

Flanged beam

T and L beams in sagging · EN 1992-1-1 §5.3.2.1, §6.1, §6.2.4 · UK NA / PN-EN

Reference	NAE-RC-031 · version 1.0
Standards	BS EN 1992-1-1:2004 with UK NA · PN-EN 1992-1-1:2008 with Polish NA (NDP sources listed on the NDP sheet)
National Annex	Selectable: UK NA to BS EN 1992-1-1 or Polish NA to PN-EN 1992-1-1
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What it does

Bending design of a T or L beam with the flange (a slab cast with it) in compression: the effective flange width, the neutral axis in the flange or in the web, the tension steel needed, and the longitudinal shear between the web and the flange with the transverse steel it needs in the flange.

How to use

1. Open the Calculation sheet and select the National Annex.
2. Fill in the shaded input cells. Everything else is calculated.
3. Read the Results block; every step below it quotes its clause. Print or save as PDF for your calculation package.

Scope and limitations

Sagging moment only (flange in compression), tension bars in one layer at d , no compression steel: where $K > K'$ the sheet reports FAIL. Effective width to 5.3.2.1 (5.7), (5.7a), (5.7b): $b_{eff,i} = \min(0.2 b_i + 0.1 l_0; 0.2 l_0; b_i)$ with b_i half the clear distance to the next web and l_0 the distance between points of zero moment (Figure 5.2, entered). Rectangular stress block $\lambda = 0.8$, $\eta = 1$ ($f_{ck} \leq 50$ MPa), $f_{cd} = \alpha_{cc} f_{ck} / \gamma_c$. Stress block (0.8 x) in the flange when $M_{Ed} \leq f_{cd} b_{eff} h_f$ ($d - h_f/2$): the section is rectangular b_{eff} wide; otherwise the outstands carry $f_{cd} (b_{eff} - b_w) h_f$ and the web the rest, its depth limited by K' (5.5(4), no redistribution). $A_{s,min}$ to (9.1N) with $b_t = b_w$, $A_{s,max} 0.04 A_c$. The flange transverse bars must fit in h_f with at least 20 mm above and below them; θ_f limits (6.2.4(4)) and $k = 0.4$ (6.2.4(6)) are the recommended values, kept by the UK NA and the PL NA (NA.9). The neutral axis x is shown from equilibrium; the steel uses $z \leq 0.95 d$ (conservative). Bars in one layer; their centres are $h - d$ from the bottom and from the sides of the web, with at least 25 mm of concrete outside them (cover to the bars, links included; the cover for durability and fire is for the designer). Flange shear (6.2.4): ΔF_d is the force in the larger outstand at M_{Ed} , built up over Δx (entered and checked: at most half the distance between zero and maximum moment and, with point loads, at most their spacing; the whole outstand force over that length is conservative); $v_{Ed} = \Delta F_d / (h_f \Delta x)$; no extra steel if $v_{Ed} \leq k f_{ctd}$ ($k = 0.4$, 6.2.4(6)); otherwise $A_{sf} / s_f = v_{Ed} h_f / (f_{yd} \cot \theta_f)$ with the largest $\cot \theta_f \leq 2.0$ ($26.5^\circ \leq \theta_f \leq 45^\circ$ for a compression flange) that keeps $v_{Ed} \leq v_{fcd} \sin \theta_f \cos \theta_f$ (6.22). Where the flange also bends across the web, provide the larger of A_{sf} and half A_{sf} plus the bending steel (6.2.4(5)), not checked here. Vertical shear of the web: RC-004. $f_{yk} 400 - 500$ MPa. The second-generation EN 1992-1-1:2023 is not yet implemented.

Further reading and independent cross-check

- The Concrete Centre, How to design concrete structures using Eurocode 2: Beams (flanged beams, flange shear).
- The Concrete Centre, Concise Eurocode 2, 5.3 and 7.2.
- The Concrete Centre, RC Spreadsheets v4 (licensed product) can be used as an independent cross-check.

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	National Annex		UK NA (BS EN)	
Table 3.1	Concrete strength class		C32/40	
3.2.2	Reinforcement characteristic yield strength (≤ 500 MPa)	f_{yk}	500	MPa
	Section		T-beam (flange both sides)	
	Web width	b_w	300	mm
	Overall depth	h	600	mm
	Flange thickness	h_f	150	mm
	Effective depth to the tension bars	d	545	mm
Figure 5.3	Half the clear distance to the next web, side 1	b_1	1350	mm
Figure 5.3	Side 2 (T-beam only)	b_2	1350	mm
Figure 5.2	Distance between points of zero moment	l_0	6000	mm 0.85 l1 end span, 0.7 l2 inner
	Tension bars: number (1 – 8)	n	4	
	Diameter	φ	25	mm
6.2.4(4)	Flange transverse bars crossing the web face: diameter	φ_f	10	mm
	Spacing	s_f	200	mm

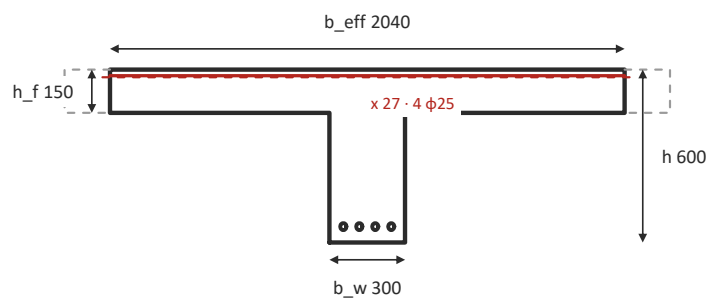
Inputs · design actions
Ultimate limit state

	Sagging moment	M_{Ed}	420.0	kNm
6.2.4(3)	Distance from zero to maximum moment	a_M	3000	mm
6.2.4(3)	Spacing of point loads in that length (0 = none)	a_P	0	mm
6.2.4(3)	Length over which the flange force builds up ($\leq a_M / 2, \leq a_P$)	Δx	1500	mm
	Inputs valid and consistent			OK

Results

Bending $A_{s,req} / A_{s,prov}$ ($K \leq K'$, $A_{s,min}$, $A_{s,max}$)		0.95		OK
Flange shear, struts $v_{Ed} / v_{fcd} \sin \theta_f \cos \theta_f$ (6.22)		0.34		OK
Flange transverse steel need / provided (6.21)		0.68		OK
Effective flange width	b_{eff}	2040	mm	
Neutral axis (stress block $0.8 x$ in the flange or reaching th	x	27	mm	block in flange
Tension steel needed / provided	A_s	1866 / 1963	mm ²	

Your section, to scale · effective flange (solid), the slab beyond it (dashed), the compression block (shaded edge), neutral axis and bars



Calculation · effective width

2.4.2.4(1)	Partial factor, concrete	γ_c	1.50	NDP sheet
2.4.2.4(1)	Partial factor, reinforcement	γ_s	1.15	NDP sheet
3.1.6(1)	Coefficient on compressive strength (flexure)	α_{cc}	0.85	NDP sheet
3.1.6(1)	Coefficient on compressive strength (shear)	α_{cc}	1.00	NDP sheet
3.1.6(2)	Coefficient on tensile strength	α_{ct}	1.00	NDP sheet
5.5(4)	Coefficient for x/d limit	k_1	0.40	NDP sheet
5.5(4)	Coefficient for x/d limit	k_2	1.00	NDP sheet
Table 3.1	Characteristic cylinder strength	f_{ck}	32	MPa
Table 3.1	Mean tensile strength	f_{ctm}	3.02	MPa
(5.7a), (5.7b)	Side 1 $\min(0.2 b_1 + 0.1 l_0; 0.2 l_0; b_1)$	$b_{eff,1}$	870	mm
(5.7a), (5.7b)	Side 2 $\min(0.2 b_2 + 0.1 l_0; 0.2 l_0; b_2)$ (0 for an L-beam)	$b_{eff,2}$	870	mm
(5.7)	Effective flange width $b_w + \sum b_{eff,i}$	b_{eff}	2040	mm

Calculation · bending

3.1.6(1)	Design compressive strength $\alpha_{cc} f_{ck} / \gamma_c$	f_{cd}	18.13	MPa
3.2.7	Design yield strength	f_{yd}	434.8	MPa
3.2.7	Neutral axis depth at first yield	ξ_y	0.617	
5.5(4)	Limiting x/d , no redistribution $\min((1 - k_1)/k_2; \xi_y)$	$x_{u/d}$	0.600	
3.1.7(3)	Limiting K (α_{cc}/γ_c) $0.8 \xi (1 - 0.4 \xi)$	K'	0.207	
3.1.7(3)	Flange alone $f_{cd} b_{eff} h_f (d - h_f/2)$	M_f	2607.9	kNm
	Outstands when the stress block reaches the web $f_{cd} (b_{eff} - b_w)$	F_{out}	0.0	kN
	Moment for the rectangle (beff, or bw after the outstands)	M_r	420.0	kNm
	Width of the rectangle	b_r	2040	mm
3.1.7(3)	$K = M_r / (b_r d^2 f_{ck})$	K	0.022	

	Lever arm of the rectangle $\leq 0.95 d$	z	518	mm	N/A: $K > K'$
	Neutral axis from equilibrium $1.25 d (1 - \sqrt{1 - 2K / (\alpha \epsilon / \gamma_c)})$ (z)	x	27	mm	
	Tension steel needed $F_{out} / f_{yd} + M_r / (f_{yd} z)$	A_s	1866	mm ²	
(9.1N)	Minimum $\max(0.26 f_{ctm} / f_{yk}; 0.0013) b_w d$	$A_{s,min}$	257	mm ²	
9.2.1.1(3)	Gross area for $A_{s,max} = 0.04 A_c$ (effective flange)	A_c	441000	mm ²	
	Provided $n \pi \phi^2 / 4$	$A_{s,prov}$	1963	mm ²	
6.1, 9.2.1.1	$K \leq K'$; $A_{s,min} \leq A_{s,prov} \leq 0.04 A_c$; $A_{s,prov} \geq A_s$		1963	mm ²	OK

Calculation · shear between web and flange, 6.2.4

	Larger outstand	$b_{eff,i}$	870	mm	
6.2.4(3)	Force in it at MEd (block in flange: $M_r / z \cdot b_o / b_{eff}$; reaching the	ΔF_d	346.0	kN	
(6.20)	Longitudinal shear stress $\Delta F_d / (h_f \Delta x)$	v_{Ed}	1.538	MPa	
3.1.6	fcd for shear $\alpha \epsilon f_{ck} / \gamma_c$; $f_{ctd} = \alpha \epsilon 0.7 f_{ctm} / \gamma_c$	f_{cd}	21.33	MPa	
3.1.6(2)		f_{ctd}	1.411	MPa	
(6.6N)	$v = 0.6 (1 - f_{ck} / 250)$	v	0.523		
6.2.4(4)	Ratio $r = v_{Ed} / (v f_{cd})$ (struts need $r \leq 0.5$)	r	0.138		
6.2.4(4)	$\cot \theta_f$ largest ≤ 2.0 with $\sin \theta_f \cos \theta_f \geq r$	$\cot \theta_f$	2.000		
(6.22)	$v_{Ed} \leq v f_{cd} \sin \theta_f \cos \theta_f$		1.538	MPa	OK
6.2.4(6)	No extra steel below $0.4 f_{ctd}$	$k f_{ctd}$	0.564	MPa	
(6.21)	Transverse steel needed $v_{Ed} h_f / (f_{yd} \cot \theta_f)$ (0 below $k f_{ctd}$)	A_{sf/s_f}	0.265	mm ² /mm	
	Provided $\pi \phi^2 / 4 / s_f$	A_{sf/s_f}	0.393	mm ² /mm	
(6.21)	Flange transverse steel: provided $\geq$ needed		0.393	mm ² /mm	OK

The transverse bars counted here cross the web face over the full flange thickness and are anchored on both sides. Combine them with any slab bending steel to 6.2.4(5). The bars are drawn in one layer evenly spread over the web.

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Nationally Determined Parameters

Values used by the Calculation sheet for the selected National Annex. Sources: UK NA to BS EN 1992-1-1:2004, Table NA.1; PN-EN 1992-1-1:2008, Załącznik krajowy NA. Edit only if your project specifies different values.

Parameter	Clause	UK NA	PL NA	Notes
Partial factor, concrete γ_c	2.4.2.4(1)	1.5	1.4	Persistent & transient. UK NA: recommended; PL: NA.2, Table NA.2
Partial factor, reinforcement γ_s	2.4.2.4(1)	1.15	1.15	UK NA: recommended; PL: NA.2, Table NA.2
α_{cc} (compression in flexure / axial)	3.1.6(1)	0.85	1	UK NA: 0.85; PL: recommended (NA.9)
α_{cc} (shear and punching)	3.1.6(1)	1	1	UK NA: 1.0 for other phenomena; PL: recommended (NA.9)
α_{ct} (design tensile strength)	3.1.6(2)	1	1	Recommended value in both annexes
CRd,c numerator (CRd,c = value / γ_c)	6.2.2(1), 6.4.4(1)	0.18	0.18	Recommended value in both annexes
k1 (axial stress term, punching)	6.4.4(1)	0.1	0.1	Recommended value in both annexes
$v_{Rd,max}$ factor ($v_{Rd,max} = \text{factor} \cdot v \cdot f_{cd}$)	6.4.5(3)	0.5	0.4	UK NA: 0.5 v_{fcd} ; PL: recommended value (NA.9), 0.4 v_{fcd} since EN 1992-1-1 AC:2010 (PN-EN 1992-1-1:2008)
kmax ($v_{Ed} \leq k_{max} \cdot v_{Rd,c}$ at u1)	6.4.5	2	1.5	UK NA 6.4.5(3): 2 $v_{Rd,c}$. PL: no limit in PN-EN 1992-1-1:2008; 1.5 (A1:2014 recommendation) applied conse
ϕ_{large} (large bar threshold, mm)	8.8(1)	40	32	UK NA: 40 mm; PL: 32 mm recommended (NA.9)
cot θ upper limit (variable strut)	6.2.3(2)	2.5	2	UK NA: 2.5 (1.25 with axial tension); PL: NA.4, $1 \leq \cot \theta \leq 2.0$
k1 (x/d limit, $\delta \geq k_1 + k_2 x_u/d$)	5.5(4)	0.4	0.44	UK NA for $f_{yk} \leq 500$ MPa; PL: recommended (NA.9)
k2 (x/d limit, $\epsilon_{cu2} = 0.0035$)	5.5(4)	1	1.25	UK NA: $0.6 + 0.0014/\epsilon_{cu2}$; PL: $1.25(0.6 + 0.0014/\epsilon_{cu2})$
Upper limit on the (310/ σ_s) factor (0 = none)	7.4.2(2)	1.5	0	UK NA Table NA.5 Note 5: (310/ σ_s) or (500/ f_{yk})($A_{s,prov}/A_{s,req}$) ≤ 1.5 ; PL: none
L/d not to exceed 40 K (1 = applies)	7.4.2(2)	1	0	UK NA Table NA.5 Note 6; not in EN text
ϕ_{min} (longitudinal bars in columns, mm)	9.5.2(1)	12	6	UK NA: 12 mm; PL: NA.6, 6 mm
k3 (crack spacing)	7.3.4(3)	3.4	3.4	Recommended value in both annexes
k4 (crack spacing)	7.3.4(3)	0.425	0.425	Recommended value in both annexes