

INTERACTION AXIAL FORCE – BENDING MOMENT DIAGRAMS FOR STEEL SECTIONS EMBEDDED ON WALLS

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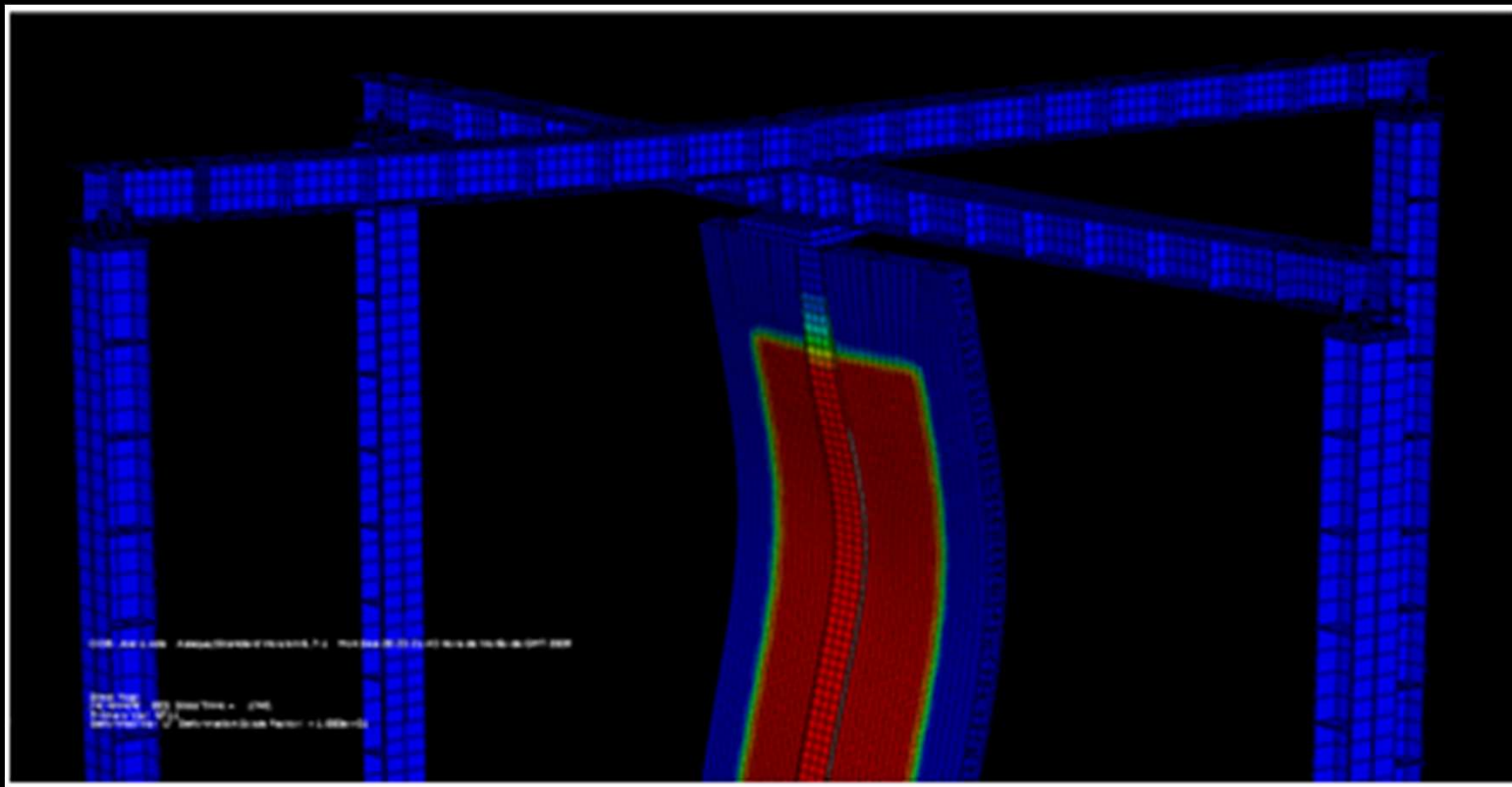
Reasons for improvement

The EN 1993-1-2, does not consider the combined effect of axial force and bending moment, in structural elements, when the temperature distribution is not uniform within the cross-section, in the design resistance of the cross-section.

Proposed changes

The proposal consists of interaction diagrams for H steel sections, with non-uniform temperature distribution, when in contact with walls. The contact with the walls provides huge thermal gradients, which vary with the orientation of the web of the profile, in relation to the walls.

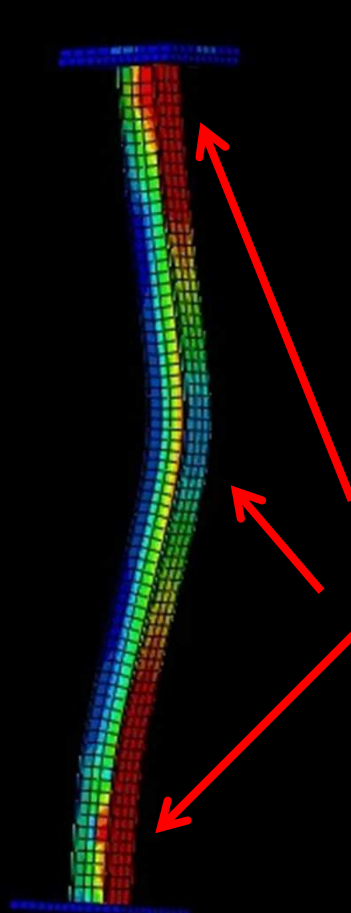
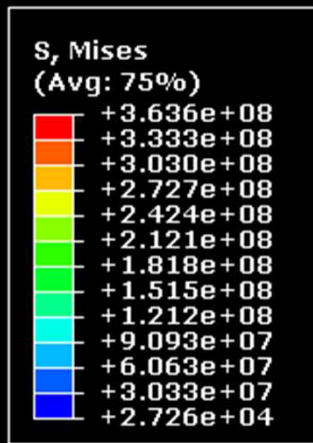
THERMAL BOWING – Lateral Deflection of a Column during FIRE TEST



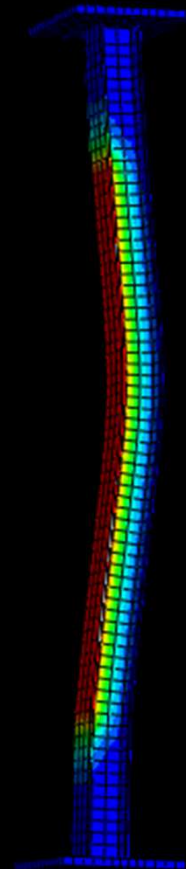
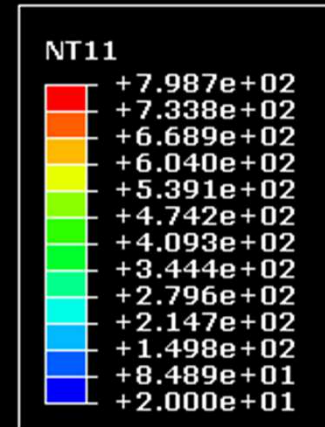
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Results – Von Mises stresses and temperatures



Von Mises stresses (scale factor = 2)



Temperatures

(t=24min)



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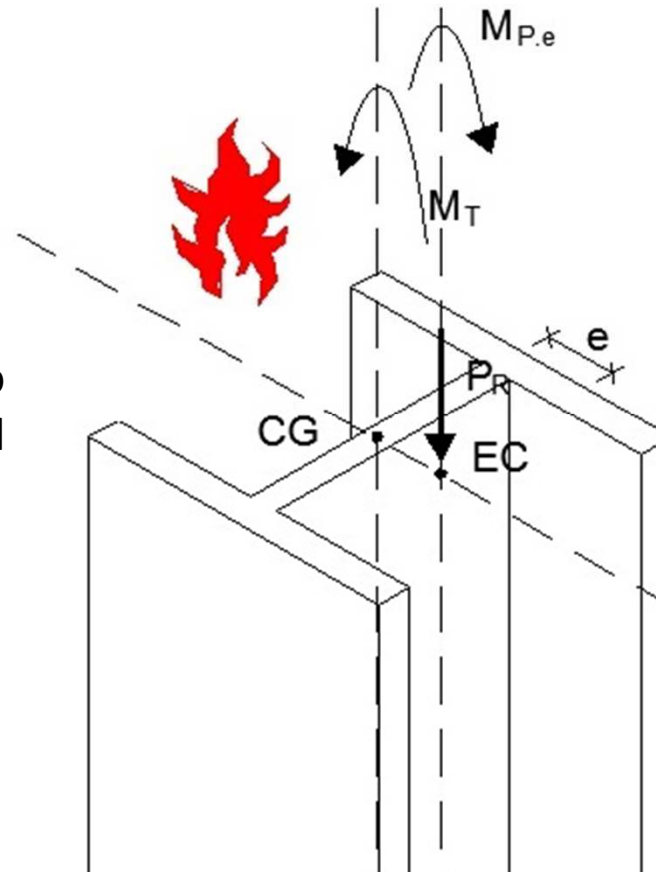
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Behaviour of an unevenly heated column

The left half-flanges will undergo greater thermal expansion.

Due to the restraint to rotation, a “thermal moment” M_T is generated.

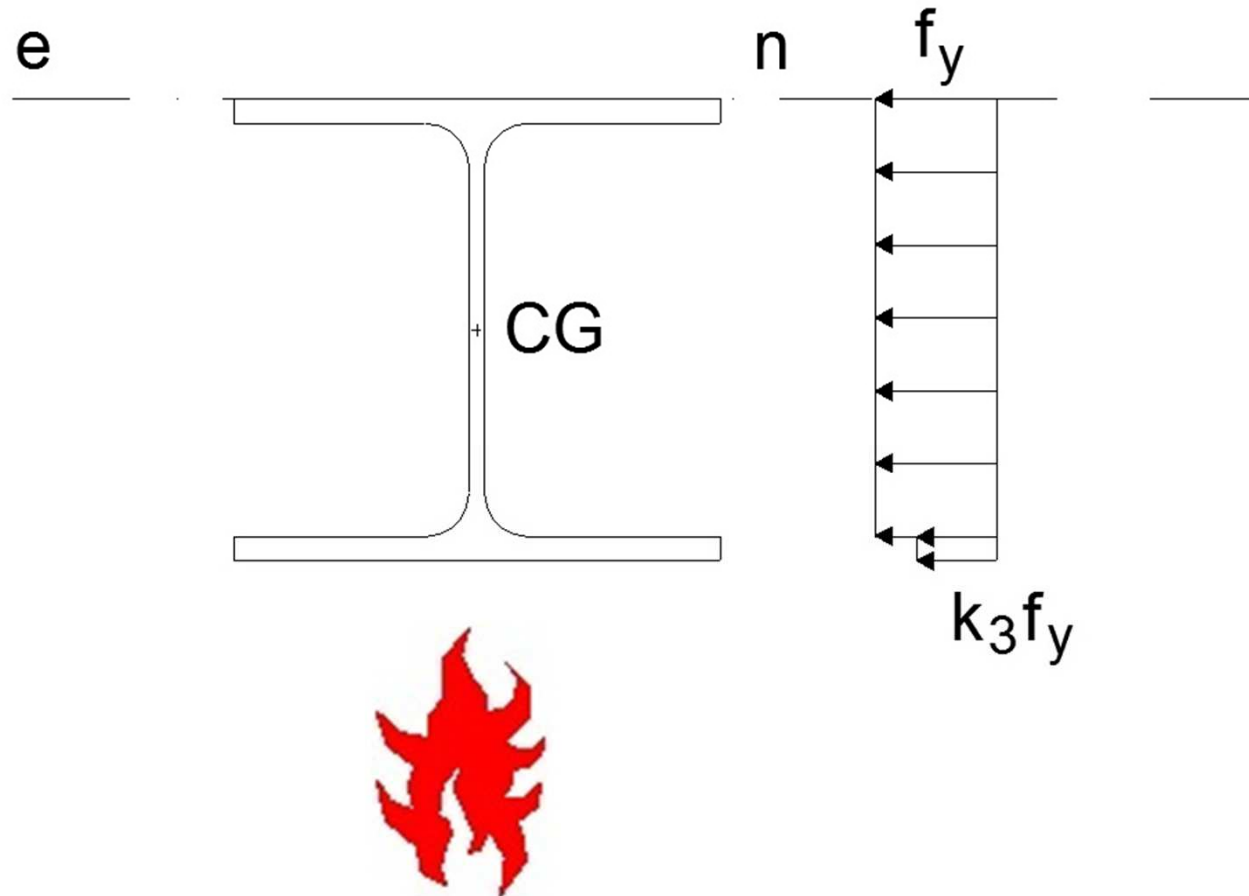
When the temperatures increase, the effective centroid migrates towards the cooler flange.



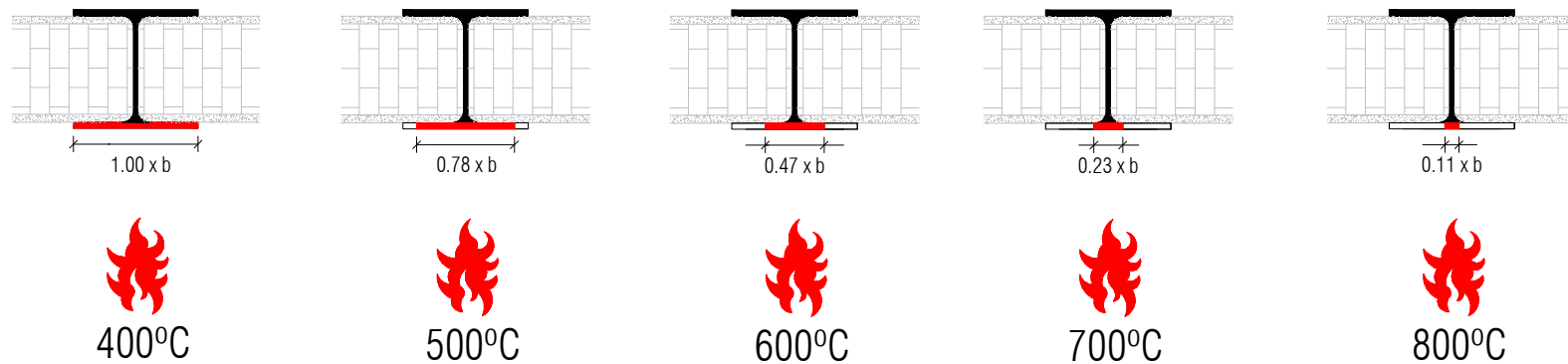
The position of the resultant of the axial stresses P_R (which is located at the effective centroid) moves according to the changes of the section's material properties.

The movement of P_R generates an additional moment about the Geometric Centroid CG ($M_{P,e}$).

Stress diagrams for non-uniform heated steel column with web perpendicular to the walls – thermal gradient along the web



Reduced cross-section - columns with the web perpendicular to the walls (thermal gradient along the web)

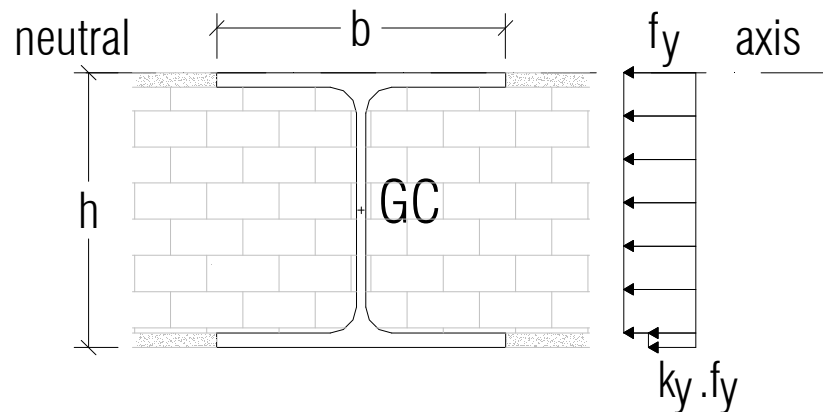


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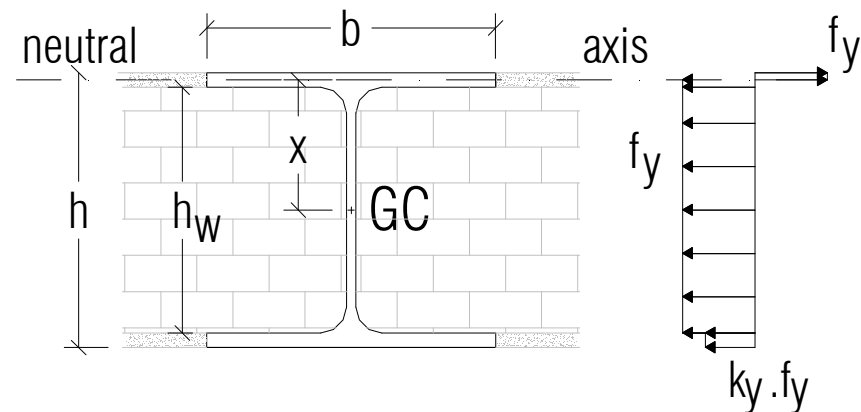
Reduction factors of the effective yield strength relative to yield strength at 20°C, as a function of the temperature (EN 1993-1-2:2005).

Temperature (°C)	20-400	500	600	700	800	900	1000
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Pure compression



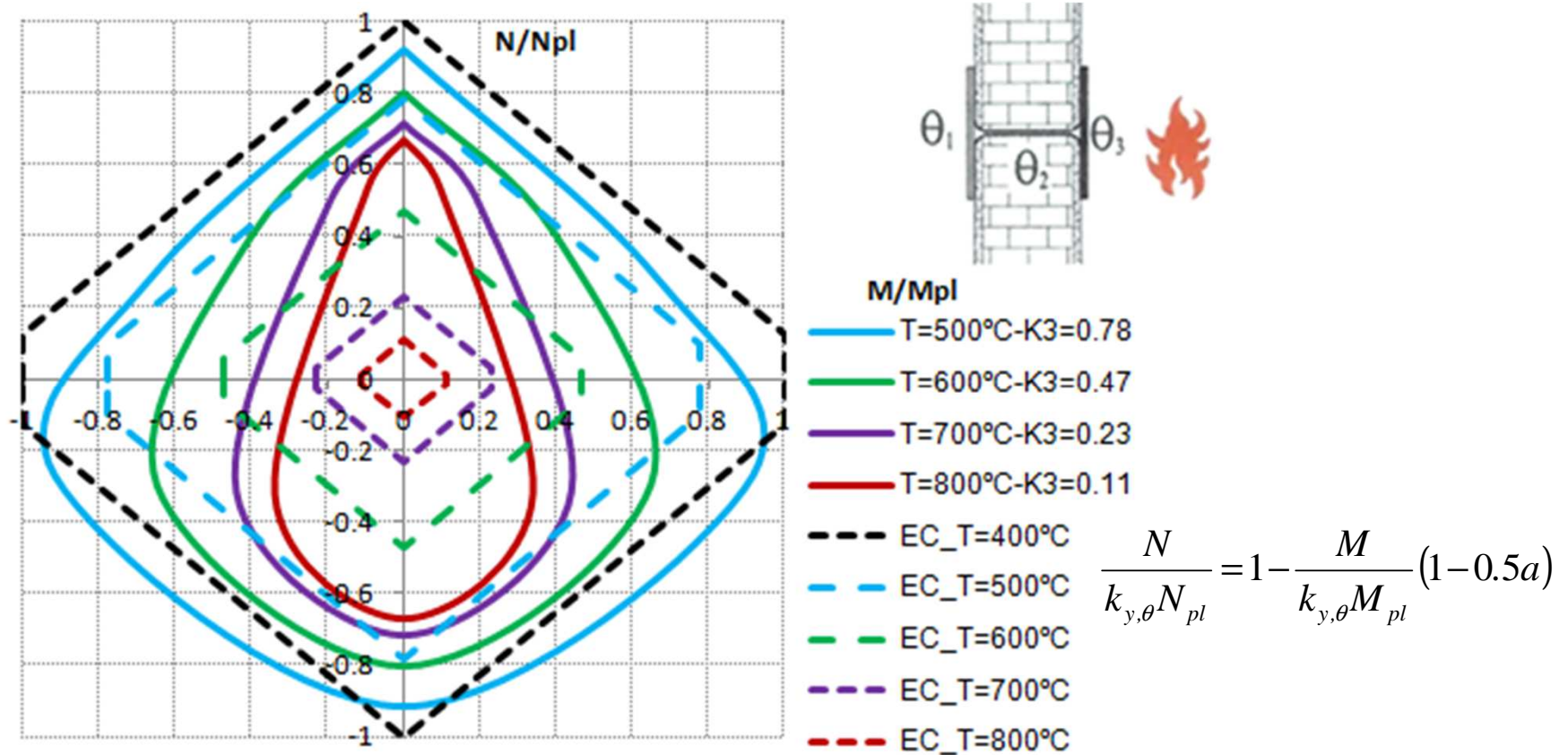
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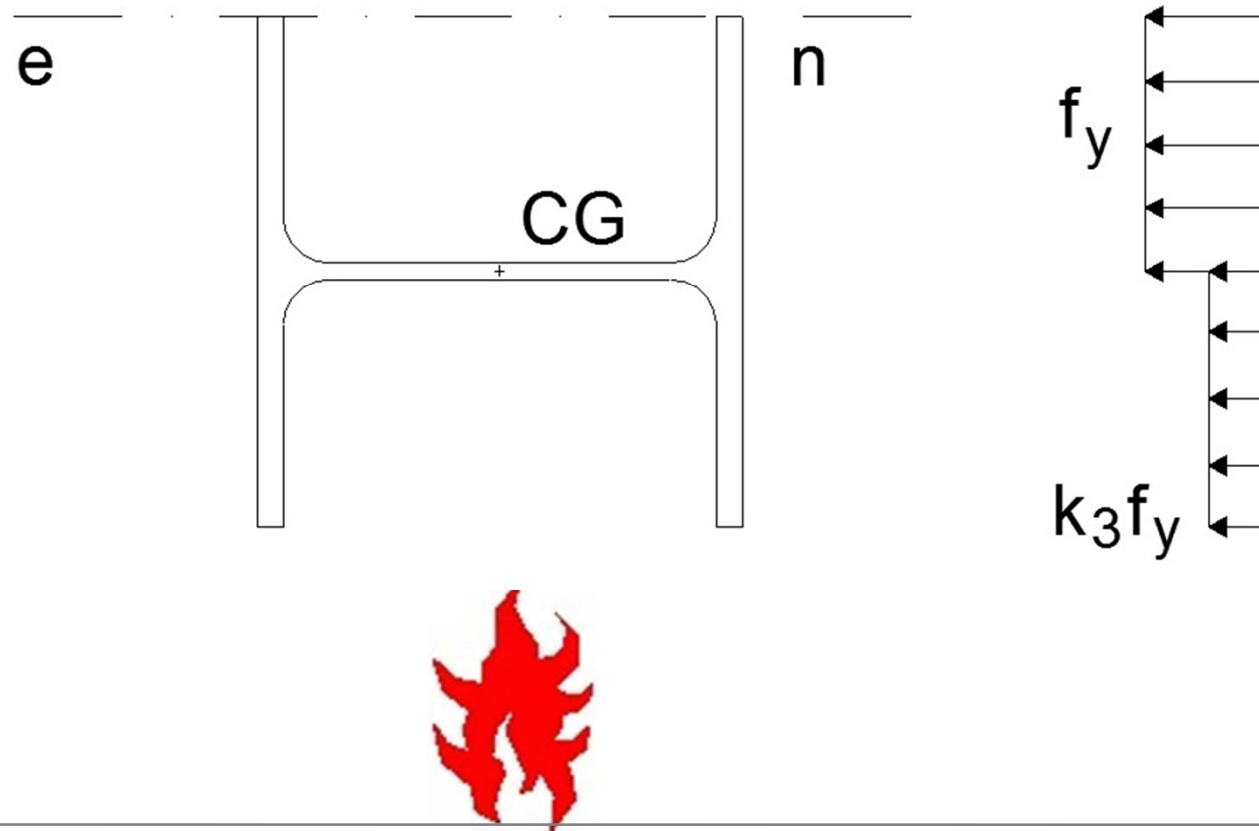
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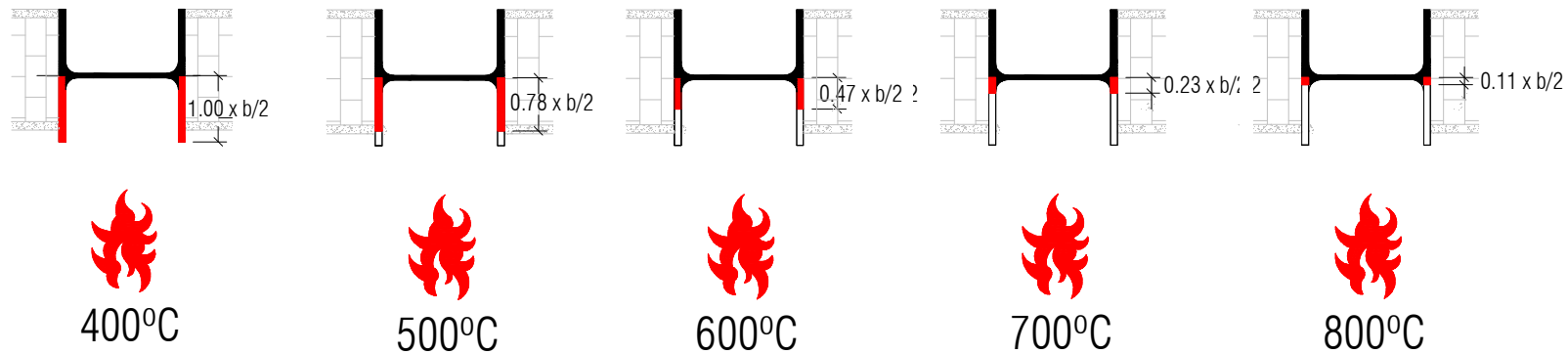
Stress diagrams for non-uniform heated steel column with web parallel to the walls – thermal gradient along the flange



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Reduced cross-section - columns with the web parallel to the walls (thermal gradient along the flanges)

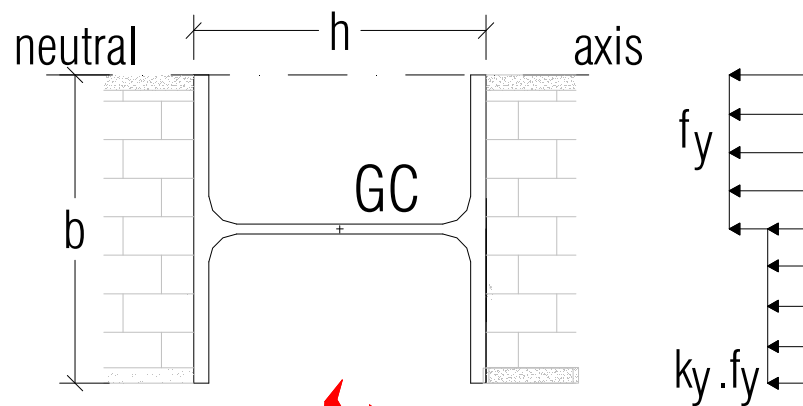


The plastic resistance of the column may be calculated considering a reduced area of the heated flange. The yield stress is uniform along the flanges. Contribution of the web may be neglected.

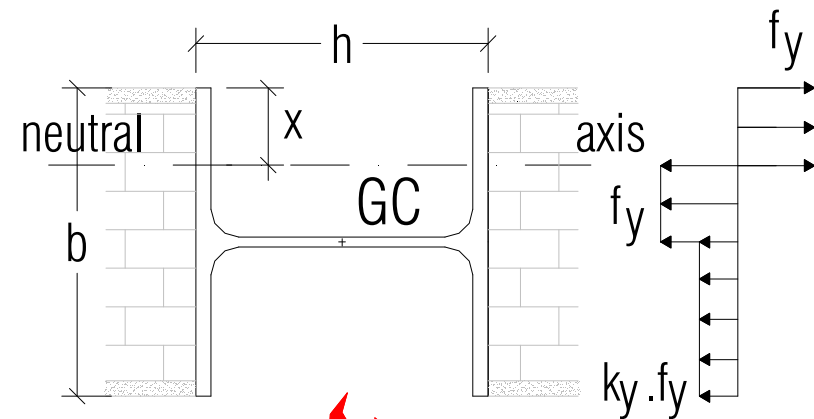
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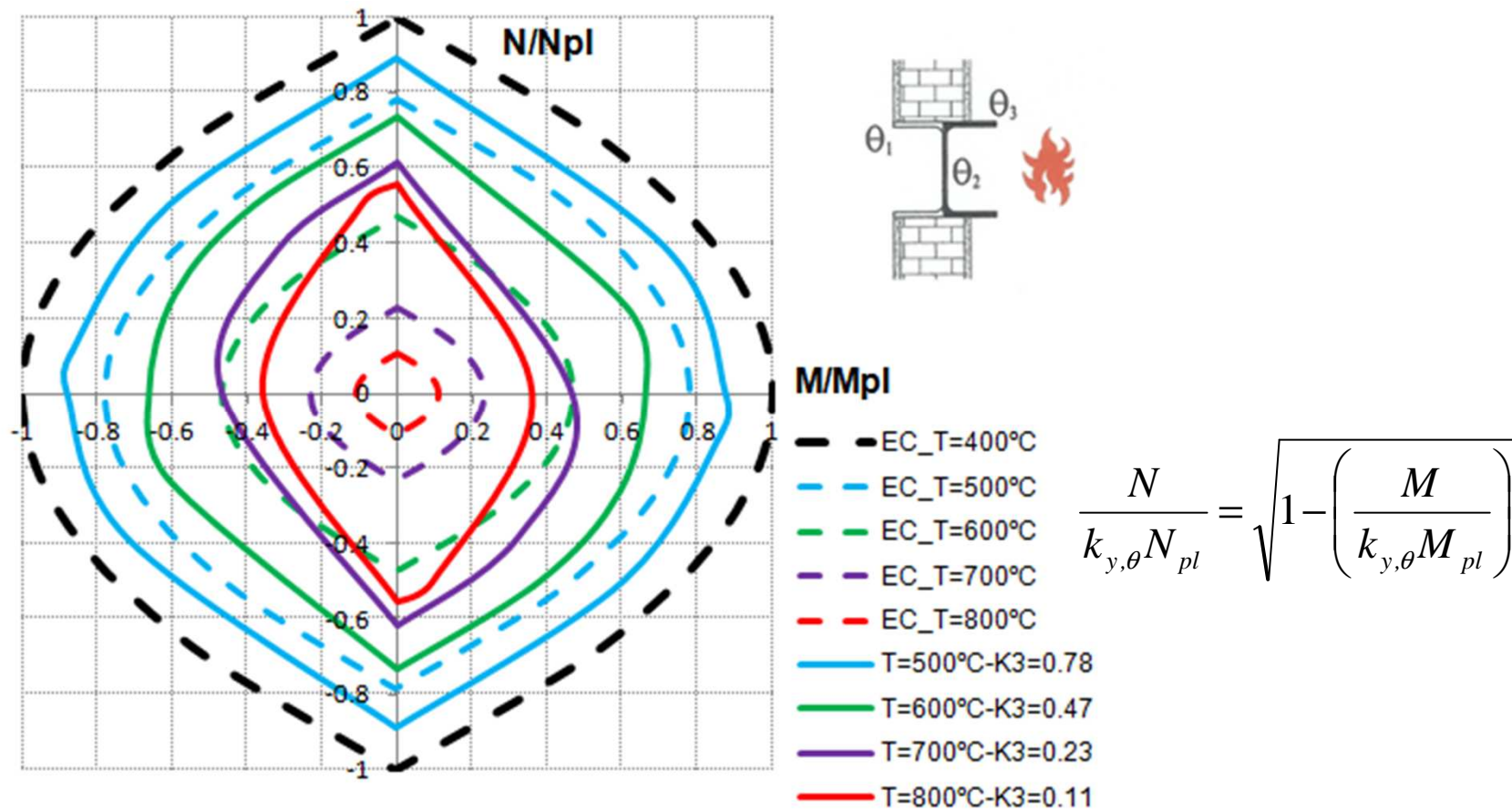
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Conclusions

Concerning the design of steel columns in contact with wall, considering uniform temperature by EN 1993-1-2 (2005)

It was concluded that the formulation of this document is always conservative, than the consideration of the gradients with the real temperatures within the cross section.