

# Topics in Ship Structural Design (Hull Buckling and Ultimate Strength)

## Lecture 7 Elastic Buckling of Stiffened Panels

Reference : Ship Structural Design Ch.13

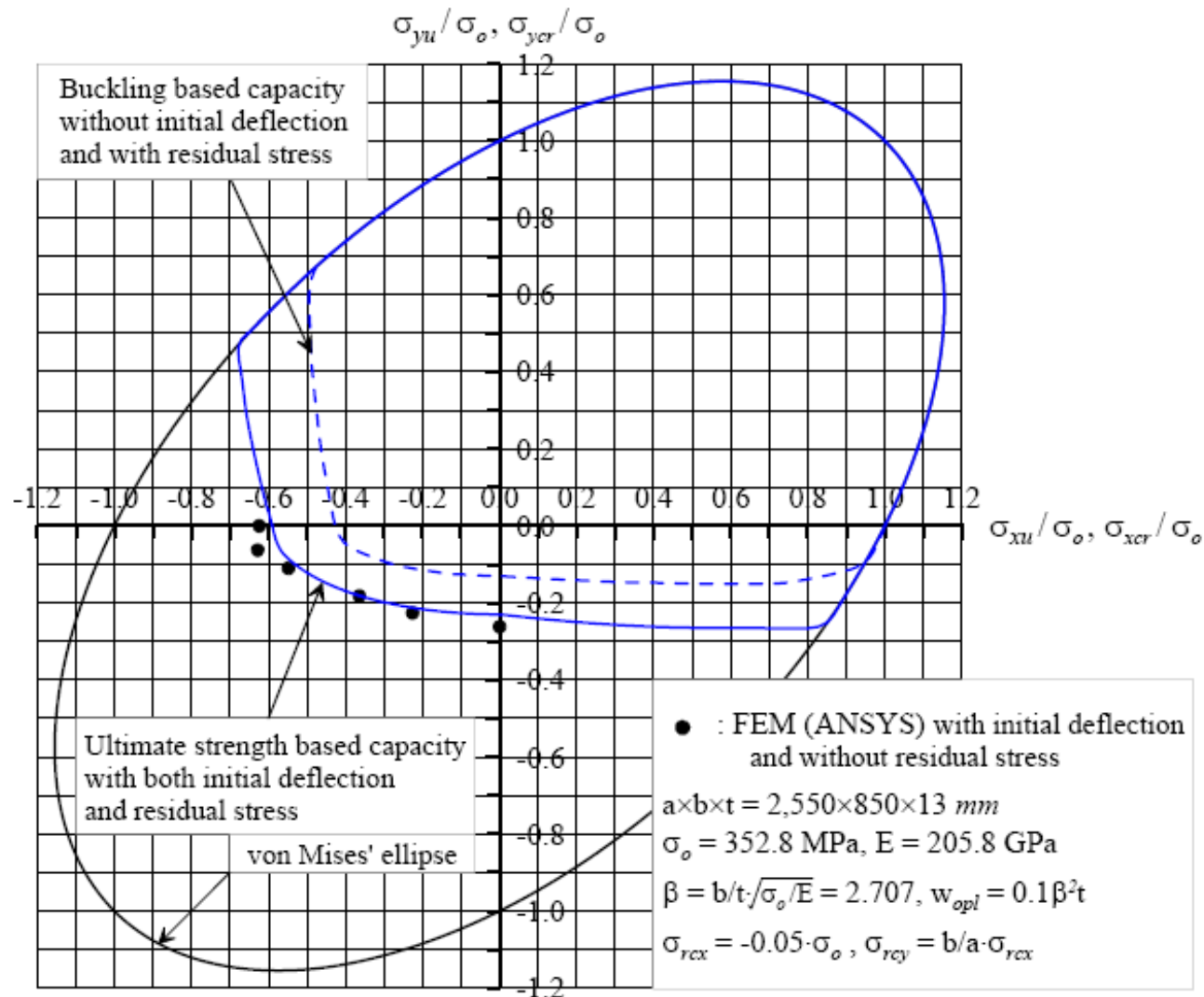
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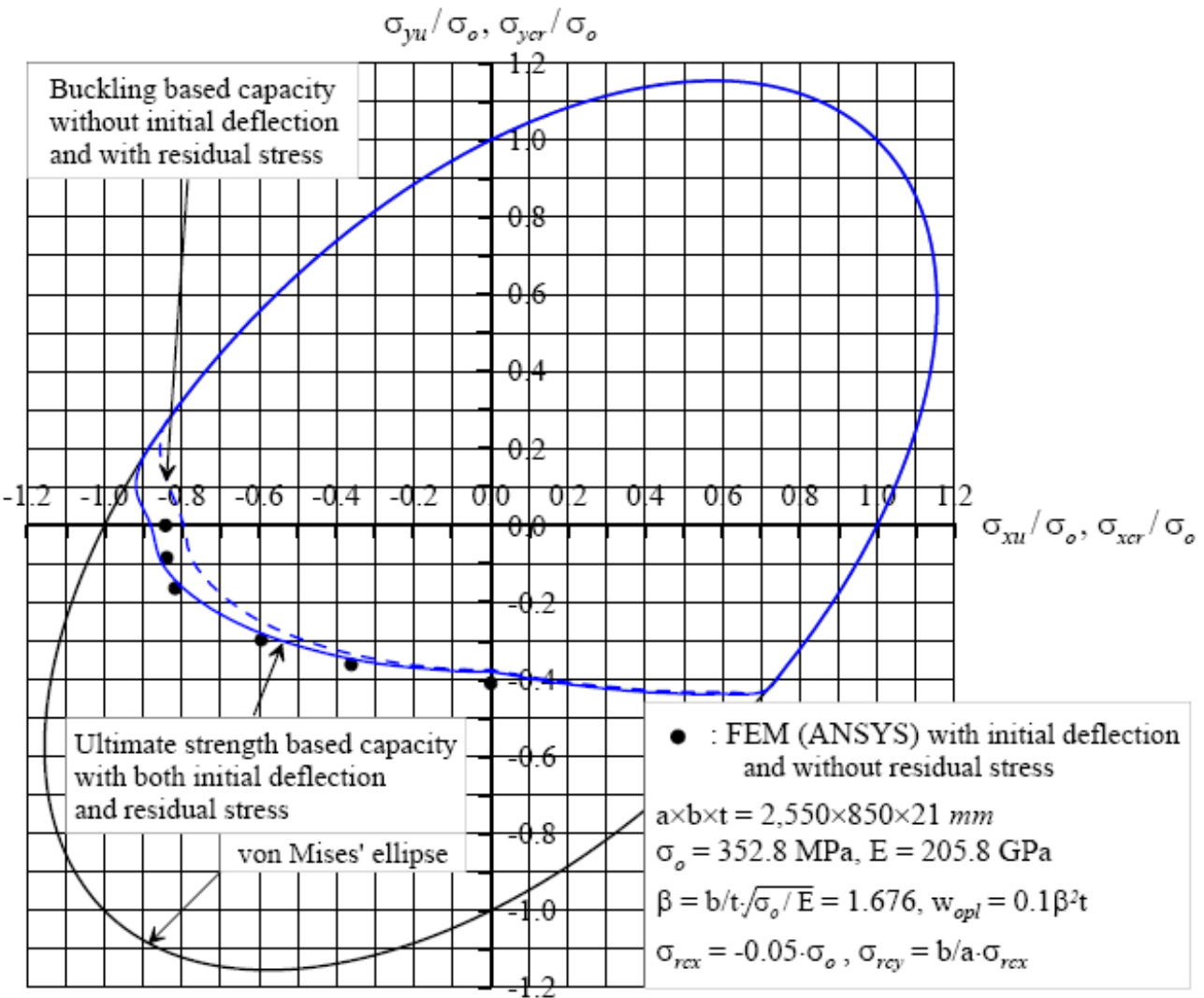
# Comparison between Buckling and Ultimate Strength of plating

- ❖ Plate capacity interactions between biaxial compression
  - FEA, Buckling, Ultimate strength,  $a / b = 3$ ,  $t = 13$  mm



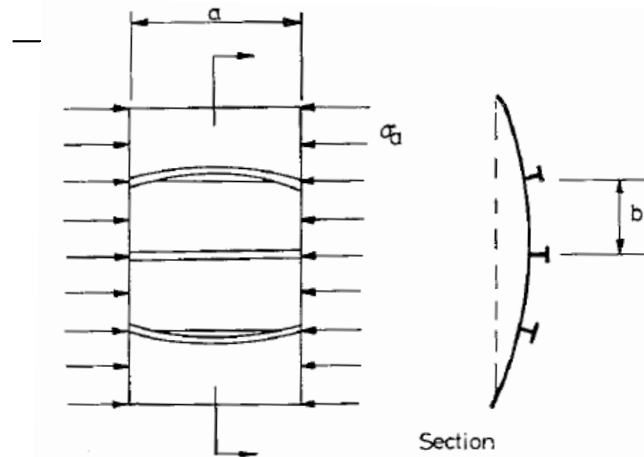
# Comparison between Buckling and Ultimate Strength of plating

- ❖ Plate capacity interactions between biaxial compression
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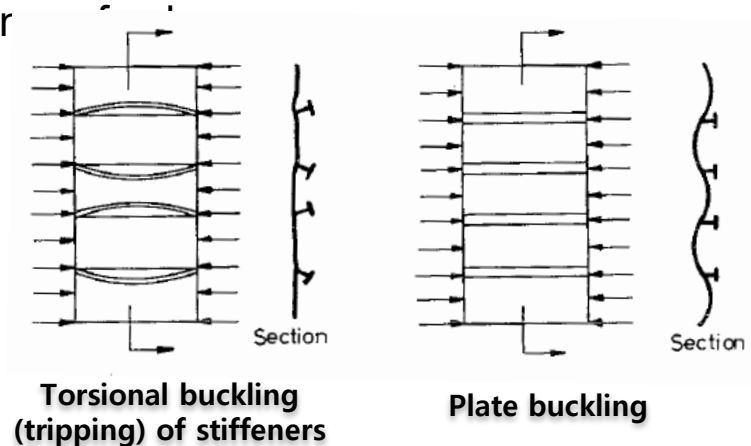
## Two types of buckling

- Stiffened panels can buckle in essentially two different ways: **overall buckling** and **local buckling**.
- Overall buckling** : stiffeners buckle along with the plating
- Local buckling** :
  - stiffeners buckle prematurely because of inadequate rigidity
  - plate panels buckle between the stiffeners → shedding extra load into stiffeners



Overall buckling

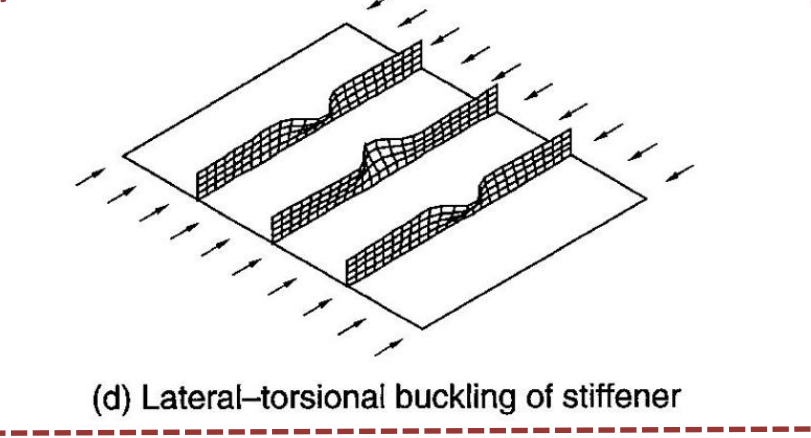
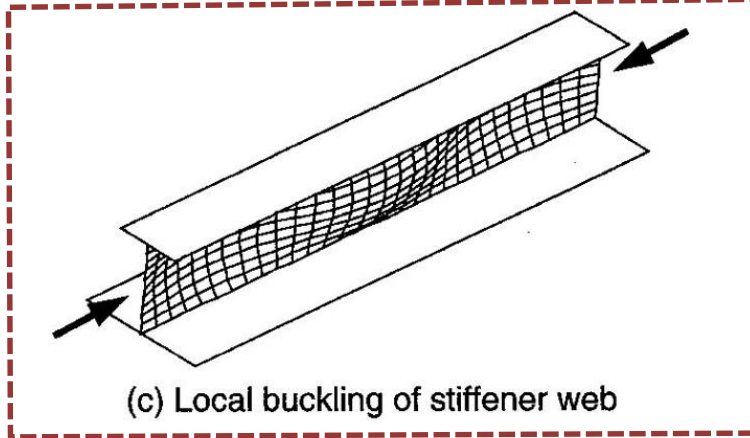
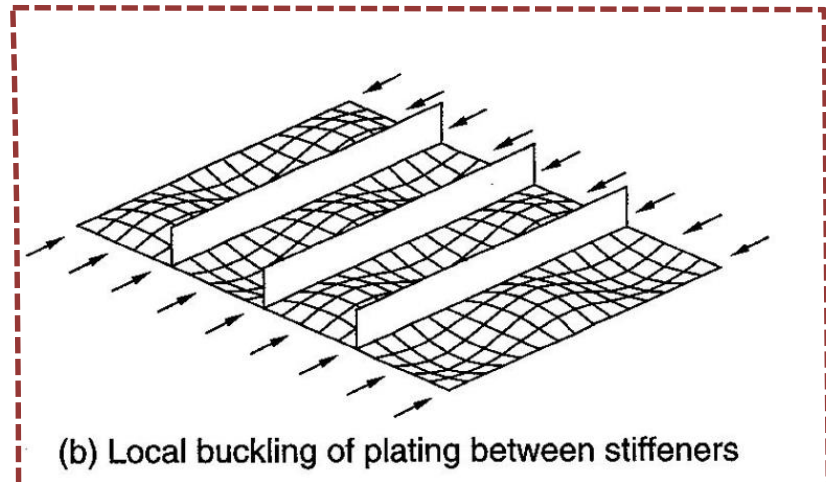
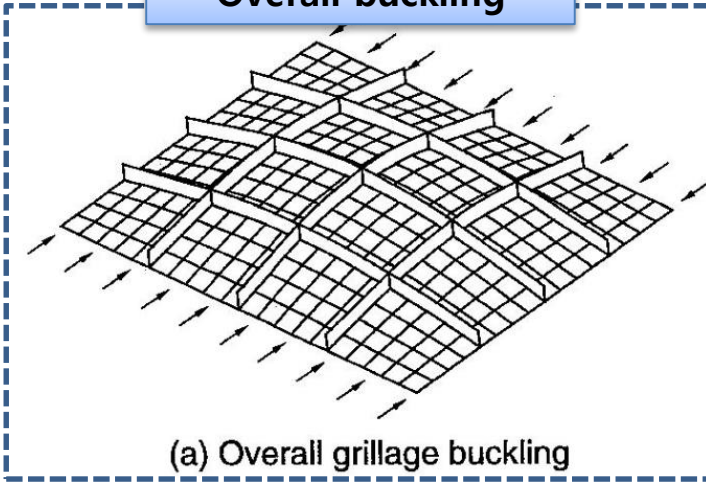
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Local buckling

- For most ship panels, the buckling is inelastic. **“failure”** instead of **“buckling”**
- Nevertheless, **elastic buckling analysis** gives a good **indication** of the likely modes of failure and **a foundation** for the more complex question of the inelastic buckling and ultimate strengths of stiffened panels.

**Overall buckling**



**Local buckling**

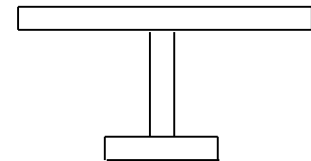
**Schematics of various types of stiffed panel buckling**

## General

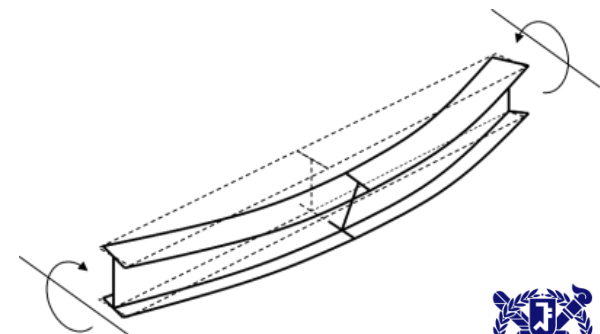
- **STEP 1** : Minimum flexural rigidity of stiffeners to avoid overall buckling  
→ The minimum value of  $\gamma_x$  to ensure stiffener buckling does **not** precede plate buckling  
 $\gamma_x$  ∴ flexural rigidity of stiffener + plating / the flexural rigidity of the plating

$$\gamma_x = \frac{EI_x}{Db} = \frac{12(1-\nu^2)I_x}{bt^3}$$

- **STEP 2** : Calculation of **Column Buckling** stress  
→ Buckling of **a column** composed of stiffener and plating of **effective breadth**



- **STEP 3** : Calculation of **stiffener-tripping** stress  
→ Flexural-torsional buckling of **a stiffener** with rotational restraint by plating



# Idealization of continuous stiffened panel

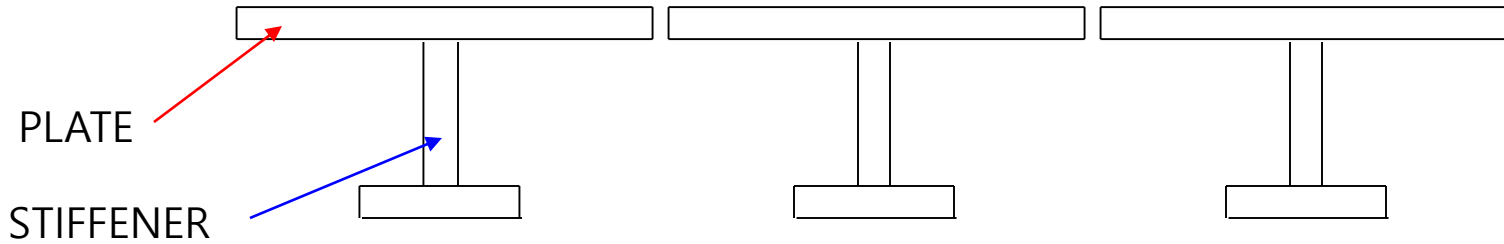


Plate-Stiffener (BEAM) **Combination** model

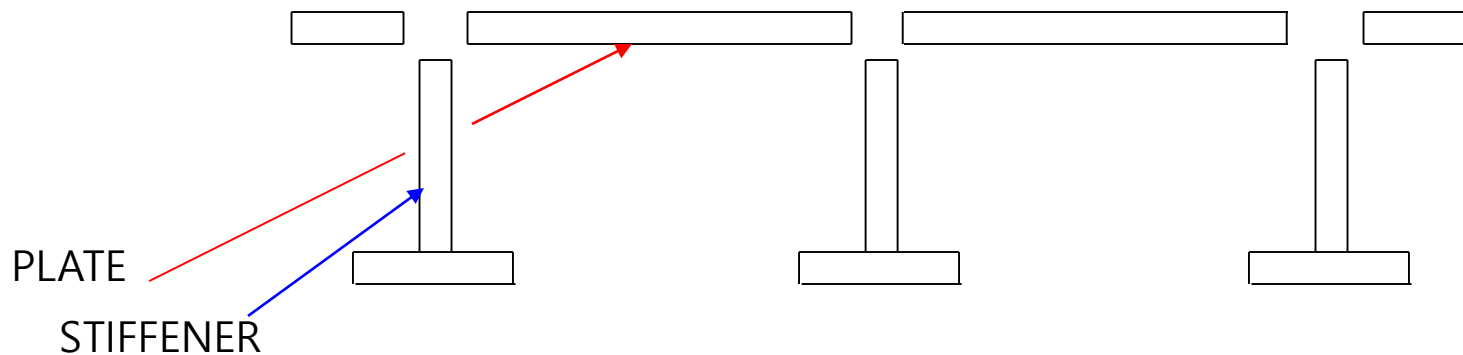
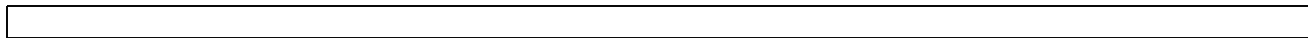


Plate-Stiffener **Separation** model



Orthotropic plate model

## General

- Analytical methods of solving buckling problems include two principal types:
  - discrete beam : more versatile and accurate, but more computation
  - orthotropic plate : only when the stiffeners are very closely spaced.
- In this lecture, it is assumed that
  - ✓ the edges of the panel are simply supported
  - ✓ individual elements of the stiffeners are not subject to instability
- First principle in regard to stiffener
  - ✓ stiffeners should be sufficiently rigid and stable (∴ **stiffener buckling = overall buckling** and the plating is left with almost no lateral rigidity
  - ✓ **Substantial lateral load** ship panels must carry requires sufficiently large stiffness and rigidity.
- It is best to first perform an **elastic buckling analysis** because:
  - ✓ **relatively simple**, consisting mostly of explicit formulas
  - ✓ for slender panels, it may be one of the **governing failure modes**
  - ✓ it indicates whether an inelastic analysis is required



## 13.1 Longitudinally Stiffened Panels – Overall buckling v.s. Plate buckling

### Minimum flexural rigidity to avoid overall buckling

- Some parameters

- ✓ the ratio of the flexural rigidity of the combined section to the flexural rigidity of the plating

$$\gamma_x = \frac{EI_x}{Db} = \frac{12(1-\nu^2)I_x}{bt^3}$$

- ✓ the panel aspect ratio

$$\Pi = \frac{L}{B} = \frac{a}{B}$$

- ✓ the area ratio

$$\delta_x = \frac{A_x}{bt}$$



# 13.1 Longitudinally Stiffened Panels – Overall buckling v.s. Plate buckling

## Minimum flexural rigidity to avoid overall buckling

- The minimum value of  $\gamma_x$  (the less one of the two values) to ensure stiffener buckling does **not** precede plate buckling  $\gamma_x > \gamma_{min}$

(1) panel with **one central longitudinal stiffener** (whichever is less)

$$\gamma_x = 48.8 + 112\delta_x(1 + 0.5\delta_x)$$

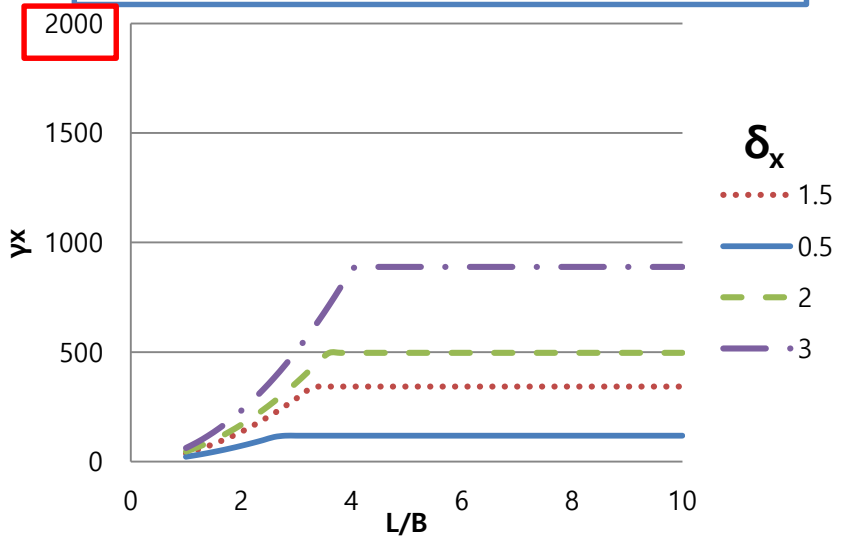
$$\gamma_x = 22.8\Pi + (2.5 + 16\delta_x)\Pi^2 - 10.8\sqrt{\Pi}$$

(2) panel with **two equally spaced longitudinal stiffeners**(whichever is less)

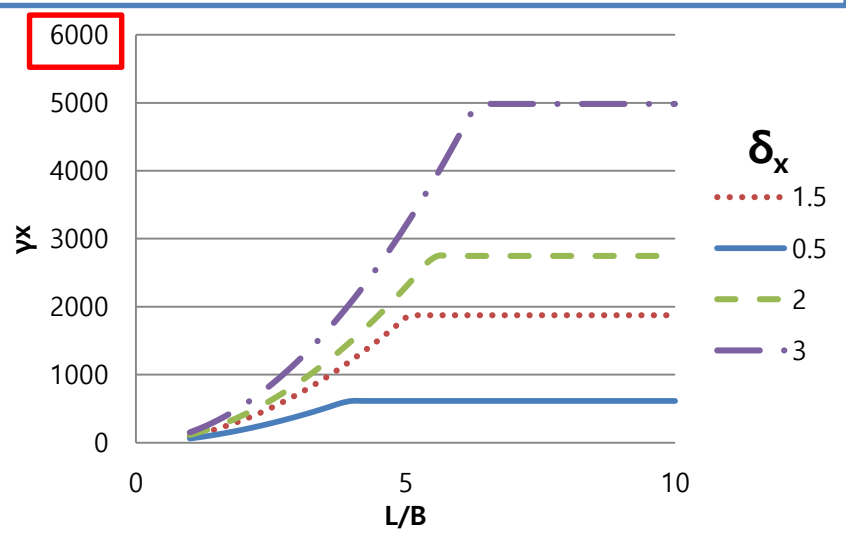
$$\gamma_x = 43.5\sqrt{\Pi^3} + 36\Pi^2\delta_x$$

$$\gamma_x = 228 + 610\delta_x + 325\delta_x^2$$

**one central longitudinal stiffener**



**two equally spaced longitudinal stiffener**



## 13.1 Longitudinally Stiffened Panels – Overall buckling v.s. Plate buckling

### Minimum flexural rigidity to avoid overall buckling

- A more general solution, valid for any number of stiffeners, has been presented by Klitchiff

$$\gamma_x = \delta_x (1 + N_B^2 \Pi^2)^2 + \frac{4}{\pi} \Pi (1 + N_B^2 \Pi^2) \sqrt{2 + N_B^2 \Pi^2}$$

where  $N_B = \text{number of panels} = 1 + \text{number of longitudinal stiffeners}$

**Homework 6-1 Plot Klitchiff's curve versus L/B for different  $N_B$  and  $\delta_x$  and compare with the previous two curves.**



## 13.1 Longitudinally Stiffened Panels

### Calculation of overall buckling stress

- An **alternative approach** is to calculate the **overall buckling stress**  $(\sigma_a)_{cr}$  and compare it to **the plate buckling stress**  $\sigma_0$ .

$$(\sigma_a)_{cr} \geq \sigma_0 \quad \sigma_0 = 3.62E \left( \frac{t}{b} \right)^2$$

- In short panels, the equivalent slenderness ratio of each column is **the actual slenderness** of the section or in terms of **nondimensional parameter**.

$$\left( \frac{L}{\rho} \right)_{eq} = \frac{a}{\rho} = \frac{a}{\sqrt{I_x / (A_x + bt)}} \quad \left( \frac{L}{\rho} \right)_{eq} = \frac{a}{t} \sqrt{\frac{12(1-\nu^2)(1+\delta_x)}{\gamma_x}}$$

- In long panels, the stiffeners receive some lateral restraint from the sides of the panel → buckling in more than **one half wave**.

**the equivalent slenderness ratio** < the value given by the former formula

$$\left( \frac{L}{\rho} \right)_{eq} = C_{\Pi} \frac{a}{\rho} = \frac{C_{\Pi} a}{\sqrt{I_x / (A_x + bt)}}$$

where  $C_{\Pi}$  is given by whichever is less

$$C_{\Pi} = \frac{1}{\Pi} \sqrt{\frac{\gamma_x}{2(1 + \sqrt{1 + \gamma_x})}}$$

$$C_{\Pi} = 1$$

$$\gamma_x = \frac{EI_x}{Db} = \frac{12(1-\nu^2)I_x}{bt^3}$$



## 13.1 Longitudinally Stiffened Panels

### Calculation of overall buckling stress

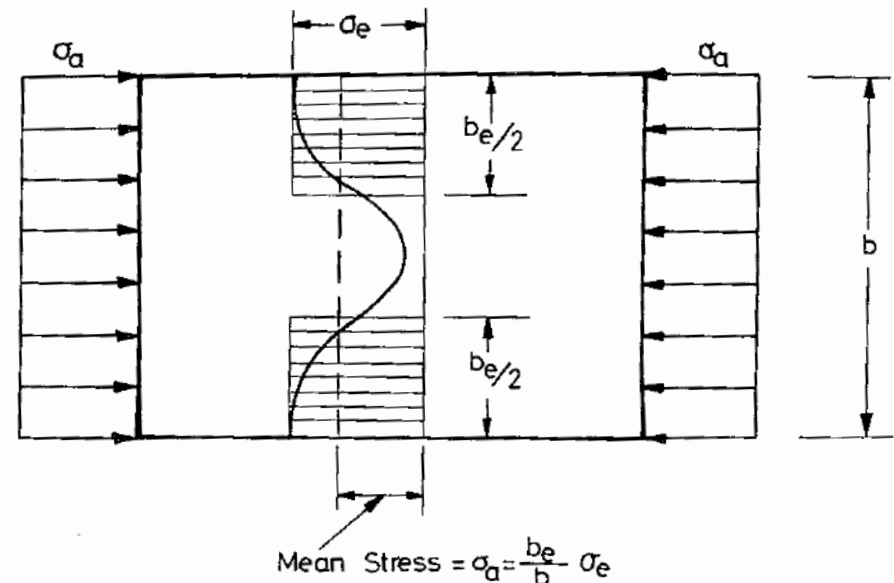
- Then 
$$(\sigma_a)_{cr} = \frac{\pi^2 E}{(L/\rho)_{eq}^2}$$
- Using the adjective “slender” to describe a panel in which the overall buckling stress calculated from elastic theory is less than the yield stress.

$$\frac{\pi^2 E}{(L/\rho)_{eq}^2} < \sigma_Y$$

- Normally, plate buckling precedes overall buckling → When overall buckling occurs the plate flange of the stiffener will not be fully effective over the width  $b$ . (due to out-of-plane deformation, caused by buckling)

- The buckled center portion is discounted completely and the original  $b$  is replaced by  $b_e$

$$\sigma_e = \frac{b}{b_e} \sigma_a$$



## 13.1 Longitudinally Stiffened Panels

### Calculation of overall buckling stress

- The effective width is taken to be the width at which the equivalent plate would buckle at an applied stress of  $\sigma_e$

$$\sigma_e = k \frac{\pi^2 D}{b_e^2 t}$$

for the original plate

$$(\sigma_a)_{cr} = k \frac{\pi^2 D}{b^2 t}$$

- if it is assumed that  $k$  is the same in both cases then

- For long plate ( $a/b > 1$ )

$$(\sigma_a)_{cr} = 4 \frac{\pi^2 D}{b^2 t}$$

$$\frac{b_e}{b} = \sqrt{\frac{(\sigma_a)_{cr}}{\sigma_e}}$$

$$\frac{b_e}{b} = 1.9 \frac{t}{b} \sqrt{\frac{E}{\sigma_e}}$$

- The effective width would reach its smallest possible value when  $\sigma_a$  reached yield  $\sigma_{yield}$ .

$$\left(\frac{b_e}{b}\right)_{\min} = \frac{1.9}{\beta}$$

$$\beta = \frac{b}{t} \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_Y}{E}}$$

# 13.1 Longitudinally Stiffened Panels

## Calculation of overall buckling stress

- The critical value is given by  $(\sigma_e)_{cr} = \frac{\pi^2 E}{(L/\rho_e)_{eq}^2}$
- The axial stress in the stiffener is larger than the external applied stress.

$(\sigma_a)_{cr}$  axial stress corresponding to  $(\sigma_e)_{cr}$

$$\sigma_a (bt + A_x) = \sigma_e (b_e t + A_x) \quad (\sigma_a)_{cr} = \left( \frac{b_{et} + A_x}{bt + A_x} \right) \frac{\pi^2 E}{(L/\rho_e)_{eq}^2}$$

- A suitable procedure

- Assume some initial value of  $b_e$
- Calculate  $\delta_{xe}$  and  $I_{xe}$ , and then evaluate  $(L/\rho_e)_{eq}$
- Calculate  $(\sigma_e)_{cr}$
- Using this value, recalculate  $b_e$  from
- Repeat from step 2 until  $b_e$  has converged

$$(\sigma_e)_{cr} = \frac{\pi^2 E}{(L/\rho_e)_{eq}^2}$$

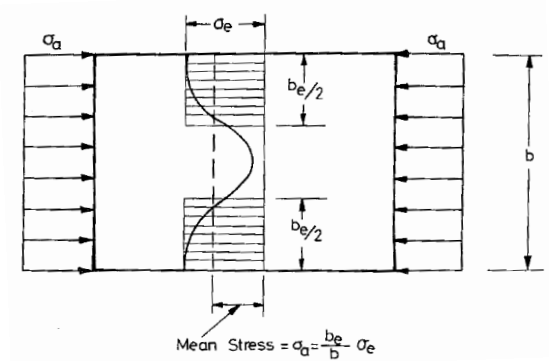
$$\frac{b_e}{b} = 1.9 \frac{t}{b} \sqrt{\frac{E}{\sigma_e}}$$

- Calculate  $(\sigma_a)_{cr}$

$$(\sigma_a)_{cr} = \left( \frac{b_{et} + A_x}{bt + A_x} \right) \frac{\pi^2 E}{(L/\rho_e)_{eq}^2}$$

- a single nonlinear equation for  $b_e$

$$\frac{\pi d}{1.9at} b_e \sqrt{\frac{A_w}{12} (A_w + 4A_f) + \left( \frac{A_w}{3} + A_f \right) b_e t} = A_w + A_f + b_e t$$

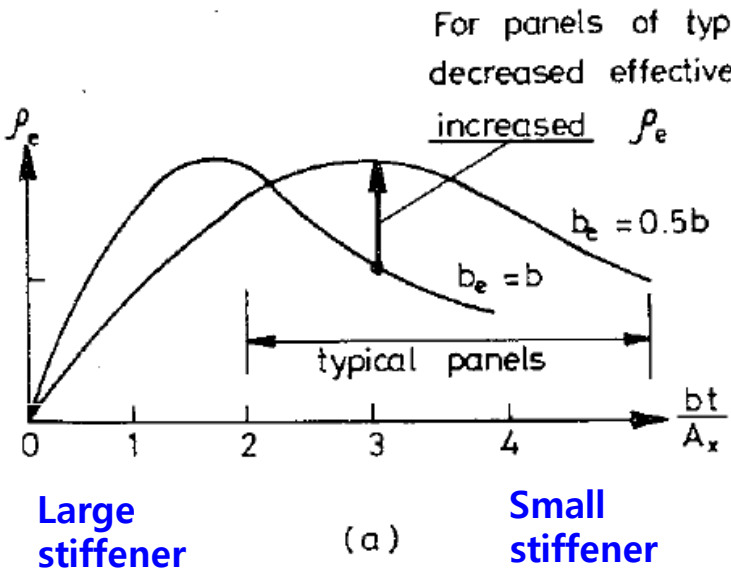


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## Calculation of overall buckling stress

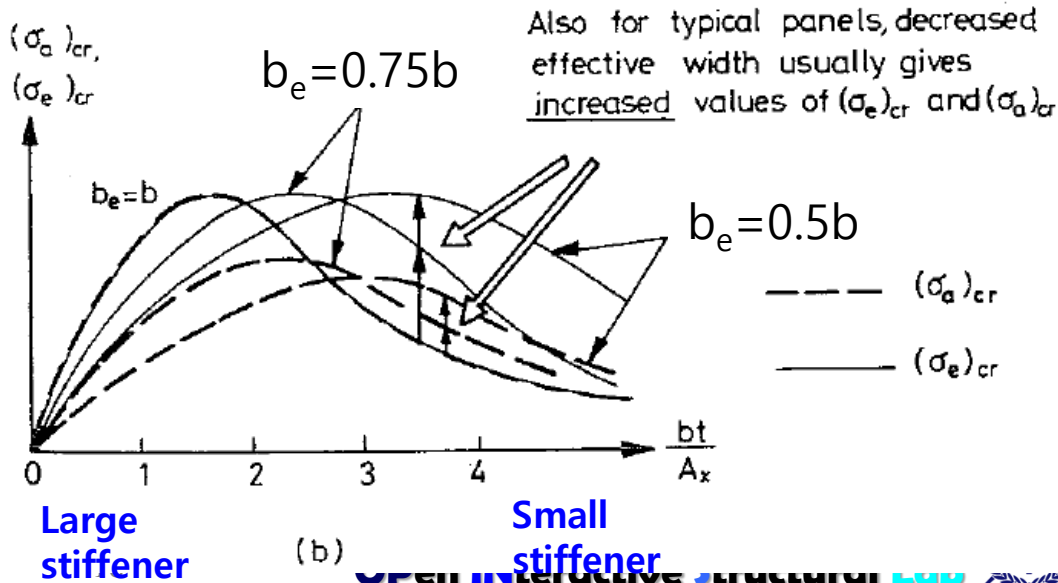
- $(\sigma_e)_{cr}$  depends on  $\rho_e$  depends on  $b_e$ .
- When  $bt > 2A_x$  (usual case), decrease of  $b_e \rightarrow$  increase  $\rho_e$   
 $\rightarrow$  increase in  $(\sigma_a)_{cr}$
- The lowest of  $(\sigma_a)_{cr}$  corresponds to  $b_e = b$ , when plating is fully effective.

$$(\sigma_e)_{cr} = \frac{\pi^2 E}{(L / \rho_e)_{eq}^2}$$



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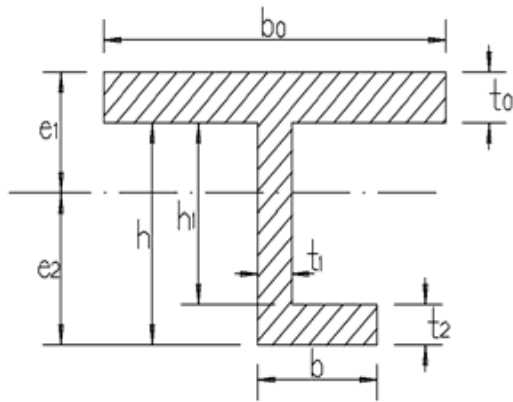




## 13.1 Longitudinally Stiffened Panels

### Calculation of overall buckling stress

Homework 6-2 illustrates the previous graph using the following formula



$$A = b_0 t_0 + b t_2 + h_1 t_1$$

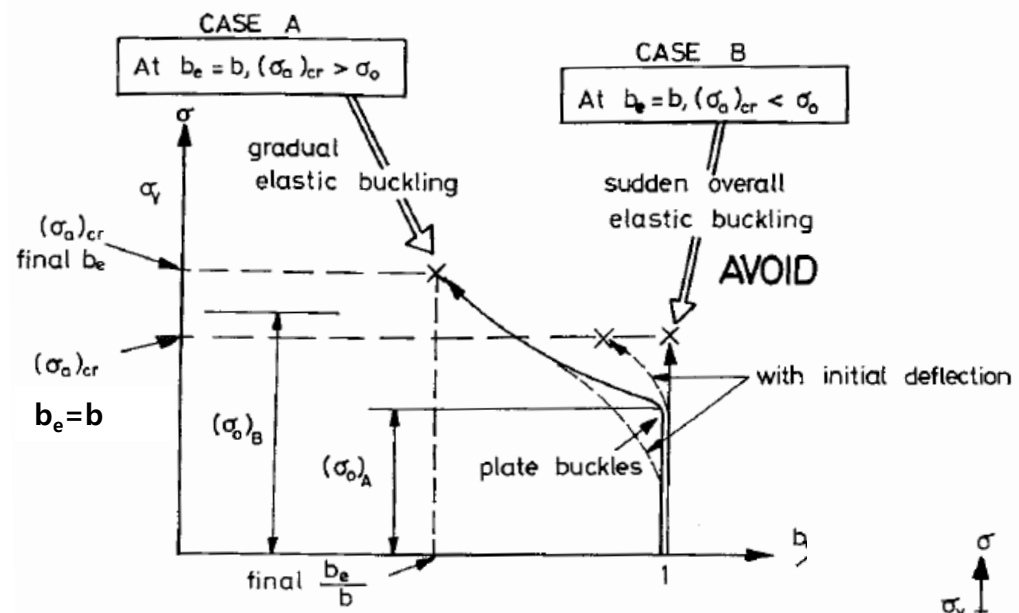
$$I = \frac{b_0 t_0^3}{3} + \frac{b h^3}{3} - \frac{(b - t_1) h_1^3}{3} - A(e_1 - t_0)^2$$

$$e_1 = t_0 + \frac{b h^2 - (b - t_1) h_1^2 - b_0 t_0^2}{2A}$$

# 13.1 Longitudinally Stiffened Panels

## Calculation of overall buckling stress

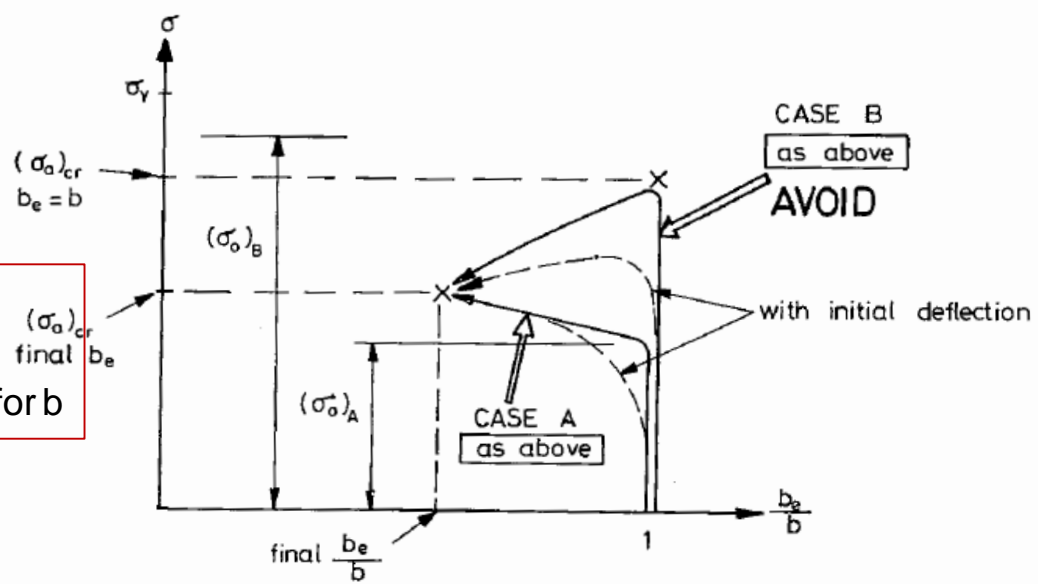
- Possible modes of elastic buckling of stiffened panels



(a) SMALL STIFFENERS ( $A_x < \frac{bt}{2}$ , say)

**For large stiffener**  
 $(\sigma_a)_{cr}$  for  $b_e < (\sigma_a)_{cr}$  for  $b$

**For small stiffener**  
 $(\sigma_a)_{cr}$  for  $b_e > (\sigma_a)_{cr}$  for  $b$

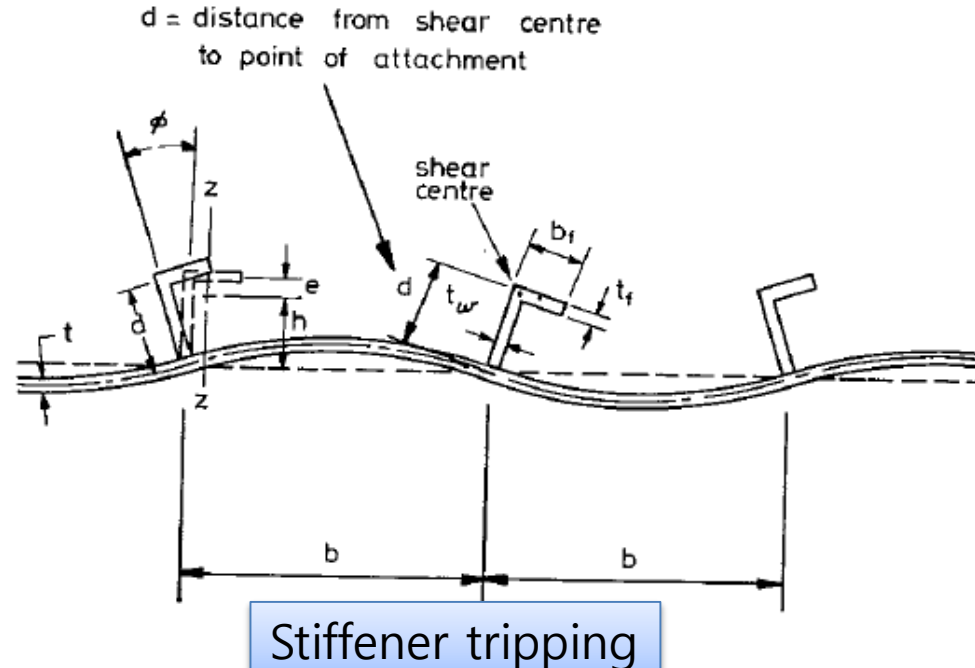


(b) LARGE STIFFENERS ( $A_x > \frac{bt}{2}$ , say)

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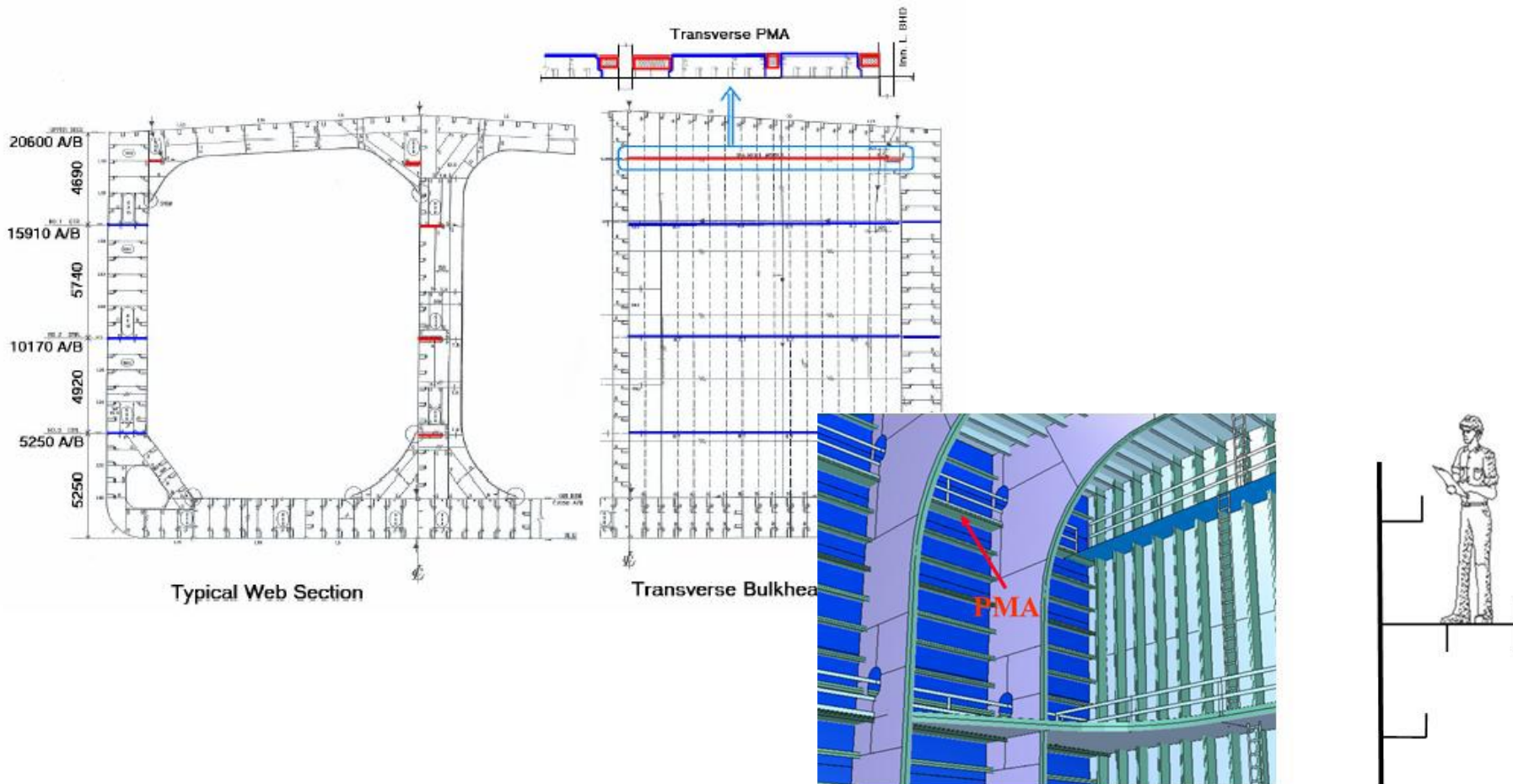
### Local buckling of stiffener (tripping)

- A stiffener may buckle by twisting about its line of attachment to the plating, “tripping”. The direction of the tripping alternates as shown.
- Tripping and plate buckling do interact but they can occur in either order.
- **Tripping failure** is regarded as **collapse**, the tripping leads no stiffening and overall buckling follows immediately. Elastic tripping is a quite sudden phenomenon → a most undesirable mode of buckling
- **Open sections** used in ship panels have relatively little torsional rigidity.
- Closed cross section : difficulties in fabrication, inspection and control of corrosion.



# Permanent Means of Access (PMA)

- ❑ IMO introduced PMA regulations for securing access to cargo holds and ballast tanks in oil tankers and bulk carriers.
- ❑ Overall and close-up inspections and thickness measurements of the critical hull structural parts.



# Ultimate Strength Assessment of PMA

- ❖ **Objective** : Ultimate strength assessment of PMA using nonlinear FE analysis  
Establish evaluation procedure for CSR Tanker design
- ❖ **Research** :
  - No specified rule for PMA structure in CSR
  - Local support member scantling rule in CSR → over scantling
  - Establish a ultimate strength assessment procedure.
  - Propose a evaluation criteria based on CSR cargo hold analysis.

## Rule for Local Support Members in CSR

### SECTION 10- BUCKLING AND ULTIMATE STRENGTH

#### 2.2 Plates and Local Support Members

##### 2.2.1 Proportions of plate panels and local support members

(b) stiffener web plate

$$t_{w-net} \geq \frac{d_w}{C_w} \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_{yd}}{235}}$$

(c) flange/face plate

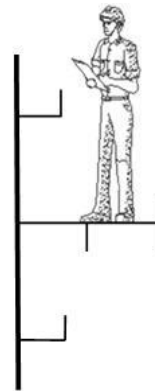
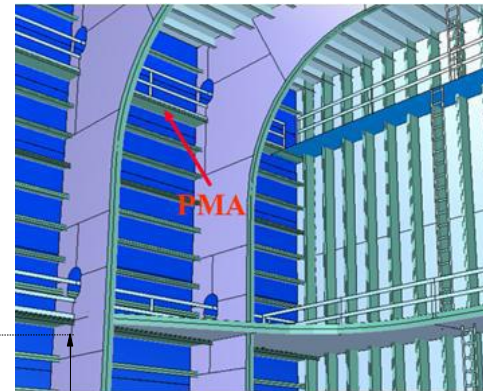
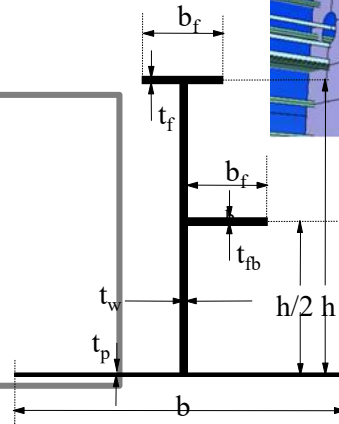
$$t_{f-net} \geq \frac{b_{f-out}}{C_f} \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_{yd}}{235}}$$

**CSR req. :**  $h \times t_w + b_f \times t_f$

**1150x20.5+288x16.5**

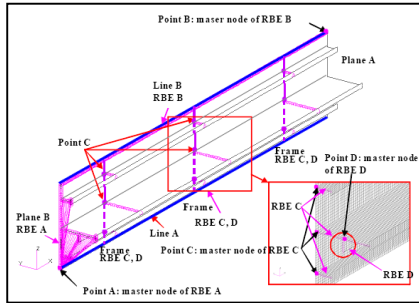
**Proposed :**

**1150x12.0+150x15.0**

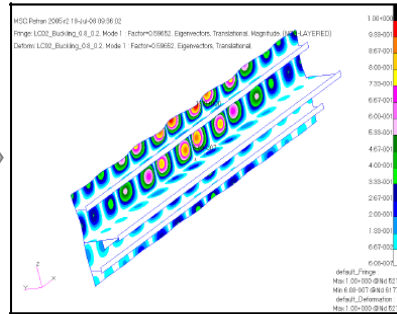


# Ultimate Strength Assessment of PMA

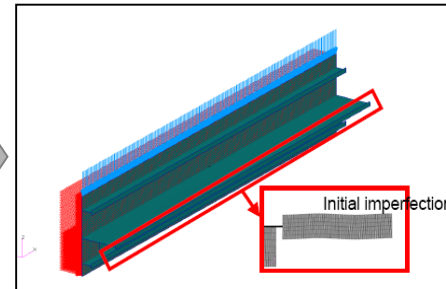
## FE Modeling & Boundary Condition



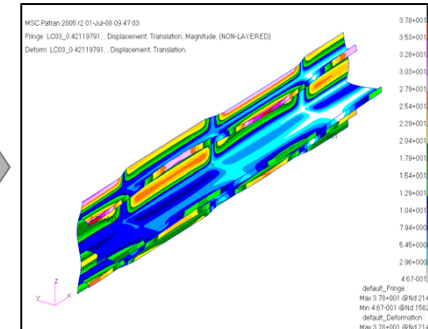
## Linear Buckling Analysis



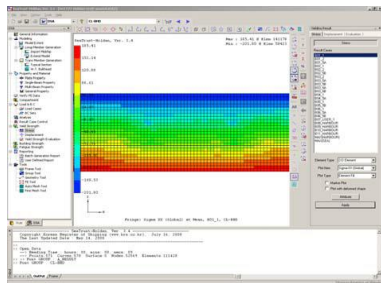
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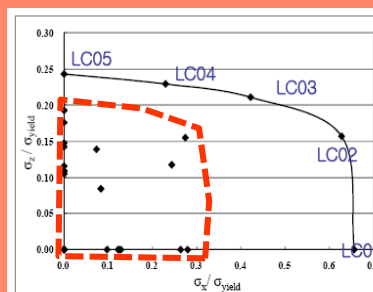
## Nonlinear FE Analysis



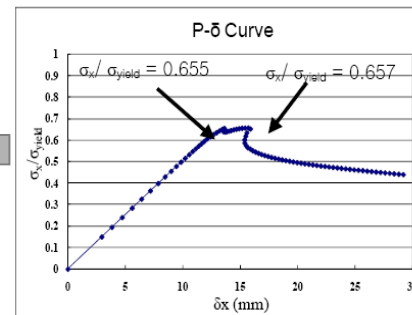
## CRS Cargo Hold Analysis



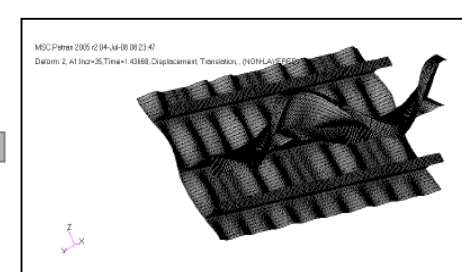
## Compare Capacity Curve with Stress



## Ultimate Strength from P- $\delta$ curve



## Check Failure Mode



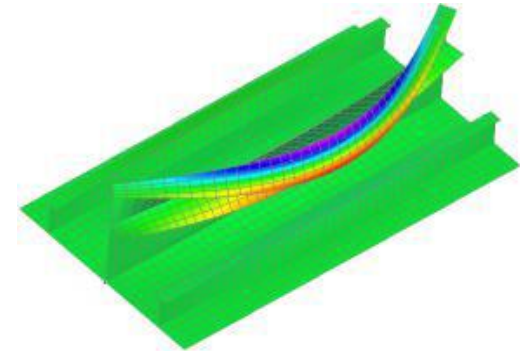
❖ **Result** : Proposed scantling satisfies required strength.

# Elastic Lateral Torsional Buckling of PMA I

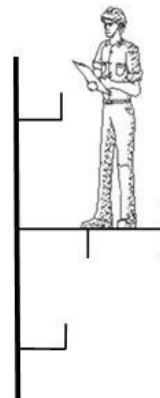
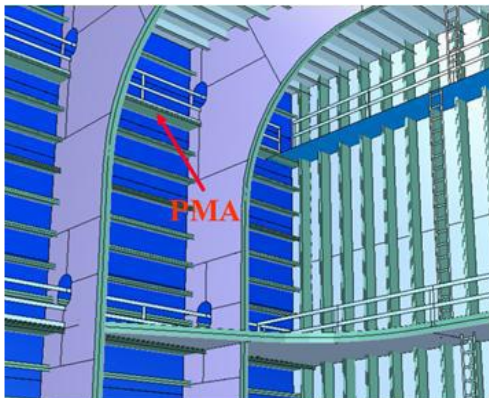
❖ **Objective** : Establish analytical method to predict lateral torsional buckling of PMA

❖ **Research** :

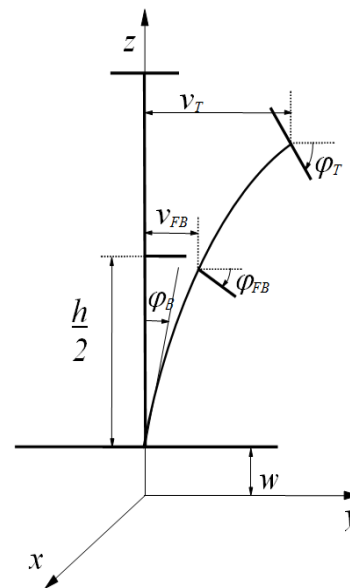
- Rayleigh – Riz method
- Assumption of deflection and strain of PMA section
- Total strain energy and work done during buckling
- Solve an eigen-value problem



## PMA Structure



## Assumption of sectional displacement



$$u_w = (z_o - z)w_{,x} + a_o v_{T,x}$$

$$v_w = v(x, z)$$

$$w_w = w(x)$$

$$u_f = (z_o - h_w)w_{,x} + (a_o - y)v_{T,x}$$

$$v_f = v_T(x)$$

$$w_f = w - y\phi_T$$

$$u_{fb} = (z_o - \frac{h_w}{2})w_{,x} + (a_1 - y)v_{FB,x}$$

$$v_{fb} = v_{FB}(x)$$

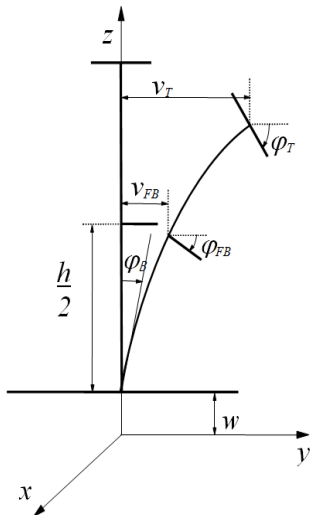
$$w_{fb} = w - y\phi_{FB}(x)$$

# Elastic Lateral Torsional Buckling of PMA II

## Flexural Out-of-Plane Displacement of web plate

$$v_w = \varphi_B(x)f_1(z) + v_T(x)f_2(z) + \varphi_T(x)f_3(z) + v_{FB}(x)f_4(z) + \varphi_{FB}(x)f_5(z)$$

### Compatibility constraints

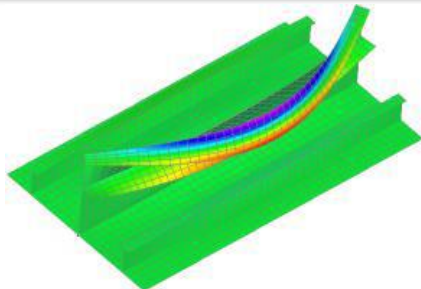


$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \varphi_T = (v_{w,z})_{z=h_w} \\ \varphi_B = (v_{w,z})_{z=0} \\ v_T = (v_w)_{z=h_w} \\ v_B = (v_w)_{z=0} = 0 \\ v_{FB} = (v_w)_{z=h_m} \\ \varphi_{FB} = (v_{w,z})_{z=h_m} \end{array} \right.$$



$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} f_1 = h_w \left[ \frac{z}{h_w} - 6 \left( \frac{z}{h_w} \right)^2 + 13 \left( \frac{z}{h_w} \right)^3 - 12 \left( \frac{z}{h_w} \right)^4 + 4 \left( \frac{z}{h_w} \right)^5 \right] \\ f_2 = 7 \left( \frac{z}{h_w} \right)^2 - 34 \left( \frac{z}{h_w} \right)^3 + 52 \left( \frac{z}{h_w} \right)^4 - 24 \left( \frac{z}{h_w} \right)^5 \\ f_3 = h \left[ - \left( \frac{z}{h_w} \right)^2 + 5 \left( \frac{z}{h_w} \right)^3 - 8 \left( \frac{z}{h_w} \right)^4 + 4 \left( \frac{z}{h_w} \right)^5 \right] \\ f_4 = 16 \left( \frac{z}{h_w} \right)^2 - 32 \left( \frac{z}{h_w} \right)^3 + 16 \left( \frac{z}{h_w} \right)^4 \\ f_5 = h \left[ -8 \left( \frac{z}{h_w} \right)^2 + 32 \left( \frac{z}{h_w} \right)^3 - 40 \left( \frac{z}{h_w} \right)^4 + 16 \left( \frac{z}{h_w} \right)^5 \right] \end{array} \right.$$

### Lengthwise Displacement

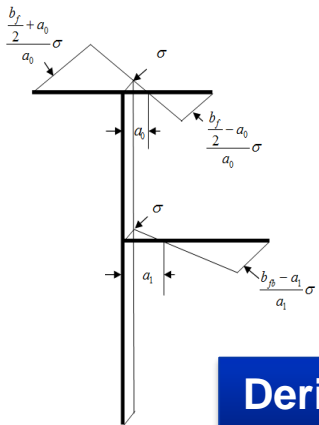


$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \varphi_B \\ v_T \\ \varphi_T \\ v_{FB} \\ \varphi_{FB} \\ w \end{array} \right\} = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \bar{\varphi}_B \\ \bar{v}_T \\ \bar{\varphi}_T \\ \bar{v}_{FB} \\ \bar{\varphi}_{FB} \\ \bar{w} \end{array} \right\} \sin \frac{m\pi x}{l} = \{ \delta \} \sin \lambda x$$



# Elastic Lateral Torsional Buckling of PMA III

## Derivation of Strain Energy



$$\begin{aligned}
 U &= \frac{1}{2} E \int_0^l I_{w,xx} w_{,xx}^2 dx + \frac{1}{2} E \int_0^l I_{zf} v_{T,xx}^2 dx + \frac{1}{2} E \int_0^l 2I_{zyf} w_{,xx} v_{T,xx} dx + \frac{1}{2} G \int_0^l J_f \varphi_{T,x}^2 dx \\
 &+ \frac{1}{2} E \int_0^l I_{zb} v_{FB,xx}^2 dx + \frac{1}{2} E \int_0^l 2I_{zyb} w_{,xx} v_{FB,xx} dx + \frac{1}{2} G \int_0^l J_b \varphi_{FB,x}^2 dx + u_{wo} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \{\delta\}^T [K_L] \{\delta\}
 \end{aligned}$$

## Derivation of Work Done during Buckling

$$\begin{aligned}
 V &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{A_f} \sigma \int_0^l (v_{T,x}^2 + (w - y\varphi_{T,x})^2) dx dA + \frac{1}{2} \int_{A_w} \sigma \int_0^l (w_{,x}^2 + v_{w,x}^2) dx dA \\
 &+ \frac{1}{2} \int_{A_b} \sigma \int_0^l (v_{FB,x}^2 + (w - y\varphi_{FB,x})^2) dx dA \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \{\delta\}^T [\bar{K}_G] \{\delta\}
 \end{aligned}$$

## 6 X 6 Eigenvalue Problem

$$|[K_L] - [K_G]| = 0$$

“At the limit of stability, the second variation of total potential energy is zero”

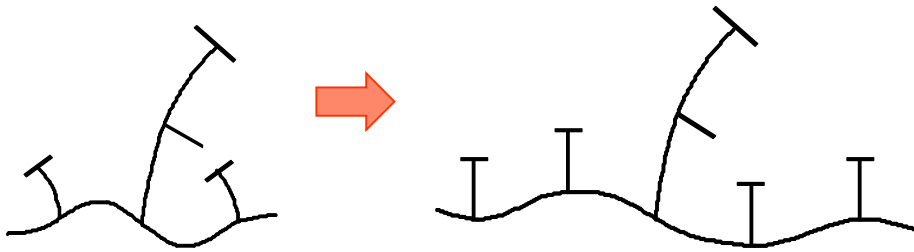
$$\begin{cases}
 I = \int_{A_w} (z_o - z)^2 dA + \int_{A_f} (z_o - h_w)^2 dA + \int_{A_b} (z_o - \frac{h_w}{2})^2 dA \\
 = t_w (h_w z_o^2 - h_w^2 z_o + \frac{h_w^3}{3}) + t_f b_f (z_o - h_w)^2 + t_b b_b (z_o - \frac{h_w}{2})^2 \\
 I_{zf} = \int_{A_f} (y - a_o)^2 dA = \left( \frac{b_f^3}{12} + a_o^2 b_f \right) t_f \\
 I_{zb} = \int_{A_b} a_i^2 dA + \int_{A_b} (y - a_i)^2 dA = a_i^2 h_w t_w + \left( \frac{b_b^3}{3} - a_i b_b^2 + a_i^2 b_b \right) t_b \\
 I_{zyf} = \int_{A_f} (z_o - h_w)(a_o - y) dA = a_o (z_o - h_w) b_f t_f \\
 I_{zyb} = \int_{A_w} (z_o - z) a_i dA + \int_{A_b} (z_o - \frac{h_w}{2})(a_i - y) dA \\
 = a_i (z_o h_w - \frac{h_w^2}{2}) t_w + (z_o - \frac{h_w}{2})(a_i - \frac{b_b}{2}) t_b b_b \\
 J_f = G \frac{b_f t_f^3}{3} \\
 J_b = G \frac{b_b t_b^3}{3}
 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 g_{11} &= \int_{A_w} \sigma f_1^2 dA, & g_{12} &= \int_{A_w} 2\sigma f_1 f_2 dA, & g_{13} &= \int_{A_w} 2\sigma f_1 f_3 dA, \\
 g_{14} &= \int_{A_w} 2\sigma f_1 f_4 dA, & g_{15} &= \int_{A_w} 2\sigma f_1 f_5 dA, & g_{22} &= \int_{A_f} \sigma dA + \int_{A_w} \sigma f_2^2 dA, \\
 g_{23} &= \int_{A_w} 2\sigma f_2 f_3 dA, & g_{24} &= \int_{A_w} 2\sigma f_2 f_4 dA, & g_{25} &= \int_{A_w} 2\sigma f_2 f_5 dA, \\
 g_{33} &= \int_{A_f} \sigma y^2 dA + \int_{A_w} \sigma f_3^2 dA, & g_{34} &= \int_{A_w} 2\sigma f_3 f_4 dA, & g_{35} &= \int_{A_w} 2\sigma f_3 f_5 dA \\
 g_{44} &= \int_{A_b} \sigma dA + \int_{A_w} \sigma f_4^2 dA, & g_{45} &= \int_{A_w} 2\sigma f_4 f_5 dA \\
 g_{55} &= \int_{A_b} \sigma y^2 dA, & g_{56} &= \int_{A_b} \sigma (-y) dA \\
 g_{66} &= \int_{A_f} \sigma dA + \int_{A_w} \sigma dA + \int_{A_b} \sigma dA
 \end{aligned}$$

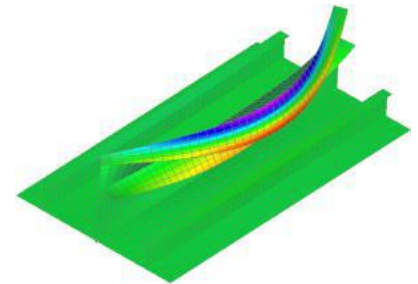
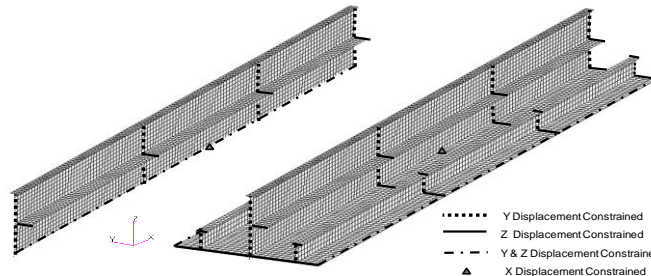
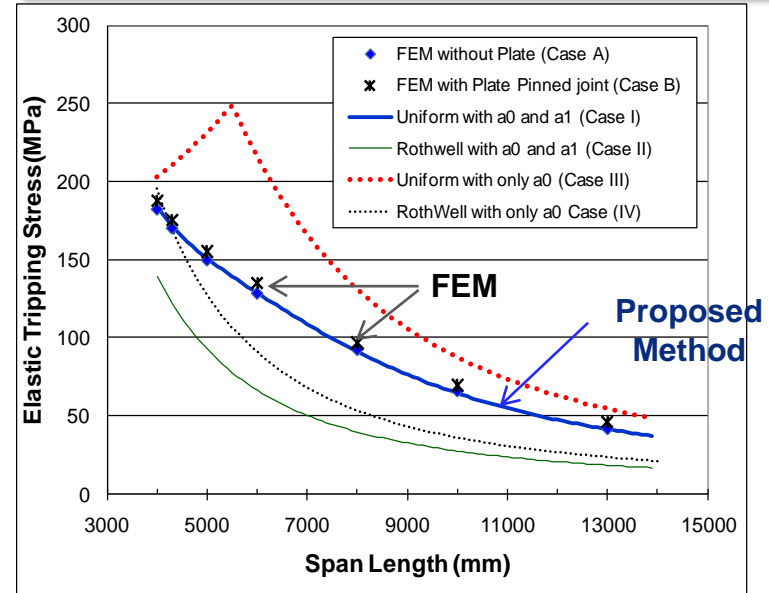
# Elastic Lateral Torsional Buckling of PMA IV

## Extended Plate Rotational Restraint

$$\Pi_{po} = \frac{1}{2} k_{spring} \varphi_B^{-2} = \begin{cases} \frac{l}{b_p} D_p \varphi_B^{-2} & \text{for Case X} \\ \frac{l}{4b_p} D_p \varphi_B^{-2} & \text{for Case Y} \end{cases}$$

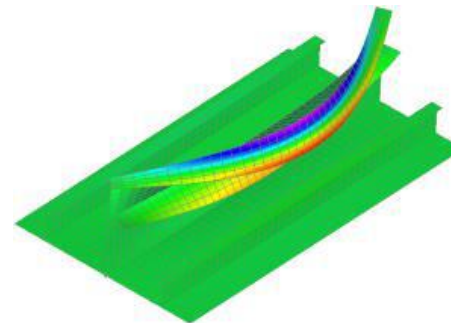
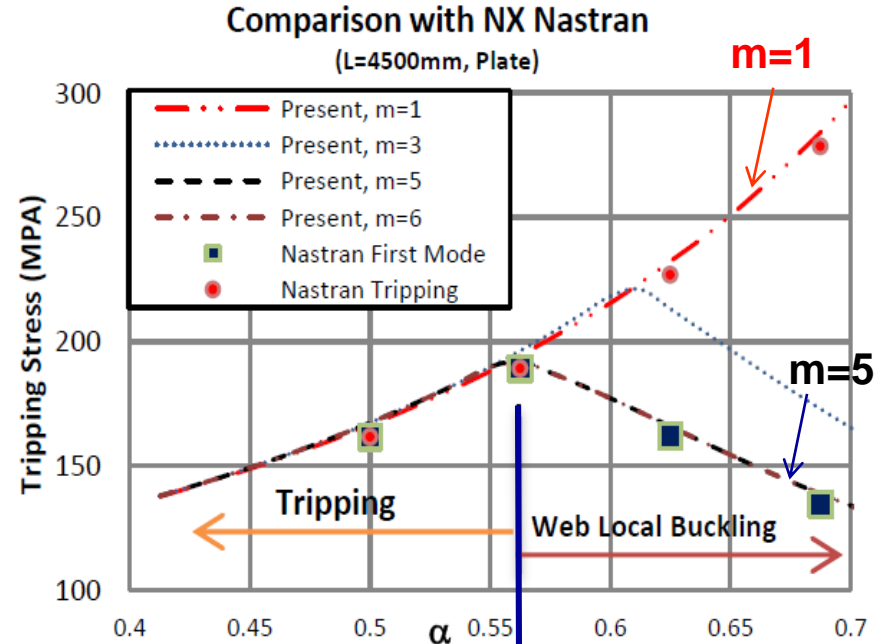
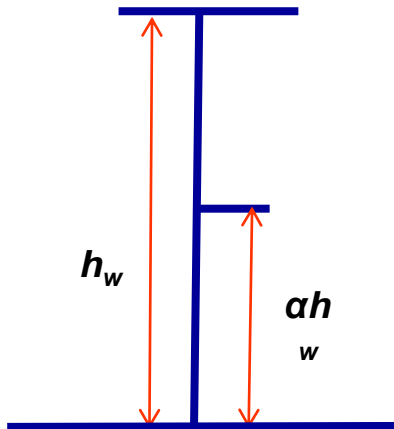


## Comparison with FE analysis Results

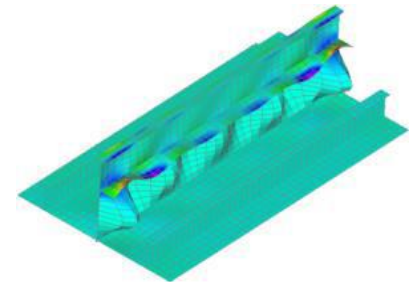


# Elastic Lateral Torsional Buckling of PMA V

Tripping v.s. web plate local buckling for varying mid-flat-bar location



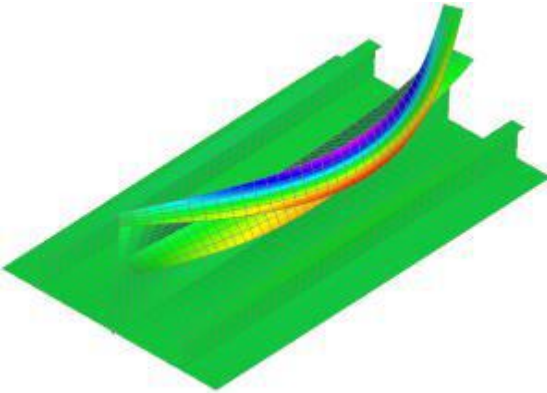
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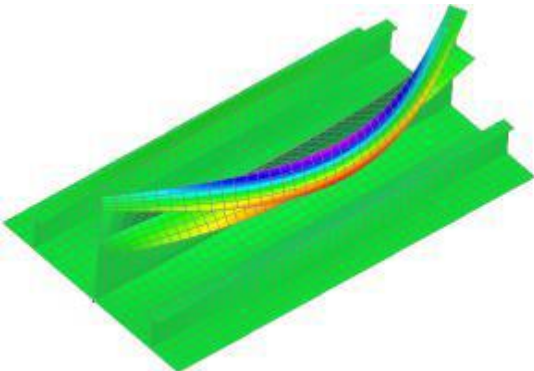
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# Elastic Lateral Torsional Buckling of PMA VI

## Web Local Buckling v.s. Bottom Plate Buckling

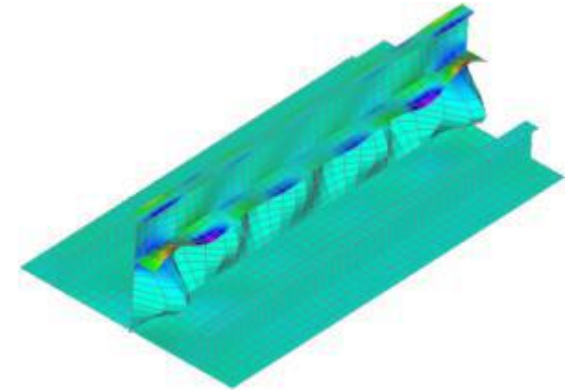
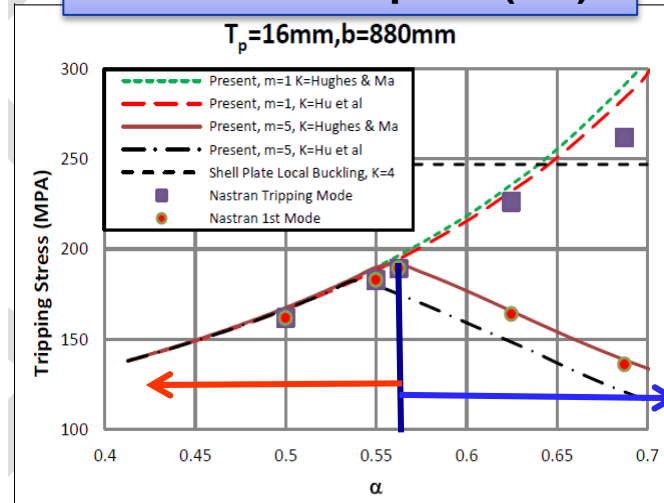


Lateral Torsional Buckling



Lateral Torsional Buckling

### Thick bottom plate (16t)



Web Local Buckling

### Thin bottom plate (13t)

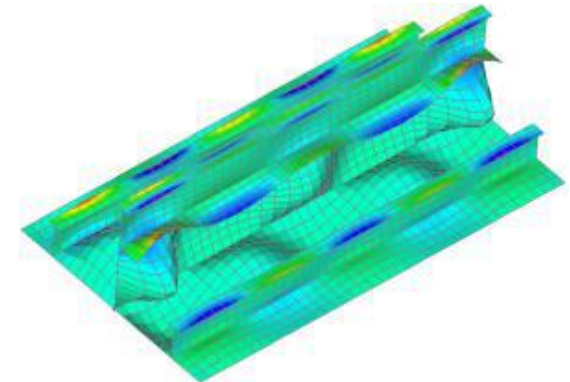
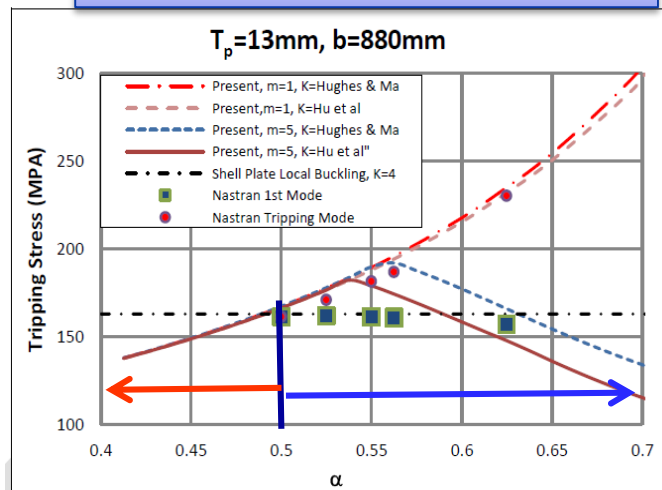
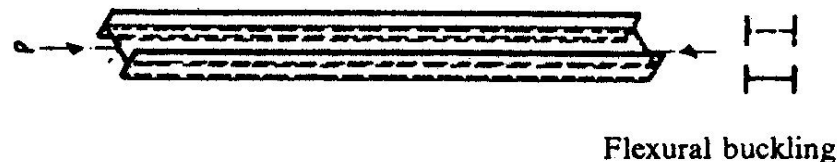


Plate Buckling

# 13.1 Longitudinally Stiffened Panels

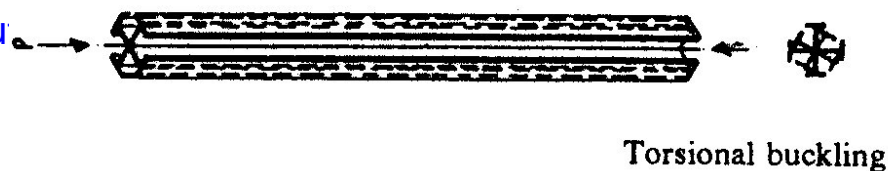
## Types of stiffener buckling and method of analysis

- Flexural-torsional buckling : torsional buckling of a stiffener may also be caused by a bending moments → **compression** in the flange.

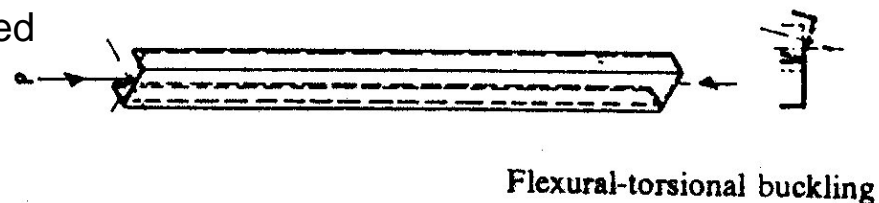


- Flexural buckling of columns : Bending **about the axis of least resistance**

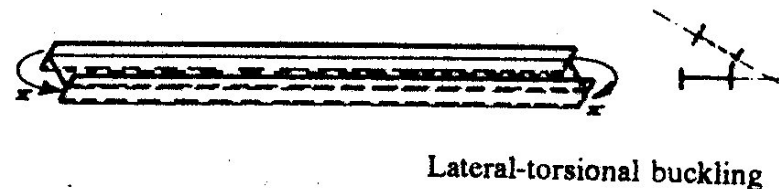
- Torsional buckling of columns : **Twisting without bending.**



- Flexural-torsional buckling of columns : subjected to **compression** → **simultaneous twisting and bending.**



- Lateral-torsional buckling of beams : subjected to bending, → **simultaneous twisting and bending.**



- Local buckling : Buckling of a thin-walled part of the cross-section (plate-buckling, shell-buckling)

## 13.1 Longitudinally Stiffened Panels

### Types of stiffener buckling and method of analysis

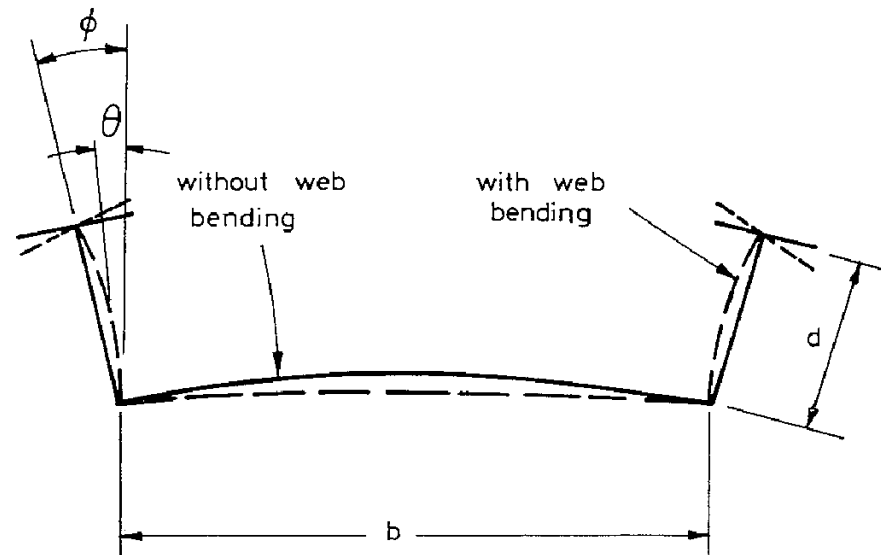
- **Flexural-torsional buckling** : torsional buckling of a stiffener may also be caused by a bending moments
  - **compression** in the flange.
  - nonlinear coupling between the flexural and torsional response
  
- ❖ Two different methods for dealing nonlinear elastic buckling
  - "folded plate" analysis based on **finite difference methods**
    - simpler
    - is restricted to certain boundary conditions and simple forms of structural geometry
    - basically limited to elastic buckling of bifurcation type
  - **nonlinear frame (finite element) analysis**
    - necessarily computer-based, but quite economical
    - is **much more general** and can deal with other forms of nonlinearity



## 13.1 Longitudinally Stiffened Panels

### Stiffener buckling due to axial compression

- ❖ A **stiffener** acts essentially as a column, but **tripping or torsional buckling** differs from that of a **column** in three ways
  - the rotation occurs about an enforced axis—the **line of attachment to the plating**.
  - **the plate offers some restraint** against this rotation.
  - it is not necessarily rigid body rotation.



Effect of web bending

## 13.1 Longitudinally Stiffened Panels

### Stiffener buckling due to axial compression

- The governing differential equation for the rotation is:

$$EI_{SZ}d^2 \frac{d^4\phi}{dx^4} - (GJ - \sigma_a I_{SP}) \frac{d^2\phi}{dx^2} + K\phi = 0$$

where

- $I_{SZ}$  = moment of inertia of the stiffener
- $d$  = stiffener web height
- $I_{sp}$  = polar moment of inertia of the stiffener about the center of rotation
- $K_\phi$  = distributed rotational restraint which plating exerts on the stiffener.
- $\Phi(x)$  = a buckled shaped in which the rotation  $\Phi$  varies sinusoidally in  $m$  half waves over the length  $a$ .
- $\sigma_{a,T}$  = the elastic tripping stress, the minimum value of applied in-plane stress  $\sigma_a$  that would cause tripping





## 13.1 Longitudinally Stiffened Panels

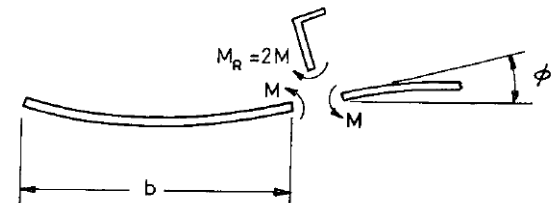
### Stiffener buckling due to axial compression

- $\sigma_a, T$  satisfies the following, where  $m$  is a positive integer.

$$EI_{SZ}d^2 \frac{m^4 \pi^4}{a^4} + (GJ - \sigma_a I_{sp}) \frac{m^2 \pi^2}{a^2} + K_\phi(\sigma_a, m) = 0$$

- $K_\phi$  is a function of  $\sigma_a$  and  $m$ .
- $K_\phi$  is dependent on  $\sigma_a$  because plate buckling can diminish or eliminate  $K_\phi$ .
- $K_\phi$  is dependent on  $m$ .
- The rotational restraint coefficient is offered by the plating  
→ to be defined by the plate's flexural rigidity which causes a total distributed restraining moment  $M_R=2M$  along the line of the stiffener attachment.
- If  $a \gg b$ , unit strip of plating across the span  $b$ ,  $\phi = 1/2Mb/D$ .

$$K_\phi = \frac{M_R}{\phi} = \frac{4D}{b}$$



- This assumes that the buckled displacement of the stiffener is entirely due to rigid body rotation.

## 13.1 Longitudinally Stiffened Panels

### Stiffener buckling due to axial compression

- In practice some of the sideways displacement of the stiffener flange occurs due to **bending of the web**. Even when the stiffener web is slender.
- $C_r$  is the factor by which the plate rotational restraint is reduced due to **web bending**.

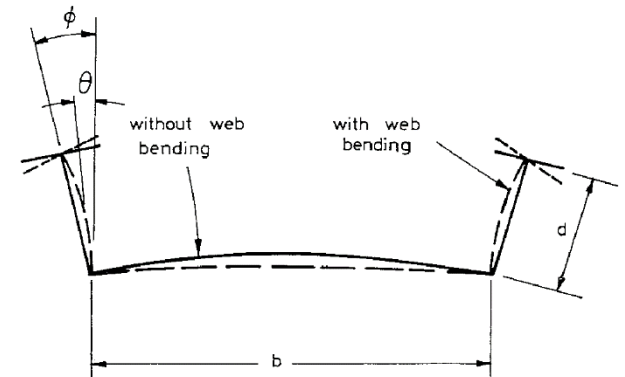
$$\theta = C_r \phi \quad C_r = \frac{1}{1 + (2/3)(t/t_w)^3 (d/b)}$$

where (for  $\sigma_a=0$ )

- $C_\alpha$  is a correction factor because of **the effect of plate aspect ratio**.

$$C_\alpha = 1 + \frac{m^2}{\alpha^2} \quad K_\phi = \frac{4D}{b} C_r C_\alpha$$

$$C_r = \frac{1}{1 + 0.4(t/t_w)^3 (d/b)}$$



## 13.1 Longitudinally Stiffened Panels

### Stiffener buckling due to axial compression

- $C_\alpha$  : correction factor for **aspect ratio** and **plate buckling effects** because plate stiffness decreases as the applied stress  $\sigma_a$  approaches plate buckling stress  $\sigma_0$ .

$$C_\alpha = 1 - \left( \frac{2\sigma_a}{\sigma_0} - 1 \right) \frac{m^2}{\alpha^2}$$

- $C_\alpha = 1 - (m/\alpha)^2$  when  $\sigma_a = \sigma_0$ . if  $m = \alpha$  (aspect ratio),  $C_\alpha = 0$ . and  $K_\phi = 0$ .
- Tripping occurs in a single half-wave,  $m=1 \rightarrow$  the same as number of half-wave for square or short panel.  $\alpha \approx 1 \rightarrow$  complete loss of rotational restraint.
- For stiffened panels of usual proportions, tripping occurs in a single half-wave, and hence it is mainly **square or short panels** in which the loss of stiffness can occur.

$$K_\phi = \frac{4D}{b} \left[ \frac{1}{1 + 0.4 \left( \frac{t}{t_w} \right)^3 \frac{d}{b}} \right] \left[ 1 - \left( \frac{2\sigma_a}{\sigma_0} - 1 \right) \frac{m^2}{\alpha^2} \right] \quad m \geq 2$$

$$C_r = \frac{1}{1 + 0.4 \left( \frac{t}{t_w} \right)^3 \left( \frac{d}{b} \right)}$$

$$C_\alpha = 1 - \left( \frac{2\sigma_a}{\sigma_0} - 1 \right) \frac{m^2}{\alpha^2}$$

## 13.1 Longitudinally Stiffened Panels

### Stiffener buckling due to axial compression

- by substituting  $K_\phi$  and solving for  $\sigma_a$ .

$$K_\phi = \frac{4D}{b} \left[ \frac{1}{1 + 0.4 \left( \frac{t}{t_w} \right)^3 \frac{d}{b}} \right] \left[ 1 - \left( \frac{2\sigma_a}{\sigma_0} - 1 \right) \frac{m^2}{\alpha^2} \right] \Rightarrow EI_{sz} d^2 \frac{m^4 \pi^4}{a^4} + (GJ - \sigma_a I_{sp}) \frac{m^2 \pi^2}{a^2} + K_\phi(\sigma_a, m) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma_{a,T} = \underset{m=1,2,\dots}{\text{Minimum}} \left\{ \frac{1}{I_{sp} + \frac{2C_r b^3 t}{\pi^4}} \left[ GJ + \frac{m^2 \pi^2}{a^2} EI_{sz} d^2 + \frac{4DC_r}{\pi^2 b} \left( \frac{a^2}{m^2} + b^2 \right) \right] \right\} \quad C_r = \frac{1}{1 + 0.4 \left( \frac{t}{t_w} \right)^3 \left( \frac{d}{b} \right)}$$

- Here, regard  $m$  continuous variable. Find  $m$  which gives the lowest  $\sigma_{a,T}$

$$\frac{d\sigma_{a,T}}{dm} = 0 \quad m \cong \frac{a}{\pi} \sqrt[4]{\frac{4DC_r}{EI_{sz} d^2 b}}$$

- $m$  can be predicted and trial-and-error approach can be avoided.

# 13.1 Longitudinally Stiffened Panels

## Stiffener buckling due to axial compression

After estimating  $m$ ,

**(a) Solution when  $m \geq 2$ ,**

$$m \cong \frac{a}{\pi} \sqrt[4]{\frac{4DC_r}{EI_{SZ}d^2b}}$$

$$\sigma_{a,T} = \frac{1}{I_{sp} + \frac{2C_r b^3 t}{\pi^4}} \left( GJ + 4 \sqrt{\frac{DC_r EI_{SZ} d^2}{b}} + \frac{4DC_r b}{\pi^2} \right)$$

$$\sigma_{a,T} = \underset{m=1,2,\dots}{\text{Minimum,}} \left\{ \frac{1}{I_{sp} + \frac{2C_r b^3 t}{\pi^4}} \left[ GJ + \frac{m^2 \pi^2}{a^2} EI_{sz} d^2 + \frac{4DC_r}{\pi^2 b} \left( \frac{a^2}{m^2} + b^2 \right) \right] \right\}$$

**(b) Solution when  $m=1$ ,**

ex) estimated  $m \approx 1.3 \rightarrow m=1$

estimated  $m \approx 1.7 \rightarrow m=1$  or  $m=2$

$$\sigma_{a,T} = \frac{1}{I_{sp} + \frac{2C_r b^3 t}{\pi^4}} \left( GJ + \frac{\pi^2 EI_{SZ} d^2}{a^2} + \frac{4DC_r}{\pi^2 b} (a^2 + b^2) \right)$$

$$\sigma_{a,T} = \underset{m=1,2,\dots}{\text{Minimum,}} \left\{ \frac{1}{I_{sp} + \frac{2C_r b^3 t}{\pi^4}} \left[ GJ + \frac{m^2 \pi^2}{a^2} EI_{sz} d^2 + \frac{4DC_r}{\pi^2 b} \left( \frac{a^2}{m^2} + b^2 \right) \right] \right\}$$

**(c) Lower bound solution for quick check**

- ignore plate restraint effect  $C_\alpha = 0$ , i.e.  $\sigma_a = \sigma_0 \rightarrow K_\phi = 0$

- ignore  $GJ$  term since it is small.

$$C_\alpha = 1 - \left( \frac{2\sigma_a}{\sigma_0} - 1 \right) \frac{m^2}{\alpha^2}$$

$$\sigma_{a,T} = \frac{1}{I_{sp}} \left[ \pi^2 E \left( \frac{d}{a} \right)^2 I_{SZ} \right]$$

## 13.1 Longitudinally Stiffened Panels

### Stiffener buckling due to axial compression

- $I_{sz}$  and  $I_{sp}$  can be expressed in terms of stiffener areas

$$I_{sp} = d^2 \left( A_f + \frac{A_w}{3} \right) \quad I_{sz} = b_f^2 \frac{A_f \left( \frac{A_x}{3} - \frac{A_f}{4} \right)}{A_x} \cong \frac{A_f A_w b_f^2}{3A_x}$$

- Also, by defining a fractional flange area  $f = A_f/A_x$ , it becomes

$$\sigma_{a,T} = \frac{\pi^2 E f (1-f)}{1+2f} \left( \frac{b_f}{a} \right)^2$$

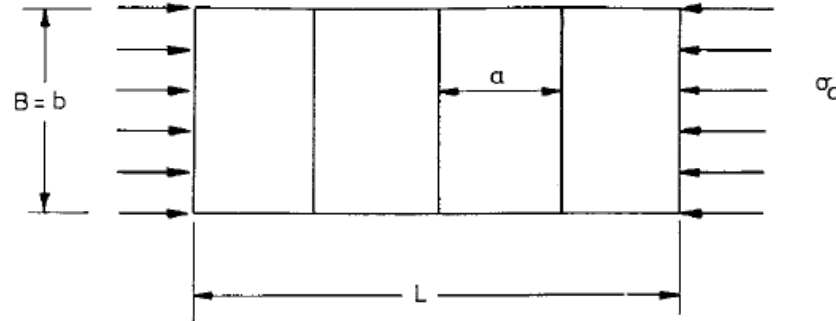
- $a$  : adverse effect of panel length
- $b_f$  : strengthening effect, but cannot be increased indefinitely due to possibility of **flange buckling**.
- $b_f/t_f < 14$  for mild steel to avoid the flange buckling.



## 13.2 Transversely Stiffened Panels

### Transversely Stiffened Panels

- The strength of the stiffened panel is determined by the buckling strength of the plate between stiffeners.



- The required minimum value of  $\gamma_y$  given is

$$\gamma_y = \frac{(4N_L^2 - 1) \left[ (N_L^2 - 1)^2 - 2(N_L^2 + 1)\kappa + \kappa^2 \right]}{2(5N_L^2 + 1 - \kappa)\Pi^4} \quad \gamma_y = \frac{EI_y}{Da} \quad \kappa = \alpha^2 \Pi^2 \quad \Pi = \frac{L}{B} = \frac{L}{b}$$

where

$N_L$  = number of plate panels =  $L/a$ ,  $N_{L-1}$  = number of stiffeners

$EI_y$  = flexural rigidity of one transverse stiffener,

including a plate flange of full width  $a$ .

## Homework 6-1 due date **21th November**

- Homework 6-1 Analyze the effect of  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $d$ ,  $b_f$ ,  $t_f$ ,  $t_w$ ,  $h$ ,  $t_{plate}$  using ANOVA table and an orthogonal array. Recommend to use Minitab.  
 $a=2400\pm 10\%$ ,  $b=800\pm 10\%$ ,  $d=450\text{mm}$ ,  $b_f=250\text{mm}$   
 $t_f=t_w=t_{plate}=15\text{ mm}\pm 10\%$ ,

$$\sigma_{a,T} = \underset{m=1,2,\dots}{\text{Minimum,}} \left\{ \frac{1}{I_{sp} + \frac{2C_r b^3 t}{\pi^4}} \left[ GJ + \frac{m^2 \pi^2}{a^2} EI_{sz} d^2 + \frac{4DC_r}{\pi^2 b} \left( \frac{a^2}{m^2} + b^2 \right) \right] \right\}$$

$$I_{sp} = d^2 \left( A_f + \frac{A_w}{3} \right)$$

$$I_{sz} = b_f^2 \frac{A_f \left( \frac{A_x}{3} - \frac{A_f}{4} \right)}{A_x} \cong \frac{A_f A_w b_f^2}{3A_x}$$

$$J = \frac{t_f^3 b_f}{3} + \frac{t_w^3 d}{3}$$





# Homework 6-1

- Orthogonal array for 8 parameters with 3 levels

| Experiment Number | Column |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
|-------------------|--------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
|                   | 1      | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| 1                 | 1      | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 2                 | 1      | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| 3                 | 1      | 1 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| 4                 | 1      | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 |
| 5                 | 1      | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 1 |
| 6                 | 1      | 2 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| 7                 | 1      | 3 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 3 |
| 8                 | 1      | 3 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 1 |
| 9                 | 1      | 3 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| 10                | 2      | 1 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1 |
| 11                | 2      | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 2 |
| 12                | 2      | 1 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| 13                | 2      | 2 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 2 |
| 14                | 2      | 2 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| 15                | 2      | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 16                | 2      | 3 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 |
| 17                | 2      | 3 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 18                | 2      | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 |

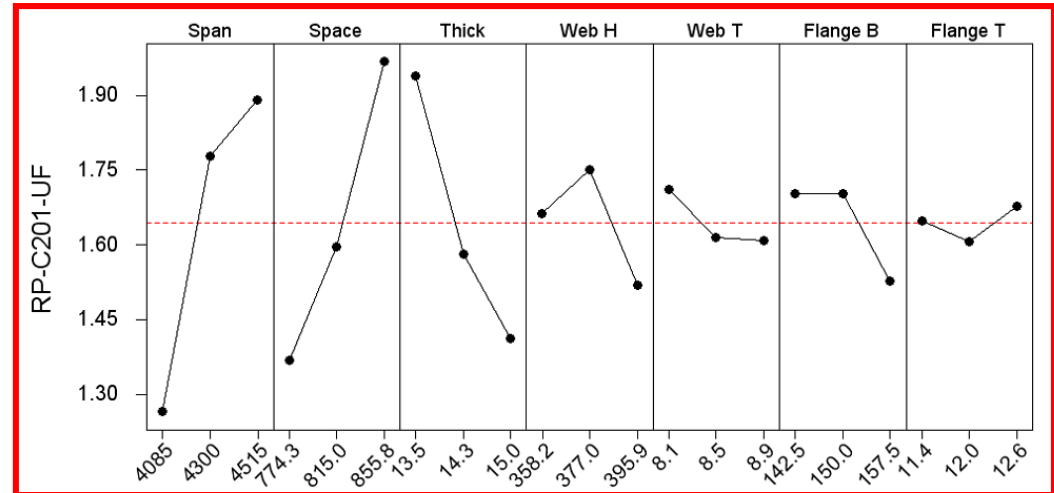


# A sample of the use of ANOVA table and Orthogonal Array

## Selection of Stiffened Plate Parameters Orthogonal Array L27, 3<sup>7</sup>

| Span   | Space | t <sub>p</sub> | h <sub>w</sub> | t <sub>w</sub> | b <sub>f</sub> | t <sub>f</sub> |
|--------|-------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| 3870.0 | 733.5 | 12.8           | 339.3          | 7.7            | 135.0          | 10.8           |
| 3870.0 | 733.5 | 12.8           | 339.3          | 8.5            | 150.0          | 12.0           |
| 3870.0 | 733.5 | 12.8           | 339.3          | 9.4            | 165.0          | 13.2           |
| 3870.0 | 815.0 | 14.3           | 377.0          | 7.7            | 135.0          | 10.8           |
| 3870.0 | 815.0 | 14.3           | 377.0          | 8.5            | 150.0          | 12.0           |
| 3870.0 | 815.0 | 14.3           | 377.0          | 9.4            | 165.0          | 13.2           |
| 3870.0 | 896.5 | 15.7           | 414.7          | 7.7            | 135.0          | 10.8           |
| 3870.0 | 896.5 | 15.7           | 414.7          | 8.5            | 150.0          | 12.0           |
| 3870.0 | 896.5 | 15.7           | 414.7          | 9.4            | 165.0          | 13.2           |
| 4300.0 | 733.5 | 14.3           | 414.7          | 7.7            | 150.0          | 13.2           |
| 4300.0 | 733.5 | 14.3           | 414.7          | 8.5            | 165.0          | 10.8           |
| 4300.0 | 733.5 | 14.3           | 414.7          | 9.4            | 135.0          | 12.0           |
| 4300.0 | 815.0 | 15.7           | 339.3          | 7.7            | 150.0          | 13.2           |
| 4300.0 | 815.0 | 15.7           | 339.3          | 8.5            | 165.0          | 10.8           |
| 4300.0 | 815.0 | 15.7           | 339.3          | 9.4            | 135.0          | 12.0           |
| 4300.0 | 896.5 | 12.8           | 377.0          | 7.7            | 150.0          | 13.2           |
| 4300.0 | 896.5 | 12.8           | 377.0          | 8.5            | 165.0          | 10.8           |
| 4300.0 | 896.5 | 12.8           | 377.0          | 9.4            | 135.0          | 12.0           |
| 4730.0 | 733.5 | 15.7           | 377.0          | 7.7            | 165.0          | 12.0           |
| 4730.0 | 733.5 | 15.7           | 377.0          | 8.5            | 135.0          | 13.2           |
| 4730.0 | 733.5 | 15.7           | 377.0          | 9.4            | 150.0          | 10.8           |
| 4730.0 | 815.0 | 12.8           | 414.7          | 7.7            | 165.0          | 12.0           |
| 4730.0 | 815.0 | 12.8           | 414.7          | 8.5            | 135.0          | 13.2           |
| 4730.0 | 815.0 | 12.8           | 414.7          | 9.4            | 150.0          | 10.8           |
| 4730.0 | 896.5 | 14.3           | 339.3          | 7.7            | 165.0          | 12.0           |
| 4730.0 | 896.5 | 14.3           | 339.3          | 8.5            | 135.0          | 13.2           |
| 4730.0 | 896.5 | 14.3           | 339.3          | 9.4            | 150.0          | 10.8           |

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