

Computer Programs

Introduction

With the advent of computers and software packages, it is now possible to analyse any structure for any geometry and given loading conditions quickly. Though several standard software packages are available for the linear, non-linear, buckling or dynamic analysis of structures, very few design packages are available. Nonetheless, some analysis software packages do have some design routines, which are based on specific codes. Two computer programs written in Visual Basic are provided in this appendix, which can be run on any standard personal computer under the Windows environment. Visual Basic has been chosen because it uses an interactive approach to the development of computer programs. Visual Basic interprets the code as we enter it, catching and highlighting syntax or spelling errors. It also partly compiles the code as it is entered. While compiling the whole code, if the compiler finds an error, it is highlighted in the code. We can fix the error and continue compiling without having to start all over. Visual Basic also provides a variety of user interfaces in the form of text boxes, labels, radio button, pictures, etc. Visual Basic version 6.0 is used in this example, because it is simple and popular though VB.NET is the most recent version. More details about Visual Basic may be found in the Microsoft web site <http://msdn.microsoft.com/library/default.asp?url=/library/en-us/vbcon98/html/vbconpart1visualbasicbasics.asp>.

E.1 Design Programs

When writing design programs, it is much easier if the code of practice follows a logical sequence of requirements and checks. Also, the design stresses and factors should be given in closed-form mathematical expressions. Fortunately, the current version of IS: 800, satisfies the above requirements.

The software for the design programs provided here is also included in this CD. The guidelines for the installation of the Beam Design and BeamColumn Design software are as follows:

A.E.2 *Design of Steel Structures*

Beam Design Software

1. Installation of software
 - (a) Insert the Design of Steel Structures CD that came with the book into the CD drive
 - (b) Open the WinZip file Beam Program in the CD
 - (c) Locate the file SETUP.exe and double click on this file
 - (d) Follow the instructions
2. Execution of BeamDesign
 - (a) Double click on BeamDesign icon either on desktop or navigating through the programs menu.
 - (b) Two input screens will be displayed one after the other where you have to type in the data for the design
 - (c) After typing all the data, click on 'Start the Design' button. The output will be saved under the working directory as BeamDesign.out.

Beam-Column Design Software

1. Installation of software
 - (a) Insert the Design of Steel Structures CD that came with the book into the CD drive
 - (b) Open the WinZip file Beam-Column Program in the CD
 - (c) Locate the file SETUP.exe and double click on this file
 - (d) Follow the instructions
2. Execution of Beam-Column Software
 - (a) Double click on BeamDesign icon either on desktop or navigating through the programs menu.
 - (b) Two input screens will be displayed one after the other where you have to type in the data for the design
 - (c) After typing all the data, click on 'Start the Design' button. The output will be saved under the working directory as BeamColumn.out.

E.1.1 Beam Design Program

The simply supported steel beam design program, given in this section, designs beams of compact, semi-compact, and plastic sections. The beam arrangement is shown in Fig. E.1 and the flow chart is shown in Fig. E.2.

Only simple loading has been considered to reduce the length of the program (the user may modify it to suit his/her requirements). The notations used are the same as those given in IS: 800 (Section 8), and hence the program is easy to understand. The typical input screens of this program are given in Figs E.3 and E.4.

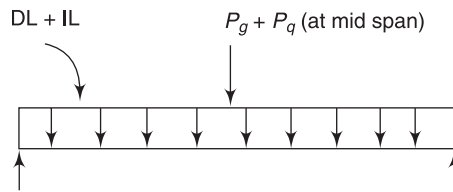


Fig. E.1 Beam and loading

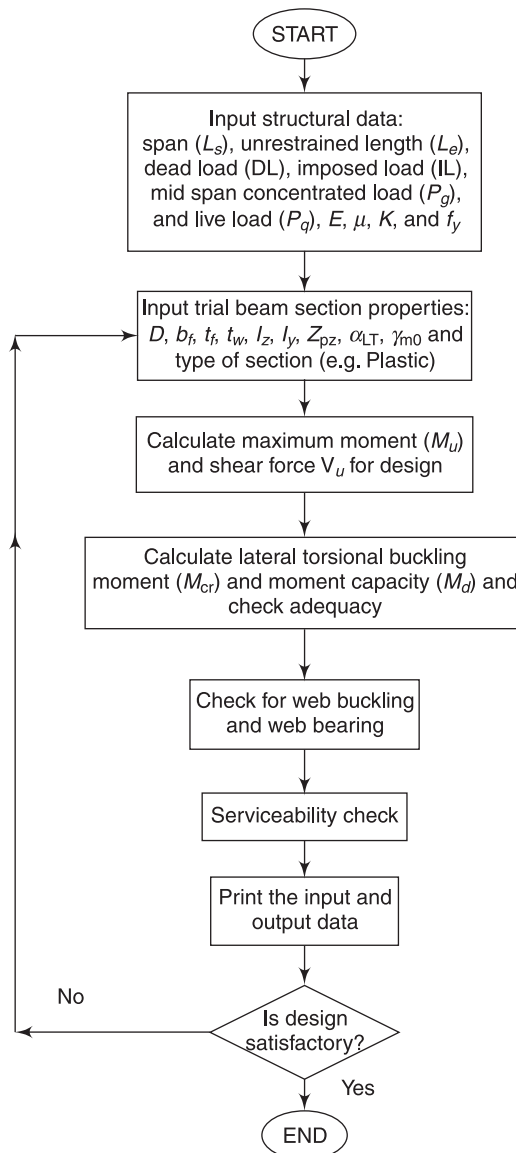


Fig. E.2 Flowchart of beam design program

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Design of Beams - Input Form

Structure Data

Youngs Modulus (N/sq.mm)	200000
Poissons Ratio	0.3
Effective Length Factor	1
Yield Stress (N/sq.mm)	250
Span (m)	1.5
Unrestrained Length (m)	1.5
Dead Load (kN/m)	30
Imposed Load (kN/m)	20
Mid span concentrated load (kN)	0
Mid span Live Load (kN)	0

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Fig. E.3 Input screen for structure data of beam design program

Design of Beam - Sectional Properties

Depth (mm)	175	Moment of Inertia of Major axis (mm ⁴)	12706000
Width of Flange (mm)	90	Moment of Inertia of Minor axis (mm ⁴)	851000
Thickness of Flange (mm)	8.6	Plastic Section Modulus (cu.mm)	161650
Thickness of web (mm)	5.5	Elastic modulus - Major axis (cu.mm)	145200
Root Radius (mm)	10	Imperfection factor	0.21
		Partial Safety Factor for Material	1.1

Type of section: Plastic Compact Semi Compact

<- Back Start the Design

Fig. E.4 Input screen for sectional properties of beam design program

The following program is written in Visual Basic for beam design.

```
`Global Module

`Structure properties
Public E As Double
Public EMu As Double
Public K As Double
Public Fy As Double
Public LS As Double
Public Le As Double
Public DL As Double
Public IL As Double
Public PG As Double
Public PQ As Double

`Sectional Properties
Public D As Double
Public Bf As Double
Public tf As Double
Public tw As Double
Public R As Double
Public Iz As Double
Public Iy As Double
Public Zpz As Double
Public alphaLT As Double
Public GamaM As Double
Public Zz As Double

`intermediate values
Public Wu As Double
Public Vu As Double
Public Pu As Double
Public Mu As Double

Public Const PI As Double = 3.14159
Public sectionType As Integer

Public Const PLASTIC As Integer = 1
Public Const COMPACT As Integer = 2
Public Const SEMI_COMPACT As Integer = 3

Public blnLoaded As Boolean
Public FileName As String

-----
`From Structure Data input form

Option Explicit
Private Sub cmdNext_Click()
`assign the data from input controls to global variables
Call UpdateStructureData
```

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```
Unload Me
`Show the next input screen
frmSectionalProperties.Show
End Sub

Private Sub UpdateStructureData()
` transfer the data to global variables
E = Val(txtE)
EMu = Val(txtMu)
K = Val(txtK)
Fy = Val(txtFy)
LS = Val(txtSpan)
Le = Val(txtLE)
DL = Val(txtDeadLoad)
IL = Val(txtIL)
PG = Val(txtPG)
PQ = Val(txtPQ)

End Sub
-----

`From sectional properties input form, which also has design code
Option Explicit
Dim G As Double
Dim It As Double
Dim hf As Double
Dim Iw As Double
Dim Betaf As Double
Dim Mcr As Double
Dim LamdaLT As Double
Dim LamdaT1 As Double
Dim alphaLT As Double
Dim PhiLT As Double
Dim ChiLT As Double
Dim fbd As Double

Dim Md As Double
Dim Vd As Double
Dim Deltab As Double
Dim DeltaAll As Double

Dim b1 As Double
Dim n1 As Double
Dim Ab As Double
Dim I As Double
Dim A As Double
Dim rmin As Double
Dim Lamda As Double
Dim LamdaEff As Double
Dim Phi1 As Double
Dim Phi2 As Double
Dim fcd As Double
Dim SWB As Double
Dim n2 As Double
Dim Fw As Double
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Dim blnSafe As Boolean

Private Sub cmdBack_Click()
    'Update the input controls with user entered Structure data
    Call LoadStructureData
    'Transfer user input sectional properties data to global variables
    Call UpdateSectionalProperties
    Unload Me

    frmBeamDesign1.Show
End Sub

Private Sub LoadStructureData()
    frmBeamDesign1.txtE = E
    frmBeamDesign1.txtMu = EMu
    frmBeamDesign1.txtK = Str(K)
    frmBeamDesign1.txtFy = Fy
    frmBeamDesign1.txtSpan = LS
    frmBeamDesign1.txtLE = Le
    frmBeamDesign1.txtDeadLoad = DL
    frmBeamDesign1.txtIL = IL
    frmBeamDesign1.txtPG = PG
    frmBeamDesign1.txtPQ = PQ
End Sub

Private Sub cmdDesign_Click()
    'start the design process
    'open the output file to print the results
    FileName = App.Path + "\BeamDesign.out"
    Open FileName For Output As 1
    'presume the design is safe
    blnSafe = True
    Call UpdateSectionalProperties
    Call Design
End Sub

Private Sub LoadSectionalProperties()
    'if the data has been already transfered to the global variables
    'then load them to input controls
    'this check is necessary to swape the default values with null
    values
    If blnLoaded Then
        frmSectionalProperties.txtDepth = Str(D)
        frmSectionalProperties.txtWidthOfFlange = Str(Bf)
        frmSectionalProperties.txtThickOfFlange = Str(tf)
        frmSectionalProperties.txtThickWeb = Str(tw)
        frmSectionalProperties.txtR = Str(R)
        frmSectionalProperties.txtMIMajor = Str(Iz)
        frmSectionalProperties.txtMIMinor = Str(Iy)
        frmSectionalProperties.txtPlastic = Str(Zpz)
        frmSectionalProperties.txtImpFactor = Str(alphaLT)
        frmSectionalProperties.txtSafetyFactor = Str(GamaM)
    End If
End Sub

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```
frmSectionalProperties.txtZZ = Str(Zz)
If sectionType = PLASTIC Then
    optPlastic = True
ElseIf sectionType = COMPACT Then
    optCompact = True
ElseIf sectionType = SEMI_COMPACT Then
    optSemiCompact = True
End If
End If
End Sub

Private Sub UpdateSectionalProperties()
    D = Val(txtDepth)
    Bf = Val(txtWidthOfFlange)
    tf = Val(txtThickOfFlange)
    tw = Val(txtThickWeb)
    R = Val(txtR)
    Iz = Val(txtMIMajor)
    Iy = Val(txtMIMinor)
    Zpz = Val(txtPlastic)
    alphaLT = Val(txtImpFactor)
    GamaM = Val(txtSafetyFactor)
    Zz = Val(txtZZ)
    If optPlastic Then
        sectionType = PLASTIC
    ElseIf optCompact Then
        sectionType = COMPACT
    ElseIf optSemiCompact Then
        sectionType = SEMI_COMPACT
    End If
End Sub

Private Sub Form_Load()
    Call LoadSectionalProperties
    blnLoaded = True
End Sub

Private Sub Design()
    ` Print the input data into the output file
    Call PrintInput
    Call CalculateStdValues
    Call CalculateLTBucklingMomentCapacity
    ` continue the process only if so far the design is safe
    If blnSafe Then Call CalculateShearCapacity
    If blnSafe Then Call CalculateDeflection
    If blnSafe Then Call CheckForWebBuckling
    If blnSafe Then Call CheckForWebBearing
    Close #1
    If blnSafe Then End
End Sub
```



```

Private Sub CalculateStdValues()
  ' calculate maximum Mu and Vu for design
  Dim strMsg As String

  Wu = 1.5 * (DL + IL)
  Pu = 1.5 * (PG + PQ)
  Mu = Wu * LS * LS / 8# + Pu * LS / 4#
  Vu = (Wu * LS + Pu) / 2

  Print #1, Tab(5); "Output"
  Print #1, Tab(5); "----"

  Print #1, Tab(5); "Maximum bending moment for design (kNm)";
  Tab(60); Format(Mu, "#####0.0##")
  Print #1, Tab(5); "Maximum shear force for design (kN)"; Tab(60);
  Format(Vu, "#####0.0##")
End Sub

Private Sub CalculateLTBucklingMomentCapacity()
  Dim Betab As Double
  Dim strMsg As String

  If sectionType = SEMI_COMPACT Then
    Betab = Zz / Zpz
  Else
    Betab = 1
  End If

  Betaf = 0.5
  G = E / (2 * (1 + EMu))
  hf = D - tf
  It = (2 * Bf * tf ^ 3 + hf * tw ^ 3) / 3
  Le = K * Le
  Iw = (1 - Betaf) * Betaf * Iy * hf ^ 2
  Mcr = (((PI ^ 2 * E * Iy) / (Le * 1000) ^ 2) * (G * It + (PI ^
  2 * E * Iw) / (Le * 1000) ^ 2)) ^ 0.5
  LamdaLT = (Betab * Zpz * Fy / Mcr) ^ 0.5
  LamdaLT1 = (1.2 * Zz * Fy / Mcr) ^ 0.5
  If LamdaLT > LamdaLT1 then
    LamdaLT = LamdaLT1
  End If
  alphaLT = 0.21
  PhiLT = 0.5 * (1 + alphaLT * (LamdaLT - 0.2) + LamdaLT ^ 2)
  ChiLT = 1# / (PhiLT + (PhiLT ^ 2 - LamdaLT ^ 2) ^ 0.5)
  If (ChiLT > 1#) Then
    ChiLT = 1#
  End If
  fbd = ChiLT * Fy / GamaM

  Md = Betab * Zpz * fbd / 1000000#
  strMsg = "Torsional constant " + Str(It) + " mm^4" + vbCrLf
  strMsg = strMsg + "Warping constant " + Str(Iw) + " mm^6" +
  vbCrLf
  strMsg = strMsg + "Moment capacity of the section " + Str(Md) +
  " kNm" + vbCrLf

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If Md < Mu Then
    MsgBox strMsg + "Moment capacity is less than " + Str(Mu) + "
    Section is unsafe. Revise the section", , "Unsafe section"
    Unload Me
    blnSafe = False
    frmBeamDesign1.Show
    Exit Sub
End If
Print #1, Tab(5); "Torsional constant (mm^4) "; Tab(60);
Format(It, "#####0.0##")
Print #1, Tab(5); "Warping constant (mm^6)"; Tab(60); Format(Iw,
"#####0.0##")
Print #1, Tab(5); "Moment capacity of the section (kNm)"; Tab(60);
Format(Md, "#####0.0##")
Print #1, Tab(5); "Moment capacity of Trial section is adequate"
Print #1, ""

End Sub

Private Sub CalculateShearCapacity()
    Dim strMsg As String

    Vd = ((Fy / (GamaM * Sqr(3))) * D * tw) / 1000
    strMsg = "Shear capacity = " + Str(0.6 * Vd) + " kN" + vbCrLf +
    "Shear force = " + Str(Vu) + " kN" + vbCrLf
    If 0.6 * Vd < Vu Then
        MsgBox strMsg + "Shear capacity is unsafe. Revise the section"
        Unload Me
        blnSafe = False
        frmBeamDesign1.Show
        Exit Sub
    Else
        Print #1, Tab(5); "Shear capacity (kN) "; Tab(60); Format(0.6
        * Vd, "#####0.0##")
        Print #1, Tab(5); "Shear force (kN) "; Tab(60); Format(Vu,
        "#####0.0##")
        Print #1, Tab(5); "Shear capacity of Trial section is adequate"
    End If

End Sub

Private Sub CalculateDeflection()

    Dim strMsg As String

    Deltab = (5 * (DL + IL) * (LS * 1000) ^ 4 / 384 + (PG + PQ) * LS
    ^ 3 / 48) / (E * Iz)
    DeltaAll = LS * 1000 / 300

    strMsg = "Delta allowable = " + Str(DeltaAll) + " mm" + vbCrLf
    + "Delta actual = " + Str(Deltab) + " mm" + vbCrLf
    If Deltab < DeltaAll Then
        MsgBox strMsg + "Trial section is adequate for deflection
        check"
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Print #1, Tab(5); "Delta allowable (mm) "; Tab(60);
Format(DeltaAll, "#####0.0##")
Print #1, Tab(5); "Delta actual (mm) "; Tab(60); Format(Delta,
"#####0.0##")
Print #1, Tab(5); "Trial section is adequate for deflection
check"
Print #1, ""
Else
MsgBox strMsg + "Revise the section for deflection consideration"
Unload Me
blnSafe = False
frmBeamDesign1.Show
Exit Sub
End If
End Sub
Private Sub CheckForWebBuckling()
Dim strMsg As String

b1 = (Bf - tw) / 2
n1 = D / 2
Ab = (b1 + n1) * tw
I = b1 * tw ^ 3 / 12
A = b1 * tw
rmin = Sqr(I / A)
Lamda = 0.7 * (D - 2 * (tf + R)) / rmin
LamdaEff = (Fy * Lamda ^ 2 / (PI ^ 2 * E)) ^ 0.5
Phi1 = 0.5 * (1 + 0.49 * (LamdaEff - 0.2) + LamdaEff ^ 2)
Phi2 = Phi1 + (Phi1 ^ 2 - LamdaEff ^ 2) ^ 0.5
fcd = Fy / (Phi2 * GamaM)
SWB = fcd * Ab / 1000

strMsg = "Strength against web buckling = " + Str(SWB) + " kN"
+ vbCrLf + "Shear force = " + Str(Vu) + " kN"
If SWB > Vu Then
MsgBox strMsg + "Safe against web buckling"
Print #1, Tab(5); "Strength against web buckling (kN) ";
Tab(60); Format(SWB, "#####0.0##")
Print #1, Tab(5); "Shear force (kN) "; Tab(60); Format(Vu,
"#####0.0##")
Print #1, Tab(5); "Safe against web buckling"
Else
MsgBox strMsg + "Revise the section for web buckling"
Unload Me
blnSafe = False
frmBeamDesign1.Show
Exit Sub
End If

End Sub
Private Sub CheckForWebBearing()
Dim strMsg As String

n2 = 2.5 * (tf + R)
Fw = (b1 + n2) * tw * Fy / (GamaM * 1000)

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strMsg = "Strength against web bearing = " + Str(Fw) + " kN" +
vbCrLf + "Shear force = " + Str(Vu) + " kN" + vbCrLf
If Fw > Vu Then
    MsgBox strMsg + "Safe against web bearing"
    MsgBox "Design is safe and " + vbCrLf + "The output is saved
as BeamDesign.out in the working folder"
    Print #1, Tab(5); "Strength against web bearing (kN) ";
    Tab(60); Format(Fw, "#####0.0##")
    Print #1, Tab(5); "Shear force (kN) "; Tab(60); Format(Vu,
"#####0.0##")
    Print #1, Tab(5); "Safe against web bearing"
    Print #1, ""
Else
    MsgBox strMsg + "Revise the section for web bearing"
    Unload Me
    frmBeamDesign1.Show
    Exit Sub
End If
End Sub

Private Sub optCompact_Click()
    If optCompact Then
        sectionType = COMPACT
    End If

End Sub

Private Sub optPlastic_Click()
    If optPlastic Then
        sectionType = PLASTIC
    End If
End Sub

Private Sub optSemiCompact_Click()
    If optSemiCompact Then
        sectionType = SEMI_COMPACT
    End If
End Sub

Private Sub PrintInput()

    Print #1, Tab(10); "Beam Design"
    Print #1, Tab(10); "-----"
    Print #1, ""
    Print #1, Tab(5); "Structure Data"
    Print #1, Tab(5); "-----"

    Print #1, Tab(5); "Youngs Modulus (N/sq.mm) "; Tab(60); Format(E,
"#####0.0##")
    Print #1, Tab(5); "Poisson's Ratio "; Tab(60); Format(EMu,
"#####0.0##")
    Print #1, Tab(5); "Eff.Length factor "; Tab(60); Format(K,
"#####0.0##")
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Print #1, Tab(5); "Yield Stress (N/sq.mm) "; Tab(60); Format(Fy,
"#####0.0##")
Print #1, Tab(5); "Span (m) "; Tab(60); Format(LS, "#####0.0##")
Print #1, Tab(5); "Unrestrained length (m) "; Tab(60); Format(Le,
"#####0.0##")
Print #1, Tab(5); "Dead load (kN/m) "; Tab(60); Format(DL,
"#####0.0##")
Print #1, Tab(5); "Imposed load (kN/m) "; Tab(60); Format(IL,
"#####0.0##")
Print #1, Tab(5); "Mid span concentrated load (kN) "; Tab(60);
Format(PG, "#####0.0##")
Print #1, Tab(5); "Mid span live load (kN) "; Tab(60); Format(PQ,
"#####0.0##")

Print #1, Tab(5); ""
Print #1, Tab(5); "Sectional Properties"
Print #1, Tab(5); "-----"
Print #1, Tab(5); "Depth (mm)"; Tab(60); Format(D, "#####0.0##")
Print #1, Tab(5); "Width of flange (mm)"; Tab(60); Format(Bf,
"#####0.0##")
Print #1, Tab(5); "Thickness of flange (mm)"; Tab(60); Format(tf,
"#####0.0##")
Print #1, Tab(5); "Thickness of web (mm)"; Tab(60); Format(tw,
"#####0.0##")
Print #1, Tab(5); "Root radius (mm)"; Tab(60); Format(R,
"#####0.0##")
Print #1, Tab(5); "Moment of inertia of Major axis (mm^4)";
Tab(60); Format(Iz, "#####0.0##")
Print #1, Tab(5); "Moment of inertia of Minor axis (mm^4)";
Tab(60); Format(Iy, "#####0.0##")
Print #1, Tab(5); "Plastic section modulus (cu.mm)"; Tab(60);
Format(Zpz, "#####0.0##")
Print #1, Tab(5); "Elastic modulus about major axis (cu.mm)";
Tab(60); Format(Zz, "#####0.0##")
Print #1, Tab(5); "Imperfection factor "; Tab(60); Format(alphaLT,
"#####0.0##")
Print #1, Tab(5); "Partial safety factor for material "; Tab(60);
Format(GamaM, "#####0.0##")
Print #1, ""
End Sub

```

In order to show the use of this program, the data given in Example 10.9 was used and the resulting output is as follows:

```

      Beam Design
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Structure Data
-----
Youngs Modulus <N/sq. mm>                200000.0
Poisson's Ratio                          0.3
Eff.Length factor                         1.0

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Yield Stress <N/sq.mm>	250.0
Span <m>	1.5
Unrestrained length <m>	1.5
Dead load <kN/m>	30.0
Imposed load <kN/m>	20.0
Mid span concentrated load <kN>	0.0
Mid span live load <kN>	0.0

Sectional Properties

Depth <mm>	175.0
Width of flange <mm>	90.0
Thickness of flange <mm>	8.6
Thickness of web <mm>	5.5
Root radius <mm>	10.0
Moment of inertia of Major axis <mm ⁴ >	12706000.0
Moment of inertia of Minor axis <mm ⁴ >	851000.0
Plastic section modulus <cu.mm>	161650.0
Elastic modulus about major axis <cu.mm>	145200.0
Imperfection factor	0.21
Partial safety factor for material	1.1

Output

Maximum bending moment for design <kNm>	21.094
Maximum shear force for design <kN>	56.25
Torsional constant <mm ⁴ >	47391.627
Warping constant <mm ⁶ >	5890826240.0
Moment capacity of the section <kNm>	31.044
Moment capacity of Trial section is adequate	

Shear capacity <kN>	75.777
Shear force <kN>	56.25
Shear capacity of Trial section is adequate	
Delta allowable <mm>	5.0
Delta actual <mm>	1.297
Trial section is adequate for deflection check	

Strength against web buckling<kN>	119.165
Shear force <kN>	56.25
Safe against web buckling	
Strength against web bearing <kN>	110.938
Shear force <kN>	56.25
Safe against web bearing	

E.1.2 Beam-Column Design Program

The design of a beam-column, using a hot-rolled I-section, is considered in the program given in this section. In all cases, axial compression is taken as positive. The sign convention for the moments at the top and bottom ends of the column is

positive for moments applied clockwise and negative for moments applied anti-clockwise.

Hot rolled I- or H- plastic, compact, or semi-compact sections can be designed using this program. There are two sets of input data in this program, as in the case of the beam program. The first is the structural data consisting of the following: factored axial force (N), factored bending moment at the top and bottom about the major axis (M_{Z1} , M_{Z2}), factored bending moment at the top and bottom about the minor axis (M_{Y1} , M_{Y2}), length in major and minor axis (L_z , L_y), effective length factors (K_z , K_y), Young's modulus (E), and Poisson's ratio (μ). The second set of data is the member data consisting of the following: depth of the section (D), Area (A), breadth of flange (b_f), thickness of flange and web (t_f and t_w), root radius (R), radius of gyration in the major and minor axis (r_z , r_y) moment of inertia about minor axis (I_y), elastic modulus about major and minor axis (Z_z and Z_y), yield strength of material (f_y) and partial factor of safety of material (γ_{m0}) and type of section (plastic, compact, or semi-compact).

Based on the preceding data, the plastic modulus about the major and minor axis (Z_{pz} , Z_{py}) and the warping and torsional rigidity (I_w , I_t) are calculated. The member buckling resistance in compression about the major axis and minor axis (P_{dz} and P_{dy}) are calculated based on clause 7.1.2 of the code. The member buckling resistance in bending is computed based on clause 8.2.2, about both the axes (M_{dz} and M_{dy}).

Using these values, the strength of the cross section is checked based on the interaction equations given in clause 9.3.1 of the code. Finally, the overall member strength is checked as per the interaction equation given in clause 9.3.2 of the code. If any one of the checks is not satisfied, the user has to change the trial section properties and run the program again. The program written in Visual Basic and typical input screens are given below:

Structure Data	
Youngs Modulus (N/sq.mm)	200000
Poissons Ratio	0.3
Eff.Length Factor - Major axis	0.8
Eff.Length Factor - Minor axis	0.8
Yield Stress (N/sq.mm)	250
Major axis length (mm)	4000
Minor axis length (mm)	4000
Factored axial load (kN)	500
Factored moment - major axis at top (kNm)	27
Factored moment - major axis at bottom (kNm)	45
Factored moment - minor axis at top (kNm)	0
Factored moment - minor axis at bottom (kNm)	0

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Fig. E.5 Input screen for structure data of beam-column program

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Parameter	Value	Parameter	Value
Depth (mm)	250	Elastic modulus - Major axis (cu.mm)	619000
Width of Flange (mm)	250	Elastic modulus - Minor axis (cu.mm)	156000
Thickness of Flange (mm)	9.7	Radius of Gyration - Major axis (mm)	109
Thickness of web (mm)	6.9	Radius of Gyration - Minor axis (mm)	54.9
Root Radius (mm)	10	Partial Safety Factor for Material	1.1
Area (sq.mm)	6500	Moment of Inertia about Minor axis (mm ⁴)	19600000

Type of section: Plastic Compact Semi Compact

<<- Back Start the Design

Fig. E.6 Input screen for sectional properties of Beam-Column program

Option Explicit

`Structure properties

```
Public E As Double
Public EMu As Double
Public Fy As Double
Public Lz As Double
Public Ly As Double
Public Kz As Double
Public Ky As Double
Public N As Double
Public Mz1 As Double
Public Mz2 As Double
Public My1 As Double
Public My2 As Double
```

`Sectional Properties

```
Public D As Double
Public Bf As Double
Public tf As Double
Public tw As Double
Public R As Double
Public rz As Double
Public ry As Double
Public Zz As Double
Public Zy As Double
Public Zpz As Double
Public Zpy As Double
Public GamaM As Double
Public A As Double
Public Iy As Double
Public Pd As Double
```

```
Public sectionType As Integer
```



```
Public Const PLASTIC As Integer = 1
Public Const COMPACT As Integer = 2
Public Const SEMI_COMPACT As Integer = 3
Public Const PI As Double = 3.14159
```

```
Public blnLoaded As Boolean
Public FileName As String
```

```
Option Explicit
Private Sub cmdNext_Click()
    Call UpdateStructureData
    Unload Me
    frmSectionalProperties.Show
End Sub
```

```
Private Sub UpdateStructureData()
    E = Val(txtE)
    EMu = Val(txtMu)
    Kz = Val(txtKz)
    Ky = Val(txtKy)
    Fy = Val(txtFy)
    Ly = Val(txtLY)
    Lz = Val(txtLZ)
    My1 = Val(txtMY1)
    My2 = Val(txtMY2)
    Mz1 = Val(txtMZ1)
    Mz2 = Val(txtMZ2)
    N = Val(txtN)
End Sub
```

```
Option Explicit
Dim G As Double
Dim It As Double
Dim hf As Double
Dim Iw As Double
Dim Betaf As Double
```

```
Dim Mcr As Double
Dim LambdaLT As Double
Dim alphaLT As Double
Dim PhiLT As Double
Dim ChiLT As Double
Dim fbd As Double
```

```
Dim Md As Double
Dim Vd As Double
Dim Deltab As Double
Dim DeltaAll As Double
```

```
Dim b1 As Double
Dim n1 As Double
Dim Ab As Double
```

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```
Dim I As Double
Dim A As Double
Dim rmin As Double
Dim Lamda As Double
Dim LamdaEff As Double
Dim Phi1 As Double
Dim Phi2 As Double
Dim fcd As Double
Dim SWB As Double
Dim n2 As Double
Dim Fw As Double
Dim Mz As Double
Dim Mzm As Double
Dim My As Double
Dim Mym As Double
Dim Nd As Double
Dim Mdz, Mdz1 As Double
Dim Mdy As Double
Dim StressRatio As Double
Dim StressRatio1 As Double
Dim Lrz As Double
Dim Lry As Double
Dim AlphaZ As Double
Dim AlphaY As Double
Dim Betab As Double
Dim LambdaZ As Double
Dim LambdaY As Double
Dim PdZ As Double
Dim PdY As Double
Dim blnSafe As Boolean

Private Sub cmdBack_Click()
    Call UpdateSectionalProperties
    Call LoadStructureData
    Unload Me
    frmBeamColumnDesign1.Show
End Sub
Private Sub LoadStructureData()
    frmBeamColumnDesign1.txtE = E
    frmBeamColumnDesign1.txtMu = EMu
    frmBeamColumnDesign1.txtKz = Str(Kz)
    frmBeamColumnDesign1.txtKy = Str(Ky)
    frmBeamColumnDesign1.txtFy = Fy
    frmBeamColumnDesign1.txtLY = Ly
    frmBeamColumnDesign1.txtLZ = LZ
    frmBeamColumnDesign1.txtMY1 = My1
    frmBeamColumnDesign1.txtMY2 = My2
    frmBeamColumnDesign1.txtMZ1 = Mz1
    frmBeamColumnDesign1.txtMZ2 = Mz2
    frmBeamColumnDesign1.txtN = N
End Sub
```

```

Private Sub cmdDesign_Click()
    FileName = App.Path + "\BeamColumn.out"
    Open FileName For Output As 1
    blnSafe = True
    Call UpdateSectionalProperties
    Call Design
End Sub

Private Sub LoadSectionalProperties()
    If blnLoaded Then
        frmSectionalProperties.txtDepth = Str(D)
        frmSectionalProperties.txtWidthOfFlange = Str(Bf)
        frmSectionalProperties.txtThickOfFlange = Str(tf)
        frmSectionalProperties.txtThickWeb = Str(tw)
        frmSectionalProperties.txtR = Str(R)
        frmSectionalProperties.txtRZ = Str(rz)
        frmSectionalProperties.txtRY = Str(ry)
        frmSectionalProperties.txtA = Str(A)
        frmSectionalProperties.txtZZ = Str(Zz)
        frmSectionalProperties.txtZY = Str(Zy)
        frmSectionalProperties.txtSafetyFactor = Str(GamaM)
        frmSectionalProperties.txtIy = Str(Iy)
        If sectionType = PLASTIC Then
            optPlastic = True
        ElseIf sectionType = COMPACT Then
            optCompact = True
        ElseIf sectionType = SEMI_COMPACT Then
            optSemiCompact = True
        End If
    End If
End Sub

Private Sub UpdateSectionalProperties()
    D = Val(txtDepth)
    Bf = Val(txtWidthOfFlange)
    tf = Val(txtThickOfFlange)
    tw = Val(txtThickWeb)
    R = Val(txtR)
    rz = Val(txtRZ)
    ry = Val(txtRY)
    A = Val(txtA)
    Zz = Val(txtZZ)
    Zy = Val(txtZY)
    GamaM = Val(txtSafetyFactor)
    Iy = Val(txtIy)
    If optPlastic Then
        sectionType = PLASTIC
    ElseIf optCompact Then
        sectionType = COMPACT
    ElseIf optSemiCompact Then
        sectionType = SEMI_COMPACT
    End If
End Sub

```

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```
Private Sub Form_Load()  
    Call LoadSectionalProperties  
    blnLoaded = True  
End Sub  
  
Private Sub Design()  
    blnSafe = True  
    Call PrintInput  
    Call ComputeInteractionEqnLocal  
    If blnSafe Then Call DesignCompressionResisMajor  
    If blnSafe Then Call DesignCompressionResisMinor  
    If blnSafe Then Call DesignBucklingResisMajor  
    If blnSafe Then Call DesignResOfCrossSection  
    If blnSafe Then Call DesignShearResistance  
    If blnSafe Then Call DesignComBendingAxialForce  
    Close #1  
    If blnSafe Then End  
End Sub  
Private Sub PrintInput()  
  
    Print #1, Tab(10); "Beam-Column Design"  
    Print #1, Tab(10); "-----"  
    Print #1, ""  
    Print #1, Tab(5); "Structure Data"  
    Print #1, Tab(5); "-----"  
    Print #1, Tab(5); "Youngs Modulus (N/sq.mm) "; Tab(60); Format(E,  
    "#####0.0##")  
    Print #1, Tab(5); "Poisson's Ratio "; Tab(60); Format(EMu,  
    "#####0.0##")  
    Print #1, Tab(5); "Yield Stress (N/sq.mm) "; Tab(60); Format(Fy,  
    "#####0.0##")  
    Print #1, Tab(5); "Major axis Length (mm) "; Tab(60); Format(Lz,  
    "#####0.0##")  
    Print #1, Tab(5); "Minor axis Length (mm) "; Tab(60); Format(Ly,  
    "#####0.0##")  
    Print #1, Tab(5); "Eff.Length factor - Major axis "; Tab(60);  
    Format(Kz, "#####0.0##")  
    Print #1, Tab(5); "Eff.Length factor - Minor axis "; Tab(60);  
    Format(Ky, "#####0.0##")  
    Print #1, Tab(5); "Factored axial load (kN) "; Tab(60); Format(N,  
    "#####0.0##")  
    Print #1, Tab(5); "Major axis factored moment at top (kNm)";  
    Tab(60); Format(Mz1, "#####0.0##")  
    Print #1, Tab(5); "Major axis factored moment at bottom (kNm)";  
    Tab(60); Format(Mz2, "#####0.0##")  
    Print #1, Tab(5); "Minor axis factored moment at top (kNm)";  
    Tab(60); Format(My1, "#####0.0##")  
    Print #1, Tab(5); "Minor axis factored moment at bottom (kNm)";  
    Tab(60); Format(My2, "#####0.0##")  
  
    Print #1, Tab(5); ""  
    Print #1, Tab(5); "Sectional Properties"
```

```

Print #1, Tab(5); "-----"
Print #1, Tab(5); "Depth (mm)"; Tab(60); Format(D, "#####0.0##")
Print #1, Tab(5); "Width of flange (mm)"; Tab(60); Format(Bf,
"#####0.0##")
Print #1, Tab(5); "Thickness of flange (mm)"; Tab(60); Format(tf,
"#####0.0##")
Print #1, Tab(5); "Thickness of web (mm)"; Tab(60); Format(tw,
"#####0.0##")
Print #1, Tab(5); "Root radius (mm)"; Tab(60); Format(R,
"#####0.0##")
Print #1, Tab(5); "Radius of Gyration major axis (mm)"; Tab(60);
Format(rz, "#####0.0##")
Print #1, Tab(5); "Radius of Gyration minor axis (mm)"; Tab(60);
Format(ry, "#####0.0##")
Print #1, Tab(5); "Elastic modulus about major axis (cu.mm)";
Tab(60); Format(Zz, "#####0.0##")
Print #1, Tab(5); "Elastic modulus about minor axis (cu.mm)";
Tab(60); Format(Zy, "#####0.0##")
Print #1, Tab(5); "Partial safety factor for material "; Tab(60);
Format(GamaM, "#####0.0##")
Print #1, Tab(5); "Area (sq.mm)"; Tab(60); Format(A,
"#####0.0##")
Print #1, Tab(5); "Moment of intertia about minor axis (mm^4)";
Tab(60); Format(Iy, "#####0.0##")
Print #1, ""
End Sub
Private Sub ComputeInteractionEqnLocal()
G = E / (2 * (1 + EMu))
If (Abs(Mz1) > Abs(Mz2)) Then
Mz = Mz1
Mzm = Mz2
Else
Mz = Mz2
Mzm = Mz1
End If

If (Abs(My1) > Abs(My2)) Then
My = My1
Mym = My2
Else
My = My2
Mym = My1
End If

`Properties of the Cross-section
Zpz = 2 * Bf * tf * (D - tf) / 2 + tw * (D - 2 * tf) ^ 2 / 4
Zpy = 2 * tf * Bf * Bf / 4 + (D - 2 * tf) * tw * tw / 4
It = (2 * tf ^ 3 * Bf + (D - tf) * tw ^ 3) / 3
Iw = (D - tf) ^ 2 * Iy / 4
Nd = A * Fy / (GamaM * 1000#)
` Minor Axis buckling resistance in bending

```

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```
If sectionType = SEMI_COMPACT Then
    Mdy = Zy * Fy / (GamaM * 1000000#)
Else
    Mdy = Zpy * Fy / (GamaM * 1000000#)
End If
Dim strMsg As String
strMsg = "Plastic modulus about Major axis " + Str(Zpz) + "
cu.mm" + vbCrLf
strMsg = strMsg + "Plastic modulus about Minor axis " + Str(Zpy)
+ " cu.mm" + vbCrLf
strMsg = strMsg + "Torsional constant" + Str(It) + " mm^4" +
vbCrLf
strMsg = strMsg + "Warping constant " + Str(Iw) + " mm^6"
`MsgBox strMsg
`MsgBox "Design Resistance in Bending about Minor Axis" + Str(Mdy)
+ " kNm" + vbCrLf + "Applied Moment about Minor Axis " + Str(My)
+ " kNm"
If sectionType = SEMI_COMPACT Then
    Betab = Zz / Zpz
Else
    Betab = 1
End If
Mdz = Betab * Zpz * Fy / (GamaM * 1000000#)
Print #1, Tab(5); "Output"
Print #1, Tab(5); "-----"

Print #1, Tab(5); "Plastic modulus about Major axis (cu.mm) ";
Tab(60); Format(Zpz, "#####0.0###")
Print #1, Tab(5); "Plastic modulus about Minor axis (cu.mm)";
Tab(60); Format(Zpy, "#####0.0###")
Print #1, Tab(5); "Torsional constant (mm^4)"; Tab(60); Format(It,
"#####0.0###")
Print #1, Tab(5); "Warping constant (mm^6)"; Tab(60); Format(Iw,
"#####0.0###")
Print #1, Tab(5); "Design Resistance in Bending about Minor
Axis (kNm)"; Tab(60); Format(Mdy, "#####0.0###")
Print #1, Tab(5); "Applied Moment about Minor Axis (kNm) ";
Tab(60); Format(My, "#####0.0###")
Print #1, ""
End Sub
Private Sub DesignResOfCrossSection()
Dim Alphas, Alpha2, Nr, Mndz, Mndy As Double

`Local Capacity Check
If sectionType = SEMI_COMPACT Then
    StressRatio = (N / Nd) + (Mz / Mdz) + (My / Mdy)
Else
    Nr = N / Nd
    Mndz = 1.11 * Mdz * (1 - Nr)
    If Mndz > Mdz Then
        Mndz = Mdz
    End If
    If Nr <= 0.2 Then
        Mndy = Mdy
    End If
End Sub
```

```

Else
    Mndy = 1.56 * Mdy * (1 - Nr) * (Nr + 0.6)
End If
Alpha1 = 5 * Nr
If Alpha1 < 1 Then
    Alpha1 = 1
End If
Alpha2 = 2
` section strength interaction equation
StressRatio = (My / Mndy) ^ Alpha1 + (Mz / Mndz) ^ Alpha2

End If
If StressRatio < 1# Then
    `MsgBox "Interaction equation value = " + Str(StressRatio) +
    vbCrLf + " Section is safe"
    Print #1, Tab(5); "Interaction equation (section strength
    value "; Tab(60); Format(StressRatio, "#####0.0##"); "
    Section is safe"
    Print #1, ""
Else
    MsgBox "Interaction equation value = " + Str(StressRatio) +
    vbCrLf + "Section unsafe due to member capacity check " +
    vbCrLf + "Revise the section"
    blnSafe = False
    Unload Me
    frmBeamColumnDesign1.Show
End If
End Sub
Private Sub DesignCompressionResisMajor()
Dim Fcrz, Fcdz, Phiz, Phiz1 As Double
`Compression resistance - Major Axis
Lz = Kz * Lz
Ly = Ky * Ly
Lrz = Lz / rz
Lry = Ly / ry
If (D / Bf) > 1.2 And tf <= 40 Then
    AlphaZ = 0.21
    AlphaY = 0.34
ElseIf (D / Bf) > 1.2 And tf < 100 Then
    AlphaZ = 0.34
    AlphaY = 0.49
ElseIf (D / Bf) <= 1.2 And tf <= 100 Then
    AlphaZ = 0.34
    AlphaY = 0.49
Else
    AlphaZ = 0.76
    AlphaY = 0.76
End If

Fcrz = PI * PI * E / (Lrz * Lrz)
LambdaZ = (Fy / Fcrz) ^ 0.5
Phiz = 0.5 * (1 + AlphaZ * (LambdaZ - 0.2) + LambdaZ ^ 2)

```

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```
Phiz1 = Phiz + (Phiz ^ 2 - LambdaZ ^ 2) ^ 0.5
Fcdz = Fy / (GamaM * Phiz1)
If Fcdz > (Fy / GamaM) Then
    Fcdz = Fy / GamaM
End If
Pdz = Fcdz * A / 1000#
Dim strMsg As String
strMsg = "Compression resistance about Major Axis " + Str(Pdz)
+ " kN" + vbCrLf
If PdZ > N Then
    MsgBox strMsg + "Section is safe"
    Print #1, Tab(5); "Compression resistance about Major Axis
(kN)"; Tab(60); Format(Pdz, "#####0.0##"); " Section is
safe"
    Print #1, ""
Else
    MsgBox strMsg + "Revise the Section"
    blnSafe = False
    Unload Me
    frmBeamColumnDesign1.Show
End If

End Sub

Private Sub DesignCompressionResisMinor()
Dim Fcry, Fcdy, Phiy, Phiy1 As Double
Dim strMsg As String

'Compression Resistance- Minor Axis
Fcry = PI * PI * E / (Lry * Lry)
LambdaY = (Fy / Fcry) ^ 0.5
Phiy = 0.5 * (1 + AlphaY * (LambdaY - 0.2) + LambdaY ^ 2)
Phiy1 = Phiy + (Phiy ^ 2 - LambdaY ^ 2) ^ 0.5
Fcdy = Fy / (GamaM * Phiy1)
If Fcdy > (Fy / GamaM) Then
    Fcdy = Fy / GamaM
End If
Pdy = Fcdy * A / 1000#

strMsg = "Compression resistance about Minor Axis " + Str(Pdy)
+ " kN" + vbCrLf
If Pdy > N Then
    Print #1, Tab(5); "Compression resistance about Minor Axis
(kNm)"; Tab(60); Format(Pdy, "#####0.0##"); " Section is
safe"
    Print #1, ""
Else
    MsgBox strMsg + "Revise the section"
    blnSafe = False
    Unload Me
    frmBeamColumnDesign1.Show
End If
```



```

If Pd > Pdy Then
    Pd = Pdy
Else
    Pd = Pd
End If
Print #1, Tab(5); "Compression Resistance (kN)"; Tab(60);
Format(Pd, "#####0.0##")
Print #1, Tab(5); "Compressive Force (kN)"; Tab(60); Format(N,
"#####0.0##")
Print #1, ""
End Sub

Private Sub DesignBucklingResisMajor()
Dim PhiLT, PhiLT1, chi, C1, Chi1, Mcr1, fcrb As Double
Dim strMsg As String

`Member Buckling resistance
` Major Axis
If Abs(Mz1) < Abs(Mz2) Then
    Chi1 = Mz1 / Mz2
Else
    Chi1 = Mz2 / Mz1
End If

`Eqn suggested by Gardner and Nethercot
C1 = 1.88 - 1.4 * Chi1 + 0.52 * Chi1 ^ 2
If C1 > 2.7 Then C1 = 2.7

fcrb = C1 * (1473.5 / Lry) ^ 2 * ((1 + (1 / 20) * (Lry / (D /
tf)) ^ 2) ^ 0.5)
Mcr = fcrb * Zz
LambdaLT = (Betab * Zpz * Fy / Mcr) ^ 0.5
LambdaLT1 = (1.2 * Zz * Fy / Mcr) ^ 0.5
If LambdaLT > LambdaLT1 Then
    LambdaLT = LambdaLT1
End If
LambdaLT1 = (1.2 * Zz * Fy / Mcr) ^ 0.5
If LambdaLT > LambdaLT1 Then
    LambdaLT = LambdaLT1
End If
alphaLT = 0.21
PhiLT = 0.5 * (1 + alphaLT * (LambdaLT - 0.2) + LambdaLT ^ 2)
PhiLT1 = PhiLT + (PhiLT ^ 2 - LambdaLT ^ 2) ^ 0.5
chi = 1# / PhiLT1
If chi > 1# Then
    chi = 1#
End If
fbd = chi * Fy / GamaM

Md1 = fbd * Betab * Zpz / 1000000#

```

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```
strMsg = "Buckling Resistance in Bending about Major Axis" +
Str(Mdz) + "kNm" + vbCrLf + "Applied Moment about Major axis "
+ Str(Mz) + "kNm" + vbCrLf
If Mdz1 > Mz Then
    Print #1, Tab(5); "Buckling Resistance in Bending about Major
    Axis (kNm)"; Tab(60); Format(Mdz1, "#####0.0##")
    Print #1, Tab(5); "Applied Moment about Major axis (kNm)";
    Tab(60); Format(Mz, "#####0.0##")
    Print #1, Tab(5); "Buckling Resistance in Bending about Major
    Axis is safe"
    Print #1, ""
Else
    MsgBox strMsg + "Revise the Section"
    blnSafe = False
    Unload Me
    frmBeamColumnDesign1.Show
End If

End Sub

Private Sub DesignShearResistance()

Dim MSF, Av, Vp As Double
Dim strMsg As String

'Shear Resistance of the cross-section
MSF = Abs(Mz1 - Mz2) / (Lz / 1000)
Av = D * tw
Vp = Av * Fy / (Sqr(3) * GamaM * 1000#)

strMsg = "Shear Resistance Parallel to Web " + Str(Vp) + " kN"
+ vbCrLf + " Max.S.F. " + Str(MSF) + " kN" + vbCrLf
If Vp > MSF Then
    Print #1, Tab(5); "Shear Resistance Parallel to Web (kN)";
    Tab(60); Format(Vp, "#####0.0##")
    Print #1, Tab(5); "Maximum Shear Force (kN)"; Tab(60);
    Format(MSF, "#####0.0##")
    Print #1, Tab(5); "Shear Resistance Parallel to Web is safe"
    Print #1, ""
Else
    MsgBox strMsg + "Revise the Section"
    blnSafe = False
    Unload Me
    frmBeamColumnDesign1.Show
End If

End Sub

Private Sub DesignComBendingAxialForce()
Dim Psiz, BetaMz, Mult, Mufz, Muz, Muy, KKz, Kky, psiy, BetaMy,
nz, Cmz, Cmy, CmLT, ny, klt, klt1 As Double
Dim strMsg As String
```

```

`Member Bending Resistance in Combined Bending and axial Compression
`Major Axis
  Psiz = Mzm / Mz
  nz = N / PdZ
  Kz = 1 + (LambdaZ - 0.2) * nz
  Cmz = 0.6 + 0.4 * Psiz
  If Cmz < 0.4 Then
    Cmz = 0.4
  End If
  If Kz > 1 + 0.8 * nz Then
    Kz = 1 + 0.8 * nz
  End If
  klt = 0
  CmY = 0
`Minor axis
  If Not (Mym = 0 And My = 0) Then
    psiy = Mym / My
    ny = N / Pdy
    Ky = 1 + (LambdaY - 0.2) * ny

    If Ky > 1 + 0.8 * ny Then
      Ky = 1 + 0.8 * ny
    End If
    CmY = 0.6 + 0.4 * psiy
    If CmY < 0.4 Then
      CmY = 0.4
    End If
    CmLT = 0.6 + 0.4 * psiy
    If CmLT < 0.4 Then
      CmLT = 0.4
    End If
    klt = 1 - 0.1 * LambdaLT * ny / (CmLT - 0.25)
    klt1 = 1 - 0.1 * ny / (CmLT - 0.25)
    If klt > klt1 Then
      klt = klt1
    End If
  End If
`Check with Interaction Formula for overall buckling

StressRatio1 = (N / Pdy) + (Ky * CmY * Abs(My) / Mdy) + (klt
* Abs(Mz) / Mdz1)
StressRatio2 = (N / PdZ) + (0.6 * Ky * CmY * Abs(My) / Mdy) +
(Kz * Cmz * Abs(Mz) / Mdz1)
strMsg = "Interaction equation value = " + Str(StressRatio1)
+ vbCrLf
If StressRatio1 < 1# And StressRatio2 < 1 Then
  Print #1, Tab(5); "Interaction equation value 1 "; Tab(60);
  Format(StressRatio1, "#####0.0##")
  Print #1, Tab(5); "Interaction equation value 2 "; Tab(60);
  Format(StressRatio2, "#####0.0##")
  Print #1, Tab(5); "Member is safe under combined Axial Force
and B.M."
  Print #1, ""

```

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```
        MsgBox "Member is safe" + vbCrLf + "The output is stored as  
        BeamColumn.out under the working folder", , "Desgin Over"  
    Else  
        MsgBox strMsg + "Revise the section"  
        blnSafe = False  
        Unload Me  
        frmBeamColumnDesign1.Show  
    End If  
End Sub  
  
Private Sub optCompact_Click()  
    If optCompact Then  
        sectionType = COMPACT  
    End If  
End Sub  
  
Private Sub optPlastic_Click()  
    If optPlastic Then  
        sectionType = PLASTIC  
    End If  
End Sub  
  
Private Sub optSemiCompact_Click()  
    If optSemiCompact Then  
        sectionType = SEMI_COMPACT  
    End If  
End Sub
```

To illustrate the use of the program, a trial run of the program was conducted for example 13.1 and the resulting output is as follows:

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Structure Data

Youngs Modulus <N/sq.mm>	200000.0
Poisson's Ratio	0.3
Yield Stress <N/sq.mm>	250.0
Major axis Length <mm>	4000.0
Minor axis Length <mm>	4000.0
Eff.Length factor - Major axis	0.8
Eff.Length factor - Minor axis	0.8
Factored axial load <kN>	500.0
Major axis factored moment at top <kNm>	27.0
Major axis factored moment at bottom <kNm>	45.0
Minor axis factored moment at top <kNm>	0.0
Minor axis factored moment at bottom <kNm>	0.0

Sectional Properties

```

-----
Depth <mm>                250.0
Width of flange <mm>      250.0
Thickness of flange <mm>  9.7
Thickness of web <mm>     6.9
Root radius <mm>         10.0
Radius of Gyration major axis <mm> 109.0
Radius of Gyration minor axis <mm> 54.9
Elastic modulus about major axis <cu.mm> 619000.0
Elastic modulus about minor axis <cu.mm> 156000.0
Partial safety factor for material 1.1
Area <sq.mm>              6500.0
Moment of inertia about minor axis <mm^4> 19600000.0

```

Output

```

-----
Plastic modulus about Major axis <cu.mm> 674456.721
Plastic modulus about Minor axis <cu.mm> 305869.717
Torsional constant <mm^4> 178425.738
Warping constant <mm^6> 282946041000.0
Design Resistance in Bending about
Minor Axis <kNm> 35.455
Applied Moment about Minor Axis <kNm> 0.0
Compression resistance about Major Axis <kN> 1407.624 Section
is safe
Compression resistance about Minor Axis <kN> 1110.522 Section
is safe
Compression Resistance <kN> 1110.522
Compressive Force <kN> 500.0

Buckling Resistance in Bending about
Major Axis <kNm> 128.525
Applied Moment about Major axis <kNm> 45.0
Buckling Resistance in Bending about
Major Axis is safe

Interaction equation value 0.658 Section is
safe

Shear Resistance Parallel to Web <kN> 226.348
Maximum Shear Force <kN> 5.625
Shear Resistance Parallel to Web is safe

Interaction equation value 0.45
Interaction equation value2 0.663
Member is safe under combined Axial Force and B.M.

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