

Choosing of cross-section dimensions of concrete structures

For choosing the dimensions it is taken into account

a) Ultimate limit state

- Over-reinforced cross-section is **not** recommended => reinforcement should yield so the steel strain $\epsilon \geq \epsilon_{yk}$ (yield strain) when compression strain of concrete is restricted to the value $\epsilon \leq \epsilon_{cu} = 0,035 \%$.

$$\text{Depth of the compression zone } x_b \leq \frac{\epsilon_{cu}}{\epsilon_{cu} + \epsilon_{yk}} = \frac{0.0035}{0.0035 + 0.0025} = 0,583$$

Un-dimensional reinforcement degree

$$\omega = \beta = \frac{y}{d} = \frac{0,8x}{d} \leq 0,8 \frac{\epsilon_{cu}}{\epsilon_{cu} + \epsilon_{yk}} = \omega_b = \beta_b = 0,467 \quad \text{balanced reinforcent degree}$$

$$\text{Un-dimensional bending moment } \mu \leq \omega_b \left(1 - \frac{\omega_b}{2}\right) = 0,358$$

For assuring adequate rotational capacity the proportional depth of the compression zone should be below

in statical determinate beams $\beta \leq 0.9 \beta_b \Rightarrow \mu \leq 0,322$

continuous (undetermininate) $\beta \leq 0,3 \Rightarrow \mu \leq 0,255$

b) Economically optimum

If a depth of the cross-section is chosen so that the balanced reinforcement amount is needed in the ultimate limit state, deflections are mostly critical and the structure is uneconomical due to the great reinforcement amount.

The cross-section is economical if $\omega \approx 0,3...0,4$

Rectangular beam

Flexural resistance $M_{Rd} = \mu \cdot b \cdot d^2 \cdot f_{cd} \Rightarrow d = \sqrt{\frac{M_{Ed}}{\mu \cdot b \cdot f_{cd}}} = 2...1,8 \sqrt{\frac{M_{Ed}}{b \cdot f_{cd}}}$

$M_{Rd} = M_{Ed}$ $\omega = 0,3...0,4$

Proper width $b = 0,4...0,6 d \Rightarrow d = 2...1,6 \cdot \sqrt[3]{\frac{M_{Ed}}{f_{cd}}}$

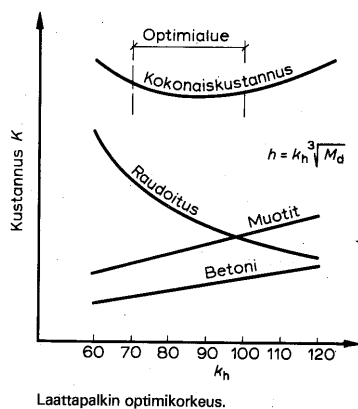
If it is assumed that $\omega = 0,3$ ja $b = 0,5 d \Rightarrow d = 2 \cdot \sqrt[3]{\frac{M_{Ed}}{f_{cd}}}$

Flange beam

Total depth (the depth of the web + the thickness of the slab)

$h = (70...100) \cdot \sqrt[3]{M_{Ed}}$ h (mm) ; M_{Ed} (kNm)

Width of the web $b_w = (0,4...0,5) h$



Precast beam

$h \geq 1,75 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{M_{Ed}}{b_w \cdot f_{cd}}}$

width of the web $b_w = (0,4...0,5) h$

Slab

One-way slab:

Imposed load 30...40 % of the total load, the un-dimensional reinforcement degree $\omega=0,2...0,25$

Dimensioning width of a slab $b = 1\text{m} \Rightarrow d = 2,5 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{m_{Ed}}{f_{cd}}}$

Optimum value of un-dimensional reinforcement degree $\omega_{opt} = \frac{1}{1+k}$ $k = \frac{\rho_s \cdot k_s \cdot f_{cd}}{\frac{h}{d} \cdot k_c \cdot f_{yd}}$

where ρ_s is the density of steel 7850 kg/m^3

k_s is the price of the assembled reinforcement €/kg

k_c is the price of casted concrete €/m³

f_{cd} is the design compressive value of concrete

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h is the depth of the slab

d is the effective depth of the slab

Two-way slab:

Un-dimensional reinforcement degree $\omega = 0,10 \dots 0,15$

Dimensioning width of a slab $b = 1\text{m} \Rightarrow d = 3 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{m_{Ed}}{f_{cd}}}$

The rotational capacity is adequate for instance the using of yield-line theory ($\omega \leq 0,1$)

c) Deflection

Beam

Simply supported beam $h = L/12 \dots L/16$

(Total depth= depth of the web+ thickness of the slab)

Continuous beam $h = L/20$

Suitable guidance value due to loading and supporting $h = L/10 \dots L/18$

When one-way slab is supported on a beam, the depth of the beam should be at least

$$\frac{h_b}{L_b} \geq \frac{5}{3} \cdot \frac{h_s}{L_s}$$

When two-way slab is supported on a beam, the depth of the beam should be at least

$$\frac{h_b}{L_b} \geq 2,5 \cdot \frac{h_s}{\min(L_s, L_x)}$$

where h_b is the total depth of the beam(the depth of the web + the thickness of the slab)

L_b is the span of the beam

h_s is the thickness of the slab

L_s is the span of the slab in the direction of the beam

L_x is the smaller span of the two-way slab

Then the deflection of the beam does affect essentially to the distribution of the section forces of the slab. The section forces of the slab can be calculated as the slab is supported on the rigid supports or walls.

Slab

One-way slab or flat slab supported on columns:

- simply supported slab $d \approx L/24$

- continuous slab $d \approx L/30$

- cantilever slab $d \approx L/12$

d) Fore resistance

e) Requirements of noise insulation (slabs)

f) Stability

To avoid the lateral buckling of a precast beam during lifting and transporting the dimensions of the cross-section should be fulfill the requirements:

$$\frac{L}{b} < 60$$

$$\frac{L \cdot h}{b^2} < 250$$

The later condition is critical if $b > 0,25 h$.

g) Dimension recommendation

Thickness of the slab is $n \times 20$ mm (160 mm, 180 mm, 200 mm....)

The depth of the web is $n \times 1M$ (100 mm): n kerrannainen – 20 mm (380, 480, 580 mm)

The width of the beam is $n \times 1M - 20$ mm

The side dimension of the column is $n \times 1M$: n kerrannainen – 20 mm :

280*280 380*380 480*480 580*580

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1M is the modul size = 100 mm (2M=200 mm, 10M=1000 mm)

20 mm is reserved for tolerancies and joints

Columns

For preliminary dimensioning:

Initial eccentricity: lateral supported (braced) structure $e_i \approx L_c/300$
 (L_c is the buckling length of the column)
 un-braced structure $e_i \approx L/150$
 (L is the length of the column) Eccentricity

Eccentricity of the load: braced structure $e_2 \approx 0$
 un-braced structure $e_2 \approx e_i$ (structure cast in place)

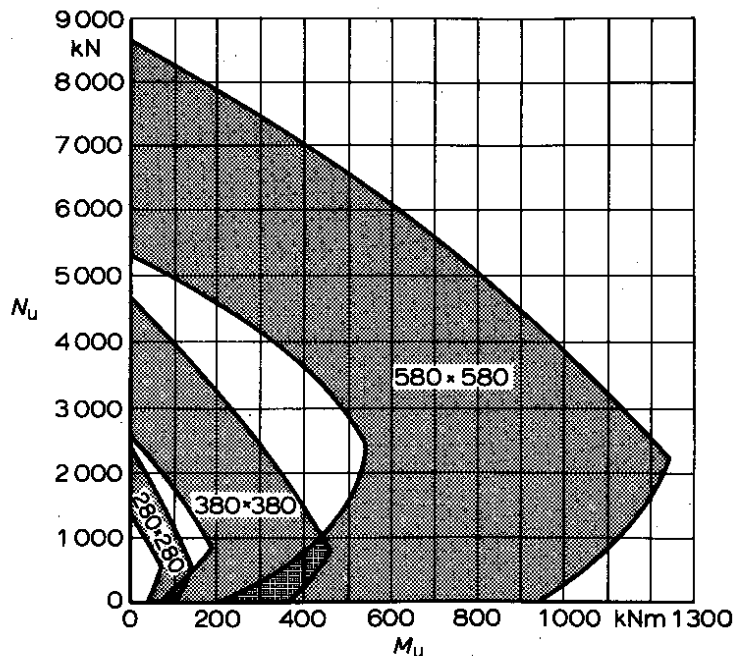
If $N_{Ed} e_d < 450 \text{ kNm}$: if $e_d < 100 \text{ mm}$ $\Rightarrow A_c > \frac{1,1N_{Ed}}{f_{cd}}$

if $200 \text{ mm} < e_d < 500 \text{ mm}$ $\Rightarrow A_c > \frac{(2...3)N_{Ed}}{f_{cd}}$

if $e_d > 700 \text{ mm}$ $\Rightarrow h \geq 2,5 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{N_{Ed}}{b \cdot f_{cd}}}$

For ensuring the adequate rotational capacity the ud-dimensional normal force should not be greater

than $v = \frac{N_{Ed}}{b \cdot h \cdot f_{cd}} \leq 0,4$



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Resistance curves for square cross-section columns according to dimension recommendation
 Concrete C25/30

Reinforced walls

Thickness of reinforced wall $h \geq (1,2 \dots 4,0) \cdot \frac{n_d}{f_{cd} \cdot (1 + 2 \cdot \omega)}$

For preliminary dimensioning $\omega \approx 0$ or the minimum reinforcement ratio $\omega_{\min} = 0,002 \cdot \frac{f_{yd}}{f_{cd}}$