



Plastic Design

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Design of Frames

It consists of designing:

Beams, Columns, Connections, Columns bases, etc.

Connections:

"The connection which can transfer full moment from beam to column and vice versa along with shear is **Moment Connection**"

Requirements for Connection

- 1. A hinge can develop and can be maintained at the connection (there must be enough rotation capacity).
- 2. Sufficient strength against moment and shear.



Steel Structures Moment Connections:



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All the frame connections have to transfer 100% shear force from the beams to other members. The amount of moment to be transferred varies depending on the rotational restraint at the joints.

- Fully Restrained Moment Connections (Rigid or continuous frame connections transfer 100% moment along with 100% shear).
- Partially Restrained Moment Connections (Beam column connections under cyclic loads and earthquake loads transfer approx., 20-90% moment along with 100% shear).
- Shear Connections (Connections of beams, girders and trusses transfer less than 20% moment along with 100% shear).



EXTRA RESTRICTION FOR INELASTIC ANALYSIS AND DESIGN

The extra provisions for the inelastic design are provided in AISC Appendix 1.

Inelastic analysis is not allowed for design according to the ASD provisions but moment redistribution is allowed.

In LRFD, structure is analyzed within elastic range. However, inelastic behavior, ultimate failure modes and redistribution of forces after elastic analysis is considered. Plastic design is somewhat similar to LRFD but analysis is also performed considering collapse mechanism of the structure.

1. MATERIALS

Members undergoing plastic hinging should have a *specified minimum yield stress* not exceeding 450 MPa.

2. MOMENT REDISTRIBUTION

*Beam*s composed of *compact sections*, may be proportioned for nine-tenths of the –ve moments at points of support, produced by the *gravity loading* computed by an *elastic analysis*, provided that the max. +ve moment is increased by one-tenth of the average –ve moments.



This reduction is not allowed for moments produced by loading on cantilevers and for design according to plastic methods.

If the negative moment is resisted by a *column* rigidly framed to the beam or girder, the one-tenth reduction may be used in proportioning the column for combined axial *force* and flexure, provided that the axial force does not exceed $0.15\phi_c F_y A_g$ for LRFD or $0.15F_y A_g /\Omega_c$ for ASD.



Cross-Section

Only doubly symmetrical I-shaped section

is allowed at the plastic hinge locations. The elements of the cross-section must

have width to thickness ratio (b/tf) less

than or equal to λ_{pd} which is generally

equal to λ_{p} with some modifications as

under;



Flanges and webs of members subjected to plastic hinging in combined flexure and axial compression should be compact and must also satisfy the following requirements:

(a) The flanges of symmetric I-sections must satisfy the following usual condition of compactness:

$$\frac{b_f}{2t_f} \leq 0.38 \sqrt{\frac{E}{F_y}} = 10.8 \text{ for}$$

$$A36 \text{steel}$$



(b)For webs of doubly symmetric wide flange members and rectangular HSS in combined flexure and compression

(i) For negligible P_{μ}

$$\frac{h}{t_{w}} \leq 3.76 \sqrt{\frac{E}{F_{y}}} = 107 \text{ for A36 steel}$$
(ii) For $P_{u}/\phi_{c}P_{y} \leq 0.125$

$$\frac{h}{t_{w}} \leq 3.76 \sqrt{\frac{E}{F_{y}}} \left(1 - \frac{2.75P_{u}}{\phi_{b}P_{y}}\right) = \frac{107}{16} \text{ for A36 steel}$$

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(iii) For $P_u / \phi_b P_y > 0.125$

$$\frac{h}{t_w} \le 1.12 \sqrt{\frac{E}{F_y}} \left(2.33 - \frac{P_u}{\phi_b P_y} \right) \ge 1.49 \sqrt{\frac{E}{F_y}}$$

4. STABILITY AND SECOND-ORDER EFFECTS

Continuous *beams* not subjected to axial *loads* and that do not contribute to lateral *stability* of framed structures may be designed based on a *first-order inelastic analysis* or a plastic *mechanism* analysis.



Braced frames and *moment frames* may be designed based on a *first-order inelastic analysis* or a plastic *mechanism* analysis provided that *stability* and *second-order effects* are taken into account.

Structures may be designed on the basis of a secondorder *inelastic analysis*.

For *beam-columns, connections* and connected members, the *required strengths* shall be determined from a second-order inelastic analysis, where equilibrium is satisfied on the deformed geometry, taking into account the change in *stiffness* due to yielding.

1. Braced Frames



In *braced frames*, the braces should be designed to remain elastic under the *design loads*.

The required axial strength for *columns* and compression braces must not exceed $\phi_c(0.85F_y A_g)$, where, $\phi_c = 0.90$ (LRFD).

2. Moment Frames

In *moment frames*, the required axial strength of columns must not exceed $\phi_c(0.75F_yA_g)$, where, $\phi_c = 0.90$ (LRFD).

5. COLUMNS AND OTHER COMPRESSION MEMBERS

Design by inelastic analysis is allowed if the column slenderness ratio, *L/r*, does not exceed,

 $4.71\sqrt{E/F_y}$

where,

- L = laterally unbraced length of a member, mm
- *r* = governing radius of gyration, mm





6. BEAMS AND OTHER FLEXURAL MEMBERS

The required moment strength, M_u , of *beams* must not exceed the *design strength*, ϕM_n , where

$$M_n = M_p = F_y Z < 1.6 F_y S$$
 ; $\phi = 0.90$ (LRFD)

Design by inelastic analysis is only permitted for compact sections.

The *unbraced length*, L_b , of the flexure member is defined as the length between points braced against lateral displacement of the compression flange or twist of the cross-section.

Unbraced length for members loaded simultaneously with axial compression and flexure is defined as the length between the points braced against lateral displacement in the minor axis and twist of the x-section. For members containing *plastic hinge Lb* shall not exceed L_{pd} , determined as follows.

$$L_{pd} = \left[0.12 + 0.076 \left(\frac{M_1}{M_2}\right)\right] \left(\frac{E}{F_y}\right) r_y$$

where

- M_1 = smaller moment at end of unbraced length of beam, N-mm
- M_2 = larger moment at end of unbraced length of beam, N-mm



 r_y = radius of gyration about minor axis, mm (M_1/M_2) is positive when moments cause reverse curvature and negative for single curvature.

7. MEMBERS UNDER COMBINED FORCES

Inelastic analysis is not allowed for members subject to torsion and combined torsion, flexure, shear and/or axial force.

8. CONNECTIONS



Connections adjacent to plastic hinging regions must be designed with sufficient strength and ductility to sustain the *forces* and deformations imposed under the required *loads*.





Effective Length Factor, K:

Ratio of effective length to the unsupported length. This depends on end conditions of column and whether side sway is permitted or not.

Greater the K-value, greater is the effective length and

slenderness ratio and hence smaller is the buckling load.

Moment magnification factors (B1 and B2) are used to empirically estimate the magnification produced in the column due to 2nd order effects. **No-Sway Moment Magnification**

$$B_{1} = \frac{C_{m}}{1 - \frac{\alpha P_{r}}{P_{e1}}} \geq 1.0 \qquad P \# 159$$

 P_r = required second order axial strength $\approx P_{nt} + P_{lt}$ (based on first order estimate)

Sway Moment Magnification For Plastic Design

$$B_2 = 1 + 2.5 \frac{\alpha(\sum P_{nt})(\sum H)L\theta}{(\sum P_{e2})(\sum M_p \phi)}$$

Not given in code



Design

Sway Moment Magnification

 θ = Rotation of columns for critical collapse mechanism.

 ϕ = Rotation for all hinges, for all beams & columns, for the critical collapse mechanism above column under consideration.

 $\sum P_{nt}$ = Total storey vertical load

 ΣH = Total horizontal load on story

 $\sum P_{e2}$ = Sum of critical buckling loads of all columns of the storey considering K unbraced.

- L = Height of Column (storey height)
- α = 1.00 for LRFD and Plastic Design



Steel Structures Design

Required Plastic Section Modulus Revised For 2nd Order Effects

$$Z = Z_t \left(\frac{P_u}{\phi_c P_n} + 0.889 \right) \quad \text{for} \quad \frac{P_u}{\phi_c P_n} \ge 0.2$$
$$\left\{ Z = Z_t \left(\frac{P_u}{\phi_c P_n} + 0.889B \right) \right\}$$

This includes moment magnification. If we use this expression trials will be reduced.



Steel Structures Design

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$$Z = Z_t \left(0.5 \frac{P_u}{\phi_c P_n} + 1.0 \right) \quad \text{for} \quad \frac{P_u}{\phi_c P_n} < 0.2$$
$$\left\{ Z = Z_t \left(0.5 \frac{P_u}{\phi_c P_n} + 1.0B \right) \right\}$$

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Continuous Beam Design

- 1. Draw structure with factored loads
- 2. Draw BMD for primary structure
- 3. Establish failure mechanism
- 4. Draw –ve BMD
- 5. Calculate reactions
- 6. Find Z_{req} and $d_{min} = L/22$ for S. S. beams



Continuous Beam Design

- 7. Select section with values of point # 6
- 8. Check for local and overall stability
- 9. Check for $V_{u max}$
- 10.Decide bracing
- 11.Decide splicing.
- 12.Calculate deflection at service loads.

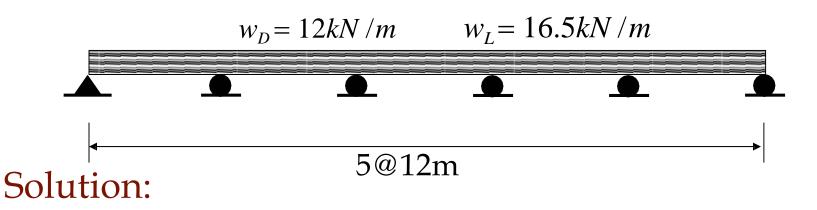


Types of Splicing

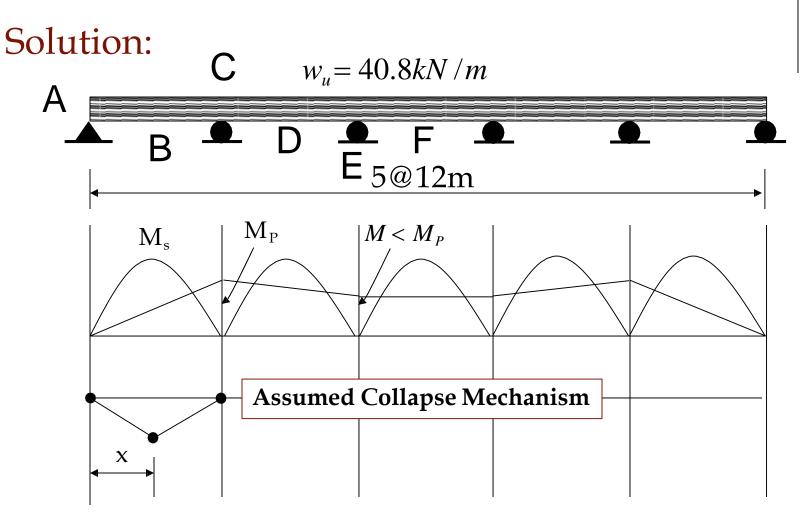
- 1. Shear Splicing "Which transfers only shear". Only web is connected. Shear splicing can be provided at zero moment region i.e. point of contraflexure
- Moment splicing "Which transfers both shear and moment". Web and flanges both are connected.



Example: Design the continuous beam of uniform section. Top flange is continuously connected with slab.



$$w_u = 1.2 \times 12 + 1.6 \times 16.5 = 40.8 kN / m$$
$$M_s = \frac{wL^2}{8} = \frac{40.8 \times 12^2}{8} = 734.4 kN - m$$



Mechanism is approximately same as propped cantilever beam x = 0.414L = 4.97m $M_P = 0.686M_s = 503.8kN - m$



Solution: (contd...)

For interior span

$$-M_P + M_{s,available} = M_P$$

$$M_{s,available} = 2M_p > required$$

So exterior span is critical

$$R_{A} = \frac{40.8 \times 4.97}{2} + \frac{503.8}{4.97} = 202.8 \text{kN}$$

Shear force just left of point C = V_{CB} = Total load on span AB - R_A

 $=40.8 \times 12 - 202.8 = 286.8$ kN

$$w_u = 40.8kN/m$$

$$M_P = 503.8kN - m$$

$$V_{BA} \approx 0$$



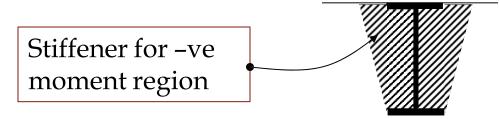
Steel Structures
Solution: (contd...)
Shear force just right of point
$$C = V_{CD} = \frac{40.8 \times 12}{2} = 244.8 \text{kN}$$

 $Z_{req} = \frac{M}{\phi F_y} = \frac{503.8 \times 10^6}{0.9 \times 250}$
 $= 2239 \times 10^3 \text{ mm}^3$
 $d_{min} = \frac{L}{22} = \frac{12000}{22} \approx 545 \text{ mm}$
Trial Section: W 610 x 92
(W530x92 has lesser depth and is not preferable)
 $\phi_v V_n = \phi_v \times (0.6 \times F_y) \times d \times t_w$
 $= 0.9 \times (0.6 \times 250) \times 603 \times 10.9/1000$
 $\phi_v V_n = 887.3 \text{ kN} > V_{umax} = 286.8 \text{ kN}$
No M_p is considered as
hinge in not formed in
interior span.

Solution: (contd...)

Stability Checks

- 1. Web is continuously connected with flange
- 2. $\frac{b_{f}}{2t_{f}} = 6.0 < \lambda_{p} = 10.8$ OK 3. $\frac{h}{2t_{f}} = 50.1 - 1.07$ D OK
- 3. $\frac{h}{t_w} = 50.1 < \lambda_p = 107$ as $P_u \approx 0$ OK
- 4. If continuously braced at top and vertical stiffeners are provided in –ve moment region then beam will be safe against LTB. (Lb<Lpd)

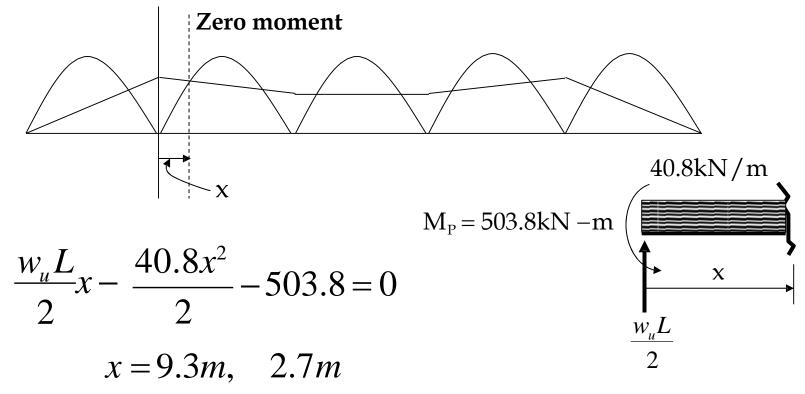




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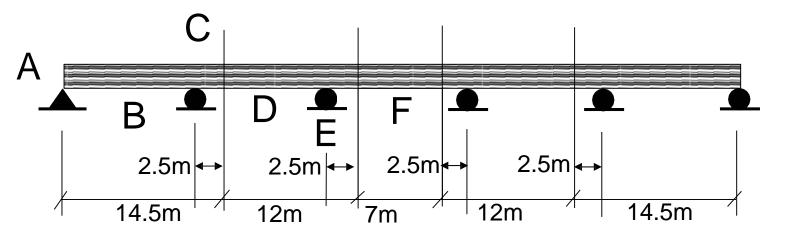
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Splicing may be done as under:

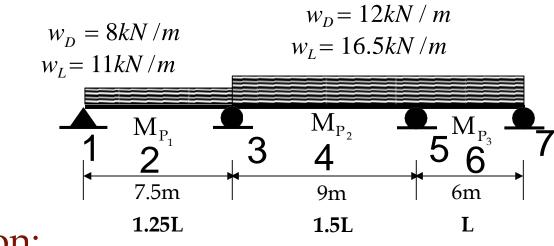


Deflection at working load for end panel:

$$\Delta \approx \frac{w_L \underline{L}^4}{185 EI} \quad \frac{16.5 \times 12000^4}{185 \times 200000 \times 64500 \times 10^4} \cong 14.3 mm$$
$$\Delta_{\text{max}} \approx \frac{L}{360} = \frac{12000}{360} \cong 33 mm \quad \text{OK}$$



Example: Design continuous beam with different cross sections.



Solution:

$$w_{uL} = 1.2 \times 8 + 1.6 \times 11 = 27.2 kN / m = w_u$$

 $w_{uR} = 1.2 \times 12 + 1.6 \times 16.5 = 40.8 kN / m = 1.5 w_u$



Suppose M_{P_2} will be largest. Extend this section into end spans on both sides and splice there. With this, at both interior supports M_{P_2} will exist.

$$M_{s1} = 191.25 \text{kN} - \text{m}$$

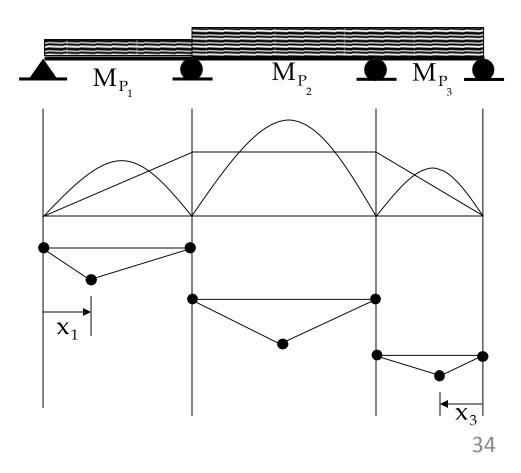
$$M_{s2} = 413.10 \text{kN} - \text{m}$$

$$M_{s3} = 183.60 \text{kN} - \text{m}$$
Central Panel

$$-M_{P_2} + M_{s_2} = M_{P_2}$$

$$M_{P_2} = \frac{M_{s_2}}{2}$$

$$M_{P_2} = 206.55 \text{kN} - \text{m}$$





Left Panel

For end span we can't use the results of propped cantilever as on the support there is M_{P_2} while at mid-span its M_{P_1} or M_{P_3}

For positive hinge within the left span:

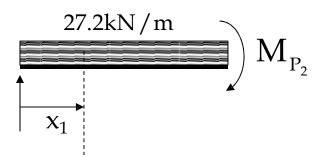
$$\frac{M_{p2}}{7.5} x_1 + M_{p1} = \frac{w_u \times 7.5}{2} x_1 - \frac{w_u}{2} x_1^2$$

$$M_{P_1} = \left(\frac{27.2 \times 7.5}{2} - \frac{206.55}{7.5}\right) x_1 - \frac{27.2}{2} x_1^2$$

$$M_{P_1} = 74.46 x_1 - 13.6 x_1^2$$

$$\frac{dM_{P_1}}{dx_1} = 0 \Longrightarrow x_1 = 2.7375 m$$

$$M_{P_1} = 101.9 kN - m$$



Right Panel

$$\frac{M_{p_2}}{6} x_3 + M_{p_3} = \frac{1.5w_u \times 6}{2} x_3 - \frac{1.5w_u}{2} x_3^2$$

$$M_{P_3} = \left(\frac{40.8 \times 6.0}{2} - \frac{206.55}{6.0}\right) x_3 - \frac{40.8}{2} x_3^2 M_{P_2} \left(40.8 \text{kN/m}\right)$$

$$M_{P_3} = -20.4x_3^2 + 87.975x_3$$

$$\frac{dM_{P_3}}{dx_3} = 0 \Rightarrow x_3 = 2.156\text{m}$$

$$M_{P_3} = 94.85\text{kN} - \text{m}$$



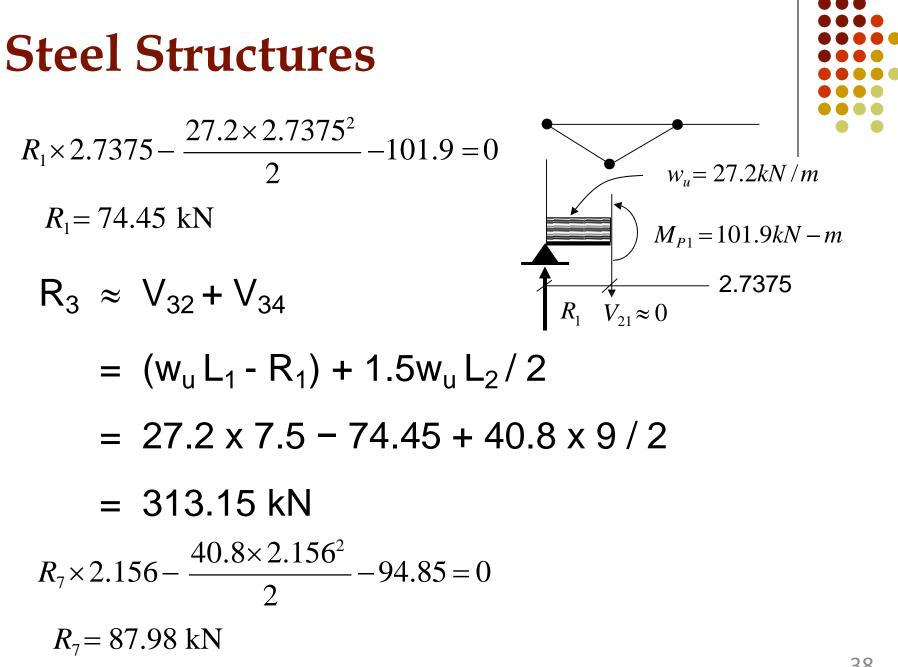
Solution: (contd...)

Selection of Section



Check that $\phi_b F_y x 1.6S_x > M_{p,req}$

Span	d _{min}	$Z_{req} =$	Section
#	(mm)	$M_P/\phi F_y$ (mm ³)	Selected
1	341	453 x 10 ³	W 360 x 32.9
2	409	918 x 10 ³	W 460 x 52
3	272	422 x 10 ³	W 310 x 32.7



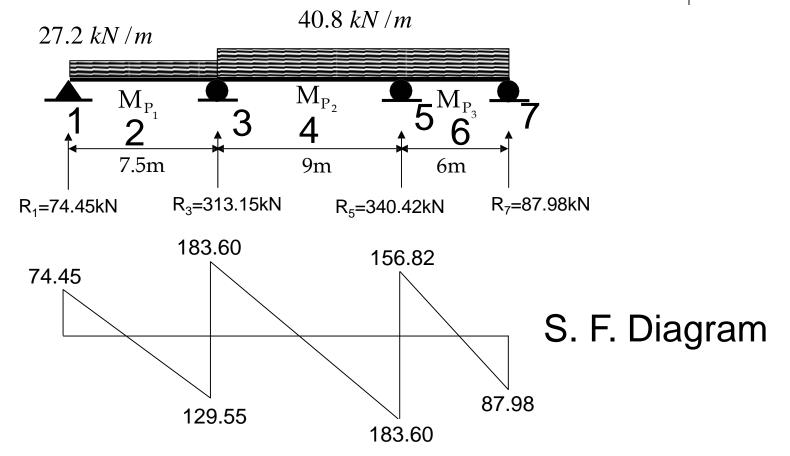
$$\mathsf{R}_5 ~\approx~ \mathsf{V}_{56} + \mathsf{V}_{54}$$

- = $(1.5w_u L_3 R_7) + 1.5w_u L_2 / 2$
- $= 40.8 \times 6 87.98 + 40.8 \times 9 / 2$
- = 340.42 kN

The complete shear force diagram is thus shown in the next slide.







Solution: (contd...)

Shear Strength Check



Section	$\phi_v V_n$ (kN)	V _u (kN)	Remarks
W 360 x 32.9	273.3	129.5	O.K.
W 460 x 52	461.7	183.6	O.K.
W 310 x 32.7	278.9	156.82	O.K.

Solution: (contd...)

Check Section Stability



Section	b _f / 2t _f	h / t _w	Remarks
	(10.8)	(107)	
W 360 x 32.9	7.5	53.3	O.K.
W 460 x 52	7.1	41.8	O.K.
W 310 x 32.7	4.7	53.5	O.K.

Solution: (contd...)

Splices:

Splicing is done in less critical region. e.g. Point of contraflexural

For left side:

$$M_{x} = \frac{W_{u} L_{1}}{2} x - \frac{W_{u} x^{2}}{2} - \frac{M_{p2}}{L_{1}} x$$

At point of contraflexure:
$$M_{x} = \frac{W_{u} L_{1}}{2} x - \frac{W_{u} x^{2}}{2} - \frac{M_{p2}}{L_{1}} x = 0$$

$$\frac{27.2 \times 7.5}{2} x - \frac{27.2 \times x^{2}}{2} - \frac{206.55}{7.5} x = 0$$

27.2kN / m



$$13.6 \times 7.5 - 13.6 \times x - \frac{206.55}{7.5} = 0 \qquad x = 5.5 \text{ m}$$

Similarly for the right hand side:

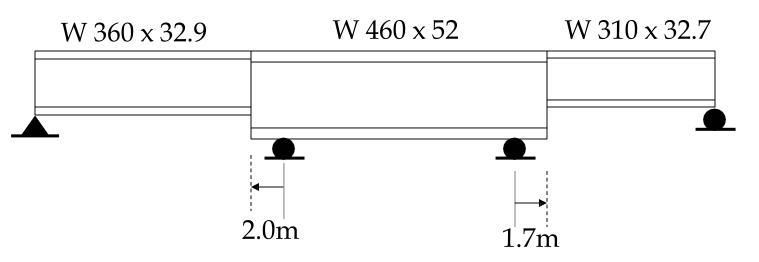
$$M_{x} = \frac{\underline{1}_{u} 5w_{3}L}{2} - \underline{1}_{u} 1.5w x^{2}}{2} - \frac{M_{p2}}{L_{3}}x = 0$$

$$122.4 - 20.4 \times x - 34.425 = 0$$
 $x = 4.3$ m

Provide splicing at the indicated spacing

Solution: (contd...)

Splices

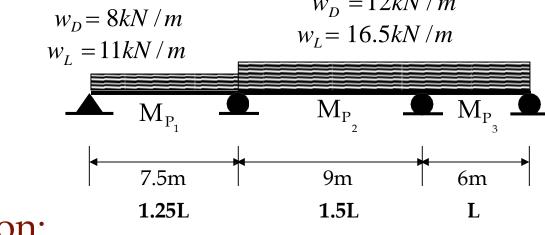


Bracing Requirements:

Assume continuous bracing at top and vertical plates in –ve moment region.



Example: Design continuous beam of the previous example using same cross section throughout using cover plates. $w_p = \frac{12kN}{m}$



Solution:

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Solution: (contd...)

 $M_{s1} = 191.25 kN - m$

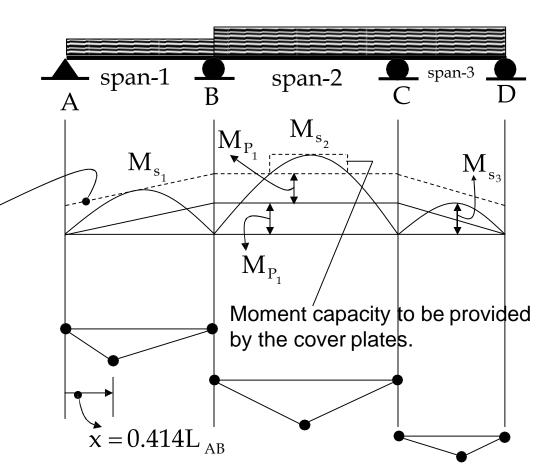
 $M_{s2} = 413.10 kN - m$

 $M_{s3} = 183.60 \text{kN} - \text{m}$

Capacity for any positive hinge to be developed. Central span has less capacity so BMD is going out of dashed line.

Select the section for span-1 and use the same throughout





Solution: (contd...)

Trial

For span -1, like a propped cantilever beam.

$$M_{P_{1}} = 0.686M_{s_{1}} = 131.2kN - m$$

$$Z_{req} = \frac{M_{P_{1}}}{\phi F_{Y}} = \frac{131.2 \times 10^{6}}{0.9 \times 250}$$

$$= 583 \times 10^{3} mm^{3} \qquad \text{Check that } \phi_{b}F_{y}x1.6S_{x} \\ > M_{p,req}$$

$$d_{min} = \frac{900}{22} \cong 409mm$$

$$\frac{b_{f}}{2t_{f}} = 8.0 < 10.8$$

$$Z = 724 \times 10^{3} mm^{3} \qquad \phi_{b}M_{P} = 161kN - m$$

$$\frac{b_{f}}{t_{w}} = 56.8 < 107$$



Capacity of Right Panel

$$\frac{M_{p1}}{6}x_3 + M_{p3} = \frac{1.5w_u L_3}{2}x_3 - \frac{1.5w_u}{2}x_3^2$$
$$M_{p3} = -20.4x_3^2 + 122.40x_3 - 26.83x_3$$

For critical positive hinge location:

$$\frac{dM_{p3}}{dx_3} = -40.8x_3^2 + 95.57 = 0$$

$$x_3 = 2.46 \text{ m};$$
 $M_{p3} = 111.9 \text{ kN-m} < M_{p1}$ (OK)
Central Panel

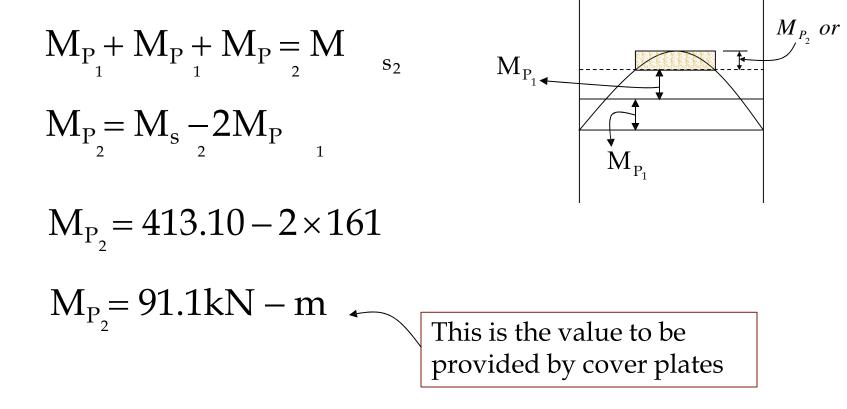
Let M_{p2} = design/safe moment capacity to be provided by the cover plates.





 ΔM_P

For mid-span +ve hinge in span-2



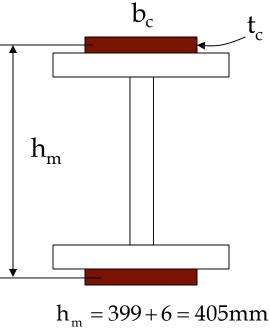
Solution: (contd...)

Z provided by cover plates

$$b_c \times t_c \times h_m = \frac{M_{P_2}}{\phi F_y}$$

$$A_c = b_c \times t_c = \frac{M_{P_2}}{\phi F_y h_m}$$
Let
$$t_c = 6mm \qquad h_m = 399 + 6 = 405mm$$

$$b_c = \frac{91.1 \times 10^6}{0.9 \times 250 \times 405 \times 6} = 167mm$$



 $b_{\rm f}$ for trial section is 140 mm, so revise the size of cover plate

Let $t_c = 9mm \Rightarrow h_m = 399 + 9 = 408mm \Rightarrow b_c = 111mm \cong 120mm_{51}$



Solution: (contd...)

Use 9 x 120 mm flange cover plate on top and bottom.

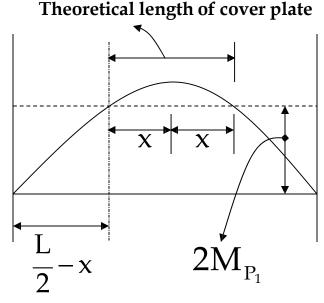
 $\frac{b_c}{t_c} = \frac{120}{9} = 13.3 < 26.7 \quad \text{OK}$

 $\lambda_{\rm P}$ for stiffened flange, for A36 steel is 26.7

Length of Cover Plate:

 M_s at point where M_{P_1} is just sufficient

$$= \frac{wL}{2} \left(\frac{L}{2} - x \right) - \frac{w(L/2 - x)^2}{2}$$
$$= \frac{w}{2} \left(\frac{L}{2} - x \right) \left[L - (L/2 - x) \right]$$





Solution: (contd...)

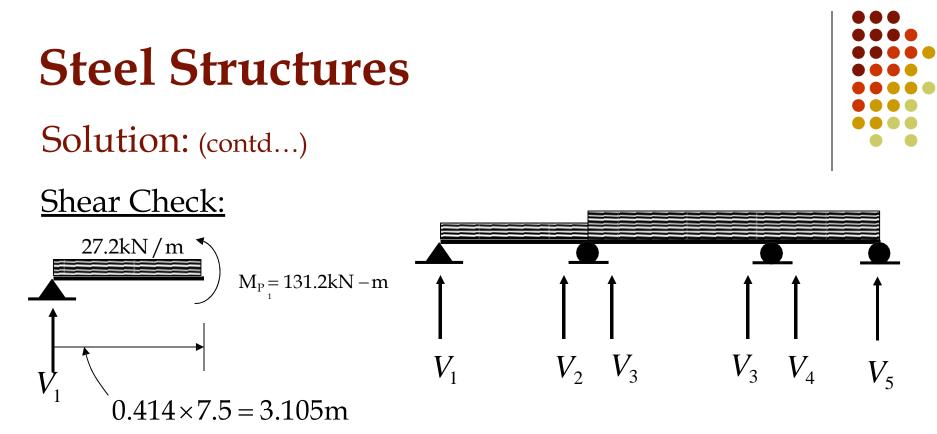
$$= \frac{w}{2} \left(\frac{L}{2} - x \right) \left[\frac{L}{2} + x \right]$$
$$= \frac{w}{2} \left(\frac{L^2}{4} - x^2 \right)$$
$$= \frac{wL^2}{8} \left[1 - \frac{4x^2}{L^2} \right]$$
$$= M_{s_2} \left(1 - \frac{4x^2}{L^2} \right]$$

 $M_{\rm s}\,at\,x$ is equal to $2M_{\rm P1}$

$$M_{s} \left| \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \frac{4x^{2}}{L^{2}} \\ \frac{4x^{2}}{L^{2}} = 1 - \frac{2M_{P_{1}}}{M_{s_{2}}} \\ x = \frac{L}{2} \sqrt{1 - \frac{2M_{P_{1}}}{M_{s_{2}}}} \\ Length of cover plate is "2x" \\ 2x = 9.0 \sqrt{1 - \frac{2 \times 161}{413.10}} \cong 4.25m \\ \end{bmatrix}$$

Provide 4.5m including 125 mm extra on both sides for development 53





We have provided 161kN-m instead of 131.2 kN-m and actually no full plastic hinge will form. Only partial hinge will be there.

$$V_{1} = 84.5kN$$

$$V_{2} = 119.5kN$$

$$V_{3} = 183.6kN$$

$$V_{4} = \frac{wL}{2} + \frac{M_{P}}{L} = 149.2kN$$

$$V_{5} = \frac{wL}{2} - \frac{M_{P}}{L} = 95.6kN$$

$$M_{P} = 161kN - m$$
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Solution: (contd...)

Shear Check:



$$\phi_v V_n = 0.9 \times 0.6 \times 250 \times 399 \times 6.4$$
/1000
 $\phi_v V_n = 344.7kN > V_{u \max} = 183.6kN$
Splices: O.K.

Splice for shear at inflection points as discussed in previous example.



Concluded