

Steel Beam Analysis

Part 1

- Steel Properties
- Steel Profiles
- Steel Codes: ASD vs. LRFD
- Analysis Method



Nomenclature of steel shapes

Standard section shapes:

W – wide flange

S – American standard beam

C – American standard channel

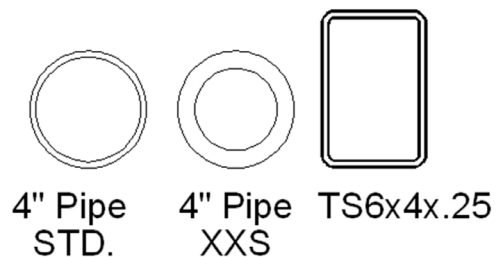
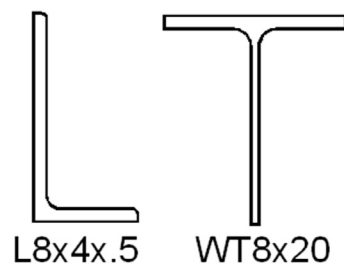
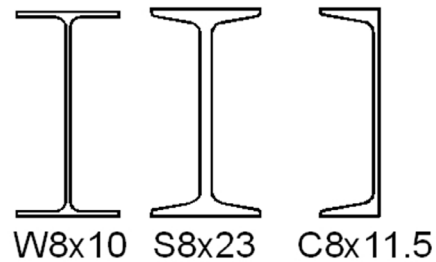
L – angle

WT or **ST** – structural T

STD, **XS** or **XXS** – Pipe

HSS – Hollow Structural Sections
Rectangular, Square, Round

LLBB , **SLBB** - Double Angles



Steel Grades – Rolled Sections

Different sections are made with different grades of steel.

Most structural shapes are:
 A36 Carbon Steel $F_y = 36\text{ksi}$
 A992 High Strength $F_y = 50\text{ksi}$

Steel Typ	ASTM Designatio	F_y Min. Yield Stress (ksi)	F_u Tensile Stress ^a (ksi)	Applicable Shape Series													
				W	M	S	HP	C	MC	L	HSS		Pipe				
				Rect.	Round												
Carbon	A36	36	58–80 ^b														
	A53 Gr. B	35	60														
	A500	Gr. B	42	58													
			46	58													
		Gr. C	46	62													
			50	62													
	A501	Gr. A	36	58													
		Gr. B	50	70													
	A529 ^c	Gr. 50	50	65–100													
		Gr. 55	55	70–100													
High-Strength Low-Alloy	A572	Gr. 42	42	60													
		Gr. 50	50	65 ^d													
		Gr. 55	55	55													
		Gr. 60 ^e	60	60													
		65 ^e	65	65													
	A618	Gr. I & II	50 ^f	70 ^f													
		Gr. III	50	50													
	A913	50	50 ^g	60 ^h													
		60	60	75													
		65	65	80													
70		70	90														
A992	50	65 ⁱ															
Corrosion Resistant High-Strength Low-Alloy	A242	42 ^j	63 ^j														
		46 ^k	67 ^k														
		50 ^l	70 ^l														
	A588	50	70														
A847	50	70															

■ = Preferred material specification
 □ = Other applicable material specification, the availability of which should be confirmed prior to specification
 ◻ = Material specification does not apply

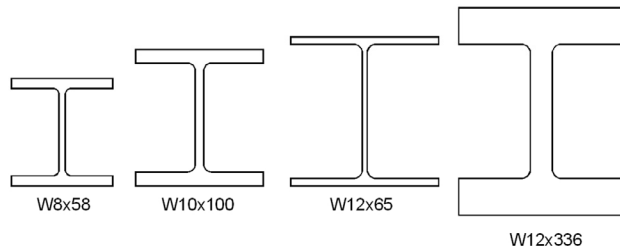
^a Minimum unless a range is shown.
^b For shapes over 426 lb/ft, only the minimum of 58 ksi applies.
^c For shapes with a flange thickness less than or equal to 1 1/2 in. only. To improve weldability, a maximum carbon equivalent can be specified (per ASTM Supplementary Requirement S78). If desired, maximum tensile stress of 90 ksi can be specified (per ASTM Supplementary Requirement S79).
^d If desired, maximum tensile stress of 70 ksi can be specified (per ASTM Supplementary Requirement S91).
^e For shapes with a flange thickness less than or equal to 2 in. only.
^f ASTM A618 can also be specified as corrosion-resistant; see ASTM A618.
^g Minimum applies for walls nominally 3/4-in. thick and under. For wall thicknesses over 3/4 in., $F_y = 46\text{ksi}$ and $F_u = 67\text{ksi}$.
^h If desired, maximum yield stress of 65 ksi and maximum yield-to-tensile strength ratio of 0.85 can be specified (per ASTM Supplementary Requirement S75).
ⁱ A maximum yield-to-tensile strength ratio of 0.85 and carbon equivalent formula are included as mandatory in ASTM A992.
^j For shapes with a flange thickness greater than 2 in. only.
^k For shapes with a flange thickness greater than 1/2 in. and less than or equal to 2 in. only.
^l For shapes with a flange thickness less than or equal to 1 1/2 in. only.

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Steel W-sections for beams and columns

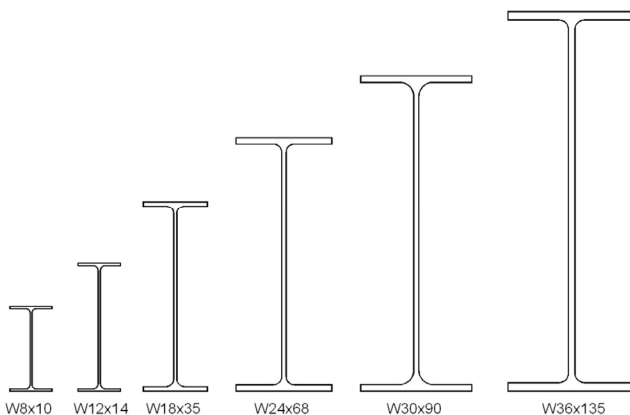
Columns:

Closer to square
 Thicker web & flange



Beams:

Deeper sections
 Flange thicker than web



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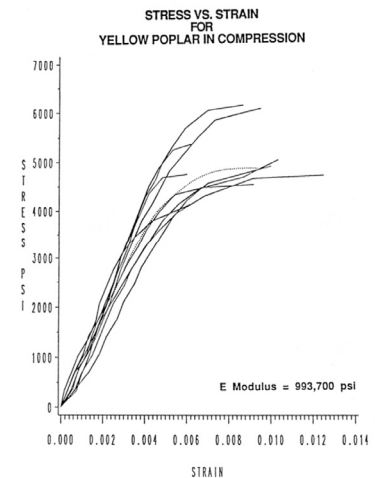
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Young's Modulus

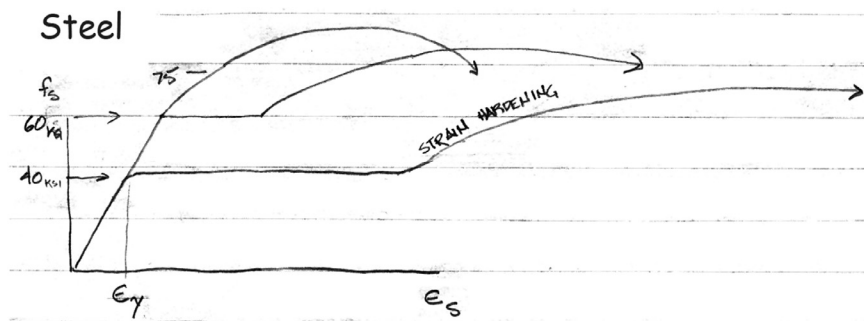
Young's Modulus or the Modulus of Elasticity, is obtained by dividing the stress by the strain present in the material. (Thomas Young, 1807)

$$E = \frac{P/A}{D/L} = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon}$$

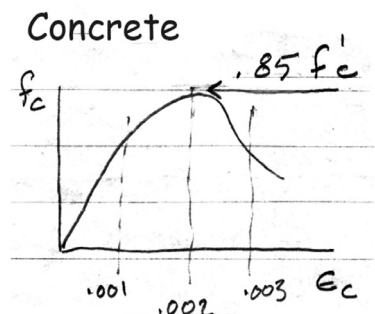
It thus represents a measure of the stiffness of the material.



E = 1000 ksi

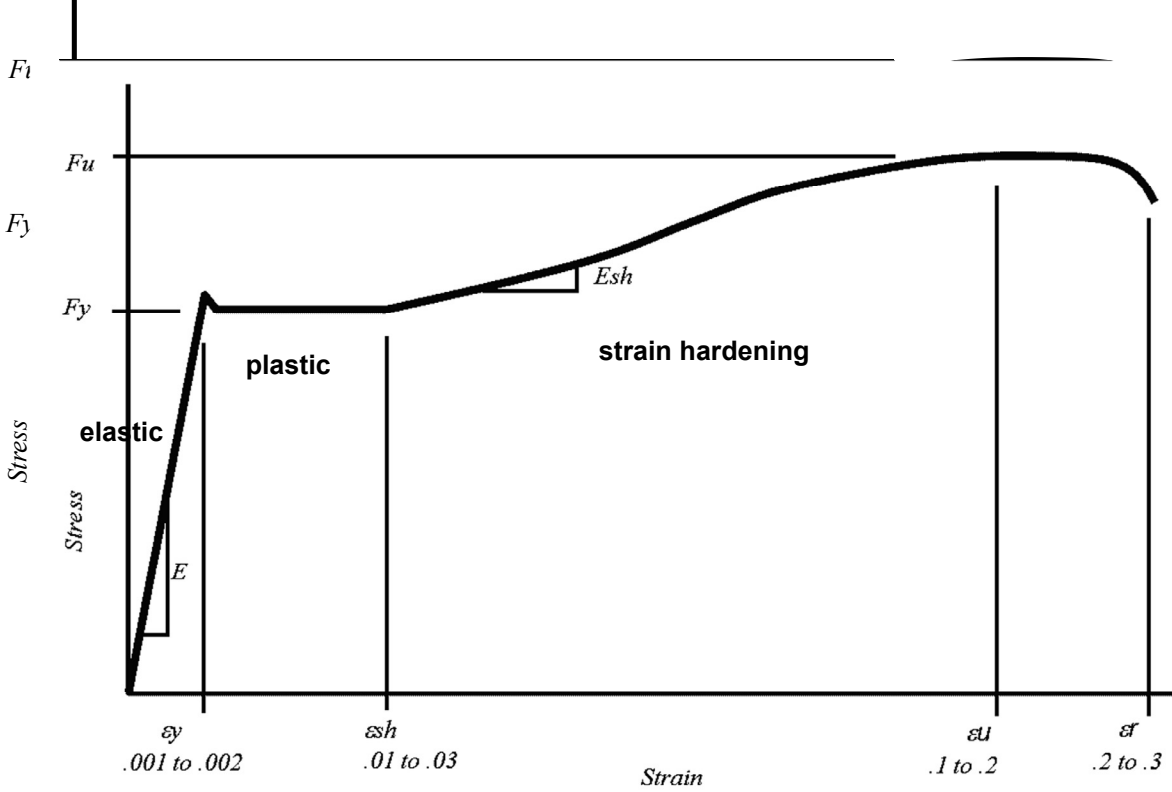


E = 29000 ksi



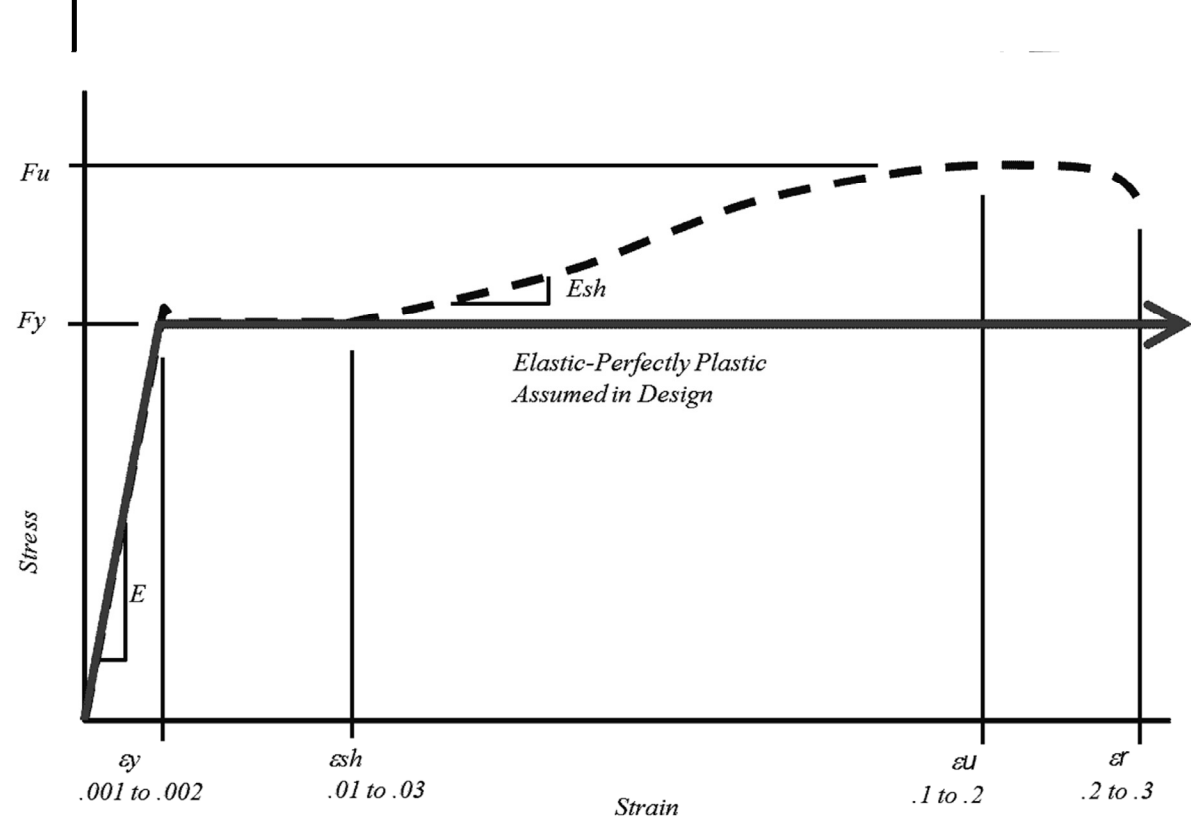
E = 3500 ksi

Stress vs. Strain – mild steel



Developed by Scott Civan
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Stress vs. Strain – AISC design curve



Stress Analysis – Two Methods

Allowable Stress Design (ASD)

- use design loads (no F.S. on loads)
- reduce stress by a Factor of Safety F.S.

$$f_{actual} = \frac{P}{A}$$

$$f_{actual} \leq F_{allowable}$$

$$F_{allowable} = F.S. \cdot f_{yield}$$

Load & Resistance Factored Design (LRFD)

- Use loads with safety factor γ
- Use factor on ultimate strength ϕ

$$P_{load} = \gamma \cdot P_{applied_load}$$

$$P_{load} \leq P_{resisting}$$

$$P_{resisting} = \phi \cdot P_{material_strength}$$

LRFD Analysis

Load & Resistance Factored Design (LRFD)

- Use loads with safety factor γ
- Use forces with strength factor ϕ

$$P_{load} = \gamma \cdot P_{applied}$$

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Design Strength

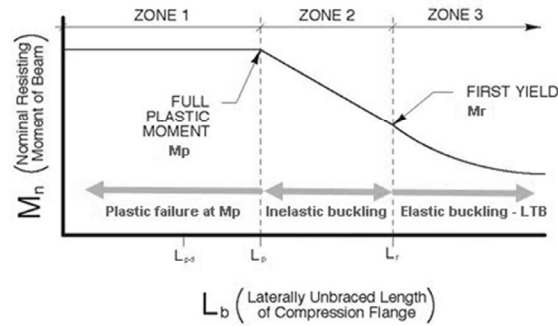
$$P_u \leq \phi P_n$$

Required (Nominal) Strength

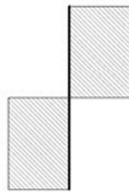
2.3 LOAD COMBINATIONS FOR STRENGTH DESIGN

1. $1.4D$
2. $1.2D + 1.6L + 0.5(L_r \text{ or } S \text{ or } R)$
3. $1.2D + 1.6(L_r \text{ or } S \text{ or } R) + (L \text{ or } 0.5W)$
4. $1.2D + 1.0W + L + 0.5(L_r \text{ or } S \text{ or } R)$
5. $0.9D + 1.0W$

Beam Strength vs Unbraced Length



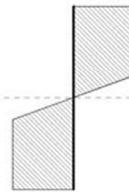
ZONE 1
Plastic Behavior
Full Plastic Moment



$$M_n = M_p = F_y Z \leq 1.5 M_y$$

$$\mu_u \leq \phi_b M_n$$

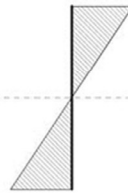
ZONE 2
Inelastic Buckling
More than First Yield
Less than Full Plastic Moment



$$M_n = C_b \left(M_p - (M_p - M_r) \left(\frac{L_b - L_p}{L_r - L_p} \right) \right) < M_p$$

$$\mu_u \leq \phi_b M_n$$

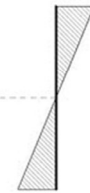
First Yield



$$M_r = 0.7 F_y S_x$$

$$\mu_u \leq \phi_b M_r$$

ZONE 3
Elastic Buckling



$$M_{cr} = C_b \frac{\pi^2}{L_b^2} \sqrt{E I_y G J + \left(\frac{\pi E^2}{L_b} \right) I_y C_w}$$

$$\mu_u \leq \phi_b M_{cr}$$

(for doubly symmetric sections)

$$\phi_b = 0.90$$

Steel Beams by LRFD

Yield Stress Values

- A36 Carbon Steel $F_y = 36$ ksi
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Elastic Analysis for Bending

• Plastic Behavior (zone 1)

$$M_n = M_p = F_y Z < 1.5 M_y$$

- Braced against LTB ($L_b < L_p$)

• Inelastic Buckling “Decreased” (zone 2)

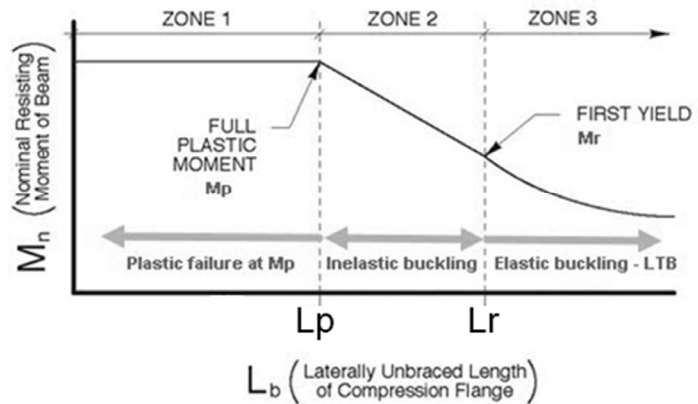
$$M_n = C_b (M_p - (M_p - M_r) \left[\frac{L_b - L_p}{L_r - L_p} \right]) < M_p$$

- $L_p < L_b < L_r$

• Elastic Buckling “Decreased Further” (zone 3)

$$M_{cr} = C_b \frac{\pi^2}{L_b^2} \sqrt{E I_y G^* J + (\pi^2 E / L_b)^2 I_y C_w}$$

- $L_b > L_r$



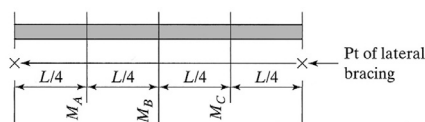
$$L_p = 1.76 r_y \sqrt{E / F_y}$$

$$M_p = F_y Z_x$$

$$M_r = 0.7 F_y S_x$$

C_b is LTB modification factor

$$C_b = \frac{12.5 M_{max}}{2.5 M_{max} + 3 M_A + 4 M_B + 3 M_C}$$




Steel Beams by LRFD

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Table 3-2 (continued)
W-Shapes
Selection by Z_x

$F_y = 50$ ksi



Shape	Z_x	M_p/Ω_b		$\phi_b M_{pr}$		M_r/Ω_b		$\phi_b M_{rx}$		BF/Ω_b	$\phi_b BF$	L_p	L_r	L_x	V_u/Ω_v		$\phi_b V_{ur}$			
		kip-ft	kip-ft	kip-ft	kip-ft	kip-ft	kip-ft	kip-ft	kip-ft						ft	ft	in. ⁴	kip	kip	
		ASD	LRFD	ASD	LRFD	ASD	LRFD	ASD	LRFD							ASD	LRFD			
		in. ³																		
W21x44	95.4	238	358	143	214	11.1	16.8	4.45	13.0	843	145	217								
W16x50	92.0	230	345	141	213	7.69	11.4	5.62	17.2	659	124	186								
W18x46	90.7	226	340	138	207	9.63	14.6	4.56	13.7	712	130	195								
W14x53	87.1	217	327	136	204	5.22	7.93	6.78	22.3	541	103	154								
W12x58	86.4	216	324	136	205	3.82	5.69	8.87	29.8	475	87.8	132								
W10x68	85.3	213	320	132	199	2.58	3.85	9.15	40.6	394	97.8	147								
W16x45	82.3	205	309	127	191	7.12	10.8	5.55	16.5	586	111	167								
W18x40	78.4	196	294	119	180	8.94	13.2	4.49	13.1	612	113	169								
W14x48	78.4	196	294	123	184	5.09	7.67	6.75	21.1	484	93.8	141								
W12x53	77.9	194	292	123	185	3.65	5.50	8.76	28.2	425	83.5	125								
W10x60	74.6	186	280	116	175	2.54	3.82	9.08	36.6	341	85.7	129								
W16x40	73.0	182	274	113	170	6.67	10.0	5.55	15.9	518	97.6	146								
W12x50	71.9	179	270	112	169	3.97	5.98	6.92	23.8	391	90.3	135								
W8x67	70.1	175	263	105	159	1.75	2.59	7.49	47.6	272	103	154								
W14x43	69.6	174	261	109	164	4.88	7.28	6.68	20.0	428	83.6	125								
W10x54	66.6	166	250	105	158	2.48	3.75	9.04	33.6	303	74.7	118								
W18x35	66.5	166	249	101	151	8.14	12.3	4.31	12.3	510	106	159								
W12x45	64.2	160	241	101	151	3.80	5.80	6.89	22.4	348	81.1	122								
W16x36	64.0	160	240	98.7	148	6.24	9.36	5.37	15.2	448	93.8	141								
W14x38	61.5	153	231	95.4	143	5.37	8.20	5.47	16.2	385	87.4	131								
W10x49	60.4	151	227	95.4	143	2.46	3.71	8.97	31.6	272	68.0	102								
W8x58	59.8	149	224	90.8	137	1.70	2.55	7.42	41.6	228	89.3	134								
W12x40	57.0	142	214	89.9	135	3.66	5.54	6.85	21.1	307	70.2	105								
W10x45	54.9	137	206	85.8	129	2.59	3.89	7.10	26.9	248	70.7	106								
W14x34	54.6	136	205	84.9	128	5.01	7.55	5.40	15.6	340	79.8	120								
W16x31	54.0	135	203	82.4	124	6.86	10.3	4.13	11.8	375	87.5	131								
W12x35	51.2	128	192	79.6	120	4.34	6.45	5.44	16.6	285	75.0	113								
W8x48	49.0	122	184	75.4	113	1.67	2.55	7.35	35.2	184	68.0	102								
W14x30	47.3	118	177	73.4	110	4.63	6.95	5.26	14.9	291	74.5	112								
W10x39	46.8	117	176	73.5	111	2.53	3.78	6.99	24.2	209	62.5	93.7								
W16x26	44.2	110	166	67.1	101	5.93	8.88	3.96	11.2	301	70.5	106								
W12x30	43.1	108	162	67.4	101	3.97	5.96	5.37	15.6	238	64.0	95.9								
	ASD	LRFD		* Shape does not meet the h/t_w limit for shear in AISC Specification Section G2.1(a) with $F_y = 50$ ksi; therefore, $\phi_v = 0.90$ and $\Omega_v = 1.67$.																
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	$\Omega_v = 1.50$	$\phi_v = 1.00$																		

Analysis for Bending

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 $M_{cr} = C_b * \pi^2 / L_b^2 \sqrt{E * I_y * G * J + (\pi^2 * E / L_b)^2 * I_y C_w}$
 - $L_b > L_r$

Design for Shear

Shear stress in steel sections is approximated by averaging the stress in the web:

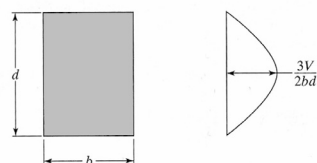
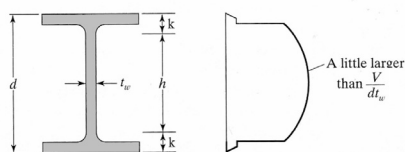
$$F_v = V / A_w$$

$$A_w = d * t_w$$

To adjust the stress a reduction factor of 0.6 is applied to F_y

$$F_v = 0.6 F_y$$

$$\text{so, } V_n = 0.6 F_y A_w \quad \text{(Zone 1)}$$



The equations for the 3 stress zones:
(ϕ in all cases = 1.0)

Zone 1:

WEB YIELDING (Most beam sections fall into this category)

$$\text{if } \frac{h}{t_w} \leq 2.45 \sqrt{E/F_y} = 59 \quad \text{(for 50 ksi steel)}$$

$$\text{then: } V_n = 0.6 F_y A_w$$

Zone 2:

INELASTIC WEB BUCKLING

$$\text{if } 2.45 \sqrt{E/F_y} < \frac{h}{t_w} \leq 3.07 \sqrt{E/F_y} = 74 \quad \text{(for 50 ksi steel)}$$

$$\text{then: } V_n = 0.6 F_y A_w (2.45 \sqrt{E/F_y}) / \frac{h}{t_w}$$

Zone 3:

ELASTIC WEB BUCKLING

$$\text{if } 3.07 \sqrt{E/F_y} < \frac{h}{t_w} \leq 260$$

$$\text{then: } V_n = A_w \left[\frac{4.25 E}{\left(\frac{h}{t_w} \right)^2} \right]$$

Design for Shear

Steel

