

## Steel Structures to EC3 What to expect....

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- So don't expect doubling
- Don't expect halving
- Bad details will still be bad



### Change was not the driver

- Originally support a central goal of the EU
  - "removal of barriers to trade"
- Not to improve the science
  - Though the opportunity has been taken



### When?

- Building Regs. due to change in March 2010
  - Eurocodes will be cited
  - *Perhaps* BS 5950 will not be referenced
- October 2010 implementation?



## When?

- When clients request?
- When designing highway structures?
- When changing in one material – change in all?
  - BS 8110 “obsolescent”
- CE Marked products
  - Resistances to the Eurocodes
- For the *advantages*?



## What's needed?

- All the Parts
  - Loading
  - Resistance
- All the National Annexes (UK NA for UK!)



## What's available?

- All the Parts
- All the UK NAs
- ... and NCCI
- Could design tomorrow
- A lengthy period of concurrent use with BS 5950.



## Changes

- Nomenclature and axis
- “permanent” and “variable” action2
- Resistance checks presented by structural phenomena, not by design routine
  - (but there will be guidance)
- Increased transparency of structural phenomena?
- Less look-up tables, more equations
- Greek symbols, and important subscripts

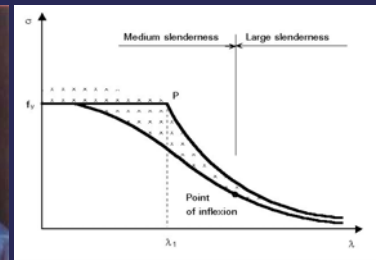


## Different symbols

BS5950	EC3	BS5950	EC3	BS5950	EC3
A	A	P	N	$p_y$	$f_y$
Z	$W_{el}$	$M_x$	$M_y$	$p_b$	$\chi_{LT} f_y$
S	$W_{pl}$	V	V	$p_c$	$\chi f_y$
$I_x$	$I_y$	H	$I_w$	r	i
$I_y$	$I_z$	J	$I_t$		



## Nothing fundamental has changed!



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from which the value of  $p_c$  may be obtained using:

$$p_c = \frac{p_{cl} p_{c2}}{\phi + (\phi^2 - p_{cl} p_{c2})^{0.5}}$$

in which:

$$\phi = \frac{p_{c2} + (1 + 10\lambda)}{2}$$

$$p_{c2} = (\sigma^2 E I^2)$$

where  $p_{c2}$  is the design strength;

$\lambda$  is the slenderness, see 4.1.2

## Familiar friends in disguise



### 4.2.3 Shear capacity

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## Basis of structural design (load combinations)

EN 1990

## Scope of EN 1990

- SLS, ULS, durability
  - Partial factors and combination factors
- ULS checks for
  - EQU: static equilibrium
  - STR: strength/buckling etc
  - GEO: soils deformation/failure
  - FAT: fatigue
- Reliability

## ULS

- Either 6.10
- Or the more onerous of 6.10a, 6.10b

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#### NA.2.2.3.2 Values for the symbols $\gamma$ and $\xi$ of Table A1.2 (B)

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$$\gamma_{G, sup} = 1,35$$

$$\gamma_{G, inf} = 1,00$$

$$\gamma_{Q,1} = 1,50 \text{ where unfavourable (0 where favourable)}$$

$$\gamma_{Q,i} = 1,50 \text{ where unfavourable (0 where favourable)}$$

$$\xi = 0,925$$

NOTE For  $\psi$  values see Table NA.A1.1.

( $\xi = 0.85$  in 1990)



### Equation 6.10 as an example

Permanent	Imposed (floor)	Imposed (wind)	Imposed (snow)
1.35	1.5	0.75	0.75
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- Equation 6.10b will be (mostly) used

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## 6.10a and 6.10b

- 6.10b will be appropriate, as long as:  
Permanent load < (4.5 × imposed)

(if  $\xi = 0.925$  and  $\psi = 0.7$ )



## Implications

- Reduced loads if not affected by wind
  - 1.25 + 1.5 for gravity loads on floors  
(1.4 + 1.6 under current codes)
- Increased loads in the bracing system –  
which also (always) include equivalent  
horizontal forces - “NHF” in the UK



## SLS

Refers to the material standard....  
...which refers to the NA

- Check deflections using exactly as BS 5950 (unfactored imposed loads, and same limits)



## Material and Brittle Fracture

- No changes to material
- Watch the yield strengths
  - Table 3.1 in BS EN 1993-1-1
  - (change in  $f_y$  at 40mm)
- NA choice is allowed
  - UK NA reintroduces the product Standard (BS EN10025)
  - Same steps at 16, 40, 63 mm etc

A good example of the important influence of the NA!



## EN 1993-1-10

- Looks terribly complicated!
  - Especially the calculation of the reference temperature
- Refer to the Published Document (PD) 6695



## PD 6695

- Reference temperatures of -5 and -15°C

*“NOTE: The minimum temperatures in Tables 2 and 3 are expected to cover the majority of future steel building locations in the UK.”*



**Table 2 Maximum thicknesses for internal steelwork in buildings for  $T_{ind} = -5^{\circ}C^{(1)}$ .**


Detail type		Tensile stress level, $\sigma_{T,d}/f_t(t)^{(2)}$									
Description	$\Delta T_{10}$	≤ 0.15		0.3		≥ 0.5					
Plain material	+30°C	≤ 0	0.15	0.3	≥ 0.5						
Rolled	+20°C	≤ 0	0.15	0.3	≥ 0.5						
Welded - moderate	0°C					≤ 0.5					
Welded - severe	-20°C					≤ 0	0.3	0.3	≥ 0.5		
Welded - very severe	-30°C					≤ 0	0.15	0.3	≥ 0.5		

Steel grade	Subgrade	Maximum thickness, mm									
S235	JR	135	115	97.5	82.5	67.5	55	45	37.5	32.5	27.5
	JO	199.5	182.5	157.5	135	115	97.5	82	67.5	55	45
S275	J2	200	200	197.5	182.5	157.5	135	115	97.5	82.5	67.5
	JO	192.5	172.5	147.5	122.5	102.5	85	70	60	50	40
S355	J2	200	200	200	192.5	172.5	147.5	122.5	102.5	85	70
	M,N	200	200	200	192.5	172.5	147.5	122.5	102.5	85	70
S355	ML,NL	200	200	200	200	200	192.5	172.5	147.5	122.5	102.5
	JR	82.5	67.5	55	45	37.5	30	22.5	17.5	15	12.5
S355	JO	142.5	120	100	82.5	67.5	55	45	37.5	30	22.5
	J2	190	167.5	142.5	120	100	82.5	67.5	55	45	37.5
S355	22.4	200	190	167.5	142.5	120	100	82.5	67.5	55	45
	ML,NL	200	200	200	190	167.5	142.5	120	100	82.5	67.5


### Sub-grade – important?

- Inside – not likely
- Exposed – likely
- If its not specified, what will be provided?....




### Cross-sectional resistance

- Section classification
- Different ratios
  - Always based on the “flat bit”
- Don't expect changes!




### Resistance

- Cross sectional
  - As expected – an area, or modulus, multiplied by a strength




### Tension, Compression and Bending

- Tension: check gross and net areas
- Compression: use  $A$  or  $A_{eff}$  as appropriate
- Bending: use  $W_{pl}$ ,  $W_{el}$  or  $W_{eff}$  as appropriate




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- BS 5950:



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- rolled I and H, load parallel to web:

$$A_v = A - 2bt_f + (t_w + 2r)t_f$$



## Member buckling

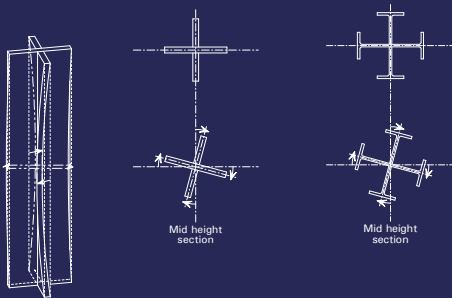


## What modes of buckling?

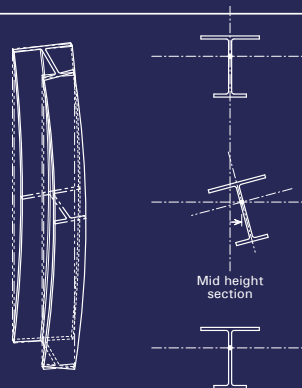
- EC3 Part 1.1 covers
  - Flexural buckling
  - Lateral-torsional buckling
  - Torsional buckling (part covered)
  - Torsional flexural buckling
- (do we know of the last two?)



## Torsional



## Torsional-flexural



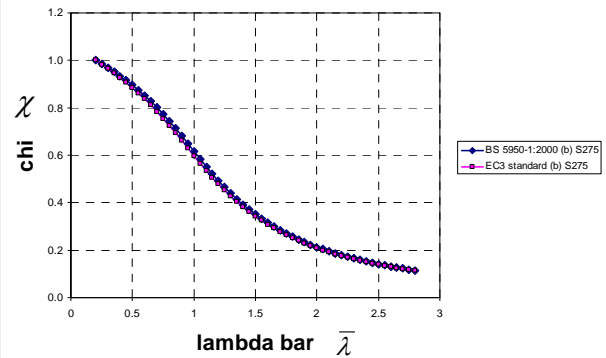
## Axial compression

$$\text{EC3} \quad N_{b,Rd} = \chi A \frac{f_y}{\gamma_{M1}}$$

$$\text{BS5950-1} \quad P_c = A_g p_c$$



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## Flexural buckling

- For normal compression members....  
.....99% of the time



## $\bar{\lambda}$ for flexural buckling

The non-dimensional slenderness  $\bar{\lambda}$  is given by:

$$\bar{\lambda} = \sqrt{\frac{A f_y}{N_{cr}}} = \frac{L_{cr}}{i} \frac{1}{\lambda_1} \quad \text{for Class 1, 2 and 3 cross-sections}$$

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$$\lambda_1 = \pi \sqrt{\frac{E}{f_y}} = 93,9 \epsilon$$

$$\epsilon = \sqrt{\frac{235}{f_y}} \quad (f_y \text{ in N/mm}^2)$$

$$\frac{l}{r_{yy}} \quad \frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_1} \quad \text{UK Flag}$$



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where:

$p_s$  is the design strength;

$\lambda$  is the slenderness, see 4.7.2

## And BS 449

### Appendix B Formula from which Table 17 has been derived

The average stress on the gross sectional area of a strut or other compression member in steel with a specified minimum yield stress shall not exceed the value of  $p_c$  obtained by the formula.

$$K_1 p_c = \frac{Y_s + (\eta + 1) C_0}{2} - \sqrt{\left\{ \left( \frac{Y_s + (\eta + 1) C_0}{2} \right)^2 - Y_s C_0 \right\}}$$

where  $p_c$  = the permissible average stress, N/mm<sup>2</sup>.

$K_0$  = load factor or coefficient, taken as 1.7 for the purposes of this standard.

$Y_s$  = minimum yield stress, N/mm<sup>2</sup>.

$$C_0 = \text{Euler critical stress} = \frac{\pi^2 E}{(l/r)^2} = \frac{\pi^2 210\,000}{(l/r)^2} \text{ N/mm}^2.$$

$\eta = 0.3 (l/100r)^2$ .

$l/r$  = slenderness ratio = effective length/radius of gyration.

## $\chi$ from:

- Equations, or
- A graph

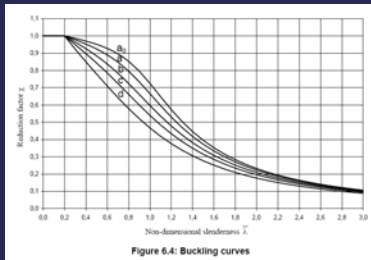


Figure 6.4: Buckling curves

## Column curves

- Very slightly different buckling curves
- Almost the same results as BS 5950-1:2000 for strut buckling

## BS 5950

- What type of member, how thick, which axis?

Table 23 — Allocation of strut curve

Type of section	Maximum thickness (see note 1)	Axis of buckling	
		x-x	y-y
Hot-finished structural hollow section		a)	a)
Cold-formed structural hollow section		c)	c)
Rolled I-section	≤ 40 mm	a)	b)
	> 40 mm	b)	c)
Rolled H-section	≤ 40 mm	b)	c)
	> 40 mm	c)	d)

- UC, thin, y-y, so curve "c"

## BS 5950

- Slenderness?
- $\lambda = l/r_{yy} = 94.3$
- Design strength?
- Flange is 17.3 mm so  $p_y$  is 265 N/mm<sup>2</sup>

## BS 5950

- Choose the correct table:
- Curve "c",  $p_y = 265 \text{ N/mm}^2$
- Read the compressive strength,  $p_c$



Table 24 — Compressive strength  $p_c$  (N/mm<sup>2</sup>) (continued)

b) Values of  $p_c$  (N/mm<sup>2</sup>) with  $\lambda < 110$  for strut curve c

$\lambda$	Steel grade and design strength $p_y$ (N/mm <sup>2</sup> )															
	S 275					S 355					S 460					
	235	245	255	265	275	315	325	335	345	355	400	410	430	440	460	
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20	233	242	252	261	271	308	317	326	336	345	387	396	414	424	442	
25	226	235	245	254	263	299	308	317	326	335	375	384	402	410	428	
30	220	228	237	246	255	289	298	307	315	324	363	371	388	396	413	
35	213	221	230	238	247	280	288	296	303	313	349	357	374	382	397	

90	129	133	136	139	142
92	126	130	133	136	139
94	124	127	130	133	135
96	121	124	127	129	132
98	118	121	123	126	129

$p_c$  is 133 N/mm<sup>2</sup>

$P_c$  is 133 × area = 1202 kN



## EC3

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Table 6.2: Selection of buckling curve for a cross-section

Cross section	Limits	Buckling about axis	Buckling curve		
			S 235 S 275 S 355 S 420	S 460	
Rolled sections 	$h/b > 1.2$	$t_f \leq 40 \text{ mm}$	y-y z-z	a b	a <sub>0</sub> a <sub>0</sub>
		$40 \text{ mm} < t_f \leq 100$	y-y z-z	b c	a a
	$h/b \leq 1.2$	$t_f \leq 100 \text{ mm}$	y-y z-z	b c	a a
		$t_f > 100 \text{ mm}$	y-y z-z	d d	c c

## EC3

- Slenderness?

$$N_{cr} = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{L^2}$$

$$= 2105 \text{ kN}$$

$$\bar{\lambda} = \sqrt{\frac{Af_y}{N_{cr}}} = 1.067$$

- Slenderness?

$$\lambda_1 = 93.9 \varepsilon = 88.4$$

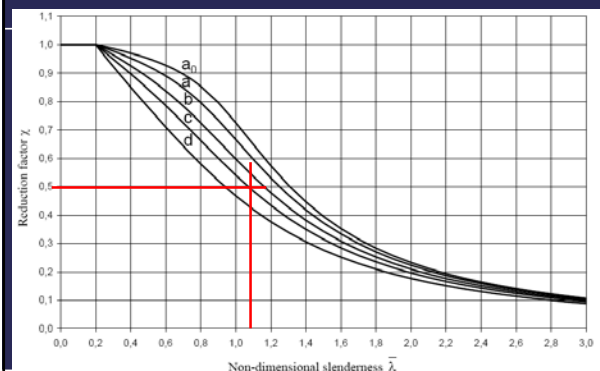
$$\bar{\lambda} = \frac{\text{BS 5950 slenderness}}{88.4}$$

$$\bar{\lambda} = \frac{93.4}{88.4} = 1.067$$



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Table 6.1: Imperfection factors for buckling curves

Buckling curve	a <sub>0</sub>	a	b	c	d
Imperfection factor $\alpha$	0.13	0.21	0.34	0.49	0.76



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$$\text{Axial resistance} = \chi \times \text{Area} \times f_y / \gamma_m = 1205 \text{ kN}$$

BS 5950 was 1202 kN



### Compression members

- Very close to the BS 5950 resistances
- On a desert island – use the BS 5950 tables



## Lateral torsional buckling

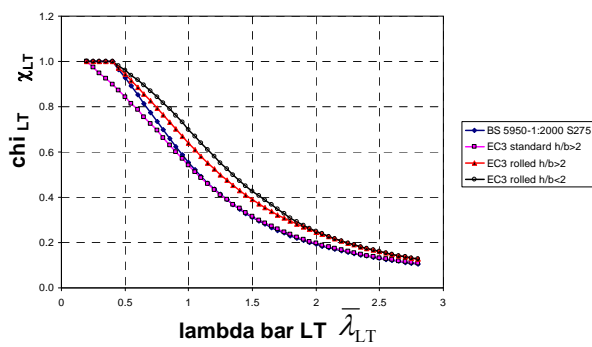


## L T Bending

$$M_{b,Rd} = \chi_{LT} W_y \frac{f_y}{\gamma_{M1}}$$



## LTB curves for S 275



## Bending

$$\bar{\lambda}_{LT} = \sqrt{\frac{W_y f_y}{M_{cr}}}$$

But  $M_{cr}$  is not given!



## $M_{cr}$ – an interesting challenge

- Use the free software



## $M_{cr}$ – an interesting challenge

The screenshot shows the CTICM software interface. The 'Critical Moment' window is active, displaying the calculated critical moment  $M_{cr}$  as 162.93 kN.m. The software also shows the maximum moment  $M_{max}$  as 162.93 kN.m. The website [www.cticm.com](http://www.cticm.com) is visible in the background.



### $M_{cr}$ – an interesting challenge

- Use a spreadsheet and do a simple calculation

$$M_{cr} = C_1 \frac{\pi^2 EI_z}{L^2} \sqrt{\frac{I_w}{I_z} + \frac{L^2 GI_t}{\pi^2 EI_z}}$$

...when loads are not destabilising



### Alternative option

- Instead of calculating  $M_{cr}$  and then  $\bar{\lambda}_{LT}$
- $\bar{\lambda}_{LT}$  may be calculated directly, based on the BS 5950 slenderness



### $M_{cr}$ – an interesting challenge

$$\bar{\lambda}_{LT} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{C_1}} UV \bar{\lambda}_z \sqrt{\beta_w}$$

$$\bar{\lambda}_{LT} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{C_1}} \times 0.9 \times \bar{\lambda}_z \sqrt{\beta_w}$$

$$\bar{\lambda}_z = \frac{\text{BS 5950 slenderness}}{\text{a factor}}$$



a factor



### Nothing new?

- $C_1$  adjusts for the shape of the bending moment diagram  
..... Just like  $m_{LT}$  in BS 5950
- $M_{cr}$  is the elastic critical buckling moment  
..... Just like the critical stress  $C_s$  in BS 449



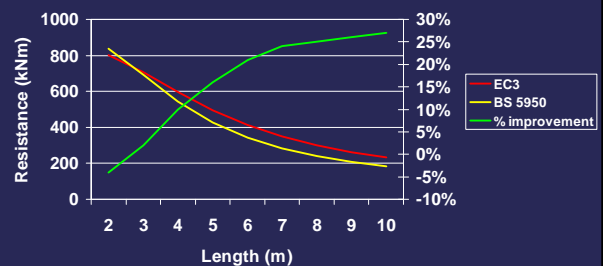
### And the answer is....

- Some significant improvements in LTB resistance (i.e. for unrestrained members)...
- Combined with a significant reduction in loads...
- <sup>very</sup> Could be attractive to some.



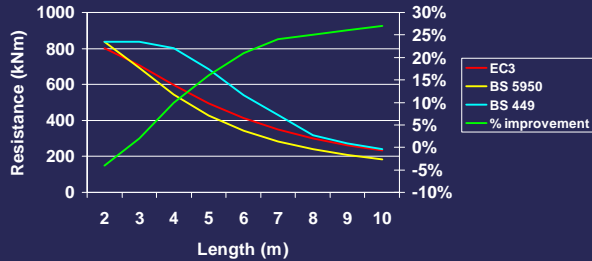
### Typical LTB example

533 x 210 x 92 UKB S355



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## LTB

- Significant "improvement" compared to BS 5950 at medium spans
  - But deflection may still dominate

## Checking a steel beam to EC3

- Loads
  - 1.35 Permanent + 1.5 Variable
- Is it restrained? (yes)
  - Bending resistance ( $f_y \times$  modulus)
  - Shear resistance (unlikely to be critical)
  - Deflection (likely to be important)

## Checking a steel beam to EC3

- Loads
  - 1.35 Permanent + 1.5 Variable
- Is it restrained? (no)
  - Effective length
    - Always doubt end conditions! At least the span!
  - Buckling resistance (tables)
  - Shear resistance (unlikely to be critical)
  - Deflection (may be important)

## For columns in simple construction

- From access-steel.com:

The following expression may be used to verify the member:

$$\frac{N_{Ed}}{N_{b,Rd}} + \frac{M_{y,Ed}}{M_{y,b,Rd}} + 1.5 \frac{M_{z,Ed}}{M_{z,cb,Rd}} \leq 1$$

## Frame stability

- Imperfections for global analysis

$$\phi = \phi_0 \alpha_h \alpha_m \quad \phi_0 = 1/200$$

or Equivalent Horizontal Forces (as BS 5950)



## Equivalent imperfection forces

- Applied in every load combination
- Not just gravity as BS 5950



## Measure of frame stability

$$\alpha_{cr} = \left( \frac{H_{Ed}}{V_{Ed}} \right) \left( \frac{h}{\delta_{H,Ed}} \right)$$

Almost exactly as BS 5950:

$$\lambda_{cr} = h/200\delta$$



## With a limit when no action is needed

$$\alpha_{cr} = \frac{F_{cr}}{F_{Ed}} \geq 10$$

And a multiplier when action is required

$$\left( \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{\alpha_{cr}}} \right) \quad \text{Which is exactly} \quad \frac{\lambda_{cr}}{\lambda_{cr} - 1}$$

As BS 5950:



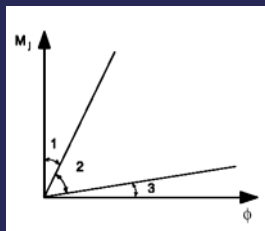
## Connections

- No major change from BS 5950
  - Significant increase in bearing resistance
- Differences in edge and end distances
- Different presentation of design rules



## Elastic design:

- Classification by stiffness
  - Nominally pinned?
  - Semi-rigid?
  - Rigid



Pages of calculations



## Joint classification

- A joint may be classified on the basis of experimental evidence, **experience of previous satisfactory performance** in similar cases or by calculations based on test evidence



## Joint classification

- The UK NA refers to the “Green Book” – details that follow the rules are “pinned”



## Nominally pinned connections

- Don't expect any radical changes!
  - The steel cannot tell how it was designed!
- But more generally (not EC3), beware the higher tying forces
  - Is a thick fully welded plate still “pinned”?



## Resistance

- Different routes, new symbols... ..same steel
- Consistent principles – e.g. frame imperfections
- Compression almost the same
- Tension the same
- Shear almost the same
- Connections almost the same
- Significant improvements in LTB
- Significant savings in ULS loads



## Information



Best value from steel construction

Client guides  
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## Information for designers

- 10 new SCI/BCSA/Corus guides,
  - Introduction to the Eurocodes
  - Concise Eurocode for steel buildings
  - Resistance tables to EC3 (many!)
  - Worked examples to EC3 (open and tubes)
  - Medium rise braced frames to EC3
  - Student worked examples





## Blue Book

- Of course!

### Steel Building Design: Design Data

The Steel Construction Institute  
The British Constructional Steelwork Association Ltd  
Corus



BS EN 1993-1-1:2005  
BS 4-1:2005

**COMPRESSION**

**UNIVERSAL COLUMNS**  
Advance UKC

S275 / Advance275

Compression resistance  $N_{y,Rd}$ ,  $N_{z,Rd}$ ,  $N_{x,Rd}$  (kN)

for  
Buckling length  $L_{cr}$  (m)

Section Designation	Axis	Buckling length $L_{cr}$ (m)												
		2.0	3.0	4.0	5.0	6.0	7.0	8.0	9.0	10.0	11.0	12.0	13.0	14.0
305x305x283	$N_{y,Rd}$	9180	9100	8850	8590	8320	8020	7690	7320	6930	6510	6070	5630	5200
	$N_{z,Rd}$	8860	8230	7550	6820	6050	5290	4500	3950	3410	2960	2580	2270	2000
	$N_{x,Rd}$	9030	8750	8590	8480	8420	8370	8340	8320	8310	8290	8280	8280	8270
305x305x240	$N_{y,Rd}$	8110	8010	7780	7540	7280	7000	6690	6350	5970	5580	5170	4770	4380
	$N_{z,Rd}$	7790	7210	6580	5910	5200	4510	3880	3330	2870	2480	2160	1890	1670
	$N_{x,Rd}$	7910	7610	7420	7300	7220	7170	7130	7100	7090	7090	7090	7040	7030
305x305x198	$N_{y,Rd}$	6600	6500	6300	6190	5970	5730	5460	5170	4850	4520	4180	3840	3510
	$N_{z,Rd}$	6400	5910	5390	4830	4240	3670	3150	2690	2300	2000	1740	1530	1350
	$N_{x,Rd}$	6470	6180	5980	5850	5750	5690	5640	5600	5580	5560	5540	5530	5520
305x305x158	$N_{y,Rd}$	5330	5240	5090	4920	4740	4540	4320	4080	3810	3540	3260	2990	2730
	$N_{z,Rd}$	5090	4700	4270	3810	3330	2870	2450	2100	1800	1550	1350	1180	1040
	$N_{x,Rd}$	5120	4850	4640	4490	4360	4290	4230	4180	4150	4120	4100	4080	4070

## Examples

UK  
BUILDING

SCI  
CORUS  
ECCA

Steel building design:  
Worked examples – Open sections

## Helpful look-up tables

Table 5.4 Flexural buckling reduction factor,  $\chi$

$\bar{\chi}$	Buckling curves			
	a	b	c	d
0.20	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
0.25	0.99	0.98	0.97	0.96
0.30	0.98	0.96	0.95	0.92
0.35	0.97	0.95	0.92	0.89
0.40	0.95	0.93	0.90	0.85
0.42	0.95	0.92	0.89	0.84
0.44	0.94	0.91	0.88	0.82
0.45	0.94	0.90	0.87	0.81
0.48	0.93	0.89	0.85	0.79
0.50	0.92	0.88	0.84	0.78
0.52	0.92	0.88	0.83	0.77
0.54	0.91	0.87	0.82	0.75
0.56	0.90	0.86	0.81	0.74
0.58	0.90	0.85	0.80	0.72
0.60	0.89	0.84	0.79	0.71
0.62	0.88	0.83	0.77	0.70
0.64	0.87	0.82	0.76	0.68
0.66	0.87	0.81	0.75	0.67
0.68	0.86	0.79	0.74	0.66
0.70	0.85	0.78	0.72	0.64

## Conclusions

- Some good things
  - Loading
  - LTB resistance
- Some irritating, some maddening things
- A view that the Design Standard should be a nanny
- The Eurocodes *will* be used
  - The young will know no different
  - The continentals grew with them

