

in a separate clause the revised standard states that no reduction in lateral torsional buckling resistance is needed if $\bar{\lambda}_{LT} \leq \bar{\lambda}_{LT,0}$ where $\bar{\lambda}_{LT,0}$ is recommended to be taken as 0.4. This is a nationally determined parameter, but if it stays as 0.4, it would mean there is a step in resistance at that point, as shown in Figure 4.

Designers should note that the Eurocodes are not yet “final”. There may still be changes, and the work on the National Annex has not yet commenced. Only when this work is complete can

the significant task of revising publications, design tools and software be undertaken. ■

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New Steel Construction, January 2005

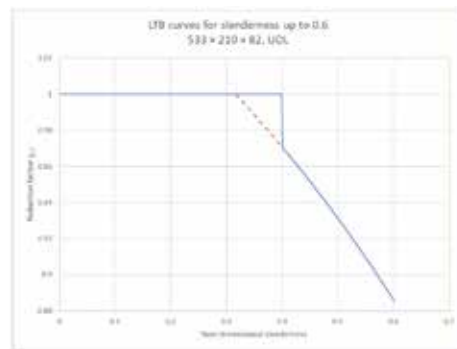


Figure 4: Reduction factor χ_{LT}

AD 463: Corrections to BS 5950-5:1998

Although this Code of practice was withdrawn in 2010, many designers of cold formed thin gauge sections still use it to verify members. During the course of some recent work, we have noticed two problems with Table D1. This table is useful, as it gives expressions for the position of the shear centre and for the Warping constant (known as C_w in BS 5950, and I_w in the Eurocode suite).

In the fourth row of the table, expressions for a lipped ‘C’ section are given. The lips are facing inward as shown in Figure 1 (a). The expression for the Warping constant should only have positive terms within the bracketed part of the equation. The correct expression is:

$$C_w = \frac{b^2 t}{6} (4b_L^3 + 3d^2 b_L + 6db_L^2 + bd^2) - I_x e^2$$

The next row has a lipped ‘C’ section with the lips facing outwards, as shown in Figure 1 (b), with a very similar expression for C_w . These sections are sometimes known as “top hat” sections. The expression for C_w for this section

does have a negative term within the bracket and is correct.

The next row in the table (which is over the page in the code) has a diagram of precisely the same ‘top hat’ section, but very different formulae – it is clear that the diagram is incorrect. The correct shape is a lipped angle, as shown with the appropriate labelling of the elements in Figure 2.

Designers are recommended to review Annex C of BS EN 1993-1-3 which presents a general approach to calculate the Warping constant I_w and the Torsional constant I_t for thin-walled open sections. The advantage of this method is that it is applicable to any shape of cross section, only requiring the centre line co-ordinates of the node points between flat elements of the cross section. The method is appropriate for a spreadsheet

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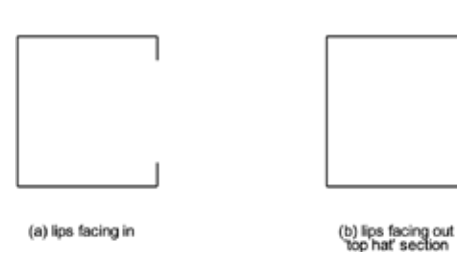


Figure 1: Lipped ‘C’ sections

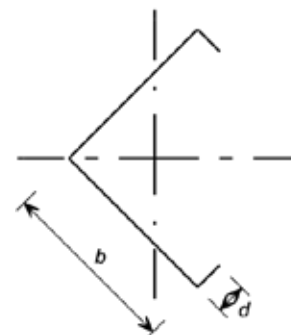


Figure 2: Lipped angle

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BS IMPLEMENTATIONS

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Paints and varnishes. Determination of solvents in coating materials containing organic solvents only. Gas-chromatographic method
no current standard is superseded

BRITISH STANDARDS REVIEWED AND CONFIRMED

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Cranes. Vocabulary. Tower cranes

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Code of practice for the safe use of cranes hoists and their supporting structures
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