

Basic principles of steel structures

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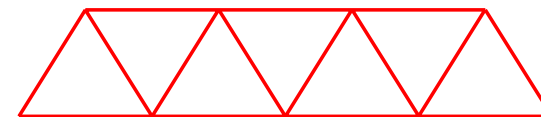
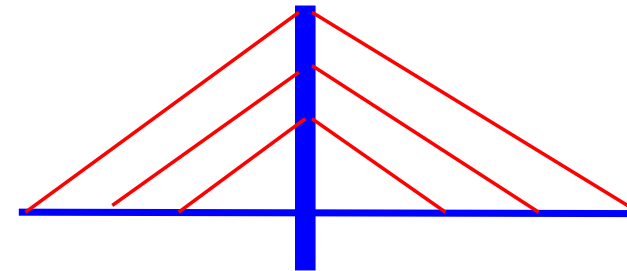
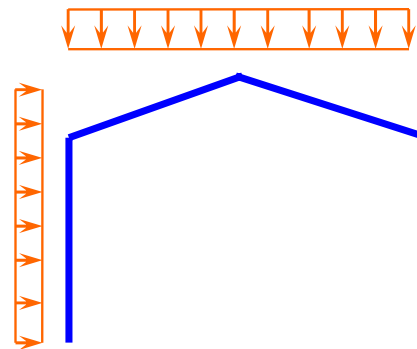
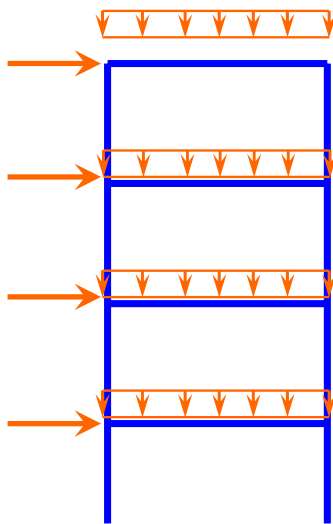
Members subjected to bending and axial compression (beam-column)

Outlines

- ✧ Introduction
- ✧ Section capacity of beam-column
- ✧ Overall stability of beam-column
- ✧ Local buckling of plate element in beam-column
- ✧ Rigidity of compression members

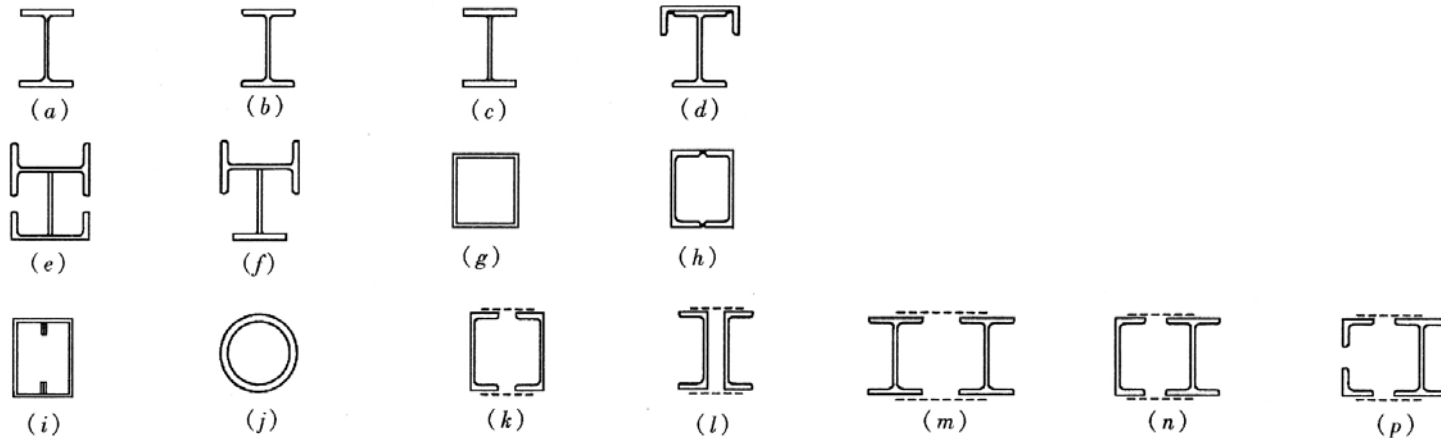
Beam-column introduction

- ☑ Beam-column members in structures
 - column in frame structure
 - rafter in portal frame
 - longitudinal girder of cable-stayed bridge
 - members in truss structures



Beam-column introduction

☑ Structural shapes used in beam-column



☑ Selection of cross-section

| Loading status | cross-section used |
|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
| - major in compression, plus minor bending | <i>doubly symmetric section, $\lambda_x = \lambda_y$</i> |
| - major in bending about one axis | <i>doubly / singly symmetric section</i> |
| - bi-axial beam-column | |

Beam-column

introduction: failure modes

- ☑ strength failure (section capacity)
yield, fracture, fatigue, connection
- ☑ stability failure (buckling resistance) of beam-column
Overall stability: in-plane instability and flexural-torsional buckling
Local buckling of plates in beam-column
Chord buckling in built-up beam-column
- ☑ Less rigidity of beam-column
excessive deflection, loss of rigidity

Beam-column

section capacity of beam-column

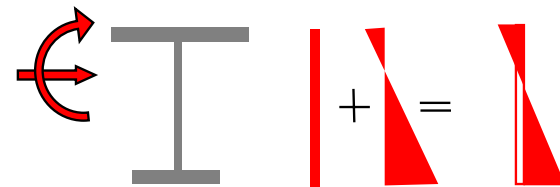
☑ Section capacity: normal stress dominated

— yield at compressive fiber



$$\frac{N}{A} + \frac{M_x}{W_{x1}} \leq f_y$$

— yield at tensile fiber



$$\left| -\frac{N}{A} + \frac{M_x}{W_{x2}} \right| \leq f_y$$

— plastic failure



$$A \left(\frac{N}{N_p} + n \right)^\alpha + B \left(\frac{M_x}{M_{px}} + m \right)^\beta = 1$$

Beam-column

section capacity of beam-column

practical design equations (net section)

- ✓ Criteria of elasticity

$$\left| \frac{N}{A_n} \pm \frac{M_x}{W_{xn}} \pm \frac{M_y}{W_{yn}} \right| \leq f_d$$

$$\frac{N}{A_n} \pm \frac{M_x}{W_{xn}} \pm \frac{M_y}{W_{yn}} \leq f_d$$

- ✓ Criteria of partial plasticity

$$\left| \frac{N}{A_n} \pm \frac{M_x}{\gamma_x W_{xn}} \pm \frac{M_y}{\gamma_y W_{yn}} \right| \leq f_d$$

$$\frac{N}{A_n} \pm \frac{M_x}{\gamma_x W_{xn}} \pm \frac{M_y}{\gamma_y W_{yn}} \leq f_d$$

- ✓ Criteria of full plasticity (bending about one axis)

$$\mathbf{if} \quad \frac{N}{A_n f_d} \leq 0.13 \quad M_x \leq W_{pnx} f_d$$

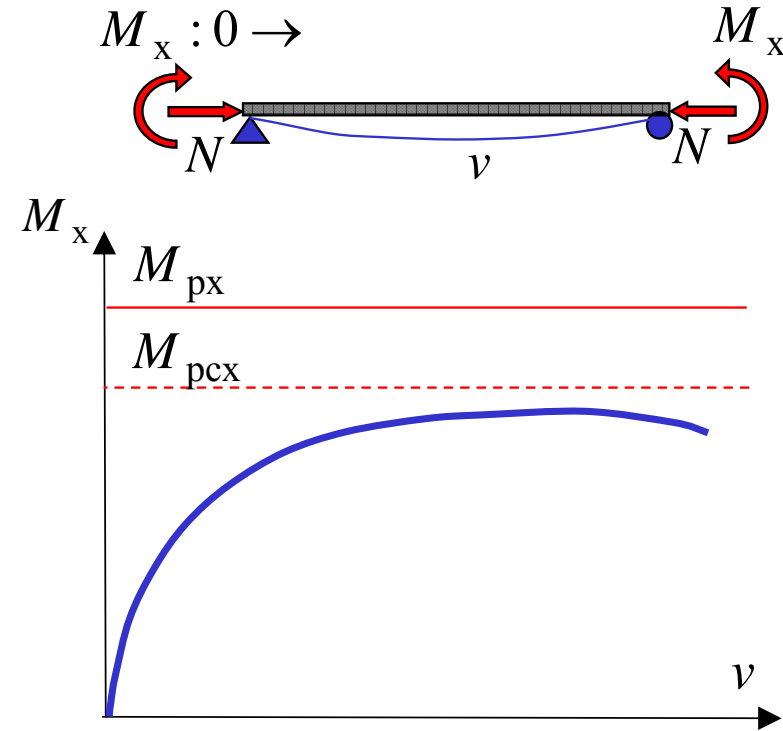
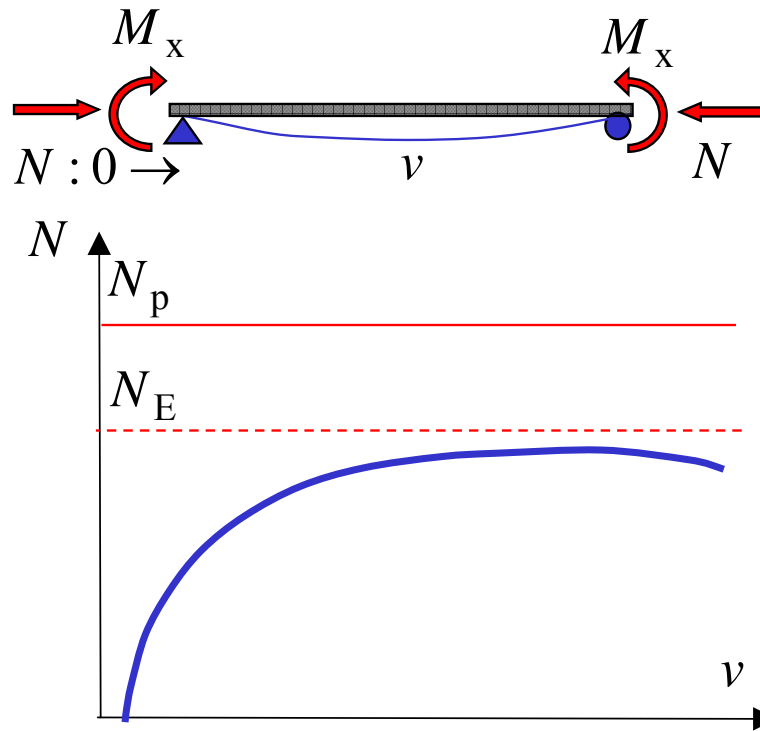
Equ.(4.18), pp85

$$\mathbf{if} \quad \frac{N}{A_n f_d} > 0.13 \quad M_x \leq 1.15 \left(1 - \frac{N}{A_n f_d}\right) W_{pnx} f_d$$

Beam-column

In-plane buckling of beam-column

☑ In-plane overall stability

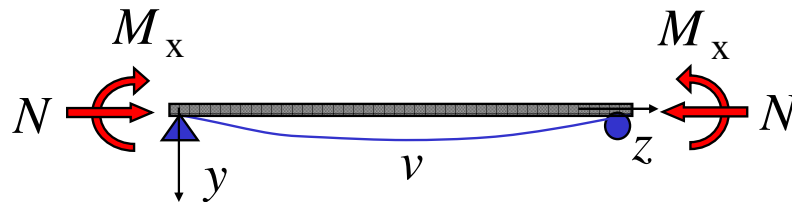


Why in-plane buckles of beam-column?

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In-plane buckling of beam-column

- ☑ differential equation of elastic buckling of beam-column



bending equilibrium about x-axis for all types section

$$EI_x v'' = -(M_x + Nv)$$

$$EI_x v'' + Nv + M_x = 0$$

differential equation while subjected to bending

$$EI_x v'' + M_x = 0$$

if $M_x = Ne_y$

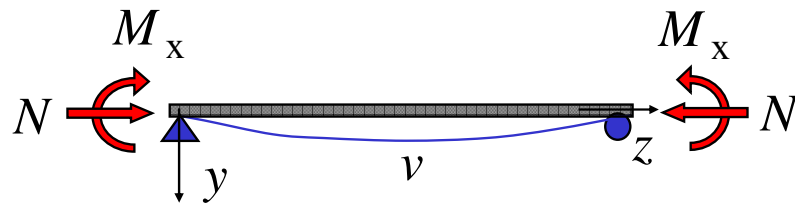
For all types sections with illustrated supports, the differential equation will be

$$EI_x v'' + Nv = -Ne_y$$

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In-plane buckling of beam-column

- ☑ solution for differential equation of elastic buckling of beam-column



$$EI_x v'' + Nv = -Ne_y$$

let $\alpha = \sqrt{N / EI_x}$ we got,

$$v = \frac{e_y}{\cos(\alpha l / 2)} [\cos(\alpha l / 2 - \alpha z) - \cos(\alpha l / 2)]$$

$$v'' = -\frac{e_y \alpha^2}{\cos(\alpha l / 2)} \cos(\alpha l / 2 - \alpha z)$$

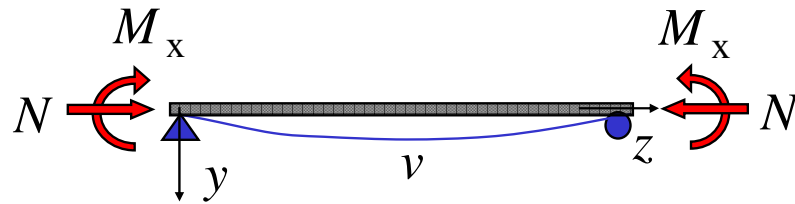
solution satisfy the

boundary condition: $v_0 = v_l = 0 \quad v_0'' = v_l'' = -\frac{M_x}{EI_x}$

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In-plane buckling of beam-column

- ☑ curves for differential equation of elastic buckling of beam-column

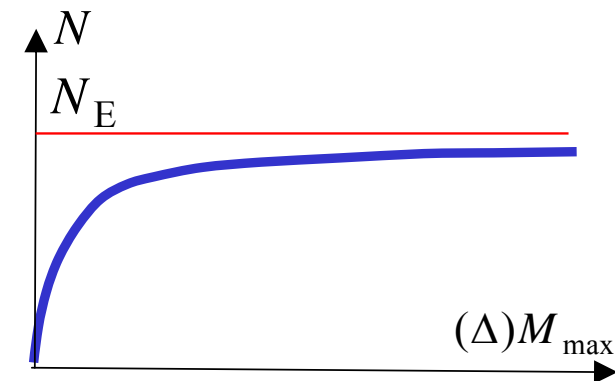
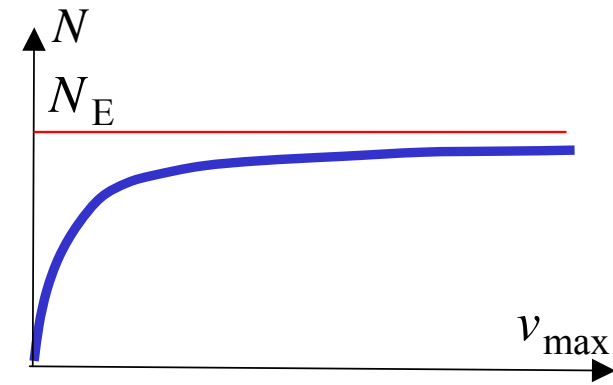


$$v = \frac{e_y}{\cos(\alpha l/2)} [\cos(\alpha l/2 - \alpha z) - \cos(\alpha l/2)]$$

$$v_{\max} = e_y \left[\frac{1}{\cos(\alpha l/2)} - 1 \right] \quad v''_{\max} = \frac{e_y \alpha^2}{\cos(\alpha l/2)}$$

$$N \Rightarrow N_E = \frac{\pi^2 EI_x}{l^2}, \quad \cos \frac{\alpha l}{2} \Rightarrow \cos \frac{\pi}{2} = 0$$

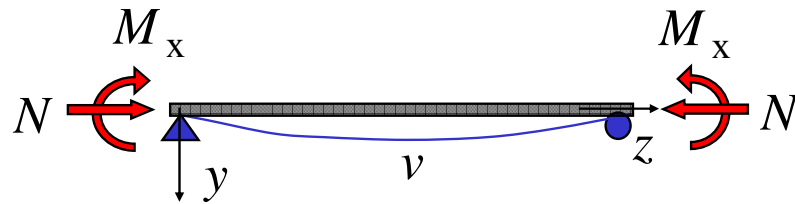
$$M_{\max} = \frac{Ne_y}{\cos(\alpha l/2)} = \frac{M_x}{\cos(\alpha l/2)}$$



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In-plane buckling of beam-column

- ☑ criteria of yielding at extreme fiber for beam-column

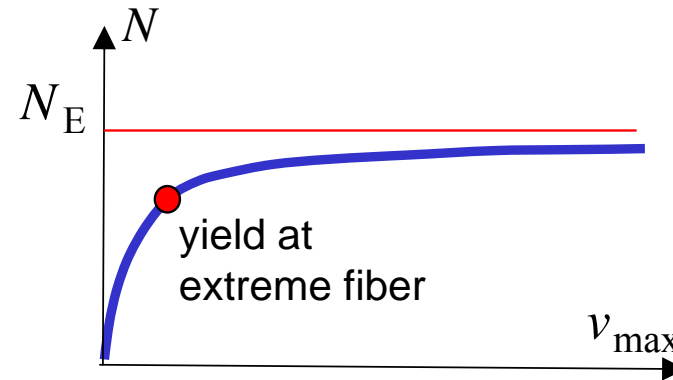


$$\frac{N}{A} + \frac{M_{\max}}{W_x} = \frac{N}{A} + \frac{Ne_y}{W_x \cos(\alpha l / 2)} \leq f_y$$

$$\frac{N}{A} \left[1 + \frac{Ae_y}{W_x} \sec(\alpha l / 2) \right] \leq f_y$$

$$\sigma = \frac{N}{A} \leq \frac{f_y}{1 + \varepsilon_{0y} \sec(\alpha l / 2)}$$

where, $\varepsilon_{0y} = \frac{Ae_y}{W_x}$

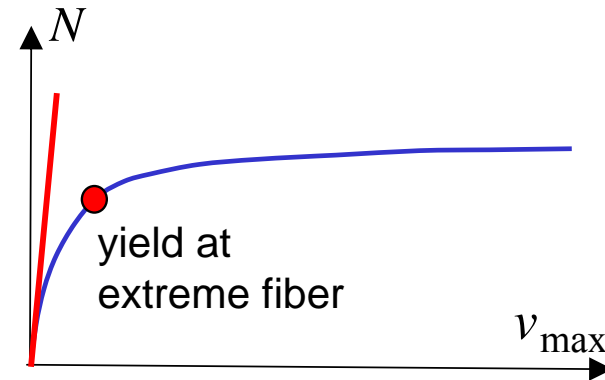
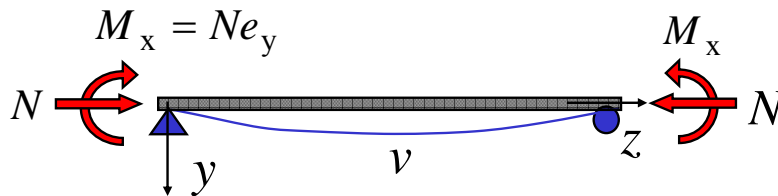


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In-plane buckling of beam-column

☑ second-order effects ($P - \Delta$ effects)

$$M_{\max} = \frac{Ne_y}{\cos(\alpha l/2)} = Ne_y \sec \frac{\alpha l}{2}$$



first-order moment: $M_1 = Ne_y$

second-order moment:

$$M_2 = Ne_y \left(\sec \frac{\alpha l}{2} - 1 \right)$$

amplification factor considering second-order effect in elasticity: $\sec \frac{\alpha l}{2}$

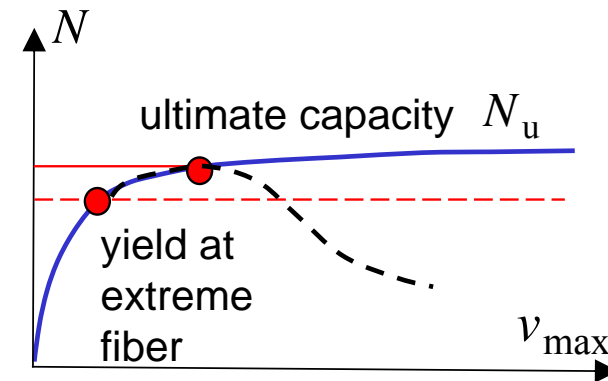
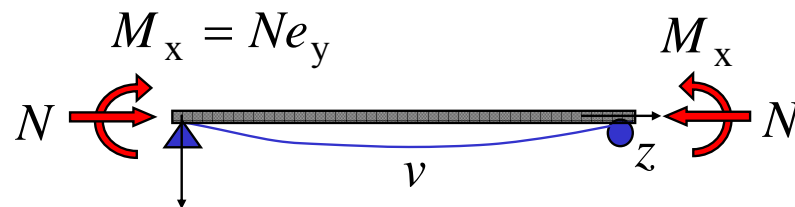
Before yield at extreme fiber, load-deflection curve is nonlinear due to second-order effect

Criteria of yield at extreme fiber of in-plane buckling of beam-column is strength problem considering second-order effect, but it is not a section capacity problem due to its pertaining to the deflection of the whole member

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In-plane buckling of beam-column

☑ ultimate capacity of beam-column



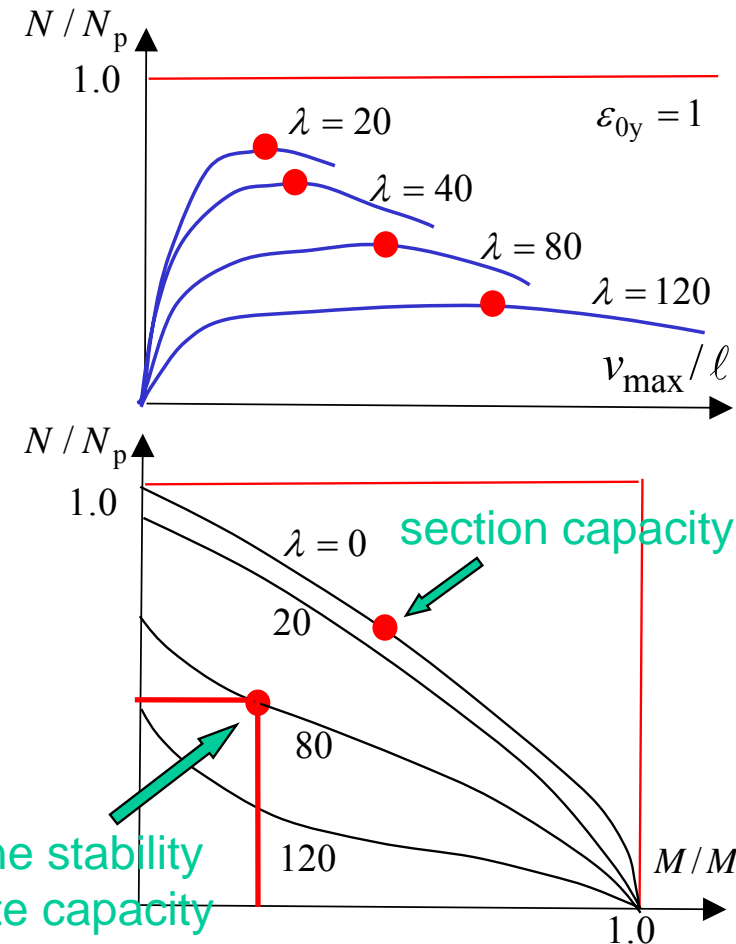
- develop plasticity after yielding at extreme fiber
- the increase of load effect (moment) is nonlinear
- the difference of increase between moment and section resistance leads to decrease of loads to maintain the bending equilibrium

In-plane buckling of beam-column performs →
extreme value of load-deflection curve →
due to second-order effect of compression and deflection →
In-plane buckling is not section capacity (strength) problem

Beam-column

In-plane buckling of beam-column

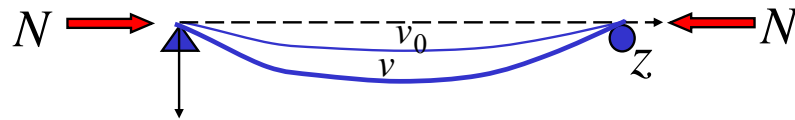
- ✓ numerical algorithm to obtain the ultimate capacity of beam-column considering material nonlinearity, pp191-193
- ✓ axial force – deflection curves (slenderness as parameter) obtained by numerical algorithm
- ✓ curves of axial force – max. moment of beam-column while buckles (slenderness as parameter)



Beam-column

In-plane buckling of beam-column

☑ (beam-)column with initial imperfection



$$EI_x v'' + Nv = Nv_0$$

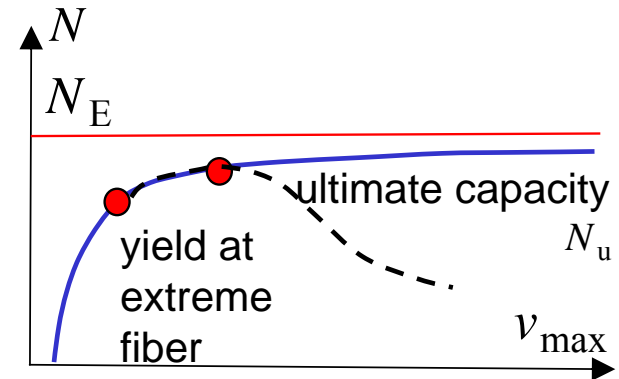
$$v_0 = v_{0m} \sin(\pi z / \ell)$$

$$v = \frac{v_{0m}}{1 - N / N_E} \sin\left(\frac{\pi z}{\ell}\right)$$

$$M_{\max} = \frac{Nv_{0m}}{1 - N / N_E}$$

amplification factor considering second-order effect in elasticity:

$$\frac{1}{1 - N / N_E}$$



criteria of yield at extreme fiber:

$$\frac{N}{A} + \frac{Nv_{0m}}{W_x (1 - N / N_E)} \leq f_y$$

Beam-column

In-plane buckling of beam-column

- ☑ design formula for in-plane buckling resistance of solid-web beam-column

$$v_{\max} = e_y \left[\frac{1}{\cos(\alpha l/2)} - 1 \right] = \frac{M_x l^2}{8EI} \frac{8EI}{Nl^2} \left(\sec \frac{\alpha l}{2} - 1 \right) = \delta_0 \left[\frac{2 \left(\sec \frac{\alpha l}{2} - 1 \right)}{(\alpha l/2)^2} \right]$$
$$= \delta_0 \times \left[1 + 1.028 \frac{N}{N_{Ex}} + 1.0316 \left(\frac{N}{N_{Ex}} \right)^2 + \dots \right] = \frac{\delta_0}{1 - N/N_{Ex}}$$

$$\sec u = 1 + \frac{1}{2!} u^2 + \frac{5}{4!} u^4 + \frac{61}{6!} u^6 + \dots$$

$$M_{\max} = N e_y \sec(\alpha l/2) = N e_y + N v_{\max} = M_x + \frac{N \delta_0}{1 - N/N_{Ex}} = \frac{M_x}{1 - N/N_{Ex}} \left(1 - N/N_{Ex} + \frac{N \delta_0}{M_x} \right)$$
$$= \frac{M_x}{1 - N/N_{Ex}} \left[1 + \left(\frac{N_{Ex} \delta_0}{M_x} - 1 \right) \frac{N}{N_{Ex}} \right] = \frac{\beta_{mx} M_x}{1 - N/N_{Ex}}$$

Beam-column

In-plane buckling of beam-column

- ☑ design formula for in-plane buckling resistance of solid-web beam-column

$$\frac{N}{A} + \frac{M_{\max}}{W_{1x}} = \frac{N}{A} + \frac{\beta_{mx} M_x + N v_0}{W_{1x} (1 - N/N_{EX})} = f_y \quad \curvearrowright M_x = 0$$

$$v_0 = \frac{W_{x1} (A f_y - N_{ox}) (N_{EX} - N_{ox})}{A N_{ox} N_{EX}} \quad \curvearrowright$$

M_x — moment based on first-order analysis

0.8 — factor obtained from test and numerical results, considering the development of plasticity

$$\frac{N}{\varphi_x A f_y} + \frac{\beta_{mx} M_x}{W_{x1} f_y \left(1 - \varphi_x \frac{N}{N_{EX}} \right)} = 1 \quad \text{yield at extreme fiber}$$

Formula applied to “member”

$$\frac{N}{\varphi_x A} + \frac{\beta_{mx} M_x}{\gamma_x W_{x1} \left(1 - 0.8 \frac{N}{N_{EX}} \right)} = f_y \quad \text{partially plasticity}$$

Beam-column

In-plane buckling of beam-column

☑ End moment factor (pp196)

Beam-column with
sideway in the plane of
bending / cantilever

1.0

Beam-column without
sideway in the plane of
bending

— no any transverse load

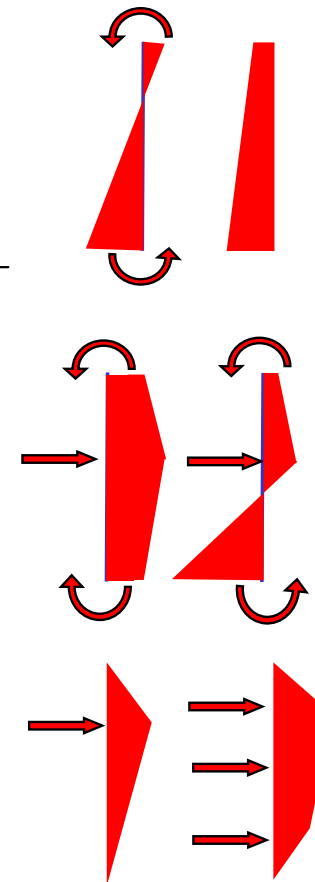
$$0.65 + 0.35 \frac{M_2}{M_1}$$

— with end moment and
transverse load

1.0
0.85

— no end moment, but
having transverse load

1.0



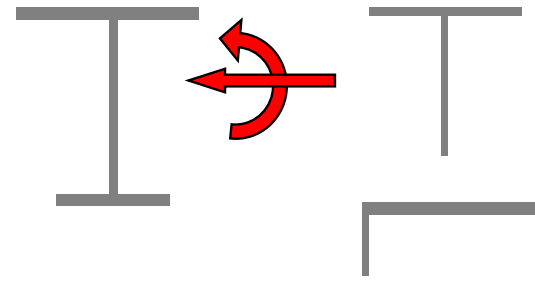
$$\frac{N}{\phi_x A} + \frac{\beta_{mx} M_x}{\gamma_x W_{x1} \left(1 - 0.8 \frac{N}{N_{EX}} \right)} = f_y$$

Beam-column

In-plane buckling of beam-column

- ☑ design formula for in-plane buckling resistance of unsymmetric solid-web beam-column with larger flange in compression

$$\left| -\frac{N}{A} + \frac{\beta_{mx} M_x}{\gamma_x W_{x2} \left(1 - 1.25 \frac{N}{N'_{EX}} \right)} \right| \leq f_y$$



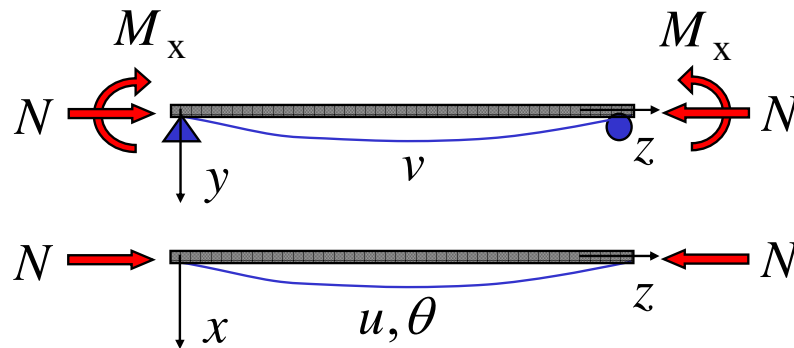
- ☑ design formula for in-plane buckling resistance of built-up section about virtual axis

$$\frac{N}{\varphi_x A} + \frac{\beta_{mx} M_x}{W_{x1} \left(1 - \varphi_x \frac{N}{N'_{EX}} \right)} \leq f_y$$

Beam-column

flexural-torsional buckling of beam-column

- ☑ Characteristic of flexural-torsional buckling of beam-column (out-of-plane buckling)



Similarity with overall buckling of beam:

occur flexural and torsion deformation out-of-plane

Difference with overall buckling of beam:

FTB occur under the combined axial force and moment

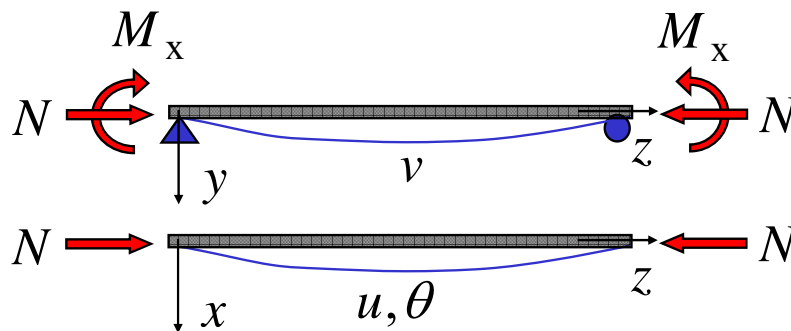
Difference with the FTB of axial compression member:

occur flexural and torsional deformation simultaneously for doubly symmetric section

Beam-column

flexural-torsional buckling of beam-column

☑ differential equation of elastic buckling of beam-column



doubly symmetric section
 simply-support at ends
 subjected to equal end moments

$$EI_y u'' + M_x \theta = 0$$

$$EI_y u^{IV} + Nu'' = 0$$

$$EI_y u^{IV} + Nu'' + M_x \theta'' = 0$$

$$EI_\omega \theta^{IV} - GI_t \theta'' + M_x u'' + (Nr_0^2 - \bar{R}) \theta'' = 0$$

$$EI_\omega \theta^{IV} - GI_t \theta'' + (Nr_0^2 - \bar{R}) \theta'' = 0$$

$$EI_\omega \theta''' - GI_t \theta' + M_x u' = 0$$

Beam-column flexural-torsional buckling of beam-column

- ☑ solution for differential equation of elastic buckling of beam-column

$$EI_y u^{IV} + Nu'' + M_x \theta'' = 0$$
$$EI_\omega \theta^{IV} - GI_t \theta'' + M_x u'' + (Nr_0^2 - \bar{R})\theta'' = 0$$

Solution Procedure refers to pp197

$$\text{Solution: } \left(1 - \frac{N}{N_{Ey}}\right)\left(1 - \frac{N}{N_\theta}\right) - \frac{M_x^2}{M_{crx}^2} = 0 \quad (7-18)$$

where, $N_{Ey} = \pi^2 EI_y / \ell_{oy}^2$

$$N_\theta = (\pi^2 EI_\omega / \ell_{o\theta}^2 + GI_t + \bar{R}) / r_0^2$$

Axial force satisfying Equ.(7-18) is the critical FTB force

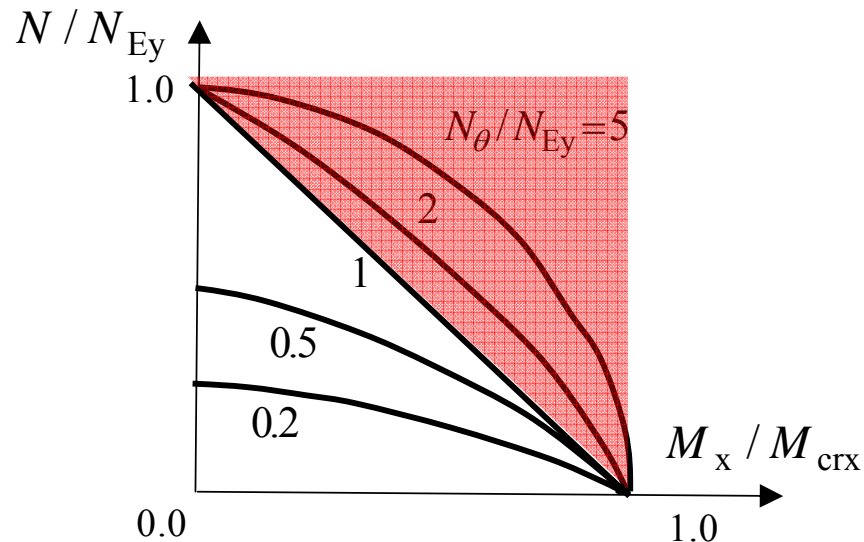
Discussion: beam-column buckles when compression reach N_{Ey} , N_θ ?

Beam-column

flexural-torsional buckling of beam-column

- ☑ illustration of critical flexural-torsional-buckling resistance of beam-column

$$\text{Solution: } \left(1 - \frac{N}{N_{Ey}}\right)\left(1 - \frac{N}{N_{\theta}}\right) - \frac{M_x^2}{M_{crx}^2} = 0$$



For most members in real structures:

$$N_{\theta}/N_{Ey} > 1$$

That is ,

$$\frac{N}{N_{Ey}} + \frac{M_x}{M_{crx}} = 1$$

It is the lower limit for flexural-torsional buckling of beam-column

Beam-column flexural-torsional buckling of beam-column

- ✓ design formula for flexural-torsional buckling resistance of beam-column

Theoretical value (lower limit) for beam-column without imperfection: $\frac{N}{N_{Ey}} + \frac{M_x}{M_{crx}} = 1$

Comparison between theoretical formula and real steelwork:

- not doubly-symmetric section
- elasto-plastic period
- coupling of differential equation due to initial imperfection

design formula:

$$\frac{N}{\varphi_y \cdot A} + \frac{\beta_{tx} \cdot M_x}{\varphi_b \cdot W_x} \leq f_d$$

Beam-column flexural-torsional buckling of beam-column

- ☑ design formula for flexural-torsional buckling resistance of beam-column

$$\frac{N}{\varphi_y \cdot A} + \frac{\beta_{tx} \cdot M_x}{\varphi_b \cdot W_x} \leq f_d$$

- buckling out-of-plane (out-of-plane stability factor φ_y)
- moment used is the max. moment in segment to be checked
- end moment factor for FTB has the same meaning as that in-plane buckling pp.199
- stability factor of beam should be calculated as beam subjected to equal bending moment

- ☑ design formula for flexural-torsional buckling resistance of beam-column with closed section

$$\frac{N}{\varphi_y \cdot A} + \eta \frac{\beta_{tx} \cdot M_x}{\varphi_b \cdot W_x} \leq f_d$$

η – 1.0 for open section
0.7 for closed section


Beam-column

overall stability of built-up beam-column

- ☑ design formula of in-plane buckling resistance of beam-column about virtual axis

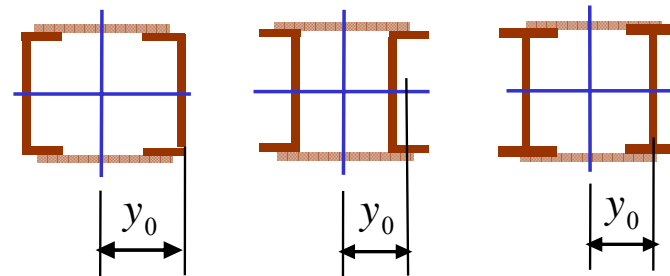
$$\frac{N}{\varphi_x A} + \frac{\beta_{mx} M_x}{W_{x1} \left(1 - \varphi_x \frac{N}{N'_{EX}} \right)} \leq f_y$$

$$\frac{N}{\varphi_x A} + \frac{\beta_{mx} M_x}{\gamma_x W_{x1} \left(1 - 0.8 \frac{N}{N'_{EX}} \right)} \leq f_y$$


 comparison with solid-web beam-column

How to calculate the section modulus (compression)?

$$W_{x1} = I_x / y_0$$



Beam-column

overall stability of built-up beam-column

- ☑ design formula of out-of-plane buckling resistance of beam-column subjected to bending about virtual axis

No need if chord stability is ok

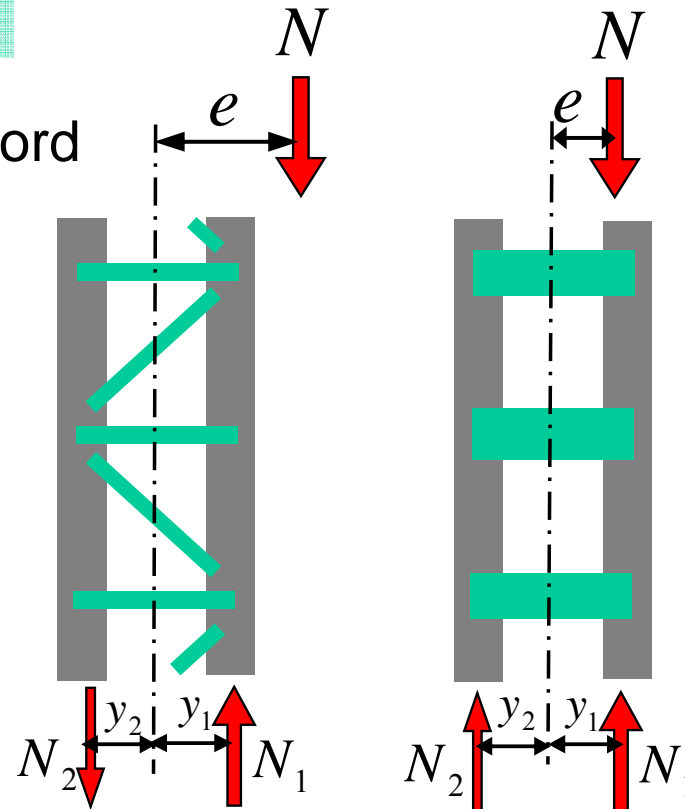
- ☑ axial force loaded on each chord

$$e = \frac{M}{N}$$

M is the max. moment in member

$$N_1 = N \frac{y_2 + e}{y_1 + y_2}$$

$$N_2 = N - N_1$$



Beam-column

overall stability of built-up beam-column

☑ buckling resistance of chord in laced beam-column

1. Each chord performs as member pinned at two ends and withstands the force N_1 or N_2

2. Effective length:

in-plane: length of adjacent lacing joints

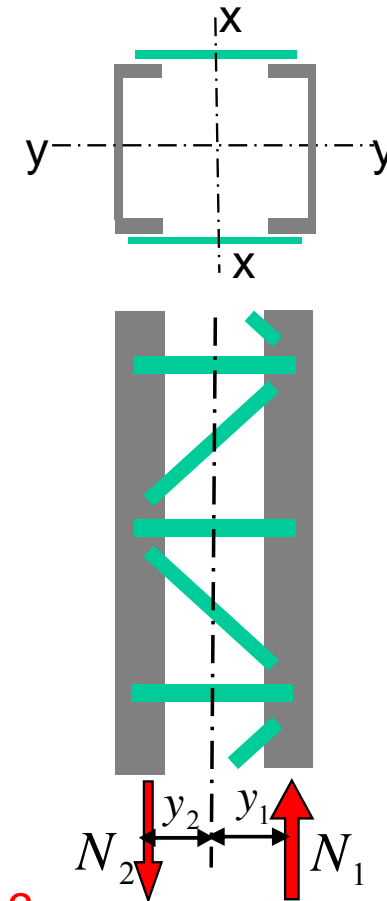
$$\frac{N_1}{\varphi A_1} \leq f_d \quad \lambda_1 = \frac{l_1}{i_1}$$

out-of-plane: lateral supported length

3. Segments of member:

in-plane: M along the member

out-of-plane: max. M in each segment



Q/A: shall we consider the shear force in such beam-column?

Beam-column

overall stability of built-up beam-column

☑ buckling resistance of chord in battened beam-column

1. Each chord withstands the local bending moment and shear force, in addition to axial force N_1 or N_2

2. Shear force:

shear force in battened beam-column

$$V = \max \left\{ \Delta M_x / \Delta H, (Af_d / 85) \sqrt{f_y / 235} \right\}$$

V acts to each chord, generating M

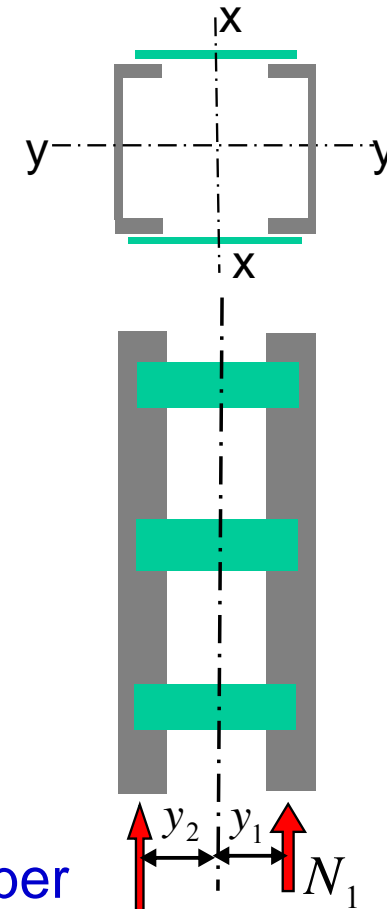
3. Effective length:

in-plane (beam-column):

length of adjacent battening

out-of-plane (compression member):

lateral supported length of the member



Beam-column

overall stability of built-up beam-column

- ☑ design formula of in-plane buckling resistance of beam-column subjected to bending about actual axis

$$\frac{N}{\varphi_x A} + \frac{\beta_{mx} M_x}{\gamma_x W_x (1 - 0.8 N/N'_{Ex})} \leq f$$

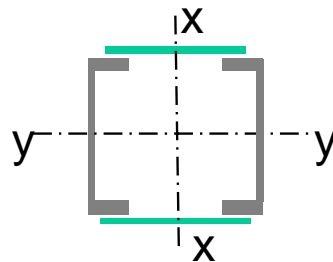
Same as that of solid-web beam-column

- ☑ design formula of out-of-plane buckling resistance of beam-column subjected to bending about actual axis

$$\frac{N}{\varphi_y A} + \eta \frac{\beta_{tx} M_x}{W_x} \leq f$$

Same as that of solid-web beam-column, but...

- using equivalent slenderness while calculating φ_y
- φ_b equals to 1.0



Beam-column

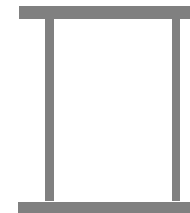
local buckling of plates in beam-column

- ☑ Flange subjected to compression
(limit of width-to-thickness ratio while no local buckling allowed)

outstand flange: $\frac{b}{t} \leq 15 \sqrt{\frac{235}{f_y}}$



edge-supported flange: $\frac{b}{t} \leq 40 \sqrt{\frac{235}{f_y}}$



Beam-column

local buckling of plates in beam-column

☑ Web

(limit of height-to-thickness ratio while no local buckling allowed)

I-shape section: $0 \leq \alpha_0 \leq 1.6, \frac{h_w}{t_w} \leq (16\alpha_0 + 0.5\lambda + 25) \sqrt{\frac{235}{f_y}}$

$1.6 < \alpha_0 \leq 2, \frac{h_w}{t_w} \leq (48\alpha_0 + 0.5\lambda - 26.2) \sqrt{\frac{235}{f_y}}$

λ is in-plane slenderness, ranged 30~100

T-shape section:

web in tension:

$\frac{h_w}{t_w} \leq (15 + 0.2\lambda) \sqrt{\frac{235}{f_y}}$ (hot rolled W split)

$\frac{h_w}{t_w} \leq (13 + 0.17\lambda) \sqrt{\frac{235}{f_y}}$ (welded T section)

web in compression:

$\alpha_0 \leq 1.0, \frac{h_w}{t_w} \leq 15 \sqrt{\frac{235}{f_y}}$

$\alpha_0 > 1.0, \frac{h_w}{t_w} \leq 18 \sqrt{\frac{235}{f_y}}$

Beam-column stiffness of beam-column

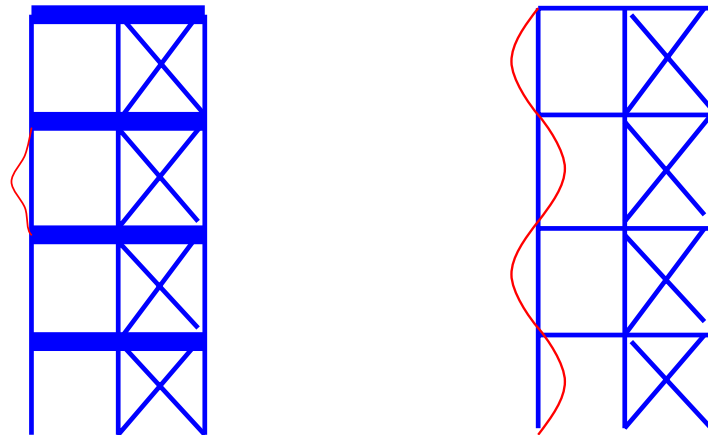
- ☑ slenderness

As compression member,
max. slenderness is 150~200

- ☑ In-plane deflection for beam-column

Lateral displacement

- ☑ Ascertain of slenderness in real steelwork



Design procedure of beam-column summary

☑ Selection of member section

Section: requirement of overall stability, local buckling and ease to connect

☑ Strength: cross-section resistance

☑ Overall buckling resistance

Solid-web compression members: in-plane and out-of-plane

Laced or battened compression members: about virtual axis

chord stability: laced beam-column, battened beam-column
in-plane and out-of-plane

☑ local buckling resistance

Allowable ratio of width to thickness

☑ rigidity of beam-column