

ALLOWABLE STRESS DESIGN FLOWCHART
FOR
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PART I
DESIGN REQUIREMENT FOR BEAM-COLUM

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DESIGN REQUIREMENT FOR BEAM-COLUMN AND OTHER FLEXURAL MEMBERS

0. Units : ksi (klb-in)

1. Applicable Range :

$$\frac{h}{t_w} \leq \frac{970}{\sqrt{F_y}}$$

2. Allowable Stress

2.1 Normal Stress : member in the structure should be proportioned to satisfied the following (Ch H1.). For details of calculating the normal allowable stress, see Appendix A.

(1) Bending with Axial Compression

$$\text{In general } \begin{cases} \frac{f_a}{F_a} + \frac{C_{mx} \cdot f_{bx}}{\left(1 - \frac{f_a}{F_{ex}}\right) \cdot F_{bx}} + \frac{C_{my} \cdot f_{by}}{\left(1 - \frac{f_a}{F_{ey}}\right) \cdot F_{by}} \leq 1.0 \\ \frac{f_a}{0.6 \cdot F_y} + \frac{f_{bx}}{F_{bx}} + \frac{f_{by}}{F_{by}} \leq 1.0 \end{cases} \quad (\text{H1-1 \& H1-2})$$

$$\text{If } \frac{f_a}{F_a} \leq 0.15 \Rightarrow \frac{f_a}{F_a} + \frac{f_{bx}}{F_{bx}} + \frac{f_{by}}{F_{by}} \leq 1.0 \quad (\text{H1-3})$$

(2) Bending with Axial Tension

$$\frac{f_a}{F_t} + \frac{f_{bx}}{F_{bx}} + \frac{f_{by}}{F_{by}} \leq 1.0 \quad (\text{H2-1})$$

where
$$F_e = \frac{12 \cdot \pi^2 \cdot E}{23 \cdot \left(K \cdot l_b / r_b \right)^2}$$

C_m	WITH sidesway	$C_m = 0.85$
	BRACED AGAINST sidesway	$C_m = 0.6 - 0.4 \cdot \frac{M_1}{M_2}$ WITH transverse loading NO rotations, both ends : $C_m = 0.85$ WITH rotations, both ends : $C_m = 1.0$
C_m	can be conservatively taken as 1.0	

2.2 Shear Stress :

$$\frac{f_{vx}}{F_{Vx}} + \frac{f_{vy}}{F_{Vy}} \leq 1.0$$

For shear in the y direction of W and C sections

$$\frac{h}{t_w} \leq \frac{380}{\sqrt{F_y}} \Rightarrow f_v = \frac{V}{\sum d \cdot t_w} ; F_v = 0.4 \cdot F_y \quad (\text{F4-1})$$

$$\frac{h}{t_w} > \frac{380}{\sqrt{F_y}} \Rightarrow f_v = \frac{V}{\sum h \cdot t_w} ; F_v = \frac{F_y}{2.98} \cdot C_v \leq 0.4 \cdot F_y \quad (\text{F4-2})$$

All other conditions

$$\Rightarrow f_v = \frac{V}{\sum d \cdot t_w} ; F_v = 0.4 \cdot F_y$$

$$\text{where } \begin{cases} \frac{a}{h} \leq 1.0 \Rightarrow k_v = 4.0 + \frac{5.34}{\left(\frac{a}{h}\right)^2} \\ \frac{a}{h} > 1.0 \Rightarrow k_v = 5.34 + \frac{4.0}{\left(\frac{a}{h}\right)^2} \end{cases} ; \quad \text{and } \begin{cases} C_v = \frac{45000 \cdot k_v}{F_y \cdot \left(\frac{h}{t_w}\right)^2} \quad \text{when } C_v \leq 0.8 \\ C_v = \frac{190}{\frac{h}{t_w}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{k_v}{F_y}} \quad \text{when } C_v > 0.8 \end{cases}$$

3. Design Requirement & Serviceability Design Consideration

(1) Maximum Deflection, for beams and girders supporting floors, roofs and plastered ceilings under maximum live-load

$$\frac{\Delta}{l} \leq \frac{1}{360} \quad (\text{Ch L3.1.})$$

(2) Minimum ratio of depth to length, for beams and girders in floors

$$\frac{d}{l} \geq \frac{F_y}{800} \quad (\text{Ch C-L3.1.})$$

(3) Minimum ratio of depth to length, for roof purlins, except for flat floor

$$\frac{d}{l} \geq \frac{F_y}{1000} \quad (\text{Ch C-L3.1.})$$

(4) Minimum ratio of depth to length, for beams supporting large floor area

$$\frac{d}{l} \geq \frac{1}{20}$$

(5) Minimum Slenderness Ratio

$$\text{Design based on compressive force : } \frac{Kl}{r} \leq 200 \quad (\text{Ch B7.})$$

$$\text{Design based on tensile force : } \frac{l}{r} \leq 300 \quad (\text{Ch B7.})$$

4. Stiffener
See Appendix B for details.
5. Bearing Plate
See Appendix C for details.
6. Cover-Plated Beam or Stiffened Beam
(To be finished)