

## Flexural Behavior of RC Beams: Uncracked Stage:

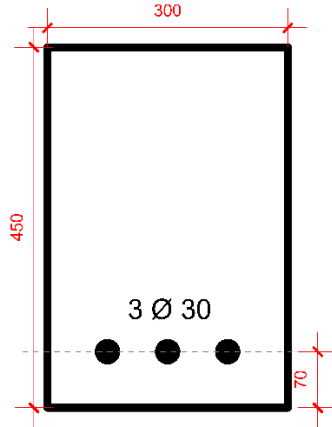
$$I_g = \frac{bh^3}{12} \quad \rightarrow \text{Moment of inertia for rectangle}$$

$$f = \frac{My_t}{I_g} \quad \rightarrow \text{Bending stress at maximum tension fiber}$$

$$f_r = \frac{M_{cr}y_t}{I_g} \quad \rightarrow \text{Modulus of rupture}$$

$$f_r = 0.62\lambda\sqrt{f'_c} \quad \rightarrow \text{Section 19.2.3.1, SBC 304 - 18 } (\lambda = 1)$$

$$M_{cr} = \frac{f_r I_g}{y_t} \quad \rightarrow \text{Cracking moment}$$



a) Assuming the concrete is un-cracked, compute the bending stresses in the extreme fibers of the beam above for a bending moment of 25 kN.m. The concrete has an  $f'_c$  of 25 MPa.

b) Check if the un-cracked assumption is correct.

c) Determine the cracking moment of the section.

a) since the beam is un-cracked, it is assumed to be homogeneous with neutral axis on the centroid of the beam section (i.e.,  $y_t = h/2$ ) and we can use gross moment of inertia (i.e.,  $I = I_g$ ).

1- Find moment of inertia of the beam section:

$$I_g = \frac{bh^3}{12} = \frac{300 \times 450^3}{12} = 2.278 \times 10^9 \text{ mm}^4$$

2- Find the bending stress:

$$f = \frac{My_t}{I_g} = \frac{25 \times 10^6 \text{ N} \cdot \text{mm} \times 225 \text{ mm}}{2.278 \times 10^9 \text{ mm}^4} = 2.469 \frac{\text{N}}{\text{mm}^2} = 2.469 \text{ MPa}$$

b) Crack happens when  $f > f_r$

Find modulus of rupture:

$$f_r = 0.62\lambda\sqrt{f'_c} = 0.62 \times 1\sqrt{25} = 3.1 \text{ MPa}$$

$f < f_r \rightarrow$  section did not crack.

c) Cracking moment happens at bending stress equal of above modulus of rupture.

$$M_{cr} = \frac{f_r I_g}{y_t} = \frac{3.1 \text{ N/mm}^2 \times 2.278 \times 10^9 \text{ mm}^4}{225 \text{ mm}} = 31,387,500 \text{ N} \cdot \text{mm}$$

$$M_{cr} = 31.387 \text{ kN} \cdot \text{m}$$

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