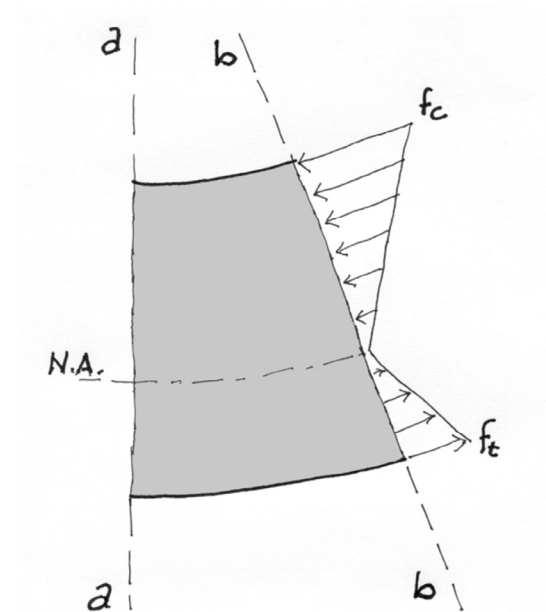


# Bending Stresses in Beams

- Elastic Bending
- Stress Equation
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- Flexure Beam Design

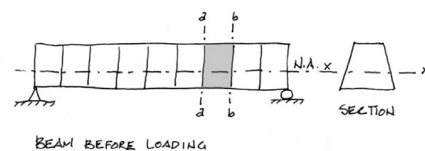


## Elastic Bending

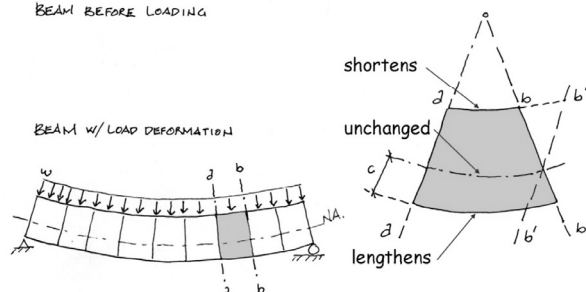
Flexure results in internal tension and compression forces, the resultants of which form a couple which resists the applied moment.



In the initial unloaded state, all transverse sections are parallel.



The application of load causes the member to bend in a curve. This means the initial parallel plane sections, while remaining plane, now follow the radii of the curves.

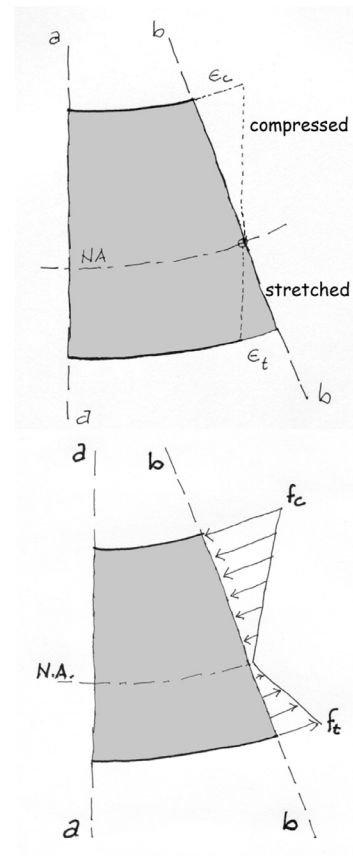


Notice that by the geometry of the curved member the top edge is shortened and the bottom edge is lengthened. Only the neutral axis remains its original length.

# Elastic Bending

The change in lengths, top and bottom, results in the material straining. For a simple span with downward loading, the top is compressed and the bottom stretched. The change in length is linear and proportional to the distance from the Neutral Axis.

The material strains result in corresponding stresses. By **Hooke's Law**, these stresses are proportional to the strains which are proportional to the change in length of the radial arcs of the beam "fibers". This assumes that the Modulus of Elasticity is constant across the section.



# Elastic Bending

The applied moment at any point on the beam is equal to the resisting moment which is formed by the internal force couple,  $R_c$  and  $R_t$ .

$$M_{\text{applied}} = M_{\text{resisting}}$$

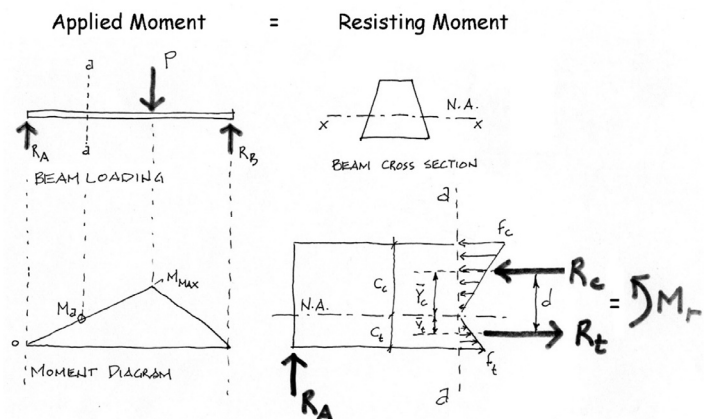
Balance of the external and internal moments

$$R_{\text{comp.}} = R_{\text{tens.}}$$

Balance of the internal force couple

$$\begin{aligned} M_r &= R_c \cdot y_c + R_t \cdot y_t \\ M_r &= R_c \cdot d \\ M_r &= R_t \cdot d \end{aligned}$$

Expressions of the internal resisting moment



# Elastic Bending

The internal moment,  $M_r$ , can be expressed as the result of the couple  $R_c$  and  $R_t$

$$M_r = R_c \cdot \bar{y}_1 + R_t \cdot \bar{y}_2$$

In turn, the forces  $R_c$  and  $R_t$  can be written as the resultants of the "stress volumes" acting through the centroids of those volumes. The average unit stress,  $s = f_c/2$  and so the resultant  $R$  is the area times  $s$ :

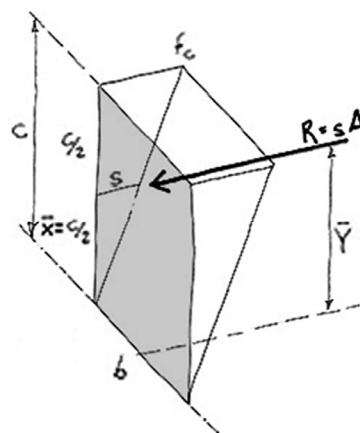
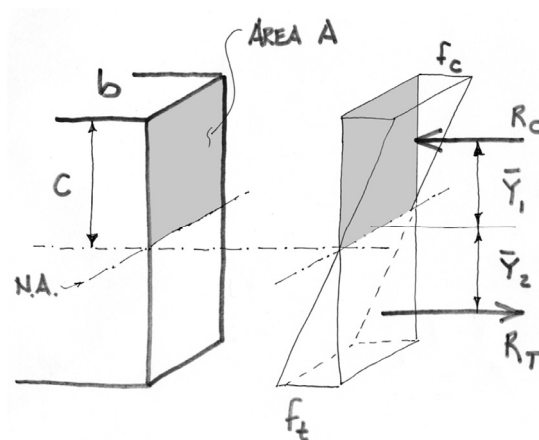
$$R = A \cdot s$$

Using similar triangles,  $s$  can be expressed as:

$$\frac{s}{f_c} = \frac{\bar{x}}{c} \quad \text{and} \quad s = \frac{f_c \cdot \bar{x}}{c}$$

Substituting these values back into the moment equation gives:

$$M_r = \frac{f_c A_c \bar{x}_1 \bar{y}_1}{c_c} + \frac{f_t A_t \bar{x}_2 \bar{y}_2}{c_t}$$



# Elastic Bending

By definition:

$$I_x = A \bar{x} \bar{y}$$

And for homogeneous materials with  $E_c = E_t$

$$M_r = \frac{f I_1}{c} + \frac{f I_2}{c} = \frac{f}{c} (I_1 + I_2)$$

Or using the  $I$  for the whole section:

$$M_r = \frac{f I}{c}$$

And so,

$$f = \frac{M c}{I}$$

The Section Modulus is:

$$S = \frac{I}{c}$$

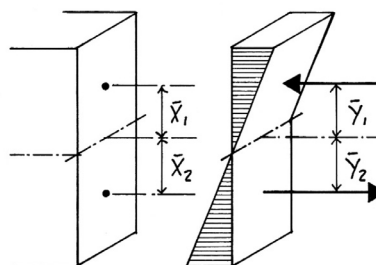
With  $c = h/2$  at extreme fibers of a symmetric section.

So, at extreme fibers:

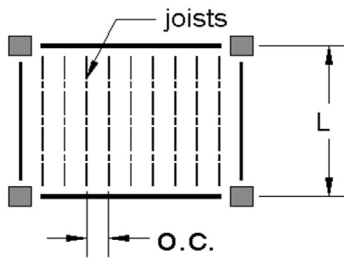
$$M = f S$$

And:

$$f = \frac{M}{S}$$



# Beam Analysis



Allowable Capacity (ASD):

$$M = F_b S$$

for steel:  $F_b = (0.66 \text{ to } 0.6) F_y$  ksi

for wood:  $F_b = 1000 \text{ to } 600$  psi

Applied Load:

$$M = \frac{wl^2}{8} \quad (\text{uniform load})$$

Pass

$$M = F_b S > M = \frac{wl^2}{8}$$

Fail

$$M = F_b S < M = \frac{wl^2}{8}$$

Capacity

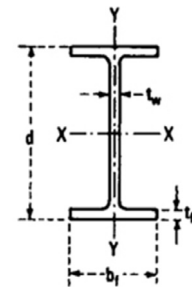
$$M = F_b S = M = \frac{wl^2}{8} \quad \text{solve for } w$$

Design

$$M = \frac{wl^2}{8} = M = F_b S \quad \text{solve for } S$$

## Beam Capacity Analysis - procedure

1. Determine section properties. (from table)
2. Choose safe allowable stress. (depends on bracing)
3. Calculate allowable moment capacity.  $M = F_b S$
4. Set equal to applied moment and find load.  $M = \frac{wl^2}{8}$



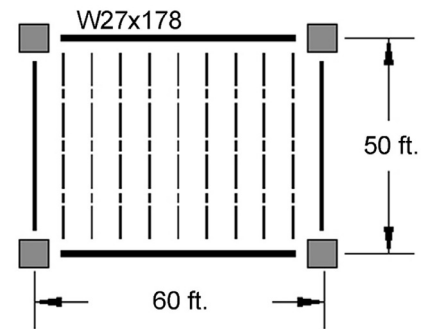
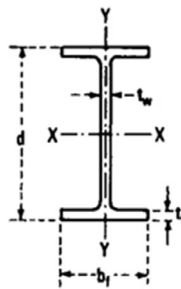
### WIDE FLANGE SHAPES

| Section Number | Weight per Foot  | Area of Section<br>A | Depth of Section<br>d | Flange         |                     | Web Thick-ness<br>$t_w$ | Axis X-X         |       |                  | Axis Y-Y         |       |       | $r_T$ |
|----------------|------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------|---------------------|-------------------------|------------------|-------|------------------|------------------|-------|-------|-------|
|                |                  |                      |                       | Width<br>$b_f$ | Thick-ness<br>$t_f$ |                         | $I_x$            | $S_x$ | $r_x$            | $I_y$            | $S_y$ | $r_y$ |       |
|                |                  |                      |                       |                |                     |                         |                  |       |                  |                  |       |       |       |
|                |                  |                      |                       |                |                     |                         |                  |       |                  |                  |       |       |       |
| lb             | in. <sup>2</sup> | in.                  | in.                   | in.            | in.                 | in. <sup>4</sup>        | in. <sup>3</sup> | in.   | in. <sup>4</sup> | in. <sup>3</sup> | in.   | in.   |       |
| W27 x          | 178              | 52.3                 | 27.81                 | 14.085         | 1.190               | 0.725                   | 6990             | 502   | 11.6             | 555              | 78.8  | 3.26  | 3.72  |
|                | 161              | 47.4                 | 27.59                 | 14.020         | 1.080               | 0.660                   | 6280             | 455   | 11.5             | 497              | 70.9  | 3.24  | 3.70  |
|                | 146              | 42.9                 | 27.38                 | 13.965         | 0.975               | 0.605                   | 5630             | 411   | 11.4             | 443              | 63.5  | 3.21  | 3.68  |
| W27 x          | 114              | 33.5                 | 27.29                 | 10.070         | 0.930               | 0.570                   | 4090             | 299   | 11.0             | 159              | 31.5  | 2.18  | 2.58  |
|                | 102              | 30.0                 | 27.09                 | 10.015         | 0.830               | 0.515                   | 3620             | 267   | 11.0             | 139              | 27.8  | 2.15  | 2.56  |
|                | 94               | 27.7                 | 26.92                 | 9.990          | 0.745               | 0.490                   | 3270             | 243   | 10.9             | 124              | 24.8  | 2.12  | 2.53  |
|                | 84               | 24.8                 | 26.71                 | 9.960          | 0.640               | 0.460                   | 2850             | 213   | 10.7             | 106              | 21.2  | 2.07  | 2.49  |

# Beam Capacity Analysis - example

Given:

Beam = W27x178  
 $S_x = 502 \text{ in}^3$   
 $F_y = 50 \text{ ksi}$   
 $F_b = .66F_y = 33 \text{ ksi}$  (braced by joists)



Find:

Floor capacity

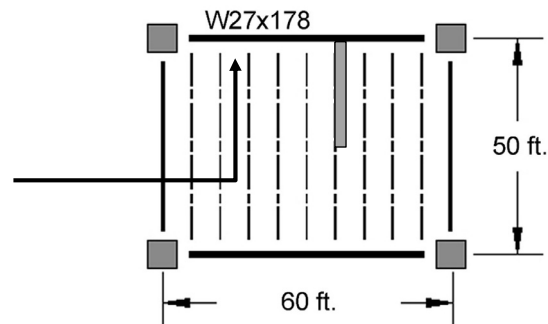
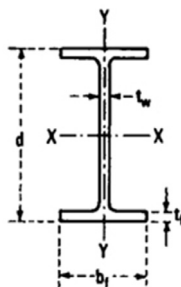
## WIDE FLANGE SHAPES

| Section Number   | Weight per Foot | Area of Section  | Depth of Section | Flange |            | Web Thickness | Axis X-X         |                  |       | Axis Y-Y         |                  |       | $r_T$ |
|------------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|--------|------------|---------------|------------------|------------------|-------|------------------|------------------|-------|-------|
|                  |                 |                  |                  | Width  | Thick-ness |               | $I_x$            | $S_x$            | $r_x$ | $I_y$            | $S_y$            | $r_y$ |       |
|                  |                 |                  |                  |        |            |               |                  |                  |       |                  |                  |       |       |
|                  | lb              | in. <sup>2</sup> | in.              | in.    | in.        | in.           | in. <sup>4</sup> | in. <sup>3</sup> | in.   | in. <sup>4</sup> | in. <sup>3</sup> | in.   | in.   |
| <b>W27 x 178</b> | 52.3            | 27.81            | 14.085           | 1.190  | 0.725      | 6990          | 502              | 11.6             | 555   | 78.8             | 3.26             | 3.72  |       |
| <b>161</b>       | 47.4            | 27.59            | 14.020           | 1.080  | 0.660      | 6280          | 455              | 11.5             | 497   | 70.9             | 3.24             | 3.70  |       |
| <b>146</b>       | 42.9            | 27.38            | 13.965           | 0.975  | 0.605      | 5630          | 411              | 11.4             | 443   | 63.5             | 3.21             | 3.68  |       |
| <b>W27 x 114</b> | 33.5            | 27.29            | 10.070           | 0.930  | 0.570      | 4090          | 299              | 11.0             | 159   | 31.5             | 2.18             | 2.58  |       |
| <b>102</b>       | 30.0            | 27.09            | 10.015           | 0.830  | 0.515      | 3620          | 267              | 11.0             | 139   | 27.8             | 2.15             | 2.56  |       |
| <b>94</b>        | 27.7            | 26.92            | 9.990            | 0.745  | 0.490      | 3270          | 243              | 10.9             | 124   | 24.8             | 2.12             | 2.53  |       |
| <b>84</b>        | 24.8            | 26.71            | 9.960            | 0.640  | 0.460      | 2850          | 213              | 10.7             | 106   | 21.2             | 2.07             | 2.49  |       |

# Beam Capacity Analysis

Given:

Beam = W27x178  
 $S_x = 502 \text{ in}^3$   
 $F_y = 50 \text{ ksi}$   
 $F_b = .66F_y = 33 \text{ ksi}$  (fully braced)



Find:

Floor capacity

$$M = F_b S_x$$

$$M = 33 \text{ ksi} \cdot 502 \text{ in}^3 = 16566 \text{ K-in} = 1380.5 \text{ K-ft}$$

$$M = 1380.5 \text{ K-ft}$$

$$M = \frac{w l^2}{8}$$

$$w = \frac{M \cdot 8}{l^2} = \frac{1380.5 (8)}{60^2} = 3.068 \text{ k/ft} = 3068 \text{ #/ft}$$

$$\text{PSF} = \frac{w}{l/2} = \frac{3068}{50/2} = 123 \text{ PSF}$$

# Quiz

Given:

Beam = W27x14

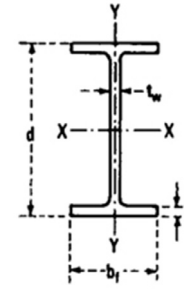
$F_y = 36$  ksi

$S_x = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$  in<sup>3</sup>

$F_b = .6F_y = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$  ksi

Find:

Allowable Moment =                  ft -lbs



## WIDE FLANGE SHAPES

| Section Number   | Weight per Foot | Area of Section | Depth of Section | Flange |            |                | Axis X-X         |                  |       | Axis Y-Y         |                  |       | $r_T$ |
|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|--------|------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|-------|------------------|------------------|-------|-------|
|                  |                 |                 |                  | Width  | Thick-ness | Web Thick-ness | $I_x$            | $S_x$            | $r_x$ | $I_y$            | $S_y$            | $r_y$ |       |
|                  |                 |                 |                  | $b_f$  | $t_f$      | $t_w$          | in. <sup>4</sup> | in. <sup>3</sup> | in.   | in. <sup>4</sup> | in. <sup>3</sup> | in.   |       |
| <b>W27 x 178</b> | 178             | 52.3            | 27.81            | 14.085 | 1.190      | 0.725          | 6990             | 502              | 11.6  | 555              | 78.8             | 3.26  | 3.72  |
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## Section Properties

### Section Modulus Table

Sorted by  $S_x$  for design selection

with:

$$S = I/c$$

$f_b$  is actual stress

$F_b$  is allowable stress

$F_y$  is the yield stress

So the design equations is:

$$S = M_{\text{applied}} / F_b$$

| ALLOWABLE STRESS DESIGN SELECTION TABLE |                |                |                  |          |            |                  |                         |                |                |  | S <sub>x</sub> |
|---|----------------|----------------|------------------|----------|------------|------------------|-------------------------|----------------|----------------|--|----------------|
| For shapes used as beams                |                |                |                  |          |            |                  |                         |                |                |  |                |
| F <sub>y</sub> = 50 ksi                 |                |                | S <sub>x</sub>   | Shape    | Depth<br>d | F <sub>y</sub> ' | F <sub>y</sub> = 36 ksi |                |                |  |                |
| L <sub>c</sub>                          | L <sub>u</sub> | M <sub>R</sub> |                  |          |            |                  | L <sub>c</sub>          | L <sub>u</sub> | M <sub>R</sub> |  |                |
| ft                                      | ft             | Kip-ft         | In. <sup>3</sup> |          | In.        | Ksi              | ft                      | ft             | Kip-ft         |  |                |
| 10.6                                    | 11.2           | 2130           | 776              | W 44x198 | 42%        | —                | 12.5                    | 15.5           | 1540           |  |                |
| 14.1                                    | 15.2           | 2110           | 769              | W 40x199 | 38%        | —                | 16.6                    | 20.0           | 1520           |  |                |
| 11.8                                    | 45.7           | 2110           | 769              | W 21x333 | 25         | —                | 13.9                    | 63.4           | 1520           |  |                |
| 14.2                                    | 19.8           | 2080           | 757              | W 33x221 | 33%        | —                | 16.7                    | 27.6           | 1500           |  |                |
| 13.5                                    | 24.0           | 2050           | 746              | W 30x235 | 31%        | —                | 15.9                    | 33.3           | 1480           |  |                |
| 12.8                                    | 29.0           | 2040           | 742              | W 27x258 | 29         | —                | 15.1                    | 40.3           | 1470           |  |                |
| 10.9                                    | 15.1           | 1980           | 719              | W 36x210 | 36%        | —                | 12.9                    | 20.9           | 1420           |  |                |
| 11.9                                    | 34.7           | 1970           | 718              | W 24x279 | 26%        | —                | 14.0                    | 48.2           | 1420           |  |                |
| 12.8                                    | 16.7           | 1880           | 708              | W 40x192 | 38%        | 37.1             | 17.8                    | 19.7           | 1400           |  |                |
| 11.6                                    | 42.7           | 1900           | 692              | W 21x300 | 24%        | —                | 13.7                    | 59.4           | 1370           |  |                |
| 14.1                                    | 17.9           | 1880           | 684              | W 33x201 | 33%        | —                | 16.6                    | 24.9           | 1350           |  |                |
| 10.6                                    | 12.3           | 1880           | 682              | W 40x183 | 39         | —                | 12.5                    | 17.1           | 1350           |  |                |
| 12.7                                    | 26.7           | 1850           | 674              | W 27x235 | 28%        | —                | 15.0                    | 37.0           | 1330           |  |                |
| 10.9                                    | 13.9           | 1830           | 664              | W 36x194 | 36%        | —                | 12.8                    | 19.4           | 1310           |  |                |
| 13.5                                    | 21.4           | 1820           | 663              | W 30x211 | 31         | —                | 15.9                    | 29.7           | 1310           |  |                |
| 11.8                                    | 31.4           | 1770           | 644              | W 24x250 | 26%        | —                | 13.9                    | 43.7           | 1280           |  |                |
| 11.5                                    | 39.2           | 1740           | 632              | W 21x275 | 24%        | —                | 13.6                    | 54.5           | 1250           |  |                |
| 12.6                                    | 24.9           | 1720           | 624              | W 27x217 | 28%        | —                | 14.9                    | 34.5           | 1240           |  |                |
| 10.8                                    | 49.0           | 1720           | 624              | W 18x311 | 22%        | —                | 12.7                    | 68.1           | 1240           |  |                |
| 10.8                                    | 13.1           | 1710           | 623              | W 36x182 | 36%        | —                | 12.7                    | 18.2           | 1230           |  |                |
| 10.4                                    | 11.0           | 1650           | 599              | W 40x167 | 38%        | —                | 12.5                    | 14.5           | 1190           |  |                |
| 13.5                                    | 19.4           | 1640           | 598              | W 30x191 | 30%        | —                | 15.9                    | 26.9           | 1180           |  |                |
| 11.7                                    | 29.0           | 1620           | 588              | W 24x229 | 26         | —                | 13.8                    | 40.3           | 1160           |  |                |
| 10.8                                    | 12.2           | 1600           | 580              | W 36x170 | 36%        | —                | 12.7                    | 17.0           | 1150           |  |                |
| 11.4                                    | 35.5           | 1560           | 569              | W 21x248 | 23%        | —                | 13.5                    | 49.3           | 1130           |  |                |
| 10.6                                    | 45.0           | 1550           | 564              | W 18x283 | 21%        | —                | 12.6                    | 62.6           | 1120           |  |                |
| 12.6                                    | 22.4           | 1530           | 556              | W 27x194 | 28%        | —                | 14.8                    | 31.1           | 1100           |  |                |
| 10.3                                    | 13.8           | 1510           | 549              | W 33x169 | 33%        | —                | 12.1                    | 19.2           | 1090           |  |                |
| 10.7                                    | 11.4           | 1490           | 542              | W 36x160 | 36         | —                | 12.7                    | 15.7           | 1070           |  |                |
| 13.4                                    | 17.5           | 1480           | 539              | W 30x173 | 30%        | —                | 15.8                    | 24.2           | 1070           |  |                |
| 11.7                                    | 26.5           | 1460           | 531              | W 24x207 | 25%        | —                | 13.7                    | 36.7           | 1050           |  |                |
| 10.5                                    | 42.2           | 1410           | 514              | W 18x258 | 21%        | —                | 12.4                    | 58.6           | 1020           |  |                |
| 8.5                                     | 10.7           | 1410           | 512              | W 40x149 | 38%        | —                | 11.9                    | 12.6           | 1010           |  |                |
| 11.4                                    | 32.7           | 1400           | 510              | W 21x223 | 23%        | —                | 13.4                    | 45.4           | 1010           |  |                |
| 10.5                                    | 11.3           | 1390           | 504              | W 36x150 | 35%        | —                | 12.6                    | 14.6           | 998            |  |                |
| 12.6                                    | 20.1           | 1380           | 502              | W 27x178 | 27%        | —                | 14.9                    | 27.9           | 994            |  |                |
| 11.6                                    | 24.7           | 1350           | 491              | W 24x192 | 25%        | —                | 13.7                    | 34.3           | 972            |  |                |
| 10.4                                    | 12.2           | 1340           | 487              | W 33x152 | 33%        | —                | 12.2                    | 16.9           | 964            |  |                |
| 10.4                                    | 38.8           | 1280           | 466              | W 18x234 | 21         | —                | 12.3                    | 53.8           | 923            |  |                |
| 11.3                                    | 29.8           | 1270           | 461              | W 21x201 | 23         | —                | 13.3                    | 41.3           | 913            |  |                |
| 12.6                                    | 18.3           | 1250           | 455              | W 27x161 | 27%        | —                | 14.8                    | 25.4           | 901            |  |                |
| 11.5                                    | 22.8           | 1240           | 450              | W 24x176 | 25%        | —                | 13.6                    | 31.7           | 891            |  |                |

# Beam Design - procedure

1. Choose a steel grade and allowable stress.
2. Determine the applied moment (e.g. moment diagram)
3. Calculate the section modulus,  $S_x$
4. Choose a safe section. (from  $S_x$  table)

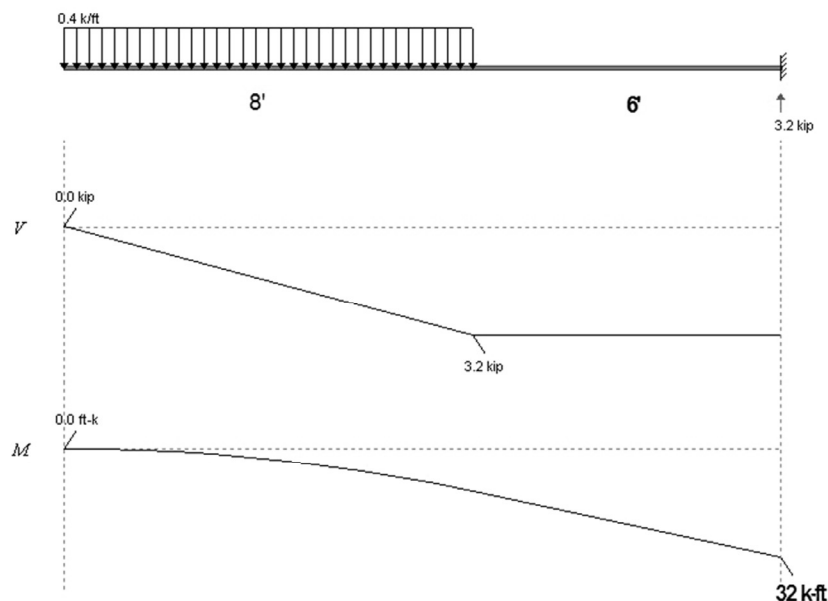
$$S_x = \frac{M}{F_b}$$

| ALLOWABLE STRESS DESIGN SELECTION TABLE<br>For shapes used as beams |       |        |                 |           |                                |       |                |       |        |
|---|-------|--------|-----------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-------|----------------|-------|--------|
| $F_y = 50$ ksi  |       |        | $S_x$           | Shape     | Depth<br>$d$                   | $F_y$ | $F_y = 36$ ksi |       |        |
| $L_c$   | $L_u$ | $M_R$  |                 |           |                                |       | $L_c$          | $L_u$ | $M_R$  |
| Ft  | Ft    | Kip-ft | In <sup>3</sup> |           | In                             | Ksi   | Ft             | Ft    | Kip-ft |
| 2.9   | 3.6   | 47     | 17.1            | W 12×16   | 12                             | —     | 4.1            | 4.3   | 34     |
| 5.4   | 14.4  | 46     | 16.7            | W 6×25    | 6 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub>  | —     | 6.4            | 20.0  | 33     |
| 3.6   | 4.4   | 45     | 16.2            | W 10×17   | 10 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>8</sub> | —     | 4.2            | 6.1   | 32     |
| 4.7   | 7.1   | 42     | 15.2            | W 8×18    | 8 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>8</sub>  | —     | 5.5            | 9.9   | 30     |
| 2.5   | 3.6   | 41     | 14.9            | W 12×14   | 11 <sup>7</sup> / <sub>8</sub> | 54.3  | 3.5            | 4.2   | 30     |
| 3.6   | 3.7   | 38     | 13.8            | W 10×15   | 10                             | —     | 4.2            | 5.0   | 27     |
| 5.4   | 11.8  | 37     | 13.4            | W 6×20    | 6 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>  | 62.1  | 6.4            | 16.4  | 27     |
| 5.3   | 12.5  | 36     | 13.0            | M 6×20    | 6                              | —     | 6.3            | 17.4  | 26     |
| 1.9   | 2.6   | 33     | 12.0            | M 12×11.8 | 12                             | —     | 2.7            | 3.0   | 24     |
| 3.6   | 5.2   | 32     | 11.8            | W 8×15    | 8 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>8</sub>  | —     | 4.2            | 7.2   | 23     |
| 2.8   | 3.6   | 30     | 10.9            | W 10×12   | 9 <sup>7</sup> / <sub>8</sub>  | 47.5  | 3.9            | 4.3   | 22     |

## Beam Design - steel

Using **Steel W section**:

1. Choose a steel grade: Using  $F_y = 50$  ksi  $F_b = 0.6 F_y$
2. Determine the applied moment



# Beam Design – steel

$$S_x = \frac{M}{F_b}$$

Using Steel W section:

2. Calculate section modulus,  $S_x$

$$S_x = \frac{M}{F_b} = \frac{32 \text{ k} \cdot (12)}{0.6 (50 \text{ ksi})}$$

$$S_x = 12.8 \text{ in}^3$$

# Beam Design – steel

Using Steel W section:

3. Choose a safe section. (from  $S_x$  table)

$$S_x \geq 12.8 \text{ in}^3$$

| ALLOWABLE STRESS DESIGN SELECTION TABLE |       |        |                 |           |              |       |                        |       |        |
|---|-------|--------|-----------------|-----------|--------------|-------|------------------------|-------|--------|
| For shapes used as beams                |       |        |                 |           |              |       |                        |       |        |
| $F_y = 50 \text{ ksi}$                  |       |        | $S_x$           | Shape     | Depth<br>$d$ | $F_y$ | $F_y = 36 \text{ ksi}$ |       |        |
| $L_c$                                   | $L_u$ | $M_R$  |                 |           |              |       | $L_c$                  | $L_u$ | $M_R$  |
| Ft                                      | Ft    | Kip-ft | in <sup>3</sup> |           | In           | Ksi   | Ft                     | Ft    | Kip-ft |
| 2.9                                     | 3.6   | 47     | 17.1            | W 12×16   | 12           | —     | 4.1                    | 4.3   | 34     |
| 5.4                                     | 14.4  | 46     | 16.7            | W 6×25    | 6¾           | —     | 6.4                    | 20.0  | 33     |
| 3.6                                     | 4.4   | 45     | 16.2            | W 10×17   | 10½          | —     | 4.2                    | 6.1   | 32     |
| 4.7                                     | 7.1   | 42     | 15.2            | W 8×18    | 8½           | —     | 5.5                    | 9.9   | 30     |
| 2.5                                     | 3.6   | 41     | 14.9            | W 12×14   | 11¾          | 54.3  | 3.5                    | 4.2   | 30     |
| 3.6                                     | 3.7   | 38     | 13.8            | W 10×15   | 10           | —     | 4.2                    | 5.0   | 27     |
| 5.4                                     | 11.8  | 37     | 13.4            | W 6×20    | 6¼           | 62.1  | 6.4                    | 16.4  | 27     |
| 5.3                                     | 12.5  | 36     | 13.0            | M 6×20    | 6            | —     | 6.3                    | 17.4  | 26     |
| 1.9                                     | 2.6   | 33     | 12.0            | M 12×11.8 | 12           | —     | 2.7                    | 3.0   | 24     |
| 3.6                                     | 5.2   | 32     | 11.8            | W 8×15    | 8½           | —     | 4.2                    | 7.2   | 23     |
| 2.8                                     | 3.6   | 30     | 10.9            | W 10×12   | 9¾           | 47.5  | 3.9                    | 4.3   | 22     |



# Beam Design – Glulam

Using **Glulam Timber**:

$F_b = 1250$  psi ( DF grade L3)

$$S_x = \frac{M}{F_b}$$

$$S_x = \frac{M_{APPLIED}}{F_b} = \frac{32000 \text{ ft-lb} (12)}{1250 \text{ psi}} = 307.2 \text{ in}^3$$

**Table 5B Reference Design Values for Structural Glued Laminated Softwood Timber**

(Members stressed primarily in axial tension or compression) (Tabulated design values are for normal load duration and dry service conditions. See NDS 5.3 for a comprehensive description of design value adjustment factors.)

Use with Table 5B Adjustment Factors

| Combination Symbol              | Species | Grade | All Loading                 |                            |                                    | Axially Loaded            |                               |                       | Bending about Y-Y Axis                       |                            |   |   | Bending About X-X Axis |  | Fasteners                |                         |                         |                         |                          |                          |                          |                          |   |                          |
|---------------------------------|---------|-------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|--|----------------------------|---|---|------------------------|--|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|--------------------------|
|                                 |         |       | Modulus of Elasticity       |                            | Compression Perpendicular to Grain | Tension Parallel to Grain | Compression Parallel to Grain |                       | Loaded Parallel to Wide Faces of Laminations |                            |   | Loaded Perpendicular to Wide Faces of Laminations |                        |  |                          |                         |                         |                         |                          |                          |                          |                          |   |                          |
|                                 |         |       | For Deflection Calculations | For Stability Calculations |                                    |                           | 2 or More Laminations         | 4 or More Laminations | 2 or 3 Laminations                           | Bending                    |   | Shear Parallel to Grain <sup>(1)(2)(3)</sup>      | Bending                | Shear Parallel to Grain <sup>(5)</sup> |                          |                         |                         |                         |                          |                          |                          |                          |   |                          |
|                                 |         |       |                             |                            |                                    |                           |                               |                       |  | E<br>(10 <sup>6</sup> psi) | E <sub>min</sub><br>(10 <sup>6</sup> psi) |   |                        |  | F <sub>c⊥</sub><br>(psi) | F <sub>t</sub><br>(psi) | F <sub>c</sub><br>(psi) | F <sub>c</sub><br>(psi) | F <sub>by</sub><br>(psi) | F <sub>by</sub><br>(psi) | F <sub>by</sub><br>(psi) | F <sub>vy</sub><br>(psi) | 2 Laminations to 15 in. Deep <sup>(4)</sup><br>F <sub>bx</sub><br>(psi) | F <sub>vx</sub><br>(psi) |
|                                 |         |       |                             |                            |                                    |                           |                               |                       |  |                            |   |   |                        |  |                          |                         |                         |                         |                          |                          |                          |                          |   |                          |
| Visually Graded Western Species |         |       |                             |                            |                                    |                           |                               |                       |  |                            |   |   |                        |  |                          |                         |                         |                         |                          |                          |                          |                          |   |                          |
| 1                               | DF      | L3    | 1.5                         | 0.79                       | 560                                | 950                       | 1550                          | 1250                  | 1450   | 1250                       | 1000                                      | 230   | 1250                   | 265                                    | 0.50                     |                         |                         |                         |                          |                          |                          |                          |   |                          |
| 2                               | DF      | L2    | 1.6                         | 0.85                       | 560                                | 1250                      | 1950                          | 1600                  | 1800   | 1600                       | 1300                                      | 230   | 265                    | 265                                    | 0.50                     |                         |                         |                         |                          |                          |                          |                          |   |                          |
| 3                               | DF      | L2D   | 1.9                         | 1.00                       | 650                                | 1450                      | 2300                          | 1900                  | 2100   | 1850                       | 1550                                      | 230   | 2000                   | 265                                    | 0.50                     |                         |                         |                         |                          |                          |                          |                          |   |                          |
| 4                               | DF      | L1CL  | 1.9                         | 1.00                       | 590                                | 1400                      | 2100                          | 1950                  | 2200   | 2000                       | 1650                                      | 230   | 2100                   | 265                                    | 0.50                     |                         |                         |                         |                          |                          |                          |                          |   |                          |
| 5                               | DF      | L1    | 2.0                         | 1.06                       | 650                                | 1650                      | 2400                          | 2100                  | 2400   | 2100                       | 1800                                      | 230   | 2200                   | 265                                    | 0.50                     |                         |                         |                         |                          |                          |                          |                          |   |                          |

## Section Properties

Using Glulam Timber:

Glulam Timbers – 8 3/4" wide

$S_x$  required = 307.2 in<sup>3</sup>

**Table 1C Section Properties of Western Species Structural Glued Laminated Timber (Cont.)**

| Depth           | Area                  | X-X Axis                           |                                    |                      | Y-Y Axis                           |                                    |
|-----------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| d (in.)         | A (in. <sup>2</sup> ) | I <sub>x</sub> (in. <sup>4</sup> ) | S <sub>x</sub> (in. <sup>3</sup> ) | r <sub>x</sub> (in.) | I <sub>y</sub> (in. <sup>4</sup> ) | S <sub>y</sub> (in. <sup>3</sup> ) |
| 8-3/4 in. Width |                       |                                    |                                    |                      | (r <sub>y</sub> = 2.526 in.)       |                                    |
| 9               | 78.75                 | 531.6                              | 118.1                              | 2.598                | 502.4                              | 114.8                              |
| 10-1/2          | 91.88                 | 844.1                              | 160.8                              | 3.031                | 586.2                              | 134.0                              |
| 12              | 105.0                 | 1260                               | 210.0                              | 3.464                | 669.9                              | 153.1                              |
| 13-1/2          | 118.1                 | 1794                               | 265.8                              | 3.897                | 753.7                              | 172.3                              |
| 15              | 131.3                 | 2461                               | 328.1                              | 4.330                | 837.4                              | 191.4                              |
| 16-1/2          | 144.4                 | 3276                               | 397.0                              | 4.763                | 921.1                              | 210.5                              |
| 18              | 157.5                 | 4253                               | 472.5                              | 5.196                | 1005                               | 229.7                              |
| 19-1/2          | 170.6                 | 5407                               | 554.5                              | 5.629                | 1089                               | 248.8                              |
| 21              | 183.8                 | 6753                               | 643.1                              | 6.062                | 1172                               | 268.0                              |

# Section Properties

## PROPERTIES OF SAWN LUMBER SECTIONS



### Sawn Lumber

| Nominal Size<br>b × d | Actual Size<br>b × d | Area<br>in. <sup>2</sup> | $I_x$<br>in. <sup>4</sup> | $S_x$<br>in. <sup>3</sup> |
|-----------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1 × 4                 | 3/4 × 3 1/2          | 2.63                     | 2.68                      | 1.53                      |
| 1 × 6                 | " × 5 1/2            | 4.13                     | 10.40                     | 3.78                      |
| 1 × 8                 | " × 7 1/4            | 5.44                     | 23.82                     | 6.57                      |
| 1 × 10                | " × 9 1/4            | 6.94                     | 49.47                     | 10.70                     |
| 1 × 12                | " × 11 1/4           | 8.44                     | 88.99                     | 15.83                     |
| 2 × 4                 | 1 1/2 × 3 1/2        | 5.25                     | 5.36                      | 3.06                      |
| 2 × 6                 | " × 5 1/2            | 8.25                     | 20.80                     | 7.56                      |
| 2 × 8                 | " × 7 1/4            | 10.88                    | 47.64                     | 13.14                     |
| 2 × 10                | " × 9 1/4            | 13.88                    | 98.93                     | 21.39                     |
| 2 × 12                | " × 11 1/4           | 16.88                    | 177.98                    | 31.64                     |
| 3 × 4                 | 2 1/2 × 3 1/2        | 8.75                     | 8.93                      | 5.10                      |
| 3 × 6                 | " × 5 1/2            | 13.75                    | 34.66                     | 12.60                     |
| 3 × 8                 | " × 7 1/4            | 18.13                    | 79.39                     | 21.90                     |
| 3 × 10                | " × 9 1/4            | 23.13                    | 164.89                    | 35.65                     |
| 3 × 12                | " × 11 1/4           | 28.13                    | 296.63                    | 52.73                     |
| 4 × 4                 | 3 1/2 × 3 1/2        | 12.25                    | 12.50                     | 7.15                      |
| 4 × 6                 | " × 5 1/2            | 19.25                    | 48.53                     | 17.65                     |
| 4 × 8                 | " × 7 1/4            | 25.38                    | 111.15                    | 30.66                     |
| 4 × 10                | " × 9 1/4            | 32.38                    | 230.84                    | 49.91                     |
| 4 × 12                | " × 11 1/4           | 39.38                    | 415.28                    | 73.83                     |

## Modes of Failure

### Strength

- Tension rupture
- Compression crushing

### Stability

- Column buckling
- Beam lateral torsional buckling

### Serviceability

- Beam deflection
- Building story drift
- cracking

