

4D10 Structural Steelwork 2010.

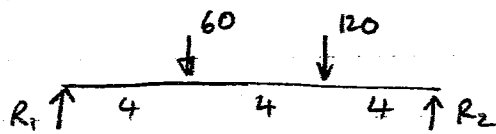
Q1. a) When plotting λ versus χ where $\chi = \text{Critical/Plastic}$
then obviously when critical = plastic, then $\chi = 1$
but also, when critical = elastic,

then $y = \frac{\text{elastic}}{\text{plastic}}$ and $x = \sqrt{\frac{\text{plastic}}{\text{elastic}}}$ so $y \sim 1/x^2$

i.e. χ falls away as $1/\lambda^2$, even though LTB eqn does not fall away as $1/L^2$ ($M_{LT} = \frac{\pi}{L} \sqrt{6EI} (1 + \frac{\pi^2 EI}{L^2 G})^{1/2} \sim \frac{A}{L} (1 + B/L^2)^{1/2}$)

This has the advantage that the same format graph can be used for beams as is traditionally used for columns, (even though beam LTB does not go as $1/L^2$). EC3 exploits this and actually uses Perry-Robertson curves for plastic-elastic interaction that were developed for columns, and uses them for beam design.

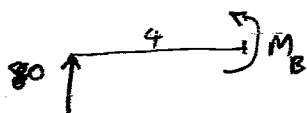
b)



$12R_2 = 8(120) + 4(60) = 1200$

$\rightarrow R_2 = 100 \text{ kN}$

$R_1 = 180 \text{ kN} - 100 \text{ kN} = 80 \text{ kN}$

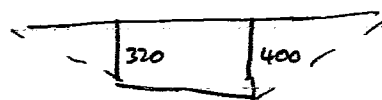


$M_B = 4(80) = 320 \text{ kNm}$



$M_c = 4(100) = 400 \text{ kNm}$

Critical segment is BC



$\psi = \frac{320}{400} = 0.8$

$C_{unequal} = 0.6 + 0.4\psi = 0.6 + 0.4(0.8) = \underline{\underline{0.92}}$

533 x 210 x 92 UB

S 275 MPa

$M_{pl} = (275 \times 10^6 \text{ N/m}^2) \times (\underline{\underline{2360}} \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^4)$ $Z_{pl, major}$
 $= \underline{\underline{649 \text{ kNm}}}$

4) 10, Q1 cont'd.

$$M_{LT} = \frac{\pi}{L} \sqrt{GSEI} \left(1 + \frac{\pi^2 EI}{L^2 GS} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$G = \frac{E}{2(1+\nu)} = \frac{E}{2.6} \text{ for steel } (\nu = 0.3)$$

$$J = 75.7 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m}^4 \quad (\text{SDB})$$

$$I = 2389 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m}^4 \quad (\text{SDB, minor axis})$$

$$\Gamma = \frac{I_{\text{minor}} D^2}{4}, \quad D = 533.1 - 10.1 = 523 \text{ mm} = 0.523 \text{ m}$$

$$\Gamma = \frac{(2389 \times 10^{-8})(0.523)^2}{4} = 163.4 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m}^4$$

$$\frac{\pi^2 EI}{L^2 GS} = \frac{\pi^2 (2.6) \Gamma}{L^2 J} = \frac{\pi^2 (2.6)(163.4)}{4^2 \cdot 75.7} = 3.461$$

$$\sqrt{1 + \frac{\pi^2 EI}{L^2 GS}} = \sqrt{1 + 3.461} = \underline{\underline{2.112}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\pi}{L} \sqrt{GSEI} &= \frac{\pi}{L} E (10^{-8}) \sqrt{\frac{(75.7)(2389)}{2.6}} = \frac{\pi}{4} (210 \times 10) (263.7) \\ &= \underline{\underline{435 \text{ kNm}}} \end{aligned}$$

$$M_{LT} = 435 \text{ kNm} \times 2.112 = \underline{\underline{918.8 \text{ kNm}}}$$

$$M_{cr} = M_{LT} / C_{unequal} = 918.8 / 0.92 = \underline{\underline{999 \text{ kNm}}}$$

$$M_{pl} = 649 \text{ kNm}, \quad \bar{\lambda} = \sqrt{\frac{M_{plastic}}{M_{elastic}}} = \sqrt{\frac{649}{999}} = 0.806$$

$$\text{Rolled I-sections: } h/b = \frac{533.1}{209.3} = 2.547 \text{ so } h/b > 2$$

$$\rightarrow \text{so use curve (b), where } \bar{\lambda} = 0.806 \rightarrow \chi = 0.72$$

$$\text{so } M_{\text{max allowable}} = \chi M_{pl} = 0.72 (649) = \underline{\underline{467 \text{ kNm}}}$$

cf. 400 kNm max applied \therefore Beam is adequate

(need to check shear, and to check all local elements at least Class 2 compact).

Q1 EXAMINER'S COMMENT:

A popular question in which candidates were asked to explain the underlying definition of slenderness for beams and columns according to the Eurocode practice, making reference to its simplicity and ubiquity in design, before determining whether a certain loaded beam would be safe. The main errors were: not giving a full explanation of the slenderness methodology; stating the right choice of buckling curve but reading from the wrong one; and specifying " D " incorrectly in the calculation of the critical moment.

Q2. 4D10, 2011.

a) $356 \times 406 \times 235$ UC. S275.
 $Z_{\text{major}} = 2383 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^3$ $G_y = 275 \text{ MPa}$.

$$M_{\text{pl}} = 275 \times 10^6 \text{ N/m}^2 \times 2383 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^3$$

$$= \underline{\underline{658 \text{ kNm}}} \cdot \underline{\underline{1289 \text{ kNm}}}$$

$$N_{\text{pl}} = A G_y = 299 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^2 \times 275 \times 10^6 \text{ N/m}^2$$

$$= \underline{\underline{8222 \text{ kN}}}$$

Web fraction: Area $A = 299 \text{ cm}^2$

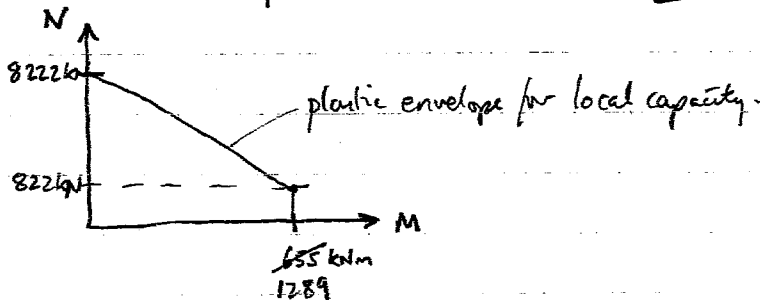
$$\text{Flange area} = 2 \times 3.02 \text{ cm} \times 39.48 \text{ cm} = 238.5 \text{ cm}^2$$

T B

$$a = \text{Web fraction} = \frac{299 - 238}{299} = \frac{61}{299} = \underline{\underline{0.2040}}$$

$$a/2 = 0.102 \quad (\text{say } 0.1)$$

(so y -coord = $a/2 \times N_{\text{pl}} = 0.1 \times 8222 \text{ kN} = \underline{\underline{822 \text{ kN}}}$)



b). Axial effects.

$$N_{\text{pl}} = 8222 \text{ kN}$$

$$I_{\text{minor}} = 30990 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m}^4$$

$$N_{\text{Euler}} = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{L^2} = \frac{\pi^2 (210 \times 10^9) (30990 \times 10^{-8})}{(3)^2} \left[\frac{\text{N/m}^2 \cdot \text{m}^4}{\text{m}^2} \right] = [\text{N}]$$

$$= \underline{\underline{71,367 \text{ kN}}}$$

$$\text{slenderness } \bar{\lambda} = \sqrt{\frac{\text{Plastic}}{\text{Elastic}}} = \sqrt{\frac{8222}{71367}} = \underline{\underline{0.3394}}$$

$$\text{DS2: } \rightarrow \quad h/b = \frac{381}{394.3} = 0.965 \leq 1.2.$$

$$t_f = 30.2 \text{ mm} \leq 100 \text{ mm}$$

Buckling about $z-z$: \rightarrow Curve c. $\rightarrow \chi = 0.94$ for $\bar{\lambda} = 0.3394$

$$\rightarrow \text{ } N_{\text{cr}} = \chi N_{\text{pl}} = 0.94 (8222) = \underline{\underline{7729 \text{ kN}}}$$

Moment effects.

$$M_{pl}(\text{major}) = 1289 \text{ kNm.}$$

$$\text{Need } M_{LT} = \frac{\pi}{L} \sqrt{GJ EI} \left(1 + \frac{\pi^2 EI}{L^2 GJ} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$J = 812 \text{ cm}^4 = 812 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m}^4$$

$$I_{\text{minor}} = 30990 \text{ cm}^4 = 30990 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m}^4$$

$$G = \frac{E}{2(1+\nu)} = \frac{E}{2.6} \quad (\text{for } \nu = 0.3).$$

$$\frac{\pi}{L} \sqrt{GJ EI} = \frac{\pi E}{L \cdot 2.6} \sqrt{JI} = \frac{\pi}{3} \frac{210 \times 10^9 \text{ N/m}^2}{2.6} \sqrt{(812 \times 10^{-8})(30990 \times 10^{-8})} \quad \frac{\text{N}}{\text{m}}$$

$$= \underline{4243 \text{ kNm}} \quad \frac{\text{N}}{\text{m}}$$

$$\Gamma = \frac{ID^2}{4} \quad \text{with } D = 381 - 30.2 \text{ mm} = 350.8 \text{ mm} = 0.3508 \text{ m}$$

$$\Gamma = \frac{30990 \times 10^{-8} \times (0.3508)^2}{4} = 2422 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m}^6$$

$$\frac{\pi^2 EI}{L^2 GJ} = \frac{\pi^2 (2.6)}{(3)^2} \left[\frac{2422}{812} \right] = \underline{9.50}$$

$$\left(1 + \frac{\pi^2 EI}{L^2 GJ} \right)^{1/2} = \sqrt{9.50} = \underline{3.083}$$

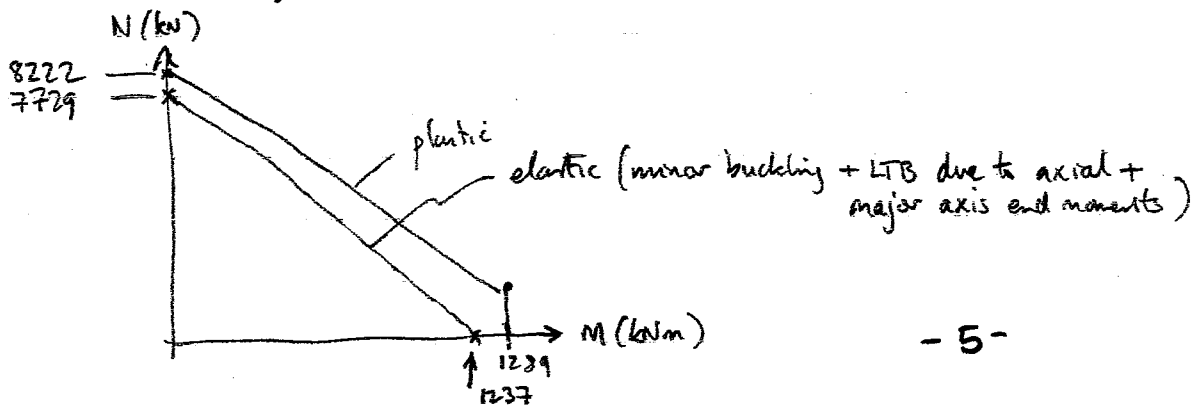
$$\Rightarrow M_{LT} = 4243 \text{ kNm} \times 3.083 = \underline{13080 \text{ kNm}}$$

$$\lambda = \sqrt{\frac{\text{Plastic}}{\text{Elastic}}} = \sqrt{\frac{1289}{13080}} = \underline{0.314}$$

Which curve? $h/b = 0.965$ still, so $h/b \leq 2$ so DS3 \rightarrow curve (a).

$$\Rightarrow \chi = 0.96 \quad (\text{DS1})$$

$$\text{so } M_{\text{design}} = \chi M_{pl} = 0.96 (1289) = \underline{1237 \text{ kNm.}}$$

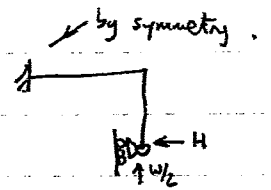
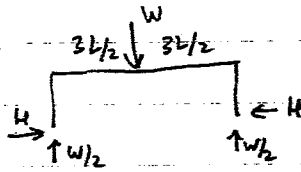


Q2 Examiner's comment:

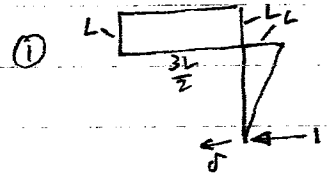
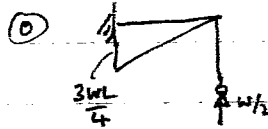
Another popular question in which candidates were asked to construct the interaction diagram between axial force and major axes bending moment for a beam under plastic and elastic considerations. The main errors were: numerical miscalculations; improper sketching of the interaction graphs.

Q3

a) Solution by ~~real~~ virtual work:



Pick H as redundancy: Statically Determinate system.



Real system = (0) + H(1) \rightarrow at with (1). real = (0) + H(1) compat.

virt. equilb (1)
$$F. \Delta = \int \frac{mM}{EI} dx$$

$$= \frac{3WL^2}{4} \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{3L}{2} = \frac{9WL^3}{16}$$

$$1.0 = \int (\square + H \times \square) \times (\square) \frac{1}{EI} dx$$

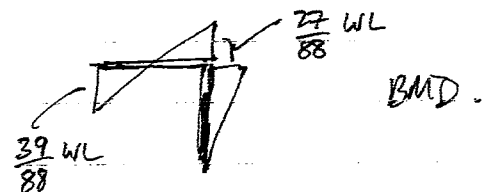
$$so \quad H = \frac{\int \square \times \square dx}{\int \square \times \square dx} = \frac{\left(\frac{3WL}{4}\right) L \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{3L}{2}}{\left(\frac{3L}{2}\right) L^2 + \frac{1}{3} L^2 \times L}$$

$$= \frac{9WL^3}{16} \left(\frac{3}{2} + \frac{1}{3}\right) L^3 = \frac{9WL^3}{16L^3} \left(\frac{9+2}{6}\right) = W \frac{9 \times 11}{16 \times 8} = \frac{27W}{88}$$

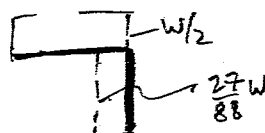
so BM at D = $-\frac{3WL}{4} + \frac{27WL}{88} = \frac{3WL}{4} \left(1 - \frac{9}{22}\right) = \frac{3WL}{4} \left(\frac{22-9}{22}\right) = \frac{3(13)WL}{88}$

= $-\frac{39}{88} WL$ sagging.

BM at C = $\frac{27}{88} WL$



Shear Force



Q3 cont'd.

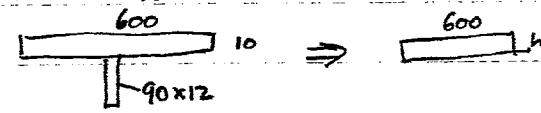
b) For whole web: $G_y = 355 \text{ MPa}$.

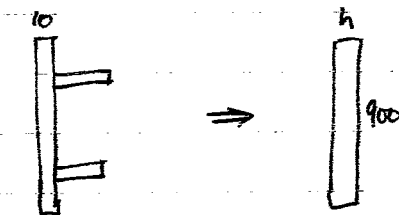
$$\lambda_{\text{web}} = \frac{b}{t} \sqrt{\frac{G_y}{355}} = \frac{900}{10} = 90 > 56 \quad \text{so need (DS4) stiffeners}$$

Stiffeners: $\lambda_{\text{stiff}} = \frac{b}{t} \sqrt{1} = \frac{90}{12} = 7.5 \leq 8 \quad \text{so stiffeners are compact (DS4)}$.

Need I_{xx} , Z_e and A for cross-section.

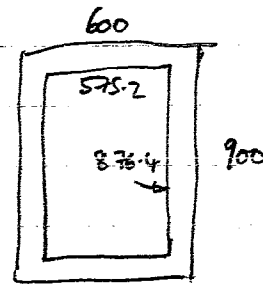
Estimate via smeared section:

flange:  $600h = 600 \times 10 + 90 \times 12$
 $\Rightarrow h = 11.8 \text{ mm}$

web:  $900h = 900 \times 10 + 2(40 \times 12)$
 $\Rightarrow h = 12.4 \text{ mm}$

and $600 - 2 \times 12.4 = 575.2 \text{ mm}$

$900 - 2 \times 11.8 = 876.4 \text{ mm}$



$$I_{\text{major}} = \left(\frac{bd^3}{12} \right)_{\text{ext}} - \left(\frac{bd^3}{12} \right)_{\text{int}} = \frac{1}{12} \left[600(900)^3 - 575.2(876.4)^3 \right] = 4184 \times 10^6 \text{ mm}^4$$

$$A = 600(900) - (575.2)(876.4) = 35,895 \text{ mm}^2$$

$$Z_e = \frac{I_{\text{major}}}{y_{\text{max}}} = \frac{4184 \times 10^6 \text{ mm}^4}{450 \text{ mm}} = 9.298 \times 10^6 \text{ mm}^3$$

Stress at ~~center~~ ^{midspan} of beam, in extreme fibre

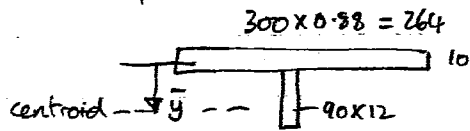
$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{\text{max}} &= \frac{|M|}{Z} + \frac{P}{A} = \frac{39 \times (1000)^{\times 10^3} \text{ N}}{88 \times 9.298 \times 10^6 \text{ mm}^3} + \frac{27 \times (1000 \times 10^3) \text{ N}}{88 \times 35,895 \text{ mm}^2} \\ &= 286 \text{ N/mm}^2 + 8.55 \text{ N/mm}^2 \\ &= \underline{\underline{295 \text{ MPa}}} \end{aligned}$$

b) i) Top flange: $\lambda = \frac{300}{10} \sqrt{1} = 30 > 24$ for compression \therefore not compact
 between stiffeners

Q3 cont'd.

Not compact, so use $b_e = K_c b$. DS4(a) for $\lambda = 30 \rightarrow K_c \sim 0.88$

so, effective T-section for compression flange is



$$A_T = 264 \times 10 + 90 \times 12 = 3720 \text{ mm}^2$$

$$A_T \bar{y} = (90 \times 12) \times (45 + 5) = 54000 \text{ mm}^3$$

$$\rightarrow \bar{y} = \frac{54000}{3720} = 14.52 \text{ mm}$$

$$I_T = \frac{1}{12} (264)(10)^3 + (264)(10)(14.52)^2 + \frac{1}{12} (12)(90)^3 + 90(12) [50 - 14.52]^2$$

$$= 22,000 + 556,600 + 729,000 + 1,359,500$$

$$= \underline{\underline{2.667 \times 10^6 \text{ mm}^4}}$$

$$\bar{\lambda} \text{ for DS1} = \sqrt{\frac{\text{Plastic}}{\text{Elastic}}}$$

$$N_{pl} = 3720 \text{ mm}^2 \times (355 \text{ N/mm}^2) = 1321 \text{ kN}$$

$$N_{elastic} = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{L_{eff}^2} = \frac{\pi^2 (210 \times 10^3) (2.667 \times 10^6)}{(1000)^2} \text{ N/mm}^2 \text{ mm}^2$$

$$= 5528 \text{ kN}$$

$$\bar{\lambda} = \sqrt{\frac{\text{Plastic}}{\text{Elastic}}} = \sqrt{\frac{1321}{5528}} = 0.49$$

Curve: ~~Welded box~~ \rightarrow ~~curve (b)~~. Welded I-section: (DS2)

$t_f \leq 40 \text{ mm}$, $z-z \rightarrow$ Curve (c).

DS1, for $\bar{\lambda} = 0.49 \rightarrow \chi = \underline{\underline{0.85}}$.

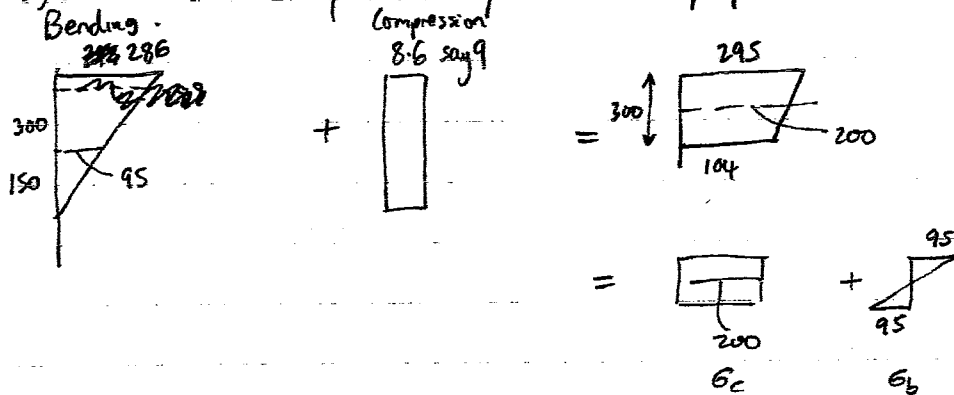
$$\text{so } E_{cr} = 0.85 \times (355 \text{ MPa}) = \underline{\underline{302 \text{ MPa}}}$$

cf. 295 MPa from earlier calc.

Apparently OK, (since $302 \text{ MPa} > 295 \text{ MPa}$), but too close, given that basic section properties not reduced in previous calcs.

Q3 cont'd.).

b ii). Most heavily stressed panel is top panel.



$$\lambda_{\text{panel}} = \frac{300}{10} \sqrt{1} = 30 \text{ as before.}$$

$$D54 \Rightarrow K_c = 0.88, \quad K_b = 1.22, \quad K_y = 1.0.$$

$$\phi = \frac{1000}{300} = 3.3, \text{ use } \phi = 3.$$

Strength: $G \leq \sqrt{G_y^2 - 3\tau^2} ?$

$\tau = 0$ at centre? (Max BM?)

No: $\tau = \frac{\text{shear force}}{2} \times \frac{1}{\text{area of webs}} = \frac{1000 \times 10^3 \text{ N}}{2(2 \times 900 \times 10) \text{ mm}^2} = 27.8 \text{ MPa.}$

$$295 < \sqrt{(355)^2 - 3(27.8)^2} = 351 \quad \underline{\underline{\text{so OK.}}}$$

Stability check: $\frac{G_c}{G_{cc}} + \left(\frac{G_b}{G_{bc}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\tau}{\tau_c}\right)^2 \leq 1$

$$\frac{200}{(0.88)(355)} + \left(\frac{95}{(1.22)(355)}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{27.8}{(355/\sqrt{3})}\right)^2$$

$$0.64 + 0.05 + 0.02$$

$$= \underline{\underline{0.71}} < 1 \quad \therefore \underline{\underline{\text{OK.}}}$$

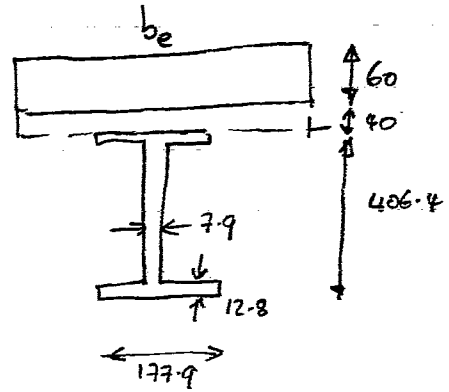
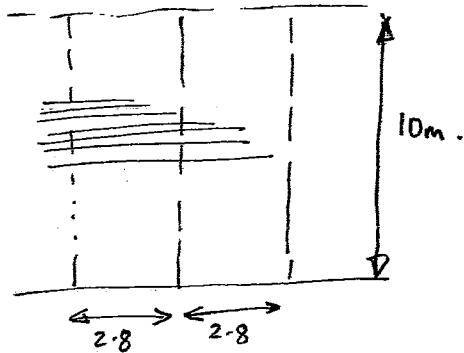
(As one would expect ... given that compression flange barely makes it.)

Candidates were asked to determine the adequacy of a plate girder section for a specified set of loads. The main errors were: about half of the candidates did not correctly calculate the normal stresses due to bending and axial compression, despite being given the bending moment distribution; miscalculation of I for the T-section; ignoring the shear stresses in the stability calculation; misreading the appropriate knockdown curve. Not a very popular question.

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Q4. a)

PLAN



SDB: $A_{steel} = 76.5 \text{ cm}^2$; $\text{mass/m} = 60.1 \text{ kg/m}$ $I_{major} = 21600 \text{ cm}^4$

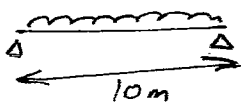
Check for compactness: $\lambda_{flange} = \left(\frac{177.9 - 7.9}{2} \right) \frac{1}{12.8} \sqrt{\frac{275}{355}} = 5.84 (< 8 \therefore \text{OK})$

$\lambda_{web} = \left(\frac{406.4 - 2 \times 12.8}{7.9} \right) \sqrt{\frac{275}{355}} = 42.4 (< 56 \therefore \text{OK})$

Effective concrete: smallest of $b = 2.8 \text{ m}$ or $\frac{\text{span}}{4} = 2.5 \text{ m} \Rightarrow b_e = 2.5 \text{ m}$. (DS6)

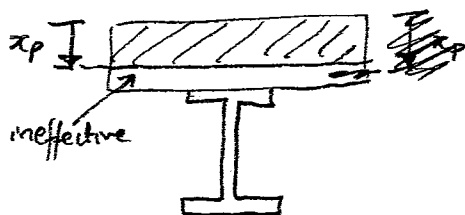
Loads: Slab = $24 \text{ kN/m}^3 \times (0.06 + \frac{0.04}{2}) \times 2.8 \text{ m} = 5.38 \text{ kN/m}$
 UB = 0.59 kN/m
 Services = $3 \text{ kN/m}^2 \times 2.8 \text{ m} = 8.4 \text{ kN/m}$
 Imposed load = $5.5 \text{ kN/m}^2 \times 2.8 \text{ m} = 15.4 \text{ kN/m}$

Total permanent load = $(5.38 + 0.59 + 8.4) = 14.4 \text{ kN/m}$
 $\times 1.35 \text{ factor} \Rightarrow 19.4 \text{ kN/m}$
 Imposed load = $15.4 \times 1.5 \Rightarrow 23.1 \text{ kN/m}$
 Total = 42.5 kN/m



$B_M = \frac{wl^2}{8} = \frac{(42.5) 10^2}{8} = 531 \text{ kNm}$

Assume Neutral Axis in Concrete at depth x_p .



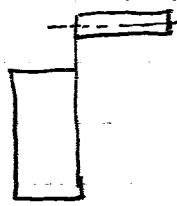
Axial Equilib: $A_s \sigma_y = 0.6 f_{cd} b_e x_p$

$(76.5 \times 10^{-4}) (275 \times 10^6) = 0.6 (30 \times 10^6) (2.5) x_p$

$\rightarrow x_p = \frac{(76.5 \times 10^{-4}) (275)}{0.6 (30) (2.5)} = 46.8 \text{ mm}$

(within concrete \checkmark)
 ($< 60 \text{ mm}$)

Q4a) cont'd.



← Take moments about here

$$M_{\text{design}} = A_s E_y \left(\frac{D}{2} + h_c - \frac{x_p}{2} \right)$$

$$= (76.5 \times 10^{-4}) (275 \times 10^6) \times \left[\frac{0.406}{2} + 0.1 - \frac{0.0468}{2} \right]$$

0.28

$$= \underline{\underline{588.2 \text{ kNm}}}$$

$$\text{so } M_D > M_{\text{max applied}} \quad (588.2 > 531 \checkmark)$$

b) Studs: shear strength $P_d = 47 \text{ kN}$ from DS6

$$\text{Axial force in concrete} = A_s E_y = (76.5 \times 10^{-4}) (275 \times 10^6) = \underline{\underline{2104 \text{ kN}}}$$

$$\text{No. of studs} \geq 2 \times \frac{A_s E_y}{P_d} = 2 \times \frac{2104}{47} = 89.5 \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{\text{say } 90 \text{ (even)}}}$$

$$\text{Spacing} = \frac{10 \text{ m}}{90} = 111 \text{ mm} \text{ — but this interferes with trough spacing}$$

Put studs in pairs in the trough (but pairing reduces strength by 80%)

$$\text{so need } \frac{90}{0.8} = 114 \text{ studs, or } 57 \text{ pairs, needed.}$$

$$\text{Trough spacing} = 70 + 10 + 70 + 10 = \underline{\underline{160 \text{ mm}}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{10 \text{ m}}{0.16 \text{ m}} = 62 \text{ troughs available}$$

so put ~~a~~ a pair of studs in each trough →
more than enough (62 provided, 57 required).

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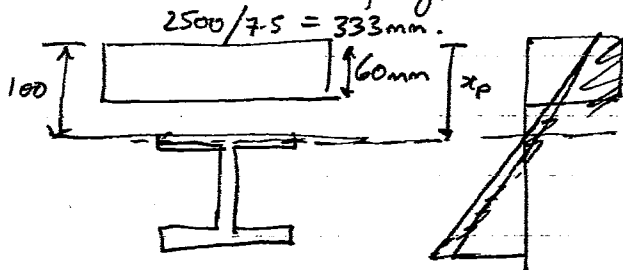
Q4 c) Short term imposed load:

$$E_c = 28 \text{ GPa (DS6)}$$

$$\text{Modular ratio } \frac{E_s}{E_c} = \frac{210}{28} = 7.5.$$

Transform to steel section.

Assume Neutral axis in steel ~~flange~~.



$$x_p (333 \times 60 + 7650) = \left[333 \times 60 \times 30 + 7650 \times \left(100 + \frac{406.4}{2} \right) \right]$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{conc} & \text{steel} & \text{conc} \quad \text{steel} \end{array}$$

$$= \frac{599,400 + 2,319,000}{27,630} = \frac{2,918,800}{27,630}$$

$$= \underline{105.6 \text{ mm}} \quad (\text{which is in steel flange}).$$

$$I_{xx} = \frac{1}{12} [333(60)^3] + (333)(60)(105.6 - 30)^2 + 21600 \times 10^4 + (7650) \left(\frac{406.4}{2} - 5.6 \right)^2$$

$$= 5.994 \times 10^6 + \overset{114.2}{\cancel{367.2}} \times 10^6 + 216 \times 10^6 + 298.7 \times 10^6$$

$$= 634.9 \times 10^6 \text{ mm}^4$$

$$\delta = \frac{5wL^4}{384 E_{\text{steel}} I_{xx}} = \frac{5(15.4 \times 10^3)(10)^4}{384(210 \times 10^9)(634.9 \times 10^6)} = \underline{\underline{15 \text{ mm}}}$$

$$\frac{\text{Span}}{250} = \frac{10 \text{ m}}{\cancel{250}} = 40 \text{ mm} \quad (> 15 \text{ mm } \therefore \text{OK}).$$

A regular question answered very well by most of the candidates. The main errors were: failing to check for compactness of the supporting steel section; not understanding fully the trough spacing requirements; an incorrect choice of transformed section (by using the elastic depth from earlier rather than simply ignoring the trough region).