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List of 22 Load, Stress and Fasteners Formulas

Load, Stress and Fasteners

Additional Bridge Column Formulas

1) Allowable Load for Bridges using Structural Carbon Steel

$$\text{fx } Q = \left(15000 - \left(\frac{1}{4} \right) \cdot L | r^2 \right) \cdot A$$

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$$\text{ex } 527.8054\text{lbs} = \left(15000 - \left(\frac{1}{4} \right) \cdot (140)^2 \right) \cdot 81\text{in}^2$$

2) Allowable Load for Bridges using Structural Carbon Steel when Column Ends are Pinned

$$\text{fx } Q = \left(15000 - \left(\frac{1}{3} \right) \cdot L | r^2 \right) \cdot A$$

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$$\text{ex } 442.4507\text{lbs} = \left(15000 - \left(\frac{1}{3} \right) \cdot (140)^2 \right) \cdot 81\text{in}^2$$



3) Allowable Unit Load for Bridges using Structural Carbon Steel

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$$\text{fx } Q = \frac{\frac{S_y}{f_s}}{1 + \left(0.25 \cdot \sec(0.375 \cdot L|r) \cdot \sqrt{\frac{f_s \cdot P}{\epsilon \cdot A}}\right)} \cdot A$$

$$\text{ex } 592.0573\text{lbs} = \frac{\frac{32000\text{lb}/\text{in}^2}{3}}{1 + \left(0.25 \cdot \sec(0.375 \cdot 140) \cdot \sqrt{\frac{3 \cdot 10.5\text{kN}}{29000000\text{lb}/\text{in}^2 \cdot 81\text{in}^2}}\right)} \cdot 81\text{in}^2$$

4) Ultimate Load for Bridges using Structural Carbon Steel

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$$\text{fx } P_u = \left(26500 - 0.425 \cdot L|r^2\right) \cdot A$$

$$\text{ex } 949.5271\text{lbs} = \left(26500 - 0.425 \cdot (140)^2\right) \cdot 81\text{in}^2$$

5) Ultimate Load for Bridges using Structural Carbon Steel when Columns are Pinned

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$$\text{fx } P_u = \left(25600 - 0.566 \cdot L|r^2\right) \cdot A$$

$$\text{ex } 758.0749\text{lbs} = \left(25600 - 0.566 \cdot (140)^2\right) \cdot 81\text{in}^2$$



6) Ultimate Unit Load for Bridges using Structural Carbon Steel

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$$fx \quad P_u = \left(\frac{S_y}{1 + 0.25 \cdot \sec \left(0.375 \cdot l \cdot \sqrt{\frac{P_{cs}}{\epsilon \cdot A}} \right)} \right) \cdot A$$

ex

$$960.2793\text{lbs} = \left(\frac{32000\text{lb}/\text{in}^2}{1 + 0.25 \cdot \sec \left(0.375 \cdot 120\text{in} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{520\text{kN}}{29000000\text{lb}/\text{in}^2 \cdot 81\text{in}^2}} \right)} \right) \cdot 81\text{in}^2$$

Allowable Stress Design for Bridges

Allowable Stress Design for Bridge Beams

7) Allowable Unit Stress in Bending

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$$fx \quad F_b = 0.55 \cdot f_y$$

ex

$$137500\text{kN} = 0.55 \cdot 250\text{MPa}$$

8) Moment Gradient Factor given Smaller and Larger Beam End Moment

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$$fx \quad C_b = 1.75 + 1.05 \cdot \left(\frac{M^1}{M^2} \right) + 0.3 \cdot \left(\frac{M^1}{M^2} \right)^2$$

ex

$$2.218 = 1.75 + 1.05 \cdot \left(\frac{4\text{N}^*\text{m}}{10\text{N}^*\text{m}} \right) + 0.3 \cdot \left(\frac{4\text{N}^*\text{m}}{10\text{N}^*\text{m}} \right)^2$$



9) Steel Yield Strength given Allowable Unit Stress in Bending

$$\text{fx } f_y = \frac{F_b}{0.55}$$

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$$\text{ex } 250\text{MPa} = \frac{137500\text{kN}}{0.55}$$

Allowable Stress Design for Bridge Columns

10) Allowable Stress when Slenderness Ratio is Less than C_c

$$\text{fx } F_a = \left(\frac{f_y}{2.12} \right) \cdot \left(1 - \frac{(k \cdot \frac{L}{r})^2}{2 \cdot C_c^2} \right)$$

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$$\text{ex } 103.184\text{MPa} = \left(\frac{250\text{MPa}}{2.12} \right) \cdot \left(1 - \frac{(0.5 \cdot \frac{3\text{m}}{15\text{mm}})^2}{2 \cdot (200)^2} \right)$$

11) Allowable Stresses in Concentrically Loaded Columns based on AASHTO Bridge Design Specifications

$$\text{fx } F_a = \frac{\pi^2 \cdot E}{2.12 \cdot (k \cdot \frac{L}{r})^2}$$

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$$\text{ex } 0.023277\text{MPa} = \frac{\pi^2 \cdot 50\text{MPa}}{2.12 \cdot (0.5 \cdot \frac{3\text{m}}{15\text{mm}})^2}$$



Allowable Stress Design for Shear in Bridges

12) Allowable Shear Stress in Bridges

$$\text{fx } \tau = f_y \cdot \frac{C}{3}$$

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$$\text{ex } 75\text{MPa} = 250\text{MPa} \cdot \frac{0.90}{3}$$

13) Shear Buckling Coefficient given Allowable Shear Stress for Flexural Members in Bridges

$$\text{fx } C = 3 \cdot \frac{\tau}{f_y}$$

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$$\text{ex } 0.9 = 3 \cdot \frac{75\text{MPa}}{250\text{MPa}}$$

14) Steel Yield Strength using Allowable Shear Stress for Flexural Members in Bridges

$$\text{fx } f_y = 3 \cdot \frac{\tau}{C}$$

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$$\text{ex } 250\text{MPa} = 3 \cdot \frac{75\text{MPa}}{0.90}$$



Bearing on Milled Surfaces and Bridge Fasteners

15) Allowable Bearing Stress for High Strength Bolts

$$f_x \quad F_p = 1.35 \cdot F_u$$

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$$ex \quad 137.7MPa = 1.35 \cdot 102MPa$$

16) Allowable Bearing Stress on Milled Stiffeners and other Steel Parts

$$f_x \quad F_p = 0.80 \cdot F_u$$

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$$ex \quad 81.6MPa = 0.80 \cdot 102MPa$$

17) Allowable Stress for Expansion Rollers and Rockers where Diameter is from 635 mm to 3175 mm

$$f_x \quad p = \left(\frac{f_y - 13}{20} \right) \cdot 3 \cdot \sqrt{d}$$

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$$ex \quad 895.8318kN/mm = \left(\frac{250MPa - 13}{20} \right) \cdot 3 \cdot \sqrt{635mm}$$

18) Allowable Stress for Expansion Rollers and Rockers where Diameter is up to 635 mm

$$f_x \quad p = \left(\frac{f_y - 13}{20} \right) \cdot 0.6 \cdot d$$

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$$ex \quad 4514.85kN/mm = \left(\frac{250MPa - 13}{20} \right) \cdot 0.6 \cdot 635mm$$



19) Diameter of Roller or Rocker for d from 635 to 3125mm Open Calculator 


$$fx \quad d = \left(\frac{p}{\left(\frac{f_y - 13}{20} \right) \cdot 3} \right)^2$$

$$ex \quad 5791.082\text{mm} = \left(\frac{2705.325\text{kN/mm}}{\left(\frac{250\text{MPa} - 13}{20} \right) \cdot 3} \right)^2$$

20) Diameter of Roller or Rocker for d up to 635 mm Open Calculator 

$$fx \quad d = \frac{p}{\left(\frac{f_y}{20} \right) \cdot 0.6}$$

$$ex \quad 360.71\text{mm} = \frac{2705.325\text{kN/mm}}{\left(\frac{250\text{MPa}}{20} \right) \cdot 0.6}$$

21) Tensile Strength of Connected Part given Allowable Bearing Stress for High Strength Bolts Open Calculator 

$$fx \quad F_u = \frac{F_p}{1.35}$$

$$ex \quad 79.25926\text{MPa} = \frac{107\text{MPa}}{1.35}$$



22) Tensile Strength of Connected Part given Allowable Bearing Stress on Milled Stiffeners

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$$\text{fx } F_u = \frac{F_p}{0.80}$$

$$\text{ex } 133.75\text{MPa} = \frac{107\text{MPa}}{0.80}$$



Variables Used








- **A** Section Area of Column (*Square Inch*)
- **C** Shear Buckling Coefficient C
- **C_b** Moment Gradient Factor for Bridge Beams
- **C_c** Slenderness Ratio Cc
- **d** Diameter of Roller or Rocker (*Millimeter*)
- **E** Modulus of Elasticity (*Megapascal*)
- **F_a** Allowable Stresses in Columns (*Megapascal*)
- **F_b** Allowable Unit Tensile Stress in bending (*Kilonewton*)
- **F_p** Allowable Bearing Stress (*Megapascal*)
- **f_s** Factor of Safety for Bridge Column
- **F_u** Tensile Strength of connected part (*Megapascal*)
- **f_y** Yield Strength of Steel (*Megapascal*)
- **k** Effective Length Factor
- **l** Column Length (*Inch*)
- **L** Length of Bridge Column (*Meter*)
- **L/r** Critical Slenderness Ratio
- **M¹** Smaller Moment (*Newton Meter*)
- **M²** Larger Beam End Moment (*Newton Meter*)
- **p** Allowable Stress (*Kilonewton per Millimeter*)
- **P** Total Allowable Load for Bridges (*Kilonewton*)
- **P_{cs}** Ultimate Crushing Load for Columns (*Kilonewton*)
- **P_u** Ultimate Load (*Pound*)
- **Q** Allowable Load (*Pound*)



- **r** Radius of Gyration (Millimeter)
- **S_y** Yield Point of Material (Pound-Force per Square Inch)
- **ε** Modulus of Elasticity of Material (Pound-Force per Square Inch)
- **τ** Shear Stress for Flexural Members (Megapascal)



Constants, Functions, Measurements used

- **Constant:** **pi**, 3.14159265358979323846264338327950288
Archimedes' constant
- **Function:** **sec**, $\sec(\text{Angle})$
Trigonometric secant function
- **Function:** **sqrt**, $\sqrt{\text{Number}}$
Square root function
- **Measurement:** **Length** in Inch (in), Meter (m), Millimeter (mm)
Length Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** **Weight** in Pound (lbs)
Weight Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** **Area** in Square Inch (in²)
Area Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** **Force** in Kilonewton (kN)
Force Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** **Torque** in Newton Meter (N*m)
Torque Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** **Stress** in Pound-Force per Square Inch (lbf/in²), Megapascal (MPa)
Stress Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** **Shear Range** in Kilonewton per Millimeter (kN/mm)
Shear Range Unit Conversion 



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