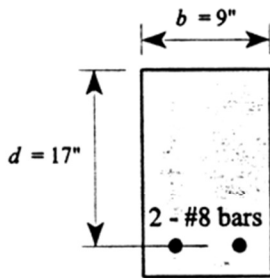


Example 1

Determine the design moment capacity for the reinforced concrete cross section shown. Assume $f'_c = 3000$ psi and Grade 60 reinforcing steel.



Example 2

(a) Determine the ultimate moment capacity of a beam with dimensions $b = 10$ in. and $d_{\text{effective}} = 15$ in. and that has three No. 9 bars (3.0 in.^2) of tension-reinforcing steel. Assume that $h = 18$ in., $F_y = 40$ ksi, and $f'_c = 5$ ksi. (b) Assume also that the section is used as a cantilever beam 10 ft long, where the service loads are dead load = 400 lb/ft and live load = 300 lb/ft. Is the beam adequate in bending? Calculate the ultimate moment capacity of the beam first.

Solution:

$$(a) \quad a = A_s F_y / 0.85 f'_c b = (3)(40,000) / (0.85)(5000)(10) = 2.82 \text{ in.}$$

$$\phi M_n = \phi A_s F_y [d - a/2] = 0.9(3)(40,000)[15 - (2.82)/(2)] = 1,466,640 \text{ in.-lb}$$

Check for overreinforcement, $c = 0.375 \cdot 15 = 5.625$. Depth of stress block $a = 0.80 \cdot 5.625 \text{ in.} = 4.5 \text{ in.}$ $A_{s,\text{max}} = (0.85)(5\text{ksi})(4.5\text{in.})(10\text{in.}) / (40\text{ksi}) = 4.78 \text{ in.}^2$. The beam is not over reinforced. Check for minimum steel: $A_{s,\text{min}} = \frac{3\sqrt{f'_c}}{F_y} b d = 0.80 \text{ in.}^2$, so beam is sufficiently reinforced.

$$(b) \quad U = 1.2D + 1.6L = 1.2(400) + 1.6(300) = 960 \text{ lb/ft}$$

$$M_u = w_u L^2 / 2 = (960)(10^2) / 2 = 48,000 \text{ ft-lb} = 576,000 \text{ in.-lb}$$

Since $M_u = 576,000 < \phi M_n = 1,466,640$, the beam is adequate in bending.

EXAMPLE

Determine the ultimate moment capacity of a beam of dimensions $b = 250$ mm and $d = 350$ mm and that has 300 mm^2 of reinforcing steel. Assume that $F_y = 400$ MPa and $f'_c = 25$ MPa.

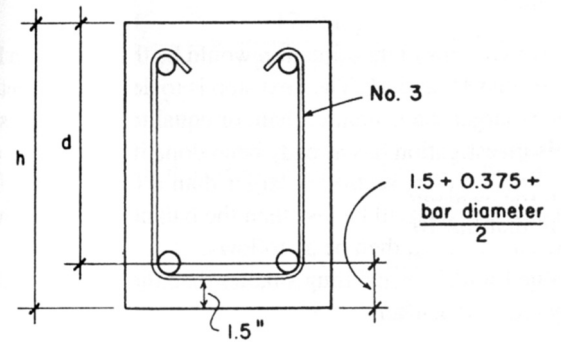
Solution:

$$a = \frac{A_s F_y}{0.85 f'_c b} = \frac{(300)(400)}{(0.85)(25)(250)} = 22.6 \text{ mm}$$

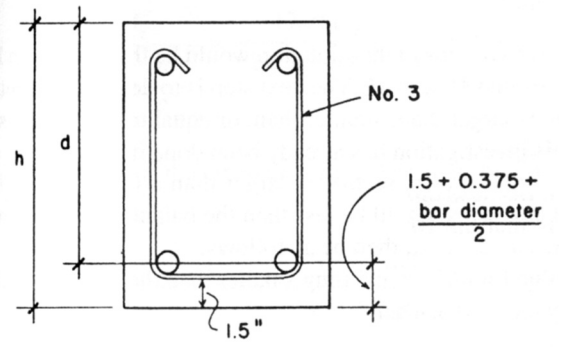
$$\phi M_n = \phi A_s F_y \left(d - \frac{a}{2} \right) = 0.9(300)(400) \left(350 - \frac{22.6}{2} \right) = 36.5 \text{ kN} \cdot \text{m}$$

Example 3

Example 1. The service load bending moments on a beam are 58 kip-ft [78.6 kN-m] for dead load and 38 kip-ft [51.5 kN-m] for live load. The beam is 10 in. [254 mm] wide, f'_c is 3000 psi [27.6 MPa], and f_y is 60 ksi [414 MPa]. Determine the depth of the beam and the tensile reinforcing required.



Example 3 (continued)



Example 4

A simply supported beam 20 ft long carries a service dead load of 300 lb/ft and a live load of 500 lb/ft. Design an appropriate beam (for flexure only). Use grade 40 steel and concrete strength of 5000 psi.

SOLUTION:

Find the design moment, M_u , from the factored load combination of $1.2D + 1.6L$. It is good practice to guess a beam size to include self weight in the dead load, because "service" means dead load of everything except the beam itself.

Guess a size of 10 in x 12 in. Self weight for normal weight concrete is the density of 150 lb/ft³ multiplied by the cross section area: self weight = $150 \frac{\text{lb}}{\text{ft}^3} (10\text{in})(12\text{in}) \cdot \left(\frac{1\text{ft}}{12\text{in}}\right)^2 = 125 \text{ lb/ft}$

$$w_u = 1.2(300 \text{ lb/ft} + 125 \text{ lb/ft}) + 1.6(500 \text{ lb/ft}) = 1310 \text{ lb/ft}$$

$$\text{The maximum moment for a simply supported beam is } \frac{wl^2}{8} : \quad M_u = \frac{w_u l^2}{8} = \frac{1310 \frac{\text{lb}}{\text{ft}} (20\text{ft})^2}{8} = 65,500 \text{ lb-ft}$$

$$M_n \text{ required} = M_u / \phi = \frac{65,500 \text{ lb-ft}}{0.9} = 72,778 \text{ lb-ft}$$

To use the design chart aid, find $R_n = \frac{M_n}{bd^2}$, estimating that d is about 1.75 inches less than h :

$$d = 12\text{in} - 1.75\text{in} - (0.375) = 10.25\text{in} \quad (\text{NOTE: If there are stirrups, you must also subtract the diameter of the stirrup bar.})$$

$$R_n = \frac{72,778 \text{ lb-ft}}{(10\text{in})(10.25\text{in})^2} \cdot \left(12 \frac{\text{in}}{\text{ft}}\right) = 831 \text{ psi}$$

ρ corresponds to approximately 0.023 (which is less than that for 0.005 strain of 0.0319), so the estimated area required, A_s , can be found:

$$A_s = \rho bd = (0.023)(10\text{in})(10.25\text{in}) = 2.36 \text{ in}^2$$

The number of bars for this area can be found from handy charts.

(Whether the number of bars actually fit for the width with cover and space between bars must also be considered. If you are at ρ_{max} do not choose an area bigger than the maximum!)

Try $A_s = 2.37 \text{ in}^2$ from 3#8 bars

$$d = 12\text{in} - 1.5\text{in (cover)} - \frac{1}{2} (8/8\text{in diameter bar}) = 10\text{in}$$

Check $\rho = 2.37 \text{ in}^2 / (10\text{in})(10\text{in}) = 0.0237$ which is less than $\rho_{\text{max-0.005}} = 0.0319$ OK (We cannot have an over reinforced beam!!)

Find the moment capacity of the beam as designed, ϕM_n

$$a = A_s f_y / 0.85 f'_c b = 2.37 \text{ in}^2 (40 \text{ ksi}) / [0.85 (5 \text{ ksi}) 10 \text{ in}] = 2.23 \text{ in}$$

$$\phi M_n = \phi A_s f_y (d - a/2) = 0.9 (2.37 \text{ in}^2) (40 \text{ ksi}) \left(10 \text{ in} - \frac{2.23 \text{ in}}{2}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{12} \frac{\text{in}}{\text{ft}}\right) = 63.2 \text{ k-ft} \not\geq 65.5 \text{ k-ft needed (not OK)}$$

So, we can increase d to 13 in, and $\phi M_n = 70.3 \text{ k-ft}$ (OK). Or increase A_s to 2 # 10's (2.54 in²), for $a = 2.39 \text{ in}$ and ϕM_n of 67.1 k-ft (OK). Don't exceed ρ_{max} or $\rho_{\text{max-0.005}}$ if you want to use $\phi = 0.9$

Example 5

A simply supported beam 20 ft long carries a service dead load of 425 lb/ft (including self weight) and a live load of 500 lb/ft. Design an appropriate beam (for flexure only). Use grade 40 steel and concrete strength of 5000 psi.

SOLUTION:

Find the design moment, M_u , from the factored load combination of 1.2D + 1.6L. *If self weight is not included in the service loads, you need to guess a beam size to include self weight in the dead load, because "service" means dead load of everything except the beam itself.*

$$w_u = 1.2(425 \text{ lb/ft}) + 1.6(500 \text{ lb/ft}) = 1310 \text{ lb/ft}$$

$$\text{The maximum moment for a simply supported beam is } \frac{wl^2}{8} : \quad M_u = \frac{w_u l^2}{8} = \frac{1310 \text{ lb/ft} (20 \text{ ft})^2}{8} = 65,500 \text{ lb-ft}$$

$$M_n \text{ required} = M_u / \phi = \frac{65,500 \text{ lb-ft}}{0.9} = 72,778 \text{ lb-ft}$$

To use the design chart aid, we can find $R_n = \frac{M_n}{bd^2}$, and estimate that h is roughly 1.5-2 times the size of b, and $h = 1.1d$ (rule of thumb): $d = h/1.1 = (2b)/1.1$, so $d \approx 1.8b$ or $b \approx 0.55d$.

We can find R_n at the maximum reinforcement ratio for our materials, keeping in mind ρ_{\max} at a strain = 0.005 is 0.0319 off of the chart at about 1070 psi, with $\rho_{\max} = 0.037$. Let's substitute b for a function of d:

$$R_n = 1070 \text{ psi} = \frac{72,778 \text{ lb-ft}}{(0.55d)(d)^2} \cdot (12 \text{ in/ft}) \quad \text{Rearranging and solving for } d = 11.4 \text{ inches}$$

That would make b a little over 6 inches, which is impractical. 10 in is commonly the smallest width.

So if h is commonly 1.5 to 2 times the width, b, h ranges from 14 to 20 inches. ($10 \times 1.5 = 15$ and $10 \times 2 = 20$)

Choosing a depth of 14 inches, $d \cong 14 - 1.5$ (clear cover) - $\frac{1}{2}(1'' \text{ diameter bar guess}) - \frac{3}{8}$ in (stirrup diameter) = 11.625 in.

$$\text{Now calculating an updated } R_n = \frac{72,778 \text{ lb-ft}}{(10 \text{ in})(11.625 \text{ in})^2} \cdot (12 \text{ in/ft}) = 646.2 \text{ psi}$$

ρ now is 0.020 (under the limit at 0.005 strain of 0.0319), so the estimated area required, A_s , can be found:

$$A_s = \rho b d = (0.020)(10 \text{ in})(11.625 \text{ in}) = 1.98 \text{ in}^2$$

The number of bars for this area can be found from handy charts.

(Whether the number of bars actually fit for the width with cover and space between bars must also be considered. If you are at $\rho_{\max-0.005}$ do not choose an area bigger than the maximum!)

Try $A_s = 2.37 \text{ in}^2$ from 3#8 bars. (or 2.0 in² from 2 #9 bars. 4#7 bars don't fit...)

$d(\text{actually}) = 14 \text{ in.} - 1.5 \text{ in (cover)} - \frac{1}{2}(8/8 \text{ in bar diameter}) - \frac{3}{8} \text{ in. (stirrup diameter)} = 11.625 \text{ in.}$

Check $\rho = 2.37 \text{ in}^2 / (10 \text{ in})(11.625 \text{ in}) = 0.0203$ which is less than $\rho_{\max-0.005} = 0.0319$ OK (We cannot have an over reinforced beam!!)

Find the moment capacity of the beam as designed, ϕM_n

$$a = A_s f_y / 0.85 f_c b = 2.37 \text{ in}^2 (40 \text{ ksi}) / [0.85(5 \text{ ksi})10 \text{ in}] = 2.23 \text{ in}$$

$$\phi M_n = \phi A_s f_y (d - a/2) = 0.9(2.37 \text{ in}^2)(40 \text{ ksi})(11.625 \text{ in} - \frac{2.23 \text{ in}}{2}) \cdot (\frac{1}{12 \text{ in/ft}}) = 74.7 \text{ k-ft} > 65.5 \text{ k-ft needed}$$

OK! Note: *If the section doesn't work, you need to increase d or A_s as long as you don't exceed $\rho_{\max-0.005}$*