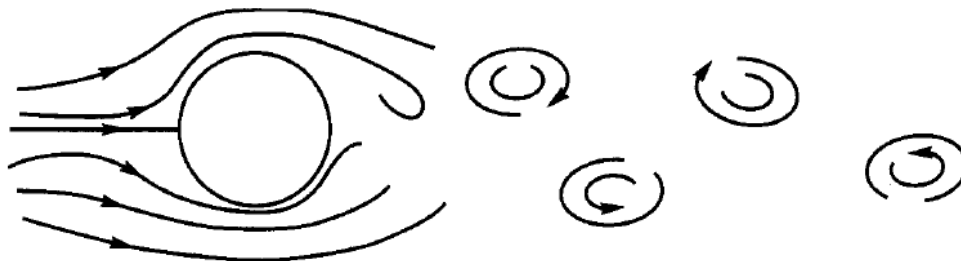
When a vortex is formed on one side of the structure, the wind velocity increases on the other side. This results in a pressure difference on the opposite sides and the structure is subjected to a lateral force away from the side where the vortex is formed. As the vortices are shed at the critical wind velocity alternately first from one side then the other, a harmonically varying lateral load with the same frequency as the frequency of the vortex shedding is formed [23].

The frequency of the vortex shedding f_v is given by:

$$f_v = \frac{S \cdot v}{d} \tag{6.1}$$

With:
    S = Non-dimensional constant referred to as the *Strouhal Number*
        For a cylinder this is taken as **0,2**.
    d = Width of the body loaded by the wind [m]
        For a cylinder this equals the outer-diameter.
    v = The mean velocity of the wind flow [m/s]

The manner in which vortices are formed is a function of the Reynolds number **Re**, which is given by [24]:

$$\mathrm{Re} = 0,687 \cdot v \cdot d \cdot 10^5 \tag{6.2}$$

In general large Reynolds numbers mean turbulent flow. The Reynolds number characterizes three major regions:

Subcritical	$300 \leq \mathrm{Re} \leq 10^5$
Supercritical	$10^5 \leq \mathrm{Re} \leq 3,5 \cdot 10^6$
Transcritical	$3,5 \cdot 10^6 \leq \mathrm{Re}$

For chimneys with circular cross section the flow is either in the supercritical or transcritical range for wind velocities of practical interest.

If the vortex shedding frequency coincides with the natural frequency of the structure (resonance) quite large across-wind amplitudes of vibration will result unless sufficient damping is present. This principle was already discussed in Chapter 3.

In this case, formula (6.1) can be rewritten to calculate the critical wind velocity at which resonance occurs:

$$v_{crit} = 5 \cdot d \cdot f \tag{6.3}$$

With: f   = Natural frequency of the structure

The across-wind forces per unit length caused by the vortex shedding can be approximated by the following formula: [2]

$$P_L(t) = \frac{1}{2} \rho \cdot d \cdot v_{crit}^2 \cdot C_t(t) \tag{6.4}$$

With: ρ = Air density taken as 1,25 kg/m³

           $C_t(t)$ = A lift coefficient that fluctuates in a harmonic or random manner and depends of the Reynolds number. The following figure shows this relation when C_t is proportional to the mode shape [24].
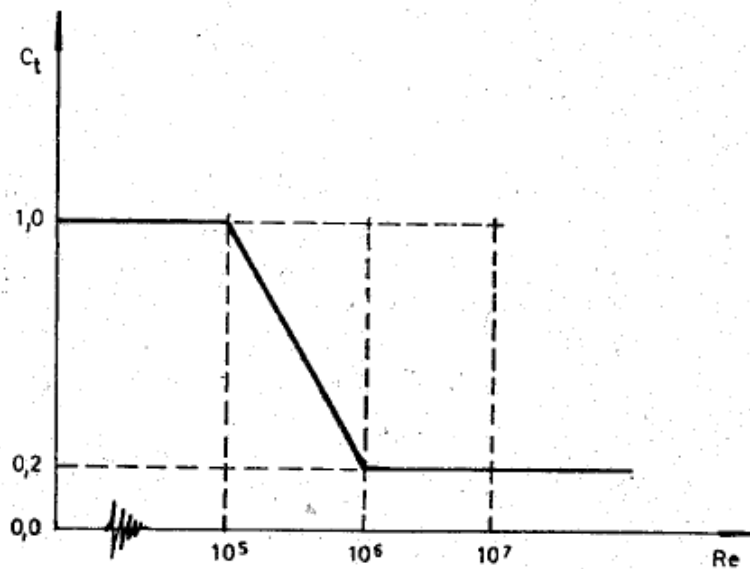
If the vortex shedding is taken as harmonic, equation (6.4) can be written as:

$$P_L(t) = P_0 \sin(\omega_v t) = \frac{1}{2} \rho \cdot d \cdot v_{crit}^2 \cdot C_t \sin(2\pi f_v) \tag{6.5}$$

According to reference [2], assuming a constant wind profile, the equivalent modal force due to the fluctuating lift force of equation (6.5) is given by:

$$P(t) = P_L \sin(\omega_v t) = \frac{1}{2} \rho \cdot d \cdot v_{crit}^2 \cdot \sin(2\pi f_v) \cdot \int_0^H C_t(z)\{\phi(z)\}dz \tag{6.6}$$

With:

$\phi(z)$ = Modal shape at height z

    H = Total height of the structure

As seen in Chapter 3, the dynamic amplitude Y at resonance can be written as:

$$Y = \frac{Y_S}{2\xi} \tag{6.7}$$

The static deformation Y_S is given by:

$$Y_S = \frac{P_0}{K} = \frac{P_0}{M\omega^2} \tag{6.8}$$

M is the equivalent modal mass of a prismatic member given by [2]:

$$M = \int_0^H m(z)\{\phi(z)\}^2 \, dz \qquad (6.9)$$

With:

m(z) = The mass per unit height

When combining formulas (6.7) and (6.8) the maximum response of a SDOF system subjected to a harmonic excitation may be written as:

$$Y = \frac{P_L}{M\omega^2} \cdot \frac{1}{2\xi} \qquad (6.10)$$

It follows that when the vortex shedding occurs with the same frequency as the natural frequency of the structure, the maximal amplitude is given by:

$$Y = \frac{\frac{1}{2}\rho \cdot d \cdot v_{crit}^2 \cdot \int_0^H C_t(z)\{\phi(z)\} \, dz}{\omega^2 \cdot \int_0^H m(z)\{\phi(z)\}^2 \, dz} \cdot \frac{1}{2\xi} \qquad (6.11)$$

When it is assumed that the mass per unit height is constant and that the lift coefficient is proportional to the mode shape, formula (6.11) can be simplified to the following:

$$Y = \frac{\rho \cdot d^3 \cdot C_t}{16 \cdot \pi^2 \cdot S^2 \cdot m \cdot \xi} \qquad (6.12)$$

This equation may be used as a first estimate of likely response of the structure.

7.2 Karman Vibration in SCIA Engineer

In SCIA Engineer, the Vortex Shedding was implemented according the Czech loading standard [24]. The effect is only taken into account if the critical wind velocity calculated by formula (6.3) is between a minimal and maximal value. These two extremes can be defined by the user. According to [24] these values are taken as **5 m/s** and **20 m/s**.

In addition to formula (6.11), in SCIA Engineer it is possible to specify the length of the structure where the Von Karman effect can occur. For each geometric node of the structure, it is possible to relate a length of the cylinder to the node. This implies that, in order to obtain precise results, the structure should be modeled with sufficient _geometric_ nodes.

By default the effect can occur over the entire height of the structure however, when there are specific obstacles on the surface of a chimney for example, these obstacles will hamper the formation of the vortices and thus reduce the Von Karman effect. In practice, this is exactly the solution to suppress vortex-induced vibration: the fitting of special ribs on the surface of the cylinder.

The following diagram shows the required steps to perform a Vortex Shedding calculation:

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        ┌─────────────────────────────────────┐
        │   Activate the Dynamics functionality │
        └─────────────────────────────────────┘
                          │
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        ┌─────────────────────────────────────┐
        │          Create a Mass Group         │
        └─────────────────────────────────────┘
              │                         │
              ▼                         ▼
   ┌───────────────┐     ┌────────────────────────────────┐
   │  Input Masses │     │ Generate Masses from Static Load cases │
   └───────────────┘     └────────────────────────────────┘
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        ┌─────────────────────────────────────┐
        │       Create a Mass Combination      │
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        ┌─────────────────────────────────────┐
        │  Create a Karman Vibration Load case │
        └─────────────────────────────────────┘
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        ┌─────────────────────────────────────┐
        │      Input Karman Loads (lengths)    │
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        │  Refine the Finite-Element Mesh if required │
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        │ Specify the number of Eigenmodes to be calculated │
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        │       Perform a Linear Calculation   │
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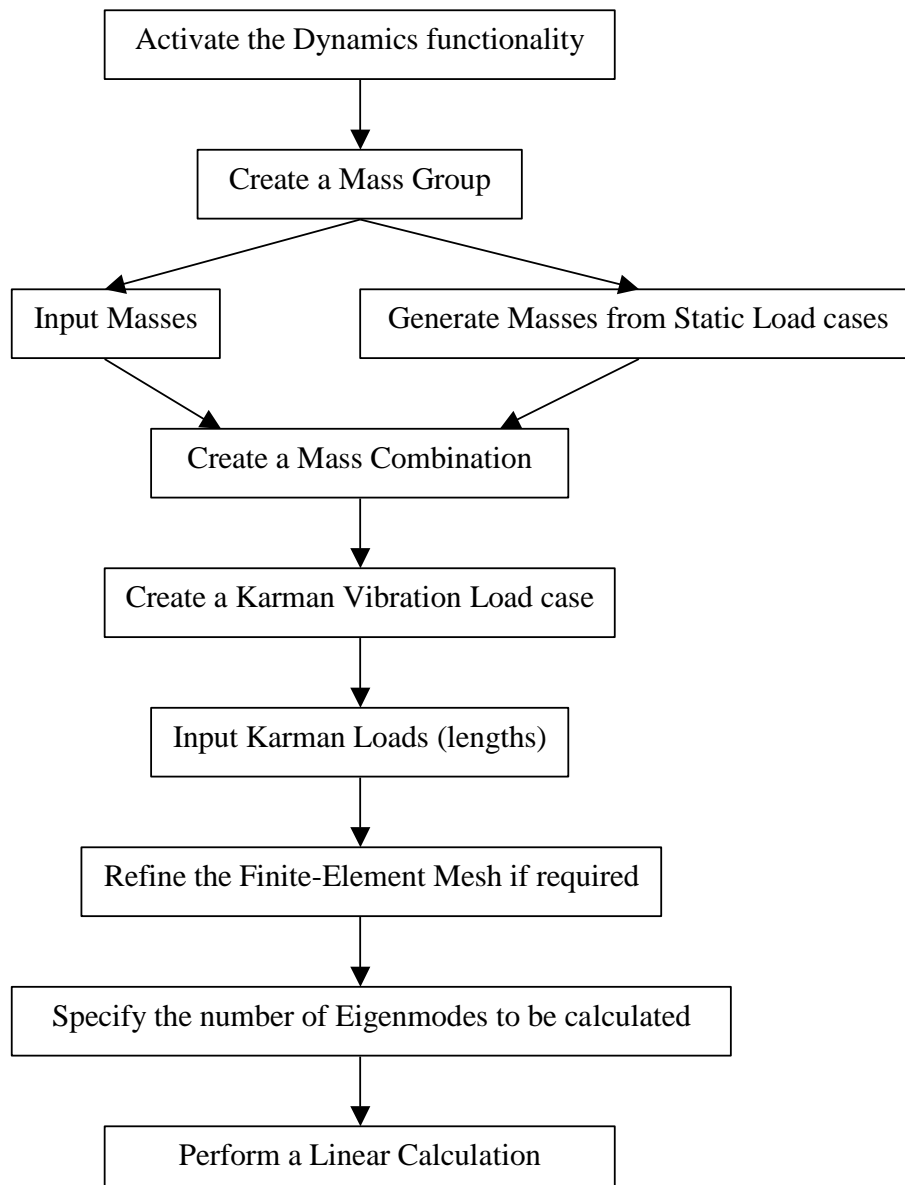
This diagram will be illustrated in the following example.

Example 7-1: Vortex_Shedding.esa

In this example, a steel chimney is modeled with a fixed base.
The chimney has an outer-diameter of **1,2m** and a thickness of **6mm**. The total height is **30m** and the structure is manufactured in **S235** according to **EC-EN**.
To take into account the weight of insulation, electrical cables and other non-structural elements, a distributed mass of **55 kg/m** is inputted.
No specific structural measures are taken to prevent the vortex shedding thus the entire length of the chimney must be taken into account for the Von Karman vibration.
To this end, the chimney is modeled as a cantilever built up as 30 members to create sufficient geometric nodes. Each node (except the base and top) will be assigned a chimney length of **1m**.
For the logarithmic decrement of the chimney, a value of **0,025** is used.

One static load case is created: the **self-weight** of the structure.

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Step 1: Functionality
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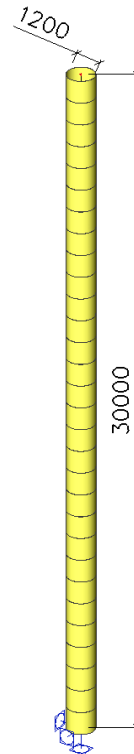
The first step in the Karman Vibration calculation is to activate the functionality **Dynamics** on the **Functionality** tab in the **Project Data**.

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Step 2: Mass groups
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The second step is to create a **Mass Group**.
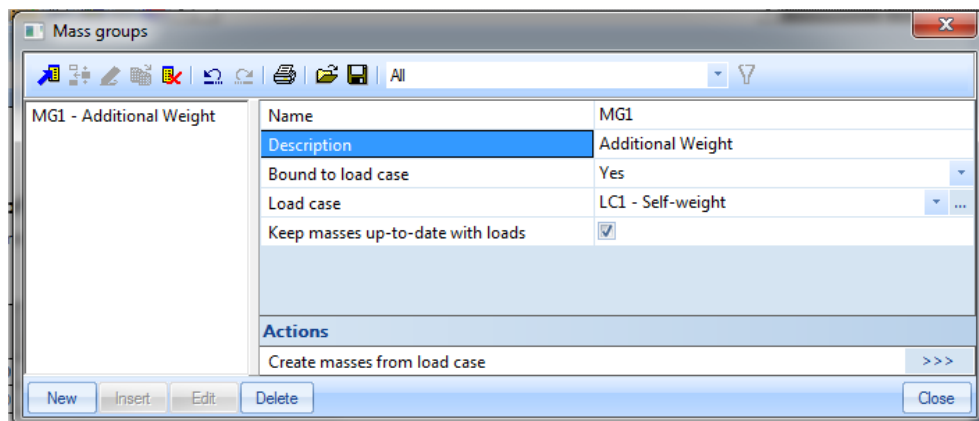
Actually, this mass group doesn't contain anything, since the self-weight is automatically taken into account. But to do dynamic calculation, at least one Mass Group needs to be defined.

In this mass group, we are going to place some additional masses. This will be added to the mass coming from the self weight (which is always and automatically taken into account).

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Step 3: Masses

After the Mass Group has been created; the distributed mass of **55 kg/m** can be inputted on all members.
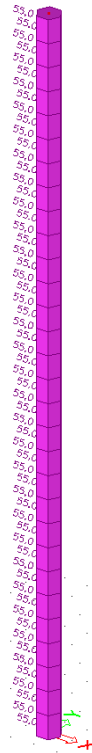
Step 4: Mass matrix

Next, the Mass Group is put within a **Combination of Mass Groups**, which can be used for defining the harmonic load.
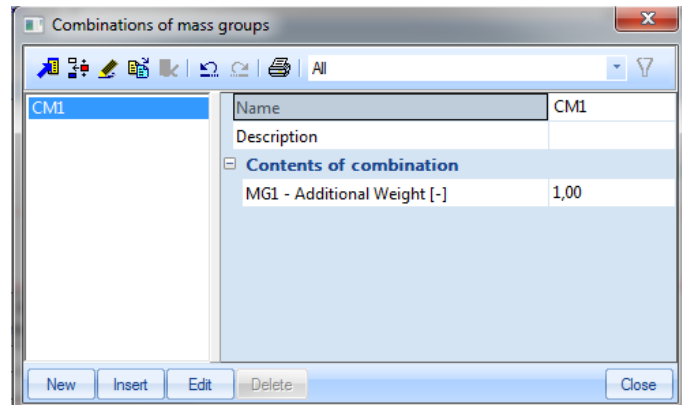
Step 5: Karman vibration load case

After creating a Mass Combination, a **Karman vibration** load case can be defined through **Load cases, Combinations** > **Load Cases**.

The **Action Type** of the Load Case is set to **Variable**.

The **Load Type** can then be changed to **Dynamic**.
Within the **Specification** field, the type of dynamic load can be set, in this case **Karman vibration**.

- The **logarithmic decrement** was given to be **0,025**.

- The **Diameter of the tube** was **1,2m**.

- The **Wind direction** is defined in the Global Coordinate System. A direction of **0,00 deg** specifies the global **X-axis**. This implies that the Karman vibration will occur in a direction along the Y-axis (perpendicular to the wind direction).

- As specified in paragraph 6.2 the **minimal** and **maximal** wind velocities are set to **5 m/s** and **20 m/s** respectively. Vortex shedding will only occur if the critical wind velocity is between these two limits.

- The option **'Select eigenshape'** can be used to manually specify for which eigenmode the Vortex shedding needs to be calculated. When this option is left to 'Automatic', SCIA Engineer determines the representative mode automatically (which is the one with the biggest modal participation factor in the relevant direction)

  Since the wind direction is set along the global X-axis, the representative mode will be a mode shape along the global Y-axis.
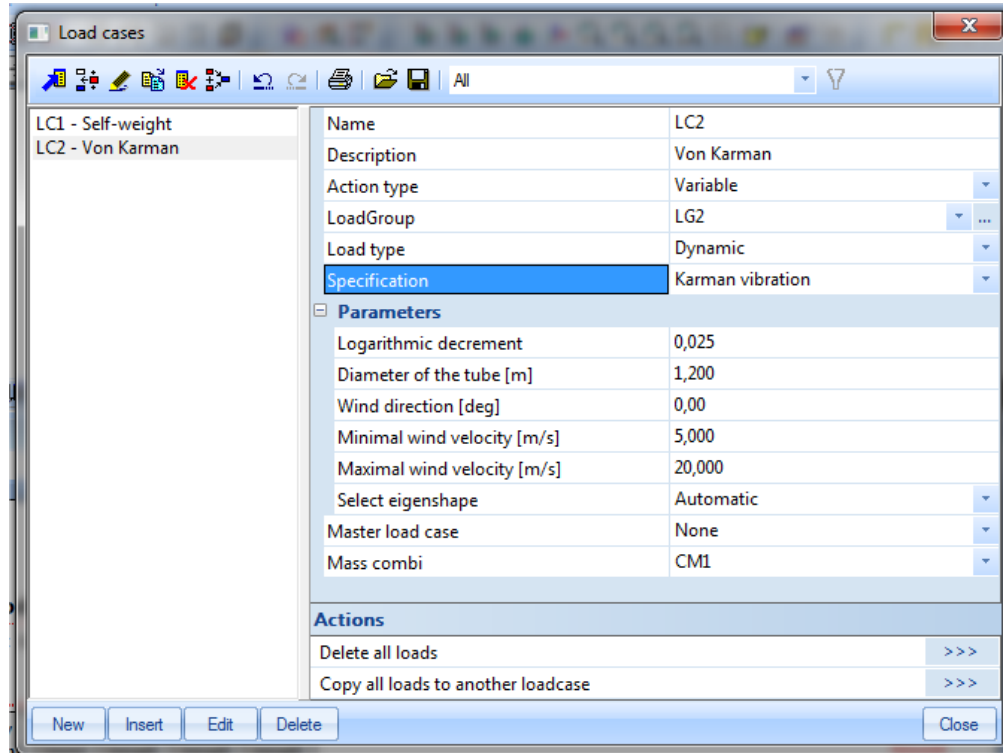
Step 6: Karman load

The parameters of the load case have been defined, what is left is to specify the length of the structure where the Von Karman effect can occur.

As indicated in paragraph 6.2; SCIA Engineer allows relating a length of the chimney to each geometric node.

This load can be inputted through **Load** > **Point Force** > **Karman Load**
As no specific measures were taken to prevent vortex shedding and since the chimney was inputted as 30 members, each node is assigned a length of **1m**.

Additional nodes are made at **0,25m** from the base and top. These nodes also get Karman loads assigned to them of **0,50m**.
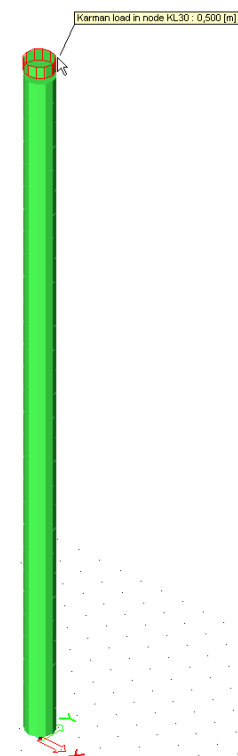
Step 7: Mesh setup

To obtain precise results for the dynamic calculation, the Finite Element Mesh is refined. The **Average number of tiles of 1D element** is set to **5** through **Calculation, Mesh > Mesh Setup**.
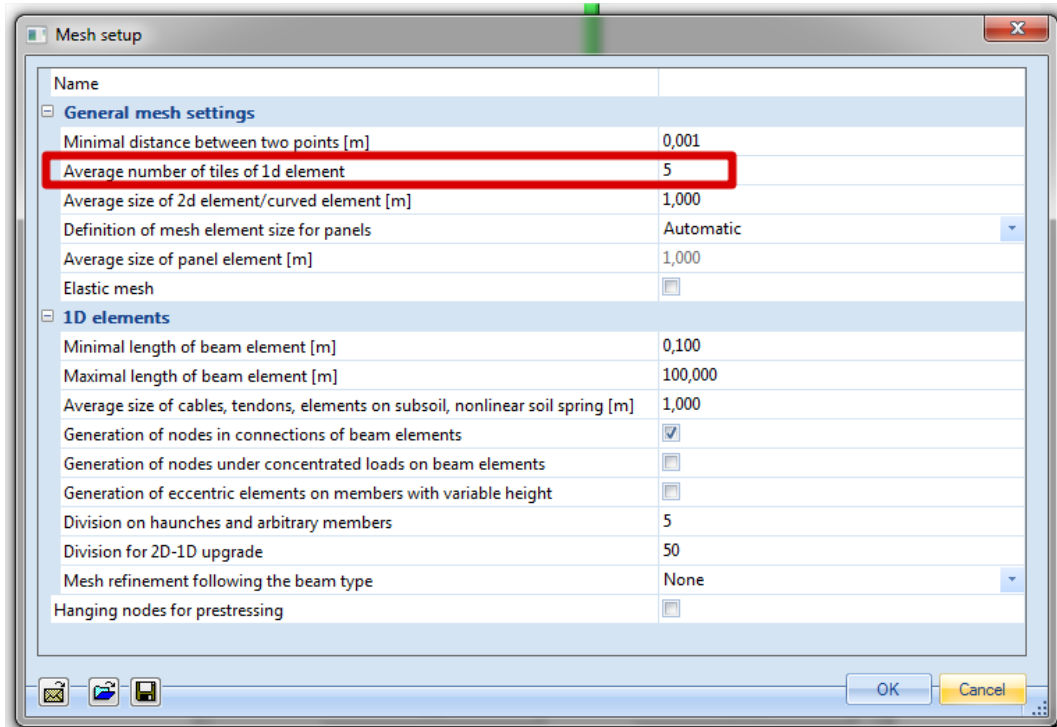
Step 8: Solver setup

Step 8: The last step before launching the calculation is setting the amount of eigenmodes to be calculated. The default value in **Calculation, Mesh** > **Solver Setup** is **4**. This is sufficient for this example.

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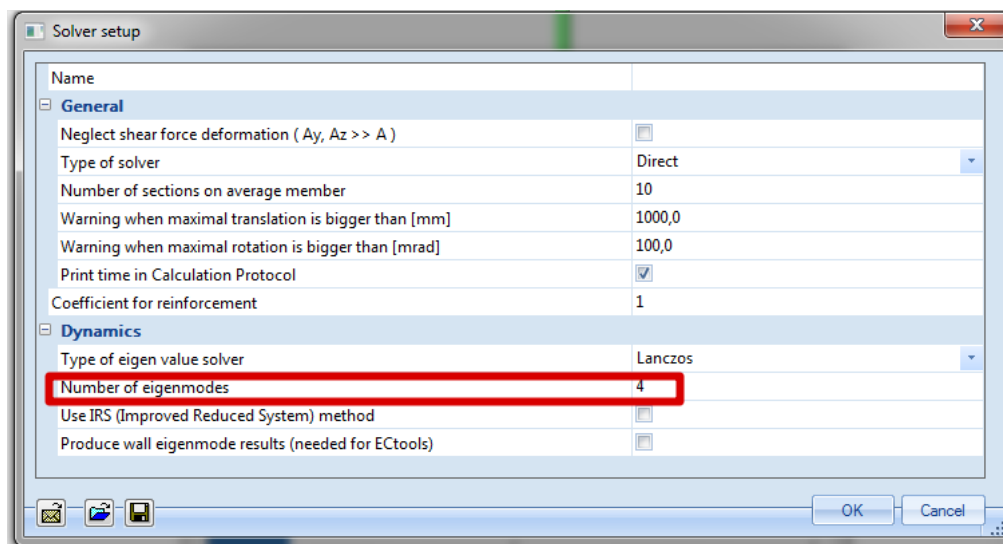
Step 9: Linear calculation and results

All steps have been executed so the **Linear Calculation** can be started through **Calculation, Mesh > Calculation.**

The **Calculation Protocol** for the **Eigen Frequency** calculation shows the following:

Modal participation factors

Mode	Omega [rad/s]	Period [s]	Freq. [Hz]	Wxi / Wxtot	Wyi / Wytot	Wzi / Wztot	Wxi_R / Wxtot_R	Wyi_R / Wytot_R	Wzi_R / Spectral
1	7.4354	0.8450	1.1834	0.6159	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.3751	0.0000
2	7.4354	0.8450	1.1834	0.0000	0.6159	0.0000	0.3751	0.0000	0.0000
3	46.0814	0.1363	7.3341	0.1908	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.1995	0.0000
4	46.0814	0.1363	7.3341	0.0000	0.1908	0.0000	0.1995	0.0000	0.0000
				0.8067	0.8067	0.0000	0.5746	0.5746	0.0000

The details of the Karman Vibration calculation can be found in the **Calculation Protocol** for the **Linear** calculation:

Karmans vibration is analyzed for eigen shape   2
Maximum horizontal translation   0.02397
Critical velocity   7.10
Reynolds   number   585346.64
Ct ratio   0.57
Maximum   load on cylinder   21.50
Reduced   load on cylinder   896.92

As expected, the Vortex shedding was analyzed for the second eigenmode, the mode with largest mass participation in the Y-direction.

The Maximum and Reduced loads are intermediate results used to calculate the across-wind forces according to [24].

The maximum horizontal translation for the second eigenmode can be found through **Deformation of Nodes** (note that the value has no relevance, the direction however is very important):

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Displacement of nodes

Eigen solution,Extreme : Global
Selection: All
Mass combinations: CM1/2 - 1,18
Modal shapes are dimensionless, units are printed for consistency purposes.

Node	Case	Ux [mm]	Uy [mm]	Uz [mm]	Fix [mrad]	Fiy [mrad]	Fiz [mrad]
N1	CM1/2 - 1,18	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
N31	CM1/2 - 1,18	0,0	24,0	0,0	-1,1	0,0	0,0

In the same way, the total deflection of the top of the chimney caused by the Karman Vibration can be shown:

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Displacement of nodes

Linear calculation,Extreme : Global
Selection: All
Load cases: LC2

Node	Case	Ux [mm]	Uy [mm]	Uz [mm]
N1	LC2	0,0	0,0	0,0
N31	LC2	0,0	-210,8	0,0

Because of this large translation at the top, at the base of the chimney considerable stresses will occur. As specified in Chapter 3, a combination of type **Envelope** provides the possibility for considering both sides of the vibration amplitude since a vibration is always in both directions.

An envelope combination is created for the chimney to evaluate the stresses at the base:
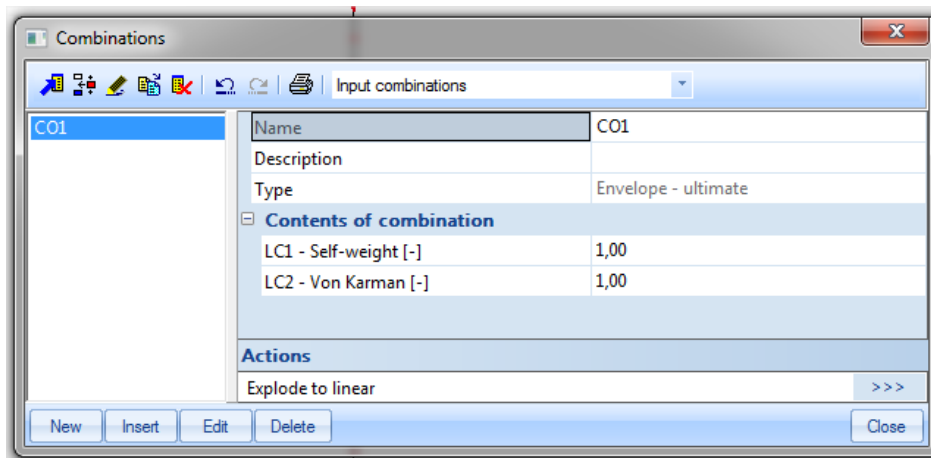
The **Member Stresses** for the lower member of the chimney give the following normal stresses for the combination:

Stress

Linear calculation, Extreme : Global
Selection : All
Combinations : CO1
Values : Normal -, Normal +, Shear, von Mises, Fatigue, Kappa, Sigma Y

Member	dx [m]	Case	Normal - [MPa]	Normal + [MPa]	Shear [MPa]	von Mises [MPa]	Fatigue [MPa]	Kappa [-]	Sigma Y [MPa]
B1	0,000	CO1/1	**-105,8**		0,0	**105,8**			0,0
B1	0,000	CO1/2		**101,2**	0,0	101,2			0,0
B1	0,000	CO1/2	-2,3	**-2,3**	**2,8**	5,4			**0,0**
B1	0,000	CO1	-105,8	101,2			**207,0**	-0,96	
B30	1,000	CO1	0,0	0,0			0,0	**-1,00**	
B30	0,875	CO1	0,0	0,0			0,0	**0,47**	

A stress range of **207 MPa** will lead to significant fatigue problems after even a low amount of cycles. This is one of the most reported types of failures due to Vortex shedding.

A solution to this problem is the fitting of a helix type rib to prevent the correlation of the vortices (and thus lower the chimney-length which should be considered for the Von Karman effect). The disadvantage of such a rib is that it increases the drag force [2].

Since the Vortex shedding is a state of resonance, the amplitude is damping dependent as explained in Chapter 3. Another solution is thus to increase the damping by installing a tuned mass damper system [23].

Manual Calculation

In order to check the results obtained with SCIA Engineer, a manual calculation is performed.
First of all, the fundamental natural frequency of the chimney is approximated by the following formula
given in Eurocode 1 [4]:

$$f = \frac{\varepsilon_l \cdot d}{h_{eff}^2} \sqrt{\frac{W_s}{W_t}}$$
(6.13)

With:

ε_l = 1000 for steel chimneys
d = Diameter of the chimney at the top [m]
h_{eff} = Total height of the chimney for a prismatic cantilever structure [m]
W_s = Weight of the structural elements which add to the stiffness of the chimney, in this case only the self-weight of the chimney.
W_t = Total weight of the chimney, thus including the additional weight.

The self-weight of the chimney is given in the Bill of Material:

CSS	Material	Unit mass [kg/m]	Length [m]	Mass [kg]
Chimney - Tube (1200,6)	S 235	176,6	30,000	5299,2

$$\Rightarrow f = \frac{1000 \cdot 1,2}{30^2} \sqrt{\frac{176,6}{176,6 + 55}} = \textbf{1,16 Hz}$$

This result is a good approximation of the result of **1,18 Hz** calculated by SCIA Engineer.

Next the result of the Von Karman vibration is verified.
The critical wind velocity at which resonance occurs is calculated using formula (6.3):

$$v_{crit} = 5 \cdot d \cdot f = 5 \cdot 1,2 \cdot 1,1834 = \textbf{7,10 m/s}$$

The critical wind velocity is between the upper and lower limit of **5 m/s** and **20 m/s** thus vortex
shedding is likely to occur.
Using formula (6.2) the Reynolds number **Re** is calculated:

$$\text{Re} = 0,687 \cdot v \cdot d \cdot 10^5 = 0,687 \cdot 7,10 \cdot 1,2 \cdot 10^5 = \textbf{585356,98}$$

Using the Reynolds number, the lift coefficient **C_t** can be calculated:
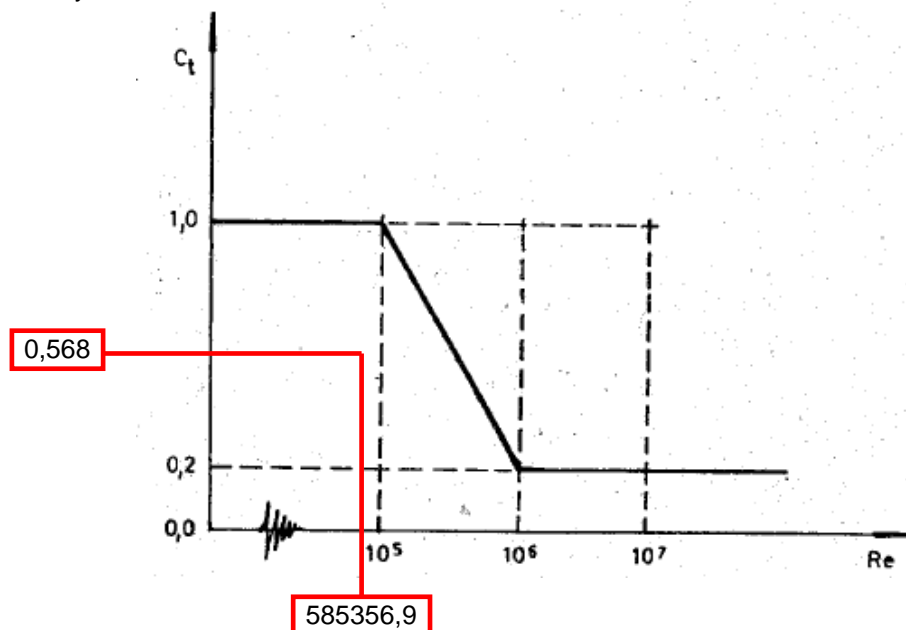
These intermediate results correspond to the results calculated by SCIA Engineer.

As an approximation of the response at the top of the chimney, equation (6.12) can be used:

$$Y = \frac{\rho \cdot d^3 \cdot C_t}{16 \cdot \pi^2 \cdot S^2 \cdot m \cdot \xi}$$

With: ρ = 1,25 kg/m³
S = 0,2
m = 176,6 kg/m + 55 kg/m
ξ = 0,003979 for a logarithmic decrement of 0,025

$$\Rightarrow Y = \frac{1,25 \cdot 1,2^3 \cdot 0,5686}{16 \cdot \pi^2 \cdot 0,2^2 \cdot (176,6 + 55) \cdot 0,003979} = 0,21099 m = \textbf{210,99mm}$$

This result corresponds to the result calculated by SCIA Engineer.
Eurocode 1 [4] gives an approximate formula to calculate the amount of cycles a chimney is subjected to due to vortex shedding. This can be used in a fatigue analysis.
Adaptations to the formulas for formations of cylindrical elements like chimneys and cables are found in the same reference.

8. Direct Time Integration

8.1 Theory

The title may be misleading because normally in the literature, this name is used for a dynamic computation without modal superposition. In SCIA Engineer, the eigenmodes are determined first and are used to uncouple the equilibrium equations into a set of m uncoupled second order differential equations which are solved one by one by direct time integration. The uncoupling is based on the properties given by equations

$$\Phi_j^T \cdot M \cdot \Phi_i = 0 \text{, When } i \neq j$$

$$\Phi_j^T \cdot M \cdot \Phi_i = 1 \text{, When } i = j$$

$$\Phi_i^T \cdot K \cdot \Phi_i = \omega_i^2$$

In equation (3.1) a solution for y is assumed to be of the form:

$$y = \phi\, Q \tag{7.1}$$

Where ϕ is the matrix of eigenvectors (n*n) and Q is a vector which is time dependent.

Substitution in equation (3.1) gives:

$$M \bullet \phi \bullet \ddot{Q} + C \bullet \phi \bullet \dot{Q} + K \bullet \phi \bullet Q = F \tag{7.2}$$

When the equation is pre-multiplied with ϕ^T and the above equations are taken into account, one obtains:

$$\ddot{Q} + \phi^T \bullet C \bullet \phi \bullet \dot{Q} + \Omega^2 \bullet Q = \phi^T \bullet F \tag{7.3}$$

This set of equations is still coupled because of the damping term. If however C-orthogonality is assumed (this means that $\phi^T.C.\phi$ reduces to only diagonal terms), then the equations are uncoupled and can be solved separately. The global results are obtained by superposition of the individual results (7.1) is also the exact solution if the assumption of C-orthogonality holds. If however, only a few eigenvectors (m<n) are used in ϕ instead of all the eigenvectors, then the system of equations and the superposition of the solutions gives a solution y which is an approximation of the exact solution.

In SCIA Engineer, C-orthogonality is assumed and it is also assumed that all modal damping factors are constant. This means that:

$$\phi^T \bullet C \bullet \phi = 2 \bullet \omega_i \bullet \xi \bullet \delta_{ij} \tag{7.4}$$

The value of ξ is one of the input data and is called damping factor.

The number of eigenvectors that is taken into account is also specified by the user. This value is equal to the number of eigenvectors computed in the eigenvalue computation.
The method used to solve each uncoupled second order differential equation is the *Newmark-method*. This method is unconditionally stable but the accuracy depends on the time step. This time step has to be given by the user. However, to help him in his choice, a value determined by the program will be used if the user does not specify a value. This proposed value is computed as: 0.01 T
Where T smallest period of all the modes which have to be taken into account

This proposed value guarantees accuracy better than 1% over each period of integration of this highest mode. In most cases, a larger time step can be used because the contribution of this last mode is small. This brings us to the question about the number of modes that should be used. When the time dependent terms on the left hand side of equation (7.3) are neglected, the solution for q_j (a term of Q) is:

$$q_j = 1/\omega_j^2 \bullet \phi_j^T \bullet F \tag{7.5}$$

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This indicates that the lowest eigenmodes (ω_j small) will contribute more than the highest modes (ω_j large), if dynamic terms are neglected. This can give a first idea on how many modes to use.
A second criterion is the periodicity of F. Any mode which coincides with the loading frequency should be taken into account.
Modal weight is a third criterion that can be used. If you add all modal weights in a particular direction together and divides this result by 9.81*sum of nodal masses in the same direction, you obtain a value smaller than 1. If this value is close to 1, it means that the higher modes will not contribute anymore. If, on the contrary, the value is smaller than 0.9, one can doubt about the value of a subsequent modal superposition.

8.2 Direct Time Integration in SCIA Engineer

In SCIA Engineer, it's possible to input a dynamic function. This can be used for different purposes, for example: harmonic loads, explosions, … In this case, the user has to input a dynamic function which presents the frequency in function of the time.

The following diagram shows the different steps which have to be performed for the time history calculation:

Activate the functionalities -Dynamics
                              -General dynamics

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Create a Mass Group

Input Masses   Generate Masses from Static Load cases

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Create a Mass Combination

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Define a Dynamic load function

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Create a 'general dynamics' load case

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Refine the Finite-Element Mesh if required

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Specify the number of Eigenmodes to be calculated

↓

Perform a Linear Calculation
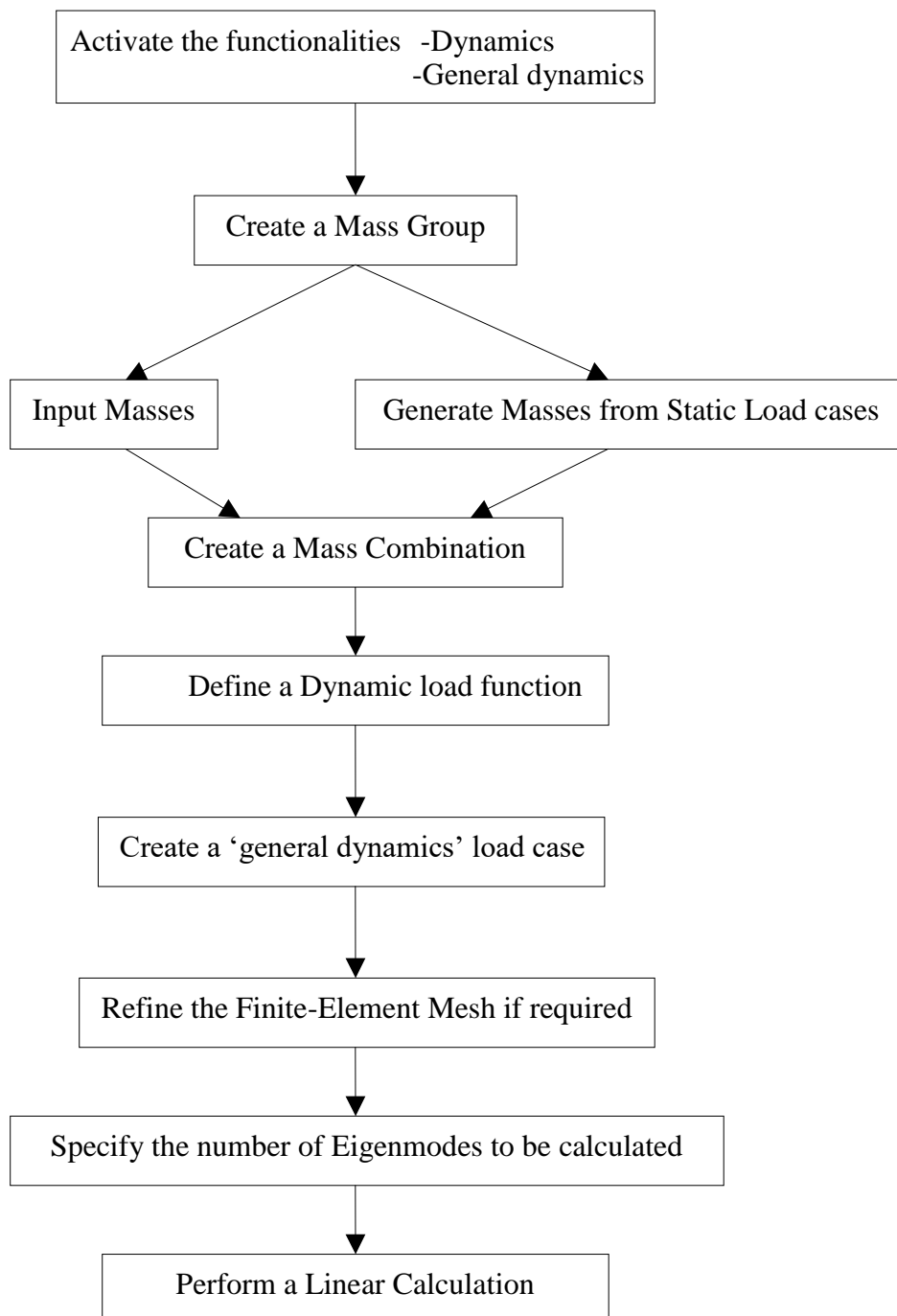
Example 8-1: Time_history_1.esa

In this example an explosion is simulated on a concrete plate.
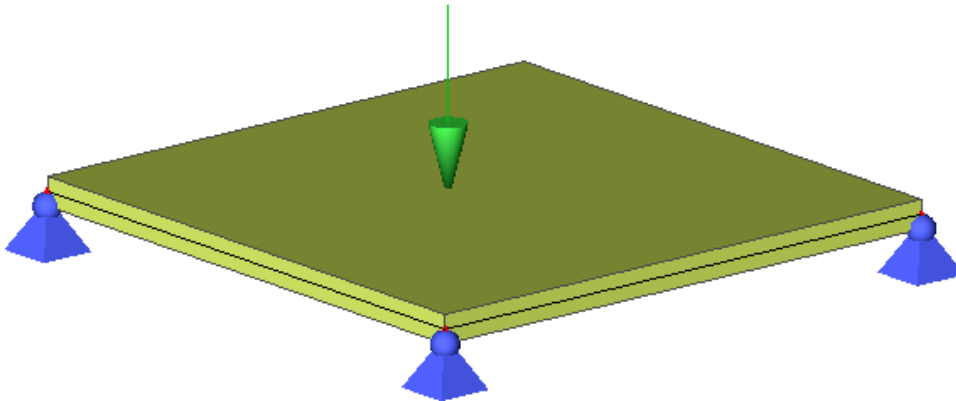
The plate has a dimension of 6x6m and the thickness is 300 mm. The plate will be calculated according to the EC-EN and is made of concrete grade C30/37. The four corners are supported by hinged supports.

Three load cases are introduced:
- Self weight
- Permanent surface load: -4kN/m^2
- Variable point load: Blast of -11 kN

Step 1: Functionality

Go to 'Project>functionality' and check the options:
Dynamics and General dynamics

Step 2: Mass groups and masses

Open the menu 'Dynamics' and a mass group will be created here. For this, the permanent surface load of -4kN/m^2 is used. For this, you can click on the 'create masses from load case' button.
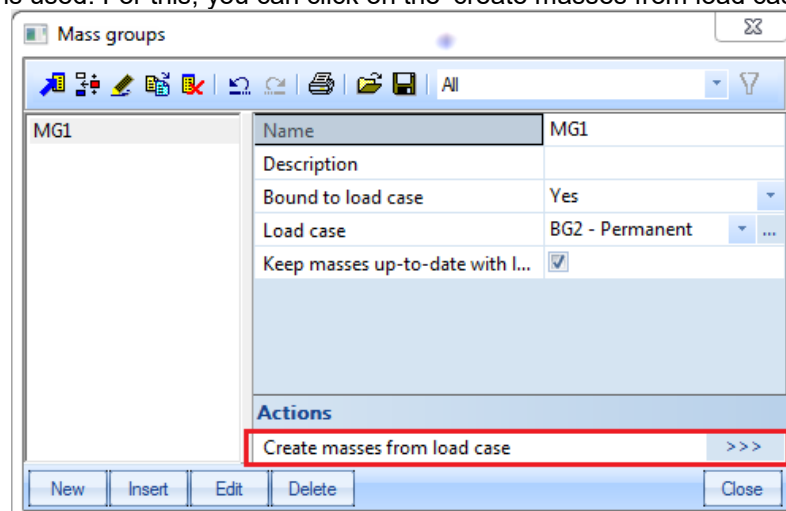
A surface mass of 407.7 kg/m^2 is created.

Step 3: Mass matrix

Next, a combination of mass groups can be created.
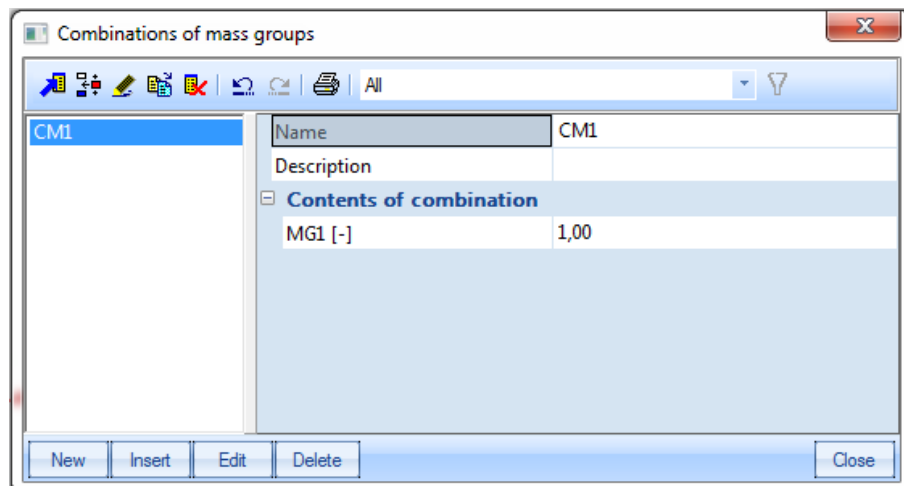
Step 4: Dynamic load function

After the creation of masses, the explosion can be simulated by means of a **dynamic load function**.

Go to 'Libraries > loads > Dynamic load functions'.
Here you can input the input of load coefficients in function in time.
Two types of functions can be input, namely a base and/or modal function. If both are introduced, the user can choose if these functions have to be multiplied or summarized.
4 types of functions can be chosen: constant, linear, parabolic or sinusoidal.

In our example a modal function is created with linear lines:
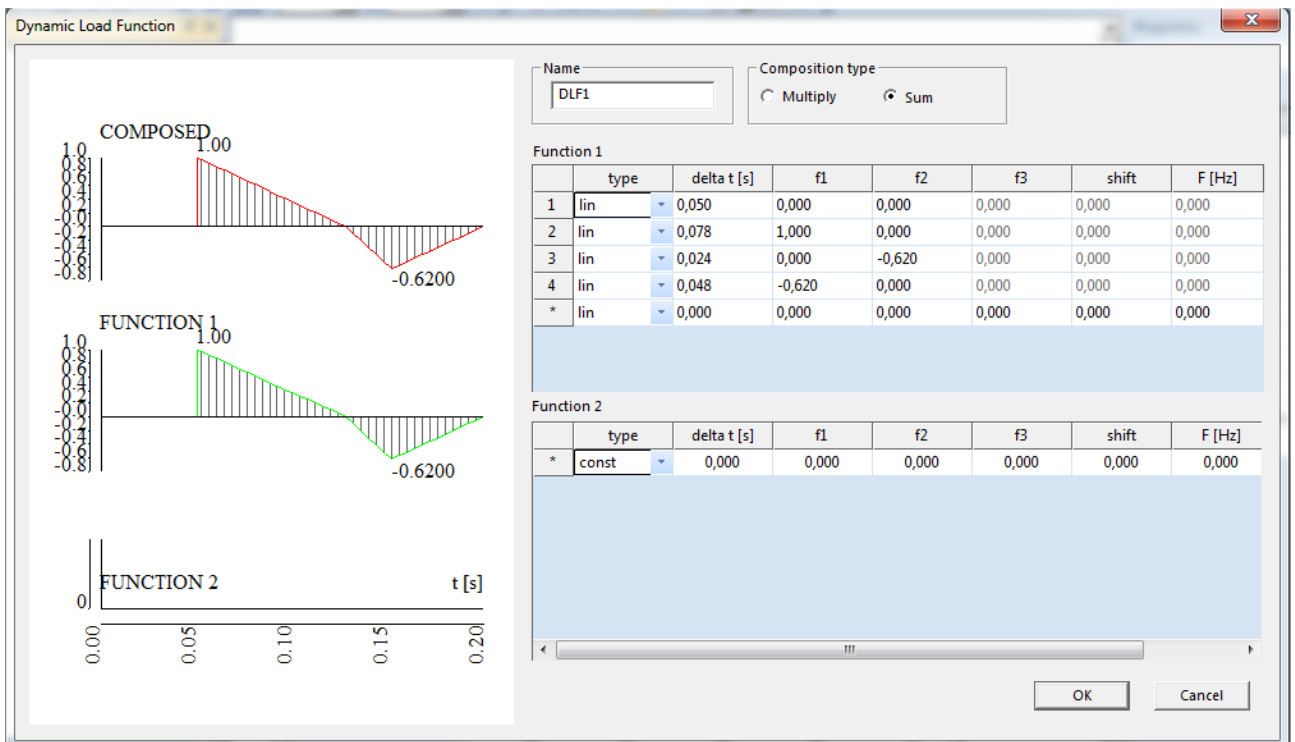
This function has to be attributed to a point load. We will do this in step 6.

Step 5: A 'general dynamics' load case

A load case is introduced to simulate this explosion.
The action type is **Variable** and the type of load **Dynamic.**
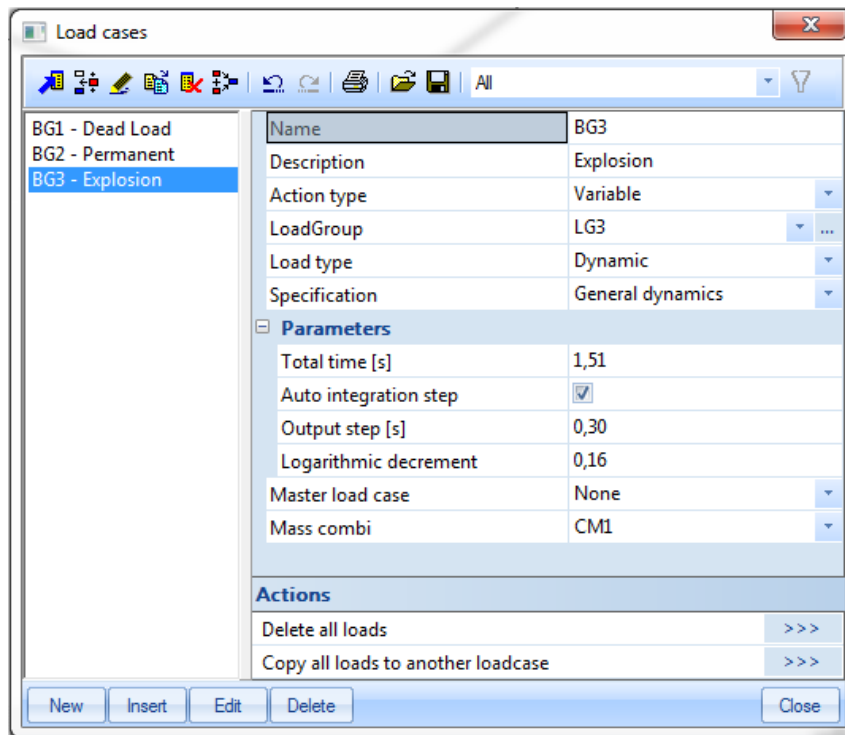
For the load group, the user can choose a special case, namely **Accidental.**
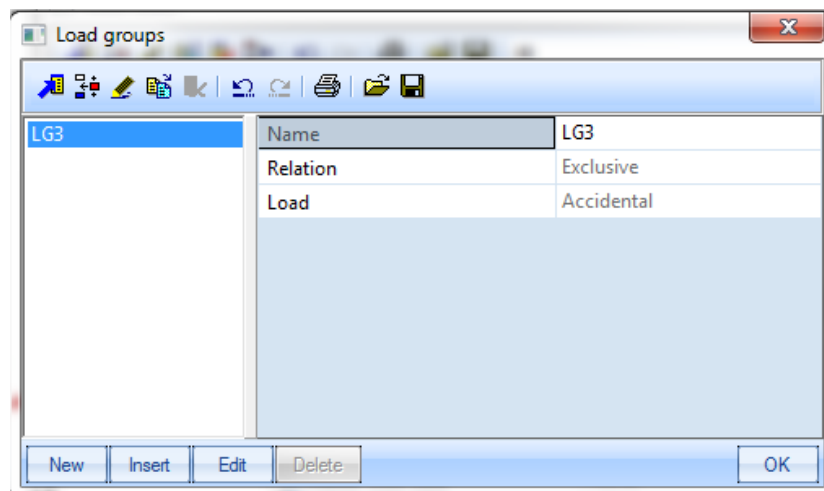
Next, the specification has to be selected and the type **General dynamics** has to be chosen for a time history calculation.
For this, we need some extra parameters:

Where:
- Total time: The total time of the dynamic analysis
- Integration step: When 'Auto' is checked, then 1/100 of the smallest period is taken.
  When 'Auto' isn't checked, then the user is allowed to select an integration step value.
- Output step: Step for generating the load cases. The value need to be bigger or equal at the integration step.
- Log Decrement: Damping defined as logarithmic decrement

Step 6: Input of loads which follow the load function

In this step, you will create of a nodal force. Only nodal forces can be linked to a dynamic function. The value of the nodal force, will be multiplied with the coefficients in the function to achieve the final force in function of time.
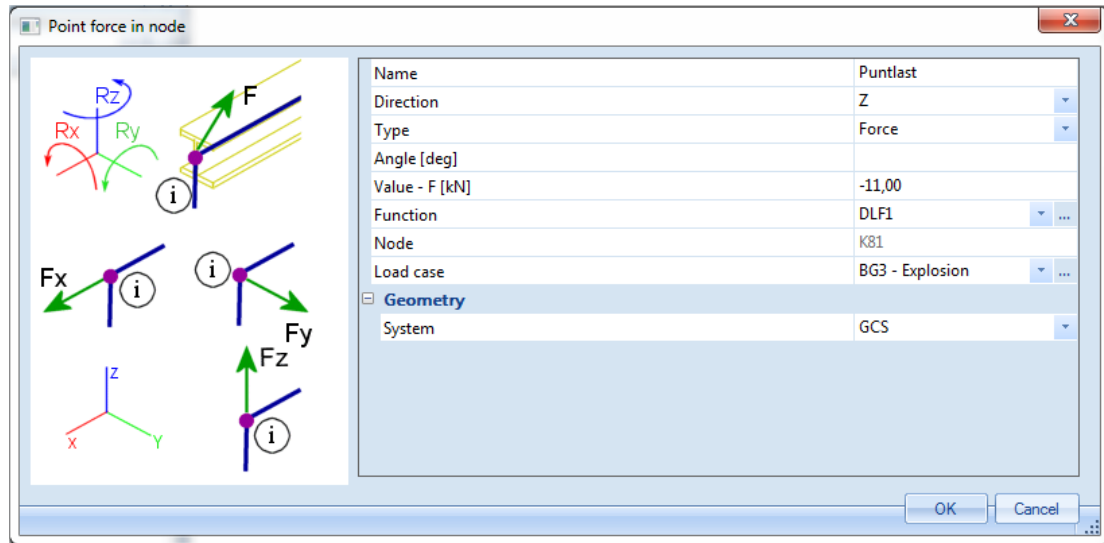
A point force of -11kN is input in the middle of the plate. The user has the option to attribute the dynamic function DLF1 to this load.

Step 7: Mesh setup

Before the calculation, the mesh is refined to get precise results.
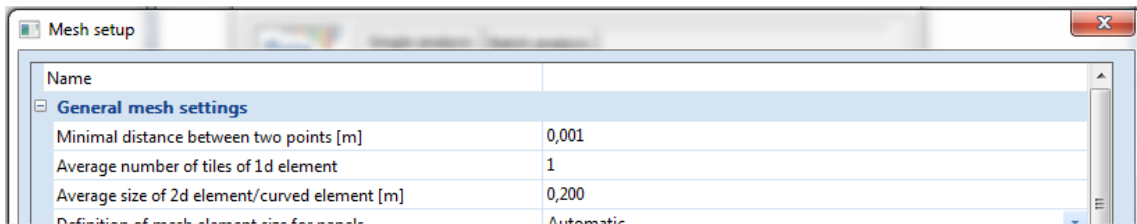
Step 8: Linear calculation

Now, the linear calculation can be performed.

When the calculation is finished, new load cases are created which present the influence of the blast on the structure on each output step (the output time must always be smaller than 'Total time', so in this example, we used 1,51s as total time to get an output at 1,50s):
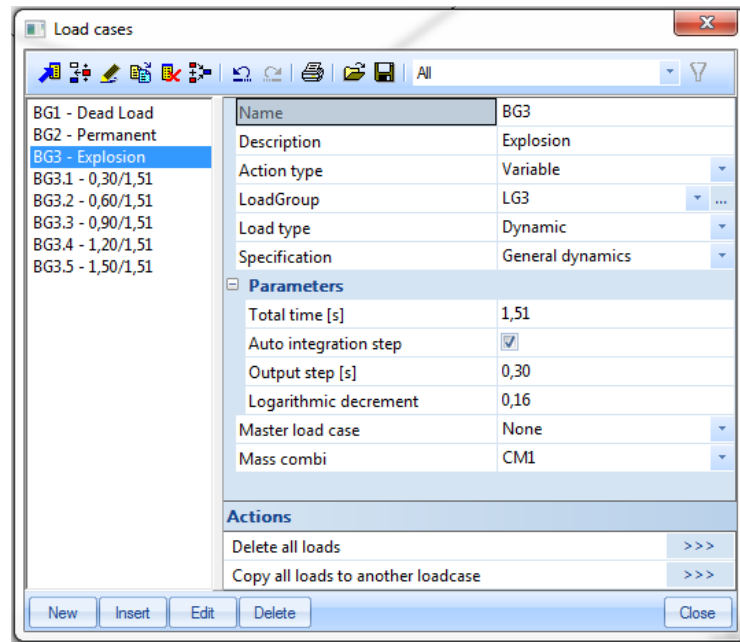
To find the most extreme result, these load cases can be input in a Result class.

Step 9: Results

The eigen frequencies are shown in the results menu:

Eigen frequencies

N	f [Hz]	omega [1/s]	omega² [1/s²]	T [s]
Mass combination : CM1				
1	7,95	49,97	2497,09	0,13
2	17,98	112,95	12757,06	0,06
3	17,98	112,95	12757,10	0,06

Other results, like for example deformations, can be regarded for the different output steps:

- After 0.3 seconds:

- After 0.6 seconds:

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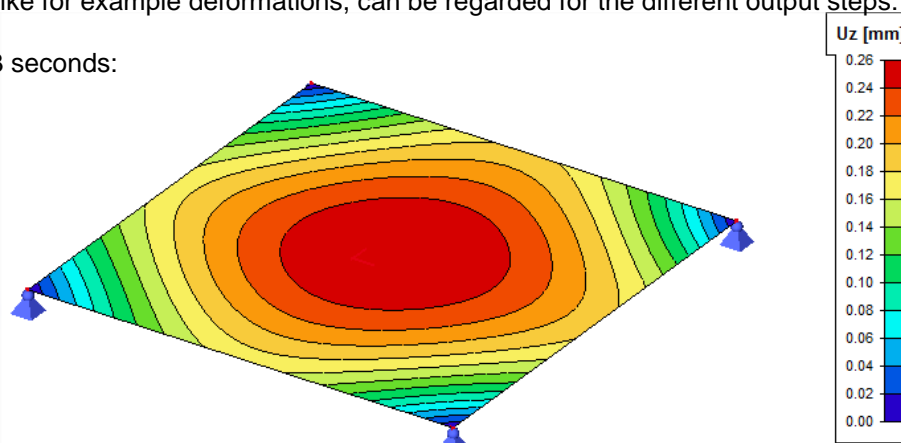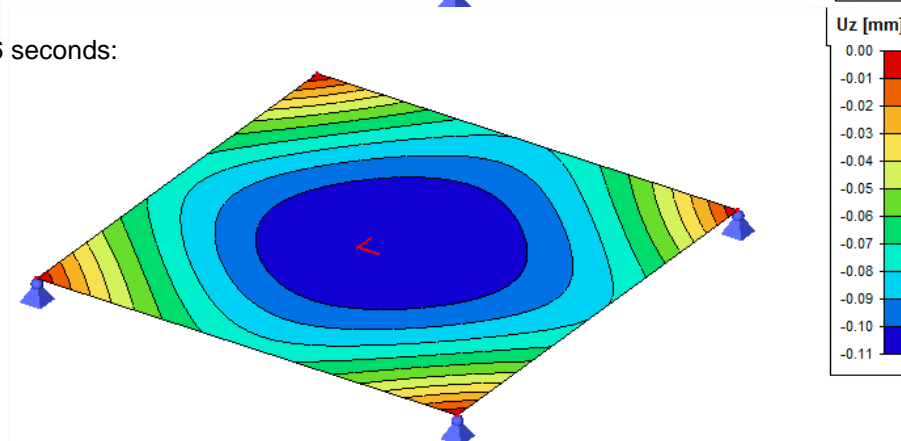
- After 0.9 seconds:
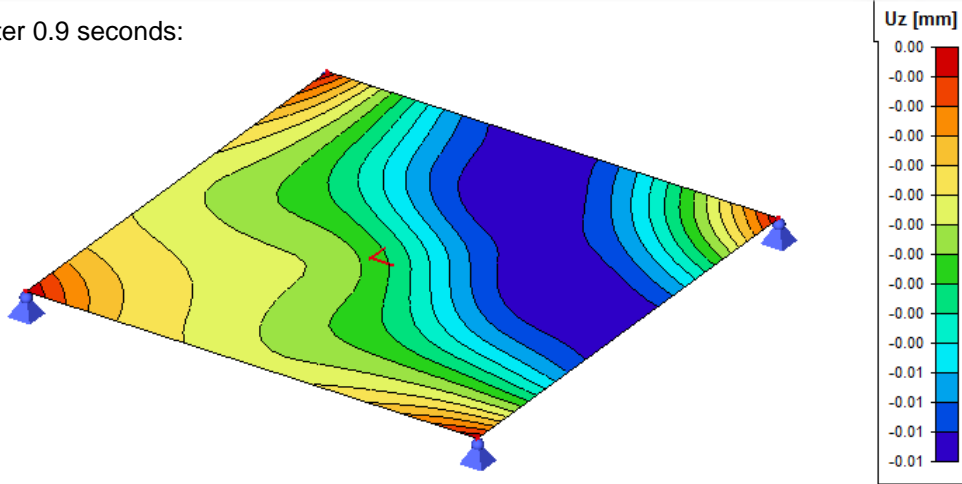
- After 1.2 seconds:
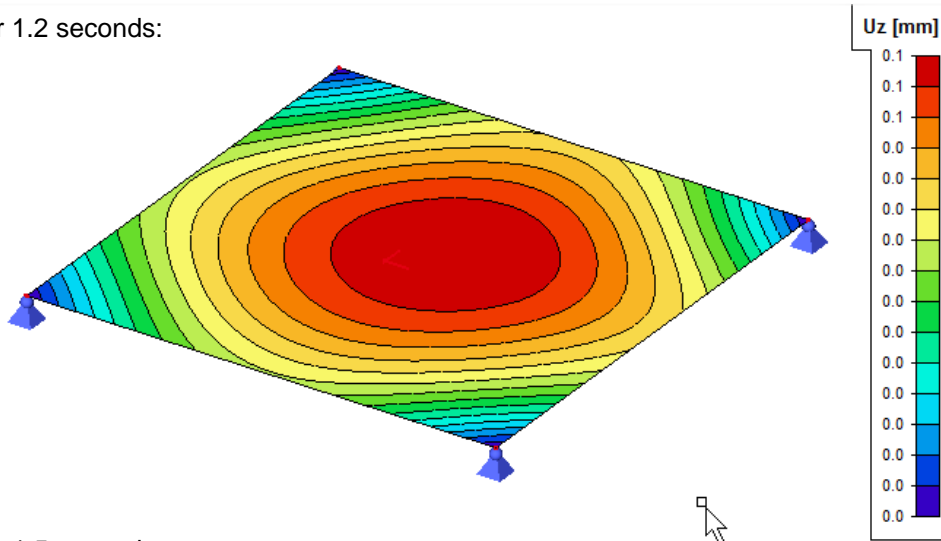
- After 1.5 seconds:
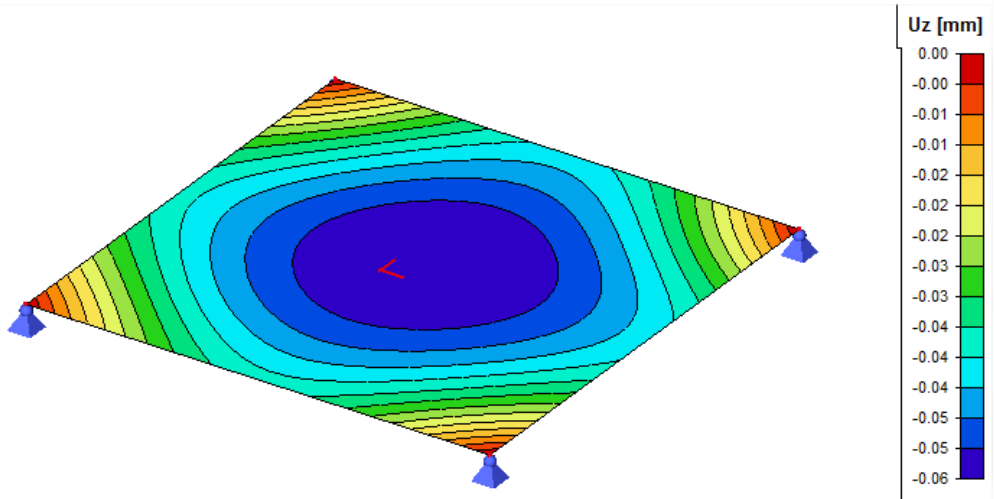
Or we can ask the result for the class which has been generated for the load cases.
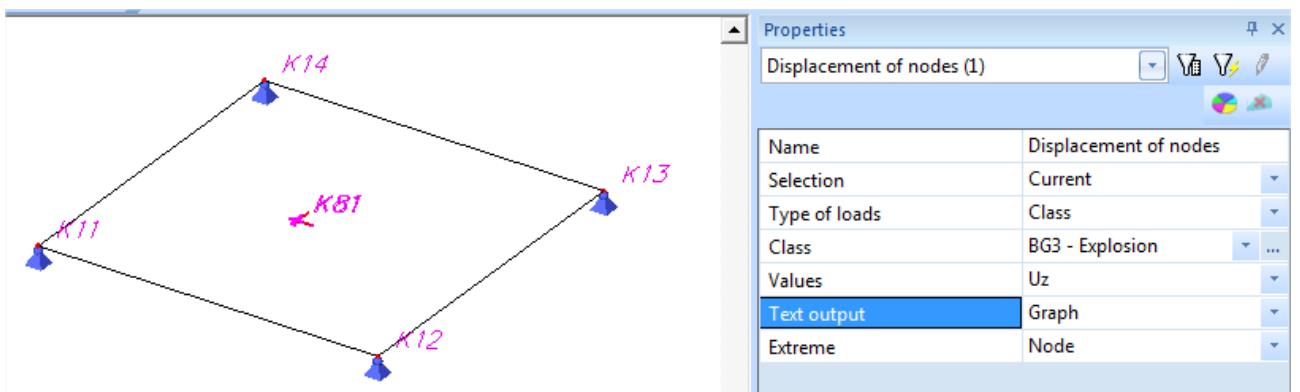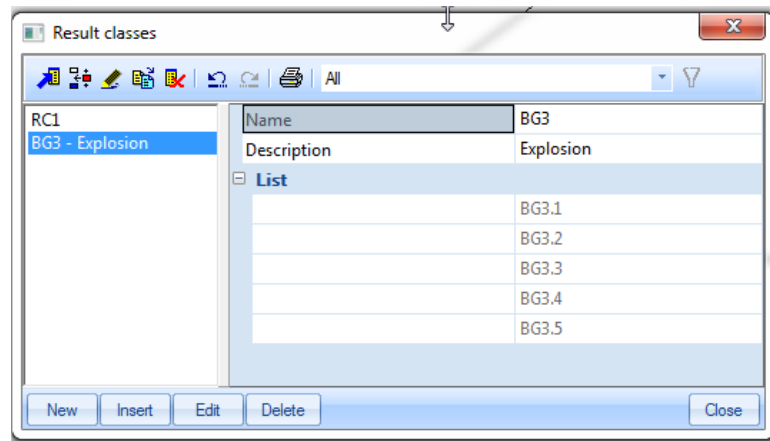
If you choose refresh, then you can see Uz for each 0,3 seconds in the selected node.
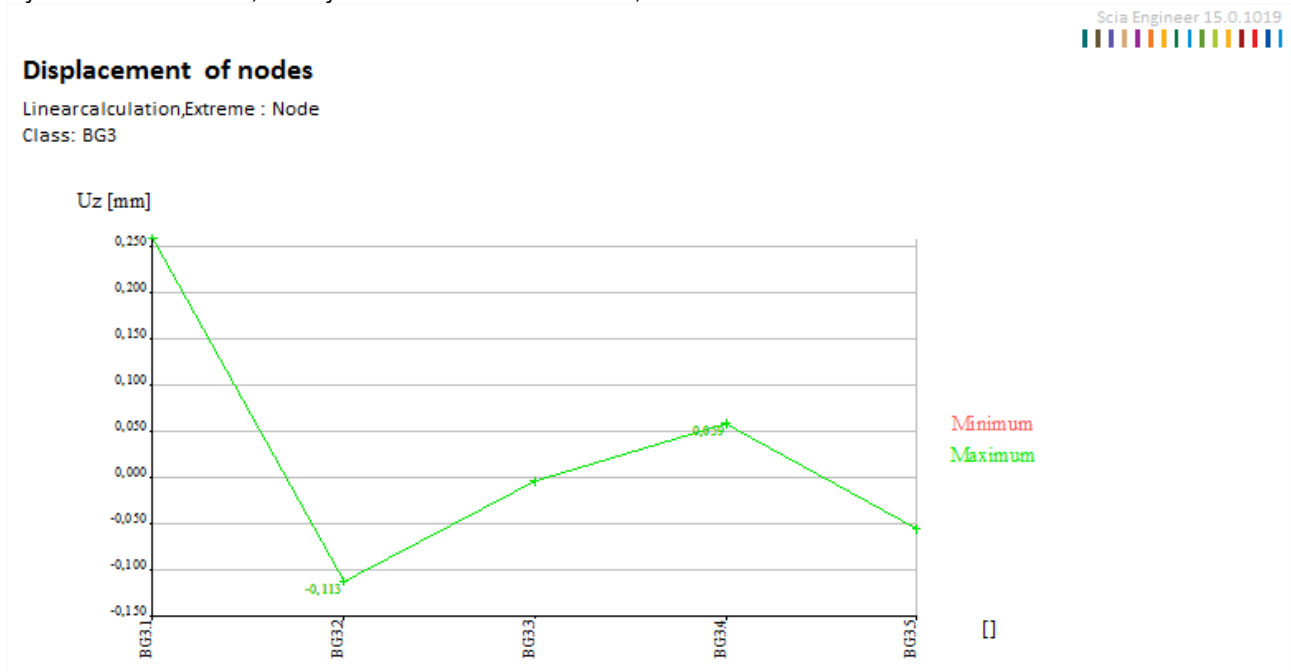
If we would set the output step to 0,01s in the dynamics load case, then you would get 150 load cases.
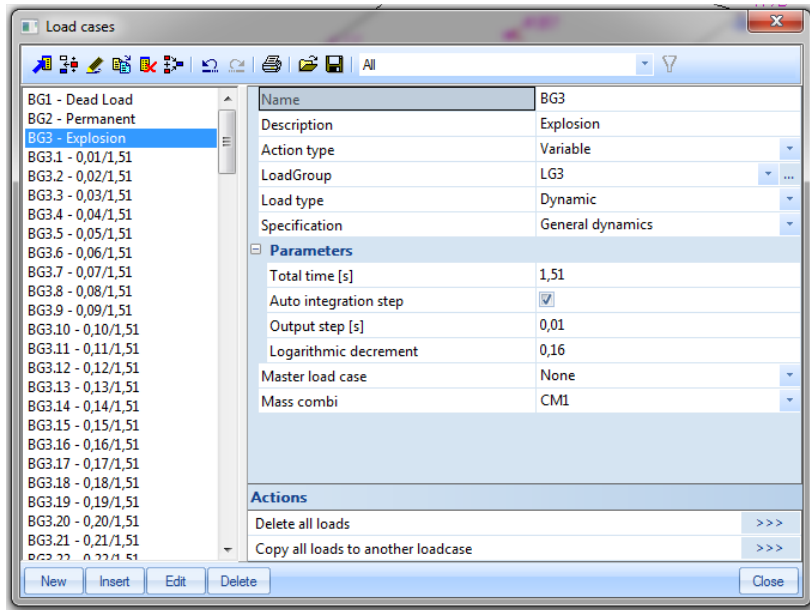
And as a result, the "deformation in nodes" graph would give more detailed representation:
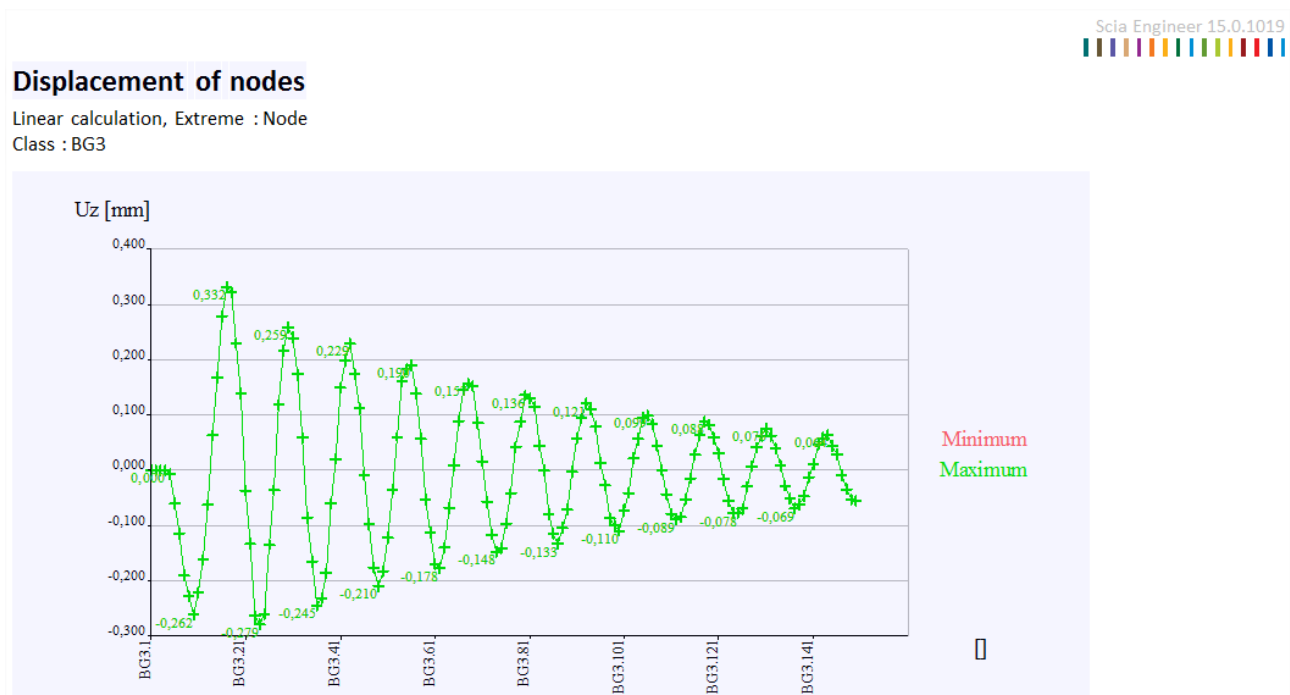
Example 8-2: Time_history_2_-_RunningLoad.esa

In this example a running load over a bar is simulated.
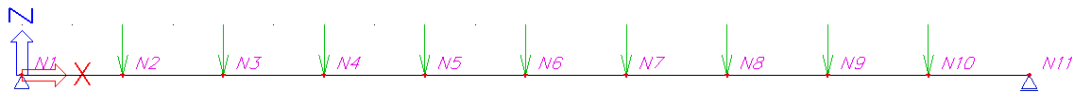
The beam has a length of 20m and a section HEA200. The beam will be calculated according to the EC-EN and is made of steel S235. The edges are supported by hinged supports.
Two load cases are introduced:
- Self weight
- Variable dynamic load: Point loads of -100 kN on every 2m over the beam

Step 1: Functionality

Go to 'Project>functionality' and check the options: **Dynamics** and **General dynamics**

Step 2: Mass groups

Open the menu 'Dynamics' and a mass group will be created here. For this, no mass is inputted. Only the self weight is taken into account.

Step 3: Mass matrix

Next, a combination of mass groups can be created.
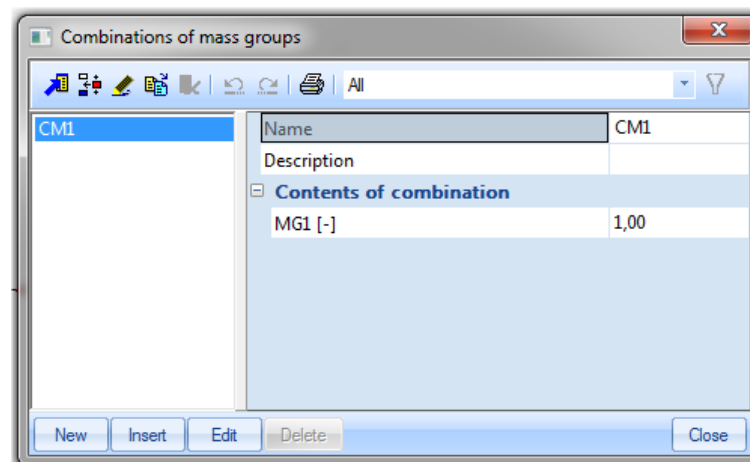
Step 4: Dynamic load functions

After the creation of masses, the running load can be simulated by means of **dynamic load functions**.

Go to 'Libraries > loads > Dynamic load functions'.
Here, the input of frequencies in function in time is asked.

Two types of functions can be input, namely a base and/or modal function. If both are introduced, the user can choose if these functions have to be multiplied or summarized.
4 types of functions can be chosen: constant, linear, parabolic or sinusoidal.

In this example 9 modal functions are created with linear lines:

- DLF1 is 1,00 from 0,2s to 0,4s

- DLF2 is 1,00 from 0,4s to 0,6s

- …
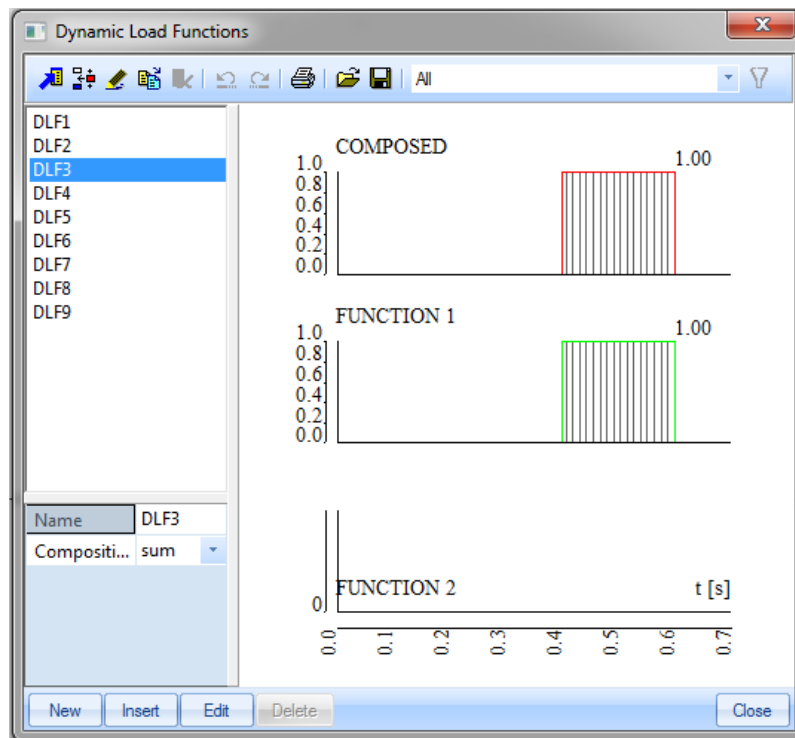
Each function will be attributed to a different point load (see step 6).
DLF1 to the first point load from the left. DLF2 to the second point load from the left. And so on...

These 9 load functions will be used to simulate the effect of a point load moving from left to right over a time period is simulated. On each point (every 2m) the point load stays for a time of 0.20sec. So it takes 2 seconds for the point load to cross the whole beam.

Step 5: General dynamics load case

A load case is introduced to simulate this running load.

The action type is V**ariable** and the type of load **Dynamic**

For the load group, the user can choose a special case, namely **Accidental.**
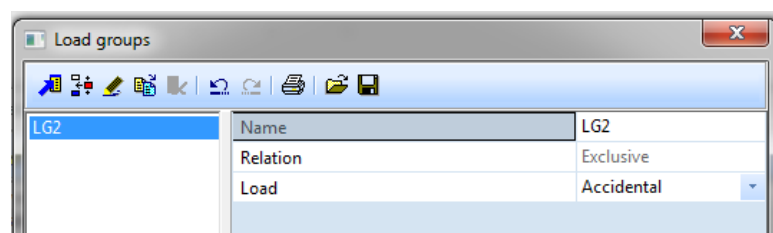
Next, the specification has to be selected and the type **General dynamics** has to be chosen for a time history calculation. After chosing general dynamics, some extra parameters have to be defined.

- **Total time [s]**: The total time of the dynamic analysis.

- **Integration step:** When 'Auto' is checked, then 1/100 of the smallest period is taken.
  When 'Auto' isn't checked, then the user is allowed to select an integration step value.

- **Output step [s]:** The step is used to determine on which points in time results must be generated. These will be saved in new generated load cases.

- **Log Decrement:** Damping defined as logarithmic decrement
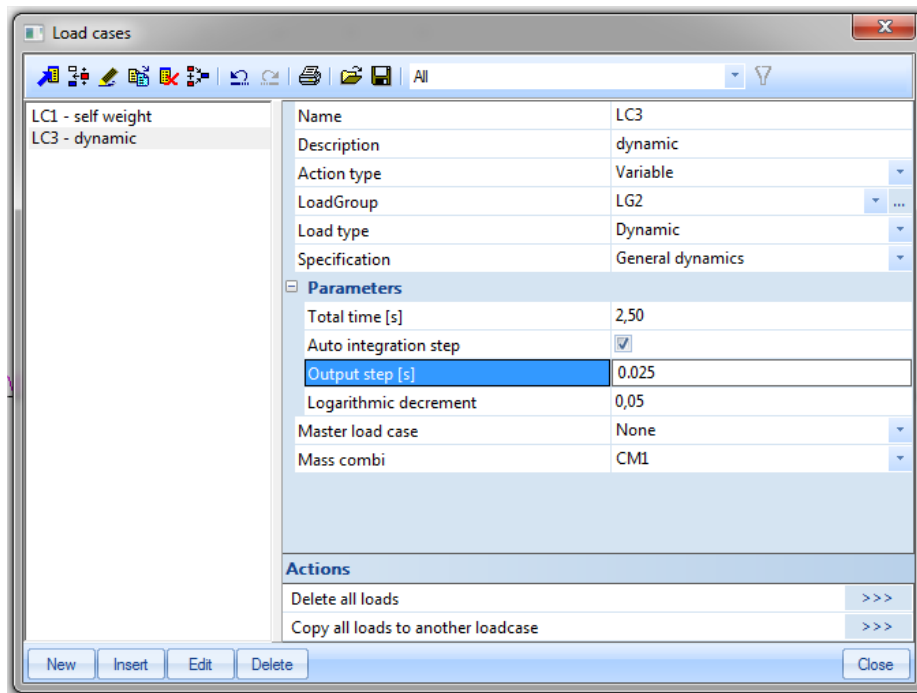
Step 6: Input of loads

In this step, nodal forces will be inputted. Dynamic load functions can only be linked to nodal forces. Since they are 'nodal' forces, the user must proved internal nodes to place these internal forces on. Every 2m an internal node has to be created on the beam. On each of these nodes a point force of -100 kN is set. The first point force from the left is linked to DLF1, the second to DLF2,...

This models the movement a single point load over the beam left to right over the beam in a total time of 2 sec.
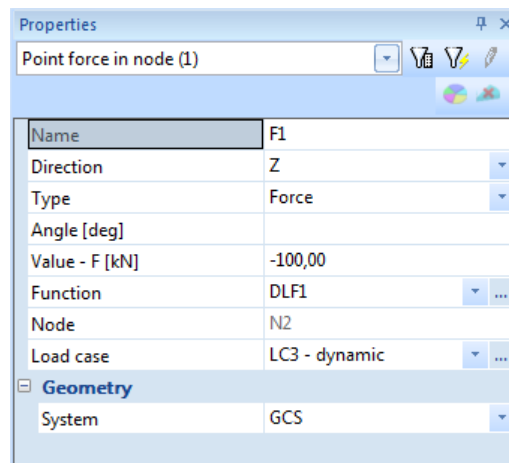
Step 7: Linear calculation

Now, the calculation can be performed.
When the calculation is finished, new load cases are created which present each output step:
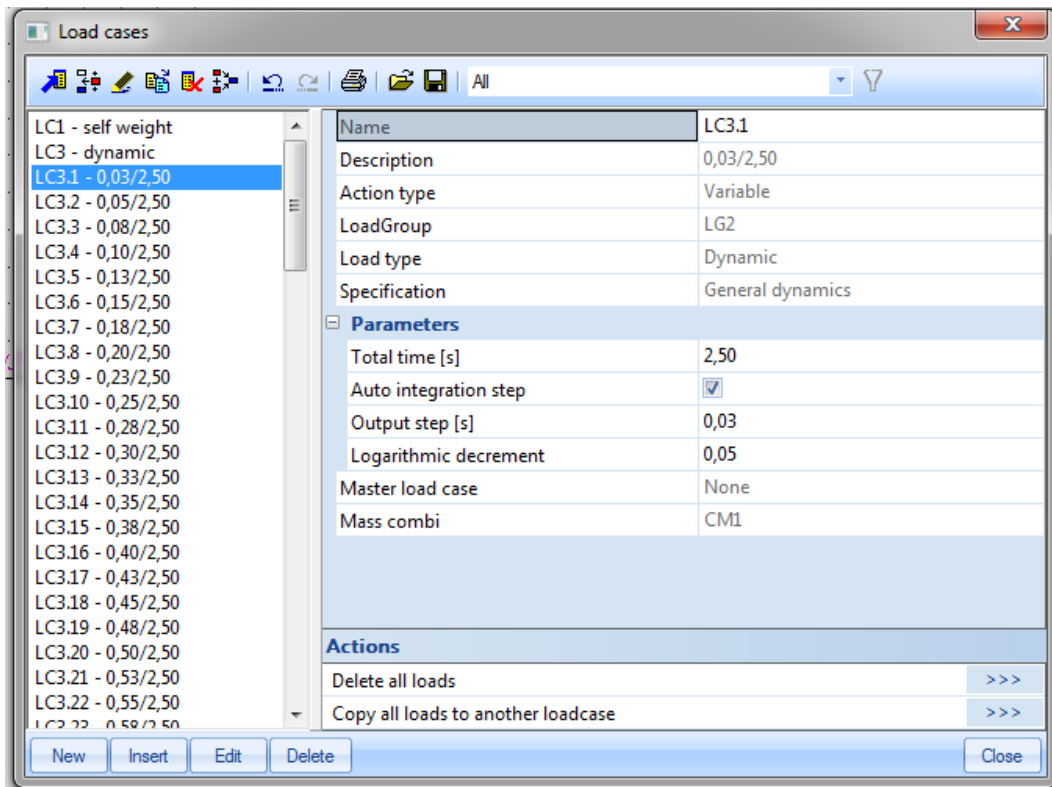
To find the most extreme result, these load cases are automatically input in a result class:
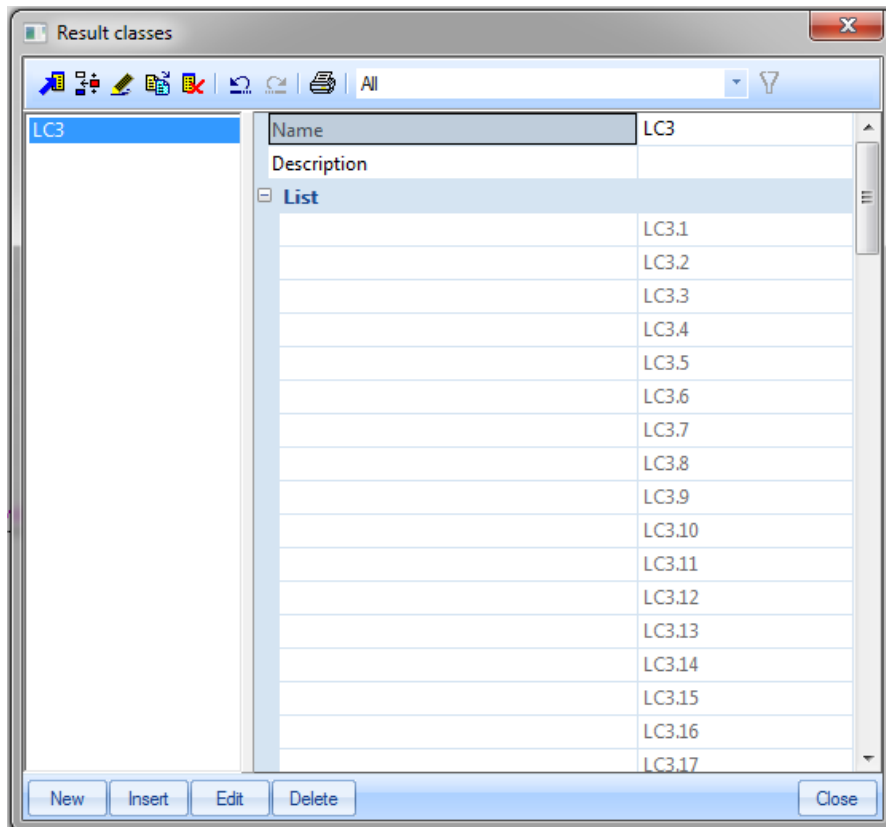
Step 9: Results

The eigen frequencies are shown in the results menu:

Eigen frequencies

N	f [Hz]	omega [1/s]	omega^2 [1/s^2]	T [s]
Mass combination : CM1				
1	5,03	31,61	998,90	0,20
2	19,74	124,02	15382,05	0,05
3	42,99	270,09	72946,75	0,02
4	64,59	405,79	164668,52	0,02

Other results, like for example deformations, can be regarded for the different output steps:

- After 0.5 seconds:
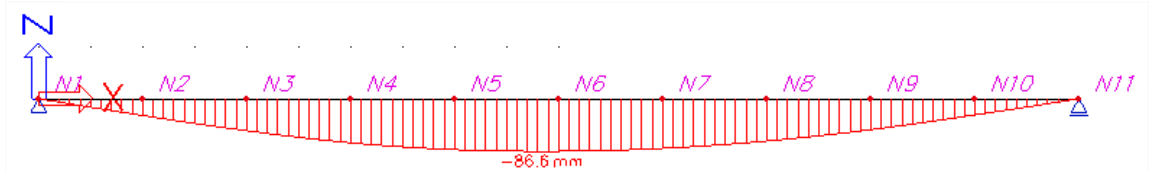
- After 1 seconds:
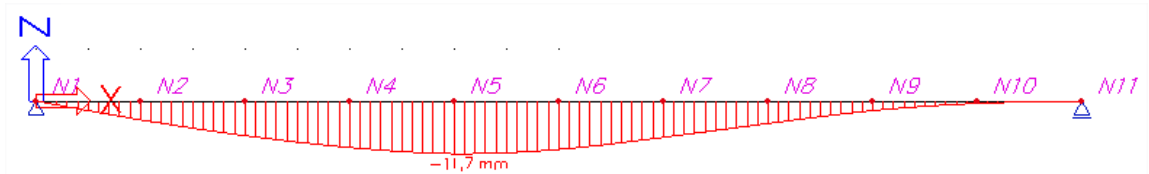
- After 1.5 seconds:
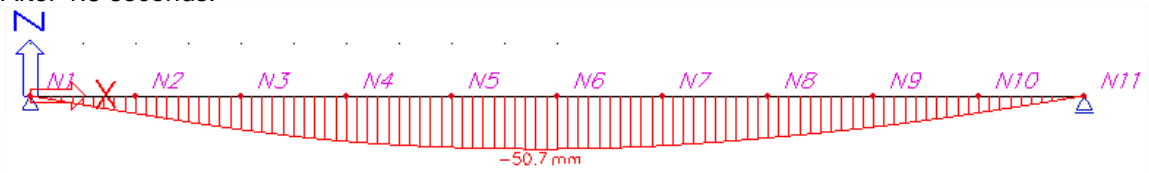
- After 2 seconds:
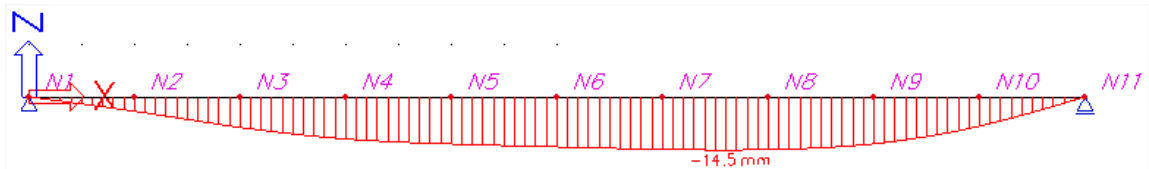
- After 2.4 seconds:
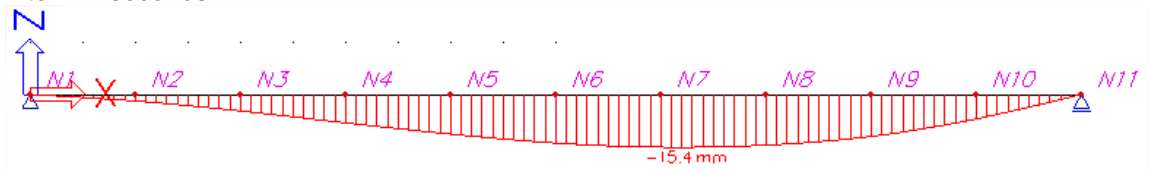
- The result class shows the envelope of all possible results over time:
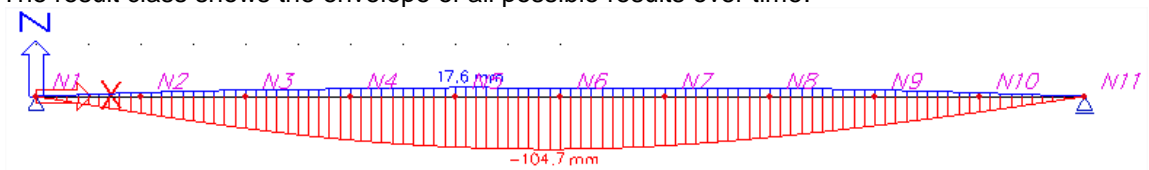
It is also possible to see the result in a certain point for all load cases in one picture. By this it is possible to see the result over the time.

Consider for instance the vertical displacement of the middle node N6.
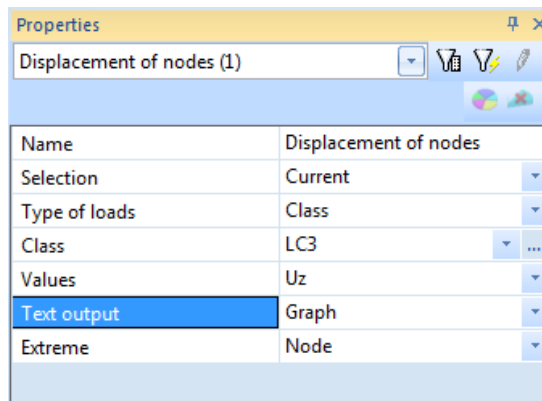
The deformation of the middle node in function of the time is shown in the result preview.
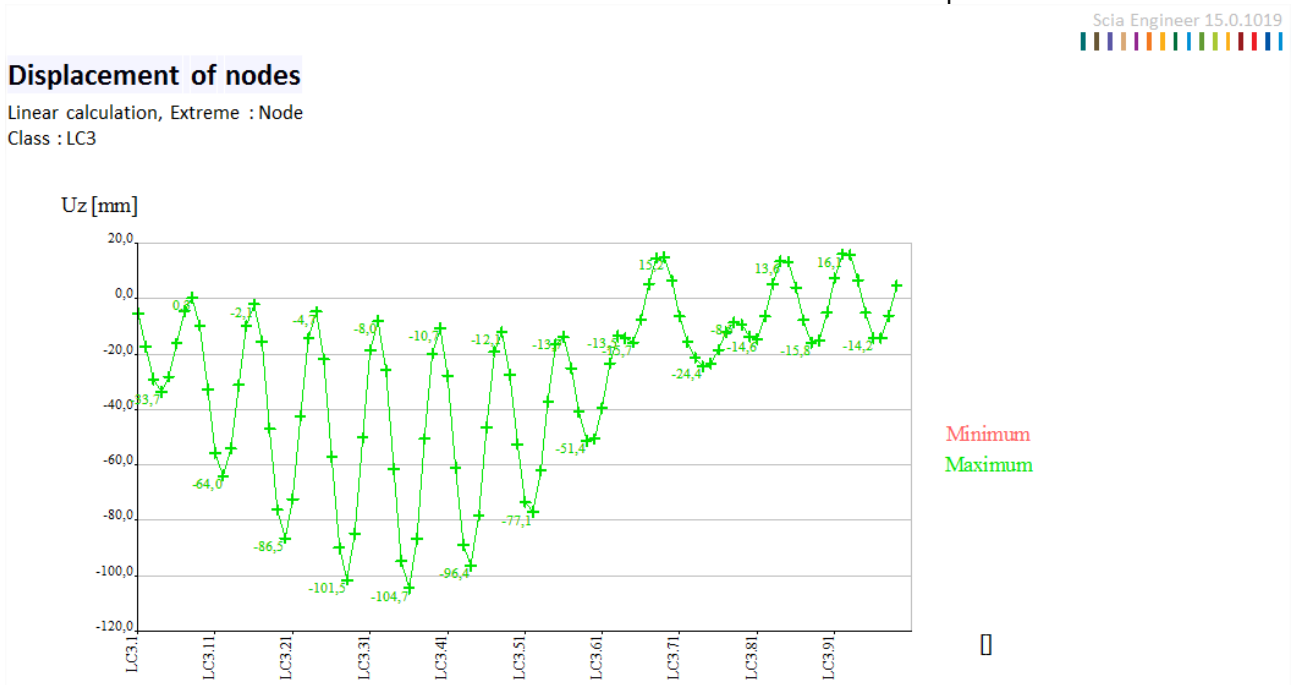
This result clearly represents the vibration of the middle point over time.

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Annex A: Earthquake Magnitude

To assess the magnitude of earthquakes, a scale to describe the energy released during an earthquake was developed by Richter in the 1930s. This is named the Richter scale and it is the most common scale used today to describe earthquakes [26].

The magnitude of an earthquake on the Richter scale is determined by a so-called Wood-Anderson seismograph maximum amplitude, where M = log(a), and a is the maximum amplitude [μm] at a 100 km distance from the epicenter.

The seismic action on buildings cannot be described by the Richter scale magnitude and this may not be used in the design. However, Housner in 1970 developed empirical relationships between the magnitude, the duration and the peak ground acceleration to be used in design:

Magnitude on the Richter scale	Peak ground acceleration (% g)	Duration (s)
5.0	9	2
5.5	15	6
6.0	22	12
6.5	29	18
7.0	37	24
7.5	45	30
8.0	50	34
8.5	50	37

Annex B: Numerical Damping Values

In this annex, some numerical values for structural damping are given.

A. EC 8 - Part 6 (ENV 1998-6:2003 Annex B) suggest the following values for the damping ratio:

Structural material	Damping ratio ξ
Steel elements	1% - 4%
Concrete elements	2% - 7%
Ceramic cladding	1.5% - 5%
Brickwork lining	3% - 10%

B. Other values for damping are suggested by EC1 - Part 2-4 (ENV 1991-2-4:1995 Annex C):

The fundamental *logarithmic decrement* d is given by:

$$d = d_s + d_a + d_d$$

Where:

d_s : Fundamental structural damping,

d_a : Fundamental aero dynamical damping

d_d : Fundamental damping due to special devices

The structural damping is given by:

$$\left| \begin{array}{l} d_s = a_1 \times n_1 + b_1 \\ d_s \geq \delta_{min} \end{array} \right.$$

Where:

n_1 : Fundamental flexural frequency,

a_1 , b_1 , δ_{min} : Parameters given in the following table for different structural types.

Structural type		a_1	b_1	δ_{min}
Reinforced concrete buildings		0.045	0.030	0.080
Steel buildings		0.045	0	0.050
Mixed structures: concrete + steel		0.080	0	0.080
Reinforced concrete towers		0.050	0	0.025
Lattice steel towers		0	0.030	0
Reinforced concrete chimneys		0.075	0	0.030
Prestressed steel cable		0	0.010	0
Unlined welded steel stacks		0	0.015	0
Steel stack with one liner or thermal insulation		0	0.025	0
Steel stack with two or more liners		0	0.030	0
Steel with brick liner		0	0.070	0
Coupled stacks without liner		0	0.015	0
Guyed steel stack without liner		0	0.040	0
Steel bridges	Welded	0	0.020	0
	High resistance bolts	0	0.030	0
	Ordinary bolts	0	0.050	0
Concrete bridges	Prestressed without cracks	0	0.040	0
	With cracks	0	0.100	0
Bridge cables	Parallel cables	0	0.006	0
	Spiral cables	0	0.020	0

E.g.: for a steel building with first frequency of 3Hz, the logarithmic decrement is:

0.045 x 3 + 0 = 0.135   (> 0.05)

C. Other values for the *logarithmic decrement* are suggested by [22]:

Structural material	Logarithmic decrement
Steel (welded)	0,025
Reinforced or Prestressed Concrete	0,056
Brickwork	0,25
Wood	0,13

In this reference, preliminary formulas can also be found for aerodynamic damping and damping caused by the foundation.

Annex C: Manual calculations spectral analysis

Example 4-2x: Spectral_Analysis_manual_calculation.esa

In this paragraph, the seismic results of SCIA Engineer are calculated manually to give a clear understanding of the applied formulas. All formulas can be found in the paragraph *"Calculation Protocol"* of this chapter.

The reference project is not completely the same as the one described in example 4-2. The differences will be shown first before starting the manual calculation.

Seismic load case

The properties which have been used in the seismic load case can be seen here:
A different acceleration factor has been used. This reduces the accelerations given by the spectrum.
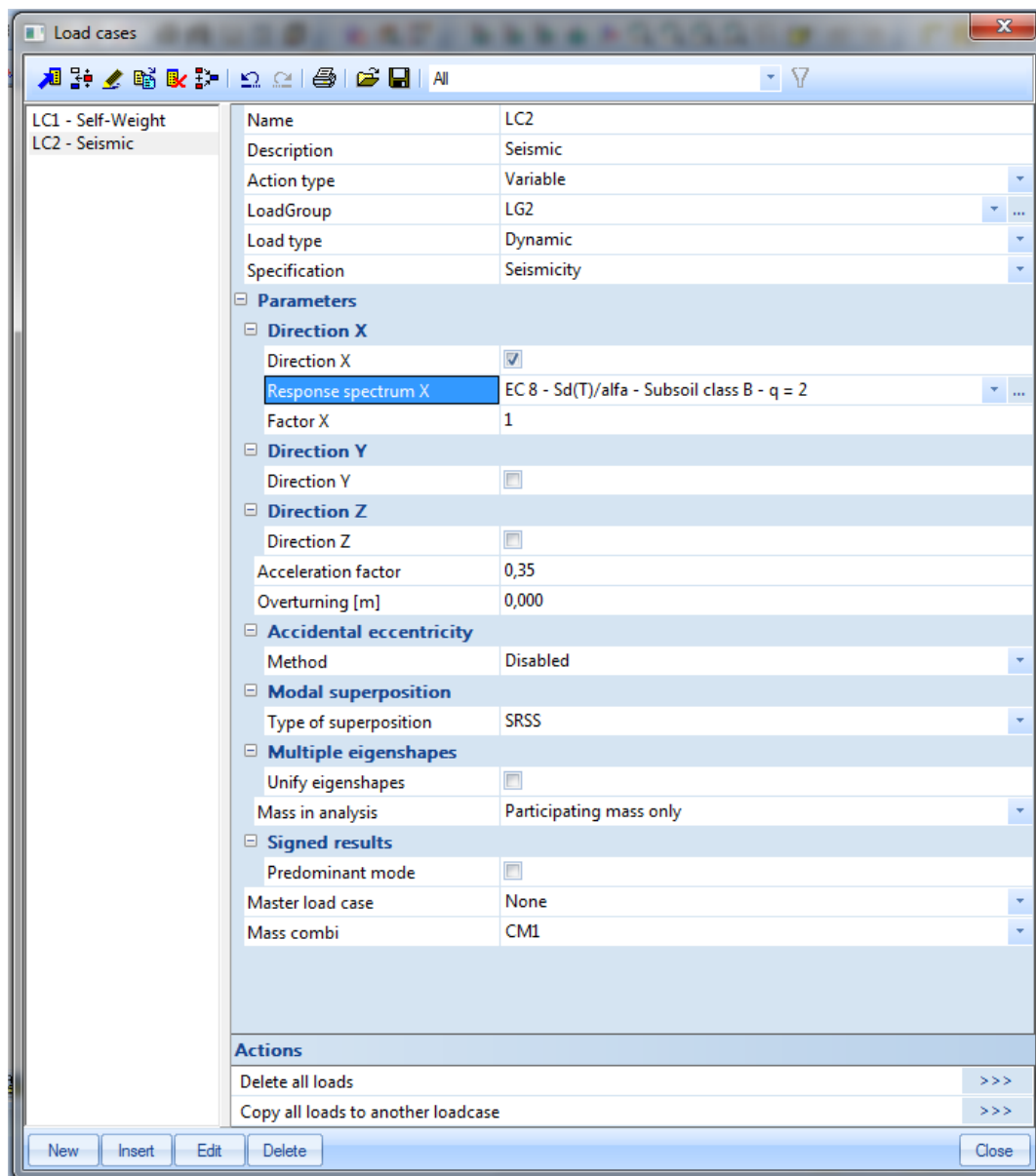
Spectrum

A manual seismic spectrum is used.
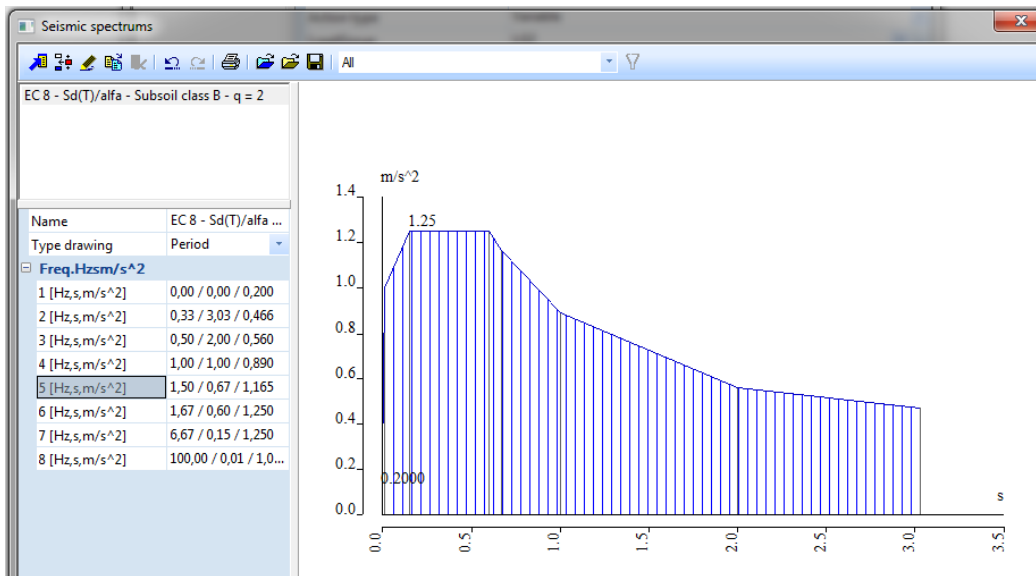
Finite element mesh and solver setup

The finite element mesh has not been refined.
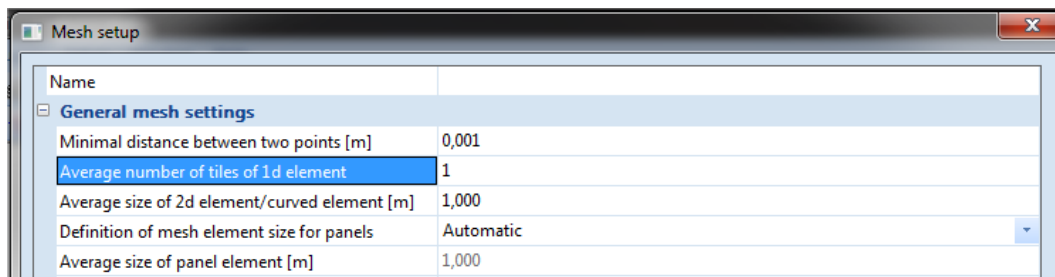
The solver also has not been changed to neglect shear deformations.
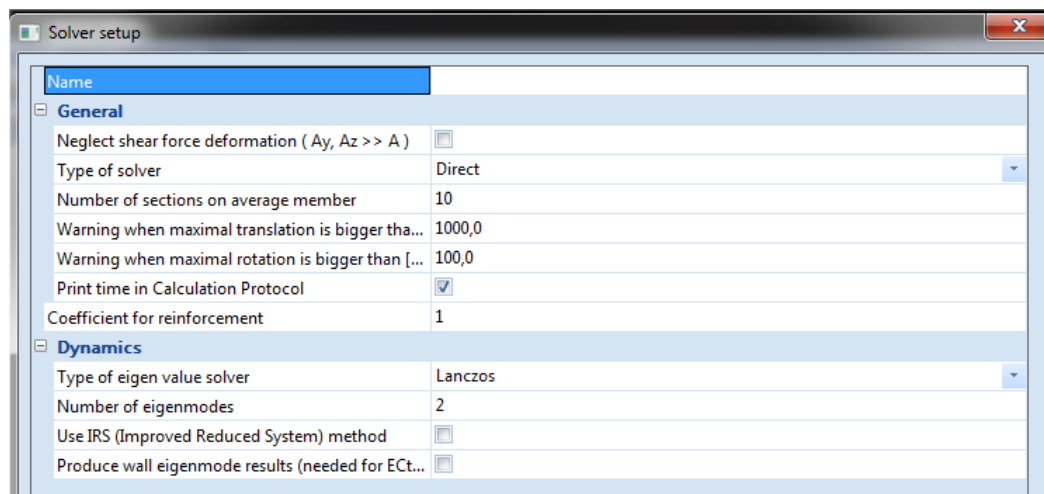
Manual calculation of example 4-2x

Verification of modal participation factors

First, the **Modal Participation Factors** of the **Eigen Frequency Calculation Protocol** are verified.

As shown in the Deformation of Nodes, the normalized modal shapes for both modes were the following:

Displacement of nodes

Eigen solution, Extreme : Node
Selection : All
Mass combinations : CM1/1 - 0,53
Modal shapes are dimensionless, units ar

Node	Case	Ux [mm]	Uz [mm]
N1	CM1/1 - 0,53	0,0	0,0
N2	CM1/1 - 0,53	6,1	0,0
N3	CM1/1 - 0,53	20,8	0,0
N4	CM1/1 - 0,53	39,1	0,0

Displacement of nodes

Eigen solution, Extreme : Node
Selection : All
Mass combinations : CM1/2 - 3,42
Modal shapes are dimensionless, units a

Node	Case	Ux [mm]	Uz [mm]
N1	CM1/2 - 3,42	0,0	0,0
N2	CM1/2 - 3,42	25,8	0,0
N3	CM1/2 - 3,42	30,5	0,0
N4	CM1/2 - 3,42	-20,2	0,0

$$\{\varphi_1\} = \begin{Bmatrix} 0,039111 \\ 0,020803 \\ 0,006128 \\ 0 \end{Bmatrix} \qquad \{\varphi_2\} = \begin{Bmatrix} -0,020233 \\ 0,030451 \\ 0,025755 \\ 0 \end{Bmatrix}$$

Participation factor: $\gamma_{k,(j)} = \{\phi_k\}^T \cdot \{m\}$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma_{x,(1)} = 0,039111 \cdot 500 + 0,020803 \cdot 500 + 0,006128 \cdot 500 = 33,021$$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma_{x,(2)} = -0,020233 \cdot 500 + 0,030451 \cdot 500 + 0,025755 \cdot 500 = 17,984$$

Effective mass: $M_{k,ef,(j)} = \gamma^2_{k,(j)}$

$$\Rightarrow M_{x,ef,(1)} = (33,021)^2 = 1090,39$$

$$\Rightarrow M_{x,ef,(2)} = (17,984)^2 = 323,42$$

Participation mass ratio: $L_{k,(j)} = \dfrac{M_{k,ef,(j)}}{M_{k,tot}}$

$$\Rightarrow L_{x,(1)} = \frac{1090,39}{500 + 500 + 500} = \mathbf{0,7269}$$

$$\Rightarrow L_{x,(2)} = \frac{323,42}{500 + 500 + 500} = \mathbf{0,2156}$$

These results correspond to the results obtained by SCIA Engineer. They can be found in SCIA Engineer in the **Calculation protocol (Eigen frequency)**.

Modal participation factors

Mode	Omega [rad/s]	Period [s]	Freq. [Hz]	Wxi / Wxtot	Wyi / Wytot	Wzi / Wztot	Wxi_R / Wxtot_R	Wyi_R / Wytot_R	Wzi_R / Spectral
1	3.3007	1.9036	0.5253	0.7269	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.2721	0.0000
2	21.5192	0.2920	3.4249	0.2157	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.5289	0.0000
				0.9426	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.8010	0.0000

Details of the seismic calculation

Next, the details of the seismic calculation found in the **Calculation Protocol** for the **Linear Calculation** are verified.

Dynamic loadcase: 2 : LC2

Mode	Freq. [Hz]	Damp ratio	Damp|coe	Sax [m/s²]	Say [m/s²]	Saz [m/s²]	G(j)	Fx [kN]	Fy [kN]	Mx [kNm]	My [kNm]
1	0.5253	0.0500	1.0000	0.2019	0.0000	0.0000	0.6119	0.2201	0.0000	0.0000	-2.2008
2	3.4249	0.0500	1.0000	0.4380	0.0000	0.0000	0.0170	0.1417	0.0000	0.0000	-0.4090
Level=	0.00							0.26	0.00	0.00	2.24

The spectral acceleration **Sax** for both modes is calculated using the defined seismic spectrum.
The spectrum for Ground Type **B** with a Behavior Factor **q = 2** gives the following values for **Sd(T)/α**

	Frequency[Hz]	Period[s]	Acceleration[m/s^2]
1	0,00	0,00	0,20
2	0,33	3,03	0,47
3	0,50	2,00	0,56
4	1,00	1,00	0,89
5	1,50	0,67	1,17
6	1,67	0,60	1,25
7	6,67	0,15	1,25
8	100,00	0,01	1,00
*	0,00	0,00	0,00

The first mode has a period **T₁** of **1,9036 s** $\Rightarrow$ Sd(T₁)/α = 0,5918 m/s²
The second mode has a period **T₂** of **0,2920 s** $\Rightarrow$ Sd(T₂)/α = 1,25 m/s²
In this example, the coefficient of acceleration α was **0,35**

$$\Rightarrow S_{ax,(1)} = 0,5918 \, {m}/{s^2} \cdot 0,35 = 0,2071 \, {m}/{s^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow S_{ax,(2)} = 1,25 \, {m}/{s^2} \cdot 0,35 = 0,4375 \, {m}/{s^2}$$

These results correspond to the results obtained by SCIA Engineer. The small deviation is due to the fact that SCIA Engineer uses more decimals. In the further analysis, the spectral accelerations of SCIA Engineer are used.

Mode coefficient: $G_{k,(j)} = \dfrac{S_{a,k,(j)} \cdot \gamma_{k,(j)}}{\omega_{(j)}^2}$

$$\Rightarrow G_{x,(1)} = \frac{0,2019 \cdot 33,021}{(3,3007)^2} = 0,6119$$

$$\Rightarrow G_{x,(2)} = \frac{0,4380 \cdot 17,984}{(21,5192)^2} = 0,0170$$

These results correspond to the results obtained by SCIA Engineer.

The necessary intermediate results are calculated so the response of each mode can now be obtained. First, for each mode, the lateral force in each node can be calculated. These lateral forces can then be used to calculate the base shear and overturning moment.

Mode 1:

Lateral force in node i: $F_{i,k,(j)} = m_{i,k,(j)} \cdot S_{a,k,(j)} \cdot \gamma_{k,(j)} \cdot \phi_{i,k,(j)}$

$$F_{4,x,(1)} = 500\,kg \cdot 0{,}2019\,{}^{m}\!/_{s^2} \cdot 33{,}021 \cdot 0{,}039111 = 130{,}38\,N$$

$$F_{3,x,(1)} = 500\,kg \cdot 0{,}2019\,{}^{m}\!/_{s^2} \cdot 33{,}021 \cdot 0{,}020803 = 69{,}35\,N$$

$$F_{2,x,(1)} = 500\,kg \cdot 0{,}2019\,{}^{m}\!/_{s^2} \cdot 33{,}021 \cdot 0{,}006128 = 20{,}43\,N$$

$$F_{1,x,(1)} = 0\,N$$

Base Shear Force: $F_{k,(j)} = \sum_i F_{i,k,(j)}$

$$\Rightarrow F_{x,(1)} = 130{,}38\,N + 69{,}35\,N + 20{,}43\,N = 220{,}129\,N = \textbf{0,2201 kN}$$

Overturning moment in node i: $M_{i,k,(j)} = F_{i,k,(j)} \cdot z_i$

$$M_{4,y,(1)} = -130{,}38\,N \cdot 12\,m = -1564{,}50\,Nm$$

$$M_{3,y,(1)} = -69{,}35\,N \cdot 8\,m = -554{,}77\,Nm$$

$$M_{2,y,(1)} = -20{,}43\,N \cdot 4\,m = -81{,}71\,Nm$$

$$M_{1,y,(1)} = 0\,Nm$$

Overturning Moment: $M_{k,(j)} = \sum_i M_{i,k,(j)}$

$$\Rightarrow M_{y,(1)} = -1564{,}50\,Nm - 554{,}77\,Nm - 81{,}71\,Nm = -2200{,}89\,Nm = \textbf{-2,2009 kNm}$$

Note:

In this mode, all lateral forces in the nodes are oriented the same way. The lateral loads in the nodes are in this case oriented in the negative X-direction so the Base Shear Force is oriented in the positive X-direction. The lateral loads in the nodes thus produce a negative Overturning Moment around the Y-axis. An example of this principle can be found in reference [26].

*However, as stated in the previous chapters, the signs **have no absolute importance** since vibration amplitudes always occur on both sides of the equilibrium position.*

Mode 2:

Lateral force in node i: $F_{i,k,(j)} = m_{i,k,(j)} \cdot S_{a,k,(j)} \cdot \gamma_{k,(j)} \cdot \phi_{i,k,(j)}$

$$F_{4,x,(2)} = 500\,kg \cdot 0{,}4380\,{}^{m}\!/_{s^2} \cdot 17{,}984 \cdot -0{,}020233 = -79{,}69N$$

$$F_{3,x,(2)} = 500\,kg \cdot 0{,}4380\,{}^{m}\!/_{s^2} \cdot 17{,}984 \cdot 0{,}030451 = 119{,}93\,N$$

$$F_{2,x,(2)} = 500\,kg \cdot 0{,}4380\,{}^{m}\!/_{s^2} \cdot 17{,}984 \cdot 0{,}025755 = 101{,}44N$$

$$F_{1,x,(2)} = 0\,N$$

Base Shear Force: $F_{k,(j)} = \sum_i F_{i,k,(j)}$

$$\Rightarrow F_{x,(2)} = -79{,}69\,N + 119{,}93\,N + 101{,}44\,N = 141{,}68\,N = \textbf{0,1417 kN}$$

Overturning moment in node i: $M_{i,k,(j)} = F_{i,k,(j)} \cdot z_i$

$$M_{4,y,(2)} = 79{,}69\,N \cdot 12\,m = 956{,}25\,Nm$$

$$M_{3,y,(2)} = -119{,}93\,N \cdot 8\,m = -959{,}45\,Nm$$

$$M_{2,y,(2)} = -101{,}44\,N \cdot 4m = -405{,}74\,Nm$$

$$M_{1,y,(2)} = 0\,Nm$$

Overturning Moment: $M_{k,(j)} = \sum_i M_{i,k,(j)}$

$$\Rightarrow M_{y,(2)} = 956{,}25\,Nm - 959{,}45\,Nm - 405{,}74\,Nm = -408{,}94\,Nm = \textbf{-0,4089 kNm}$$

To obtain the global response, the modal responses need to be combined. In this example the **SRSS-method** was used:

$$F_x = \sqrt{\left(F_{x,(1)}\right)^2 + \left(F_{x,(2)}\right)^2} = \sqrt{\left(0{,}2201\,kN\right)^2 + \left(0{,}1417\,kN\right)^2} = \textbf{0,2618 kN}$$

$$M_y = \sqrt{\left(M_{y,(1)}\right)^2 + \left(M_{y,(2)}\right)^2} = \sqrt{\left(-2{,}2009\,kN\right)^2 + \left(-0{,}4089\,kN\right)^2} = \textbf{2,238 kNm}$$

These results correspond exactly to the results obtained by SCIA Engineer. We will show them again:

Dynamic loadcase: 2 : LC2

Mode	Freq. [Hz]	Damp ratio	Damp|coe	Sax [m/s²]	Say [m/s²]	Saz [m/s²]	G(j)	Fx [kN]	Fy [kN]	Mx [kNm]	My [kNm]
1	0.5253	0.0500	1.0000	0.2019	0.0000	0.0000	0.6119	0.2201	0.0000	0.0000	-2.2008
2	3.4249	0.0500	1.0000	0.4380	0.0000	0.0000	0.0170	0.1417	0.0000	0.0000	-0.4090
Level=	0.00							0.26	0.00	0.00	2.24

As specified in the theory, these same principles can now be used to calculate the displacements and accelerations for each mode. These modal responses can then be combined again to obtain the global displacements and accelerations of the structure.

Mode 1:
Displacement in node i: $u_{i,k,(j)} = G_{k,(j)} \cdot \phi_{i,k,(j)}$

$$u_{4,x,(1)} = 0{,}6119 \cdot 0{,}039111 = 0{,}02393\,m = \textbf{23,93 mm}$$

$$u_{3,x,(1)} = 0{,}6119 \cdot 0{,}020803 = 0{,}01273\,m = \textbf{12,73 mm}$$

$$u_{2,x,(1)} = 0{,}6119 \cdot 0{,}006128 = 0{,}00375\,m = \textbf{3,75 mm}$$

$$u_{1,x,(1)} = \textbf{0 mm}$$

Acceleration in node i: $\ddot{u}_{i,k,(j)} = \omega_{(j)}^2 \cdot G_{k,(j)} \cdot \phi_{i,k,(j)}$

$$a_{4,x,(1)} = \left(3{,}3007\right)^2 \cdot 0{,}6119 \cdot 0{,}039111 = 0{,}26073\,{}^m\!/_{s^2} = \textbf{260,73 mm/s²}$$

$$a_{3,x,(1)} = \left(3{,}3007\right)^2 \cdot 0{,}6119 \cdot 0{,}020803 = 0{,}13868\,{}^m\!/_{s^2} = \textbf{138,68 mm/s²}$$

$$a_{2,x,(1)} = \left(3{,}3007\right)^2 \cdot 0{,}6119 \cdot 0{,}006128 = 0{,}04085\,{}^m\!/_{s^2} = \textbf{40,85 mm/s²}$$

$$a_{1,x,(1)} = \textbf{0 mm/s²}$$

Mode 2:
Displacement in node i: $u_{i,k,(j)} = G_{k,(j)} \cdot \phi_{i,k,(j)}$

$$u_{4,x,(2)} = 0{,}0170 \cdot (-0{,}020233) = -0{,}00034\,m = \textbf{-0,34 mm}$$

$$u_{3,x,(2)} = 0{,}0170 \cdot 0{,}030451 = 0{,}00052\,m = \textbf{0,52 mm}$$

$$u_{2,x,(2)} = 0{,}0170 \cdot 0{,}025755 = 0{,}00044 \; m = \textbf{0,44 mm}$$

$$u_{1,x,(2)} = \textbf{0 mm}$$

Acceleration in node i: $\ddot{u}_{i,k,(j)} = \omega_{(j)}^2 \cdot G_{k,(j)} \cdot \phi_{i,k,(j)}$

$$a_{4,x,(2)} = (21{,}5192)^2 \cdot 0{,}0170 \cdot (-0{,}020233) = -0{,}15928 \frac{m}{s^2} = \textbf{-159,28 mm/s²}$$

$$a_{3,x,(2)} = (21{,}5192)^2 \cdot 0{,}0170 \cdot 0{,}030451 = 0{,}23972 \frac{m}{s^2} = \textbf{239,72 mm/s²}$$

$$a_{2,x,(2)} = (21{,}5192)^2 \cdot 0{,}0170 \cdot 0{,}025755 = 0{,}20275 \frac{m}{s^2} = \textbf{202,75 mm/s²}$$

$$a_{1,x,(2)} = \textbf{0 mm/s²}$$

To obtain the global response, the modal responses need to be combined. In this example the **SRSS-method** was used:

Displacements:

$$u_{4,x} = \sqrt{\left(u_{4,x,(1)}\right)^2 + \left(u_{4,x,(2)}\right)^2} = \sqrt{(23{,}93)^2 + (-0{,}34)^2} = \textbf{23,93 mm}$$

$$u_{3,x} = \sqrt{\left(u_{3,x,(1)}\right)^2 + \left(u_{3,x,(2)}\right)^2} = \sqrt{(12{,}73)^2 + (0{,}52)^2} = \textbf{12,74 mm}$$

$$u_{2,x} = \sqrt{\left(u_{2,x,(1)}\right)^2 + \left(u_{2,x,(2)}\right)^2} = \sqrt{(3{,}75)^2 + (0{,}44)^2} = \textbf{3,78 mm}$$

$$u_{1,x} = \textbf{0 mm}$$

Accelerations:

$$a_{4,x} = \sqrt{\left(a_{4,x,(1)}\right)^2 + \left(a_{4,x,(2)}\right)^2} = \sqrt{(260{,}73)^2 + (-159{,}28)^2} = \textbf{305,53 mm/s²}$$

$$a_{3,x} = \sqrt{\left(a_{3,x,(1)}\right)^2 + \left(a_{3,x,(2)}\right)^2} = \sqrt{(138{,}68)^2 + (239{,}72)^2} = \textbf{276,94 mm/s²}$$

$$a_{2,x} = \sqrt{\left(a_{2,x,(1)}\right)^2 + \left(a_{2,x,(2)}\right)^2} = \sqrt{(40{,}85)^2 + (202{,}75)^2} = \textbf{206,82 mm/s²}$$

$$a_{1,x} = \textbf{0 mm/s²}$$

In SCIA Engineer, a specific result menu **Seismic Detailed** was designed to view these modal displacements and accelerations.
In the Properties Window, the options for viewing the modal results can be set:
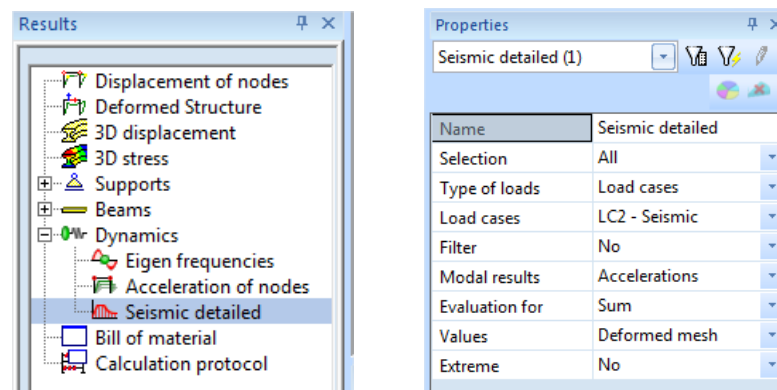
- In the field **Load Cases**, a Seismic Load case can be selected.

- The field **Modal results** allow choosing between the Displacements or Accelerations.

- **Evaluation for** is used to specify which results need to be shown: the results for a specific **Eigenmode**, the results for **All Eigenmodes** or the global, **Summarized** results.

The results for each mode and the summarized results are shown on the next pages for both the displacement and the accelerations.

Displacements
Mode 1

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Seismic detailed

Linear calculation, Extreme : No
Selection : All
Load cases : LC2
Modal results : Displacements
Evaluation for : Eigenmode 1

Node	X [m]	Y [m]	Z [m]	Ux [mm]	Uy [mm]	Uz [mm]	Fix [mrad]	Fiy [mrad]	Fiz [mrad]
N1	0,000	0,000	0,000	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
N2	0,000	0,000	4,000	3,7	0,0	0,0	0,0	1,7	0,0
N3	0,000	0,000	8,000	12,7	0,0	0,0	0,0	2,6	0,0
N4	0,000	0,000	12,000	23,9	0,0	0,0	0,0	2,9	0,0

Mode 2

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Seismic detailed

Linear calculation, Extreme : No
Selection : All
Load cases : LC2
Modal results : Displacements
Evaluation for : Eigenmode 2

Node	X [m]	Y [m]	Z [m]	Ux [mm]	Uy [mm]	Uz [mm]	Fix [mrad]	Fiy [mrad]	Fiz [mrad]
N1	0,000	0,000	0,000	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
N2	0,000	0,000	4,000	0,4	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,1	0,0
N3	0,000	0,000	8,000	0,5	0,0	0,0	0,0	-0,1	0,0
N4	0,000	0,000	12,000	-0,3	0,0	0,0	0,0	-0,3	0,0

Summarized

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Seismic detailed

Linear calculation, Extreme : No
Selection : All
Load cases : LC2
Modal results : Displacements
Evaluation for : Sum

Node	X [m]	Y [m]	Z [m]	Ux [mm]	Uy [mm]	Uz [mm]	Fix [mrad]	Fiy [mrad]	Fiz [mrad]
N1	0,000	0,000	0,000	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
N2	0,000	0,000	4,000	3,8	0,0	0,0	0,0	1,7	0,0
N3	0,000	0,000	8,000	12,7	0,0	0,0	0,0	2,6	0,0
N4	0,000	0,000	12,000	23,9	0,0	0,0	0,0	2,9	0,0

Accelerations
Mode 1

Seismic detailed

Linear calculation, Extreme : No
Selection : All
Load cases : LC2
Modal results : Accelerations
Evaluation for : Eigenmode 1

Case	Node	X [m]	Y [m]	Z [m]	Ax [mm/s²]	Ay [mm/s²]	Az [mm/s²]	Alphax [mrad/s²]	Alphay [mrad/s²]	Alphaz [mrad/s²]
LC2	N1	0,000	0,000	0,000	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
LC2	N2	0,000	0,000	4,000	40,9	0,0	0,0	0,0	18,8	0,0
LC2	N3	0,000	0,000	8,000	138,7	0,0	0,0	0,0	28,6	0,0
LC2	N4	0,000	0,000	12,000	260,7	0,0	0,0	0,0	31,4	0,0

Mode 2

Seismic detailed

Linear calculation, Extreme : No
Selection : All
Load cases : LC2
Modal results : Accelerations
Evaluation for : Eigenmode 2

Case	Node	X [m]	Y [m]	Z [m]	Ax [mm/s²]	Ay [mm/s²]	Az [mm/s²]	Alphax [mrad/s²]	Alphay [mrad/s²]	Alphaz [mrad/s²]
LC2	N1	0,000	0,000	0,000	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
LC2	N2	0,000	0,000	4,000	202,9	0,0	0,0	0,0	57,0	0,0
LC2	N3	0,000	0,000	8,000	239,9	0,0	0,0	0,0	-51,2	0,0
LC2	N4	0,000	0,000	12,000	-159,4	0,0	0,0	0,0	-123,5	0,0

Summarized

Seismic detailed

Linear calculation, Extreme : No
Selection : All
Load cases : LC2
Modal results : Accelerations
Evaluation for : Sum

Case	Node	X [m]	Y [m]	Z [m]	Ax [mm/s²]	Ay [mm/s²]	Az [mm/s²]	Alphax [mrad/s²]	Alphay [mrad/s²]	Alphaz [mrad/s²]
LC2	N1	0,000	0,000	0,000	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
LC2	N2	0,000	0,000	4,000	207,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	60,0	0,0
LC2	N3	0,000	0,000	8,000	277,1	0,0	0,0	0,0	58,6	0,0
LC2	N4	0,000	0,000	12,000	305,6	0,0	0,0	0,0	127,4	0,0

When comparing the results of the manual calculation and those obtained by SCIA Engineer, it is clear that both calculations correspond.

As specified in the theory, when using the **CQC-method**, a damping spectrum needs to be defined. To illustrate this, the above example is calculated again, but now using the **CQC-method** for the modal combination.

Annex D: Missing mass in modes

As mentioned before, the sum of the effective modal masses for the modes taken into account must amount to at least 90%. The user can try to achieve this with the following possibilities:

- Take more natural frequencies into account.

- Assign mass more to nodes/connection instead of beams (to avoid local eigenmodes).

The mass which has not been taken into account (for example, if the effective modal mass is 90%, then there is 10% not taken into account), can be treated in 3 possible different ways in SCIA Engineer:

The used method is set in each seismic load case and is again displayed in the linear calculation protocol. Let's take as example that the effective modal mass in a direction is 90%. Then how can the other 10% be treated?

- **Participation mass only**: In this case, the 10% would be ignored. We would only take into account 90% of the mass of the structure to calculate the effects of an earthquake.

- **Missing mass in modes**: In this case, the missing mass would be divided over the calculated modes. Which means the 10% would be distributed over the eigenmodes which make up for the 90% which we did find. This is done according to their weight. So for the calculation of internal forces and deformations, the masses in the calculated modes would be increased by 100%/90% = 1,111…

- **Residual mode**: In this case, a 'fictual' mode corresponding to the combination of all missing modes can be calculated. But since these missing modes are over different natural frequencies, the last found frequency will also be the natural frequency of this mode. In the calculation, the forces in this mode will be calculated in the same way as in the other modes.

In the following examples the differences are explained in detail.
In these projects the following general principle is used:
First of all, a seismic spectrum is introduced. For this spectrum the modal displacements are calculated for each mode, in this case there are 2 modes. Afterwards, the displacements are transformed in real load cases. For these 2 load cases the results of the internal forces and reactions can be asked. According to the specific analysis method, the results are summed. On that way, one can compare these results with the output of the internal forces of the seismic load case. This will be done with the following three types of 'mass in analysis'.

Remark: The used method is displayed in the linear calculation protocol.

Example D-1: Participating_mass_only.esa

If the option 'Participation mass only' is checked, the standard calculation is used. In this case, only the participation mass from the selected number of modes is taken into account and the user has to consider the 90% rule of the Eurocode. In other words, using this method it's important that the total amount of the masses in X, Y and Z are sufficient.

In the example, a structure made of beams with rectangular cross-sections is subjected to dynamic forces. The members are manufactured in **C25/30** according to **EC-EN**. The height of each column is **5m**.

Next, a seismic load case is introduced. The seismic spectrum acts in 3 directions. An acceleration of 2 m/s^2 is given in function of the frequency.

The evaluation method SRSS is used together with the option 'Participation mass only'.

The Eigen frequency analysis gives the following output:

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Eigen frequencies

N	f [Hz]	omega [1/s]	omega² [1/s²]	T [s]
Mass combination : CM1				
1	2,05	12,90	166,40	0,49
2	2,39	15,03	225,81	0,42

Deformation for mass combination CM1/1-2,05 :
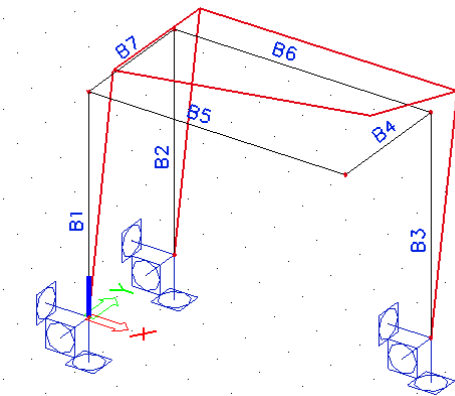
Mass combinations : CM1/1 - 2,05
Values are mulitpied by 10000 for better numeric representation.

Node of mesh	Case	Ux [1]	Uy [1]	Uz [1]	Fix [1]	Fiy [1]	Fiz [1]
1	CM1/1 - 2,05	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00
2	CM1/1 - 2,05	-12,67	151,53	0,42	-3,37	-20,19	-0,68
3	CM1/1 - 2,05	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00
4	CM1/1 - 2,05	-7,78	151,53	-0,36	-3,40	-1,54	-0,77
5	CM1/1 - 2,05	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00
6	CM1/1 - 2,05	-7,77	156,36	0,01	-43,20	-2,72	-1,15
7	CM1/1 - 2,05	-12,65	156,37	128,92	-42,72	-13,54	-1,54

Deformation for mass combination CM1/2-2,39:

Node of mesh	Case	Ux [1]	Uy [1]	Uz [1]	Fix [1]	Fiy [1]	Fiz [1]
1	CM1/2 - 2,39	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00
2	CM1/2 - 2,39	133,69	-196,89	-0,10	2,39	-6,12	42,74
3	CM1/2 - 2,39	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00
4	CM1/2 - 2,39	4,29	-196,89	0,22	2,36	-0,76	45,54
5	CM1/2 - 2,39	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00
6	CM1/2 - 2,39	4,31	93,16	-0,01	-24,03	0,71	35,49
7	CM1/2 - 2,39	133,67	93,17	71,21	-23,51	-7,95	47,31
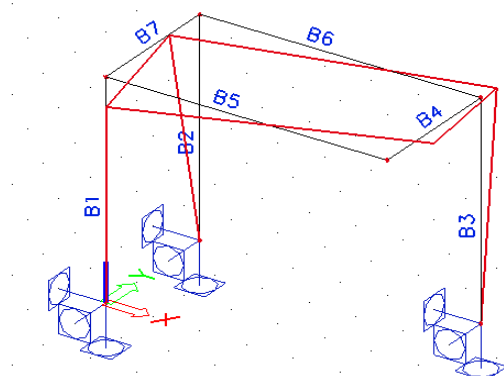
Mass combinations : CM1/2 - 2,39
Values are mulitpied by 10000 for better numeric representation.

The **masses** of the participating nodes (N2, N4, N5 and N7) are needed. The mass is attributed to the end nodes of each member.
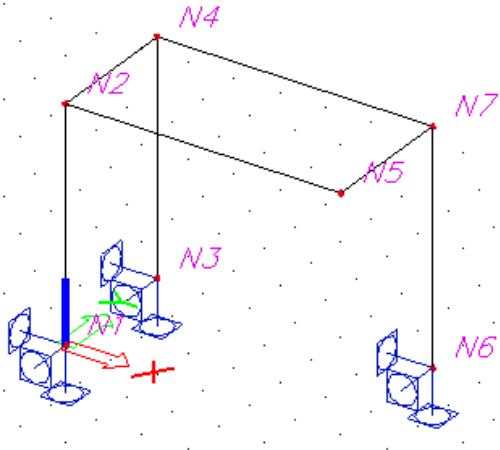
Calculation of mass X for N2:

Mass X (N2) = 2500 kg/m^3 x(2,5 x area (rect 150;150) + 3 x area (rect 300;150) + 1,5 x area (rect 300;150) = **646,875 kg**.

The total mass matrix is:

node	mass x [kg]	mass y [kg]	mass z [kg]
N2	646,875	646,875	646,875
N4	646,875	646,875	646,875
N5	787,5	787,5	787,5
N7	1537,5	1537,5	1537,5
total	3618,75	3618,75	3618,75

The **modal participation factor** is calculated as:

$$\gamma_{k(j)} = \{\phi_k\}^T \qquad \gamma_{k(j)} = \{\phi_k\}^T \{m\}$$

Calculation of γ_x for mode 1:

$$\{\phi_{x,(1)}\} = \begin{Bmatrix} 0 \\ -0,001267 \\ 0 \\ -0,000778 \\ -0,001265 \\ 0 \\ -0,000777 \end{Bmatrix} \text{ and } \{m_x\} = \begin{Bmatrix} 0 \\ 646,875 \\ 0 \\ 646,875 \\ 787,5 \\ 0 \\ 1537,5 \end{Bmatrix}$$

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$$\Rightarrow \gamma_{x,(1)} = -0,001267 \cdot 647 - 0,000778 \cdot 647 - 0,001265 \cdot 788 - 0,000777 \cdot 1538 = -3,514$$

The participation factor matrix is:

(j) units	γ_x [kg^0.5]	γ_y [kg^0.5]	γ_z [kg^0.5]
1	-3,514	55,959	10,158
2	20,115	-3,812	5,614

Out of this matrix the **effective masses** can be calculated:

$$Mef_{k,(j)} = \gamma_{k,(j)}{}^2$$

Calculation of Mef for mode 1 in direction x:

$$\Rightarrow M_{ef,x,(1)} = -3,514^2 = 12,346$$

(j) units	Mef_x [kg]	Mef_y [kg]	Mef_z [kg]
1	12,346	3131,374	103,182
2	404,603	14,533	31,517

The formula for the **participation mass ratio** is as follows:

$$L_{k,(j)} = \frac{Mef_{k,(j)}}{Mtot_k}$$

$$\Rightarrow L_{x,(1)} = \frac{12,346}{3618,75} = 0,0034$$

(j) units	L_x [-]	L_y [-]	L_z [-]
1	0,0034	0,8653	0,0285
2	0,1118	0,0040	0,0087

The **acceleration response spectrum S** has the constant value of 2 m/s^2:

(j)	S_x [m/sec2]	S_y [m/sec2]	S_z [m/sec2]
1	2	2	2
2	2	2	2

Calculation of **mode coefficient** in each direction:

$$G_{k,(j)} = \frac{Sa_{k,(j)} \times \gamma_{k,(j)}}{\omega_{(j)}{}^2}$$

For example for direction x and mode 1:

$$\Rightarrow G_{x,(1)} = \frac{2 \cdot -3,514}{166,4} = -0,042$$

(j)	G_x [m*kg^0.5]	G_y [m*kg^0.5]	G_z [m*kg^0.5]	G [m*kg^0.5]
1	-0,042	0,673	0,122	0,7524
2	0,178	-0,034	0,050	0,1941

Now, the **lateral forces** can be calculated in each node:

$$F_{i,k,(j)} = m_{i,k,(j)} \cdot \ddot{u}_{i,k,(j)} = m_{i,k,(j)} \cdot G_{(j)} \cdot \phi_{i,k,(j)} \cdot \omega_{(j)}^2$$

As example, this is calculated for node 2 in direction X:

$$\Rightarrow F_{N2,x,(1)} = 646,875 \cdot 0,7524 \cdot (-0.001267) \cdot 166,4 = -102,6N$$

mode 1

node	F_x(1) [N]	F_y(1) [N]	F_z(1) [N]
2	-102,6	1227,3	3,4
4	-63,0	1227,3	-2,9
5	-124,7	1541,8	1271,1
7	-149,6	3010,0	0,2
summ	-439,9	7006,3	1271,8

mode 2

node	F_x(1) [N]	F_y(1) [N]	F_z(1) [N]
2	379,1	-558,3	-0,3
4	12,2	-558,3	0,6
5	461,4	321,6	245,8
7	29,0	627,8	-0,1
summ	881,7	-167,1	246,1

And also the **shear forces** in direction X, Y and Z:
For mode 1 in direction x:

$$\boxed{F_{k,(j)} = \sum_i F_{i,k,(j)} l}$$

$$\Rightarrow F_{x,(1)} = \frac{-439,9}{1000} = -0,4399kN$$

(j) units	F_x [kN]	F_y [kN]	F_z [kN]
1	-0,4399	7,0063	1,2718
2	0,8817	-0,1671	0,2461
summ	0,99	7,01	1,30

The **overturning moment** in each node for each direction is:

$$\boxed{M_{i,ki(j)} = F_{i,k,(j)} {}^* z_i}$$

$$\Rightarrow M_{N2,x,(1)} = F_{N2,y,(1)} \cdot (\text{height - overturning height})$$

$$= 1227,3N \cdot (5m - 0m) = -6136,4Nm$$

The other values are:

mode 1

node	M_x(1) [Nm]	M_y(1) [Nm]
2	-6136,4	513,1
4	-6136,4	315,1
5	-7709,0	623,6
7	-15049,9	747,9

mode 2

node	M_x(2) [Nm]	M_y(2) [Nm]
2	2791,4	-1895,4
4	2791,4	-60,8
5	-1608,1	-2307,1
7	-3139,2	-145,2

The sum of the moments for each node gives the **overturning moment in base**:

(j)	M_x	M_y
units	[kN]	[kN]
1	-35,0317	2,1997
2	0,8355	-4,4085
summ	35,04	4,93

The moments for each separate mode are combined with the SRSS-method.

Calculation of the **modal displacement**:

$$u_{i,k,(j)} = G_{(j)} * \phi_{k,(j)}$$

For instance for node 2 in direction X and first mode:

$$\{G_{(1)}\} = \{0,7524\} \quad \text{and} \quad \{\phi_{N2,x,(1)}\} = \{-0,001267\}$$
$$\Rightarrow u_{N2,x,(1)} = (0,7524 \cdot -0.001267) \cdot 1000 = -0,95 mm$$

Other values are:

mode 1

node	ux	uy	uz
	[mm]	[mm]	[mm]
2	-0,95	11,40	0,03
4	-0,59	11,40	-0,03
5	-0,95	11,77	9,70
7	-0,58	11,77	0,00

mode 2

node	ux	uy	uz
	[mm]	[mm]	[mm]
2	2,60	-3,82	0,00
4	0,08	-3,82	0,00
5	2,59	1,81	1,38
7	0,08	1,81	0,00

summ

node	ux	uy	uz
	[mm]	[mm]	[mm]
2	2,76	12,03	0,03
4	0,59	12,03	0,03
5	2,76	11,90	9,80
7	0,59	11,90	0,00

Calculation of the **modal acceleration:**

$$\ddot{u}_{i,k,(j)} = \omega_{(j)}^2 * G_{(j)} * \phi_{k,(j)}$$

For instance for node 2 in direction X and first mode:

$$\Rightarrow \ddot{u}_{N2,x,(1)} = -0,95 \cdot 166,4 = -158,6 \text{mm/s}^2$$

mode 1

node	ax [mm/sec2]	ay [mm/sec2]	az [mm/sec2]
2	-158,6	1897,2	5,3
4	-97,4	1897,2	-4,5
5	-158,4	1957,8	1614,2
7	-97,3	1957,7	0,1

mode 2

node	ax [mm/sec2]	ay [mm/sec2]	az [mm/sec2]
2	586,0	-863,0	-0,4
4	18,8	-863,0	1,0
5	585,9	408,4	312,1
7	18,9	408,4	0,0

summ

node	ax [mm/sec2]	ay [mm/sec2]	az [mm/sec2]
2	607,1	2084,3	5,3
4	99,2	2084,3	4,6
5	606,9	2000,0	1644,1
7	99,1	1999,9	0,1

Next, the displacements are inputted on the structure by means of a load case, namely translation of support:

Support in node	Load case	Dir	Value - U [mm]	Support in node	Load case	Dir	Value - U [mm]
Sn4	LC3	X	-0,95	Sn4	LC4	X	2,60
Sn7	LC3	X	-0,95	Sn7	LC4	X	2,60
Sn5	LC3	X	-0,59	Sn5	LC4	X	0,08
Sn6	LC3	X	-0,59	Sn6	LC4	X	0,08
Sn4	LC3	Y	11,40	Sn4	LC4	Y	-3,82
Sn5	LC3	Y	11,40	Sn5	LC4	Y	-3,82
Sn7	LC3	Y	11,77	Sn7	LC4	Y	1,81
Sn6	LC3	Y	11,77	Sn6	LC4	Y	1,81
Sn7	LC3	Z	9,70	Sn7	LC4	Z	1,38

For these load cases the following internal forces are computed:

Linear calculation, Extreme : Member, System : Principal
Selection : All
Load cases : LC3

Member	Case	dx [m]	N [kN]	Vy [kN]	Vz [kN]	Mx [kNm]	My [kNm]	Mz [kNm]
B1	LC3	0	4,38	-1,35	0,36	0,01	-0,49	3,44
B1	LC3	5	4,38	-1,35	0,36	0,01	1,29	-3,3
B2	LC3	0	-3,73	-1,35	-0,04	0,01	0,12	3,44
B2	LC3	5	-3,73	-1,35	-0,04	0,01	-0,06	-3,3
B3	LC3	0	0,62	-4,32	-0,78	0,28	6,54	18,85
B3	LC3	5	0,62	-4,32	-0,78	0,28	2,65	-2,73
B4	LC3	0	0	0,35	0,08	-4,43	-1,48	-0,4
B4	LC3	3	0	0,35	0,08	-4,43	-1,24	0,63
B5	LC3	0	0	-0,12	-1,19	1,48	2,69	0,35
B5	LC3	6	0	-0,12	-1,19	1,48	-4,43	-0,4
B6	LC3	0	0	-0,12	0,54	1,49	-1,46	0,33
B6	LC3	6	0	-0,12	0,54	1,49	1,78	-0,36
B7	LC3	0	0	0,23	-3,19	-1,4	4,78	-0,35
B7	LC3	3	0	0,23	-3,19	-1,4	-4,8	0,34

Linear calculation, Extreme : Member, System : Principal
Selection : All
Load cases : LC4

Member	Case	dx [m]	N [kN]	Vy [kN]	Vz [kN]	Mx [kNm]	My [kNm]	Mz [kNm]
B1	LC4	0	-0,27	0,46	0,36	-0,15	-0,88	-1,17
B1	LC4	5	-0,27	0,46	0,36	-0,15	0,94	1,15
B2	LC4	0	0,59	0,46	0,01	-0,16	-0,03	-1,17
B2	LC4	5	0,59	0,46	0,01	-0,16	0,04	1,15
B3	LC4	0	-0,08	-0,77	0,49	-2,26	-1,52	3,07
B3	LC4	5	-0,08	-0,77	0,49	-2,26	0,94	-0,76
B4	LC4	0	0	-0,55	-0,08	-0,91	-0,25	-0,12
B4	LC4	3	0	-0,55	-0,08	-0,91	-0,5	-1,78
B5	LC4	0	0	-0,05	-0,33	0,25	1,04	0,2
B5	LC4	6	0	-0,05	-0,33	0,25	-0,91	-0,12
B6	LC4	0	0	-0,13	0,01	0,26	-0,06	0,31
B6	LC4	6	0	-0,13	0,01	0,26	-0,03	-0,48
B7	LC4	0	0	0,06	0,6	-0,1	-0,9	-0,05
B7	LC4	3	0	0,06	0,6	-0,1	0,89	0,14

According to the SRSS-method the following formula is used:

$$R_{tot} = \sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^{N} R_{(j)}^2}$$

Take for instance the normal force in member B1:

$$N_{tot} = \sqrt{(4,38kN)^2 + (-0,27kN)^2} = 4.39kN$$

Member	dx [m]	N [kN]	Vy [kN]	Vz [kN]	Mx [kNm]	My [kNm]	Mz [kNm]
B1	0,00	4,39	1,43	0,51	0,15	1,01	3,63
B1	5,00	4,39	1,43	0,51	0,15	1,60	3,49
B2	0,00	3,78	1,43	0,04	0,16	0,12	3,63
B2	5,00	3,78	1,43	0,04	0,16	0,07	3,49
B3	0,00	0,63	4,39	0,92	2,28	6,71	19,10
B3	5,00	0,63	4,39	0,92	2,28	2,81	2,83
B4	0,00	0,00	0,65	0,11	4,52	1,50	0,42
B4	3,00	0,00	0,65	0,11	4,52	1,34	1,89
B5	0,00	0,00	0,13	1,23	1,50	2,88	0,40
B5	6,00	0,00	0,13	1,23	1,50	4,52	0,42
B6	0,00	0,00	0,18	0,54	1,51	1,46	0,45
B6	6,00	0,00	0,18	0,54	1,51	1,78	0,60
B7	0,00	0,00	0,24	3,25	1,40	4,86	0,35
B7	3,00	0,00	0,24	3,25	1,40	4,88	0,37

These values correspond with the internal forces for the seismic load case in the project.

The same can be done for the reactions:

Linear calculation, Extreme : Node
Selection : All
Load cases : LC3

Support	Case	Rx [kN]	Ry [kN]	Rz [kN]	Mx [kNm]	My [kNm]	Mz [kNm]
Sn1/N1	LC3	-0,36	-1,35	-4,38	3,44	-0,49	0,01
Sn2/N6	LC3	0,78	-4,32	-0,62	18,85	6,54	0,28
Sn3/N3	LC3	0,04	-1,35	3,73	3,44	0,12	0,01

Linear calculation, Extreme : Node
Selection : All
Load cases : LC4

Support	Case	Rx [kN]	Ry [kN]	Rz [kN]	Mx [kNm]	My [kNm]	Mz [kNm]
Sn1/N1	LC4	-0,36	0,46	0,27	-1,17	-0,88	-0,15
Sn2/N6	LC4	-0,49	-0,77	0,08	3,07	-1,52	-2,26
Sn3/N3	LC4	-0,01	0,46	-0,59	-1,17	-0,03	-0,16

Calculation of the reaction for N1:

$$\Rightarrow R_x = \sqrt{(-0,36kN)^2 + (-0,36kN)^2} = 0,51$$
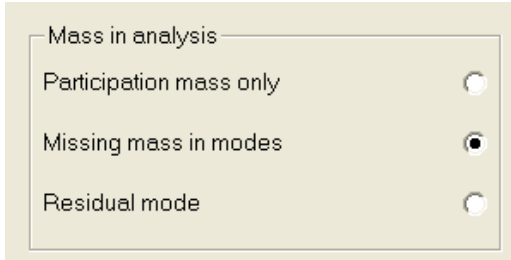
Support	Case	Rx [kN]	Ry [kN]	Rz [kN]	Mx [kNm]	My [kNm]	Mz [kNm]
Sn1/N1	LC2	0,51	1,43	4,39	3,63	1,01	0,15
Sn2/N6	LC2	0,92	4,39	0,63	19,10	6,71	2,28
Sn3/N3	LC2	0,04	1,43	3,78	3,63	0,12	0,16

After verifying the results in 'Spectral_analysis_participation mass only.esa' for the seismic load case, we can conclude that these values of the manual calculation correspond to the calculated values.

Support	Case	Rx [kN]	Ry [kN]	Rz [kN]	Mx [kNm]	My [kNm]	Mz [kNm]

Example D-2: Missing_mass_modes.esa

Consider the case that the following sum of masses is reached in direction X, Y and Z: respectively 30%, 80% and 10%.
With the option 'missing mass in modes', masses are added until a value of 100% is reached in each direction. With other words, the missing mass is assigned to the known modes (modes selected by the user in the analysis) and then the modal deformations and forces can be computed. Afterwards it's summed depending of the selected rule SRSS, CQC or MAX.

Mass in analysis

Participation mass only ○

Missing mass in modes ●

Residual mode ○

Simply, in this case 70%, 20% and 90% masses are added.
This principle is explained on the previous example.
Instead of the option 'participation mass only' the option 'missing mass in modes' is checked.

As a result of the previous example, the values of the effective masses are:

(j)	Mef_x	Mef_y	Mef_z
units	[kg]	[kg]	[kg]
1	12,346	3131,374	103,182
2	404,603	14,533	31,517

The masses in the free nodes are:

node	mass x	mass y	mass z
	[kg]	[kg]	[kg]
N2	646,875	646,875	646,875
N4	646,875	646,875	646,875
N5	787,5	787,5	787,5
N7	1537,5	1537,5	1537,5
total	3618,75	3618,75	3618,75

After comparing the real masses and the effective masses in each direction, one can conclude that there are 'missing' masses in the vibration analysis.
Take for instance the masses in direction X:

$$M_{miss} = 3618,75kg - 416,95kg = 3201,80kg$$

$$R_{miss} = \frac{M_{miss}}{M_{eff}} = \frac{3201,80kg}{416,95kg} = 7,679$$

$$M_{miss,1} = 7,679 \cdot 12,346kg = 94,8kg$$

$$M_{miss,2} = 7,679 \cdot 404,603kg = 3107kg$$

	x	y	z
Mtot	3618,75	3618,75	3618,75
Meff	416,95	3145,91	134,70
Mmiss	3201,80	472,84	3484,05
r_miss	7,679	0,150	25,865

(j)	Mmis_x(j)	Mmis_y(j)	Mmis_z(j)
	[kg]	[kg]	[kg]
1	94,8	470,7	2668,8
2	3107,0	2,2	815,2

Calculation of the **participation factor for the missing mass**:

$$\gamma_{miss,k,j} = sign\{\gamma_{k,j}\} \cdot (\sqrt{M_{miss,k,j} + M_{eff,k,j}} - |\gamma_{k,j}|)$$

For instance for mode 1 in direction X:

$$\Rightarrow \gamma_{miss,x,(1)} = -(\sqrt{94,8kg + 12,346kg} - |-3,514|) = -6,8$$

(j)	γmiss_x(j) [kg^0.5]	γmiss_y(j) [kg^0.5]	γmiss_z(j) [kg^0.5]
1	-6,8	4,1	42,5
2	39,1	-0,3	23,5

To take the missing mass into account in the calculation, this participation factor is included in the formula for the **mode coefficient G**:

$$G_{k,(j)} = \frac{Sa_{k,(j)} \times \gamma_{k,(j)} + Sa_{cutoff,k} \times \gamma^{mis}_{k,(j)}}{\omega^2_{(j)}}$$

With Sa_cutoff: acceleration of 'cut off' frequency in direction k (i.e. last calculated frequency). For mode 1 in direction X:

$$\Rightarrow G_{x,(1)} = \frac{2 \cdot -3,514 + 2 \cdot -6,8}{166,4} = -0,124$$

(j)	G_x [m*kg^0.5]	G_y [m*kg^0.5]	G_z [m*kg^0.5]	G [m*kg^0.5]
1	-0,124	0,721	0,633	1,230
2	0,525	-0,036	0,258	0,746

From now on, the same procedure can be followed as in the normal method. The formula for the **lateral force** in each node is:

$$F_{i,k,(j)} = m_{i,k,(j)} \cdot \ddot{u}_{i,k,(j)} = m_{i,k,(j)} \cdot G_{(j)} \cdot \phi_{i,k,(j)} \cdot \omega^2_{(j)}$$

$$\Rightarrow F_{N2,x,(1)} = \frac{(646,875 \cdot 1,23 \cdot (-12,67) \cdot 166,4)}{10000} = -167,7N$$

mode 1

node	F_x [N]	F_y [N]	F_z [N]
2	-167,7	2005,8	5,6
4	-103,0	2005,8	-4,8
5	-203,9	2519,9	2077,5
7	-244,5	4919,4	0,3
summ	-719,0	11450,9	2078,6

mode 2

node	F_x [N]	F_y [N]	F_z [N]
2	1457,5	-2146,5	-1,1
4	46,8	-2146,5	2,4
5	1774,1	1236,6	945,1
7	111,7	2414,0	-0,3
summ	3390,1	-642,5	946,2

Next, the **shear force in base** is calculated:

$$F_{k,(j)} = \sum_i F_{i,k,(j)}l$$

(j)	F_x	F_y	F_z
units	[kN]	[kN]	[kN]
1	-0,7190	11,4509	2,0786
2	3,3901	-0,6425	0,9462
summ	3,47	11,47	2,28

Calculation of the **overturning moment**. The overturning height is 0:

$$M_{i,ki(j)} = F_{i,k,(j)} * z_i$$

mode 1

node	M_x	M_y
	[Nm]	[Nm]
2	-10029,1	838,6
4	-10029,1	514,9
5	-12599,3	1019,3
7	-24597,0	1222,3

mode 2

node	M_x	M_y
	[Nm]	[Nm]
2	10732,7	-7287,6
4	10732,7	-233,9
5	-6182,9	-8870,5
7	-12070,1	-558,4

The sum of these moments gives **the overturning moment in base**:

(j)	M_x	M_y
units	[kN]	[kN]
1	-57,2545	3,5950
2	3,2124	-16,9504
summ	57,34	17,33

Also the **modal displacements** can be calculated for each node:

$$u_{ik,(j)} = G_{(j)} * \phi_{k,(j)}$$

mode 1

node	ux	uy	uz
	[mm]	[mm]	[mm]
2	-1,56	18,63	0,05
4	-0,96	18,63	-0,04
5	-1,56	19,23	15,85
7	-0,96	19,23	0,00

mode 2

node	ux	uy	uz
	[mm]	[mm]	[mm]
2	9,98	-14,70	-0,01
4	0,32	-14,70	0,02
5	9,98	6,95	5,31
7	0,32	6,95	0,00

summ

node	ux	uy	uz
	[mm]	[mm]	[mm]
2	10,10	23,73	0,05
4	1,01	23,73	0,05
5	10,10	20,45	16,72
7	1,01	20,45	0,00

The **modal accelerations** are:

$$\ddot{u}_{i,k,(j)} = \omega_{(j)}^2 * G_{(j)} * \phi_{k,(j)}$$

mode 1

node	ax	ay	az
	[mm/sec2]	[mm/sec2]	[mm/sec2]
2	-259,3	3100,8	8,6
4	-159,2	3100,8	-7,4
5	-258,9	3199,8	2638,1
7	-159,0	3199,6	0,2

mode 2

node	ax	ay	az
	[mm/sec2]	[mm/sec2]	[mm/sec2]
2	2253,2	-3318,3	-1,7
4	72,3	-3318,3	3,7
5	2252,8	1570,3	1200,2
7	72,6	1570,1	-0,2

summ

node	ax	ay	az
	[mm/sec2]	[mm/sec2]	[mm/sec2]
2	2268,0	4541,6	8,8
4	174,9	4541,6	8,2
5	2267,7	3564,3	2898,3
7	174,8	3564,1	0,3

Analogous to the previous example, these displacements for each mode are transformed to 2 real load cases. For these load cases the internal forces are analyzed:

Member	Case	dx [m]	N [kN]	Vy [kN]	Vz [kN]	Mx [kNm]	My [kNm]	Mz [kNm]
B1	LC3	0	7,15	-2,2	0,58	0,02	-0,8	5,62
B1	LC3	5	7,15	-2,2	0,58	0,02	2,1	-5,4
B2	LC3	0	-6,1	-2,2	-0,06	0,02	0,2	5,61
B2	LC3	5	-6,1	-2,2	-0,06	0,02	-0,1	-5,4
B3	LC3	0	1,01	-7,05	-1,26	0,46	10,62	30,8
B3	LC3	5	1,01	-7,05	-1,26	0,46	4,34	-4,46
B4	LC3	0	0	0,57	0,13	-7,24	-2,41	-0,66
B4	LC3	3	0	0,57	0,13	-7,24	-2,02	1,05
B5	LC3	0	0	-0,21	-1,94	2,41	4,39	0,57
B5	LC3	6	0	-0,21	-1,94	2,41	-7,24	-0,66
B6	LC3	0	0	-0,19	0,88	2,44	-2,39	0,55
B6	LC3	6	0	-0,19	0,88	2,44	2,9	-0,59
B7	LC3	0	0	0,38	-5,22	-2,29	7,81	-0,59
B7	LC3	3	0	0,38	-5,22	-2,29	-7,84	0,57

Member	Case	dx [m]	N [kN]	Vy [kN]	Vz [kN]	Mx [kNm]	My [kNm]	Mz [kNm]
B1	LC4	0	-1,04	1,78	1,39	-0,59	-3,36	-4,51
B1	LC4	5	-1,04	1,78	1,39	-0,59	3,6	4,42
B2	LC4	0	2,28	1,79	0,06	-0,63	-0,13	-4,51
B2	LC4	5	2,28	1,79	0,06	-0,63	0,16	4,42
B3	LC4	0	-0,29	-2,93	1,93	-8,65	-6,01	11,76
B3	LC4	5	-0,29	-2,93	1,93	-8,65	3,66	-2,88
B4	LC4	0	0	-2,1	-0,31	-3,52	-0,96	-0,5
B4	LC4	3	0	-2,1	-0,31	-3,52	-1,89	-6,8
B5	LC4	0	0	-0,21	-1,25	0,96	4	0,79
B5	LC4	6	0	-0,21	-1,25	0,96	-3,52	-0,5
B6	LC4	0	0	-0,51	0,02	0,98	-0,24	1,2
B6	LC4	6	0	-0,51	0,02	0,98	-0,14	-1,85
B7	LC4	0	0	0,26	2,3	-0,4	-3,45	-0,21
B7	LC4	3	0	0,26	2,3	-0,4	3,44	0,57

Calculation of the normal force for member B1 according to the principle of SRSS:

$$\Rightarrow N = \sqrt{\left(7,15kN\right)^2 + \left(-1,04kN\right)^2} = 7,23kN$$

The other internal forces are calculated in the same way:

Member	Case	dx [m]	N [kN]	Vy [kN]	Vz [kN]	Mx [kNm]	My [kNm]	Mz [kNm]
B1	LC2	0,00	7,23	2,83	1,51	0,59	3,45	7,21
B1	LC2	5,00	7,23	2,83	1,51	0,59	4,17	6,98
B2	LC2	0,00	6,51	2,84	0,08	0,63	0,24	7,20
B2	LC2	5,00	6,51	2,84	0,08	0,63	0,19	6,98
B3	LC2	0,00	1,05	7,63	2,30	8,66	12,20	32,97
B3	LC2	5,00	1,05	7,63	2,30	8,66	5,68	5,31
B4	LC2	0,00	0,00	2,18	0,34	8,05	2,59	0,83
B4	LC2	3,00	0,00	2,18	0,34	8,05	2,77	6,88
B5	LC2	0,00	0,00	0,30	2,31	2,59	5,94	0,97
B5	LC2	6,00	0,00	0,30	2,31	2,59	8,05	0,83
B6	LC2	0,00	0,00	0,54	0,88	2,63	2,40	1,32
B6	LC2	6,00	0,00	0,54	0,88	2,63	2,90	1,94
B7	LC2	0,00	0,00	0,46	5,70	2,32	8,54	0,63
B7	LC2	3,00	0,00	0,46	5,70	2,32	8,56	0,81

This corresponds to the results for the seismic load case in SCIA Engineer:
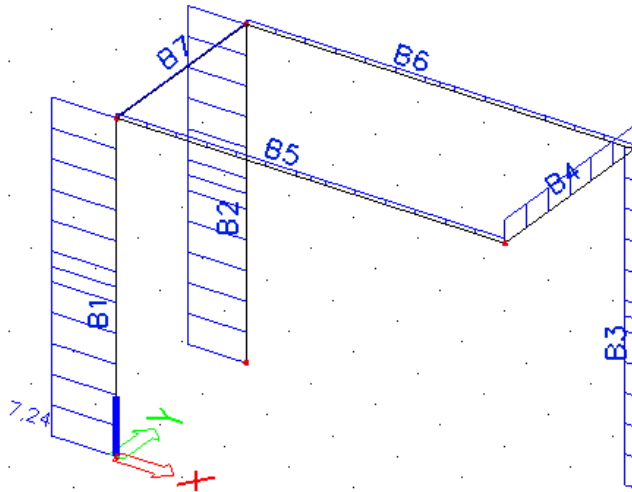
Support	Case	Rx [kN]	Ry [kN]	Rz [kN]	Mx [kNm]	My [kNm]	Mz [kNm]
Sn1/N1	LC3	-0,58	-2,2	-7,15	5,62	-0,8	0,02
Sn2/N6	LC3	1,26	-7,05	-1,01	30,8	10,62	0,46
Sn3/N3	LC3	0,06	-2,2	6,1	5,61	0,2	0,02

Support	Case	Rx [kN]	Ry [kN]	Rz [kN]	Mx [kNm]	My [kNm]	Mz [kNm]
Sn1/N1	LC4	-1,39	1,78	1,04	-4,51	-3,36	-0,59
Sn2/N6	LC4	-1,93	-2,93	0,29	11,76	-6,01	-8,65
Sn3/N3	LC4	-0,06	1,79	-2,28	-4,51	-0,13	-0,63

Support	Case	Rx [kN]	Ry [kN]	Rz [kN]	Mx [kNm]	My [kNm]	Mz [kNm]
Sn1/N1	LC2	1,51	2,83	7,23	7,21	3,45	0,59
Sn2/N6	LC2	2,30	7,63	1,05	32,97	12,20	8,66
Sn3/N3	LC2	0,08	2,84	6,51	7,20	0,24	0,63

This corresponds to the reactions in SCIA Engineer (Calculation of Rz for LC2):
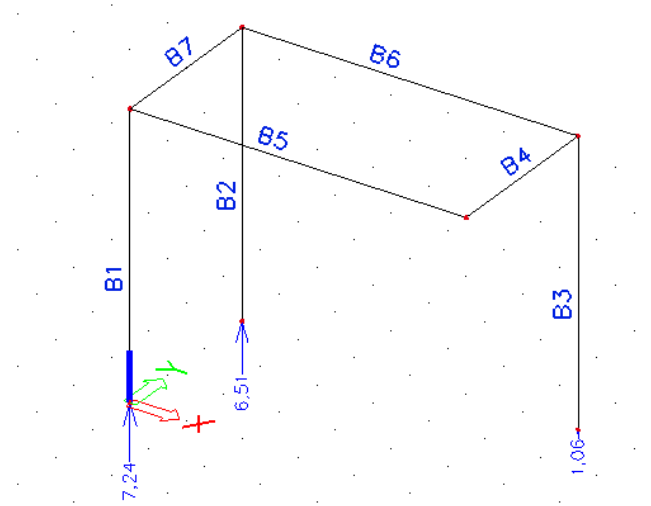
Example D-3: Residual_mode.esa

The principle of the residual mode method is analogous to the method of the missing mass:
if there is too less mass taken into account with the standard method, more mass will be added to satisfy the prescriptions of the EC.
The aim of this method is to evaluate the missing mass as an extra mode which is computed as an equivalent static load case. The static load case represents the weight of the missing mass under the cut-off acceleration. Afterwards it's summed depending the selected rule SRSS, CQC, MAX.

This is possible with the following option:

The difference with regard to the previous method is that the missing mass is taken in the seismic analysis as an extra mode which represents the weight of the missing mass. The modal result of this mode is computed by a static equivalent load case.

The effective masses are calculated for each separate node. In the other method, the effective mass was determined for each direction in each mode. Now, this parameter will be calculated for each different node in direction X,Y and Z for each mode. Later, this missing mass will be taken into account by means of an extra load case.

Effective mass in node:

$$M_{eff,k,(j),i} = \frac{M_{k,i} \cdot \varphi_{k,(j),i} \cdot M_{eff,k,(j)}}{1000 \cdot \gamma_{k,j}}$$

Calculation of the effective mass in direction X for mode 1 and N2:

$$\Rightarrow M_{eff,N2,x,(1)} = \frac{646,875kg \cdot (-12,67) \cdot 12,346}{10000 \cdot (-3,514)} = 2,9$$

effective mass in node (direction k, mode j)

mode 1

	mass x [kg]	mass y [kg]	mass z [kg]
N2	2,9	548,5	0,3
N4	1,8	548,5	-0,2
N5	3,5	689,1	103,1
N7	4,2	1345,3	0,0
	12,346	3131,374	103,182

mode2

	mass x [kg]	mass y [kg]	mass z [kg]
N2	174,0	48,6	0,0
N4	5,6	48,6	0,1
N5	211,7	-28,0	31,5
N7	13,3	-54,6	0,0
	404,60	14,53	31,52

mode 1 & 2

	mass x [kg]	mass y [kg]	mass z [kg]
N2	176,8	597,1	0,2
N4	7,4	597,1	-0,2
N5	215,2	661,1	134,6
N7	17,5	1290,7	0,0
	416,9494	3145,9065	134,6994

The **missing mass** is the difference between the total mass for each node minus the effective mass:

$\Rightarrow$ Missing mass$_{N2,x} = 646,9 - 176,8 = 470 kg$

	mass x [kg]	mass y [kg]	mass z [kg]
N2	470,0	49,8	646,6
N4	639,5	49,8	647,0
N5	572,3	126,4	652,9
N7	1520,0	246,8	1537,5

Out of these missing masses, **load cases** are generated. This by the formula:

$\Rightarrow$ Load case$_{i,k} =$ Missing mass$_{i,k} \cdot S_{k,(cutoff)}$

	F x [kN]	F y [kg]	F z [kg]
N2	0,940	0,100	1,293
N4	1,279	0,100	1,294
N5	1,145	0,253	1,306
N7	3,040	0,494	3,075
summ	6,4036	0,9457	6,9681

Remark:
The cut-off acceleration is the acceleration of the cut-off frequency, this is the last calculated frequency.

Calculation of the **mode coefficient**:

$$G_{k,(j)} = \frac{Sa_{k,(j)} \times \gamma_{k,(j)}}{\omega_{(j)}^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow G_{x,(1)} = \frac{2 \, m/s^2 \cdot -3{,}514 kg^{1/2}}{166{,}4 \, /s^2} = -0{,}042 \, m \cdot kg^{1/2}$$

(j)	G_x [m*kg^0.5]	G_y [m*kg^0.5]	G_z [m*kg^0.5]	G [m*kg^0.5]
1	-0,042	0,673	0,122	0,752
2	0,178	-0,034	0,050	0,194

Calculation of the **lateral forces**:

$$F_{i,k,(j)} = m_{i,k,(j)} \cdot \ddot{u}_{i,k,(j)} = m_{i,k,(j)} \cdot G_{(j)} \cdot \phi_{i,k,(j)} \cdot \omega_{(j)}^2$$

$$\Rightarrow F_{1,x,(1)} = \frac{646{,}9 kg \cdot 0{,}75 m \cdot kg^{1/2} \cdot -12{,}67 mm \cdot 166 \, /s^2}{10000} = -102{,}6 N$$

mode 1

node	F_x(1) [N]	F_y(1) [N]	F_z(1) [N]
2	-102,6	1227,3	3,4
4	-63,0	1227,3	-2,9
5	-124,7	1541,8	1271,1
7	-149,6	3010,0	0,2
summ	-439,9	7006,3	1271,8

mode 2

node	F_x(1) [N]	F_y(1) [N]	F_z(1) [N]
2	379,1	-558,3	-0,3
4	12,2	-558,3	0,6
5	461,4	321,6	245,8
7	29,0	627,8	-0,1
summ	881,7	-167,1	246,1

Calculation of the **shear force in base**:

$$F_{k,(j)} = \sum_i F_{i,k,(j)} l$$

(j) units	F_x [kN]	F_y [kN]	F_z [kN]
1	-0,4399	7,0063	1,2718
2	0,8817	-0,1671	0,2461
R	6,4036	0,9457	6,9681
summ	6,5	7,1	7,1

The **overturning moment** in each node is calculated as follows:

$$M_{i,ki(j)} = F_{i,k,(j)} * z_i$$

The height z_i is equal to the height of the concerning node minus the overturning height. In this case, the overturning height is equal to zero.

mode 1

node	M_x(1) [Nm]	M_y(1) [Nm]
2	-6136,4	513,1
4	-6136,4	315,1
5	-7709,0	623,6
7	-15049,9	747,9

mode 2

node	M_x(2) [Nm]	M_y(2) [Nm]
2	2791,4	-1895,4
4	2791,4	-60,8
5	-1608,1	-2307,1
7	-3139,2	-145,2

In this case, an extra overturning moment is calculated for the residual load case:

$$\Rightarrow M_{N2,y,(1)} = 0,94 kN \cdot (5m - 0m) = -4,7 Nm$$

mode R

node	M_x(1) [Nm]	M_y(1) [Nm]
2	0,0	-4,7
4	0,0	-6,4
5	0,0	-5,7
7	0,0	-15,2

The letter R stands for the residual mode.

For each mode the **sum of the overturning moments** are taken, afterwards the results are combined with the SRSS method:

(j) units	M_x [kN]	M_y [kN]
1	-35,0317	2,1997
2	0,8355	-4,4085
R	0,0000	-32,0180
summ	35,0	32,4

Calculation of the **modal displacement**:

$$u_{i,k,(j)} = G_{(j)} * \varphi_{k,(j)}$$

mode 1

node	ux [mm]	uy [mm]	uz [mm]
2	-0,95	11,40	0,03
4	-0,59	11,40	-0,03
5	-0,95	11,77	9,70
7	-0,58	11,77	0,00

mode 2

node	ux [mm]	uy [mm]	uz [mm]
2	2,60	-3,82	0,00
4	0,08	-3,82	0,00
5	2,59	1,81	1,38
7	0,08	1,81	0,00

To calculate the deformations for mode R, the load cases - generated out of the missing masses - are inputted as real load cases on the nodes of the structure. This gives the following table:

2. Deformation of nodes

Node	Case	Ux [mm]	Uy [mm]	Uz [mm]
Linear calculation, Extreme : Node				
Selection : All				
Load cases : LC3				
N1	LC3	0	0	0
N2	LC3	4,14	4,91	0,03
N3	LC3	0	0	0
N4	LC3	1,46	4,91	0
N5	LC3	4,14	8,25	6,74
N6	LC3	0	0	0
N7	LC3	1,45	8,25	0

The deformations for each mode (namely mode 1, mode 2 and mode R) are combined with the SRSS-formula:

summ

node	ux [mm]	uy [mm]	uz [mm]
2	4,98	12,99	0,04
4	1,58	12,99	0,03
5	4,98	14,48	11,89
7	1,57	14,48	0,00

The same for the modal acceleration:

$$\ddot{u}_{i,k,(j)} = \omega_{(j)}^{2} * G_{(j)} * \phi_{k,(j)}$$

mode 1

node	ax [mm/sec2]	ay [mm/sec2]	az [mm/sec2]
2	-158,6	1897,2	5,3
4	-97,4	1897,2	-4,5
5	-158,4	1957,8	1614,2
7	-97,3	1957,7	0,1

mode 2

node	ax [mm/sec2]	ay [mm/sec2]	az [mm/sec2]
2	586,0	-863,0	-0,4
4	18,8	-863,0	1,0
5	585,9	408,4	312,1
7	18,9	408,4	0,0

For mode R the constant value of 2000 mm/s^2 is used:

mode R

node	ax [mm/sec2]	ay [mm/sec2]	az [mm/sec2]
2	2000,0	2000,0	2000,0
4	2000,0	2000,0	2000,0
5	2000,0	2000,0	2000,0
7	2000,0	2000,0	2000,0

This gives through the SRSS-method:

summ

node	ax [mm/sec2]	ay [mm/sec2]	az [mm/sec2]
2	2090,1	2888,7	2000,0
4	2002,5	2888,7	2000,0
5	2090,1	2828,4	2589,0
7	2002,5	2828,3	2000,0

In the same way as for the 'missing mass method' the calculated deformations are put on the structure as real load cases. This gives the following **internal forces**:

Mode 1:

Linear calculation, Extreme : Member, System : Principal Selection : All Load cases : LC3							
Member	**Case**	**dx [m]**	**N [kN]**	**Vy [kN]**	**Vz [kN]**	**Mx [kNm]**	**My [kNm]**	**Mz [kNm]**
B1	LC3	0	**4,38**	**-1,35**	**0,36**	**0,01**	-0,49	3,44
B1	LC3	5	4,38	-1,35	0,36	0,01	**1,29**	**-3,3**
B2	LC3	0	**-3,73**	**-1,35**	**-0,04**	**0,01**	0,12	3,44
B2	LC3	5	-3,73	-1,35	-0,04	0,01	**-0,06**	**-3,3**
B3	LC3	0	**0,62**	**-4,32**	**-0,78**	**0,28**	6,54	18,85
B3	LC3	5	0,62	-4,32	-0,78	0,28	**2,65**	**-2,73**
B4	LC3	0	**0**	**0,35**	**0,08**	**-4,43**	-1,48	-0,4
B4	LC3	3	0	0,35	0,08	-4,43	**-1,24**	**0,63**
B5	LC3	0	**0**	**-0,12**	**-1,19**	**1,48**	2,69	0,35
B5	LC3	6	0	-0,12	-1,19	1,48	**-4,43**	**-0,4**
B6	LC3	0	**0**	**-0,12**	**0,54**	**1,49**	-1,46	0,33
B6	LC3	6	0	-0,12	0,54	1,49	**1,78**	**-0,36**
B7	LC3	0	**0**	**0,23**	**-3,19**	**-1,4**	4,78	-0,35
B7	LC3	3	0	0,23	-3,19	-1,4	**-4,8**	**0,34**

Mode 2:

Linear calculation, Extreme : Member, System : Principal Selection : All Load cases : LC4							
Member	**Case**	**dx [m]**	**N [kN]**	**Vy [kN]**	**Vz [kN]**	**Mx [kNm]**	**My [kNm]**	**Mz [kNm]**
B1	LC4	0	**-0,27**	**0,46**	**0,36**	**-0,15**	**-0,88**	**-1,17**
B1	LC4	5	-0,27	0,46	0,36	-0,15	**0,94**	**1,15**
B2	LC4	0	**0,59**	**0,46**	**0,01**	**-0,16**	-0,03	-1,17
B2	LC4	5	0,59	0,46	0,01	-0,16	**0,04**	**1,15**
B3	LC4	0	**-0,08**	**-0,77**	**0,49**	**-2,26**	-1,52	3,07
B3	LC4	5	-0,08	-0,77	0,49	-2,26	**0,94**	**-0,76**
B4	LC4	0	**0**	**-0,55**	**-0,08**	**-0,91**	-0,25	-0,12
B4	LC4	3	0	-0,55	-0,08	-0,91	**-0,5**	**-1,78**
B5	LC4	0	**0**	**-0,05**	**-0,33**	**0,25**	1,04	0,2
B5	LC4	6	0	-0,05	-0,33	0,25	**-0,91**	**-0,12**
B6	LC4	0	**0**	**-0,13**	**0,01**	**0,26**	-0,06	0,31
B6	LC4	6	0	-0,13	0,01	0,26	**-0,03**	**-0,48**
B7	LC4	0	**0**	**0,06**	**0,6**	**-0,1**	-0,9	-0,05
B7	LC4	3	0	0,06	0,6	-0,1	**0,89**	**0,14**

Mode R:

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Selection : All
Load cases : LC3</td></tr>
<tr><th>Member</th><th>Case</th><th>dx
[m]</th><th>N
[kN]</th><th>Vy
[kN]</th><th>Vz
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<tr><td>B1</td><td>LC3</td><td>0</td><td>4,232</td><td>-0,575</td><td>0,824</td><td>-0,134</td><td>-1,804</td><td>1,47</td></tr>
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<tr><td>B2</td><td>LC3</td><td>0</td><td>-0,061</td><td>-0,574</td><td>0,244</td><td>-0,144</td><td>-0,559</td><td>1,47</td></tr>
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<tr><td>B3</td><td>LC3</td><td>0</td><td>2,798</td><td>-3,078</td><td>5,79</td><td>-2,301</td><td>-22,431</td><td>13,299</td></tr>
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<tr><td>B4</td><td>LC3</td><td>0</td><td>-1,406</td><td>-1,192</td><td>0,005</td><td>-4,714</td><td>-1,048</td><td>0,818</td></tr>
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<tr><td>B7</td><td>LC3</td><td>0</td><td>0,039</td><td>-0,478</td><td>-1,637</td><td>-0,778</td><td>2,45</td><td>0,766</td></tr>
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Combination via SRSS-method gives:

Member	Case	dx [m]	N [kN]	Vy [kN]	Vz [kN]	Mx [kNm]	My [kNm]	Mz [kNm]
B1	LC2	0,00	6,10	1,54	0,97	0,20	2,07	3,92
B1	LC2	5,00	6,10	1,54	0,97	0,20	2,81	3,77
B2	LC2	0,00	3,78	1,54	0,25	0,22	0,57	3,92
B2	LC2	5,00	3,78	1,54	0,25	0,22	0,66	3,77
B3	LC2	0,00	2,87	5,36	5,86	3,24	23,41	23,27
B3	LC2	5,00	2,87	5,36	5,86	3,24	7,10	3,52
B4	LC2	0,00	1,41	1,36	0,11	6,53	1,83	0,92
B4	LC2	3,00	1,41	1,36	0,11	6,53	1,69	3,34
B5	LC2	0,00	0,16	0,27	1,79	1,83	4,23	0,75
B5	LC2	6,00	0,16	0,27	1,79	1,83	6,53	0,92
B6	LC2	0,00	1,53	0,24	0,61	1,85	1,47	0,69
B6	LC2	6,00	1,53	0,24	0,61	1,85	2,54	0,75
B7	LC2	0,00	0,04	0,53	3,64	1,60	5,45	0,84
B7	LC2	3,00	0,04	0,53	3,64	1,60	5,47	0,76

The **reactions** are:

Mode 1:

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Selection : All
Load cases : LC3</td></tr>
<tr><th>Support</th><th>Case</th><th>Rx
[kN]</th><th>Ry
[kN]</th><th>Rz
[kN]</th><th>Mx
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[kNm]</th><th>Mz
[kNm]</th></tr>
<tr><td>Sn1/N1</td><td>LC3</td><td>-0,36</td><td>-1,35</td><td>-4,38</td><td>3,44</td><td>-0,49</td><td>0,01</td></tr>
<tr><td>Sn2/N6</td><td>LC3</td><td>0,78</td><td>-4,32</td><td>-0,62</td><td>18,85</td><td>6,54</td><td>0,28</td></tr>
<tr><td>Sn3/N3</td><td>LC3</td><td>0,04</td><td>-1,35</td><td>3,73</td><td>3,44</td><td>0,12</td><td>0,01</td></tr>
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Mode 2:

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Selection : All
Load cases : LC4</td></tr>
<tr><th>Support</th><th>Case</th><th>Rx
[kN]</th><th>Ry
[kN]</th><th>Rz
[kN]</th><th>Mx
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[kNm]</th><th>Mz
[kNm]</th></tr>
<tr><td>Sn1/N1</td><td>LC4</td><td>-0,36</td><td>0,46</td><td>0,27</td><td>-1,17</td><td>-0,88</td><td>-0,15</td></tr>
<tr><td>Sn2/N6</td><td>LC4</td><td>-0,49</td><td>-0,77</td><td>0,08</td><td>3,07</td><td>-1,52</td><td>-2,26</td></tr>
<tr><td>Sn3/N3</td><td>LC4</td><td>-0,01</td><td>0,46</td><td>-0,59</td><td>-1,17</td><td>-0,03</td><td>-0,16</td></tr>
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Mode R:

Linear calculation, Extreme : Node Selection : All Load cases : LC3							
Support	**Case**	**Rx [kN]**	**Ry [kN]**	**Rz [kN]**	**Mx [kNm]**	**My [kNm]**	**Mz [kNm]**
Sn1/N1	LC3	-0,82	-0,575	-4,232	1,47	-1,804	-0,134
Sn2/N6	LC3	-5,79	-3,078	-2,798	13,299	-22,431	-2,301
Sn3/N3	LC3	-0,24	-0,574	0,061	1,47	-0,559	-0,144

Summarized by SRSS:

Support	**Case**	**Rx [kN]**	**Ry [kN]**	**Rz [kN]**	**Mx [kNm]**	**My [kNm]**	**Mz [kNm]**
Sn1/N1	LC2	0,97	1,54	6,10	3,92	2,07	0,20
Sn2/N6	LC2	5,86	5,36	2,87	23,27	23,41	3,24
Sn3/N3	LC2	0,25	1,54	3,78	3,92	0,57	0,22

Note:

In case of CQC, we don't assume any correlation with the other modes (i.e. absolute value is added) The cut-off frequency is the frequency of the latest modes in the analysis. It is the responsibility of the user to select the correct number of modes. This can be done in the Setup > Solver.