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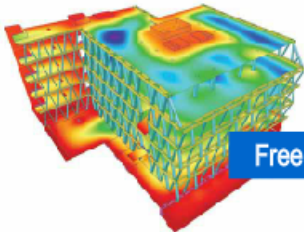
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


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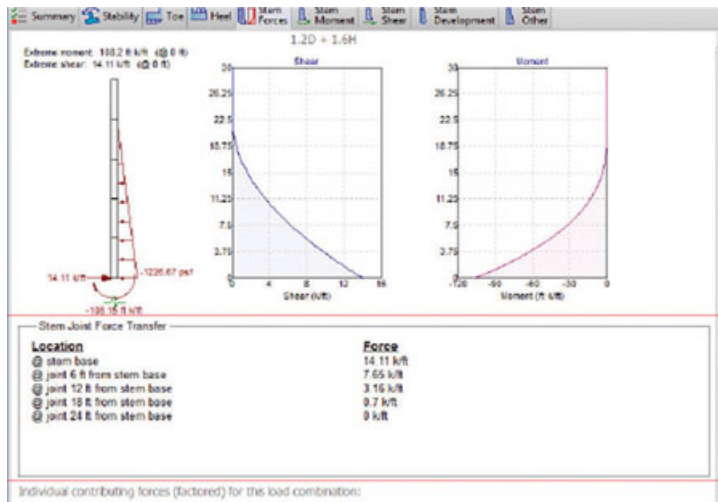
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QuickRWall is among the best tools on the market for retaining wall design! It will get you out of the "black box" and into high-quality wall design in short order. The reports are excellent, with full equations and intermediate data readily available for complete checking. QuickRWall is very graphical, extremely easy to use, fast, and robust. QuickRWall exposes all calculations for checking. The tool is the best available for ease of use, comprehensive ability, and professional quality reports. Version 3.0 includes some long awaited features and improvements that will make this tool even more useful, especially if you are working with AASHTO requirements.

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##### Key new features:

- Updated to IBC 2009, ACI 318-08, MSJC 08
- Lateral deflection calculation
- Transfer forces across stem joints
- AASHTO load combinations

##### Wall configurations:

- Cantilever Retaining Walls
- Gravity Retaining Walls (ACI Chapter 22)
- Restrained Walls, Basement Walls, Propped Cantilevers
- Tapered (Battered) or Stepped

##### Wall materials:

- Concrete
- Masonry
- Mixed concrete & Masonry

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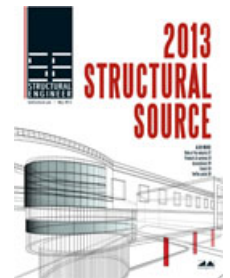
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##### Growth calls for investment

For many firms, 2012 was a tough year. Salary increases, often a sign of positive business performance and outlook, showed no clear trends. Recent ZweigWhite salary survey data shows little in the way of pay increases, especially in lower-level positions. Upper-level management is continuing to feel the



- mixed concrete & masonry

uncertainty of their firm investment as they have to work harder, often for less pay and decreased benefits.

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