

DESIGN OF GRADE SLABS FOR DISTRIBUTED LOADS

Input Data

Concrete cube compressive stress $f_{cu} := 30 \text{ MPa}$

Concrete cylinder compressive stress $f_{ck} := f_{cu} \cdot 0.8 = 24 \text{ MPa}$

Mean Axial Tensile Strength $f_{ctm} := 0.3 \cdot \left(0.8 \cdot \frac{f_{cu}}{\text{MPa}} \right)^{\frac{2}{3}} \text{ MPa} = 2.496 \text{ MPa}$

Characteristic Axial tensile strength $f_{ctk0.05} := 0.7 \cdot f_{ctm} = 1.747 \text{ MPa}$

Mean value of concrete cylinder strength $f_{cm} := f_{ck} + 8 \cdot \text{MPa} = 32 \text{ MPa}$

Secant Modulus of concrete $E_{cm} := 22 \cdot \left(\frac{f_{cm}}{10 \text{ MPa}} \right)^{0.3} \cdot 1000 \text{ MPa} = 31186.574 \text{ MPa}$

Partial factor for concrete $\gamma_C := 1.5$

Poissons Coefficient $\mu := 0.20$

Coefficient of thermal expansion $\alpha := \frac{1}{10^{-5} \text{ }^\circ\text{C}}$

Steel fibre characteristics

Bekaert's Dramix 3D fibre has been used in the calculations

Fibre dosage $D_f := 12 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3}$

$R_{e3} := 0.3$

Sub base characteristics

The sub base constant should be obtained from plate load test. In this case the

Modulus of subgrade $k := 0.06 \frac{\text{N}}{\text{mm}^3}$

Loading

Distributed load on the floor $w := 100 \frac{\text{kN}}{\text{m}^2}$

Load and material factors

Partial factor for variable action $\gamma_Q := 1.2$

Partial factor for concrete $\gamma_M := 1.5$

Partial factor for steel $\gamma_S := 1.15$

Geometry

Slab length $L := 5000 \text{ mm}$

Slab width $B := 5000 \text{ mm}$

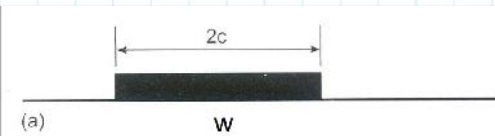
Slab thickness $h := 350 \text{ mm}$

Design

Acting bending moments

Thickness checks are carried out as per Hetenyi's equation

Positive Moment



$$\lambda := \sqrt[4]{\frac{3 \cdot k}{E_{cm} \cdot h^3}} = 0.606 \frac{1}{m}$$

$$c := 0.5 \cdot L = 2.5 \text{ m}$$

$$x := \lambda \cdot c = 1.514$$

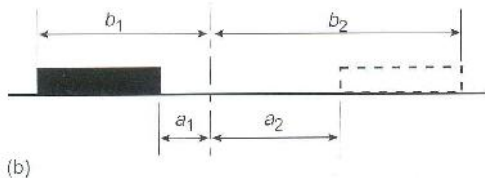
$$\text{Positive moment } M_p := \frac{w}{2 \cdot \lambda^2} (e^{-x} \cdot \sin(x \cdot \text{deg})) \cdot m = 0.792 \text{ kN} \cdot \text{m per unit width}$$

Check for maximum possible moment

$$M_{pmax} := \frac{0.161 \cdot w}{\lambda^2} \cdot m = 43.881 \text{ kN} \cdot m \text{ per unit width}$$

$$2 \text{ c} = 5 \text{ m}$$

Negative Moment



Calculation of Mean flexural tensile strength of concrete

$$f_{ctmfl1} := \left(1.6 - \frac{h}{1000 \cdot mm} \right) \cdot f_{ctm} = 3.12 \text{ MPa}$$

$$f_{ctmfl2} := f_{ctm} = 2.496 \text{ MPa}$$

$$f_{ctmfl} := \max(f_{ctmfl1}, f_{ctmfl2}) = 3.12 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\text{Negative moment capacity } M_n := \frac{f_{ctmfl}}{\gamma_c} \left(\frac{h^2}{6} \right) \cdot m = 42.468 \text{ kN} \cdot m$$

The maximum moment is negative and is induced by the arrangement of loading shown above. The equivalent distributed load for the moment capacity is

$$w_{cap} := \frac{1}{0.168} \cdot \lambda^2 \cdot M_n = 92.748 \frac{1}{m^2} \cdot m \cdot kN$$

The capacity of the slab is greater than the applied load on the slab of 100 kN/sq.m. Hence the design is safe.