



Fig. 12.2 Typical section of a building.

support only its own weight. The design loads and design assumptions are given in section 12.2.

12.2 BASIS OF DESIGN: LOADINGS

- Roof: dead weight, 3.5kN/m^2
imposed load, 1.5kN/m^2
- Floor: dead weight including finishings and partition, 4.8kN/m^2
(see section 12.10 for sample calculation)
- Imposed load, 1.5kN/m^2
- Wall: 102.5mm with 13mm plaster both sides, 2.6kN/m^2
102.5mm and inner skin of 255mm cavity wall, 2.42kN/m^2
(i.e. 102.5 mm+one face plaster)
- Wind load: speed (Edinburgh area), 50m/s

12.3 QUALITY CONTROL: PARTIAL SAFETY FACTORS

Assume normal quality control both at the factory and on site. The partial safety factors for the materials are

$$\gamma_m = 3.5 \text{ (table 4, BS 5628)}$$

$$\gamma_{mv} = 2.5 \text{ (clause 27.4)}$$

12.4 CALCULATION OF VERTICAL LOADING ON WALLS

12.4.1 Loading on internal wall A

The loading on this wall is summarized in [Table 12.1](#).

12.4.2 Loading on external cavity wall B

(a) Inner leaf

The loading on the inner leaf of this wall is shown in [Table 12.2](#).

(b) Outer leaf

For the outer leaf of this wall

$$\text{load/m at floor} = 2.42 \times 3 = 7.26 \text{ kN/m}$$

$$\text{imposed load} = 0$$

12.4.3 Total dead weight of the building above GL

Neglecting openings, etc., we have

$$\begin{aligned} G_k &= 3.5 \times 21 \times 10.5 + 6 \times 4.8 \times 21 \times 10.5 \\ &\quad + (12 \times 2.6 \times 4.25 \times 2.85 + 4 \times 2 \times 2.42 \times 4.25 \times 2.85 \\ &\quad + 2 \times 21 \times 2.6 \times 2.85 + 21 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2.42 \times 2.85) \times 7 \\ &= 17643 \text{ kN} \end{aligned}$$

12.5 WIND LOADING

12.5.1 General stability

To explain the method, only walls A and B are considered in the calculation; hence wind blowing from either north or south direction is critical and evaluated. In the east-west direction the cavity and corridor