

# Response factor

How is the response factor calculated?

Answer: [ETABS](#) and [SAP2000](#) calculate response factor (RF) using the following equation:

- $RF = [2.31 - 0.41 \log (100 (\text{Case} + \text{Link damping, express in ratio}))] / [2.31 - 0.41 \log (100 (\text{Function damping, express in ratio}))]$  [1],[2]

## References

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