

Robustness of structures

Structural dynamics



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Structural response to blast loading

- Analysis and design of structures subjected to blast loads require:
 - understanding of blast phenomena
 - understanding of the dynamic response of various structural elements.
- Complexity in analyzing the response:
 - uncertainties of blast load calculations
 - time-dependent deformations
 - effect of high strain rates
 - non-linear inelastic material behavior
- To simplify the analysis, a number of assumptions related to the response of structures and the loads has been proposed and widely accepted:
 - Elastic SDOF Systems
 - Elasto-Plastic SDOF Systems
- Blast loading effects:
 - Global structural behavior
 - Localised structural behavior
 - Pressure-Impulse (P-I) Diagrams

Elastic SDOF systems

- The simplest discretization of transient problems is by means of the SDOF approach
- A SDOF is a system with only one type of motion (position at any instant can be defined using a single coordinate)
- The actual structure can be replaced by an equivalent system of one concentrated mass and one weightless spring representing the resistance of the structure against deformation.
- The blast load can be idealized as a triangular pulse



Formulation of the problem

- Consider a SDOF and the state of equilibrium shown in figure
- Equation of motion as follows:

 $m\ddot{u}(t) + ku(t) + c\dot{u}(t) = F(t)$

• The effects of damping are generally small and are often neglected



- Free Vibration

- The force equals zero and there is no damping, c=0
- Motion will occur if the system is given an initial disturbance initial displacement u₀ or initial velocity u₀ (e.g. produced by an impulse) or a combination of the two
- Equation of motion as follows:

$$m\ddot{u}(t) + ku(t) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \ddot{u}(t) + \frac{k}{m}u(t) = 0$$

• Solution to equation of motion is:

$$u(t) = C_1 \sin \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} t + C_2 \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} t \qquad ; \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} = \omega$$

 $\Rightarrow u(t) = C_1 sin\omega t + C_2 cos\omega t \qquad \omega = \text{natural circular frequency}$

- Constants C₁, C₂ depend upon initial conditions, $u(0), \dot{u}(0)$
- This results in: $C_2 = u(0); C1 = \frac{\dot{u}(0)}{\omega}$
- The solution for zero external load is therefore:

$$u(t) = \frac{\dot{u}(0)}{\omega} \sin\omega t + u(0)\cos\omega t$$



Free vibration of SDOF, undamped, initial displacement



Free vibration of SDOF, undamped, initial velocity

 $\omega = Natural circular frequency$ T=Natural periodf=Natural frequency

Since one complete cycle occurs for each angular increment $\omega t = 2\pi$, T and f are given by:

$$T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega} = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{m}{k}}$$
$$f = \frac{1}{T} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$$

- Forced Vibration

- The motion is the result of the force F(t), and there is no damping, c=0
- The system may be at rest (displacement and velocity are zero at t=0), or with an initial disturbance (initial displacement u_0 or initial velocity \dot{u}_0 , or a combination of the two).
- The simplest case corresponds to a force F(t) with a constant magnitude (suddenly applied and remains constant indefinitely)
- Equation of motion as follows:

$$m\ddot{u}(t) + ku(t) = F(t) \rightarrow \ddot{u}(t) + \frac{k}{m}u(t) = \frac{F(t)}{m}$$

• Solution to equation of motion is:

$$u(t) = C_1 sin\omega t + C_2 cos\omega t + \frac{F(t)}{k}$$

- Constants C₁, C₂ depend upon initial conditions, $u(0) = 0, \dot{u}(0) = 0$
- This results in: $C_2 = -\frac{F(t)}{k}; C_1 = 0$
- The solution is:

$$u(t) = \frac{F(t)}{k} (1 - \cos\omega t)$$



Undamped SDOF, suddenly applied constant force

- The solution is similar to that of an undamped SDOF, free vibration. The only difference is that the axis is shifted with $\frac{F(t)}{r}$
- The maximum displacement $2\frac{F(t)}{k}$ is twice the displacement for a statically applied force F(t).
- If a constant force is suddenly applied to a linear elastic system, the resulting displacement is twice that for the same force applied statically.
- Dynamic load factor DLF = ratio of the dynamic deflection at any time to the deflection that would result from the static application of the load F.

$$DLF = \frac{u}{u_{st}} = \frac{u}{F/k} = \frac{ku}{F} \rightarrow DLF = (1 - \cos\omega t)$$

- Various load-time functions

- Let us consider a system at rest, subjected to a constant force F, with the duration $t_{\rm d}.$
- The mass m begins to move with acceleration $\ddot{u} = \frac{F}{m}$
- If t_d is short enough, acceleration is constant, and the velocity at time t_d is:

$$\dot{u} = \ddot{u}t_d = \frac{F}{m}t_d = \frac{i}{m}$$

i is the applied impulse (equal to the area below the load-time curve)

• Let us consider a general load function. For a time $d\tau$, the area below the curve is the pure impulse. This impulse causes an increment of the velocity at time τ equal to $\frac{Fd\tau}{m}$ - this velocity can be considered as an initial velocity imparted to the system at rest. The displacement at time t due to this impulse (load applied during $d\tau$) is (the initial displacement u(0)=0):

$$u(t) = \frac{\dot{u}(0)}{\omega} \sin\omega t + u(0)\cos\omega t \quad \Rightarrow \quad u(t) = \frac{\dot{u}(0)}{\omega}\sin\omega t = \frac{Fd\tau}{m\omega}\sin\omega(t-\tau)$$

 The total displacement is therefore the sum of the effects of all elements of impulse between zero and t. Thus: A[f(t)]

$$u = \int_0^t \frac{Fd\tau}{m\omega} \sin\omega(t-\tau) d\tau$$



The static deflection u_{st} due to F may be expressed as:

$$u_{st} = \frac{F}{k} = \frac{F}{\omega^2 m}$$
$$\Rightarrow \quad u = ust\omega \int_0^t f(\tau) sin\omega(t-\tau) d\tau$$

 If the effects of initial displacement and velocity are also included, the general expression for the response of undamped, liner elastic SDOF system subjected to any load function and/or initial condition is:

$$u = u_0 cos\omega t + \frac{\dot{u}_0}{\omega} sin\omega t + u_{st}\omega \int_0^t f(\tau) sin\omega(t-\tau) d\tau$$

- Rectangular-pulse load
- In this case, a constant load is sudenly applied within with a limited duration, t_d
 F(t)[†]
- Up to time t_d , the following equations apply:

$$u_{td} = \frac{F_1}{k} (1 - \cos\omega t_d)$$
$$\dot{u}_{td} = \frac{F_1}{k} \omega \sin\omega t_d$$



• For the response after t_d , we consider as initial condition the velocity at t_d . Replacing t by t-t_d, displacement and velocity u_0 and \dot{u}_0 by u_{td} and \dot{u}_{td} and considering $f(\tau) = 0$, we obtain:

$$u = \frac{F_1}{k} (1 - \cos\omega t_d) \cos\omega (t - td) + \frac{F_1}{k} \sin\omega t_d \sin\omega (t - td) =$$

$$= \frac{F_1}{k} [\cos\omega (t - t_d) - \cos\omega t]$$

$$u_{st} = \frac{F_1}{k} \implies DLF = 1 - \cos\omega t = 1 - \cos 2\pi \frac{t}{T} \qquad \text{for } t <= t_d$$

$$DLF = \frac{u}{u_{st}} \implies DLF = \cos\omega (t - t_d) - \cos\omega t = \cos 2\pi \left(\frac{t}{T} - \frac{t_d}{T}\right) - \cos 2\pi \frac{t}{T} \quad \text{for } t >= t_d$$

- It is more convenient to normalize the time parameter
 - If t_d is small (approaches zero), the maximum deflection (and stress) tends to zero
 - For t_d/T >0.5, the maximum response is the same as for infinite duration load



- Triangular-pulse load

- In this case, the system is at rest and is subjected to a force F which has the value F₁ - suddenly applied and then decreasing linearly to zero at t_d
- For t<=t_d, u_0 =0, \dot{u}_0 =0, $F(t) = F_1(1 \frac{t}{t_d})$ and the following equations apply: $u = \frac{F_1}{k}(1 - \cos\omega t) + \frac{F_1}{kt_d}(\frac{\sin\omega t}{\omega} - t)$ or DLF= 1 - $\cos\omega t + \frac{\sin\omega t}{\omega t_d} - \frac{t}{t_d}$
- For the response after t_d , we obtain:

$$u_0 = \frac{F_1}{k} \left(\frac{\sin\omega td}{\omega t_d} - \cos\omega t_d \right) \qquad \dot{u}_0 = \frac{F_1}{k} \left(\omega \sin\omega t_d + \frac{\cos\omega td}{t_d} - \frac{1}{t_d} \right) \qquad f(\tau) = 0$$

• Substituting in general equation and replacing t by t-t_d, we obtain:

$$u = \frac{F_1}{k\omega t_d} [sin\omega t - sin\omega(t - td)] - \frac{F_1}{k} cos\omega t$$
$$\mathsf{DLF} = \frac{1}{\omega td} [sin\omega t - sin\omega(t - td)] - cos\omega t$$

- It is more convenient to normalize the time parameter
 - If the ratio t_d/T becomes greater, more oscillations occur during the presence of the forcing function.
 - $t_d/T \rightarrow \infty$ (step force)



- Constant force with finite rise time

 As a force is never applied instantaneously, it is useful to see the influence of the response for intermediate cases. In this case, the loadtime functions are as follows:

$$f(t) = \frac{t}{t_r} \qquad \text{for } t < t_r$$

$$f(t) = 1 \qquad \text{for } t > = t_r$$

where t_r is the rise time

• Up to time t_r, the following equations apply:

$$\Rightarrow DLF = \frac{1}{t_r} \left(t - \frac{\sin\omega t}{\omega} \right) \qquad \text{for } t < t_r$$

$$\Rightarrow DLF = 1 + \frac{1}{\omega t_r} [\sin\omega(t - tr) - \sin\omega t] \text{ for } t > = t_r$$



- It is more convenient to normalize the time parameter
 - If t_r increases relative to T, the response simply follows the applied load and dynamic effect is negligible
 - If t_r <=1/4T, the effect is similar to that of a suddenly applied load → small rise times may be neglected in analysis





- Triangular-pulse load



DLF vs. t_d/T

- The spectrum curve can be constructed in a simpler way by looking at two extreme situations:
- 1) Quasi-static or pressure loading: long t_d, short T_n



SDOF reaches u_m before load has any significant decay, $F(t) \approx F$



Here consider system energy:

$$Fu_{m} = \frac{1}{2}ku_{m}^{2}$$

$$\frac{u_{m}}{F/k} = 2 \quad \text{or} \quad DLF = \frac{u_{m}}{u_{st}} = 2 \quad \textbf{Quasi-static} \text{asymptote}$$

2) Impulsive loading: very short t_{d} , long T_{n}



The load is applied so quickly even before the SDOF system has any movement. Response treated as free vibration with initial velocity due to impulse. Strain energy stored is the same as previous case.

Kinetic energy:

$$KE = \frac{1}{2}m\dot{u}_0^2 = \frac{I^2}{2m}$$

Equating kinetic energy with stored strain energy:

$$\frac{I^{2}}{2m} = \frac{1}{2}ku_{m}^{2} \Rightarrow u_{m} = \frac{I}{\sqrt{km}}$$

$$DLF = \frac{u_{m}}{F/k} = \frac{I}{\sqrt{km}(F/k)} \quad \text{but} \quad I = \frac{1}{2}Ft_{d} = m\dot{u}_{0}$$

$$DLF = \frac{1/2Ft_{d}}{\sqrt{km}(F/k)} = \frac{1}{2}\omega_{n}t_{d}$$

$$DLF = \pi \frac{t_{d}}{T_{n}} \quad \text{Impulsive asymptote}$$

Summary of three regimes

Boundaries of three regimes can be specified in terms of the product ωt_d or t_d/T_n as below:



Elasto-plastic SDOF systems

- Structural elements are expected to undergo large inelastic deformation under blast load or high velocity impact.
- Exact analysis of dynamic response is then only possible by step-bystep numerical solution requiring nonlinear dynamic finite-element software.
- However, the degree of uncertainty in both the determination of the loading and the interpretation of acceptability of the resulting deformation is such that solution of a postulated equivalent ideal elasto-plastic SDOF system is commonly used (Biggs, 1964).
- Interpretation is based on the required ductility factor $\mu = y_m/y_e$.

For example, uniform simply supported beam has first mode shape and the ٠ equivalent mass:

mass

$$\varphi(x) = \sin \pi x/L$$

$$M = (1/2)mL$$
where *L* is the span of the beam and *m* is mass per unit length.
Resistance
$$\begin{array}{c}
R_{u} \\
y_{e} \\
y_{e} \\
y_{m} \\
Deflection
\end{array}$$
Simplified resistance function of an elasto-plastic SDOF system

- The equivalent force corresponding to a uniformly distributed load of intensity p is $F = (2/\pi)pL.$
- The response of the ideal bilinear elasto-plastic system can be evaluated in closed form for the triangular load pulse comprising rapid rise and linear decay, with maximum value F_m and duration t_d .
- The result for the maximum displacement is generally presented in chart form as • a family of curves for selected values of R_{μ}/F_{m} showing the required ductility μ as a function of t_d/T , in which R_u is the structural resistance of the beam and T is the natural period



Maximum response of elasto-plastic SDF system to a triangular load

Blast loading effects

- Blast loading effects on structural members may produce both local and global responses associated with different failure modes
- The type of structural response depends mainly on:
 - the loading rate
 - the orientation of the target with respect to the direction of the blast wave propagation
 - boundary conditions
- Failure modes associated with global response: flexure, direct shear or punching shear
- Failure modes associated with local response (close-in effects): localized breaching and spalling

Global structural behavior

- The global response of structural elements is generally a consequence of transverse (out-of-plane) loads with long exposure time (quasi-static loading):
 - global membrane (bending)
 - shear responses:
 - diagonal tension,
 - diagonal compression
 - punching shear
 - direct (dynamic) shear

Have relatively minor structural effect in case of blast loading and can be neglected

The high shear stresses may lead to direct global shear failure and may occur prior to any occurrence of significant bending deformations.

Local structural behavior

- The close-in effect of explosion may cause localized shear (localized punching - or breaching and spalling) or flexural failure in the closest structural elements.
- Breaching failures are typically accompanied by spalling and scabbing of concrete covers as well as fragments and debris



(a) RC Column: Breach (b) RC Column: Partial Breach

(c) Steel Column: k-line fracture

(d) Steel Column: Brittle fracture

Column responses subject to near-contact blast charges (T. Brewer et al., 2016)

Pressure-Impulse (P-I) Diagrams (Iso-damage curves)

- The pressure-impulse (*P-I*) diagram is an easy way to mathematically relate a specific damage level to a combination of blast pressures and impulses imposes on a particular structural element
- There are *P-I* diagrams that concern with human response to blast as well. In this case, there are three categories of blast-induced injury, namely: primary, secondary, and tertiary injury

From SDOF to P-I diagram

 Modify the axis of diagram u_m/(F/k) vs. t_d/T_n to become normalized force (pressure) vs. normalized impulse (force x duration) with respect to displacement

Step 1: inverting vertical axis and scale to

$$\frac{u_m}{F/k} = 2 \qquad y = \frac{2F}{ku_m} \qquad \frac{\text{load (pressure)}}{\text{max. resistance}}$$

Hence quasi-static asymptote becomes:

$$y = \frac{2F}{ku_m} = 1$$

Step 2: multiply abscissa (duration) by the new ordinate (already force measure) and scaling:

$$x = \pi \frac{t_d}{T_n} \left(\frac{F}{ku_m} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \omega_n t_d \left(\frac{F/k}{u_m} \right) = \frac{1/2Ft_d}{u_m \sqrt{km}}$$

$$x = \frac{I}{u_m \sqrt{km}} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{non-dimensional} \\ \text{impulse} \end{array}$$
Hence impulse asymptote $\quad \frac{u_m}{F/k} = \frac{I}{\sqrt{km}(F/k)} \quad \text{becomes:}$

$$\frac{I}{u_m \sqrt{km}} = 1$$



Pressure – impulse diagrams



Load Regime	Limits			
Impulsive	$\omega t_d < 0.4$	$t_a/T < 6.37 \text{ x } 10^{-2}$		
Dynamic	$0.4 < \omega t_d < 40$	$6.37 \ge 10^{-2} < t_d/T < 6.37$		
Quasi-static	$\omega t_d > 40$	t _d /T > 6.37		



For a particular type of structure, diagram are presented in absolute impulse (specific) vs. overpressure terms, for different damage (u_m) levels



Example (for illustration only)

In practice, such diagrams are often constructed on empirical basis, not necessarily with explicit SDOF/limit displacement values



P-I diagram for damage to some small buildings

Typical Blast Damage to Structures

Pressure		Damage			
(psi)	(kPa)				
0.02	0.14	Annoying Noise (137 dB), if of low frequency			
0.03	0.21	Occasional Breakage of large glass windows already under strain			
0.04	0.28	Loud Noise (143 dB). Sonic boom glass failure			
0.10	0.70	Beakage of small windows under strain			
0.15	1.0	Typical pressure for glass failure			
0.30	2.1	Some damage to cellings, limit of missiles			
0.40	2.8	Limited minor structural damage			
0.50-1.0	3.5-7.0	Large and small windows shattened, occasional damage to window frames			
0.75	5.2	Minor damage to house structures; 20-50% roof tiles displaced			
0.90	6.3	Roof damage to oil storage tanks			
1.0	7.0	Partial demolition of house a, made uninhabitable			

Source: Clancy, 1972, from WWII Data

Typical Blast Damage to Structures

Pressure		Damage			
(psi)	(kPa)				
5.0	35	Wooden utility poles damaged			
7.0	49	Rail cars overturned			
7-8.0	49-56	Brick panels (8-12"), not reinforced, fail by fexure			
7-9	49-63	Collapse of steel girder framed building			
7-10	49-70	Cars severely crushed			
8-10	56-70	Brick walls completely demolished			
9	63	Collapse of steel truss type bridges; loaded train wagons de molished			
>10	>70	Complete destruction of all un-reinforced buildings			
13	91	18" brick walls completely destroyed			
70	490	Collapse of heavy masony or concrete bridges			
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Source: Clancy, 1972, from WWII Data

Material behaviors at high strain rate

- Blast loads typically produce very high strain rates in the range of 10² 10⁴ s⁻¹.
- This high straining (loading) rate would alter the dynamic mechanical properties of target structures and, accordingly, the expected damage mechanisms for various structural elements.
- It can be seen that ordinary static strain rate is located in the range: 10⁻⁶-10⁻⁵ s⁻¹, while blast pressures normally yield loads associated with strain rates in the range: 10²-10⁴ s⁻¹.
- For reinforced concrete structures subjected to blast effects the strength of concrete and steel reinforcing bars can increase significantly due to strain rate effects.
- The typical effects of increased strain rate on the response of structural steels are an increase in yield stress; an increase in ultimate strength, even smaller than for yield stress; and a reduction in the elongation at rupture





Stress-strain curves of concrete at different strain rates



Dynamic increase factor for peak stress of concrete



Design Example

Design a steel beam for elastic design response:

A steel beam of 9.14 m length is clamped at both ends. For elastic design, the bending stress should be less than 207 MPa.

The beam is subjected to dead loads of 14.6 kN/m and 89 kN at mid span.

The beam is braced at load point so that there is no LTB. It is subjected to a dynamic point load F(t) at mid-span as shown in the figures.





 F_e , K_e , M_e = characteristics of the equivalent SDOF system K_M =mass factor = M_e/M K_L =load factor = F_e/F



Elastic Design

Assume $t_r/T \approx 2/3$; from Fig. 2.9, DLF ≈ 1.4 . This only affects the dynamic point load P(t) but not the dead point

$$M_{\text{max}} = \frac{w_D L^2}{12} + \frac{F_D L}{8} + \frac{F_1 L}{8} (\text{DFL})_{\text{max}}$$
$$M_{\text{max}} = \frac{14.6 \times 9.14^2}{12} + \frac{89 \times 9.14}{8} + \frac{222.4 \times 9.14}{8} \times 1.4 = 559.1 \text{kNm}$$

Required Elastic Section Modulus:

$$W_{el-req} = \frac{M_{\text{max}}}{\sigma} = \frac{559.1}{207 \times 10^3} = 2.7 \times 10^{-3} \,\mathrm{m}$$

Most economical section is 24WF76 (UB 610x229x113)

having $I=8.72 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^4$ and $W_{el}=2.87 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^3$

$$k = \frac{192EI}{L^3} = \frac{192 \times (210 \times 10^6) \times 8.72 \times 10^{-4}}{9.14^3} = 46,047 \text{kN/m}$$

k=spring constant

From Table 5.2, for elastic clamped beams subjected to mid-span point load,

 $K_L = 1.0$ $K_M = 1.0$ concentrated mass (for point load) $K_M = 0.37$ distributed mass (for dead load u.d.l.)

$$M_e = \sum K_M M = \frac{89 \times 1.0 + 14.6 \times 9.14 \times 0.37}{9.81} = 14.11 \,\mathrm{kNsec^2/m}.$$

$$K_e = K_L k = 46,047 \times 1.0 = 46,047 \text{ kN/m}$$

 $T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{M_e}{M_e}} = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{14.11}{M_e}} = 0.111 \text{ sec}$

 $\bigvee K_e$ $\bigvee 46,047$

 $\frac{t_d}{T} = 0.08/0.111 = 0.72$

Table 5.2 Transformation Factors for Beams and One-way Slabs

 $\mathfrak{M}_{P_1} =$ ultimate moment capacity at support $\mathfrak{M}_{P_2} =$ ultimate moment capacity at midepan L Fixed ends

Loading diagram	Strain range	Load factor KL	Mass factor Ku		Load-mass factor KLM		Marimum	Spring	Effective	Dunomic
			Concen- traled mass*	Uniform mass	Concen- trated mass*	Uniform mass	resisiance Rm	constant k	spring constant ks†	reaction V
	Elastic Elastic- plastic Plastic	0.53 0.64 0.50		0.41 0.50 0.33		0.77 0.78 0.66	$\frac{12\Im(P_{r})}{L}$ $\frac{8}{L}(\Im(P_{s} + \Im(P_{m})))$ $\frac{8}{L}(\Im(P_{s} + \Im(P_{m})))$	384 <i>E1</i> L1 384 <i>E1</i> 5 <i>L</i> 3 0	307 EI La	0.36R + 0.14F 0.39R + 0.11F $0.38R_{m} + 0.12F$
<u><u></u><u><u></u><u></u><u></u><u></u><u></u><u></u><u></u><u></u><u></u><u></u><u></u><u></u><u></u><u></u><u></u><u></u><u></u></u></u>	Elastic Plastic	1.0	1.0 1.0	0.37 0.33	1.0	0.37 0.33	$\frac{4}{L} \left(\mathfrak{MP}_{e} + \mathfrak{MP}_{m} \right)$ $\frac{4}{L} \left(\mathfrak{MP}_{e} + \mathfrak{MP}_{m} \right)$	192 <i>EI</i> <i>L</i> 4 0		0.71R - 0.21F $0.75R_m - 0.25F$

* Concentrated mass is lumped at the concentrated load.



2nd round iteration from Fig. 2.9, (*DLF*)_{max}=1.35

 $M_{\text{max}} = \frac{14.6 \times 9.14^2}{12} + \frac{89 \times 9.14}{8} + \frac{222.4 \times 9.14}{8} \times 1.35 = 546.3 \text{kNm}$ Required Elastic Section Modulus: $M_{\text{max}} = 546.3$

$$\sigma_{\max} = \frac{M_{\max}}{W_{el}} = \frac{546.5}{2.87 \times 10^{-3}} = 190.3 \times 10^3 \,\text{kN/m}^2 = 190.3 \,\text{MPa}$$

From Fig. 2.9(a), $t_{f}/T=0.72$, DLF = 1.35

 $\Rightarrow R_m = 1.35 \text{ x } 222.4 = 300.2 \text{ kN}$

 $V_{\text{max}} = 0.71 \times 300.2 - 0.21 \times 222.4 + \text{dead}$

 $= 213.1 - 46.7 + 89 \times 0.5 + 14.6 \times 9.14 \times 0.5 = 277.6 \text{ kN}$

Elasto-plastic design

Design a steel beam for plastic design response:

A steel beam of 9.14 m length is clamped at both ends. For plastic design, the bending stress should be less than its yield strength of 344 MPa

The beam is subjected to dead loads of 14.6 kN/m and 89 kN at mid span.

The beam is braced at load point so that there is no LTB. It is subjected to a dynamic point load F(t) at mid-span as shown in the figures.





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$$M_{\text{max}} = \frac{w_D L^2}{12} + \frac{F_D L}{8} + \frac{F_1 L}{8} (\text{DFL})_{\text{max}}$$
$$M_{\text{max}} = \frac{14.6 \times 9.14^2}{12} + \frac{89 \times 9.14}{8} + \frac{222.4 \times 9.14}{8} \times 1.4 = 559.1 \text{kNm}$$

Required Plastic Section Modulus:

$$W_{pl-req} = \frac{M_{\text{max}}}{\sigma} = \frac{559.1}{344 \times 10^3} = 1.63 \times 10^{-3} \,\mathrm{m}^3$$

Most economical section is UB 533x210x82 having $I=4.75x10^{-4}$ m⁴ and $W_{pl}=2.06x10^{-3}$ m³ and Moment capacity:

$$M_s = M_m = W_{pl} \times \sigma = 2.06 \times 344 = 708.6$$
kNm

From Table 5.2, for plastic clamped beams subjected to mid-span point load, maximum resistance is:

 $R_m = 4(M_s + M_m)/L = 4 \times 2 \times 708.6/9.14 = 620$ kN

Dynamic reaction is:

 $V_{\text{max}} = 0.75 \times 620 - 0.25 \times 222.4 + \text{dead}$

 $= 465 - 55.6 + 0.5 \times 89 + 0.5 \times 14.6 \times 9.14 = 520.6 \text{ kN}$

Loading diagram		Strain Load factor KL	Mass factor K u		Load-mass factor KLM		Manimum	Sector o	Effective	Duranti
	strain range		Concen- traied mass*	Uniform mass	Concen- trated mass*	Uniform mass	resistance Rm	constant k	spring constant ks†	reaction V
	Elastic Elastic- plastic Plastic	0.53 0.64 0.50		0.41 0.50 0.33		0.77 0.78 0.66	$\frac{\frac{12\mathfrak{MP}_{r}}{L}}{\frac{8}{L}}(\mathfrak{MP}_{r}+\mathfrak{MP}_{m})$ $\frac{8}{L}(\mathfrak{MP}_{r}+\mathfrak{MP}_{m})$	384 <i>EI</i> L ¹ 384 <i>EI</i> 5L ³ 0	<u>307 E1</u> Ls	$\begin{array}{l} 0.36R + 0.14 \\ 0.39R + 0.11 \\ 0.38R_{m} + 0.11 \end{array}$
	Elastic Plastic	1.0	1.0	0.37	1.0	0.37	$\frac{4}{L} \left(\mathfrak{M}_{P_{s}} + \mathfrak{M}_{P_{m}}\right)$ $\frac{4}{L} \left(\mathfrak{M}_{P_{s}} + \mathfrak{M}_{P_{m}}\right)$	192 <i>EI</i> <i>L</i> ¹ 0		0.71R - 0.21i $0.75R_m - 0.2i$

* Concentrated mass is lumped at the concentrated load.

Table 5.2 Transformation Factors for Beams and One-way Slabs

Comparison of Design Example 2

	Elastic design	Plastic design
Beam chosen	UB 610x229x113	UB 533x210x82
Maximum resistance	300.2 kN	620 kN
Dynamic reaction	277.6 kN	520.6 kN