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LIST OF SYMBOLS

D	Depth of the web section
B	Flange width
t_w	Web thickness
t_f	Flange thickness
L	Span length
δ	Deflection
P_y	Load at yield
P_b	Buckling load
θ	Torsional rotation
$M_{b,Rd}$	Buckling resistance moment
W	Point load
γ_{M1}	Partial safety factor
E	Modulus of elasticity
I	Moment of inertia
χ_{LT}	Buckling factor
α_{LT}	Imperfection factor
W_y	Bending resistance corresponding to the cross-section classification of the member
f_y	Yield strength of steel
M_{cr}	Elastic critical moment
T_q	The applied torque

z	The length of member subjected to T_q
G	Modulus of rigidity
J	Torsional constant
A_v	Shear area
f_{yw}	Yield strength of the web
L_{cr}	Length of beam between points which have lateral restraint
I_z	Second moment of area about the minor axis
I_y	Second moment of area about the major axis
I_t	Torsional constant
I_w	Warping constant

LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

TriWP	Triangular web profile
FW	Flat web
LTB	Lateral torsional buckling
LB	Local buckling
TWP	Trapezoidal web profile
FE	Finite element

KECEKAPAN KERATAN RASUK-I KELULI DENGAN PROFIL WEB

BUKAAN-BERALUN

ABSTRAK

Kajian ini mengkaji kecekapan struktur keratan rasuk- I keluli berprofil web segi tiga (TriWP) berlubang. Dua peringkat analisis telah dibuat dengan menganalisis 359 model. Di Peringkat 1, kecekapan struktur rasuk TriWP dengan bukaan yang berdimensi $200\text{ mm} \times 100\text{ mm} \times 6\text{ mm} \times 4\text{ mm}$ dan panjang rentang kira-kira 900 mm ditentukan berdasarkan nisbah kapasiti beban kepada berat sendiri. Ia dikira di bawah keadaan saiz lubang yang berbeza iaitu 0.4D, 0.5D dan 0.6D; lima bentuk bukaan yang berbeza iaitu bulat, segiempat sama, heksagon, oktagon dan berlian dan susun atur bukaan yang berbeza (Susun atur 1, Susun atur 2 dan Susun atur 3). Dengan menggunakan kombinasi ini, analisis model dilaksanakan untuk keadaan lenturan, lengkukan kilasan sisi, kilasan dan ricih pada peringkat kedua kajian. Pada peringkat ini, bentuk, saiz dan susun atur bukaan yang paling cekap dipilih berdasarkan kepada nilai kecekapan struktur tertinggi. TriWP dengan bukaan bersaiz 0.4D, bukaan berbentuk berlian dan susun atur bukaan pada Susun atur 3 menunjukkan kecekapan struktur yang tertinggi berbanding model-model lain. Nilai-nilai tersebut masing-masing ialah 158.63, 799.0, 132.17 dan 204.75 dibawah keadaan beban seperti kelakuan lentur, lengkukan kilasan sisi, kilasan dan ricih. Di Peringkat 2, ketebalan web yang berbeza, ketebalan bibir dan panjang rentang yang digunakan pada model yang dipilih dalam Peringkat 1 untuk memerhati prestasi dan tingkah laku di bawah empat keadaan beban iaitu lenturan, lengkukan kilasan sisi, kilasan dan ricih. Didapati bahawa apabila web dan ketebalan bibir meningkat di bawah panjang rentang yang sama dengan lebar bibir dan kedalaman web yang sama, nilai pesongan dan putaran

kilasan model masing-masing menurun di bawah keadaan beban lenturan dan kilasan. Walau bagaimanapun, nilai-nilai (pesongan dan putaran kilasan) didapati meningkat apabila panjang rentang yang meningkat. Selain itu, nilai kapasiti lengkukan ricih meningkat di bawah keadaan beban ricih dan nilai momen rintangan lengkukan juga didapati meningkat di bawah keadaan beban lengkukan sisi kilasan. Walau bagaimanapun, nilai keupayaan lengkukan ricih dan rintangan lengkukan didapati berkurangan apabila panjang rentang meningkat.

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ABSTRACT

This study investigates the structural efficiency of the triangular web profile (TriWP) steel section with perforation. Two stages were included which comprised of 359 models that were analysed. In Stage 1, the structural efficiency of the TriWP with perforation with the dimension of 200 mm × 100 mm × 6 mm × 4 mm and span length of 900 mm is determined from the ratio of load carrying capacity to selfweight. It is calculated under the condition of different perforation sizes i.e. 0.4D, 0.5D and 0.6D; five different perforation shapes which are circular, square, hexagonal, diamond and octagonal and three different layouts of perforations (Layout 1, Layout 2 and Layout 3). By using these combinations, the analysis of the model subjected to loading causing bending, lateral torsional buckling, torsion and shear are analysed. In this stage, the most efficient perforation shape, size and layout is selected based on the highest value of structural efficiency. TriWP with the perforation size of 0.4D, diamond perforation shape arranged in Layout 3 is found to shows the highest structural efficiency value compared to other models. The values are 158.63, 799.0, 132.17 and 204.75 for bending, lateral torsional buckling, torsion and shear loading conditions, respectively. In Stage 2, different web thickness, flange thickness and span length are used on the selected model in Stage 1 to observe the performance and its behaviour under four loading condition i.e. bending, lateral torsional buckling, torsion and shear. It is found that when the web and flange thickness are increased under the same span length with constant flange width and web depth, the value of deflection and torsional rotation of model decreased under bending and torsional loading conditions, respectively.

Nevertheless, these values (deflection and torsional rotation) are found to increase when the span length increased. Moreover, the value of shear buckling capacity of model is increased under shear loading condition and the value of moment buckling resistance is also found to increase under loading causing lateral torsional buckling. Nevertheless, the value of shear buckling capacity and moment buckling resistance are found to decrease when the span length increased.

CHAPTER ONE

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Introduction

Development of new material and innovation in construction technology always give birth to the novel structure which satisfies the increasingly diversified demand such as economy, durability and world-wide environmental requirements. Bridges, airports, stadium, skyscrapers and other modern infrastructures are supported by a steel skeleton. There are many advantages of using steel in construction such as the excellent strength to weight ratio, easily connected metal joist, and the availability of various shapes of the structural steel element. Despite these advantages, there are also some challenges which are best solved by a better understanding of how the metals actually perform in a structure. For larger buildings, metals are the key element of the structural system. Steel beams and columns, steel joists, steel studs, aluminium framing are the few examples of metal construction elements (Ram, 2010).

1.2 Structural efficiency

Structural efficiency is measured in terms of weight of material which has to be provided to carry a given amount of load. The efficiency of a structure is regarded as high if the ratio of load carrying capacity to its weight is high. The weight of

material required for a structure dependent principally on its overall form in relation to the pattern of applied load and on the shapes of structural elements.

It is possible to specify precisely the level of structural efficiency based on two main influences which are the size of the span and the intensity of the external load-carrying capacity. The longer the span, the higher structural efficiency needed; the higher the load-carrying capacity, the lower the structural efficiency. These two influences are in fact different aspects of the same phenomenon, namely a requirement to maintain the ratio of selfweight to external load at a different load level (Macdonald, 2007)

In the case of a beam, the structural efficiency of element with a particular cross-sectional shape decreases as the span length increases. To maintain a constant level of efficiency over a range of spans, more efficient shapes of cross-sectional figure have to be utilized (Macdonald, 2007).

1.3 Types of steel section

Characteristic of the corrugated steel section and perforated steel section are described in the following sections.

1.3.1 Corrugated steel section

Corrugated steel webs have recently been proposed to replace the stiffened steel plates of plate girders as shown in Figure 1. 1 to improve the aesthetic design of the structure. Corrugated steel plates have been used as building and bridge

components due to several advantages such as high shear resistance and out-of-plane stiffness.

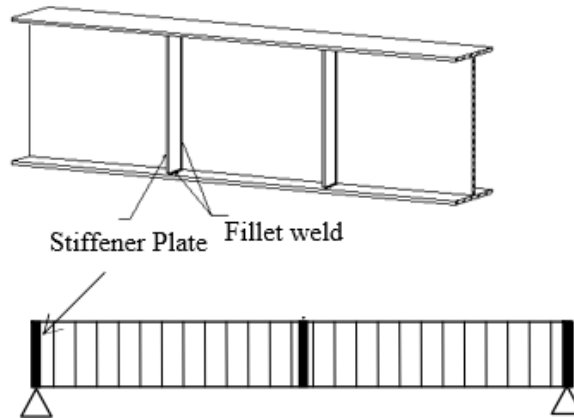


Figure 1.1 I-beam with stiffener plate (Sayed-Ahmed, 2007)

The usage of corrugated plates as the web I-girders can overcome the disadvantages of conventional stiffened flat webs such as web instability due to bending stress and also provide high fatigue resistance by minimization of the welding process (Moon et al., 2013). The corrugation profile can ensure higher resistibility against shear buckling, leading to the elimination of stiffeners (He et al., 2012). By eliminating the stiffener, hence, the cost of beam fabrication and the weight of structures could be reduced. Figure 1.2 shows the hexagonal sectional shape of the corrugated web profile used by Oh et al. (2012).

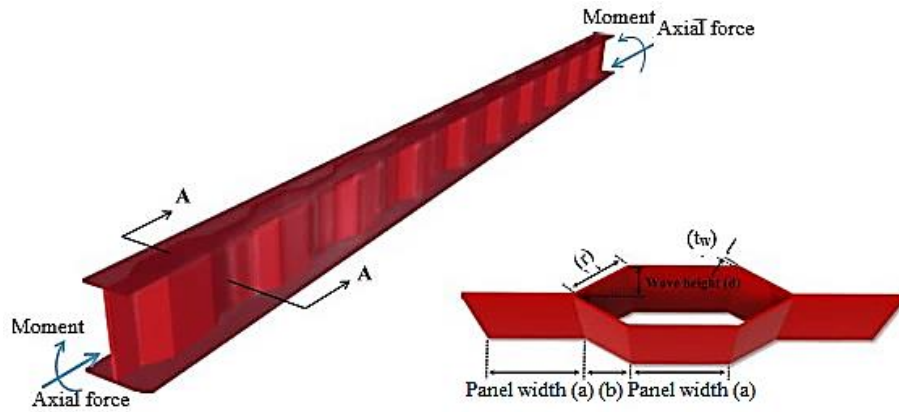


Figure 1.2 Profile of hexagonal sectional shape corrugated web (Oh et al., (2012))

The most commonly used corrugation profile for the corrugated web plate is the trapezoidal profile. The trapezoidal corrugated plates as shown in Figure 1.3 are composed of a series of plane and inclined sub-panels.

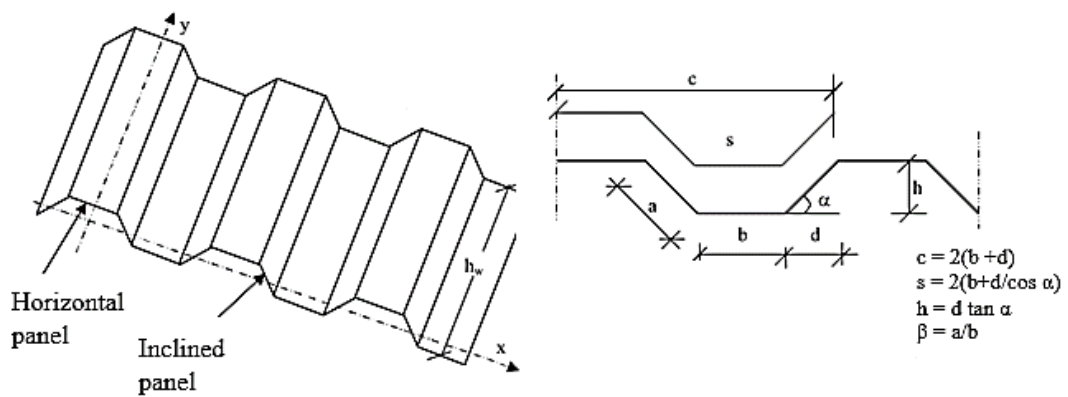


Figure 1.3 Trapezoidal profile of the corrugated web plates (Sayed-Ahmed, 2007)

The trapezoidal corrugated steel web provides enhanced buckling strength and weight saving by eliminating the stiffener (Eldib, 2009). Another innovation made by some researchers is by changing the corrugation web profile from trapezoidal to a curved corrugated web. Figure 1.4 shows the curved corrugated steel web designed by Eldib (2009), used for the design purposes of bridges structure.