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The thesis presents the response of Reinforced Concrete slabs after cracking and prior to failure using the grillage analogy. A simplified numerical method is developed to study their behavior up to failure using the stiffness method. The effect of the material non linearity due to change in the structural rigidity (flexural & torsioral rigidities) is incorporated.

The flexural rigidity is represented by a trilinear moment-curvature relationship. The torsional rigidity is represented by a trilinear relationship taking into account the shear-torsion-flexure interaction. A computer program is prepared and various shapes of beams and slab are studied using the applied computer algorithm. The results have been compared with the published experimental data; and, the load-displacement curves are plotted. The comparison has shown a good agreement. Thus, a simple approach has been presented to determine the ultimate load of slabs, this load is close to that obtained by the yield line theory.

Key Words: reinforced concrete, beams, slabs, grillage analogy, grids, ultimate, analysis, stiffness method, torsion.

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