

Important Load-and-Resistance Factor Design for Buildings Formulas PDF



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List of 20 Important Load-and-Resistance Factor Design for Buildings Formulas

1) Beams Formulas

1.1) Beam Buckling Factor 1 Formula

Formula

$$X_1 = \left(\frac{\pi}{S_x} \right) \cdot \sqrt{\frac{E \cdot G \cdot J \cdot A}{2}}$$

Example with Units

$$3005.6532 = \left(\frac{3.1416}{35 \text{ mm}^3} \right) \cdot \sqrt{\frac{200 \text{ GPa} \cdot 80 \text{ GPa} \cdot 21.9 \cdot 6400 \text{ mm}^2}{2}}$$

Evaluate Formula

1.2) Beam Buckling Factor 2 Formula

Formula

$$X_2 = \left(\frac{4 \cdot C_w}{I_y} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{S_x}{G \cdot J} \right)^2$$

Example with Units

$$63.854 = \left(\frac{4 \cdot 0.2}{5000 \text{ mm}^4/\text{mm}} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{35 \text{ mm}^3}{80 \text{ GPa} \cdot 21.9} \right)^2$$

Evaluate Formula

1.3) Critical Elastic Moment Formula

Formula

$$M_{cr} = \left(\frac{C_b \cdot \pi}{L} \right) \cdot \sqrt{\left(\left(E \cdot I_y \cdot G \cdot J \right) + \left(I_y \cdot C_w \cdot \left(\frac{\pi \cdot E}{(L)^2} \right) \right) \right)}$$

Evaluate Formula

Example with Units

$$6.7919 \text{ N}^* \text{m} = \left(\frac{1.960 \cdot 3.1416}{12 \text{ m}} \right) \cdot \sqrt{\left(\left(200 \text{ GPa} \cdot 5000 \text{ mm}^4/\text{mm} \cdot 80 \text{ GPa} \cdot 21.9 \right) + \left(5000 \text{ mm}^4/\text{mm} \cdot 0.2 \cdot \left(\frac{3.1416 \cdot 200 \text{ GPa}}{(12 \text{ m})^2} \right) \right) \right)}$$

1.4) Critical Elastic Moment for Box Sections and Solid Bars Formula

Formula

$$M_{bs} = \frac{57000 \cdot C_b \cdot \sqrt{J \cdot A}}{\frac{L}{r_y}}$$

Example with Units

$$69.7095 \text{ N}^* \text{m} = \frac{57000 \cdot 1.960 \cdot \sqrt{21.9 \cdot 6400 \text{ mm}^2}}{\frac{12 \text{ m}}{20 \text{ mm}}}$$

Evaluate Formula

1.5) Limiting Buckling Moment Formula

Formula

$$M_r = F_l \cdot S_x$$

Example with Units

$$3.85 \text{ kN}^* \text{m} = 110 \text{ MPa} \cdot 35 \text{ mm}^3$$

Evaluate Formula



1.6) Limiting Laterally Unbraced Length for Full Plastic Bending Capacity for I and Channel Sections

Formula

Evaluate Formula 

Formula

$$L_p = \frac{300 \cdot r_y}{\sqrt{F_{yf}}}$$

Example with Units

$$200 \text{ mm} = \frac{300 \cdot 20 \text{ mm}}{\sqrt{900 \text{ MPa}}}$$

1.7) Limiting Laterally Unbraced Length for Full Plastic Bending Capacity for Solid Bar and Box Beams

Formula

Evaluate Formula 

Formula

$$L_p = \frac{3750 \cdot \left(\frac{r_y}{M_p} \right)}{\sqrt{J \cdot A}}$$

Example with Units

$$200.3315 \text{ mm} = \frac{3750 \cdot \left(\frac{20 \text{ mm}}{1000 \text{ N*mm}} \right)}{\sqrt{21.9 \cdot 6400 \text{ mm}^2}}$$

1.8) Limiting Laterally Unbraced Length for Inelastic Lateral Buckling Formula

Formula

Evaluate Formula 

$$L_{lim} = \left(\frac{r_y \cdot X_1}{F_{yw} - F_r} \right) \cdot \sqrt{1 + \sqrt{1 + (X_2 \cdot F_1^2)}}$$

Example with Units

$$30235.0405 \text{ mm} = \left(\frac{20 \text{ mm} \cdot 3005}{139 \text{ MPa} - 80.0 \text{ MPa}} \right) \cdot \sqrt{1 + \sqrt{1 + (64 \cdot 110 \text{ MPa}^2)}}$$

1.9) Limiting Laterally Unbraced Length for Inelastic Lateral Buckling for Box Beams Formula

Formula

Evaluate Formula 

$$L_r = \frac{2 \cdot r_y \cdot E \cdot \sqrt{J \cdot A}}{M_r}$$

Example with Units

$$777.9314 \text{ mm} = \frac{2 \cdot 20 \text{ mm} \cdot 200 \text{ GPa} \cdot \sqrt{21.9 \cdot 6400 \text{ mm}^2}}{3.85 \text{ kN*m}}$$

1.10) Maximum Laterally Unbraced Length for Plastic Analysis Formula

Formula

Evaluate Formula 

$$L_{pd} = r_y \cdot \frac{3600 + 2200 \cdot \left(\frac{M_1}{M_p} \right)}{F_{yc}}$$

Example with Units

$$424.4444 \text{ mm} = 20 \text{ mm} \cdot \frac{3600 + 2200 \cdot \left(\frac{100 \text{ N*mm}}{1000 \text{ N*mm}} \right)}{180 \text{ MPa}}$$

1.11) Maximum Laterally Unbraced Length for Plastic Analysis in Solid Bars and Box Beams Formula

Formula

Evaluate Formula 

$$L_{pd} = \frac{r_y \cdot \left(5000 + 3000 \cdot \left(\frac{M_1}{M_p} \right) \right)}{F_y}$$

Example with Units

$$424 \text{ mm} = \frac{20 \text{ mm} \cdot \left(5000 + 3000 \cdot \left(\frac{100 \text{ N*mm}}{1000 \text{ N*mm}} \right) \right)}{250 \text{ MPa}}$$

1.12) Plastic Moment Formula

Formula

Evaluate Formula 

$$M_p = F_{yw} \cdot Z_p$$

Example with Units

$$1000.8 \text{ N*mm} = 139 \text{ MPa} \cdot 0.0072 \text{ mm}^3$$



1.13) Specified Minimum Yield Stress for Web given Limiting Laterally Unbraced Length Formula

Formula

Evaluate Formula 

$$F_{yw} = \left(\frac{r_y \cdot X_1 \cdot \sqrt{1 + \sqrt{1 + (X_2 \cdot F_1^2)}}}{L_{lim}} \right) + F_r$$

Example with Units

$$139.0001 \text{ MPa} = \left(\frac{20 \text{ mm} \cdot 3005 \cdot \sqrt{1 + \sqrt{1 + (64 \cdot 110 \text{ MPa}^2)}}}{30235 \text{ mm}} \right) + 80.0 \text{ MPa}$$

2) Columns Formulas

2.1) Critical Buckling Stress when Slenderness Parameter is greater than 2.25 Formula

Formula

$$F_{cr} = \frac{0.877 \cdot F_y}{\lambda_c}$$

Example with Units

$$97.4444 \text{ MPa} = \frac{0.877 \cdot 250 \text{ MPa}}{2.25}$$

Evaluate Formula 

2.2) Critical Buckling Stress when Slenderness Parameter is Less than 2.25 Formula

Formula

$$F_{cr} = 0.658^{\lambda_c} \cdot F_y$$

Example with Units

$$97.4874 \text{ MPa} = 0.658^{2.25} \cdot 250 \text{ MPa}$$

Evaluate Formula 

2.3) Maximum Load on Axially Loaded Members Formula

Formula

$$P_u = 0.85 \cdot A_g \cdot F_{cr}$$

Example with Units

$$296.82 \text{ kN} = 0.85 \cdot 3600 \text{ mm}^2 \cdot 97 \text{ MPa}$$

Evaluate Formula 

2.4) Slenderness Parameter Formula

Formula

$$\lambda_c = \left(\frac{k \cdot l}{r} \right)^2 \cdot \left(\frac{F_y}{286220} \right)$$

Example with Units

$$2.506 = \left(\frac{5 \cdot 932 \text{ mm}}{87 \text{ mm}} \right)^2 \cdot \left(\frac{250 \text{ MPa}}{286220} \right)$$

Evaluate Formula 

3) Shear in Buildings Formulas

3.1) Shear Capacity for Web Slenderness less than Alpha Formula

Formula

$$V_u = 0.54 \cdot F_{yw} \cdot A_w$$

Example with Units

$$6.3801 \text{ kN} = 0.54 \cdot 139 \text{ MPa} \cdot 85 \text{ mm}^2$$

Evaluate Formula 



3.2) Shear Capacity if Web Slenderness is between 1 and 1.25 alpha Formula

Formula

$$V_u = \frac{0.54 \cdot F_{yw} \cdot A_w \cdot \alpha}{\frac{H}{t_w}}$$

Example with Units

$$6.2206 \text{ kN} = \frac{0.54 \cdot 139 \text{ MPa} \cdot 85 \text{ mm}^2 \cdot 39}{\frac{2000 \text{ mm}}{50.0 \text{ mm}}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

3.3) Shear Capacity if Web Slenderness is greater than 1.25 alpha Formula

Formula

$$V_u = \frac{23760 \cdot k \cdot A_w}{\left(\frac{H}{t_w}\right)^2}$$

Example with Units

$$6.3112 \text{ kN} = \frac{23760 \cdot 5 \cdot 85 \text{ mm}^2}{\left(\frac{2000 \text{ mm}}{50.0 \text{ mm}}\right)^2}$$

Evaluate Formula 



Variables used in list of Load-and-Resistance Factor Design for Buildings Formulas above

- **A** Cross Sectional Area in Steel Structures (Square Millimeter)
- **A_g** Gross Cross-Sectional Area (Square Millimeter)
- **A_w** Web Area (Square Millimeter)
- **C_b** Moment Gradient Factor
- **C_w** Warping Constant
- **E** Elastic Modulus of Steel (Gigapascal)
- **F_{cr}** Critical Buckling Stress (Megapascal)
- **F_l** Smaller Yield Stress (Megapascal)
- **F_r** Compressive Residual Stress in Flange (Megapascal)
- **F_y** Yield Stress of Steel (Megapascal)
- **F_{yc}** Minimum Yield Stress of Compression Flange (Megapascal)
- **F_{yf}** Flange Yield Stress (Megapascal)
- **F_{yw}** Specified Minimum Yield Stress (Megapascal)
- **G** Shear Modulus (Gigapascal)
- **H** Height of Web (Millimeter)
- **I_y** Y Axis Moment of Inertia (Millimeter⁴ per Millimeter)
- **J** Torsional Constant
- **k** Effective Length Factor
- **l** Effective Column Length (Millimeter)
- **L** Unbraced Length of Member (Meter)
- **L_{lim}** Limiting Length (Millimeter)
- **L_p** Limiting Laterally Unbraced Length (Millimeter)
- **L_{pd}** Laterally Unbraced Length for Plastic Analysis (Millimeter)
- **L_r** Limiting Length for Inelastic Buckling (Millimeter)
- **M₁** Smaller Moments of Unbraced Beam (Newton Millimeter)
- **M_{bs}** Critical Elastic Moment for Box Section (Newton Meter)
- **M_{cr}** Critical Elastic Moment (Newton Meter)
- **M_p** Plastic Moment (Newton Millimeter)
- **M_r** Limiting Buckling Moment (Kilonewton Meter)
- **P_u** Maximum Axial Load (Kilonewton)
- **r** Radius of Gyration (Millimeter)

Constants, Functions, Measurements used in list of Load-and-Resistance Factor Design for Buildings Formulas above

- **constant(s):** pi, 3.14159265358979323846264338327950288
Archimedes' constant
- **Functions:** sqrt, sqrt(Number)
A square root function is a function that takes a non-negative number as an input and returns the square root of the given input number.
- **Measurement: Length** in Meter (m), Millimeter (mm)
Length Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Volume** in Cubic Millimeter (mm³)
Volume Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Area** in Square Millimeter (mm²)
Area Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Pressure** in Gigapascal (GPa)
Pressure Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Force** in Kilonewton (kN)
Force Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Moment of Force** in Newton Meter (N*m), Kilonewton Meter (kN*m), Newton Millimeter (N*mm)
Moment of Force Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Moment of Inertia per Unit Length** in Millimeter⁴ per Millimeter (mm⁴/mm)
Moment of Inertia per Unit Length Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Stress** in Megapascal (MPa)
Stress Unit Conversion 



- r_y Radius of Gyration about Minor Axis (Millimeter)
- S_x Section Modulus about Major Axis (Cubic Millimeter)
- t_w Web Thickness (Millimeter)
- V_u Shear Capacity (Kilonewton)
- X_1 Beam Buckling Factor 1
- X_2 Beam Buckling Factor 2
- Z_p Plastic Modulus (Cubic Millimeter)
- α Separation Ratio
- λ_c Slenderness Parameter



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