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## Design Aids of Parallel Flange Section Subjected To Axial Compression, As Per I.S.800: 2007



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### Abstract

Compression members are one of the basic structural elements which are primarily designed to carry axial compression. The mission of structural designer is to design a structure that can withstand such demands throughout its expected life. The design of compression members in IS 800:2007 is fairly straight forward, but required lot of computations.

In this paper, attempts are made to prepare a practical guide to the design of compressive steel elements subjected to axial compression, as per I.S.800:2007 and its essential applications on Parallel flange sections. The design tables include section and its capacity calculated according to I.S.800:2007.

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### Introduction

The aim of structural design is to produce a safe and economical structure fulfilling its required purpose. The mission of structural designer is to design a structure that can withstand such demands throughout its expected life. The design of compression members in IS 800:2007 is fairly straight forward, but required lot of computations.

The design of a steel column is necessarily a trial- and-error procedure. In this paper, attempts are made to prepare a practical guide to the design of compressive steel elements subjected to axial compression, as per I.S.800:2007 and its essential applications on Parallel flange sections. The design tables include section and its capacity calculated according to I.S.800:2007.

The use of Parallel flange sections as structural elements are becoming very popular in the present days and is widely used in building materials. It is established that Parallel flange sections are far superior to those conventional tapered sections, in terms of strength, sectional efficiency, load bearing capacity, workability and pricing. It is also offer higher axial compression load bearing capacity. Some advantages of parallel sections over tapered sections are it has greater choice of profile, facilitated bolted or welded construction, reduced steel consumption, time saving construction, efficiency in construction etc.

### Design Procedure - Limit State Design

To cater for the inherent variability of loading and structural response, engineers apply factors to ensure the structure will carry the loads safely. By limit state approach the applied loads are multiplied by factors, capacities and resistances are determined using the design strength of the material. Limit states are the states beyond which the structure becomes unfit for its intended use. It ensures proper structural safety and serviceability and covers all forms of failure. Limit states are classified as :

1. Limit state of strength; and
2. Limit state of serviceability.

The limit states of strength are those associated with failures, under the action of probable and most unfavorable combination of loads on the structure using the appropriate partial safety factors, which may endanger the safety of life and property.

The limit state of serviceability includes deformation and deflections, vibrations in the structure, repairable damage, corrosion, durability, fire.

I.S. 800:2007 is follow Limit State design standard. The minimum

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material design strength  $P_y$  is specified as being  $1.0 f_s$  (minimum yield strength). The value of yield strength and thus design strength decreases with thickness. For rolled sections, the design strength for the whole section is based on the thickest elements usually the flange. The design capacities of members are based on the material design strength without the application of any prior factor.

Plate elements of a cross-section may buckle locally due to compressive stresses. In turn, this may limit the axial load carrying capacity to a value below the squash load (cross-sectional area times yield strength) and the bending resistance to a value below the fully plastic moment of resistance. This phenomenon is independent of the length of the member and hence is termed by local buckling. It is dependent upon :

1. Width to thickness ratio of the element.
2. Support condition.
3. Yield strength of the material.
4. Stress distribution across the width of the plate element.
5. Residual stresses in rolled or welded section.

The local buckling can be avoided before the limit state is achieved by limiting the width to thickness ratio of each elements of a cross-section subjected to compression due to axial force, moment or shear. Different elements of a cross-section can be in different classes. In such cases the section is classified based on the least favorable classification.

### Design Compressive Strength

The design of a column is necessarily a trial-and-error procedure since the design stress depend upon the value of slenderness ratio and radius of gyration is dependent upon the distribution of the cross sectional area.

$$P_d = A_e \cdot f_{cd}$$

The effective sectional area,  $A_e$ , is equal to the gross sectional area for all sections that are classified as 'non slender'. Elements which are below semi-compact limits are to be taken as of non slender cross-section. Slender cross-sections contain elements that are so slender that local buckling is likely to occur before the attainment of the material design strength on the extreme fibers. Special procedures are needed to evaluate the capacity of the section. For 'slender' sections, the effective sectional area is obtained by deducting the area of the compression plate element in excess of the 'non slender' section limit from the gross sectional area. Holes not filled with rivets, bolts or pins shall be deducted from gross area in either case. If the section is slender then  $A_e$  the effective area is not equal to gross sectional area. Then effective area of the section is

$$A_e = A - (d - 42 \cdot \epsilon \cdot t_w) t_w$$

The value of design compressive stress ( $f_{cd}$ ) depends upon **yield stress, effective slenderness ratio and buckling class.**

Where, the value of yield stress  $f_y$  is depends on the thickness of the flange of the particular section. Yield Stress for most commonly available **Fe410** grade steel is **250 N/mm<sup>2</sup>** for

thickness of elements less than **20mm**. When the thickness of elements is equal to or greater than 20mm, the yield stress is reduced to **240 N/mm<sup>2</sup>** and this value is further reduced to **230 N/mm<sup>2</sup>** for thickness more than **40mm**.

Section classification

$$\begin{aligned} t_f < 20\text{mm} & f_y = 250 \text{ N/mm}^2 \\ 20 < t_f < 40\text{mm} & f_y = 240 \text{ N/mm}^2 \\ t_f > 40\text{mm} & f_y = 230 \text{ N/mm}^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\epsilon = (250/f_y)^{0.5}$$

if  $(b/2) / t_f < 15.7 \epsilon$  then flange is not slender  
if  $d / t_w < 42 \epsilon$  then web is not slender.

$$\text{For non-slender member } A = A_e$$

The end restrained conditions of a compressive member will affect the buckle shape of the compressive member and also the buckling resistances. So it is very important step in design to identify the effective length of the member. The effective length KL is calculated from the actual length L of the member, and K is the effective length factor, considering the rotational and relative translational boundary conditions at the ends of the column section in the plane of the buckling deformation. The actual length shall be taken as the length from centre to centre of its intersections with the supporting members in the plane of the buckling deformation, or in the supported end.

The buckling tendency of a column varies with the ratio of the length to least lateral dimension, this ratio is known as slenderness ratio. So it is the ratio of effective length (KL) to appropriate radius of gyration ( $r$ ). Slenderness ratio about the major axis  $KL/r_x$ , and about the minor axis  $KL/r_y$  of the sections. Here both are considered up to 180.

For buckling about major (Z-Z) axis, radius of gyration  $r_z$  is to be used and for buckling about minor (y-y) axis, radius of gyration  $r_y$  is to be used. For hot rolled parallel and tapered flange steel sections,  $r_z$  is always much more than  $r_y$ . In cases where effective lengths are different for both the axes, both possibilities should be checked, unless the governing axis is very obvious.

There is no strength property of the material appears in the Euler's formula, yet it determines the carrying capacity of a column.

$$\text{Euler buckling stress } f_{cc} = \pi^2 E / (KL/r)^2$$

Buckling class is introduced to solve the problem of residual stresses, lack of straightness etc, which effects on stresses of the members. Now define buckling class :-

$$d/b > 1.2, \& t_f \leq 40\text{mm}$$

major class - a                      minor class - b

$$d/b \leq 1.2, \& t_f \leq 100\text{mm}$$

major class- b                      minor class - c

imperfection factor :- a - 0.21, b - 0.34, c - 0.49, d - 0.76

Non dimensional effective slenderness ratio  $\lambda = (f_y / f_{cc})^{0.5}$

$$\Phi = 0.5 [1 + \alpha (\lambda - 0.2) + \lambda^2]$$

Stress reduction factor for different buckling class, slenderness ratio and yield stress

$$\chi = 1 / [\Phi + (\phi^2 - \lambda^2)^{0.5}]$$

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If stress reduction factor is less than 1 then considering the stress reduction factor, or considers 1.

i.e.,  $\chi < 1$ , then  $\chi$ , nor 1

Stress reduction factor  $X = 1 / (\phi + (\phi^2 - \lambda^2))^{0.5}$

If  $X < 1$ , then  $X$ . nor 1

Compressive stress  $f_{cd} = X (f_y / \lambda_{mo})$

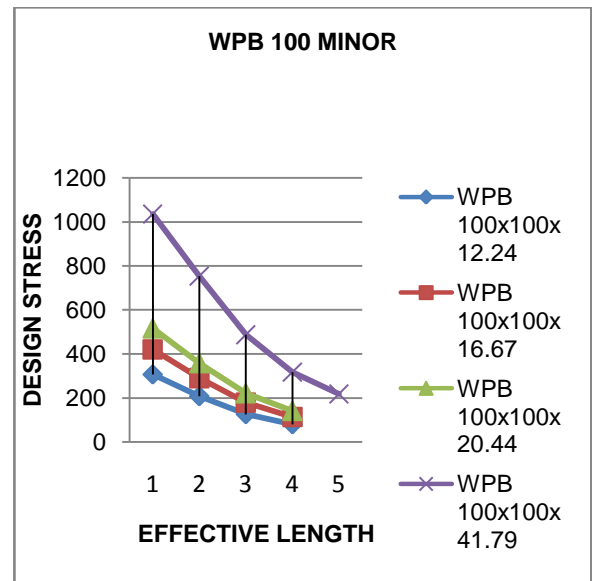
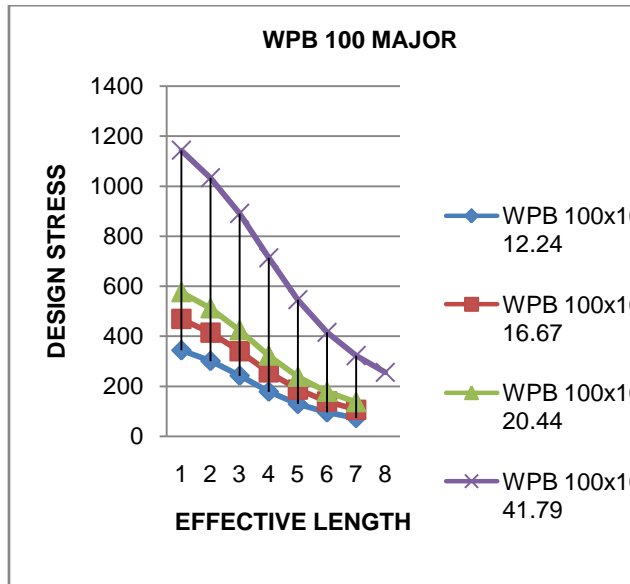
### Results

The compressive strength of Indian Standard Wide parallel flange sections with respect to the effective length of the column section shows different properties on different sections.

In WPB 100X100 sections compressive strength on the major axis of the sections vary from 73KN to 1143KN. As the mass increases on these sections compressive strength also increases. With increase of effective length compressive strength is reduced. Between two consecutive effective lengths it reduced linearly, but the effective length between 3m to 4m is reduced rapidly and which represents by a curve.

| Designation/<br>KL        | 1    | 2   | 3   | 4   | 5   |
|---------------------------|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| WPB<br>100x100<br>x 12.24 | 306  | 207 | 125 | 79  |     |
| WPB<br>100x100<br>x 16.67 | 420  | 290 | 179 | 114 |     |
| WPB<br>100x100<br>x 20.44 | 516  | 358 | 221 | 141 |     |
| WPB<br>100x100<br>x 41.79 | 1035 | 753 | 486 | 316 | 218 |

|                           |      |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |
|---------------------------|------|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| WPB<br>100x100<br>x 12.24 | 343  | 301  | 242 | 178 | 129 | 95  | 73  |     |
| WPB<br>100x100<br>x 16.67 | 469  | 414  | 340 | 255 | 187 | 139 | 107 |     |
| WPB<br>100x100<br>x 20.44 | 576  | 512  | 424 | 323 | 238 | 178 | 136 |     |
| WPB<br>100x100<br>x 41.79 | 1143 | 1034 | 890 | 714 | 546 | 416 | 322 | 256 |



On the other hand on minor axis of these sections compressive strength are considered up to 5m due to slenderness ratio exceeding the value of 180.

These graphs help new designer to select the appropriate section. As there are known axial load and known effective length, any body can choose most economical section from graph without any previous knowledge about design of steel section.

### Now by Using table of Design Aids

1. Calculate the effective length (KL) of column.
2. Select a trial section from table according to a value of axial load applied on the member.
3. Read the design compressive strength ( $P_{cd}$ ) from tables.
4. Then choose the most economical section for design.

### Conclusion

1. According to I.S.800: 2007 using limit state approach, tables are prepared for design compressive strength of a given rolled column section parallel flange section with respect to the effective length.
2. The Designer can select the appropriate steel section using these tables which ensures that the section is capable of resisting the anticipated loading with an adequate margin of safety and is economical..

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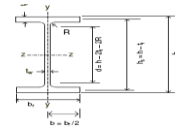
3. It removes the tedious trial and error method of design.
4. Many developed country have prepared tables for design aids as per their standard code.
5. In India there are no such types of tables according to the new IS :800 code which is based on Limit State method design.
6. Some comparison studies are prepared according to IS: 800 code and design aids table.

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**Indian Standard Narrow Parallel Flange (NPB) Sections**



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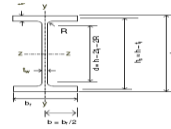
**compression**

| Section- designation | Axis            | Compressive strength  |      |      |      |      |      |      |     |     |
|----------------------|-----------------|---|------|------|------|------|------|------|-----|-----|
|                      |                 | Pcd <sub>zz</sub> / Pcd <sub>yy</sub> for effective lengths, L <sub>e</sub> ( KN) |      |      |      |      |      |      |     |     |
|                      |                 | 1   | 2    | 3    | 4    | 5    | 6    | 7    | 8   | 9   |
| NPB 200X165X48       | P <sub>cz</sub> | 1389  | 1374 | 1333 | 1285 | 1225 | 1147 | 1048 | 932 | 812 |
|                      | P <sub>cy</sub> | 1357  | 1209 | 1011 | 778  | 577  | 433  | 333  | 310 | 212 |
| NPB 200X165X42.47    | P <sub>cz</sub> | 1230  | 1205 | 1146 | 1080 | 1003 | 914  | 815  | 714 | 619 |
|                      | P <sub>cy</sub> | 1183  | 1003 | 798  | 599  | 444  | 335  | 260  |     |     |
| NPB 200X165X35.68    | P <sub>cz</sub> | 1034  | 1012 | 962  | 906  | 840  | 763  | 678  | 593 | 513 |
|                      | P <sub>cy</sub> | 994   | 840  | 664  | 496  | 367  | 276  | 214  |     |     |
| NPB 200X150X30.45    | P <sub>cz</sub> | 882   | 868  | 839  | 803  | 757  | 695  | 618  | 535 | 456 |
|                      | P <sub>cy</sub> | 847   | 728  | 565  | 402  | 285  | 209  |      |     |     |
| NPB 200X130X31.55    | P <sub>cz</sub> | 914   | 903  | 875  | 842  | 801  | 746  | 677  | 598 | 518 |
|                      | P <sub>cy</sub> | 862   | 710  | 507  | 340  | 235  |      |      |     |     |
| NPB 200X130X27.37    | P <sub>cz</sub> | 793   | 783  | 759  | 729  | 692  | 643  | 582  | 511 | 442 |
|                      | P <sub>cy</sub> | 746   | 610  | 430  | 286  | 197  |      |      |     |     |
| NPB 200X100X25.09    | P <sub>cz</sub> | 727   | 716  | 692  | 663  | 625  | 574  | 511  | 443 | 378 |
|                      | P <sub>cy</sub> | 647   | 444  | 258  | 158  |      |      |      |     |     |
| NPB 200X100X22.36    | P <sub>cz</sub> | 648   | 637  | 616  | 589  | 555  | 509  | 452  | 391 | 333 |
|                      | P <sub>cy</sub> | 572   | 385  | 220  | 135  |      |      |      |     |     |
| NPB 200X100X18.42    | P <sub>cz</sub> | 534   | 525  | 507  | 486  | 457  | 419  | 372  | 321 | 273 |
|                      | P <sub>cy</sub> | 471   | 316  | 180  | 110  |      |      |      |     |     |

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## Indian Standard Wide Parallel Flange (WPB) Sections



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compression

| <b>WPB</b>                 |                 | <b>Compression resistance</b>   |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
|----------------------------|-----------------|---|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| <b>Section-designation</b> | <b>Axis</b>     | <b>Pcd<sub>zz</sub> / Pcd<sub>yy</sub> for effective lengths, L<sub>e</sub> ( KN)</b> |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
|                            |                 | 1   | 2    | 3    | 4    | 5    | 6    | 7    | 8    | 9    |
| WPB 550x300x 278.19        | P <sub>cz</sub> | 7732  | 7732 | 7732 | 7732 | 7668 | 7584 | 7498 | 7406 | 7309 |
|                            | P <sub>cy</sub> | 7732  | 7437 | 6974 | 6425 | 5765 | 5021 | 4272 | 3596 | 3026 |
| WPB 550x300x 199.44        | P <sub>cz</sub> | 5544  | 5544 | 5544 | 5544 | 5492 | 5431 | 5367 | 5300 | 5228 |
|                            | P <sub>cy</sub> | 5544  | 5317 | 4973 | 4563 | 4069 | 3518 | 2973 | 2490 | 2088 |
| WPB 550x300x 166.23        | P <sub>cz</sub> | 4621  | 4621 | 4621 | 4621 | 4575 | 4524 | 4470 | 4413 | 4352 |
|                            | P <sub>cy</sub> | 4621  | 4430 | 4142 | 3799 | 3386 | 2924 | 2470 | 2067 | 1733 |
| WPB 550x300x 119.98        | P <sub>cz</sub> | 3473  | 3473 | 3473 | 3468 | 3428 | 3387 | 3344 | 3298 | 3248 |
|                            | P <sub>cy</sub> | 3473  | 3299 | 3059 | 2767 | 2416 | 2040 | 1691 | 1396 | 1160 |
| WPB 500x300x 270.27        | P <sub>cz</sub> | 7512  | 7512 | 7512 | 7500 | 7413 | 7323 | 7229 | 7128 | 7018 |
|                            | P <sub>cy</sub> | 7512  | 7238 | 6796 | 6276 | 5652 | 4944 | 4223 | 3566 | 3007 |
| WPB 500x300x 187.33        | P <sub>cz</sub> | 5206  | 5206 | 5206 | 5192 | 5130 | 5066 | 4998 | 4926 | 4847 |
|                            | P <sub>cy</sub> | 5206  | 5001 | 4684 | 4307 | 3855 | 3347 | 2839 | 2384 | 2003 |
| WPB 500x300x 155.07        | P <sub>cz</sub> | 4309  | 4309 | 4309 | 4295 | 4244 | 4190 | 4133 | 4072 | 4006 |
|                            | P <sub>cy</sub> | 4309  | 4137 | 3874 | 3560 | 3183 | 2760 | 2338 | 1962 | 1648 |
| WPB 500x300x 129.77        | P <sub>cz</sub> | 3757  | 3757 | 3757 | 3740 | 3694 | 3645 | 3594 | 3538 | 3477 |
|                            | P <sub>cy</sub> | 3757  | 3593 | 3352 | 3064 | 2716 | 2332 | 1959 | 1633 | 1366 |
| WPB 500x300x 107.45        | P <sub>cz</sub> | 3111  | 3111 | 3111 | 3094 | 3055 | 3013 | 2969 | 2922 | 2869 |
|                            | P <sub>cy</sub> | 3111  | 2964 | 2755 | 2503 | 2199 | 1869 | 1557 | 1291 | 1075 |

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