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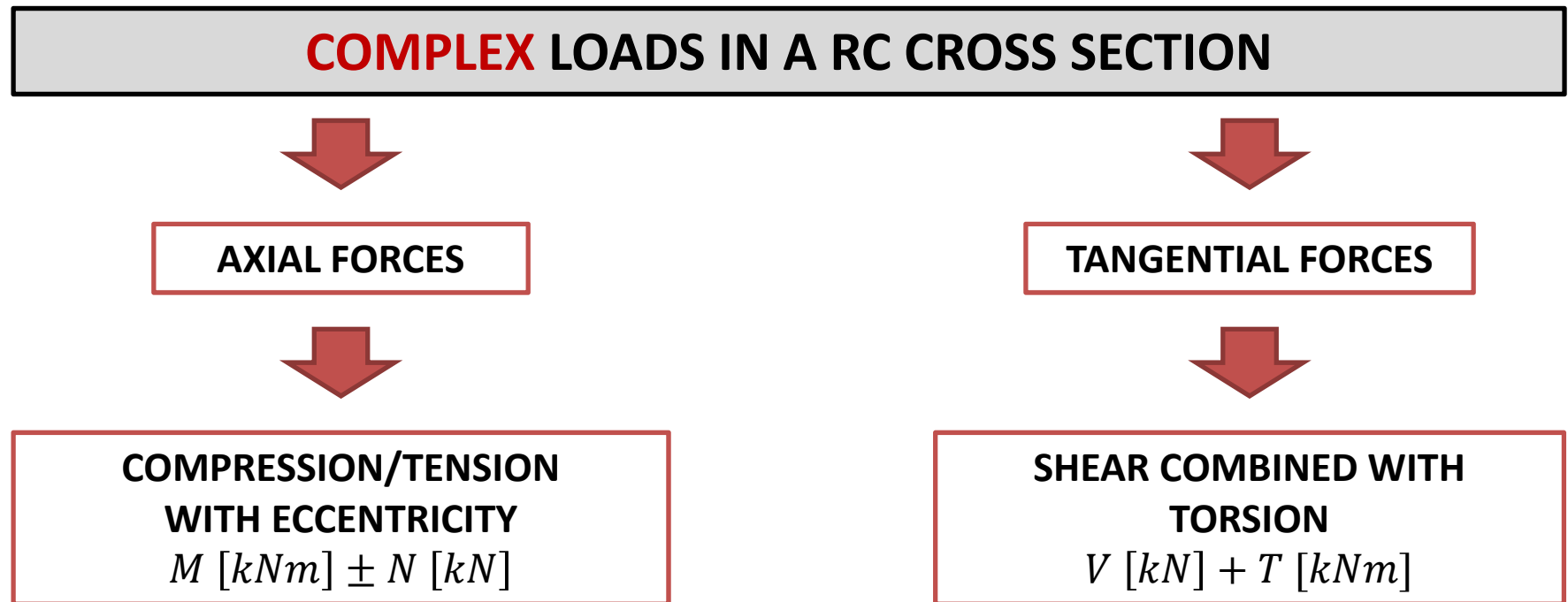
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**BASIC LOADS IN A RC CROSS SECTION****AXIAL FORCES****NORMAL STRESSES**  
 $\sigma [N/mm^2]$ **CENTRIC COMPRESSION/TENSION**  
 $N [kN]$   
**BENDING MOMENT**  
 $M [kNm]$ **TANGENTIAL FORCES****TANGENTIAL STRESSES**  
 $\tau [N/mm^2]$ **SHEAR FORCE**  
 $V [kN]$   
**TORSION**  
 $T [kNm]$

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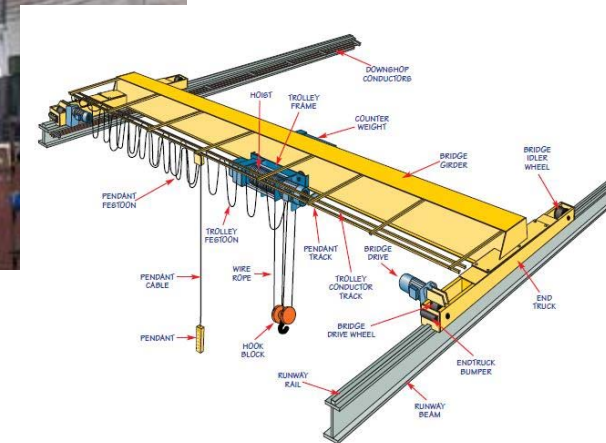


- Causes of torsion
- structural continuity
  - space configuration of structures

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Examples when torsion arise

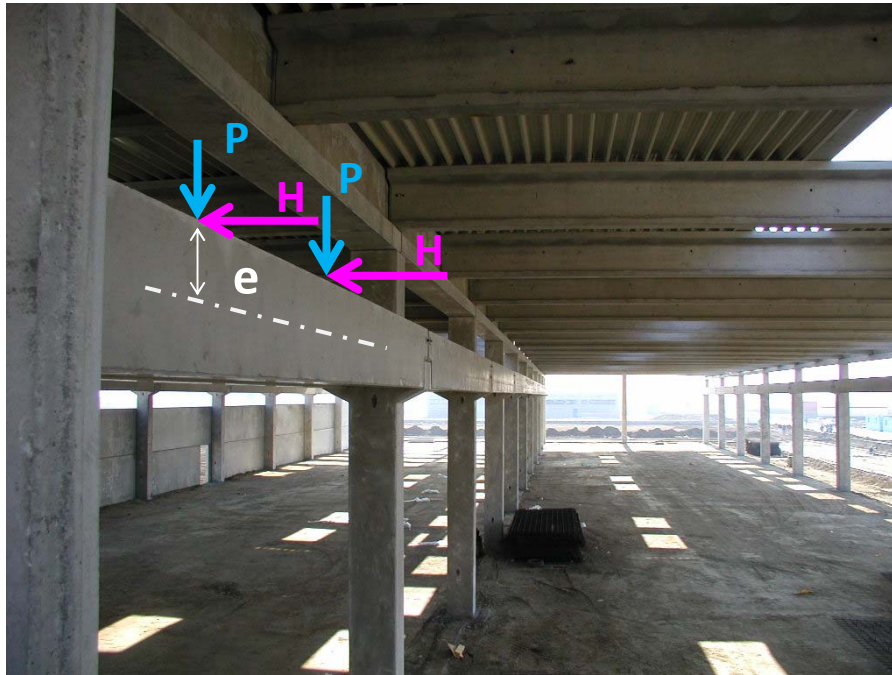
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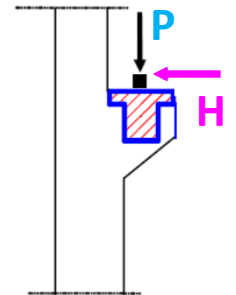
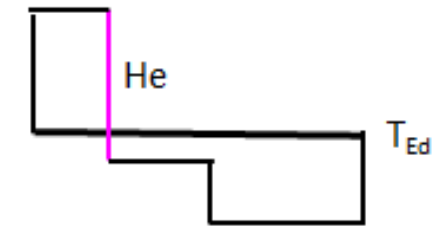
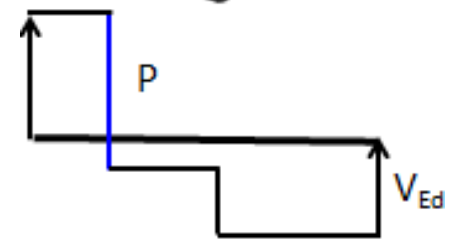
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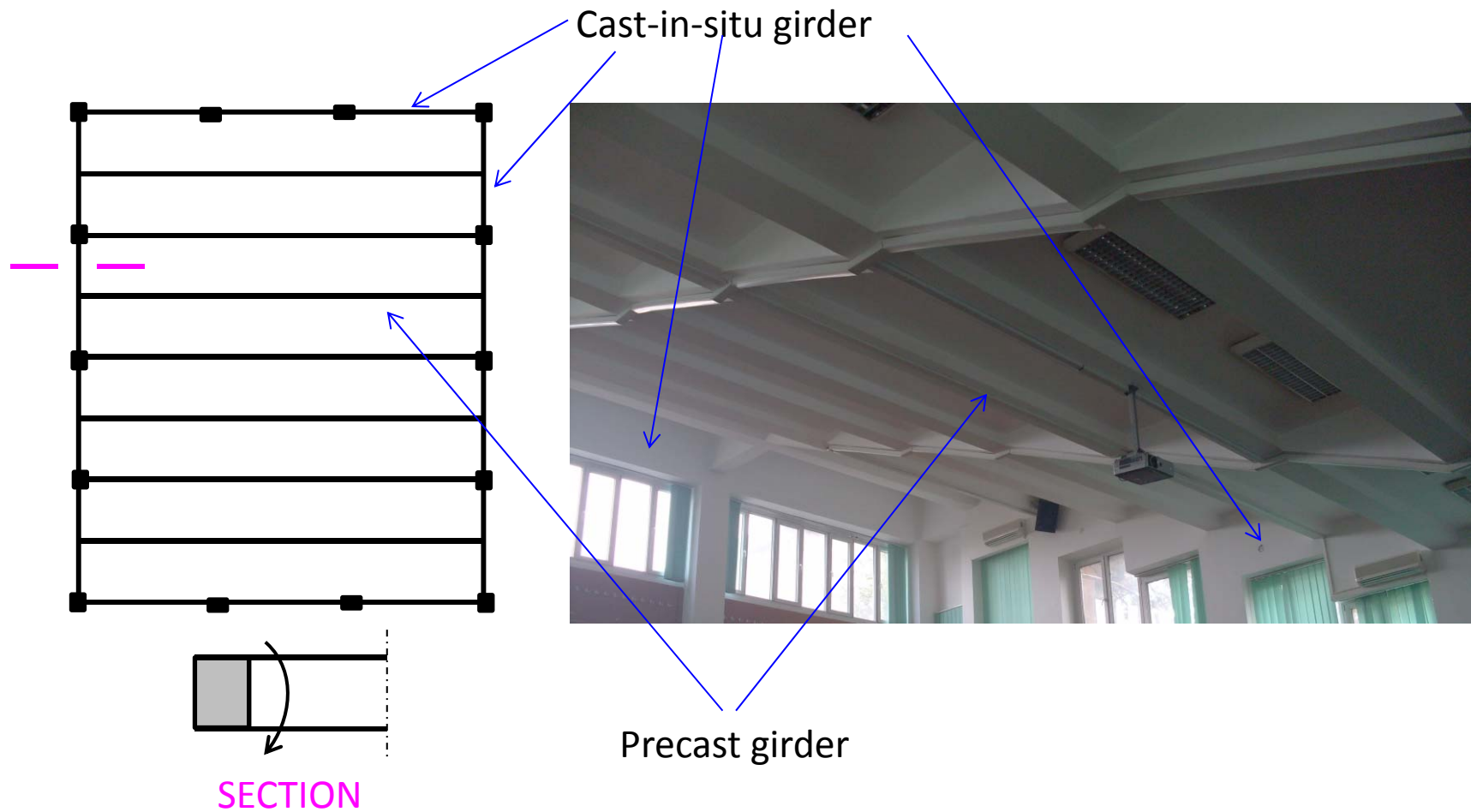
Applied torque =  $H \times e$   
(cuplu)



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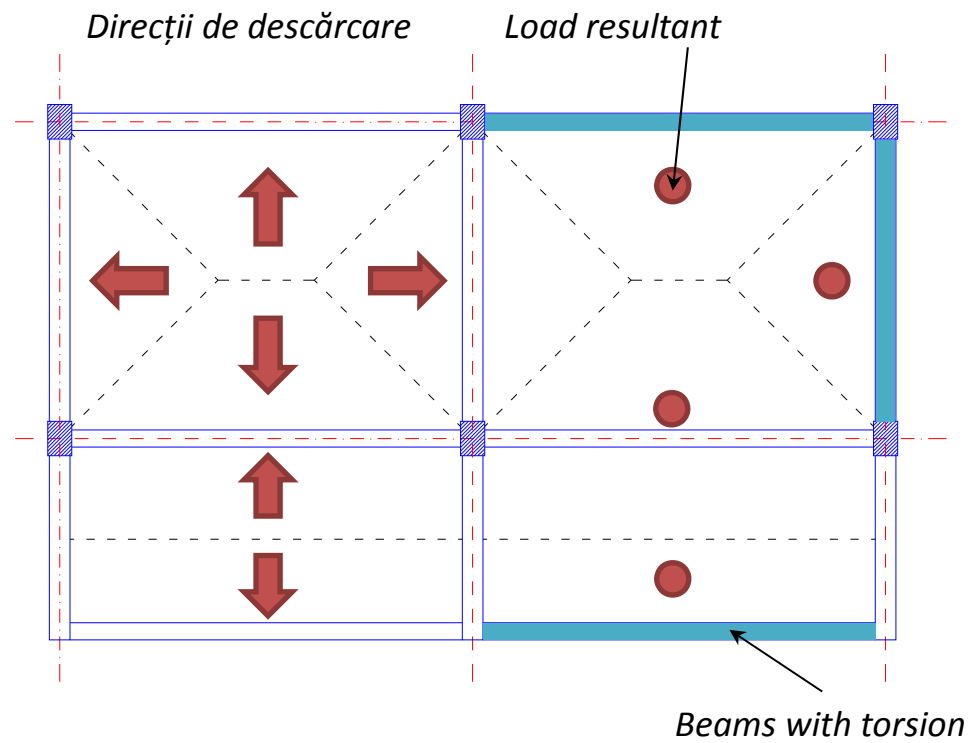
→ CAST-IN-PLACE EDGE BEAMS (FLOOR OF THE AUDITORIUM)



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Examples when torsion arise

→ BEAMS WITH SLAB IN CANTILEVER

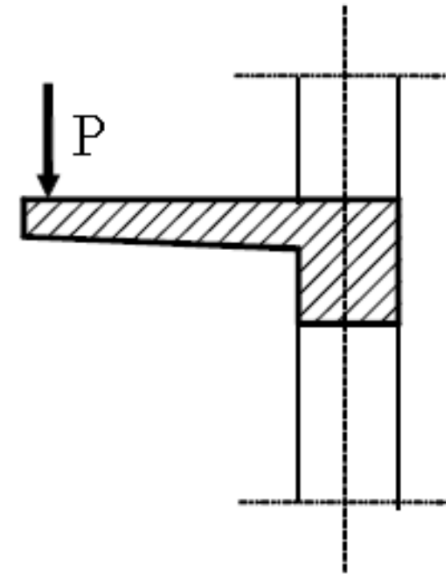




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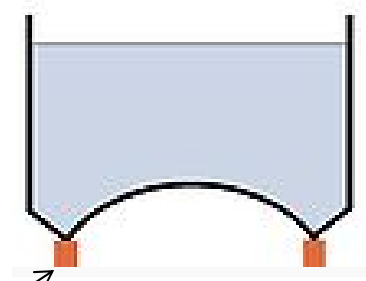
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→ CURVED BEAMS → INTZE WATER TANK

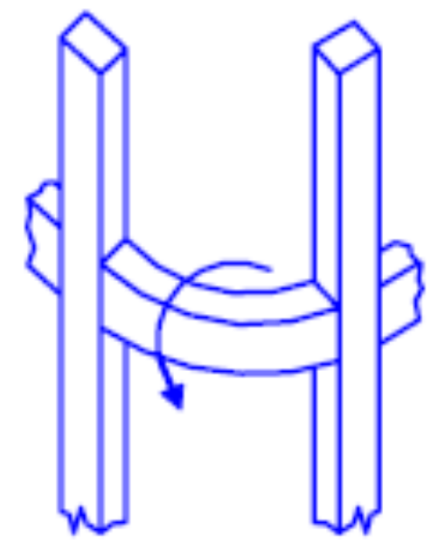
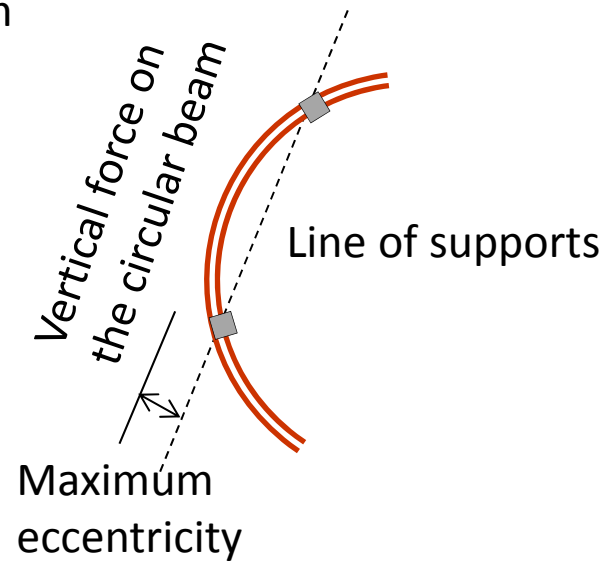


(1843 – 1902)

Only vertical forces are transmitted to the tower



Circular beam

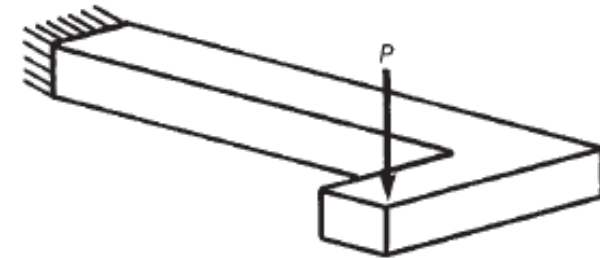
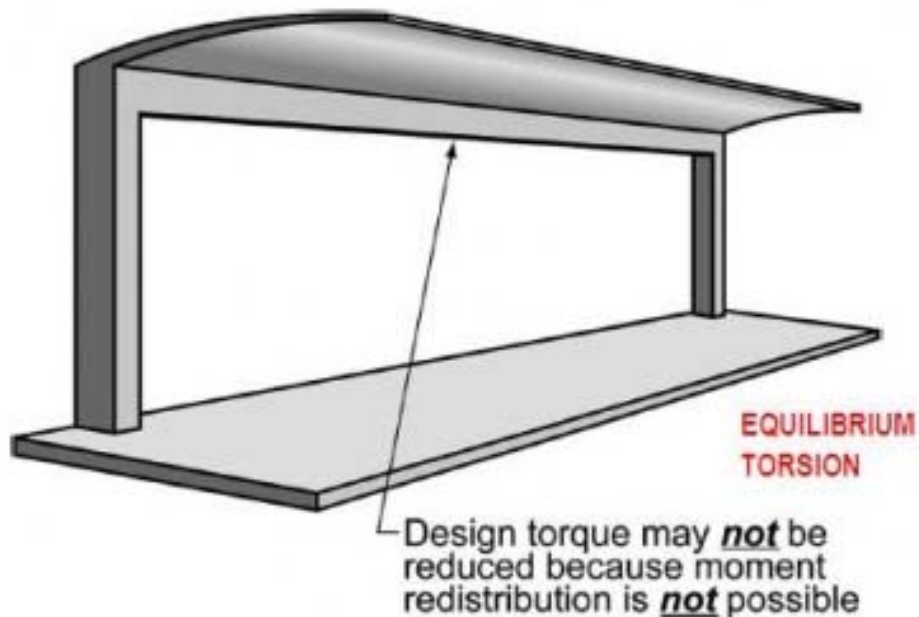


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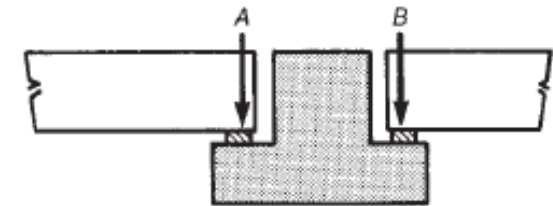
## EQUILIBRIUM (PRIMARY) TORSION

- static equilibrium of a structure depends on the torsional resistance
- full torsional design shall be made

Canopy



(a) Cantilever beam with eccentrically applied load.

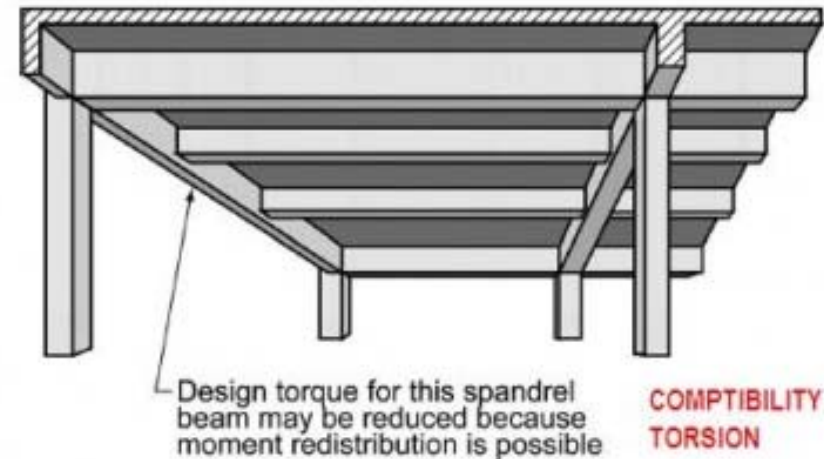
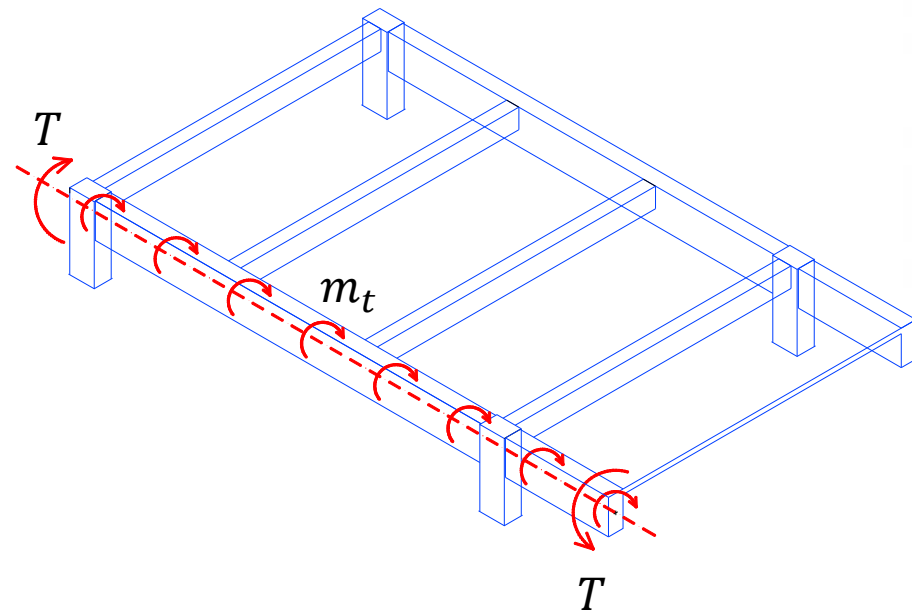


(b) Section through a beam supporting precast floor slabs.

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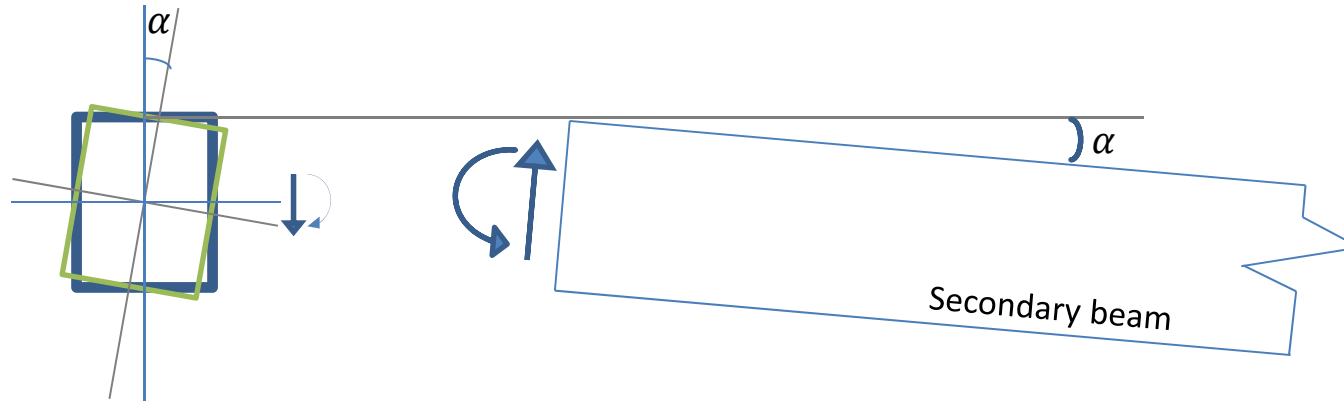
## COMPATIBILITY (SECONDARY) TORSION

- torsion arises from consideration of compatibility
- the structure is not dependent on the torsional resistance
- it will normally be unnecessary to consider torsion at the ultimate limit state
- a minimum reinforcement should be provided



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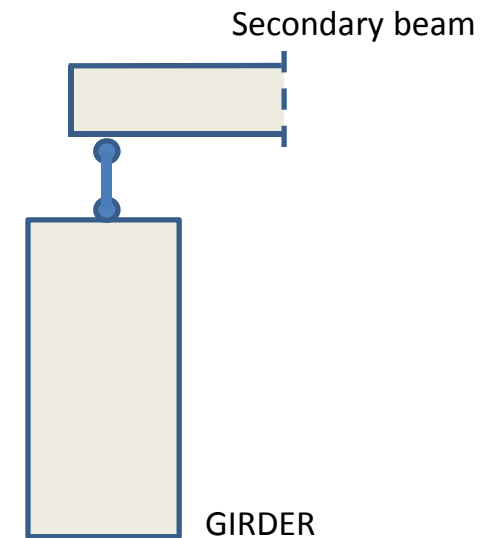
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Torsional stiffness of the girder is very low compared with the secondary beam  $\rightarrow$  Redistribution of stresses

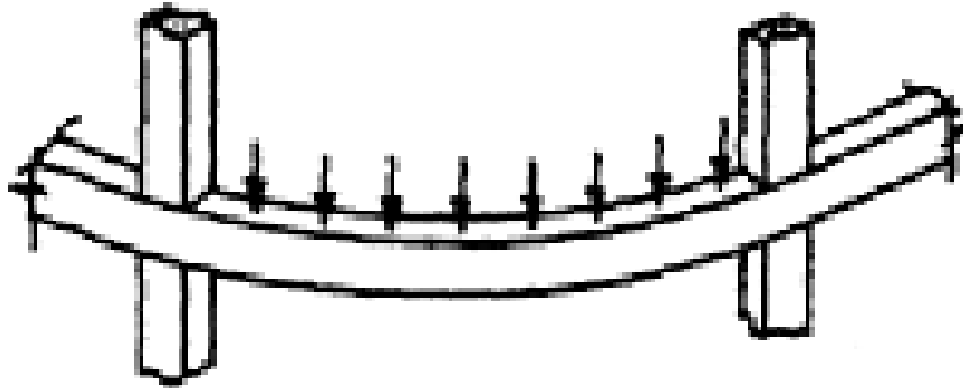
Secondary beam:

- Torsional stiffness could be neglected
- Design in ULS is not necessary
- Supplementary longitudinal reinforcement will be placed in zone with negative moment



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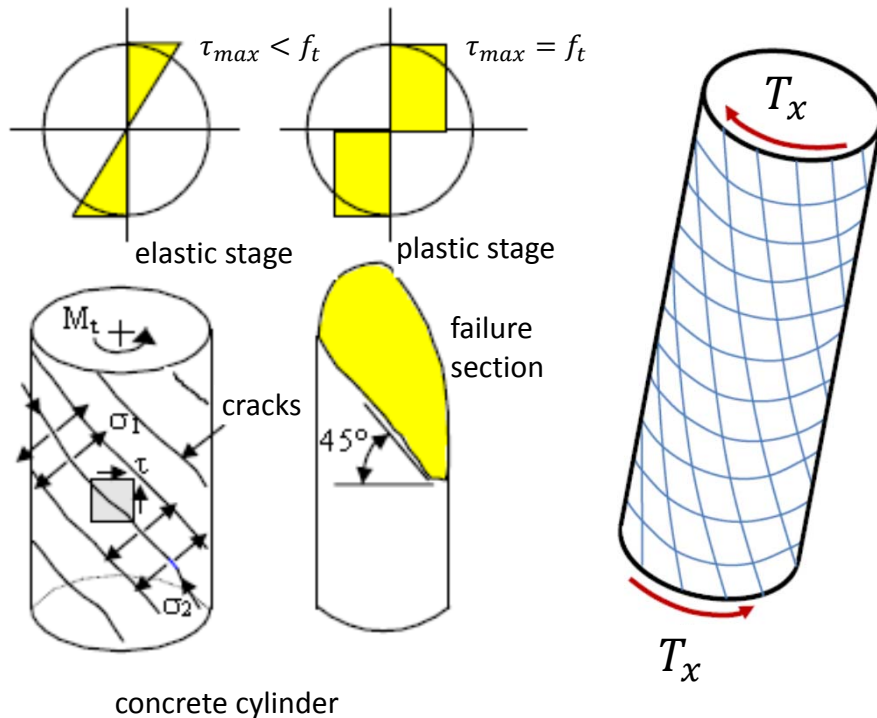
## COMPATIBILITY &amp; EQUILIBRIUM TORSION



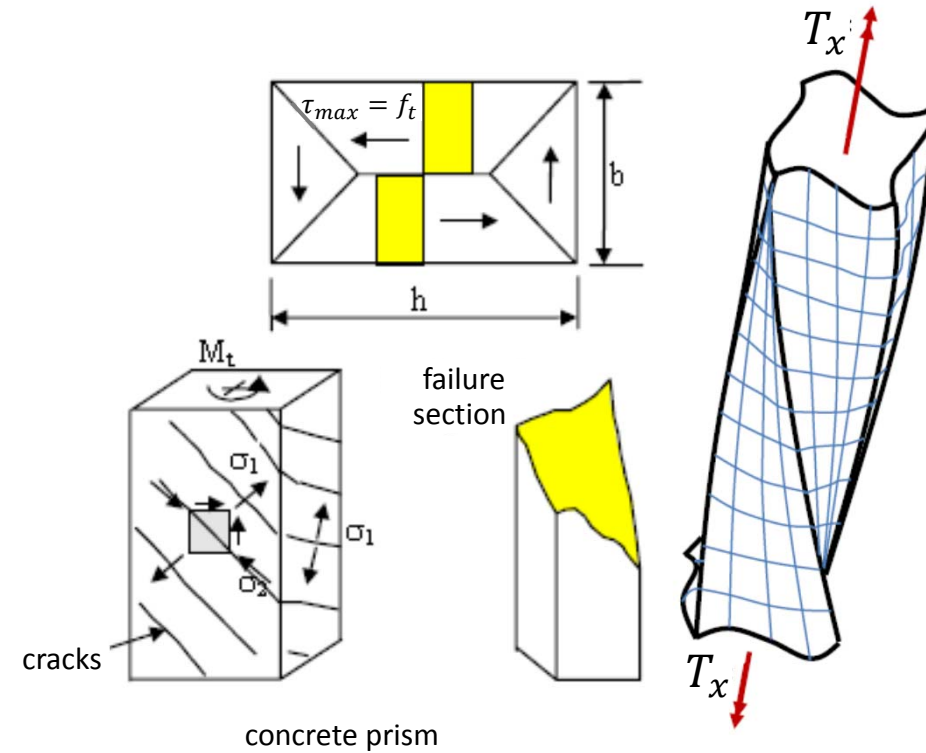
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## PLAIN CONCRETE TORSION

## Failure of plain concrete for torsion



Cross sections before and after torsion remains plain  
 → the principle of plain cross sections is valid



Due to torsion the cross sections do not remain plain  
 → the principle of plain cross sections does not  
 applicable, it is not valid

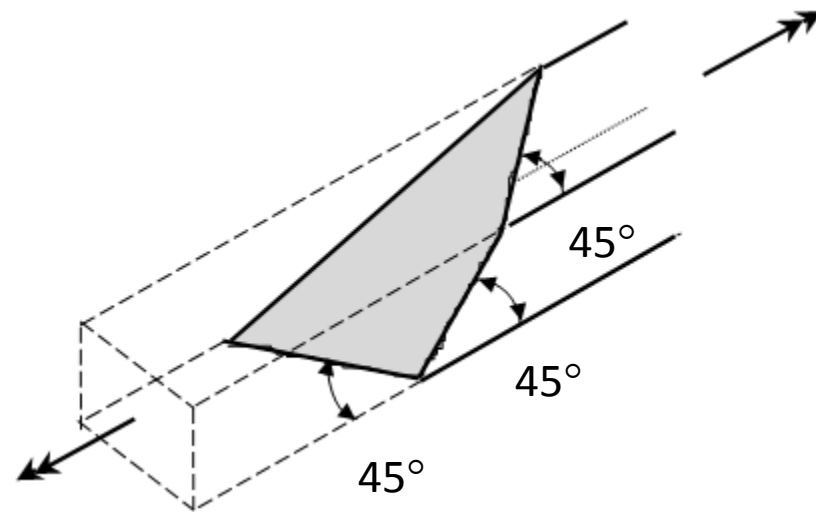
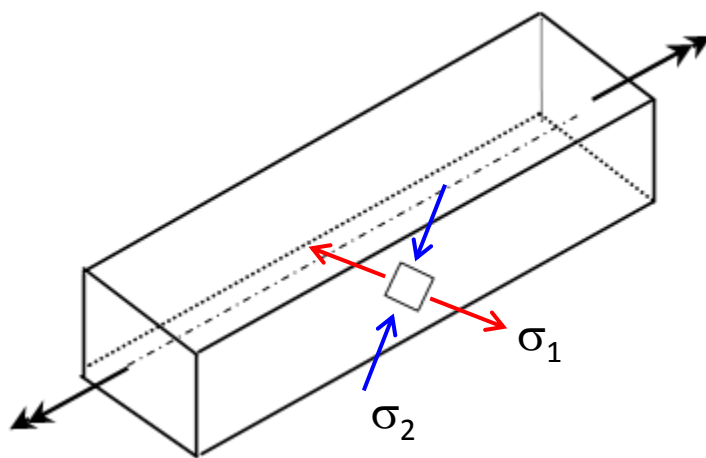
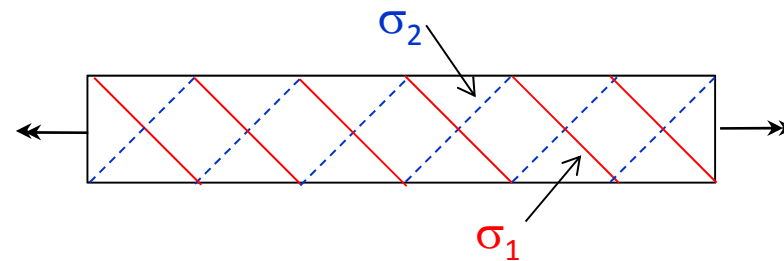
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## PLAIN CONCRETE TORSION

$$\sigma_{1,2} = \frac{\sigma_x}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2} \rightarrow \text{at the neutral axis level } \sigma_1 = \tau_0$$

Trajectories of principal stresses



SKEWED SECTION

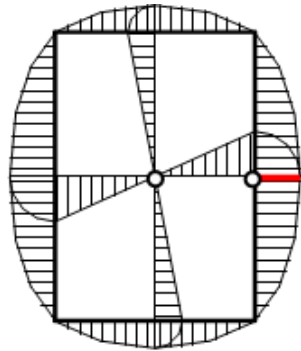
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## PLAIN CONCRETE TORSION

If it is accepted that in the moment of failure the concrete is fully plasticized:



$$\sigma_1 = \tau_{max} = \frac{T}{W_t} \rightarrow f_{ct}$$

and

$$W_t = \frac{1}{6} b^2 h \left( 3 - \frac{b}{h} \right)$$

where

- |       |   |  |
|-------|---|--|
| $W_t$ | - section modulus for torsion           | } whichever the section orientation is |
| $b$   | - the smallest dimension of the section |  |
| $h$   | - the greatest dimension of the section |  |

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**Behavior for torsion / Comportarea la torsiune****FAILURE IN TORSION****a) PLAIN CONCRETE**

$$T_{cracking} = T_R$$

**b) REINFORCED CONCRETE**

→ longitudinal reinforcements in the corners of the cross section + closed stirrups

$$T_{cracking} < T_R$$

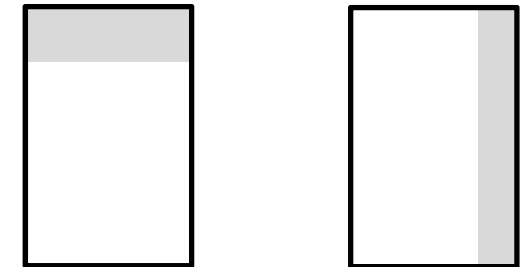
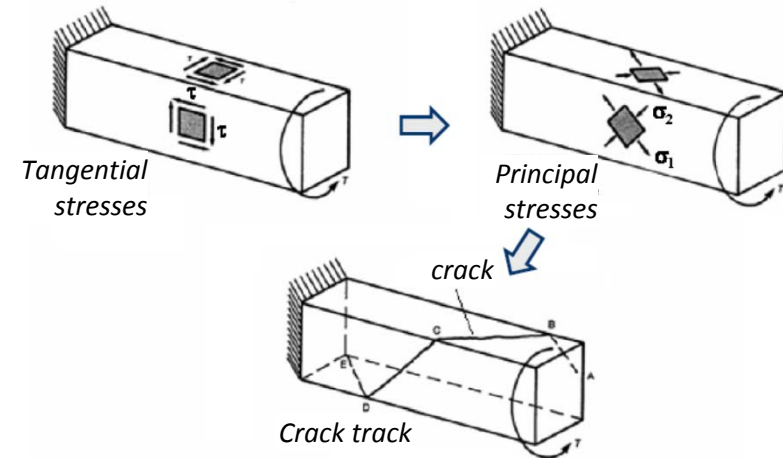
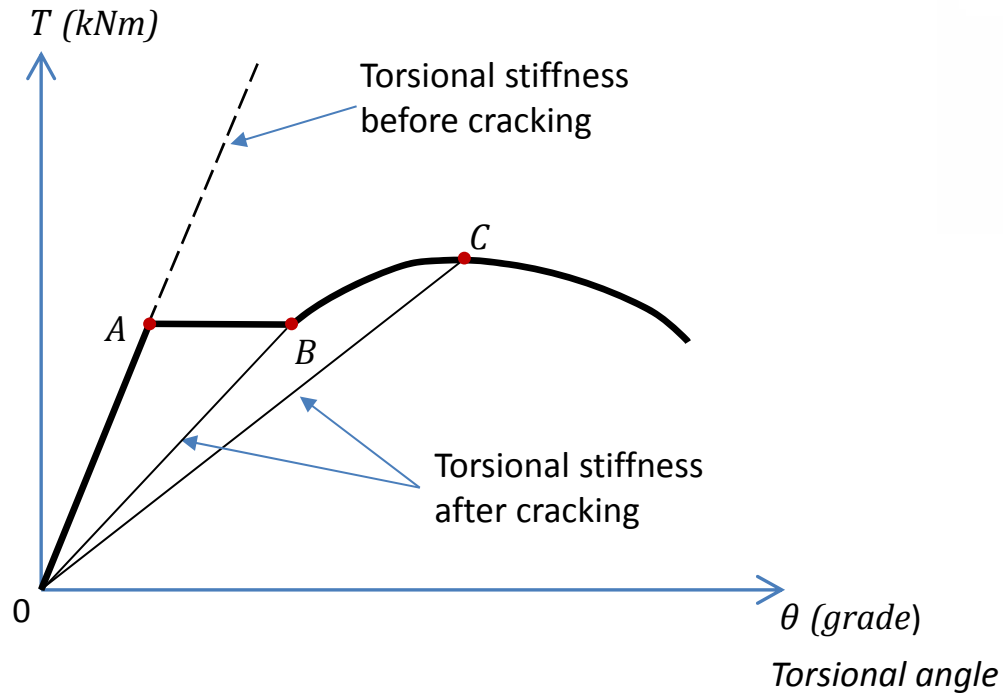
Failure of elements subjected to  $M_{Ed} + V_{Ed} + T_{Ed}$

→ yielding of reinforcements in skewed section (longitudinal and/or transversal) followed by crushing of compression concrete

**OR**

→ crushing of compression concrete (for over-reinforced elements) ↔ brittle failure → must be avoided

## Behavior for torsion / Comportarea la torsiune

 $T - \theta$  relation

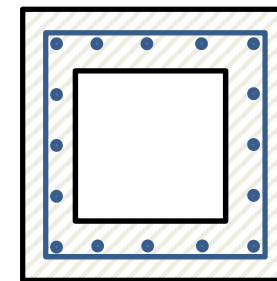
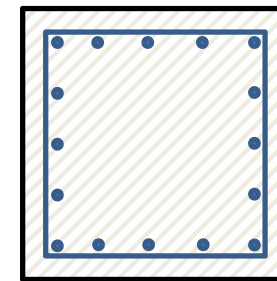
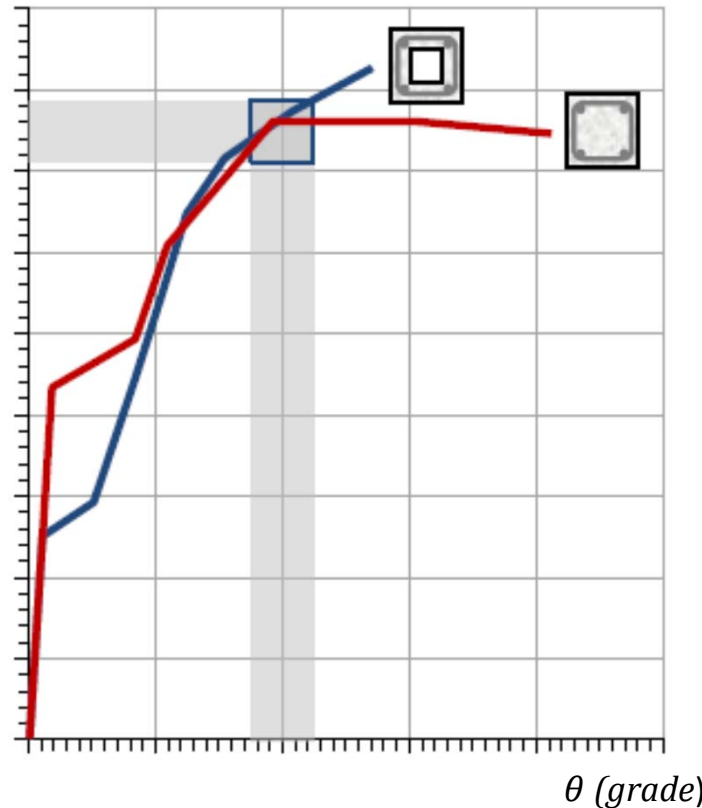
Depending on the correlation between  $M_{Ed}$ ,  $V_{Ed}$ ,  $T_{Ed}$  the compressed concrete position could be changed.

## Behavior for torsion / Comportarea la torsiune

Experimental tests on RC elements were demonstrated that:

→ Differences in capacity for torsion of rectangular solid and tubular cross sections are not important, thus the contribution of the core concrete could be neglected for torsion calculations.

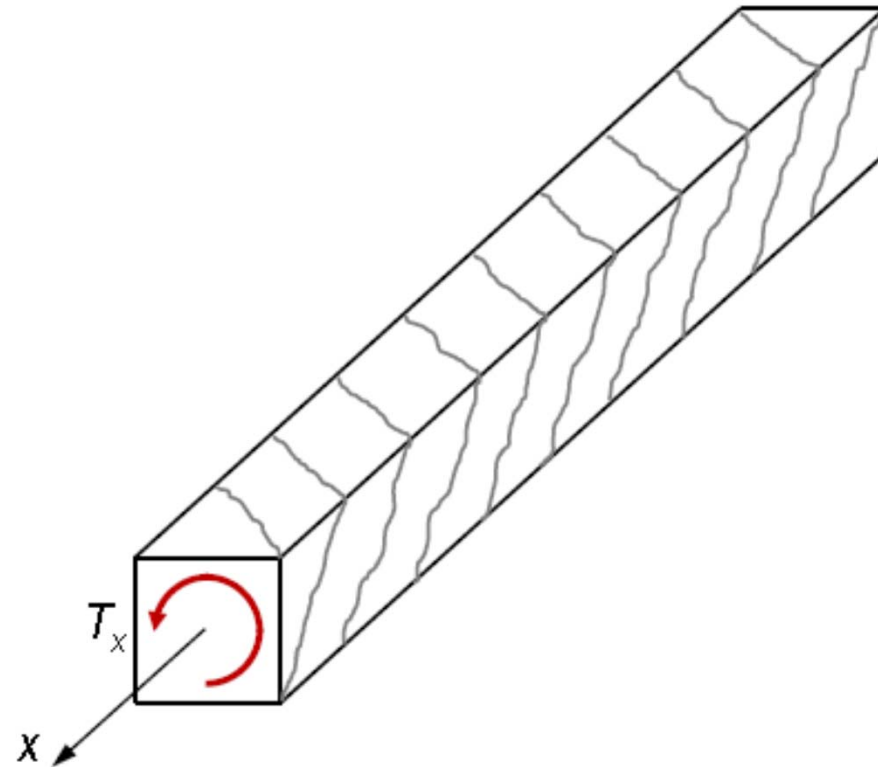
$T$  (kNm)



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Experimental tests on RC elements were demonstrated that:

→ Crack pattern of a RC beam subjected to torsion is very similar with an element subjected to shear

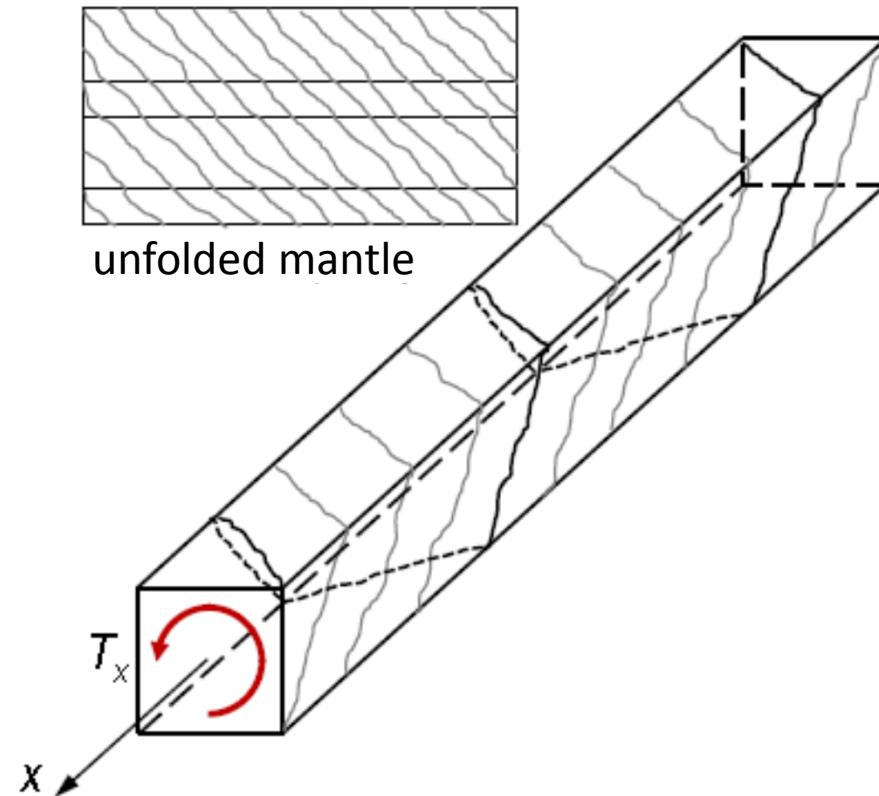


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→ Cracks resulting from torsion are forming coherent and continues crack pattern peripherally to the beam

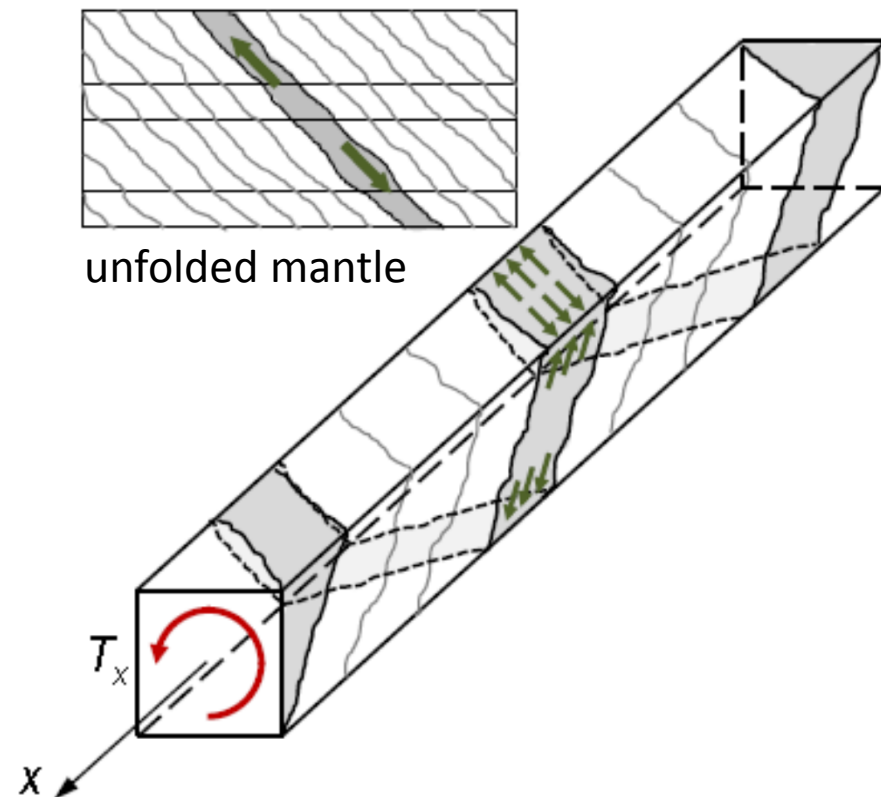


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Experimental tests on RC elements were demonstrated that:

→ Concrete zones between torsional cracks could be considered compressed concrete bars

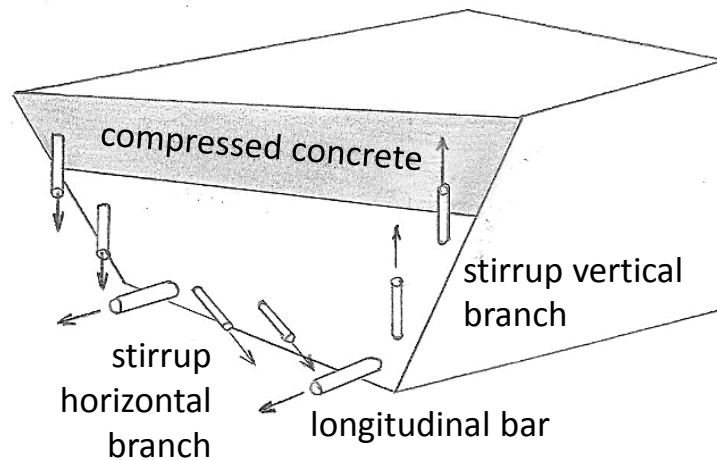


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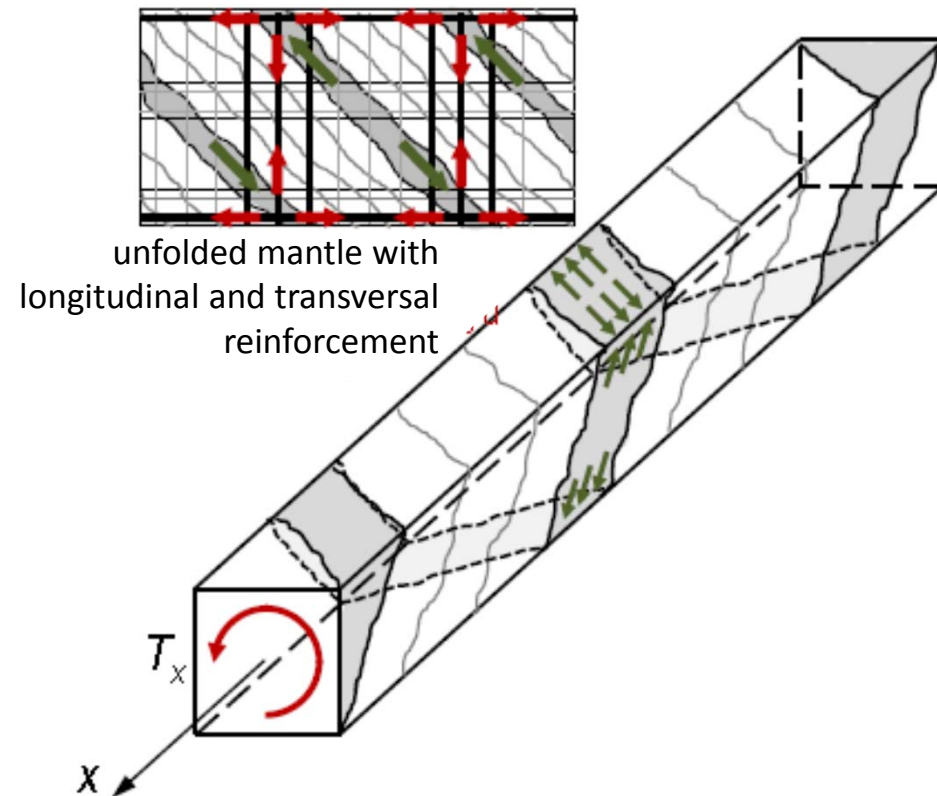


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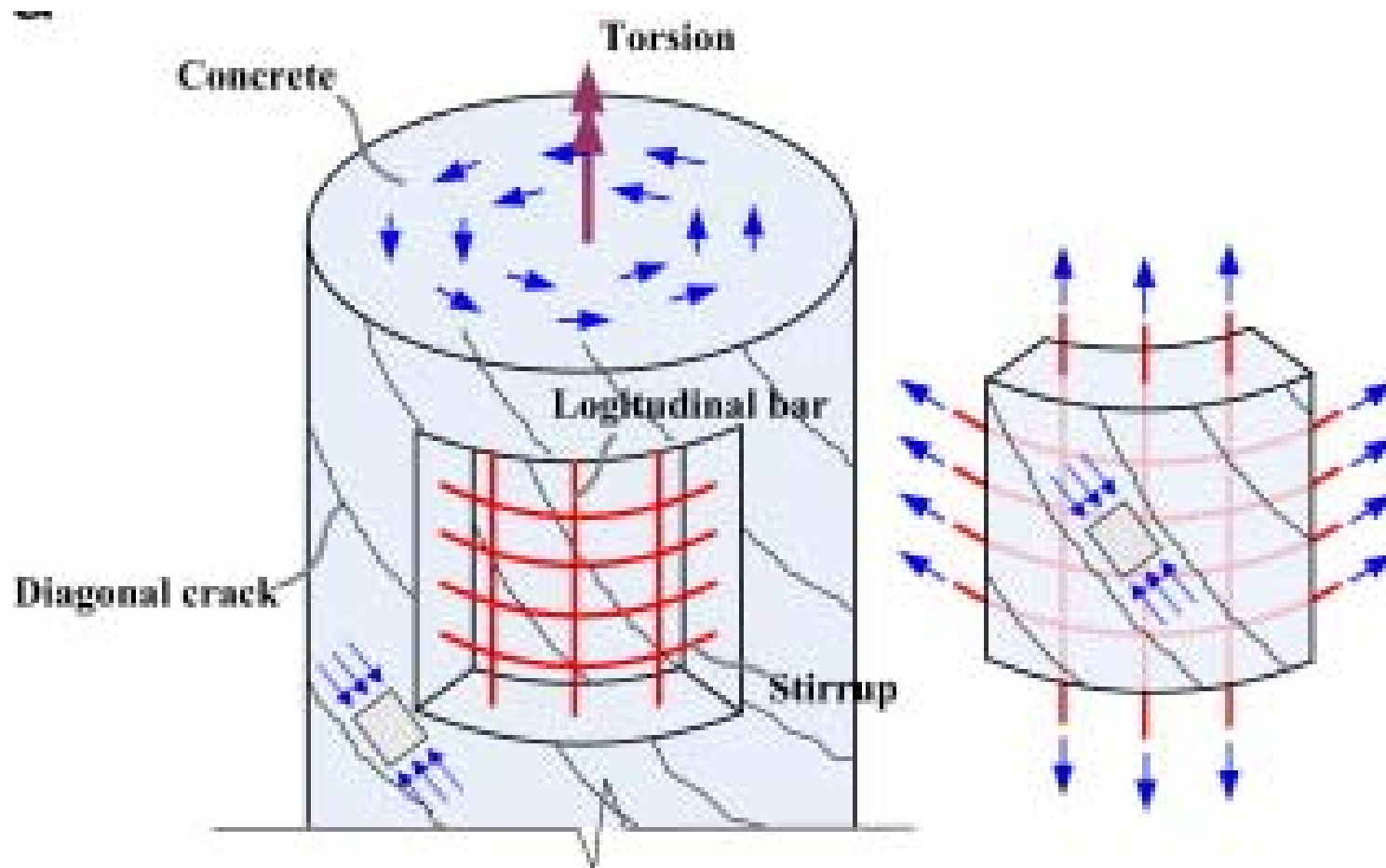
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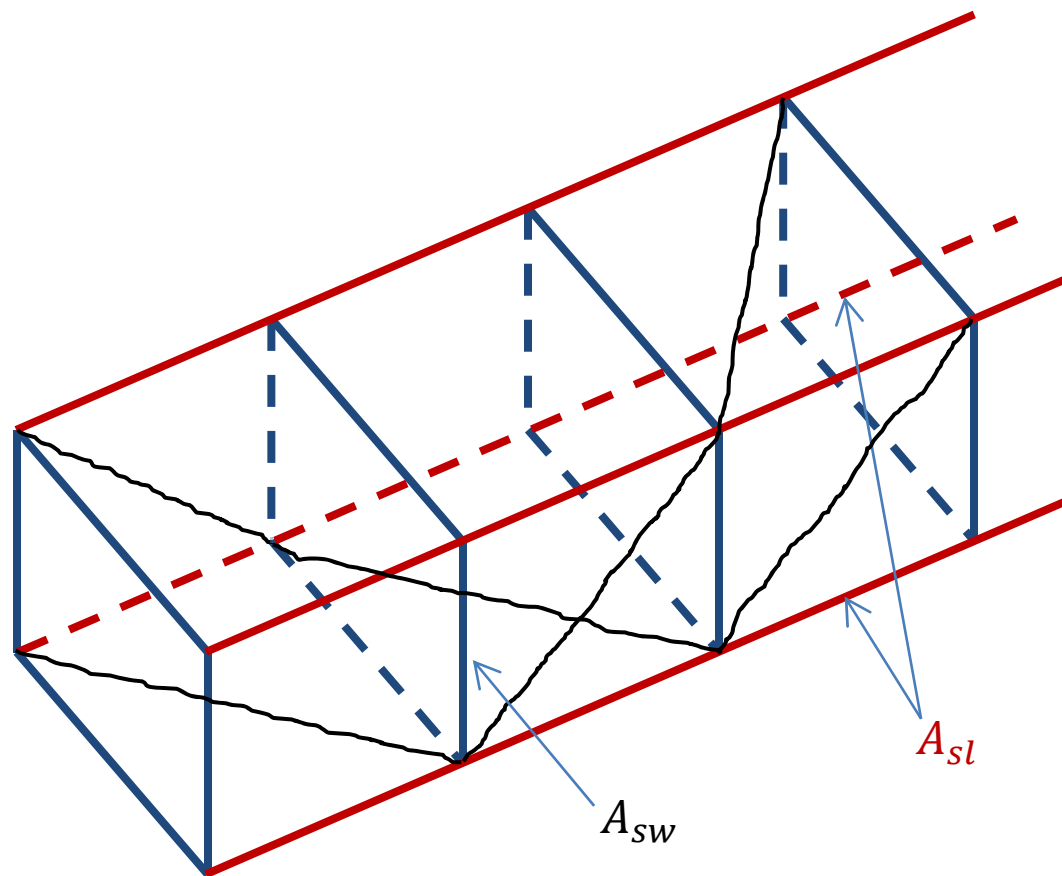
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Space truss model

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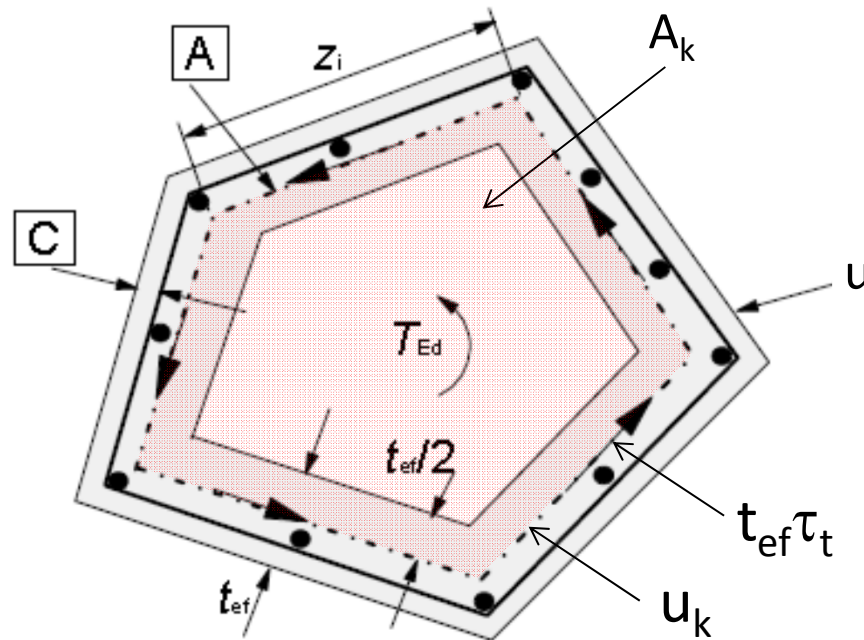
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## Design model / Modelul de calcul

The torsional resistance of a section may be calculated on the basis of a thin-walled closed section.



$A$  – center-line, enclosing area  $A_k$

$A_k$  – area enclosed by the center-line, including inner hollow areas

$u_k$  – perimeter of area  $A_k$

$u$  – outer perimeter

$z_i$  – side length of wall  $i$

$\tau_t$  – torsional shear stress

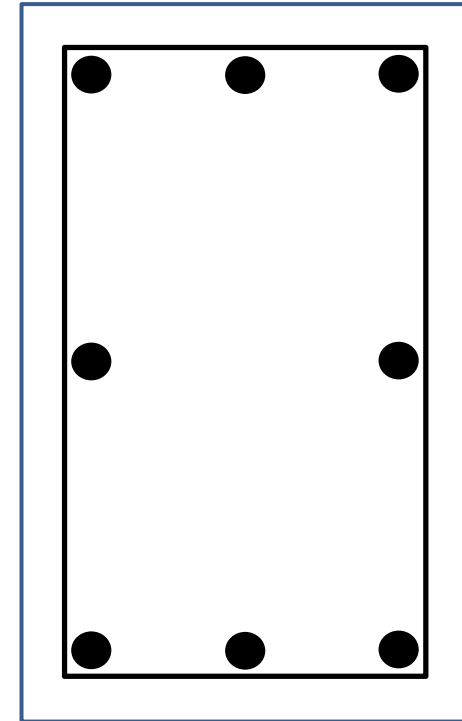
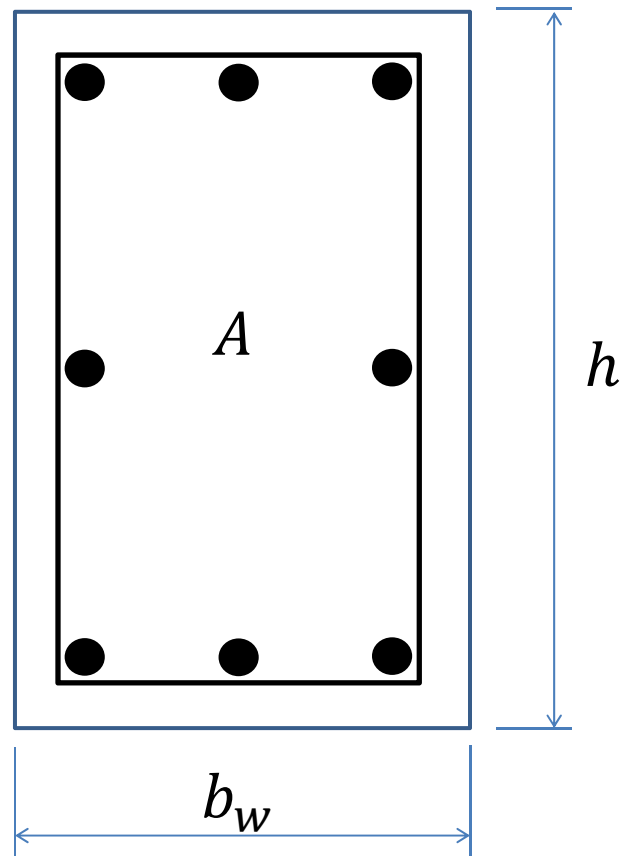
$c$  – concrete cover

$t_{ef}$  – effective wall thickness

Equilibrium is satisfied by a closed shear flow  $t_{ef}\tau_t$

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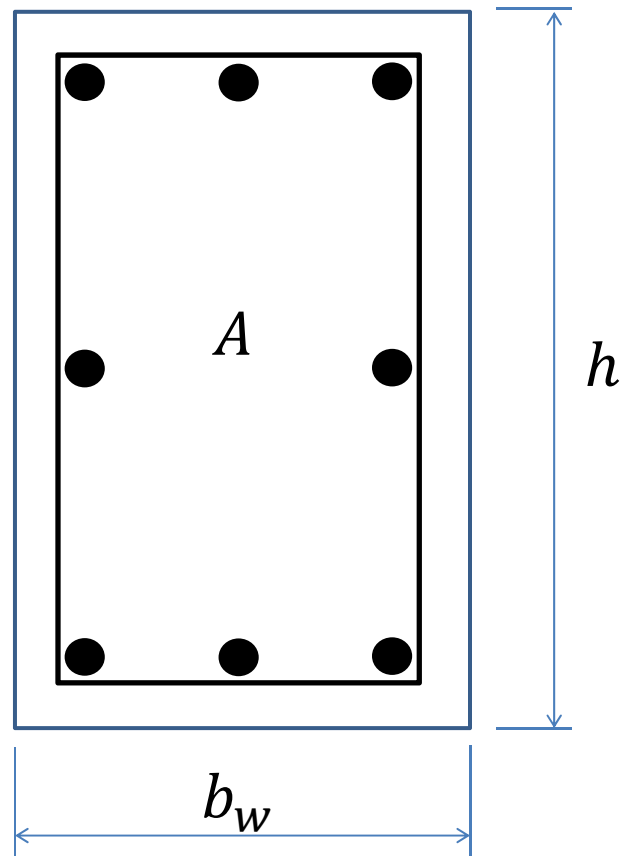


$$A = b_w h$$

$$u = 2(b_w + h)$$

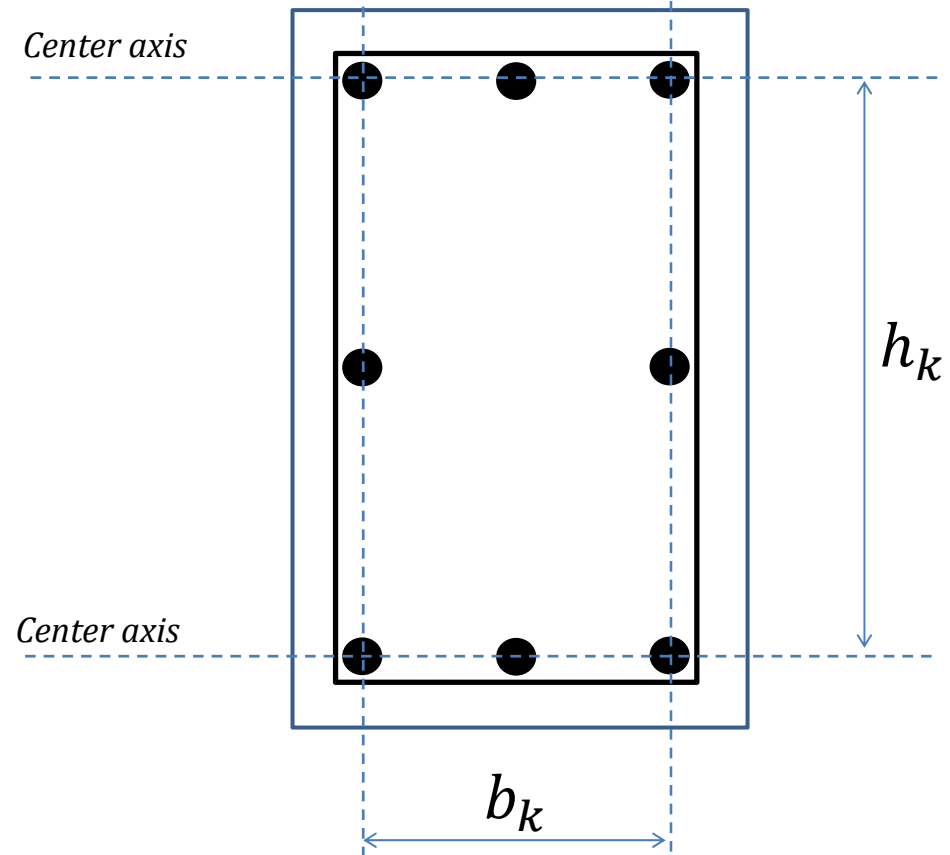
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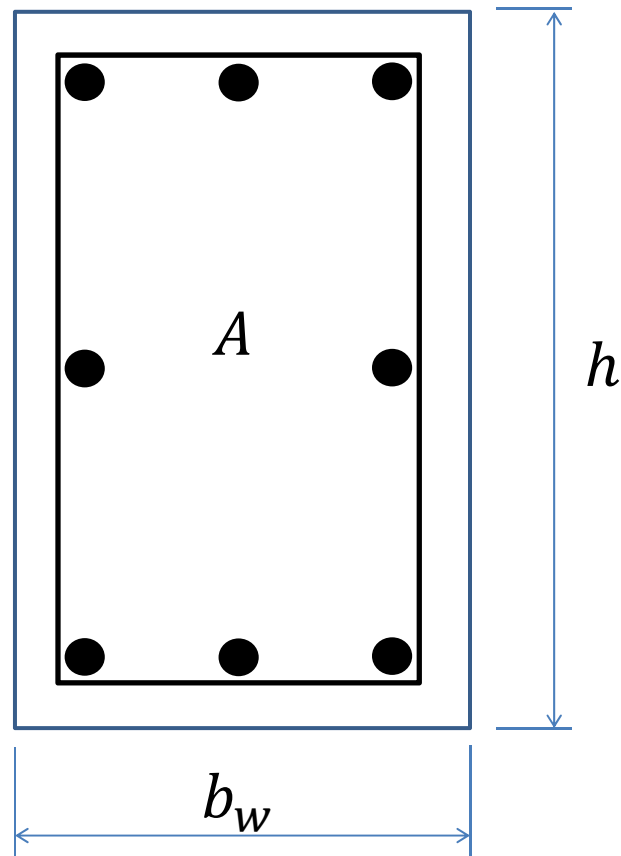
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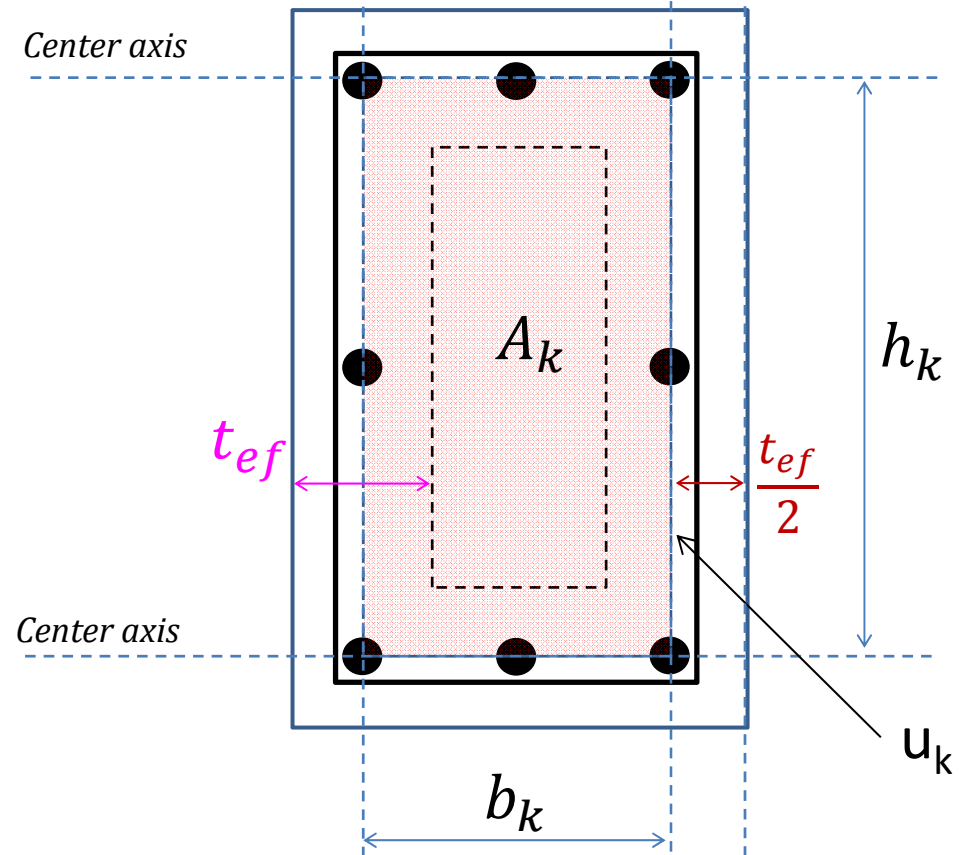
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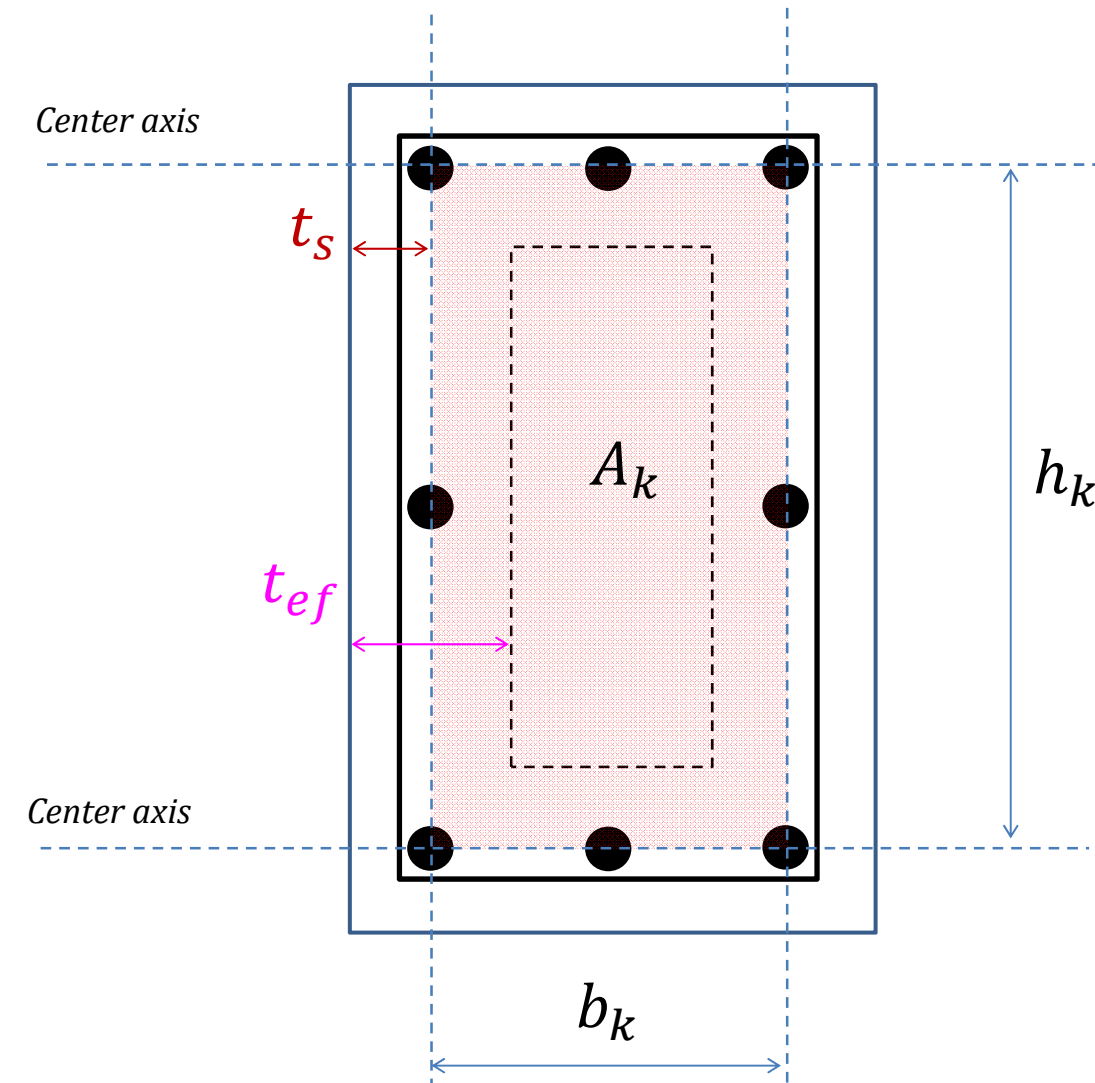


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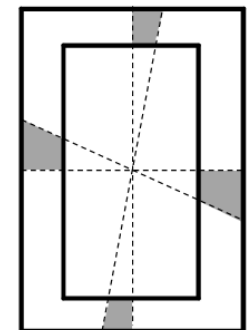
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$$t_{ef} = \frac{A}{u} \geq t_{ef,min} = 2t_s$$

Why equivalent thin-walled sections?

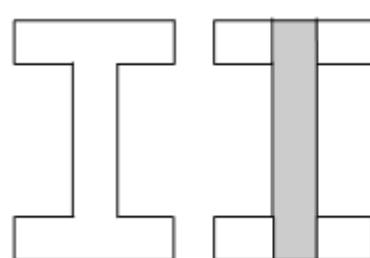
The greatest shear stresses are at edge of the cross section



## Design model / Modelul de calcul

For complex shapes:

- may be divided into a series of sub-sections
- every sub-sections is modeled as an equivalent thin-walled section
- for non-solid sections the equivalent wall thickness should not exceed the actual wall thickness
- each sub-section may be designed separately
- the distribution of the acting torsional moment over the sub-sections should be in proportion to their uncracked torsional stiffnesses



$$T_{Ed,i} = \frac{I_{ti}}{\sum I_{ti}} T_{Ed}$$

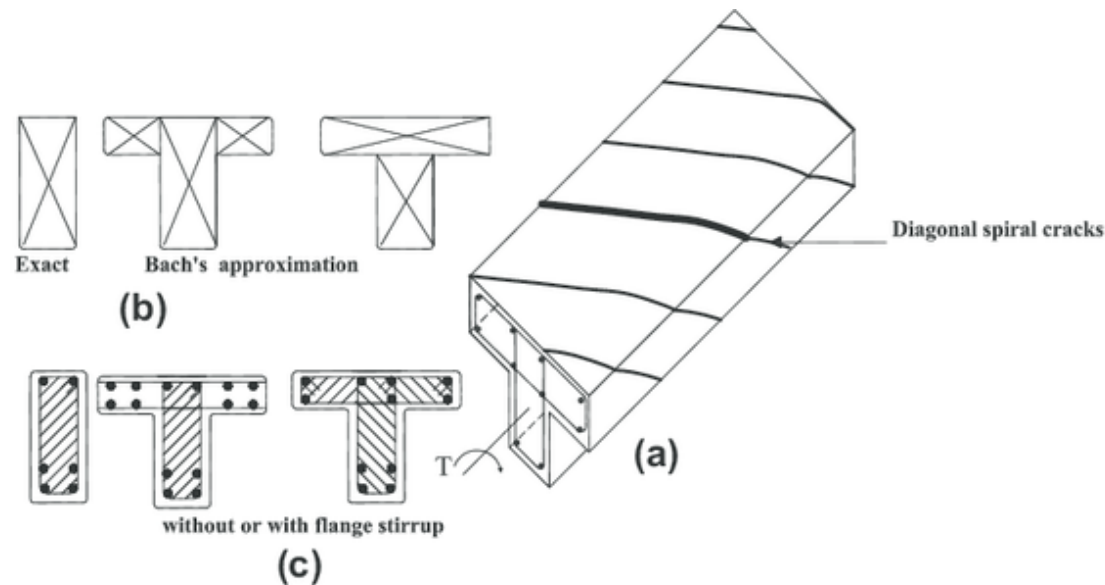
$$I_t = \eta h b^3$$

<b>h/b</b>	1,0	1,2	1,4	1,6	1,8	2,0	2,2	2,4	2,6	2,8	3,0
<b>η</b>	0,140	0,163	0,185	0,203	0,216	0,229	0,232	0,235	0,239	0,248	0,246

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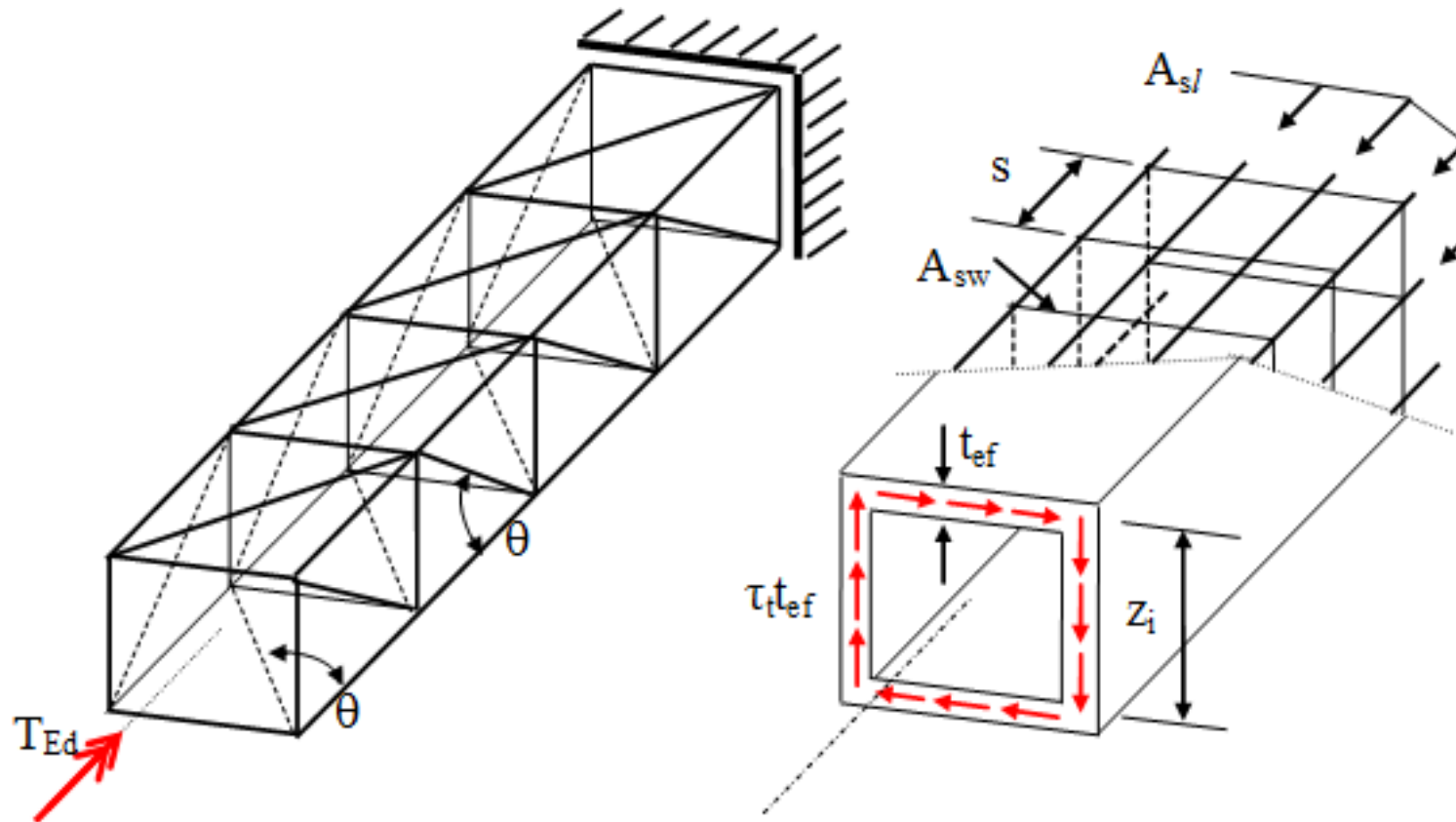
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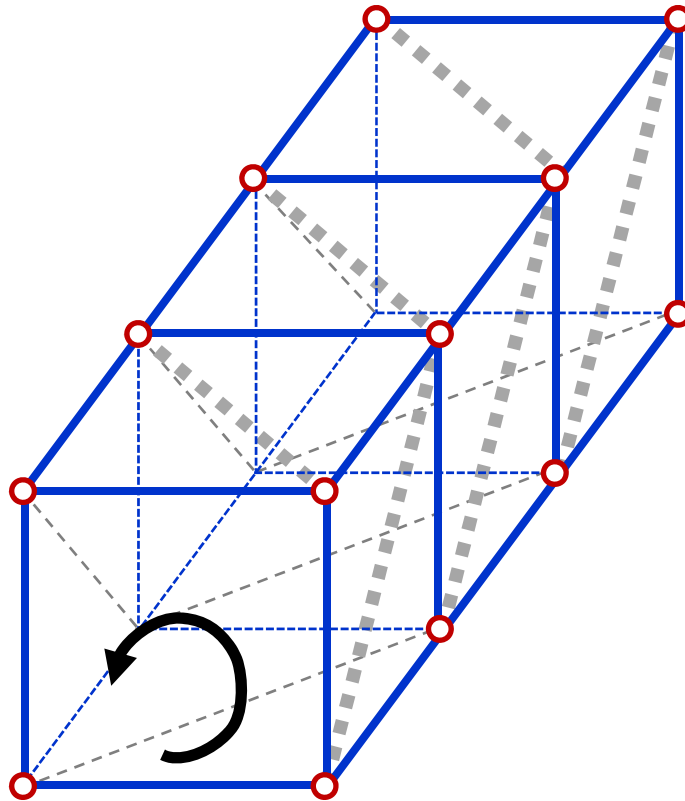
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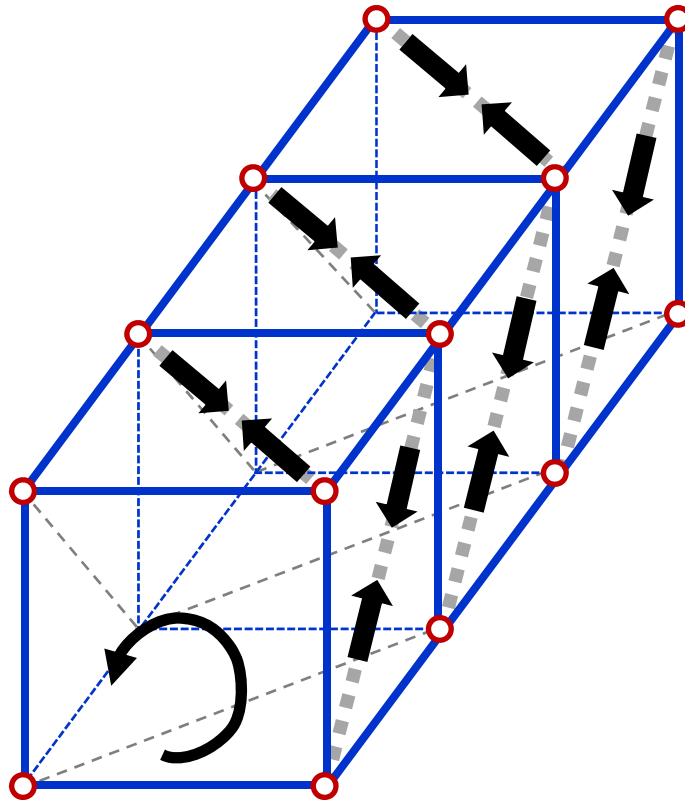
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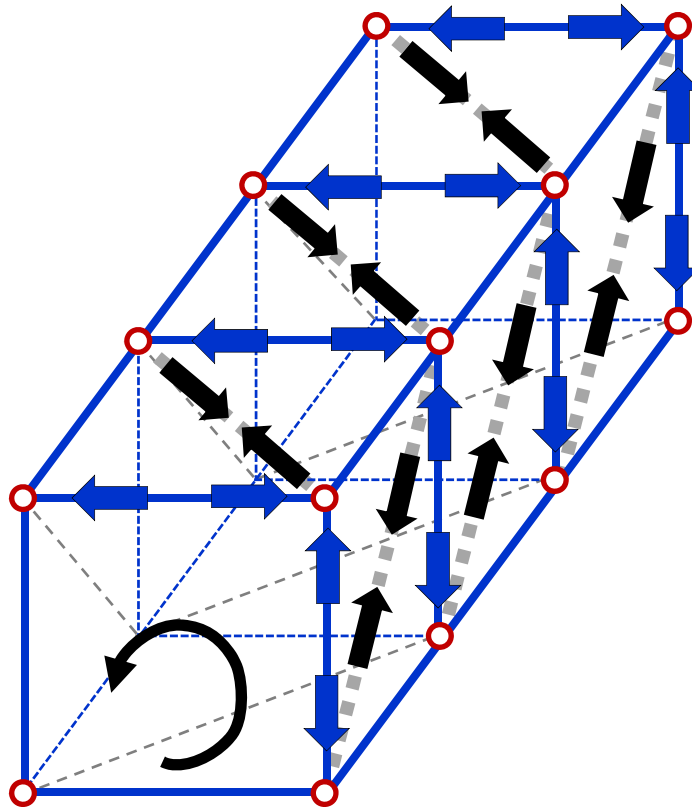
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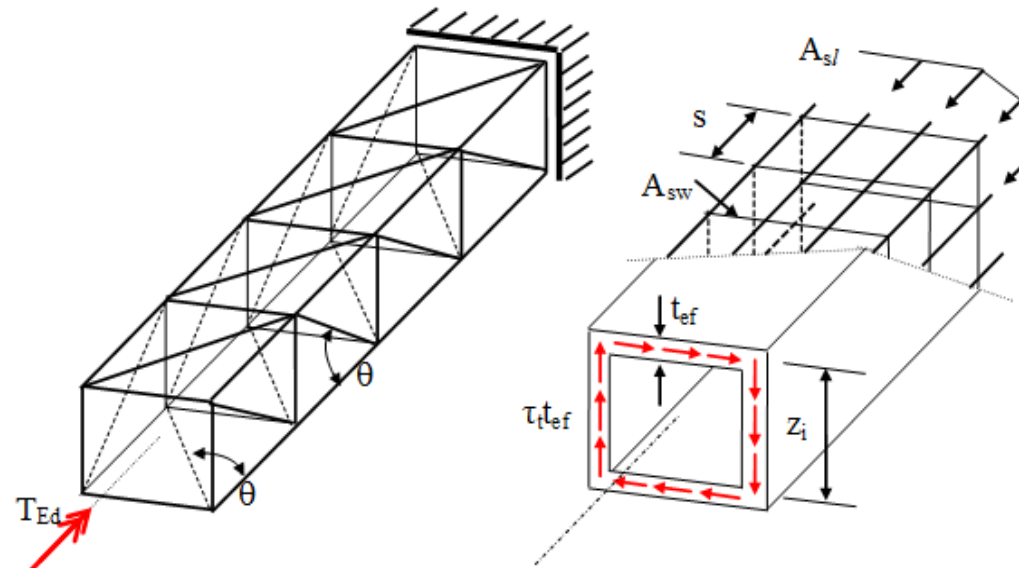
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- 1) The effects of torsion and shear may be superimposed, assuming the same value for the strut inclination  $\theta$ ; **the same angle  $\theta$  in every wall.**
- 2) The distribution of stirrups is constant along the element.
- 3) Longitudinal bars are distributed around the section; for calculation reasons longitudinal reinforcement is concentrated in the four corners.
- 4)  $T_{Ed}$  is replaced by a flow of shear  $\tau_t t_{ef}$

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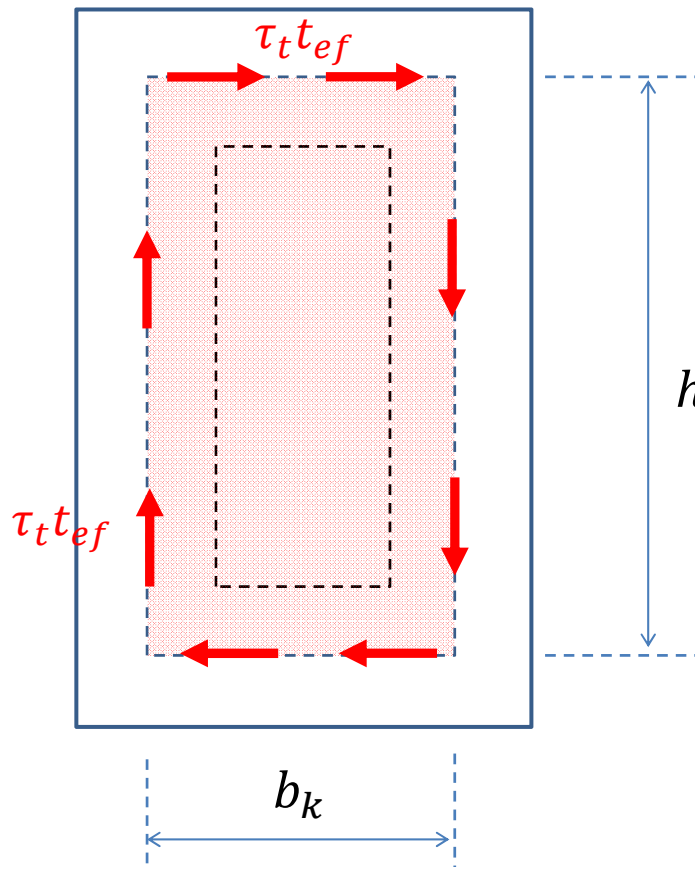
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## Calculation for torsion / Calculul la torsiune



$$\Sigma T = 0$$

$$T_{Ed} = (\tau_t t_{ef}) \cdot h_k \cdot \frac{b_k}{2} \cdot 2 + (\tau_t t_{ef}) \cdot b_k \cdot \frac{h_k}{2} \cdot 2$$

shear force  
for wall " $h_k$ "

shear force  
for wall " $b_k$ "

$$T_{Ed} = 2(\tau_t t_{ef})A_k$$

$$\tau_t t_{ef} = \frac{T_{Ed}}{2A_k}$$

→ shear force for a wall:

$$V_{Ed} = \tau_t t_{ef} z = \frac{T_{Ed}}{2A_k} z$$

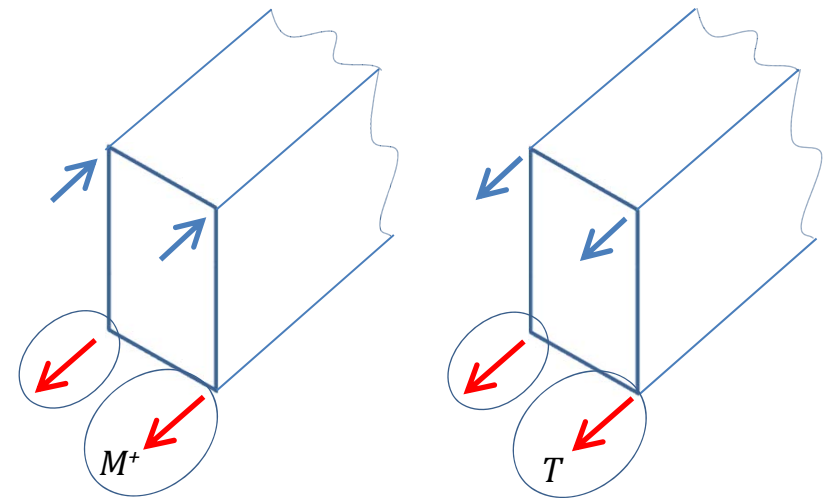
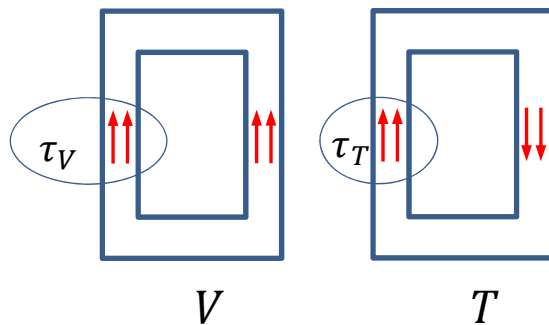
## Calculation for torsion / Calculul la torsiune

### CAPACITY OF COMPRESSION STRUTS

Structural elements are subjected to  $M_{Ed} + V_{Ed} + T_{Ed}$

→ shear stresses are induced

→ should take account superposition of the effects of torsion and shear



## Calculation for torsion / Calculul la torsiune

### CAPACITY OF COMPRESSION STRUTS

#### FOR APPROXIMATELY RECTANGULAR SOLID SECTIONS

Calculation for combined shear and torsion is required ← **NO**  $\frac{T_{Ed}}{T_{Rd,c}} + \frac{V_{Ed}}{V_{Rd,c}} \leq 1$  **YES** → no reinforcement calculation required

Where

$$T_{Rd,c} = 2A_k t_{ef} f_{ctd}$$

- torsional cracking moment, with  $\tau_t = f_{ctd}$

## Calculation for torsion / Calculul la torsiune

### CAPACITY OF COMPRESSION STRUTS

THE MAXIMUM RESISTANCE OF A MEMBER SUBJECTED TO TORSION AND SHEAR IS LIMITED BY THE CAPACITY OF THE CONCRETE STRUTS

reconsider of  
the cross section ← **NO**

$$\frac{T_{Ed}}{T_{Rd,max}} + \frac{V_{Ed}}{V_{Rd,max}} \leq 1$$

**YES** → next step = reinforcement  
calculation

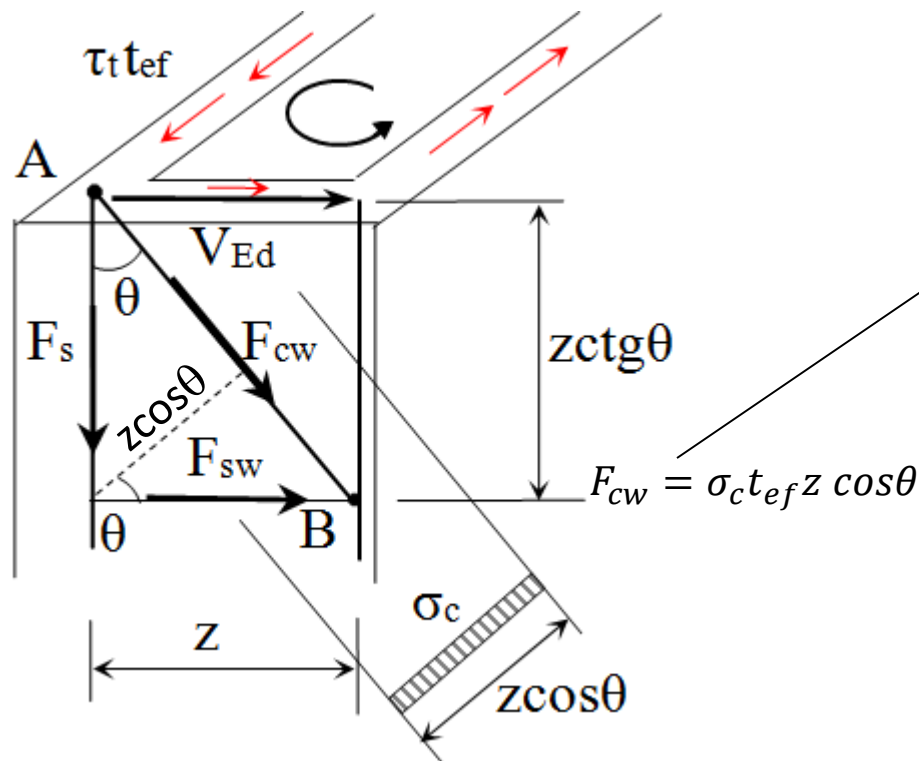
Notes about  $V_{Rd,max}$

- in solid cross sections the full width of the web may be used
- for non-solid sections replace  $b_w$  by  $t_{ef}$

## Calculation for torsion / Calculul la torsiune

## CAPACITY OF COMPRESSED STRUTS

THE MAXIMUM RESISTANCE OF A MEMBER SUBJECTED TO TORSION AND SHEAR IS LIMITED BY THE CAPACITY OF THE CONCRETE STRUTS



$$\Sigma F_A = 0$$

$$V_{Ed} = F_{cw} \sin \theta \quad \rightarrow$$

$$F_{cw} = V_{Ed} / \sin \theta$$

$$V_{Ed} = \tau_t t_{ef} z = \frac{T_{Ed}}{2A_k} z$$

$$\sigma_c t_{ef} z \cos \theta = \frac{T_{Ed}}{2A_k \sin \theta} z$$

$$\rightarrow T_{Ed} = 2A_k \sigma_c t_{ef} \sin \theta \cos \theta$$

resisting torque by  
compression strut  
for  $\sigma_c = f_{cd}$

$$EC2: T_{Rd,max} = 2\alpha_{cw} \nu f_{cd} A_k t_{ef} \sin \theta \cos \theta$$

## Calculation for torsion / Calculul la torsiune

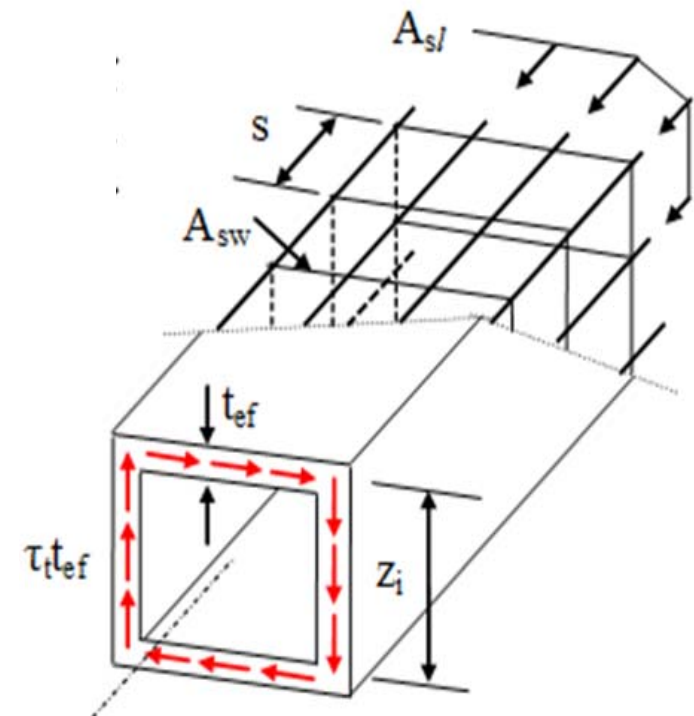
### LONGITUDINAL REINFORCEMENT CALCULATION

$\frac{A_k}{u_k}$  - longitudinal reinforcement uniformly distributed on perimeter  $u_k$

$\frac{A_{sl}}{u_k} z$  - longitudinal reinforcement for a wall

$\frac{A_{sl}}{u_k} z \sigma_s$  - corresponding tensile force in the wall

$$F_s = \frac{A_{sl}}{u_k} z \sigma_s$$





## Calculation for torsion / Calculul la torsiune

## LONGITUDINAL REINFORCEMENT CALCULATION

$$\Sigma F_A = 0$$

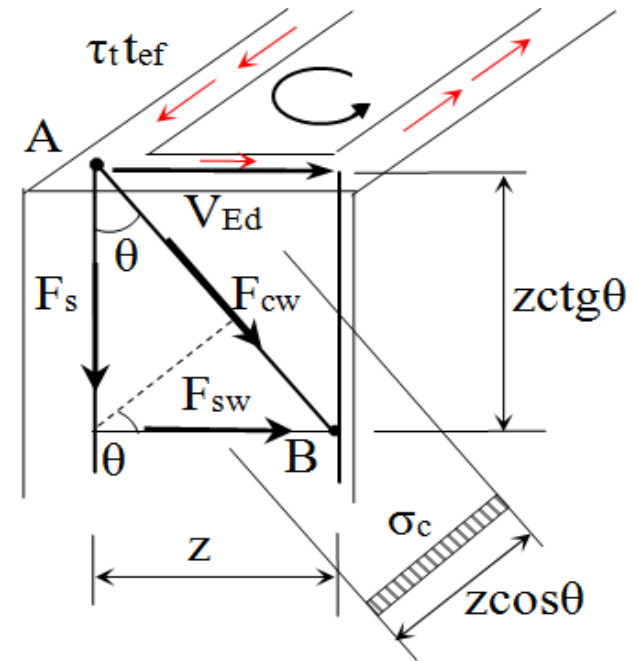
$$F_S = F_{cw} \cos \theta$$

$$F_{cw} = V_{Ed} / \sin \theta$$

$$F_S = V_{Ed} \cot \theta$$

But  $V_{Ed} = \frac{T_{Ed}}{2A_k} z$

$$\rightarrow F_S = \frac{T_{Ed}}{2A_k} z \cot \theta$$



## Calculation for torsion / Calculul la torsiune

## LONGITUDINAL REINFORCEMENT CALCULATION

$$F_s = \frac{A_{sl}}{u_k} z \sigma_s \quad \text{and} \quad F_s = \frac{T_{Ed}}{2A_k} z \cot\theta$$

$$\frac{A_{sl}}{u_k} z \sigma_s = \frac{T_{Ed}}{2A_k} z \cot\theta$$

$$T_{Ed} = \underbrace{2A_k \frac{A_{sl}}{u_k} \sigma_s}_{\text{resisting torque by longitudinal bars for } \sigma_s = f_{yd}} \tan\theta$$

resisting torque by longitudinal bars for

$$\sigma_s = f_{yd}$$

$$\rightarrow T_{Rd,sl} = 2A_k \frac{A_{sl}}{u_k} f_{yd} \tan\theta$$

Required area of the longitudinal bars is obtained from  $T_{Rd,sl} = T_{Ed}$

$$\rightarrow A_{sl} = \frac{T_{Ed} u_k}{2A_k f_{yd}} \cot\theta$$

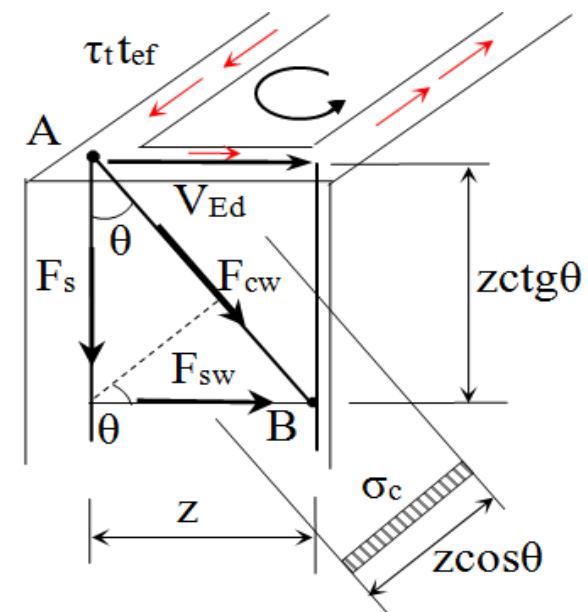
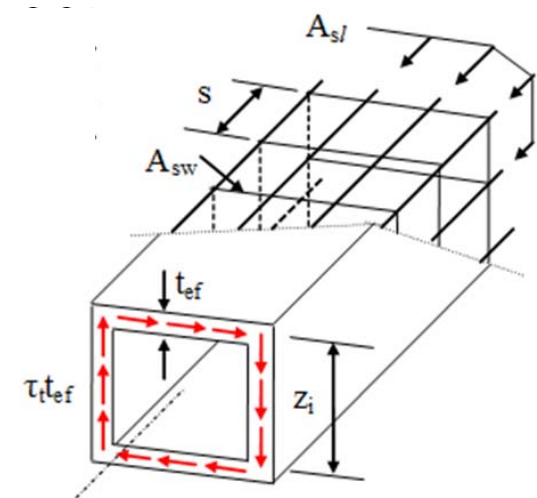
## Calculation for torsion / Calculul la torsiune

## STIRRUP CALCULATION

$\frac{A_{sw}}{s}$  - stirrup area distributed on unit length

$\frac{A_{sw}}{s} z \cot\theta$  - area of all stirrups on length  $z \cot\theta$

$$\rightarrow F_s = \frac{A_{sw}}{s} z \sigma_s \cot\theta$$



## Calculation for torsion / Calculul la torsiune

### STIRRUP CALCULATION

$$\Sigma F_B = 0$$

$$F_{sw} = F_{cw} \sin \theta$$

$$V_{Ed} = F_{cw} \sin \theta$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{array}{cc} V_{Ed} = F_{sw} \\ \downarrow \quad \downarrow \end{array}$$

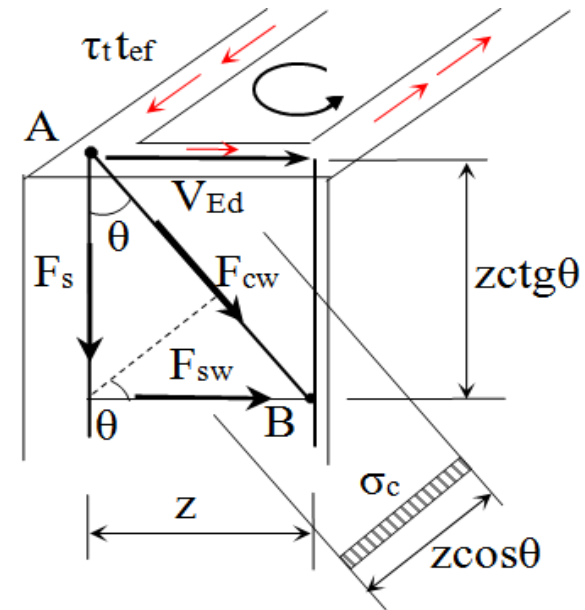
$$\frac{T_{Ed}}{2A_k} z = \frac{A_{sw}}{s} z \sigma_s \cot \theta$$

for  $\sigma_s = f_{ywd}$  the resisting torque is obtained

$$T_{Rd,sw} = \frac{2A_{sw}A_k}{s} f_{ywd} \cot \theta$$

Required stirrups are obtained from  $T_{Rd,sw} = T_{Ed}$

$$\rightarrow \left( \frac{A_{sw}}{s} \right)_{nec} = \frac{T_{Ed}}{2A_k f_{ywd}} \tan \theta$$



## 2.1 INTRODUCTION

## 2.2 BEHAVIOR FOR TORSION

## 2.3 DESIGN MODEL

## 2.4 CALCULATION FOR TORSION

## **2.5 DETAILING OF REINFORCEMENT**

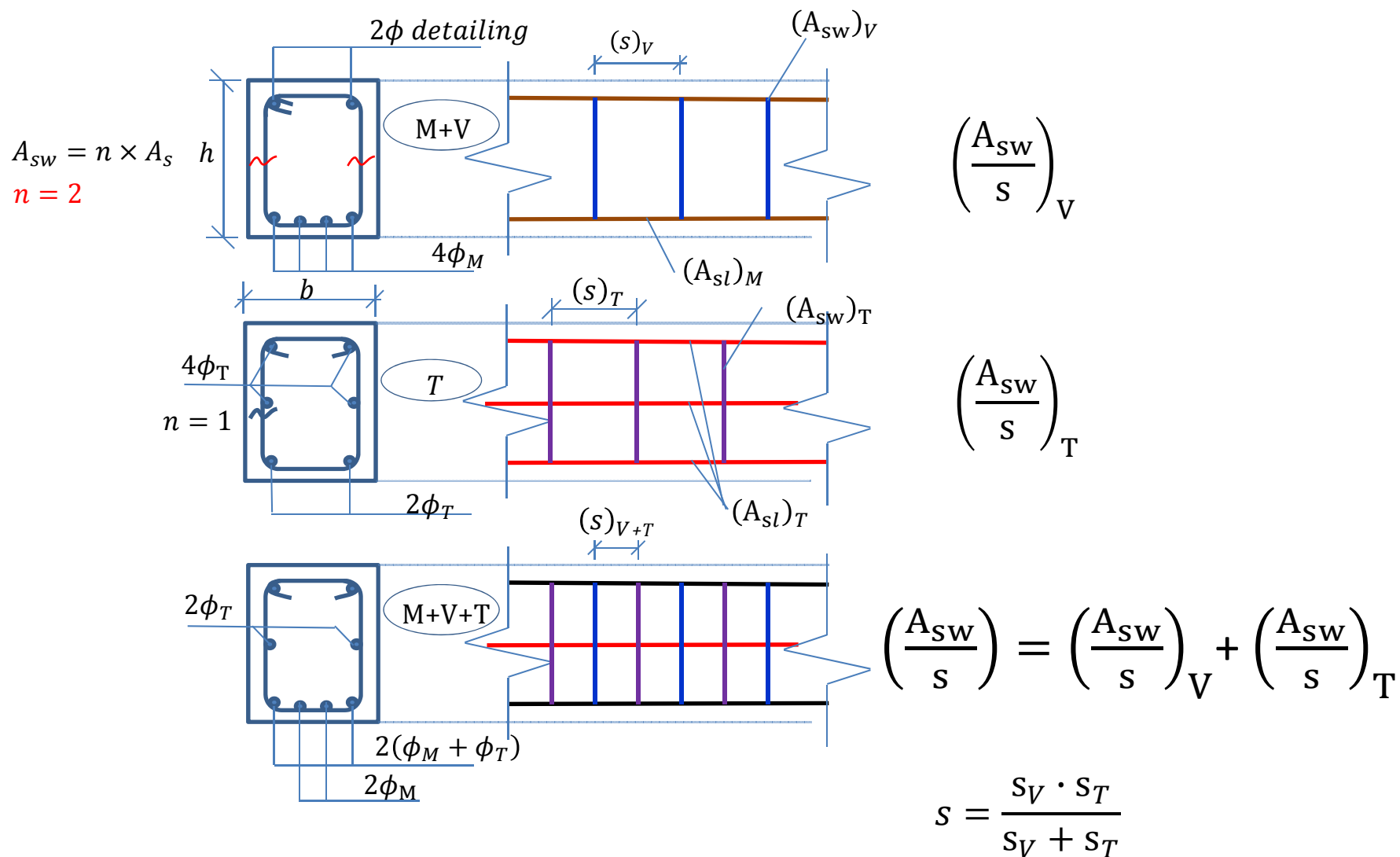
## Detailing of reinforcement / Detalierea armăturilor

Structural elements are subjected to  $M_{Ed} + V_{Ed} + T_{Ed}$

→ should take account of superposition of the effects of all the effects

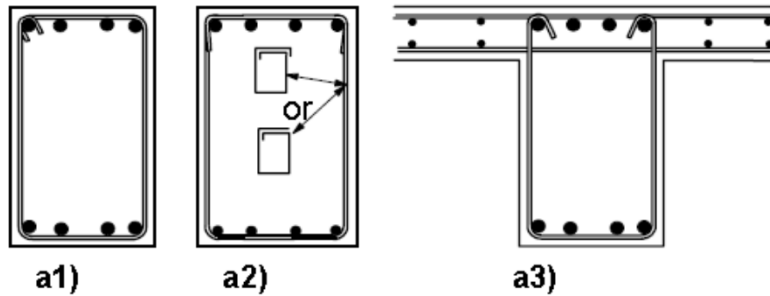
$M_{Ed}$	$V_{Ed}$	$T_{Ed}$	$\Sigma$
$A_s$	-	$A_{sl}$	$A_s + A_{sl}$
-	$(A_{sw}/s)_V$	$(A_{sw}/s)_T$	$(A_{sw}/s)_{V+T}$

## Detailing of reinforcement / Detalierea armăturilor

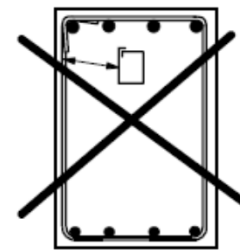


## Detailing of reinforcement / Detalierea armăturilor

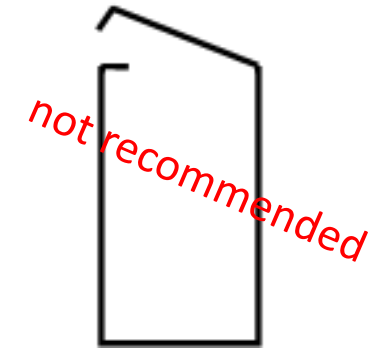
The torsion links should be closed and be anchored by means of laps or hooked ends and should form an angle of  $90^\circ$  with the axis of the structural element.



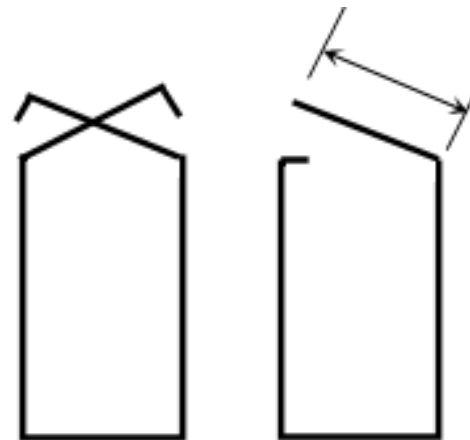
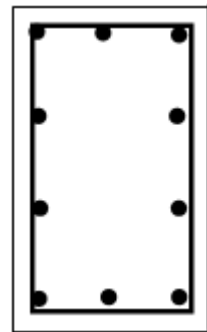
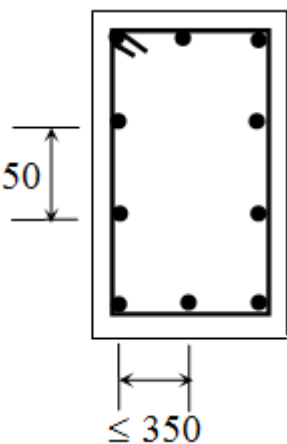
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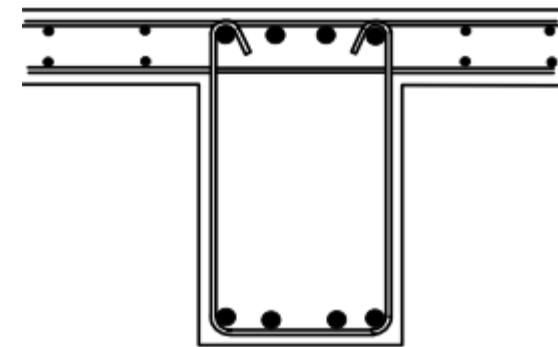
b) not recommended shape



hook



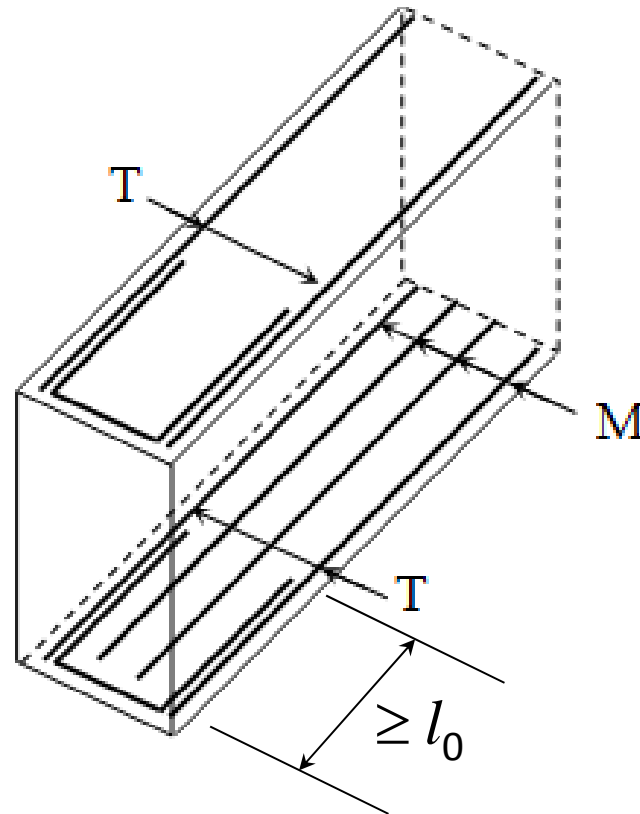
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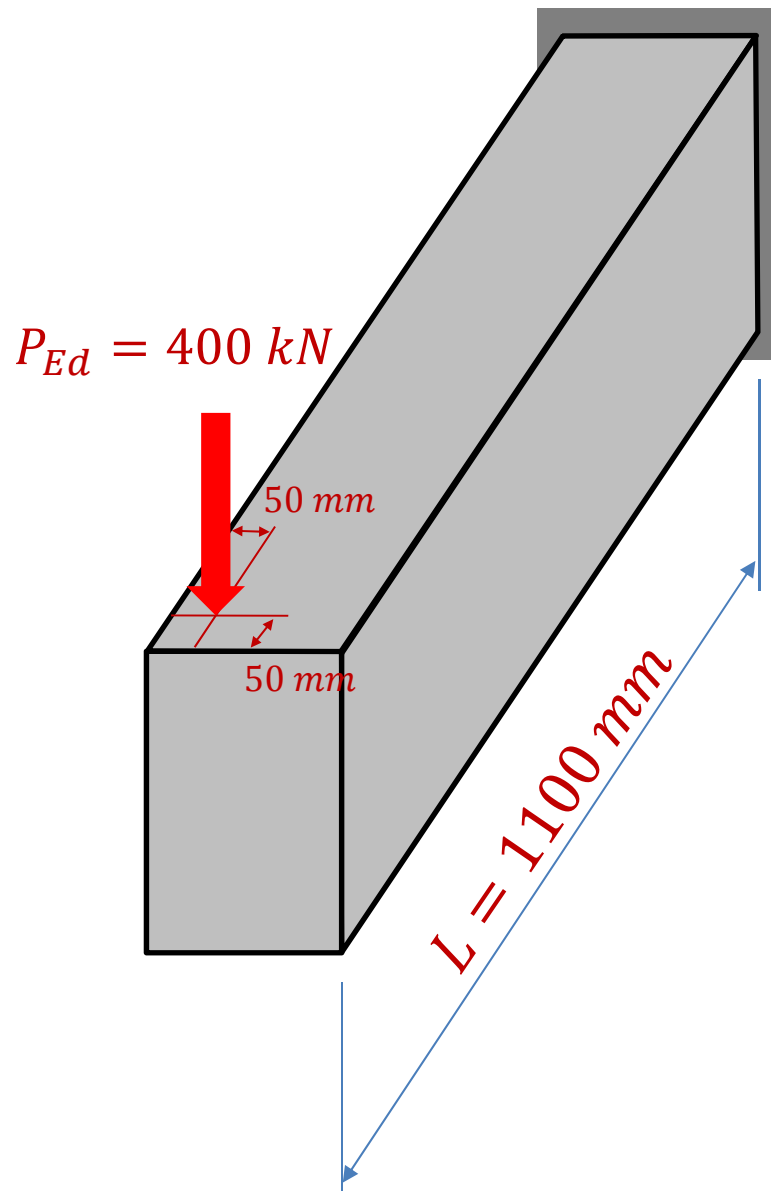


## Detailing of reinforcement / Detalierea armăturilor

To anchor corner bars special shape reinforcements are used.



# THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!



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