

## 2.20 Steel beam under edge moments (short version)

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### STEEL BEAM UNDER EDGE MOMENTS

- ▭ Determination of the  $K_1$  – increasing factors of the stress-strain relationship for steel double-T cross sections subjected to non-uniform temperature distribution
- ▭ Decomposition of arbitrary stress fields

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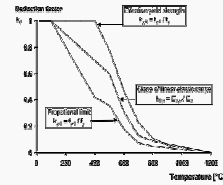
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### [ Introduction ]

- EC3. Part 1.2 proposes reduction factors for the mechanical properties of carbon steel.

$$K_t = f(\theta)$$



- When a member is under thermal gradient, the mechanical properties of the material are not straightforward.

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### [Scope]

- Calculation of the equivalent  $K_{\Delta\theta}$  factors for double-T cross-sections
- Reference temperature = maximum temperature of the thermal field

$$K_{\Delta\theta} = \frac{K_{\max,\theta}}{K_1}$$

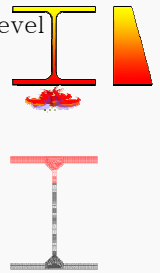
- $K_1$ : Increasing factor is derived as  $K(\max \text{ constant temperature})$  over  $K(\text{linear temperature across the cross-section})$

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### [Implementation – $K_{1,y\theta}$ factor]

- Plastic analysis at a cross – section level
- Planarity of the cross-section
- Linear field of temperatures
- As  $\Delta\theta$  rises, so does the distance of the plastic neutral axis from the mid-height



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### [Implementation – $K_{1,y\theta}$ factor]

- Several solutions performed for three commonly used types of steel cross-sections
- The plastic modulus was calculated for three slopes of thermal gradients.

$$W_{pl,\Delta\theta} = \sum_{i=1}^n A_i z_i k_{y,\theta,i}$$

- The  $K_{1,y\theta}$  was derived taking into account the plastic modulus of the cross-section under the maximum temperature of the thermal field

$$W_{pl,\Delta\theta} = k_{y,\Delta\theta} \times W_{pl,20} = k_{y,\Delta\theta} \times \frac{W_{pl,\theta_{\max}}}{K_{y,\theta_{\max}}} \Rightarrow$$

$$W_{pl,\Delta\theta} = \frac{W_{pl,\theta_{\max}}}{K_{1y,\theta}} \Rightarrow K_{1y,\theta} = \frac{W_{pl,\theta_{\max}}}{W_{pl,\Delta\theta}}$$

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### [Implementation – $K_{1,E\theta}$ factor]

- Simply-supported beams under edge moments were analysed elastically
- Deflection curve using Euler-Bernoulli beam equation for constant temperature (the highest of the thermal field)

$$M = -EI \frac{d^2 w}{dx^2}$$

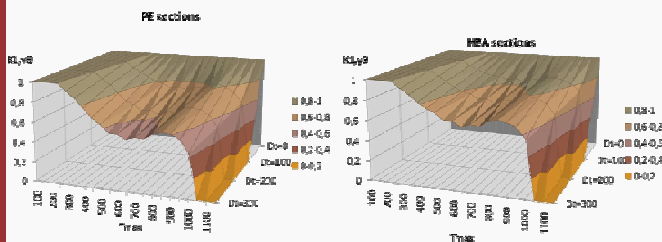
- Calculation of the equivalent  $K_{E,\Delta\theta}$  for the same deflection curve and loading conditions
- Determination of  $K_1$  for various slopes of thermal gradients

$$K_1 = \frac{K_{E,\max,\theta}}{K_{E,\Delta\theta}}$$

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### [Results – $K_{1,y\theta}$ factor]

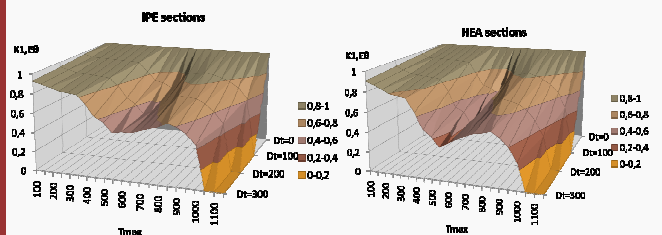
- EC3 proposes  $K_{1,y\theta} = 0.7$  for unprotected steel beam under thermal gradient
- Analysis showed that a realistic factor is **0,85** for  $\Delta\theta > 100^{\circ}\text{C}$ .
- $A_{fl} / A_{tot}$  increase  $\rightarrow K_{1,y\theta}$  decrease



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### [Results – $K_{1,E\theta}$ factor]

- Finite element analysis incorporates any deviation from the planarity of the cross section.
- Analysis showed that a safety factor is **0,90** for  $\Delta\theta > 100^{\circ}\text{C}$



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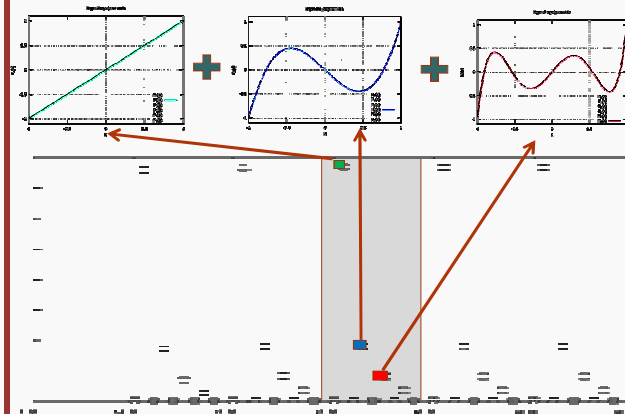
### [ In a few words... ]

- Aim: Accurate description of the direct stress field
- How? : Decomposition of the stress field into basic polynomials
- Adapt legendre polynomials to the geometry of the cross-section, to satisfy orthogonality.
- Following an iterative procedure, obtain the weight of each polynomial.

$$\sigma_{tot} = w_1 \times \sigma_1 + w_2 \times \sigma_2 + \dots + w_n \times \sigma_n$$

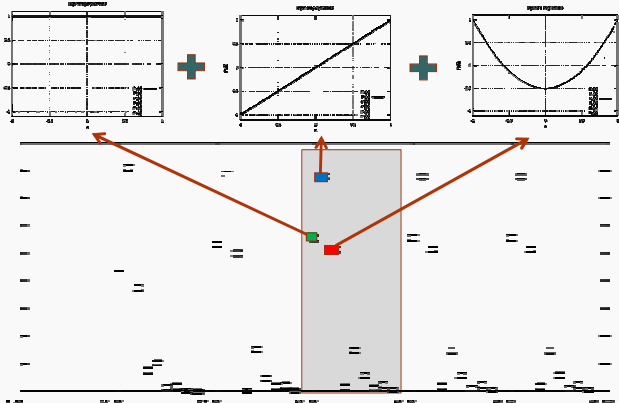
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- Steel beam / IPE section /  $T_{constant} = 600^{\circ}\text{C}$  / Edge Moments
- Grey area represents the integrals of the (weight x basic functions)



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- Steel beam / IPE section / Thermal Gradient / Edge Moments
- Wrong position of the N.A.  $\rightarrow$  Laguerre Polynomials



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### [ Conclusions ]

- Accurate description of the stress field across the cross-section in a simplified way.
- Sort out the stresses that produce axial force, bending moment and possible higher order moments.

### [ Future investigation... ]

- Energetic assessment of the above method
- Application of associated legendre polynomials in order to incorporate the movement of the neutral axis in case of thermal gradient.

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