

# CRITICAL TEMPERATURE OF STEEL FRAME WITH JOINT FLEXIBILITY INCREASING IN FIRE

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## **RESEARCH OBJECTIVE - THE AUTHOR'S SUGGESTION**

To take into consideration the effect, neglected up to the present, that the joint flexibility increases when the steel temperature growths



RESEARCH OBJECTIVE

Reliable evaluation of fire resistance for steel-framed load-bearing structure









## **DESIGN TECHNIQUES**

Methods of the analysis

First-order analysis

member bucklinglengths are specified



Second-order analysis

simplified second-order analysis

bending moments and internal forces are amplified without the specification of member buckling-lengths

second - order analysis performed by Autodesk Robot Structural Analysis

#### LIMIT STATE FORMULA



#### **FIRST-ORDER ANALYSIS**



#### SIMPLIFIED SECOND-ORDER ANALYSIS



#### CONCLUSIONS

- If the simplified second-order approach is used in the frame analysis, then the critical temperature evaluations are obtained, being less restrictive in relation to those taken from the application of the classical first-order theory.
- If the first order frame analysis is performed then considering the real joint flexibility under fire gives, in general, the assessments of conclusive critical temperature being more careful in comparison with those resulting from the acceptance of the full joint stiffness, independent on the real steel temperature.
- When the second order analysis is carried out, taking into account the real joint flexibility under fire, it leads to the assessments of critical temperature being less restrictive both in relation to the column as well as in relation for beam. In such design approach the member effective buckling length is not specified at all; whereas, its specification is of the great importance when the classical first order analysis is performed.



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