

# Training School for Young Researchers

## Fire Engineering Research – Key Issues for the Future II

### Codes of practice – prescriptive rules or performance-based approach?

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### Scope

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- Introduction
- Thermal Actions
- Mechanical Actions
- Thermal Analysis
- Mechanical Analysis
- Design procedures
- Examples using different design procedures: prescriptive and performance-based approaches

## Introduction

### Question

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- Prescriptive rules or performance-based approach?

**Some background before to try to answer to this question.**

## Introduction

### Two type of regulations or standards

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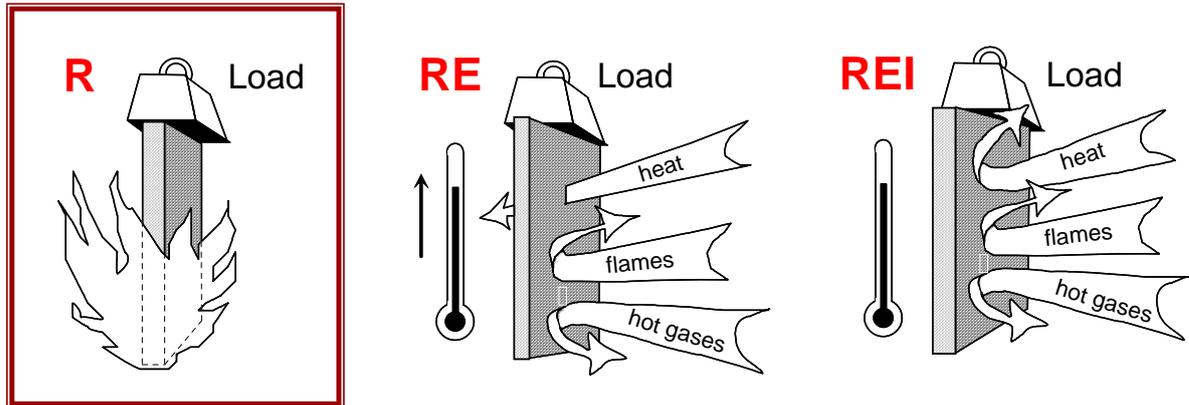
- Each country has its own **regulations for fire safety of buildings** where the requirements for fire resistance are given
- Standards for checking the **structural fire resistance** of the buildings - in Europe the structural EUROCODES

## Introduction Fire Resistance

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### □ Classification criteria

**R** – Load bearing criterion; **E** – Integrity criterion; **I** – Insulation criterion



- Load bearing only: mechanical resistance (criterion R)
- Load bearing and separating: criteria R, E and when requested, I

## Introduction -Fire Resistance Criteria R, E and I - UK Approved document B

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### Fire resistance \*

**B3.ii** The fire resistance of an element of construction is a measure of its ability to withstand the effects of fire in one or more ways, as follows:

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|--|----------|
| a. resistance to collapse, i.e. the ability to maintain loadbearing capacity (which applies to loadbearing elements only); | <b>R</b> |
| b. resistance to fire penetration, i.e. an ability to maintain the integrity of the element;                               | <b>E</b> |
| c. resistance to the transfer of excessive heat, i.e. an ability to provide insulation from high temperatures.             | <b>I</b> |

\* In terms of time

**Examples: R90; REI120**

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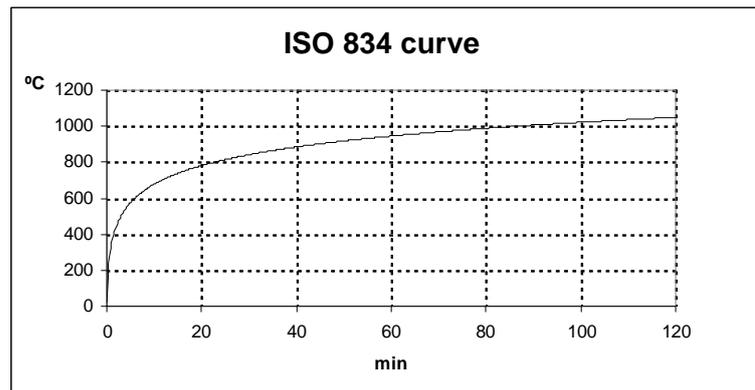
### Fire Resistance – Criteria R, E and I

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#### □ Standard fire curve

Fire resistance is the time since the beginning of the standard fire curve ISO 834 until the moment that the element doesn't fulfill the functions for that it has been designed (Load bearing and/or separating functions)

$$T = 345 \log_{10}(8t + 1) + 20$$



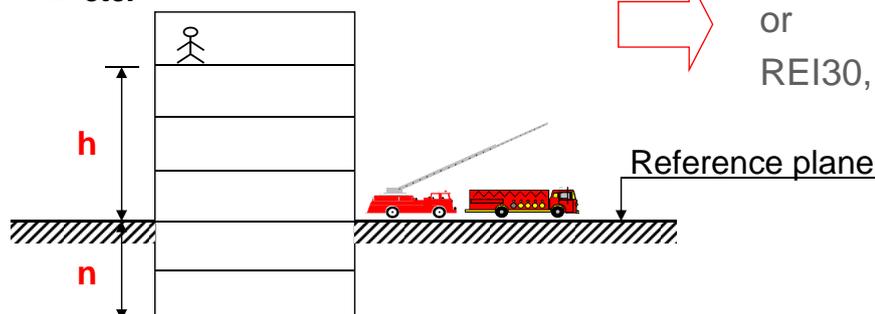
## Introduction

### Regulations for fire safety of buildings

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#### □ Normally the risk factors are:

- Height of the last occupied storey in the building (**h**) over the reference plane
- Number of storeys below the reference plane (**n**)
- Total gross floor area
- Number of occupants (effective)
- etc.



## Introduction. Example Regulations for fire safety – UK Approved document B

**APPROVED DOCUMENT**

**B**

**Fire safety**

- B1 Means of warning and escape
- B2 Internal fire spread (linings)
- B3 Internal fire spread (structure)
- B4 External fire spread
- B5 Access and facilities for the fire service

2000 edition incorporating 2009 amendments

### PERFORMANCE OF MATERIALS AND STRUCTURES

**Table A2 Minimum periods of fire resistance**

Purpose group of building	Minimum periods (minutes) for elements of structure in a:				
	Basement storey (S) including floor over		Ground or upper storey		
	Depth (m) of a lowest basement		Height (m) of top floor above ground, in building or separated part of a building		
	More than 10	Not more than 10	Not more than 5	Not more than 18	Not more than 30
1. Residential (domestic):					
a. Flats and maisonettes	90	60	30*	60**†	90**
b. and c. Dwellinghouses	Not relevant	30*	30*	60@	Not relevant
2. Residential:					
a. Institutional	90	60	30*	60	90
b. Other residential	90	60	30*	60	90
3. Office:					
- Not sprinklered	90	60	30*	60	90
- Sprinklered (2)	60	60	30*	30*	60
4. Shop and commercial:					
- Not sprinklered	90	60	60	60	90
- Sprinklered (2)	60	60	30*	60	60
5. Assembly and recreation:					
- Not sprinklered	90	60	60	60	90

## Introduction. Example Regulations for fire safety – UK Approved document B

### INTERNAL FIRE SPREAD (STRUCTURE)

**B3**

## The Requirement

This Approved Document deals with the following Requirement from Part B of Schedule 1 to the Building Regulations 2000.

Requirement	Limits on application
<p><b>Internal fire spread (structure)</b></p> <p><b>B3.</b> (1) The building shall be designed and constructed so that, in the event of fire, its stability will be maintained for a reasonable period.</p> <p>(2) A wall common to two or more buildings shall be designed and constructed so that it adequately resists the spread of fire between those buildings. For the purposes of this sub-paragraph a house in a terrace and a semi-detached house are each to be treated as a separate building.</p> <p>(3) To inhibit the spread of fire within the building, it shall be sub-divided with fire-resisting construction to an extent appropriate to the size and intended use of the building.</p> <p>(4) The building shall be designed and constructed so that the unseen spread of fire and smoke within concealed spaces in its structure and fabric is inhibited.</p>	<p>Requirement B3(3) does not apply to material alterations to any prison provided under Section 33 of the Prisons Act 1952.</p>

## Introduction. Example

### Portuguese regulation for fire safety of buildings

#### Required fire resistance

- The load-bearing or/and separating function should be maintained during the complete duration of the fire including the decay, or alternatively during the required time of standard fire exposure given in the table below:

Standard fire resistance of structural members in buildings

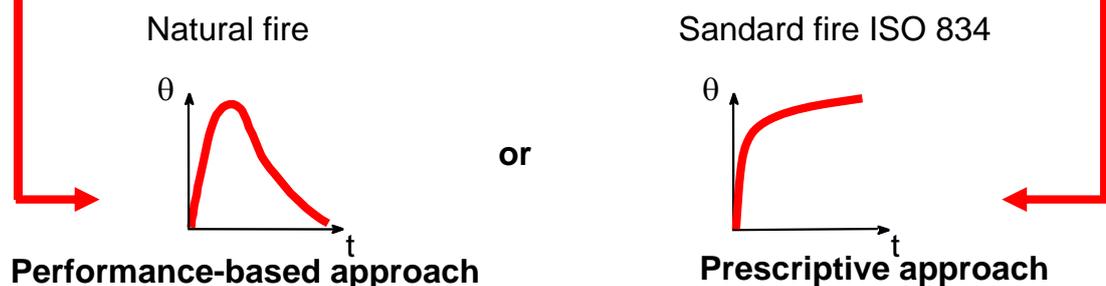
Classification according to the occupancy	Risk categories				Function of the structural member
	1.º	2.º	3.º	4.º	
I, III, IV, V, VI, VII, VIII, IX, X	R30 REI30	R60 REI60	R90 REI90	R120 REI120	Only load bearing Load bearing and separating
II, XI and XII	R60 REI60	R90 REI90	R120 REI120	R180 REI180	Only load bearing Load bearing and separating

Type I «Dwelling»; Type II «Car parks»; Type III «Administrative»; Type IV «Schools»; Type V «Hospitals»; Type VI «Theatres/cinemas and public meetings»; Type VII «Hotels and restaurants»; Type VIII «Shopping and transport centres»; Type IX «Sports and leisure»; Type X «Museums and art galleries»; Type XI «Libraries and archives»; Type XII «Industrial, workshops and storage»

## Introduction

### Prescriptive or performance-based

- The load-bearing function is ensured when collapse is prevented during the complete duration of the fire including the decay phase or alternatively during the required period of time under standard fire exposure.



## Introduction

### Codes for fire design in Europe: Structural Eurocodes

#### Eurocodes

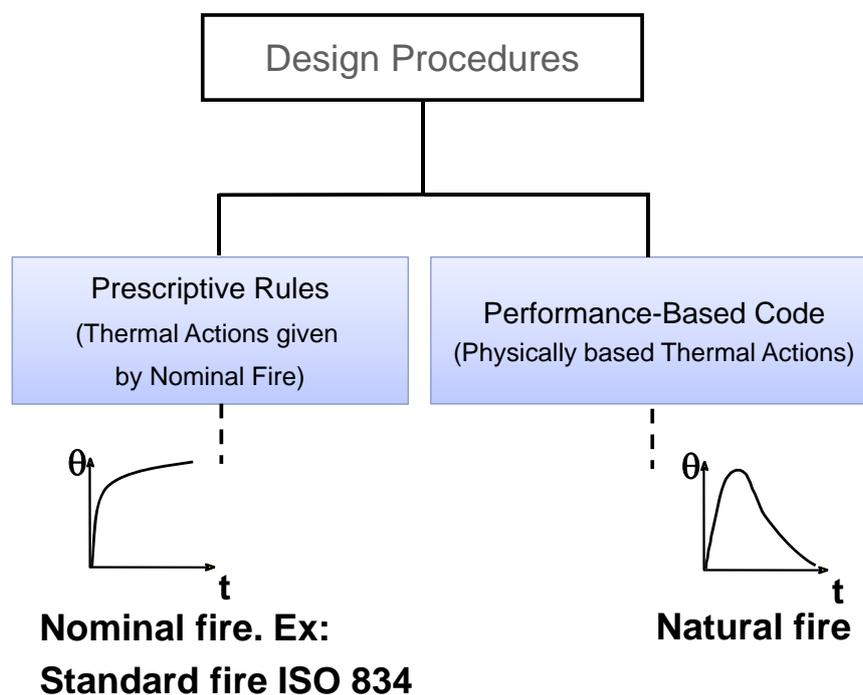
EN 1990	Eurocode:	Basis of Structural Design
EN 1991	Eurocode 1:	Actions on structures
EN 1992	Eurocode 2:	Design of concrete structures
EN 1993	Eurocode 3:	Design of steel structures
EN 1994	Eurocode 4:	Design of composite steel and concrete structures
EN 1995	Eurocode 5:	Design of timber structures
EN 1996	Eurocode 6:	Design of masonry structures
EN 1997	Eurocode 7:	Geotechnical design
EN 1998	Eurocode 8:	Design of structures for earthquake resistance
EN 1999	Eurocode 9:	Design of aluminium structures

#### Fire design

Parts 1-2 Except EN 1990, EN 1997 and EN 1998, all the Eurocodes have Part 1-2 for fire design

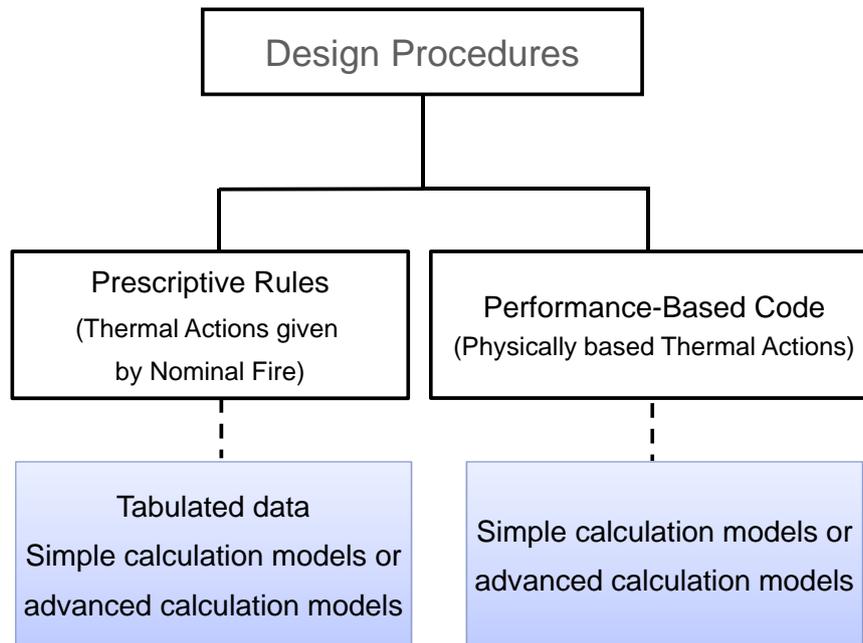
## Introduction

### Prescriptive or performance-based according the Eurocodes - 1



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### Prescriptive or performance-based according the Eurocodes - 2



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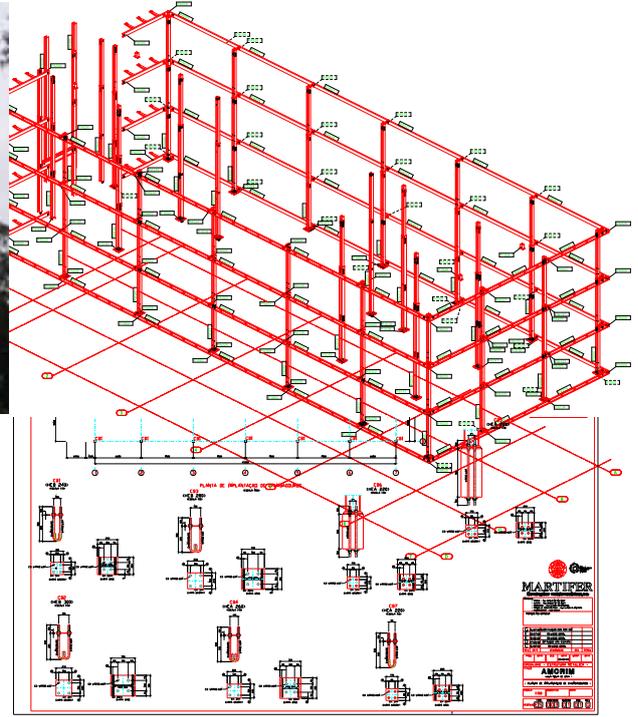
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- Prescriptive rules or performance-based approach?

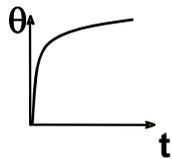
Depends on the type of structure, its importance for the society, its dimensions, etc.

Next it will be shown some examples where Prescriptive approach and performance-based approached has been used.

**Introduction**  
**Prescriptive approach was used**

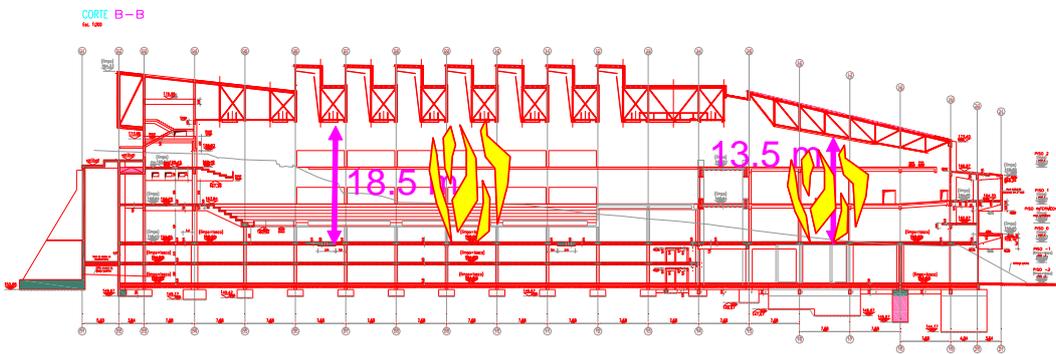


**Steel Structure**



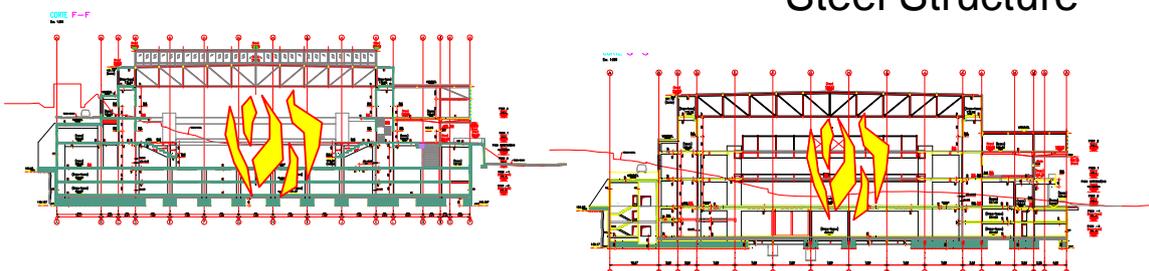
**Standard fire ISO 834**  
**has been used**

**Introduction**  
**Performance-based approach was used**



**Natural fire**

**Steel Structure**

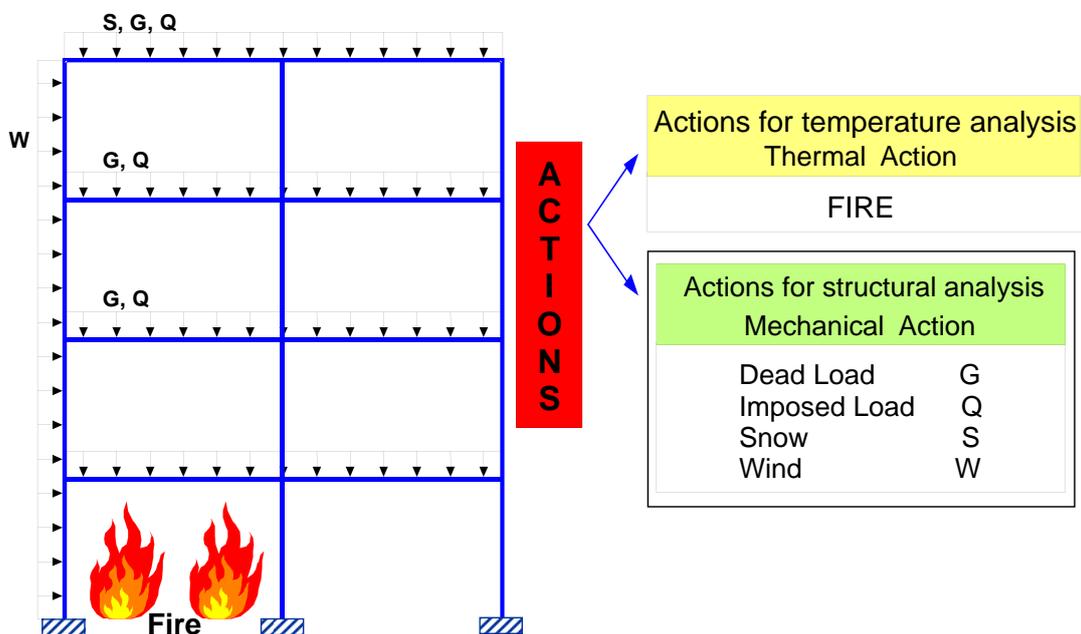


## Fire Design of Structures

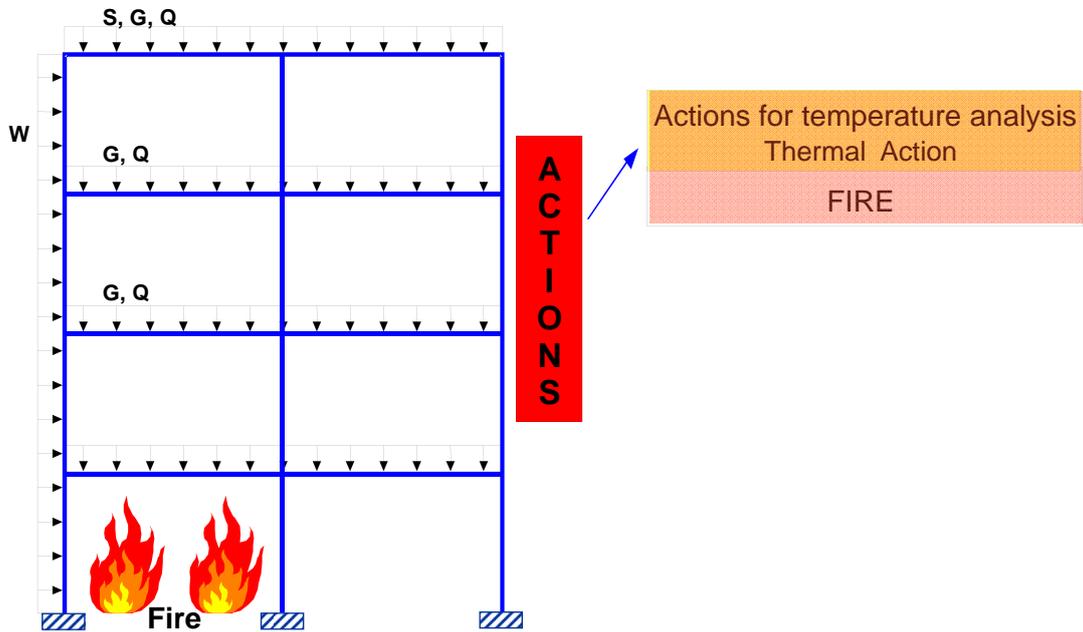
### Four steps

1. Definition of the thermal loading - EC1
2. Definition of the mechanical loading - EC0 +EC1
3. Calculation of temperature evolution within the structural members – All the Eurocodes
4. Calculation of the mechanical behaviour of the structure exposed to fire – All the Eurocodes

## Eurocode 1: Actions on Structures



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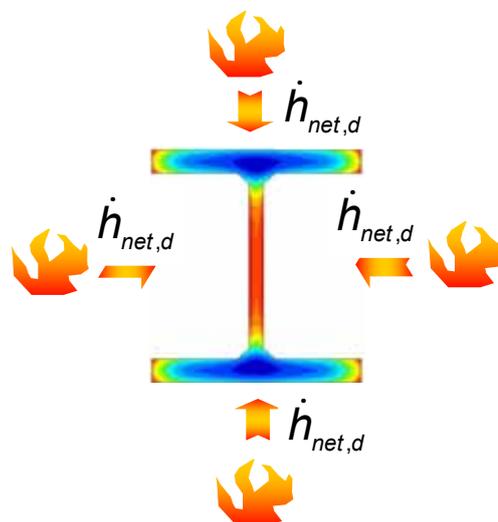


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## Thermal actions Heat transfer at surface of building elements

$$\dot{h}_{net,d} = \dot{h}_{net,c} + \dot{h}_{net,r}$$

Total net heat flux



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**Thermal actions**  
**Heat transfer at surface of building elements**

$$\dot{h}_{net,d} = \dot{h}_{net,c} + \dot{h}_{net,r}$$

**Total net heat flux**

$$\dot{h}_{net,c} = \alpha_c (\theta_g - \theta_m)$$

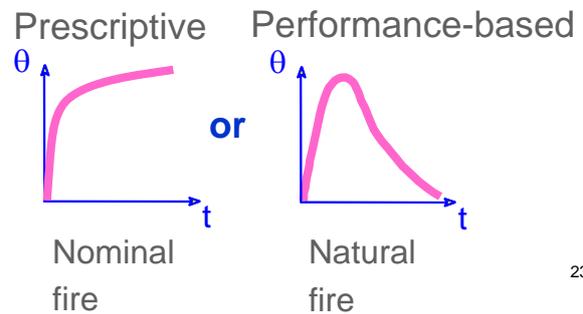
**Convective heat flux**

$$\dot{h}_{net,r} = \Phi \cdot \varepsilon_f \cdot \varepsilon_m \cdot \sigma \cdot [(\theta_r + 273)^4 - (\theta_m + 273)^4]$$

**Radiative heat flux**

$$\theta_g \approx \theta_r$$

**Temperature of the fire compartment**



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**Actions on Structures Exposed to Fire**  
**EN 1991-1-2 - Actions on structures exposed to fire**

**Nominal temperature-time curves**

- Standard temperature-time curve
- External fire curve
- Hydrocarbon curve

**Natural fire models**

**Simplified fire models**

- Compartment fires - Parametric fire
- Localised fires – Heskestad or Hasemi

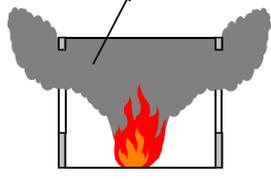
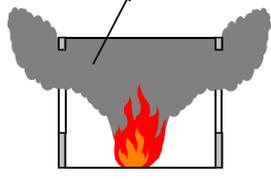
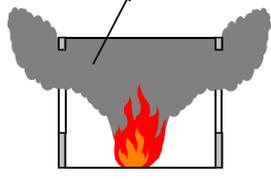
**Advanced fire models**

- Two-Zones or One-Zone fire or a combination
- CFD – Computational Fluid Dynamics

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## Actions on Structures Exposed to Fire

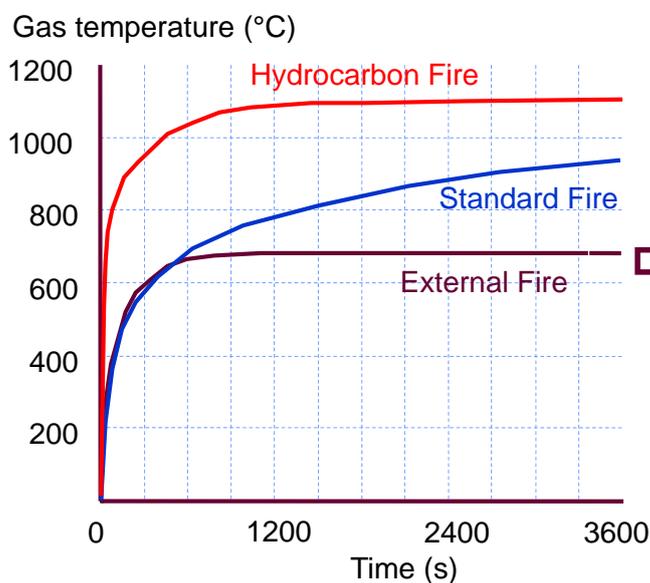
### EN 1991-1-2 - Prescriptive rules or performance-based approach

From DIFISEK+	<p><b>*) Nominal temperature-time curve</b> Standard temperature-, External fire - &amp; Hydrocarbon fire curve</p> <p><b>*) Simplified Fire Models</b></p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; padding: 5px;"> <p><b>Localised Fire</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- HESKESTADT</li> <li>- HASEMI</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><math>\theta(x, y, z, t)</math></p>  </td> <td style="width: 50%; padding: 5px;"> <p><b>Fully Engulfed Compartment</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Parametric Fire</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><math>\theta(t)</math> uniform in the compartment</p>  </td> </tr> </table> <p><b>*) Advanced Fire Models</b></p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; padding: 5px;"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Two-Zone Model</li> <li>- Combined Two-Zones and One-Zone fire</li> </ul> </td> <td style="width: 50%; padding: 5px;"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- One-Zone Model</li> <li>- CFD</li> </ul> </td> </tr> </table>	<p><b>Localised Fire</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- HESKESTADT</li> <li>- HASEMI</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><math>\theta(x, y, z, t)</math></p> 	<p><b>Fully Engulfed Compartment</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Parametric Fire</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><math>\theta(t)</math> uniform in the compartment</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Two-Zone Model</li> <li>- Combined Two-Zones and One-Zone fire</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- One-Zone Model</li> <li>- CFD</li> </ul>	<p>No data needed</p> <hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black; margin: 10px 0;"/> <p>Rate of heat release Fire surface Boundary properties Opening area Ceiling height</p> <p style="text-align: center;">+</p> <p>Exact geometry</p>
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## Simplified fire models

### Nominal Temperature-Time Curve



EC3 and EC9 do not use this external fire curve. A special Annex B on both Eurocodes gives a method for evaluating the heat transfer to external steelwork

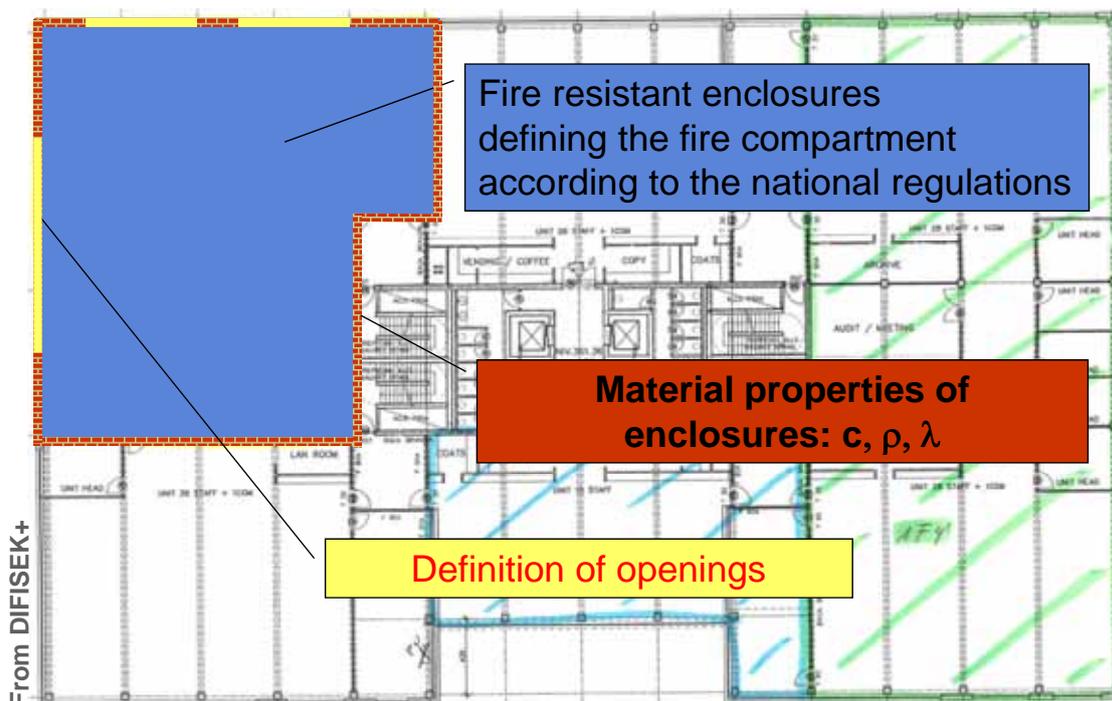
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## List of Physical Parameters needed for Natural Fire Models



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## Characteristics of the Fire Compartment Natural Fire Model



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## Characteristics of the Fire Load from EN 1991-1-2 Natural Fire Model

Occupancy	Fire Growth Rate	RHR <sub>f</sub> [kW/m <sup>2</sup> ]	Fire Load q <sub>f,k</sub> 80% fractile [MJ/m <sup>2</sup> ]
Dwelling	Medium	250	948
Hospital (room)	Medium	250	280
Hotel (room)	Medium	250	377
Library	Fast	500	1824
Office	Medium	250	511
School	Medium	250	347
Shopping Centre	Fast	250	730
Theatre (movie/cinema)	Fast	500	365
Transport (public space)	Slow	250	122

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## Design value of the fire load density Natural Fire Model

$$q_{f,d} = q_{f,k} \cdot m \cdot \delta_{q1} \cdot \delta_{q2} \cdot \delta_n \quad [\text{MJ/m}^2]$$

$m$  – Combustion factor. Its value is between 0 and 1. For mainly cellulosic materials a value of 0.8 may be taken. Conservatively a value of 1 can be used

$\delta_{q1}$  – factor taking into account the fire activation risk due to the size of the compartment

$\delta_{q2}$  – factor taking into account the fire activation risk due to the type of occupancy

$\delta_n$  – factor taking into account the different fire fighting measures

$$\delta_n = \prod_{i=1}^{10} \delta_{ni} = \delta_{n1} \cdot \delta_{n2} \cdot \dots \cdot \delta_{n9} \cdot \delta_{n10}$$

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## Characteristics of the Fire Load from EN 1991-1-2 Natural Fire Model

Compartment floor area $A_f$ [m <sup>2</sup> ]	Danger of Fire Activation $\delta_{q1}$	Danger of Fire Activation $\delta_{q2}$	Examples of Occupancies
25	1,10	0,78	Art gallery, museum, swimming pool
250	1,50	1,00	Residence, hotel, office
2500	1,90	1,22	Manufactory for machinery & engines
5000	2,00	1,44	Chemical laboratory, Painting workshop, Manufactory of fireworks

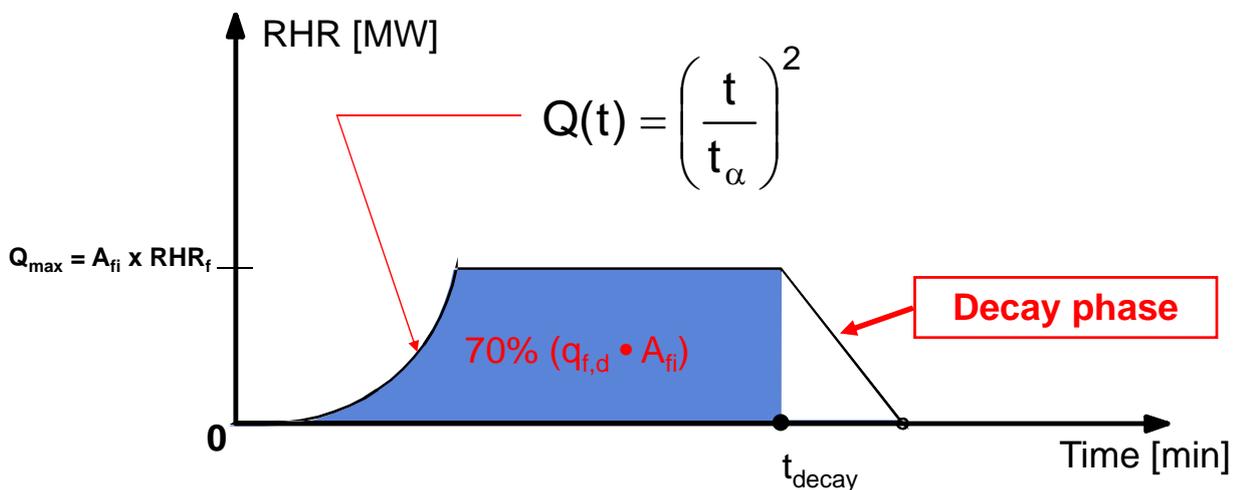
  

$$q_{f,d} = \delta_{q1} \cdot \delta_{q2} \cdot \prod \delta_{ni} \cdot m \cdot q_{f,k}$$
  

Automatic Fire Suppression		Automatic Fire Detection		Manual Fire Suppression					
Automatic Water Extinguishing System $\delta_{n1}$	Independent Water Supplies $\delta_{n2}$	Automatic fire Detection & Alarm by Heat $\delta_{n3}$	Automatic Alarm Transmission to Fire Brigade by Smoke $\delta_{n4}$	Automatic Alarm Transmission to Fire Brigade $\delta_{n5}$	Work Fire Brigade $\delta_{n6}$	Off Site Fire Brigade $\delta_{n7}$	Safe Access Routes $\delta_{n8}$	Fire Fighting Devices $\delta_{n9}$	Smoke Exhaust System $\delta_{n10}$
0,61	1,0   0,87   0,7	0,87 or 0,73	0,87	0,87	0,61 or 0,78		0,9 or 1 / 1,5	1,0 / 1,5	1,0 / 1,5

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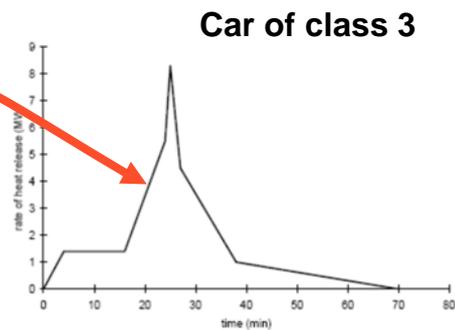
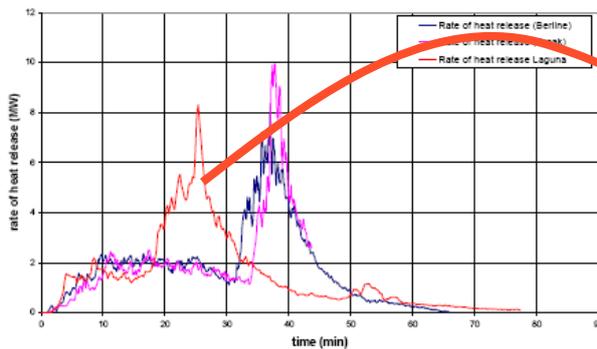
## Rate of Heat Release Curve from EN 1991-1-2 Natural Fire Model



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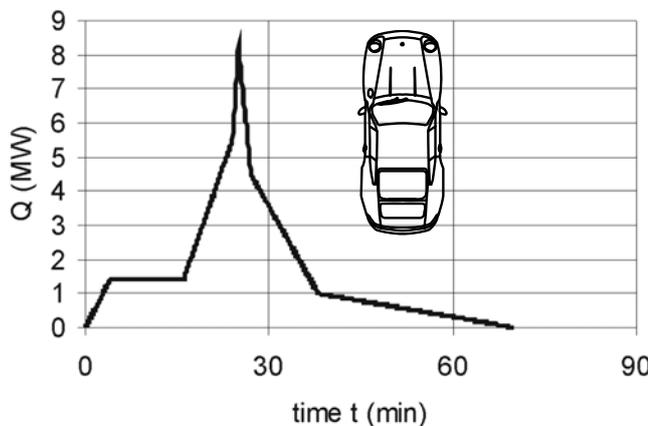
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## Rate of Heat Release of a class 3 car. Experimental evaluation Natural Fire Model



Demonstration of real fire tests in car parks and high buildings – Contract no. 7215 PP 025, Projecto Europeu

## An idealized Rate of Heat Release Curve for a car burning Natural Fire Model



Class 3	
Time (min)	Rate of heat release (MW)
0	0
4	1.4
16	1.4
24	5.5
25	8.3
27	4.5
38	1
70	0

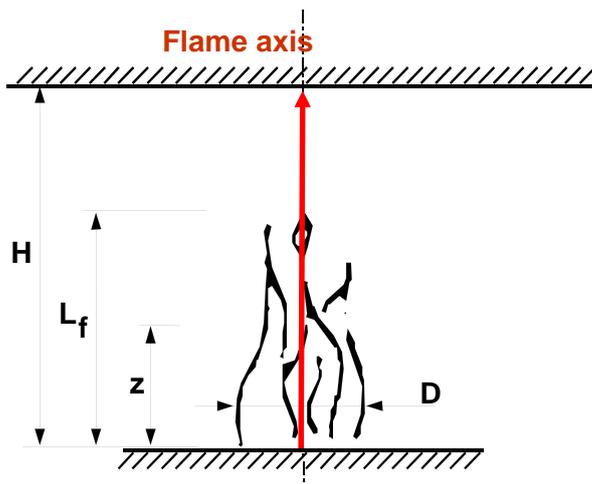
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## Localised Fire: HESKESTAD Method Natural Fire Model

Annex C of EN 1991-1-2:

- Flame is not impacting the ceiling of a compartment ( $L_f < H$ )
- Fires in open air

$$\Theta_{(z)} = 20 + 0,25 (0,8 Q_c)^{2/3} (z-z_0)^{-5/3} \leq 900^\circ\text{C}$$



The flame length  $L_f$  of a localised fire is given by :

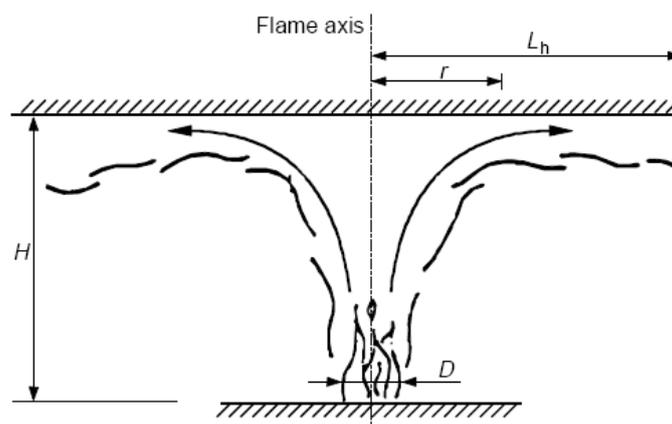
$$L_f = -1,02 D + 0,0148 Q^{2/5}$$

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## Localised Fire:HASEMI Method Natural Fire Model

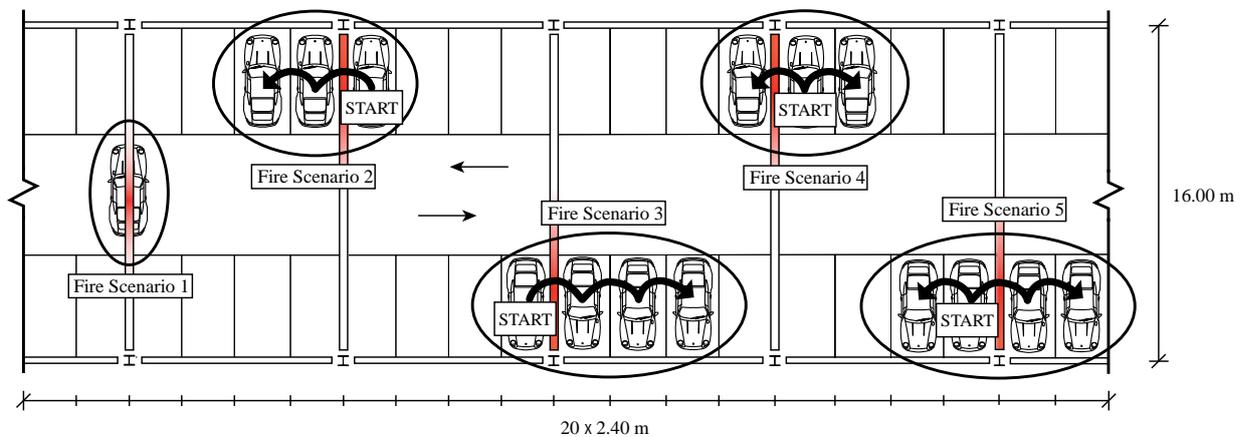
Annex C of EN 1991-1-2:

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## Localised fires in a car park Some fire scenarios



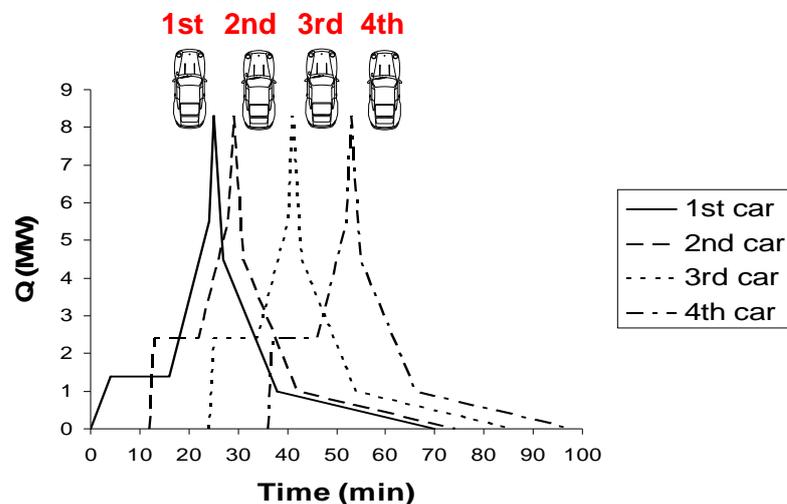
Height:  $H = 2.7\text{ m}$   
Diameter of flame:  $D = 3.9\text{ m}$

Steel Beams: IPE 500

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## Localised fire Rate of heat release of four burning cars

Curve of the rate of heat release of each car. A delay of 12 minutes between each burning car.



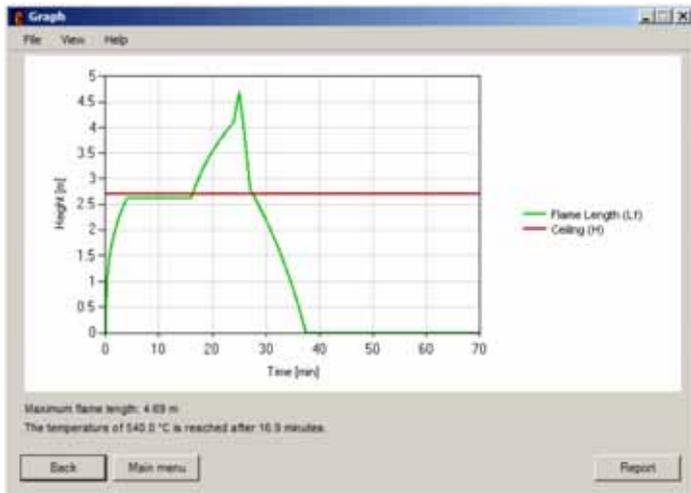
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## Two Localised fire models Flame length

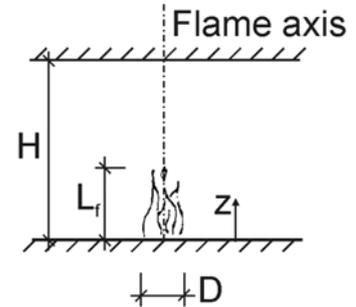
if  $L_r \geq H \Rightarrow$  Hasemi method has to be used

if  $L_r < H \Rightarrow$  Heskestad method has to be used

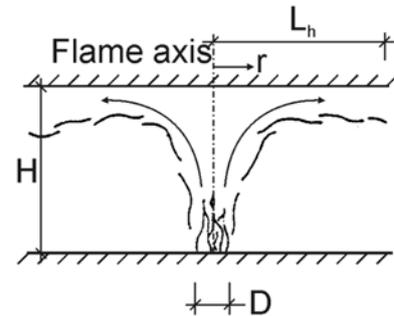


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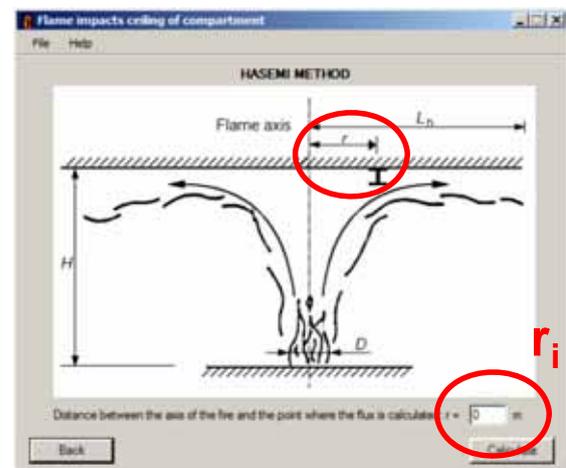
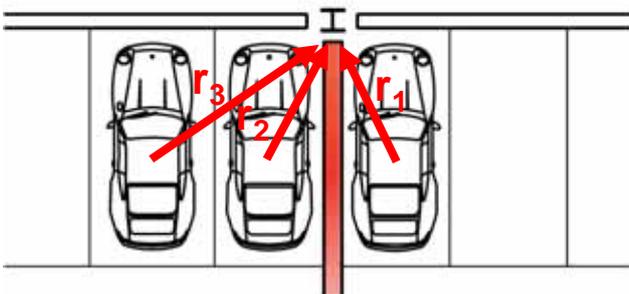
### Heskestad Method



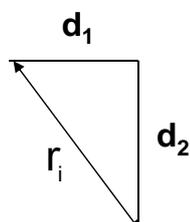
### Hasemi Method



## Hasemi method Horizontal distances



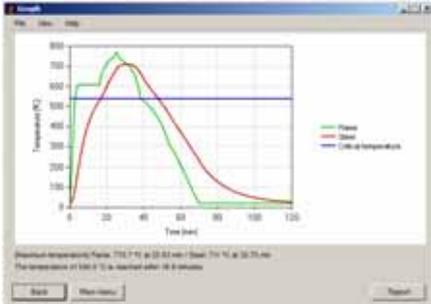
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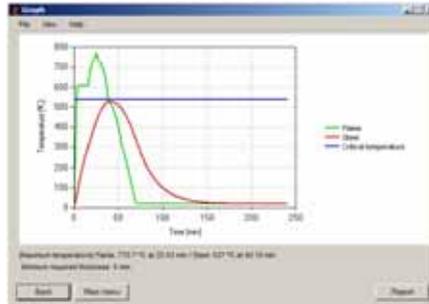
$$r_i = \sqrt{d_1^2 + d_2^2}$$

## Temperature development Gas and steel temperature

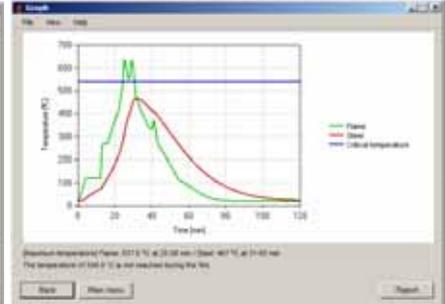
**Scenario 1: unprotected steel**  
( $\theta_{a,max} = 710.9 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ )



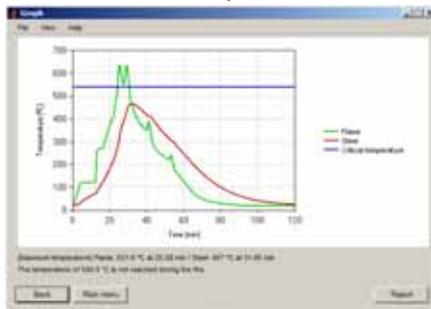
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( $\theta_{a,max} = 527 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ )



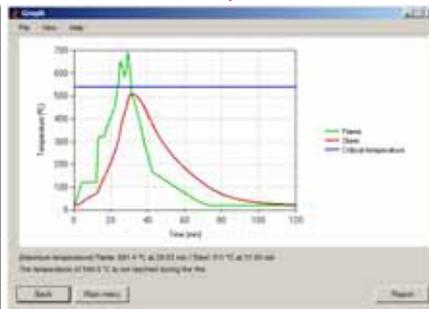
**Scenario 2**  
( $\theta_{a,max} = 466.7 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ )



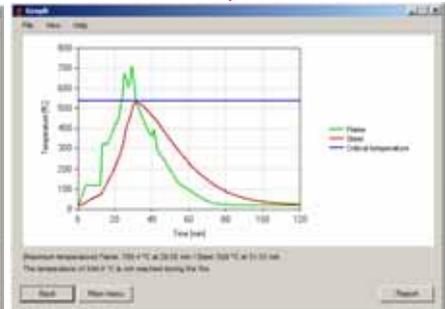
**Scenario 3 ( $\theta_{a,max} = 466.7 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ )**



**Scenario 4 ( $\theta_{a,max} = 510.9 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ )**



**Scenario 3 ( $\theta_{a,max} = 528.5 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ )**



## Parametric fire. Needed parameters Natural Fire Model

<p>Fire load density - <math>q_{f,d}</math></p> <p>Opening factor - <math>O = A_v \sqrt{h} / A_t</math></p> <p>Wall factor - <math>b = \sqrt{\rho c \lambda}</math></p>	<p style="font-size: 3em;">}</p>	<p>Temperature <math>\theta = \theta(t)</math></p>
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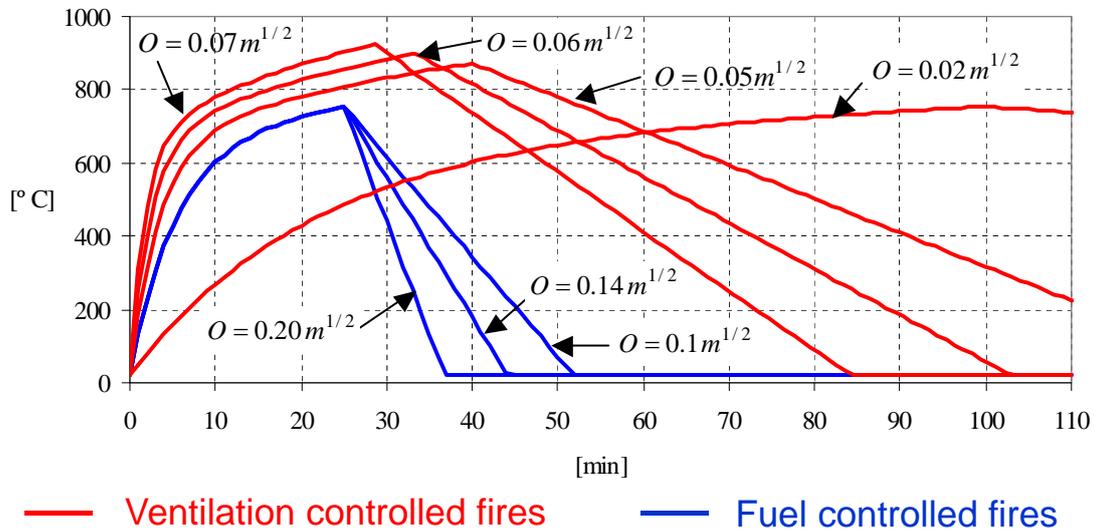
$A_v$  - area of vertical openings;  $A_t$  - total area of enclosure

Limitations :

- $A_{\text{floor}} \leq 500 \text{ m}^2$
- No horizontal openings
- $H \leq 4 \text{ m}$
- Wall factor from 1000 to 2200
- Fire load density,  $q_{t,d}$  from 50 to 1000 MJ/m<sup>2</sup>

## Parametric Fire Natural Fire Model

Annex A of EN 1991-1-2



Parametric fire curves function of -  $O$

For a given  $q_{f,d}$ ,  $b$ ,  $A_t$  and  $A_f$

## Parametric Fire - Influence of the Actives Fire Safety Measures Natural Fire Model

No Fire Active Measures					1567 = 511x0,8x1,14x1x 1x1x1x1x1x1x1x1,5x1,5x1,5
Off Site Fire Brigade					815 = 511x0,8x1,14x1x 1x1x1x1x1x1x0,78x1x1,5x1,5
Safe access routes					397 = 511x0,8x1,14x1x 1x1x1x0,73x1x1x0,78x1x1,5
Automatic Fire Detection & Alarm by Smoke					210 = 511x0,8x1,14x1x 0,61x1x1x0,73x0,87x1x0,78x1x1,5x1,5
Fire fighting devices					
Automatic water extinguishing system - Sprinklers					
Automatic alarm transmission to fire brigade					

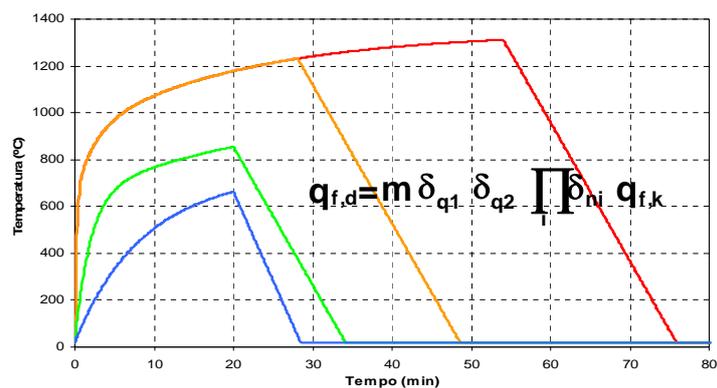
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$$A_f = 45,0 \text{ m}^2$$

$$O = 0,08 \text{ m}^{1/2}$$

$$q_{f,k} = 511 \text{ MJ/m}^2$$

$$m = 0,8$$



## Fire Design of Steel Structures

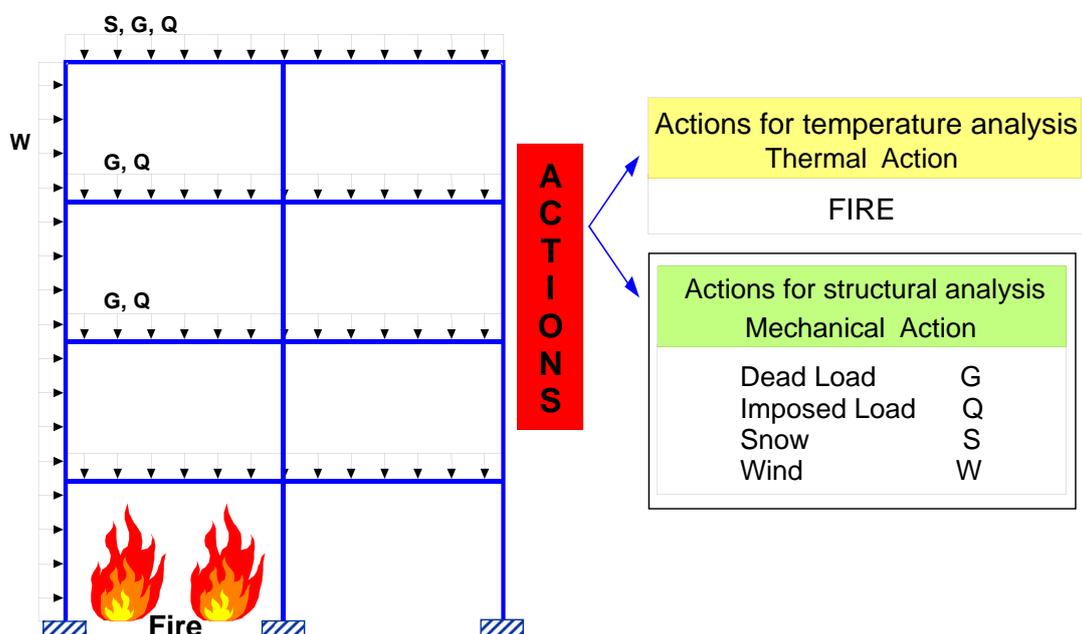
### Four steps

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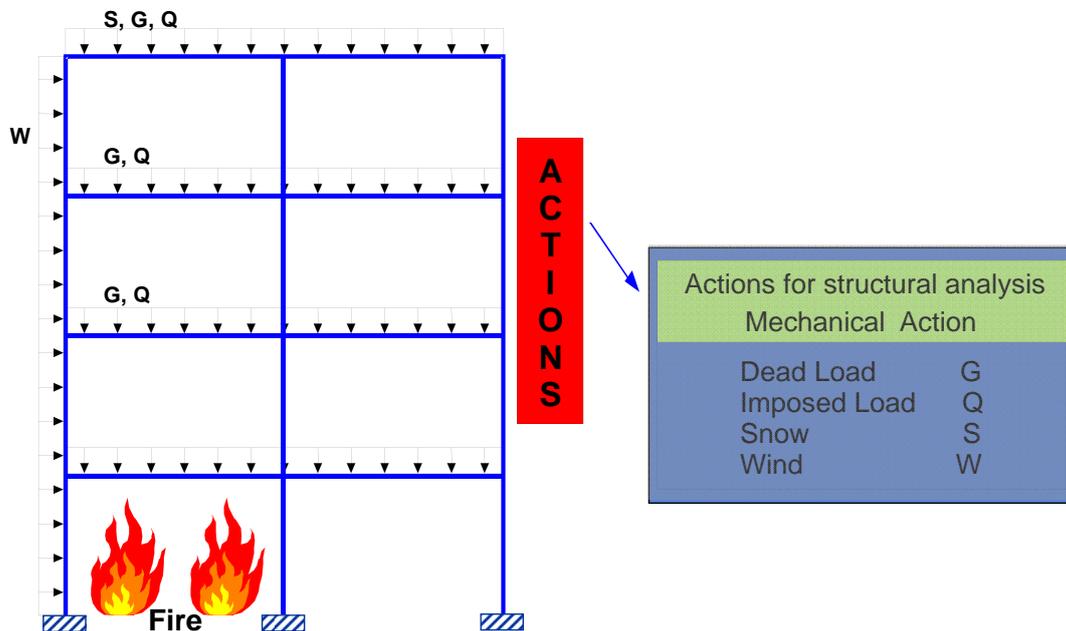
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## Actions on Structures

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## Actions on Structures



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## Combination Rules for Mechanical Actions EN 1990: Basis of Structural Design

- At room temperature (20 °C)

$$\sum_{j \geq 1} \gamma_{G,j} G_{k,j} + \gamma_{Q,1} \cdot Q_{k,1} + \sum_{i > 1} \gamma_{Q,i} \psi_{0,i} \cdot Q_{k,i}$$

- In fire situation

1. Fire is an accidental action.
2. The simultaneous occurrence of other independent accidental actions need not be considered

$$\sum_{j \geq 1} G_{k,j} + (\psi_{1,1} \text{ ou } \psi_{2,1}) \cdot Q_{k,1} + \sum_{i > 1} \psi_{2,i} \cdot Q_{k,i} + A_d$$

- $\psi_{1,1} Q_{k,1}$  – Frequent value of the representative value of the variable action  $Q_1$
- $\psi_{2,1} Q_{k,1}$  – Quasi-permanent value of the representative value of the variable action  $Q_1$
- $A_d$  – Indirect thermal action due to fire induced by the restrained thermal expansion  
may be neglected for member analysis

## Combination Rules for Mechanical Actions EN 1990: Basis of Structural Design

$$\sum_{j \geq 1} G_{k,1} + (\psi_{1,1} \text{ ou } \psi_{2,1}) \cdot Q_{k,1} + \sum_{i > 1} \psi_{2,i} \cdot Q_{k,i} + A_d$$

Action	$\Psi_1$	$\Psi_2$
Imposed loads in buildings, category (see EN 1991-1-1)	0.5	0.3
Imposed loads in congregation areas and shopping areas	0.7	0.6
Imposed loads in storage areas	0.9	0.8
vehicle weight $\leq 30$ kN	0.7	0.6
$30 \text{ kN} \leq \text{vehicle weight} \leq 160$ kN	0.5	0.3
Imposed loads in roofs	0.0	0.0
Snow (Norway, Sweden ...)	0.2	0.0
Wind loads on buildings	0.2	0.0

In some countries the National Annex recommends  $\Psi_1, Q_1$ , so that wind is always considered and so horizontal actions are always taken into account

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## Thermal response

### Heat conduction equation

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \lambda \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial x} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \lambda \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial y} \right) + \dot{Q} = \rho c_p \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial t}$$

### Boundary conditions

$$q_c = h_c (\theta - \theta_\infty) \quad \text{convection}$$

$$q_r = \beta \varepsilon (\theta^4 - \theta_a^4) = \underbrace{\beta \varepsilon (\theta^2 + \theta_a^2)(\theta + \theta_a)}_{h_r} (\theta - \theta_a) \quad \text{radiation}$$

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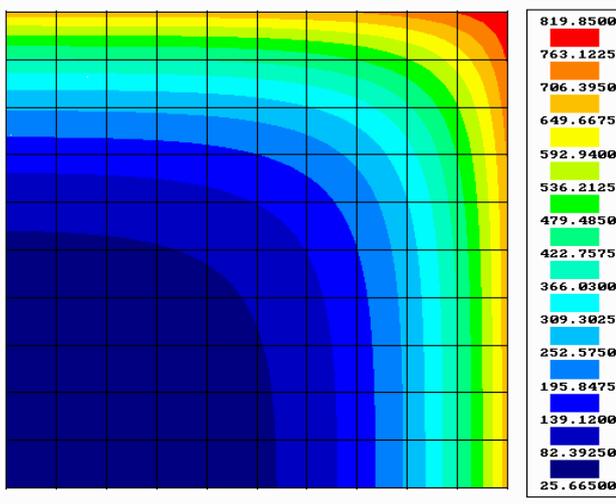
## Thermal response

### Temperature field by Finite Element Method – After 30 min. ISO

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \lambda \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial x} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \lambda \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial y} \right) + \dot{Q} = \rho c_p \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial t}$$

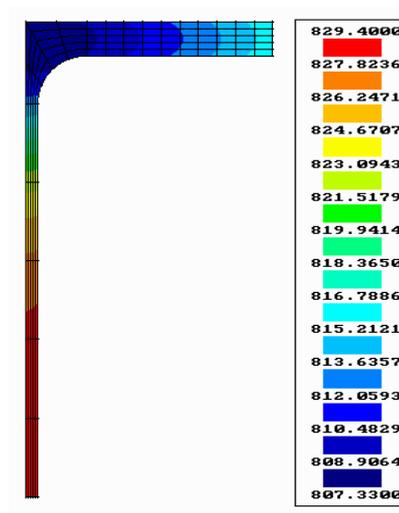
**Note: this equation can be simplified for the case of current steel profiles**

Concrete (30x30 cm<sup>2</sup>)



$\Delta T = 794 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

Steel (IPE300)



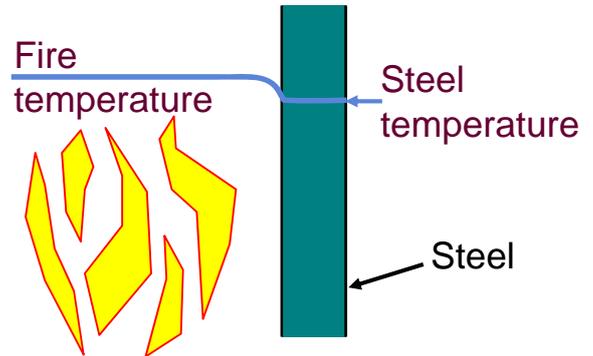
$\Delta T = 22 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

## Temperature increase of unprotected steel

### Simplified equation of EC3

Temperature increase in time step  $\Delta t$ :

$$\Delta\theta_{a.t} = k_{sh} \frac{A_m/V}{c_a \rho_a} \dot{h}_{net,d} \Delta t$$



Heat flux  $\dot{h}_{net,d}$  has 2 parts:

Radiation:

$$\dot{h}_{net,r} = 5,67 \times 10^{-8} \Phi \epsilon_f \epsilon_m \left( (\theta_r + 273)^4 - (\theta_m + 273)^4 \right)$$

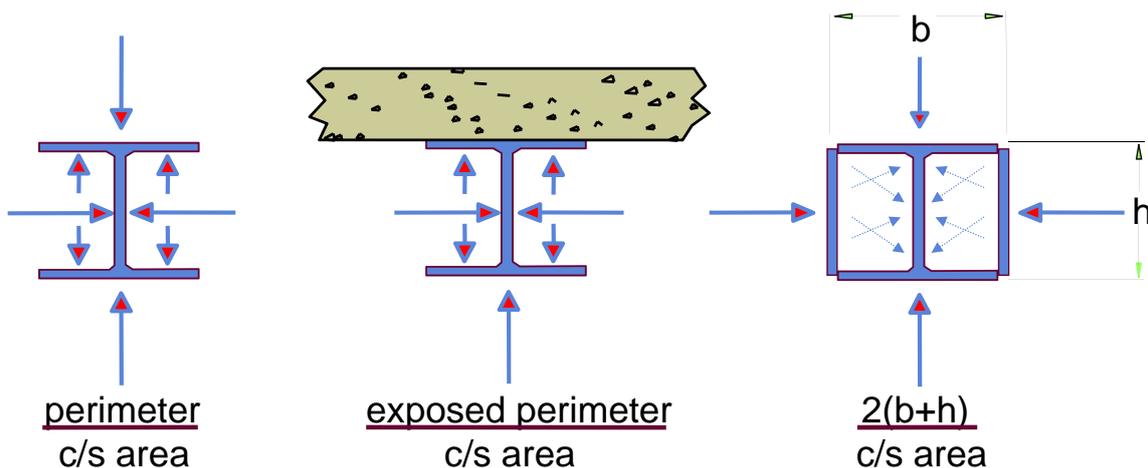
Convection:

$$\dot{h}_{net,c} = \alpha_c (\theta_g - \theta_m)$$

## Section factor $A_m/V$

### Unprotected steel members

$$\Delta\theta_{a.t} = k_{sh} \frac{A_m/V}{c_a \rho_a} \dot{h}_{net,d} \Delta t$$



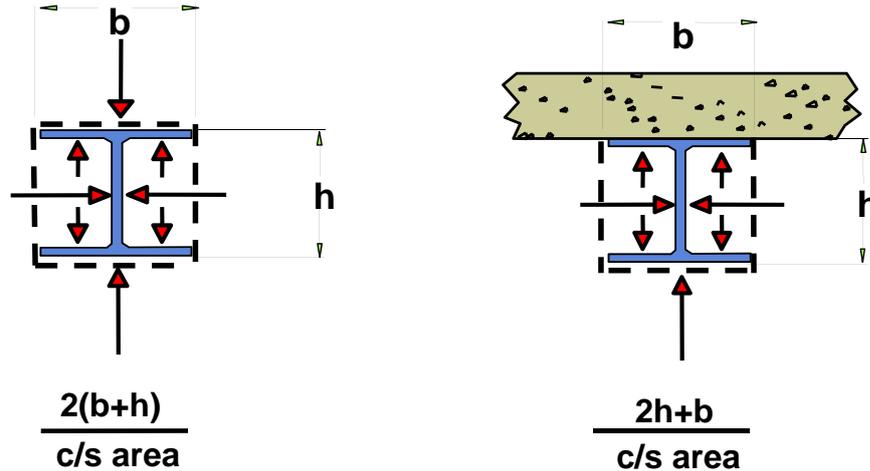
### Correction factor for the Shadow effect $k_{sh}$

For I-sections under nominal fire:  $k_{sh} = 0.9 [A_m/V]_b/[A_m/V]$

In all other cases:  $k_{sh} = [A_m/V]_b/[A_m/V]$

For cross-sections convex shape:  $k_{sh} = 1$

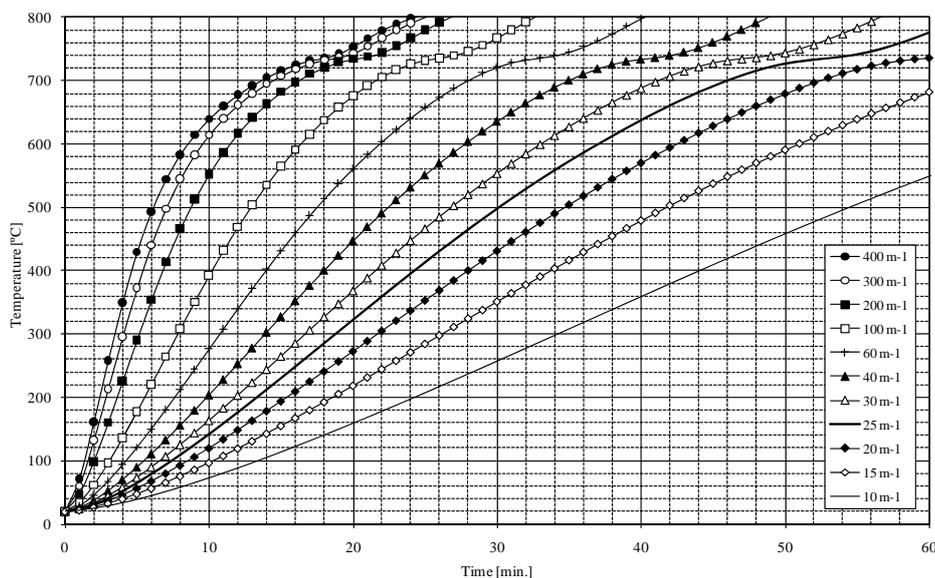
$[A_m/V]_b$  - Section factor as the profile has a hollow encasement fire protection



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### Nomogram for temperature Unprotected steel profiles

Nomogram for unprotected steel members subjected to the ISO 834 fire curve, for different values of  $k_{sh} \cdot Am/V [m^{-1}]$



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## Structural fire protection

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### Passive Protection

#### Insulating Board

Gypsum, Mineral fibre, Vermiculite.  
 Easy to apply, aesthetically acceptable.  
 Difficulties with complex details.

#### Cementitious Sprays

Mineral fibre or vermiculite in cement binder.  
 Cheap to apply, but messy; clean-up may be expensive.  
 Poor aesthetics; normally used behind suspended ceilings.

#### Intumescent Paints

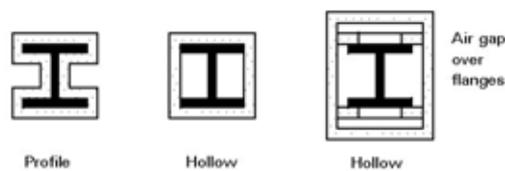
Decorative finish under normal conditions.  
 Expands on heating to produce insulating layer.  
 Can be done off-site.

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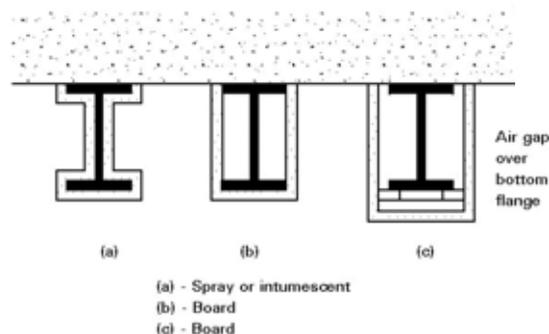
## Structural fire protection

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### Columns:



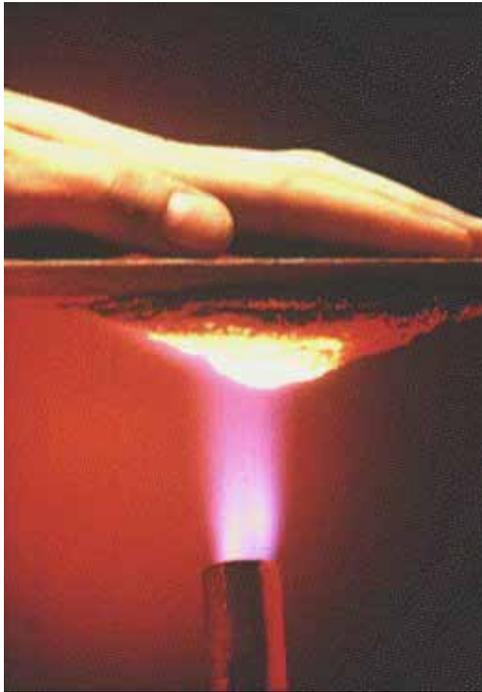
### Beams:



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**Structural fire protection**  
**Intumescent paint**

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**Structural fire protection**  
**Cementitious Sprays**

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## Structural fire protection Insulating Board



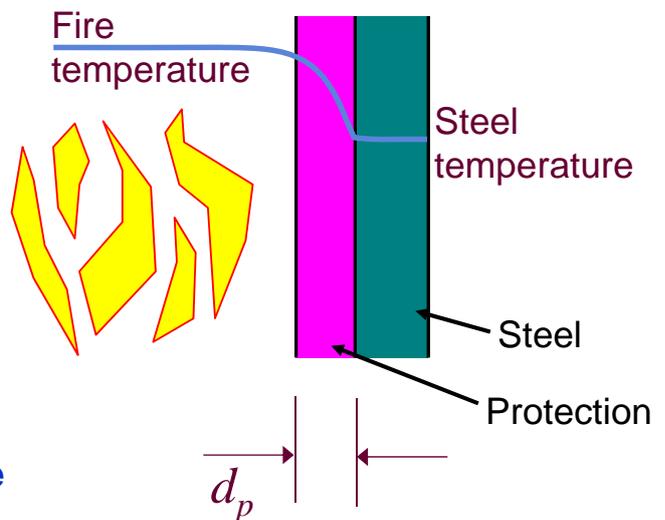
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## Temperature increase of protected steel Simplified equation of EC3

- Some heat stored in protection layer.
- Heat stored in protection layer relative to heat stored in steel

$$\phi = \frac{c_p \rho_p}{c_a \rho_a} d_p \frac{A_p}{V}$$

- Temperature rise of steel in time increment  $\Delta t$

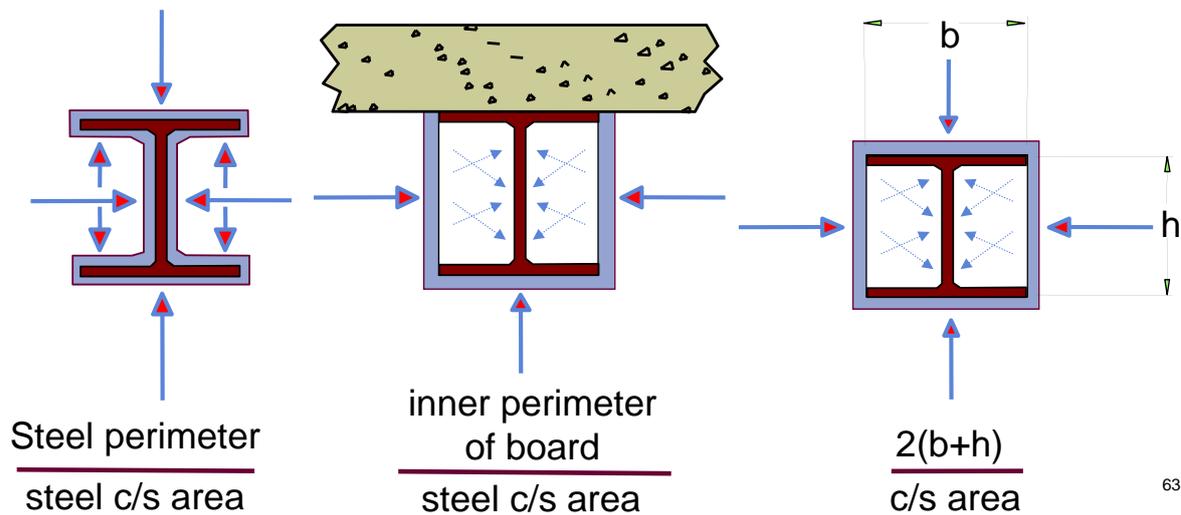


$$\Delta\theta_{a,t} = \frac{\lambda_p / d_p}{c_a \rho_a} \frac{A_p}{V} \left( \frac{1}{1 + \phi/3} \right) (\theta_{g,t} - \theta_{a,t}) \Delta t - (e^{\phi/10} - 1) \Delta\theta_{g,t}$$

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## Section factor $A_p/V$ Protected steel members

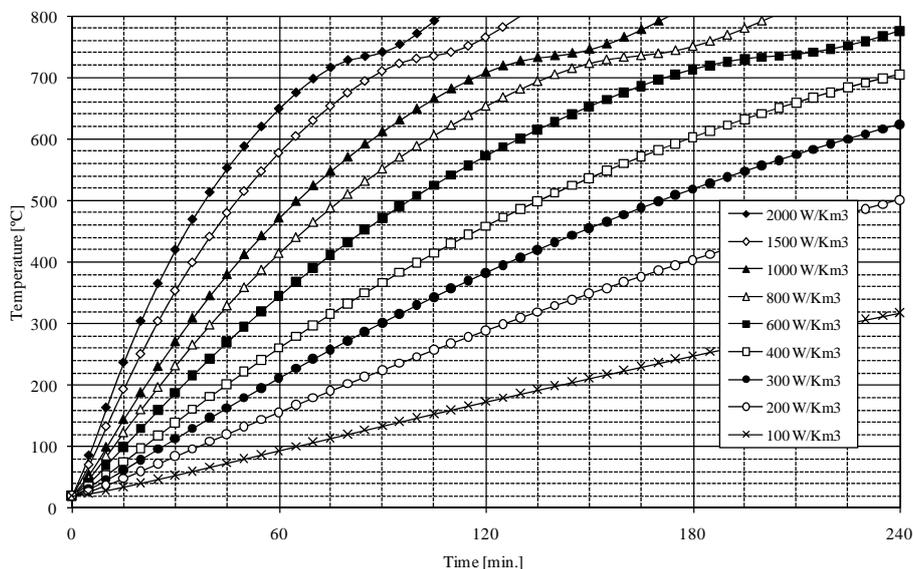
$$\Delta\theta_{a,t} = \frac{\lambda_p/d_p}{c_a\rho_a} \left( \frac{A_p}{V} \left( \frac{1}{1+\phi/3} \right) \right) (\theta_{g,t} - \theta_{a,t}) \Delta t - (e^{\phi/10} - 1) \Delta\theta_{g,t}$$



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## Nomogram for temperature Protected steel profiles

Nomogram for unprotected steel members subjected to the ISO 834 fire curve, for different values of  $[A_p/V][\lambda_p/d_p]$  [W/Km<sup>3</sup>]



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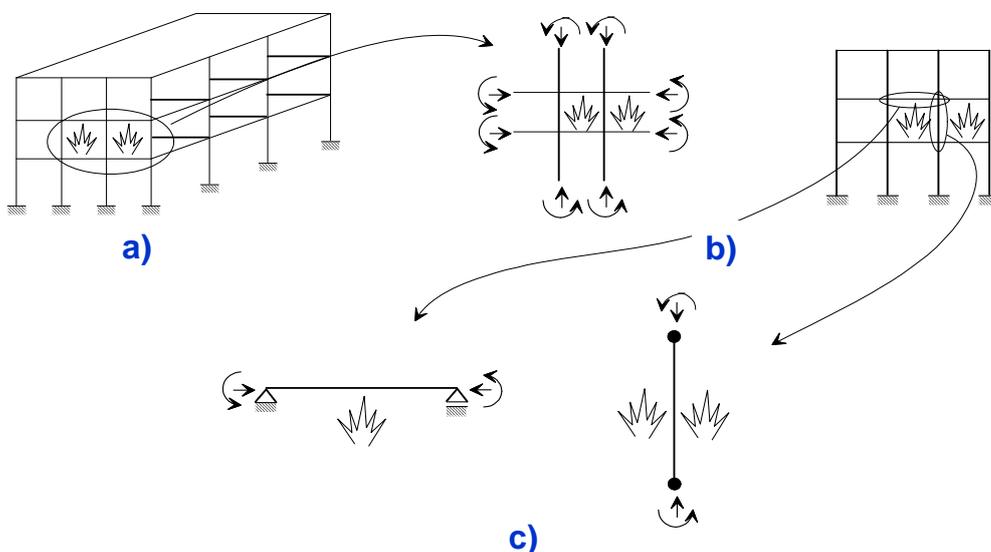
## Fire Design of Steel Structures Four Steps

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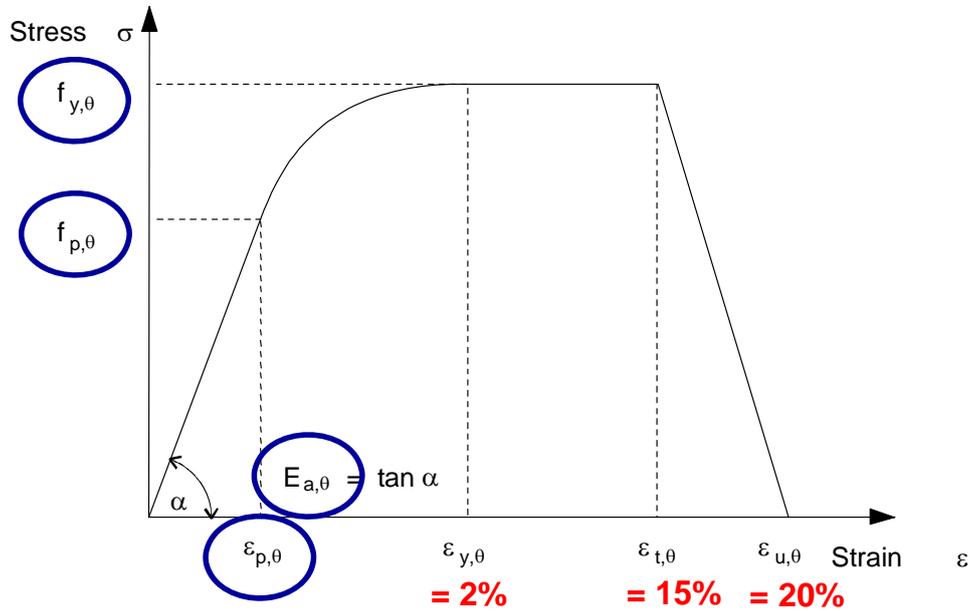
## Degree of simplification of the structure

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Analysis of: a) Global structure; b) Parts of the structure; c) Members

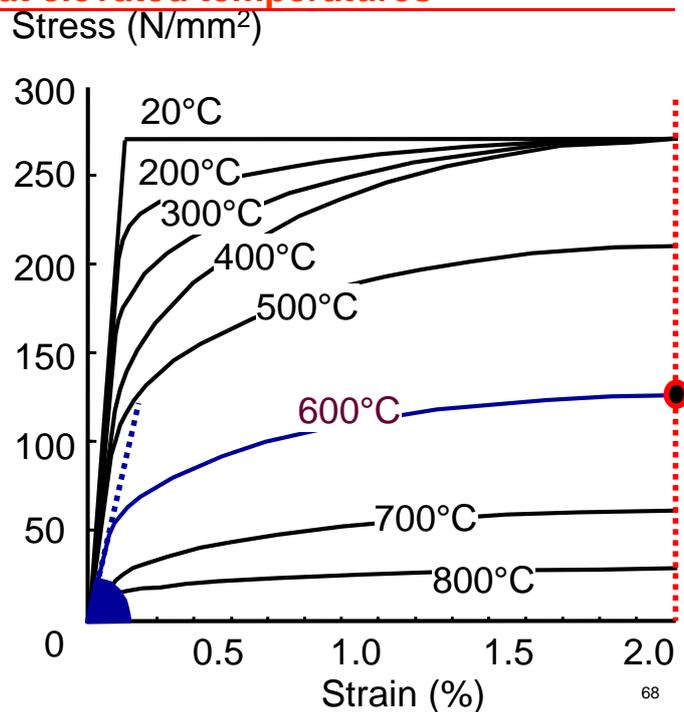
## Mechanical properties of carbon steel Stress-strain relationship at elevated temperatures



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## Mechanical properties of carbon steel Stress-strain relationship at elevated temperatures

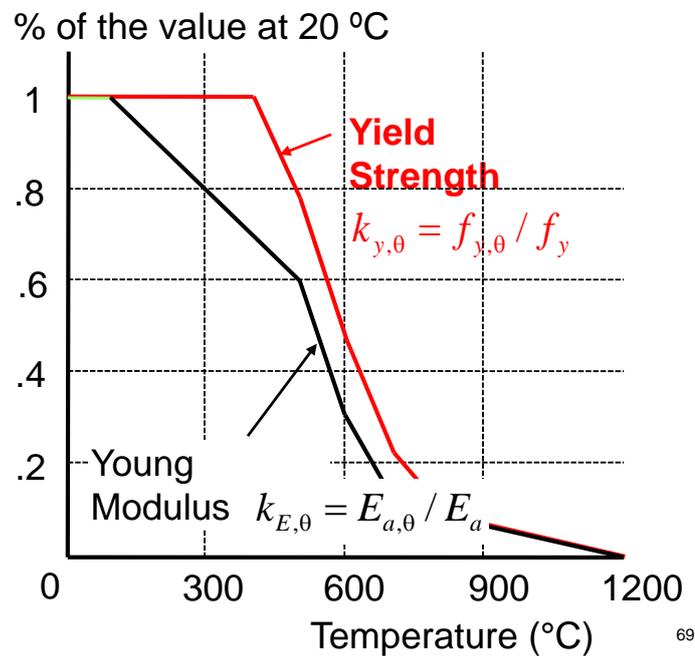
- ◆ Strength/stiffness reduction factors for elastic modulus and yield strength (2% total strain).
- ◆ Elastic modulus at 600°C reduced by about 70%.
- ◆ Yield strength at 600°C reduced by over 50%.



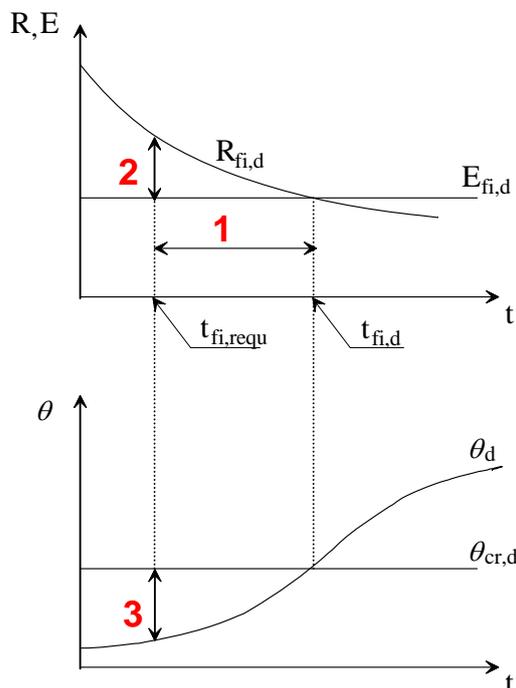
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## Reduction factors for stress-strain relationship of carbon steel at elevated temperatures

Steel Temperature $\theta_s$	Reduction factors at temperature $\theta_s$ relative to the value of $f_y$ or $E_s$ at 20°C		
	Reduction factor (relative to $f_y$ ) for effective yield strength $k_{y,\theta} = f_{y,\theta} / f_y$	Reduction factor (relative to $f_y$ ) for proportional limit $k_{p,\theta} = f_{p,\theta} / f_y$	Reduction factor (relative to $E_s$ ) for the slope of the linear elastic range $k_{E,\theta} = E_{s,\theta} / E_s$
20°C	1,000	1,000	1,000
100°C	1,000	1,000	1,000
200°C	1,000	0,807	0,900
300°C	1,000	0,613	0,800
400°C	1,000	0,420	0,700
500°C	0,780	0,360	0,600
600°C	0,470	0,180	0,310
700°C	0,230	0,075	0,130
800°C	0,110	0,050	0,090
900°C	0,060	0,0375	0,0675
1000°C	0,040	0,0250	0,0450
1100°C	0,020	0,0125	0,0225
1200°C	0,000	0,0000	0,0000

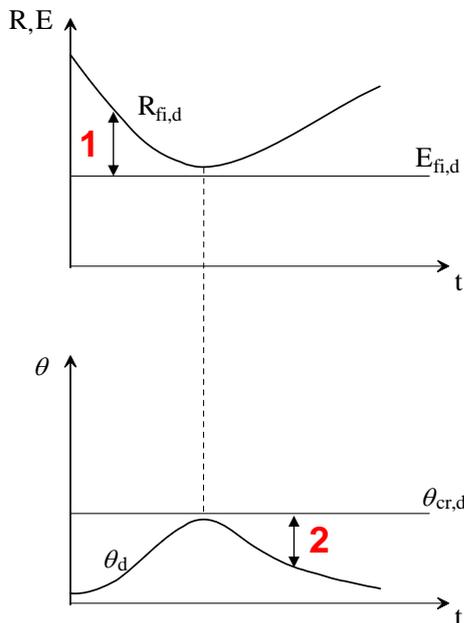


## Checking Fire Resistance: Strategies with nominal fires



1. Time:  
 $t_{fi,d} > t_{fi,requ}$
2. Load resistance:  
 $R_{fi,d,t} > E_{fi,d}$
3. Temperature:  
 $\theta_d < \theta_{cr,d}$

## Checking Fire Resistance: Strategies with natural fires



### 1. Load resistance:

$$R_{fi,d,t} > E_{fi,d}$$

collapse is prevented during the complete duration of the fire including the decay phase or during a required period of time.

### 2. Temperature:

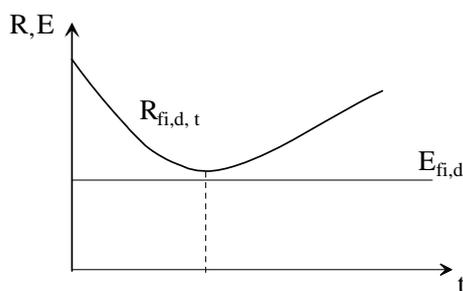
$$\theta_d < \theta_{cr,d}$$

collapse is prevented during the complete duration of the fire including the decay phase or during a required period of time.

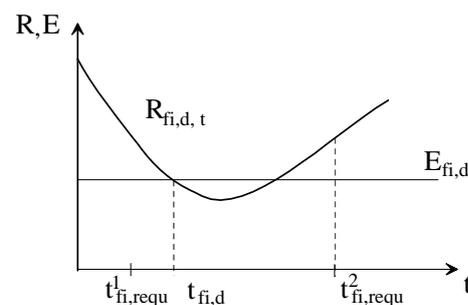
**Note:** With the agreement of authorities, verification in the time domain can be also performed. The required period of time defining the fire resistance must be accepted by the authorities.

## Checking Fire Resistance: Strategies with natural fires

The **Load-bearing function** is ensured if collapse is prevented during the complete duration of the fire including the decay phase, or during a required period of time.



Collapse is prevented during the complete duration of the fire including the decay phase.



Collapse is prevented during a required period of time,  $t_{fi,requ}^1$ .

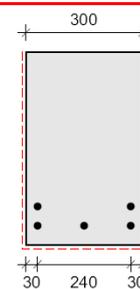
## Design methods

- Tabulated data (EC2, EC4, EC6)
- Simple calculation models (All the Eurocodes)
- Advanced calculation models (All the Eurocodes)

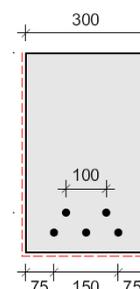
## Eurocode 2: Tabulated data Fire resistance of a RC beam

Table 5.5: Minimum dimensions and axis distances for simply supported beams made with reinforced and prestressed concrete

Standard fire resistance	Minimum dimensions (mm)						
	Possible combinations of $a$ and $b_{min}$ where $a$ is the average axis distance and $b_{min}$ is the width of beam				Web thickness $b_w$		
					Class WA	Class WB	Class WC
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
R 30	$b_{min}=80$ $a=25$	120 20	160 15*	200 15*	80	80	80
a) R 60	$b_{min}=120$ $a=40$	160 35	200 30	300 25	100	80	100
R 90	$b_{min}=150$ $a=55$	200 45	300 40	400 35	110	100	100
b) R 120	$b_{min}=200$ $a=65$	240 60	300 55	500 50	130	120	120
R 180	$b_{min}=240$ $a=80$	300 70	400 65	600 60	150	150	140
R 240	$b_{min}=280$ $a=90$	350 80	500 75	700 70	170	170	160
$a_{ud} = a + 10\text{mm}$ (see note below)							
For prestressed beams the increase of axis distance according to 5.2(5) should be noted.							
$a_{ud}$ is the axis distance to the side of beam for the corner bars (or tendon or wire) of beams with only one layer of reinforcement. For values of $b_{min}$ greater than that given in Column 4 no increase of $a_{ud}$ is required.							
* Normally the cover required by EN 1992-1-1 will control.							



a) R 60



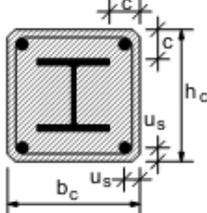
b) R 180

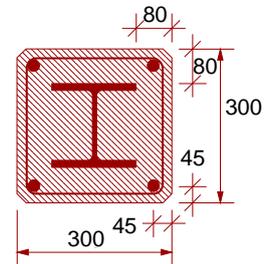
## Eurocode 4: Tabulated data

### Fire resistance of a RC column

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**Table 4.4: Minimum cross-sectional dimensions, minimum concrete cover of the steel section and minimum axis distance of the reinforcing bars, of composite columns made of totally encased steel sections.**

		Standard Fire Resistance					
		R30	R60	R90	R120	R180	R240
1.1	Minimum dimensions $h_c$ and $b_c$ [mm]	150	180	220	300	350	400
1.2	minimum concrete cover of steel section $c$ [mm]	40	50	50	75	75	75
1.3	minimum axis distance of reinforcing bars $u_s$ [mm]	20*	30	30	40	50	50
or							
2.1	Minimum dimensions $h_c$ and $b_c$ [mm]	-	200	250	350	400	-
2.2	minimum concrete cover of steel section $c$ [mm]	-	40	40	50	60	-
2.3	minimum axis distance of reinforcing bars $u_s$ [mm]	-	20*	20*	30	40	-



R 120

NOTE: \*) These values have to be checked according to 4.4.1.2 of EN 1992-1-1

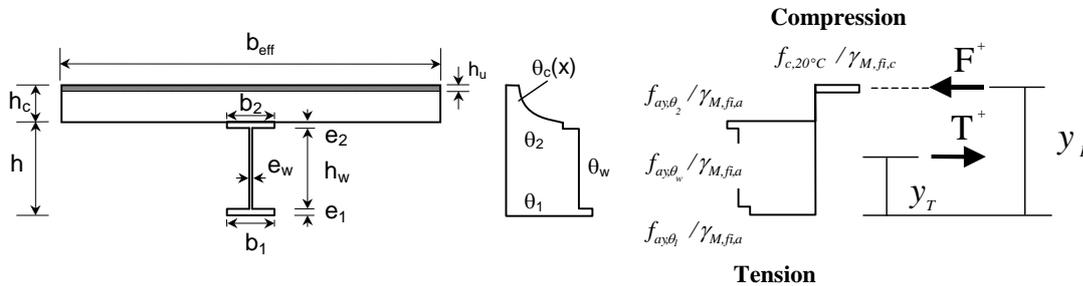
## Design procedures

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- Tabulated data (EC2, EC4, EC6)
- Simple calculation models (All the Eurocodes)
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## Eurocode 4: Simple calculation model

### Sagging moment resistance of a composite beam

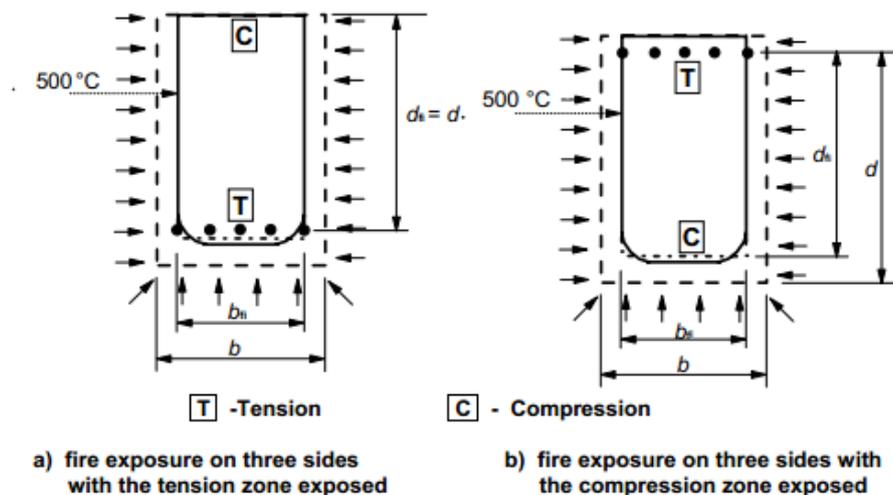


$$M_{fi,Rd^+} = T (y_F - y_T)$$

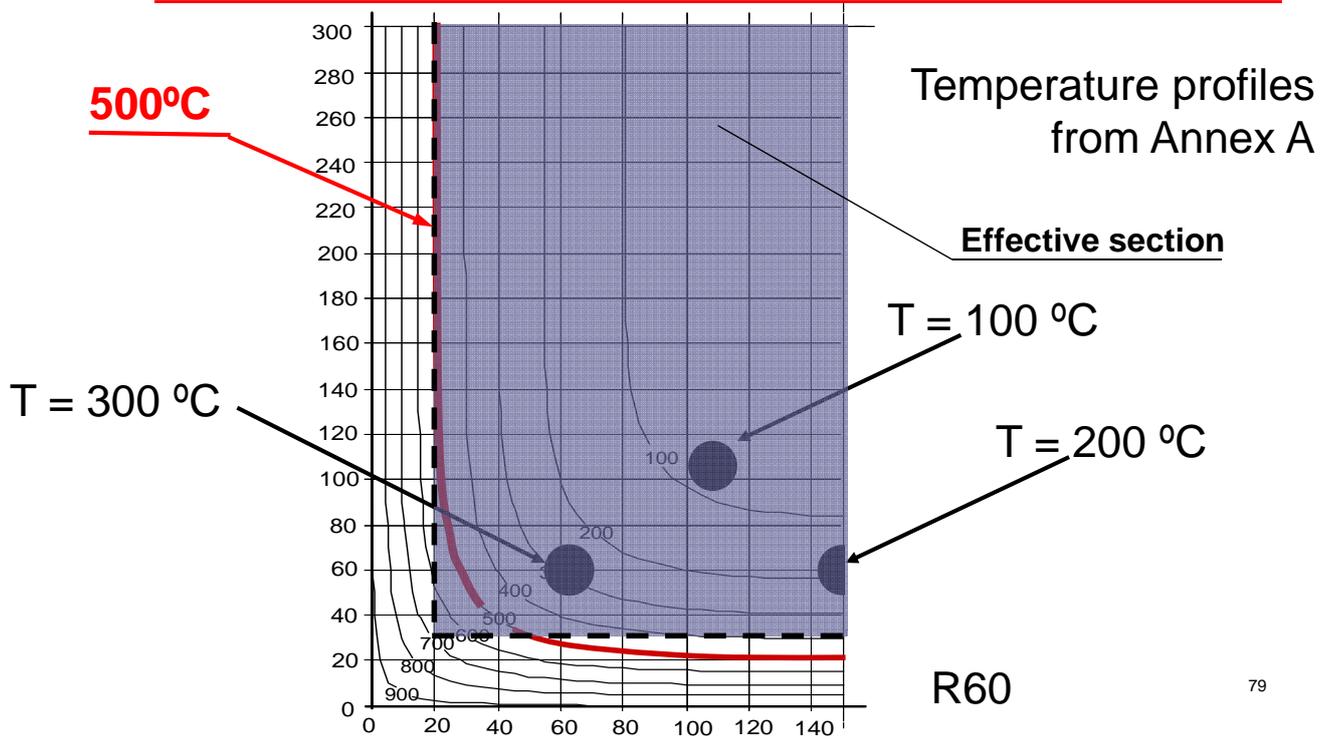
## Eurocode 2: Simplified calculation model

### 500°C isotherm method

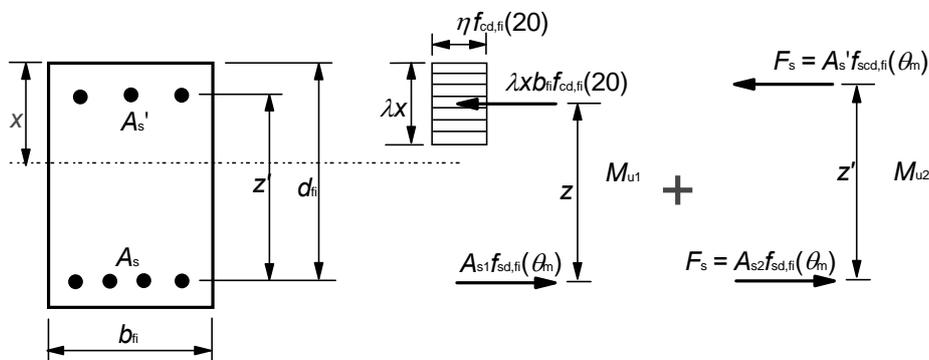
Damaged concrete, i.e. concrete with temperatures in excess of 500°C, is assumed not to contribute to the load bearing capacity of the member, whilst the residual concrete cross-section retains its initial values of strength and modulus of elasticity.



**Eurocode 2: Simplified calculation model**  
**500°C isotherm method – RC beam**



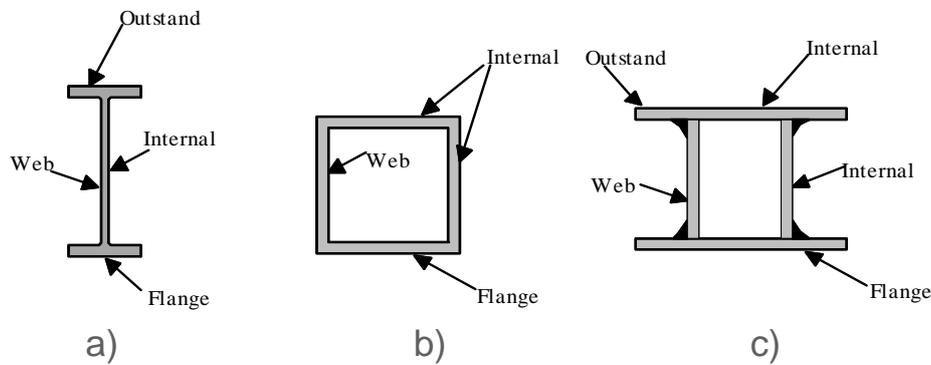
**Eurocode 2: Simplified calculation model**  
**Sagging moment resistance of a RC beam**



## Eurocode 3

### Classification of the cross-sections - 1

Steel profiles can be considered as an assembly of individual plates



Internal and outstand elements

a) Rolled section; b) Hollow section; c) Welded section

## Eurocode 3

### Classification of the cross-sections - 2

The slenderness of the compression plates is a key parameter when studying the local buckling of plates

$$\bar{\lambda}_p = \sqrt{\frac{f_y}{\sigma_{cr}}} = \sqrt{\frac{f_y}{k_\sigma \frac{\pi^2 E t^2}{12(1-\nu^2) b^2}}} = \frac{b/t}{\sqrt{k_\sigma}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{\pi^2}{12(1-\nu^2)} \frac{E}{f_y}}} =$$

$$= \frac{b/t}{28.4 \sqrt{k_\sigma}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{235}{f_y} \frac{E}{210000}}} = \frac{b/t}{28.4 \sqrt{k_\sigma}} \frac{1}{\varepsilon} = \frac{b/t}{28.4 \varepsilon \sqrt{k_\sigma}}$$

$$\varepsilon = \sqrt{\frac{235}{f_y}} \sqrt{\frac{E}{210000}} \quad \text{with } f_y \text{ and } E \text{ in MPa}$$

This parameter is widely used in EC3

### Classification of the cross-sections - 3

Cross-sections are classified based on the parameter

$$\varepsilon = \sqrt{\frac{235}{f_y}} \sqrt{\frac{E}{210000}} \quad \text{with } f_y \text{ and } E \text{ in MPa}$$

For the case of carbon steel at normal temperature the, Young modulus takes the value 210 GPa:

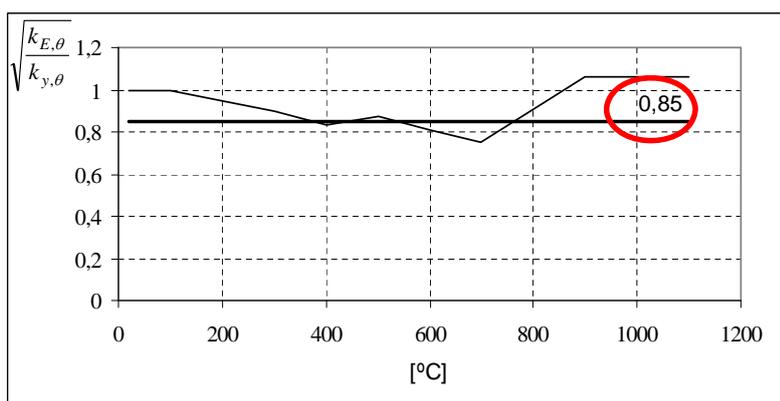
- At normal temperature  $\Rightarrow \varepsilon = \sqrt{\frac{235}{f_y}} \sqrt{\frac{210000}{210000}} = \sqrt{\frac{235}{f_y}}$

- At elevated temperature  $\Rightarrow$  See next slide  $\Rightarrow$

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### Classification of the cross-sections - 4

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon_{\theta} &= \sqrt{\frac{235}{f_{y,\theta}}} \sqrt{\frac{E_{\theta}}{210000}} = \sqrt{\frac{235}{k_{y,\theta} f_y}} \sqrt{\frac{k_{E,\theta} E}{210000}} = \sqrt{\frac{k_{E,\theta}}{k_{y,\theta}}} \sqrt{\frac{235}{f_y}} \sqrt{\frac{E}{210000}} = \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{k_{E,\theta}}{k_{y,\theta}}} \sqrt{\frac{235}{f_y}} \approx 0.85 \sqrt{\frac{235}{f_y}} = 0.85\varepsilon \end{aligned}$$



$$\varepsilon_{\theta} = 0.85 \sqrt{\frac{235}{f_y}} = 0.85\varepsilon$$

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### Classification of the cross-sections - 5

For carbon steel:

$$\varepsilon = 0.85 \sqrt{\frac{235}{f_y}} \text{ and tables from EN 1993-1-1}$$

Element	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3
Flange	$c / t = 9 \varepsilon$	$c / t = 10 \varepsilon$	$c / t = 14 \varepsilon$
Web subjected to compression	$c / t = 33 \varepsilon$	$c / t = 38 \varepsilon$	$c / t = 42 \varepsilon$
Web subjected to bending	$c / t = 72 \varepsilon$	$c / t = 83 \varepsilon$	$c / t = 124 \varepsilon$

For stainless steel:

$$\varepsilon_{\theta} = 0.85 \sqrt{\frac{235}{f_y} \frac{E}{210000}} \text{ and tables from EN 1993-1-4}$$

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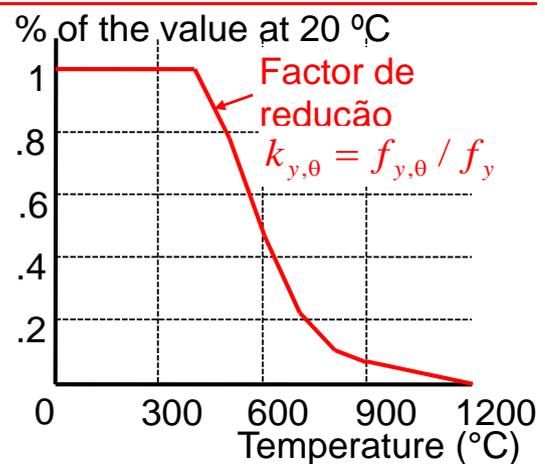
### Eurocode 3: Fire Resistance: Tension members - 1

- The design resistance of a tension member with uniform temperature  $\theta_a$  is:

$$N_{fi,\theta,Rd} = k_{y,\theta} A f_y / \gamma_{M,fi}$$

or

$$N_{fi,\theta,Rd} = k_{y,\theta} N_{Rd} [\gamma_{M0} / \gamma_{M,fi}]$$



$N_{Rd}$  = design resistance of the cross-section  $N_{pl,Rd}$  for normal temperature design

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### Eurocode 3: Fire Resistance: Compression members with Class 1, 2 or 3 cross-sections - 1

- Design buckling resistance of a compression member with uniform temperature  $\theta_a$  is

$$N_{b,fi,\theta,Rd} = \chi_{fi} A k_{y,\theta} f_y \frac{1}{\gamma_{M,fi}}$$

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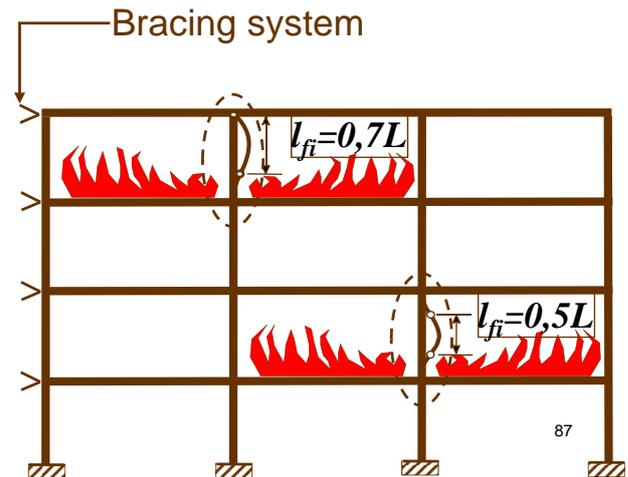
$$\chi_{fi} = \frac{1}{\phi_{\theta} + \sqrt{\phi_{\theta}^2 - \bar{\lambda}_{\theta}^2}}$$

$$\phi_{\theta} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ 1 + \alpha \bar{\lambda}_{\theta} + \bar{\lambda}_{\theta}^2 \right]$$

$$\alpha = 0.65 \sqrt{235 / f_y} \quad (\text{Curves a, b, c, d, a}_0)$$

- Non-dimensional slenderness:

$$\bar{\lambda}_{\theta} = \bar{\lambda} \sqrt{k_{y,\theta} / k_{E,\theta}}$$



### Eurocode 3: Fire Resistance: Laterally restrained beams with Class 1, 2 or 3 cross-sections with uniform temperature - 1

- The design moment resistance of a Class 1, 2 or Class 3 cross-section with a uniform temperature  $\theta_a$  is:

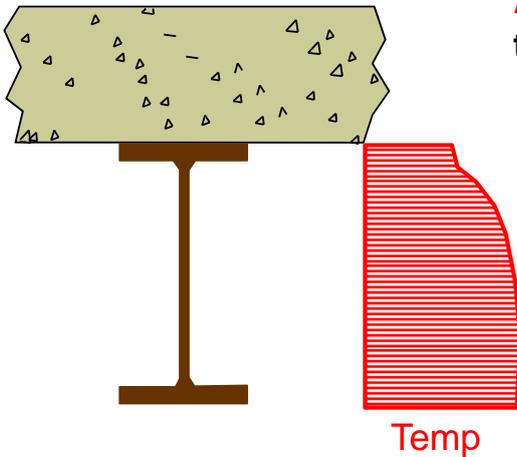
$$M_{fi,\theta,Rd} = M_{Rd} k_{y,\theta} \left( \frac{\gamma_{MO}}{\gamma_{M,fi}} \right)$$

$$M_{Rd} = M_{pl,Rd} - \text{Class 1 or 2 cross-sections}$$

$$M_{Rd} = M_{el,Rd} - \text{Class 3 cross-sections}$$

**Eurocode 3: Fire Resistance: Laterally restrained beams with Class 1, 2 or 3 cross-sections with non-uniform temperature - 2**

**Adaptation factors to take into account the non-uniform temperature distribution**



**Moment Resistance:**

$$M_{fi,\theta,Rd} = M_{Rd} k_{y,\theta} \left( \frac{\gamma_{M0}}{\gamma_{M,fi}} \right) \frac{1}{K_1 K_2}$$

$K_1$  is an adaptation factor for non-uniform temperature across the cross-section



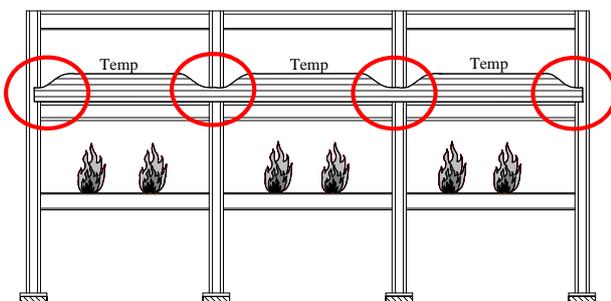
$K_1=1,0$  for a beam exposed on all four sides

$K_1=0,7$  for an unprotected beam exposed on three sides

$K_1=0,85$  for a protected beam exposed on three sides <sup>89</sup>

**Eurocode 3: Fire Resistance: Laterally restrained beams with Class 1, 2 or 3 cross-sections with non-uniform temperature - 3**

**Adaptation factors to take into account the non-uniform temperature distribution**



**Moment Resistance:**

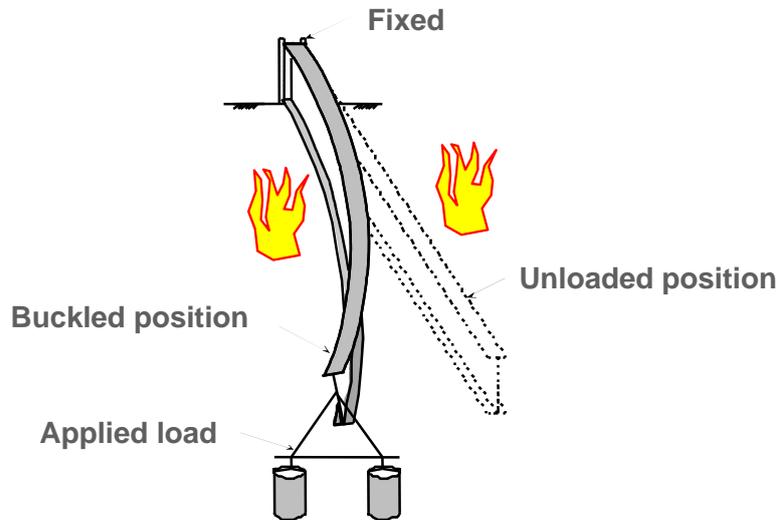
$$M_{fi,\theta,Rd} = M_{Rd} k_{y,\theta} \left( \frac{\gamma_{M0}}{\gamma_{M,fi}} \right) \frac{1}{K_1 K_2}$$

$K_2$  is an adaptation factor for non-uniform temperature along the beam.

$K_2=0,85$  at the supports of a statically indeterminate beam

$K_2=1.0$  in all other cases

## Eurocode 3: Fire Resistance: Laterally unrestrained beams - 1



### Lateral-torsional buckling

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## Eurocode 3: Fire Resistance: Laterally unrestrained beams - 2

- Design lateral torsional buckling resistance moment of a laterally unrestrained beam at the max. temp. in the comp. flange  $\theta_{a,com}$  is  $\rightarrow$
- $\chi_{LT,fi}$  the reduction factor for lateral-torsional buckling in the fire design situation.

$$M_{b,fi,Rd} = \chi_{LT,fi} W_y k_{y,\theta,com} f_y \frac{1}{\gamma_{M,fi}}$$

$$\chi_{LT,fi} = \frac{1}{\phi_{LT,\theta,com} + \sqrt{[\phi_{LT,\theta,com}]^2 - [\bar{\lambda}_{LT,\theta,com}]^2}}$$

$$\bar{\lambda}_{LT,\theta,com} = \bar{\lambda}_{LT} \sqrt{k_{y,\theta,com} / k_{E,\theta,com}}$$

$$\phi_{LT,\theta,com} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ 1 + \alpha \bar{\lambda}_{LT,\theta,com} + (\bar{\lambda}_{LT,\theta,com})^2 \right]$$

$$\bar{\lambda}_{LT} = \sqrt{\frac{W_y f_y}{M_{cr}}}$$

$$\alpha = 0.65 \sqrt{235 / f_y}$$

(Curves a, b, c, d)

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## Eurocode 3: Fire Resistance Shear Resistance

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Design shear resistance

$$V_{fi,t,Rd} = k_{y,\theta,web} V_{Rd} \left( \frac{\gamma_{M,0}}{\gamma_{M,fi}} \right)$$

$V_{Rd}$  is the shear resistance of the gross cross-section for normal temperature design, according to EN 1993-1-1.

$\theta_{web}$  is the average temperature in the web of the section.

$k_{y,\theta,web}$  is the reduction factor for the yield strength of steel at the steel temperature  $\theta_{web}$ .

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## Eurocode 3: Members with Class 1, 2 or 3 cross-sections, subject to combined bending and axial compression - 1

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**Without lateral-torsional buckling**

**Class 1 and 2**

$$\frac{N_{fi,Ed}}{\chi_{min,fi} A k_{y,\theta} \frac{f_y}{\gamma_{M,fi}}} + \frac{k_y M_{y,fi,Ed}}{W_{pl,y} k_{y,\theta} \frac{f_y}{\gamma_{M,fi}}} + \frac{k_z M_{z,fi,Ed}}{W_{pl,z} k_{y,\theta} \frac{f_y}{\gamma_{M,fi}}} \leq 1$$

**Class 3**

$$\frac{N_{fi,Ed}}{\chi_{min,fi} A k_{y,\theta} \frac{f_y}{\gamma_{M,fi}}} + \frac{k_y M_{y,fi,Ed}}{W_{el,y} k_{y,\theta} \frac{f_y}{\gamma_{M,fi}}} + \frac{k_z M_{z,fi,Ed}}{W_{el,z} k_{y,\theta} \frac{f_y}{\gamma_{M,fi}}} \leq 1$$

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## Eurocode 3: Members with Class 1, 2 or 3 cross-sections, subject to combined bending and axial compression - 2

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### With lateral-torsional buckling

#### Class 1 and 2

$$\frac{N_{fi,Ed}}{\chi_{z,fi} A k_{y,\theta} \frac{f_y}{\gamma_{M,fi}}} + \frac{k_{LT} M_{y,fi,Ed}}{\chi_{LT,fi} W_{pl,y} k_{y,\theta} \frac{f_y}{\gamma_{M,fi}}} + \frac{k_z M_{z,fi,Ed}}{W_{pl,z} k_{y,\theta} \frac{f_y}{\gamma_{M,fi}}} \leq 1$$

#### Class 3

$$\frac{N_{fi,Ed}}{\chi_{z,fi} A k_{y,\theta} \frac{f_y}{\gamma_{M,fi}}} + \frac{k_{LT} M_{y,fi,Ed}}{\chi_{LT,fi} W_{el,y} k_{y,\theta} \frac{f_y}{\gamma_{M,fi}}} + \frac{k_z M_{z,fi,Ed}}{W_{el,z} k_{y,\theta} \frac{f_y}{\gamma_{M,fi}}} \leq 1$$

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## Fire Resistance: verifications of the fire resistance not covered by EN 1993-1-2

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Clause 1.1.2 (Scope of Part 1.2 of Eurocode 3) of EN 1993-1-2 states “*This Part 1-2 of EN 1993 deals with the design of steel structures for the accidental situation of fire exposure and is intended to be used in conjunction with EN 1993-1-1 and EN 1991-1-2. This part 1.2 only identifies differences from or supplements to normal temperature design*”

This means that for the cases not covered by EN 1993-1-2, the formulae from the part 1.1 of EC3 should be used but modified for use at elevated temperature.

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## Fire Resistance: Cross-sectional verification of a member subjected to bending and axial force (compression or tension) - 1

**For class 1 and class 2**

$$\left[ \frac{M_{y,fi,Ed}}{M_{N,y,fi,Rd}} \right]^\alpha + \left[ \frac{M_{z,fi,Ed}}{M_{N,z,fi,Rd}} \right]^\beta \leq 1.0$$

where  $M_{N,y,fi,Rd}$  and  $M_{N,z,fi,Rd}$  are the the design plastic moment resistance reduced due to the axial force.

**For class 3**

$$\frac{N_{fi,Ed}}{N_{fi,Rd}} + \frac{M_{y,fi,Ed}}{M_{y,fi,Rd}} + \frac{M_{z,fi,Ed}}{M_{z,fi,Rd}} \leq 1.0$$

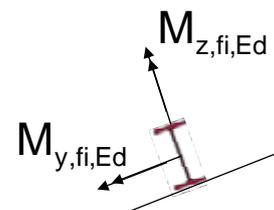
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## Fire Resistance: Cross-sectional verification of a member subjected to bi-axial bending - 1

**For class 1 and class 2**

$$\left[ \frac{M_{y,fi,Ed}}{M_{y,fi,Rd}} \right]^\alpha + \left[ \frac{M_{z,fi,Ed}}{M_{z,fi,Rd}} \right]^\beta \leq 1.0$$

Example: a purlin



**For class 3**

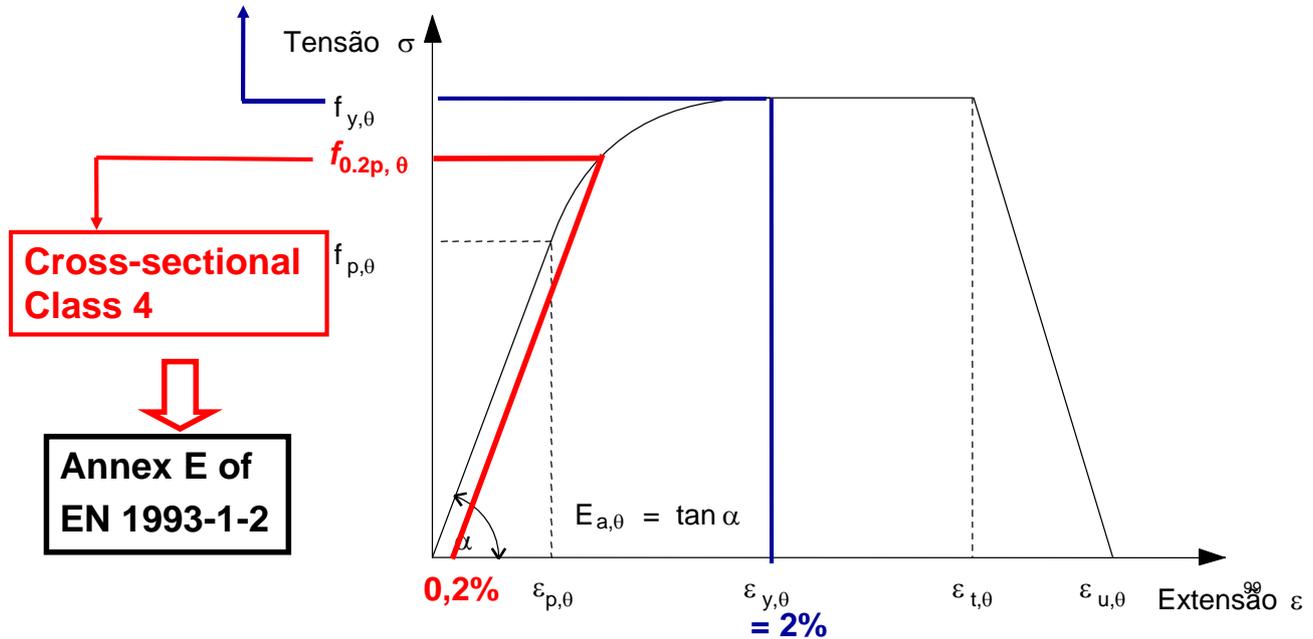
$$\frac{M_{y,fi,Ed}}{M_{y,fi,Rd}} + \frac{M_{z,fi,Ed}}{M_{z,fi,Rd}} \leq 1.0$$

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## Eurocode 3: Fire Resistance

### Design yield strength to be used with simple calculation models

#### Cross-sectional Class 1, 2 and 3



Cross-sectional Class 4

Annex E of EN 1993-1-2

## Eurocode 3: Fire Resistance

### Members with Class 4 cross-sections

#### Two procedures:

1. In the absence of calculation, a **critical temperature of 350 °C** should be considered (conservative results).
2. Alternatively use Annex E, considering the **effective area** and the **effective section modulus determined in accordance with EN 1993-1-3 and EN 1993-1-5, i.e. based on the material properties at 20°C.**

$$\bar{\lambda}_{p,\theta} \approx \bar{\lambda}_{20^\circ\text{C}} \quad (\text{Slenderness of the plates})$$

(See next slide) ➡

## Eurocode 3: Fire Resistance

### Non-dimensional slenderness of plates

- At normal temperature  $\Rightarrow \bar{\lambda}_p = \sqrt{\frac{f_y}{\sigma_{cr}}} = \sqrt{\frac{f_y}{k_\sigma \frac{\pi^2 E t^2}{12(1-\nu^2) b^2}}}$

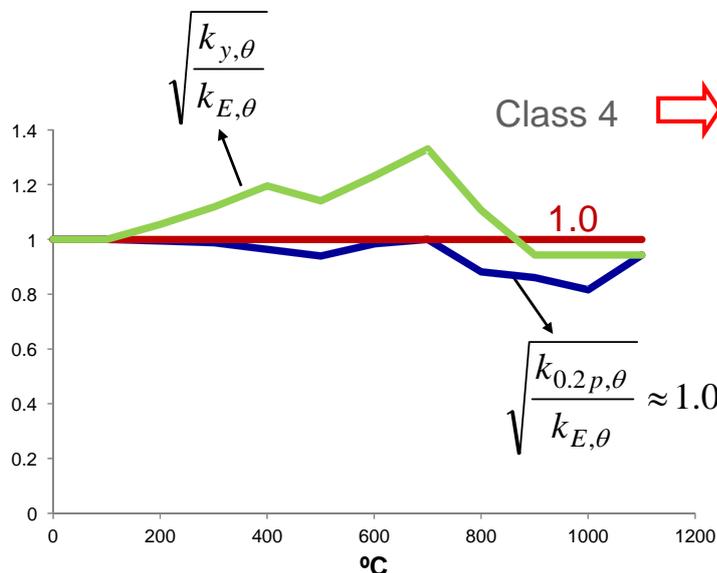
- At elevated temperature  $\Rightarrow \bar{\lambda}_{p,\theta} = \sqrt{\frac{f_{y,\theta}}{\sigma_{cr,\theta}}} = \sqrt{\frac{f_{y,\theta}}{k_\sigma \frac{\pi^2 E_\theta t^2}{12(1-\nu^2) b^2}}}$

$$\sqrt{\frac{k_{y,\theta} f_y}{\pi^2 k_{E,\theta} E t^2}} = \bar{\lambda}_p \sqrt{\frac{k_{y,\theta}}{k_{E,\theta}}}$$

## Eurocode 3: Fire Resistance

### Non-dimensional slenderness of plates at elevated temperature

Class 1, 2, 3  $\Rightarrow \bar{\lambda}_{p,\theta} = \sqrt{\frac{f_{y,\theta}}{\sigma_{cr,\theta}}} = \bar{\lambda}_p \sqrt{\frac{k_{y,\theta}}{k_{E,\theta}}}$

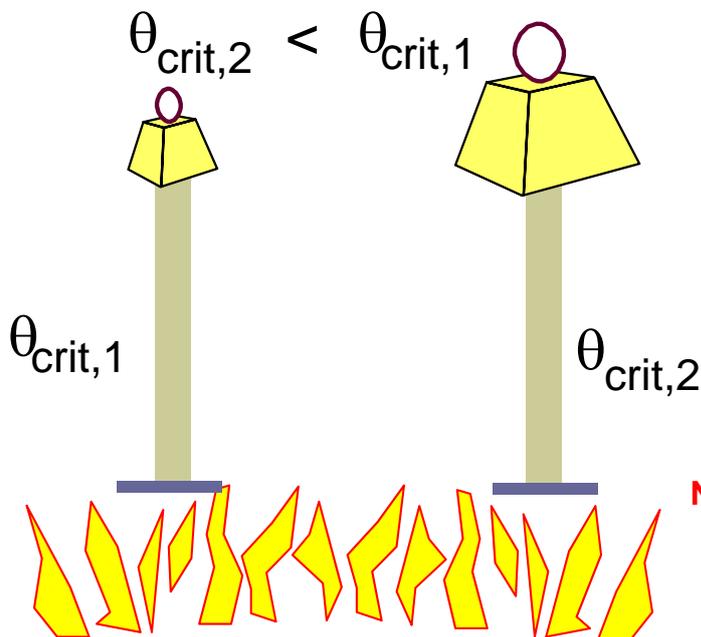


Class 4  $\Rightarrow \bar{\lambda}_{p,\theta} = \sqrt{\frac{f_{0.2p,\theta}}{\sigma_{cr,\theta}}} = \bar{\lambda}_p \sqrt{\frac{k_{0.2p,\theta}}{k_{E,\theta}}}$

$\approx 1.0$

$\bar{\lambda}_{p,\theta} = \bar{\lambda}_{p,20^\circ C}$

## Eurocode3: Fire Resistance Concept of critical temperature - 1



The designer should provide the owner with value of the critical temperature, so that the thickness of the fire protection material can be defined in a more economical way.

**Note:** the concept of critical temperature should only be used if uniform temperature in the cross-section is adopted.

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## Eurocode3: Fire Resistance Concept of critical temperature - 2

### EN 1993-1-2:

#### 4.2.4 Critical temperature

- (1) As an alternative to 4.2.3, verification may be carried out in the temperature domain.
- (2) Except when considering deformation criteria or when stability phenomena have to be taken into account, the critical temperature  $\theta_{a,cr}$  of carbon steel according to 1.1.2 (6) at time  $t$  for a uniform temperature distribution in a member may be determined for any degree of utilization  $\mu_0$  at time  $t = 0$  using:

$$\theta_{a,cr} = 39,19 \ln \left[ \frac{I}{0,9674 \mu_0^{3,833}} - I \right] + 482 \quad (4.22)$$

where  $\mu_0$  must not be taken less than 0.013.

**What is the meaning of this equation?**

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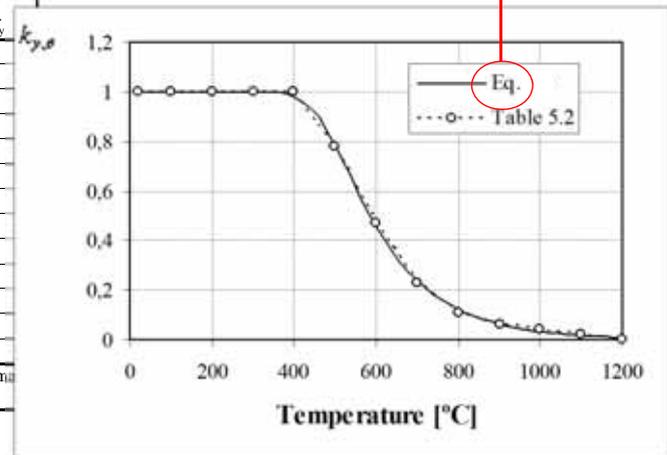
## Eurocode 3: Fire Resistance Concept of critical temperature - 3

The best fit curve to the points of this table can be obtained as:

Steel Temperature $\theta_a$	Reduction factors at temperature $\theta_a$ relative to the value of $f_y$ or $E_a$ at 20°C			
	Reduction factor (relative to $f_y$ ) for effective yield strength $k_{y,\theta} = f_{y,\theta} / f_y$	Reduction factor (relative to $f_y$ ) for proportional limit $k_{p,\theta} = f_{p,\theta} / f_y$	Reduction factor (relative to $E_a$ ) for the slope of the linear elastic range $k_{E,\theta} = E_{a,\theta} / E_a$	Reduction factor (relative to $f_y$ ) for the design strength of hot rolled and welded thin walled sections (Class 4) $k_{a,2p,\theta} = f_{a,2p,\theta} / f_y$
20 °C	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
100 °C	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
200 °C	1.000	0.807	0.900	0.890
300 °C	1.000	0.613	0.800	0.780
400 °C	1.000	0.420	0.700	0.650
500 °C	0.780	0.360	0.600	0.530
600 °C	0.470	0.180	0.310	0.300
700 °C	0.230	0.075	0.130	0.130
800 °C	0.110	0.050	0.090	0.070
900 °C	0.060	0.0375	0.0675	0.050
1000 °C	0.040	0.0250	0.0450	0.030
1100 °C	0.020	0.0125	0.0225	0.020
1200 °C	0.000	0.0000	0.0000	0.000

NOTE: For intermediate values of the steel temperature, linear interpolation may be used.

$$k_{y,\theta} = \left\{ 0.9674 \left( e^{\frac{\theta_a - 482}{39.19}} + 1 \right) \right\}^{-1/3.833} \leq 1$$



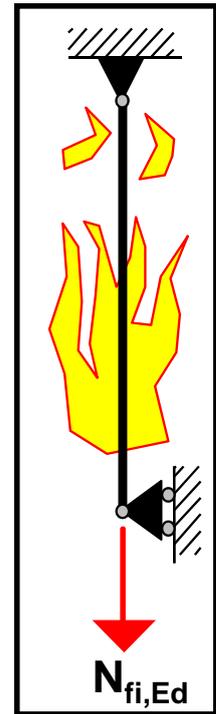
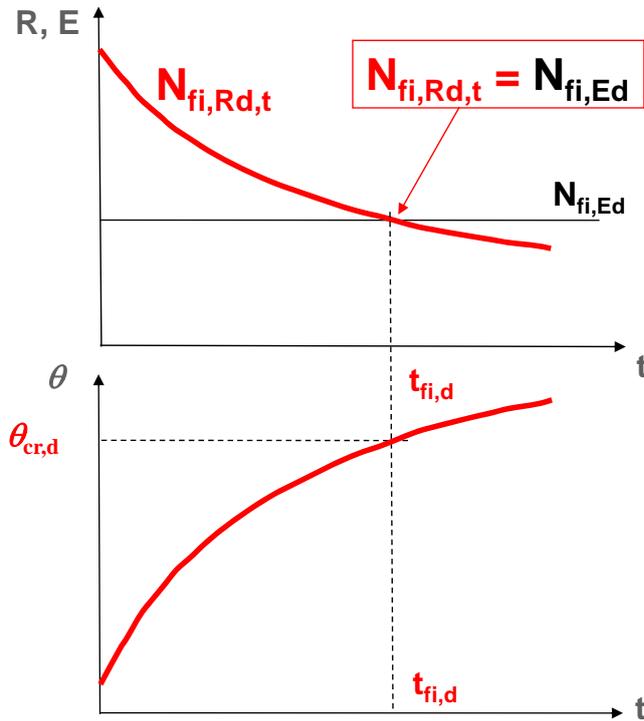
## Eurocode 3: Fire Resistance Concept of critical temperature - 4

$$k_{y,\theta} = \left\{ 0.9674 \left( e^{\frac{\theta_a - 482}{39.19}} + 1 \right) \right\}^{-1/3.833} \leq 1$$

$$\theta_{a,cr} = (k_{y,\theta})^{-1}$$

$$\theta_{a,cr} = 39.19 \ln \left[ \frac{1}{0.9674 k_{y,\theta}^{3.833}} - 1 \right] + 482$$

**Fire Resistance:**  
**Concept of critical temperature for a member in tension -1**



**Eurocode 3: Fire Resistance**  
**Concept of critical temperature for a member in tension - 2**

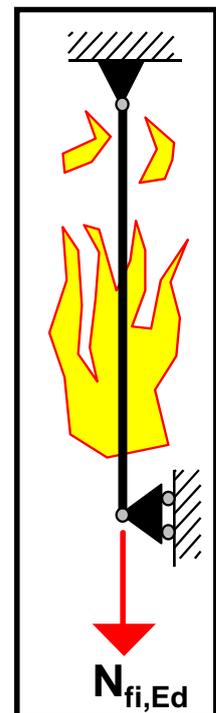
- Resistance at normal temperature:

$$N_{Rd} = Af_y/\gamma_{M0}$$

- Resistance in fire situation:

$$N_{fi,Rd} = Ak_{y,\theta}f_y/\gamma_{M,fi}$$

$\downarrow$   
 $\leq 1$



## Eurocode 3: Fire Resistance

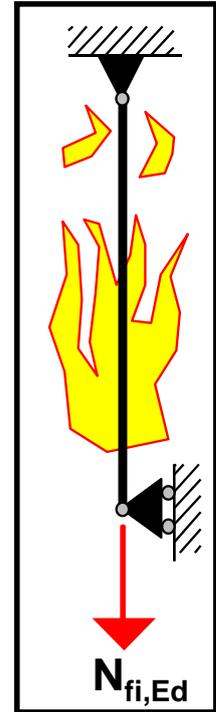
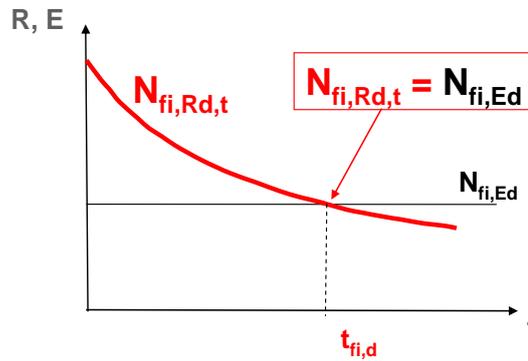
### Concept of critical temperature for a member in tension - 3

Collapse occurs when:

$$N_{fi,Rd,t} = N_{fi,Ed}$$



$$A k_{y,\theta} f_y / \gamma_{M,fi} = N_{fi,Ed} \Rightarrow k_{y,\theta} = N_{fi,Ed} / (A f_y / \gamma_{M,fi})$$



## Eurocode 3: Fire Resistance

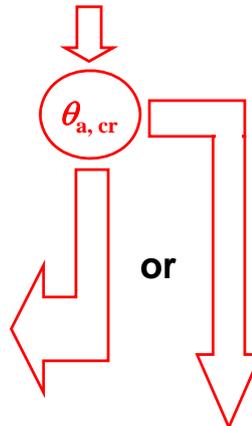
### Concept of critical temperature for a member in tension - 4

By interpolation

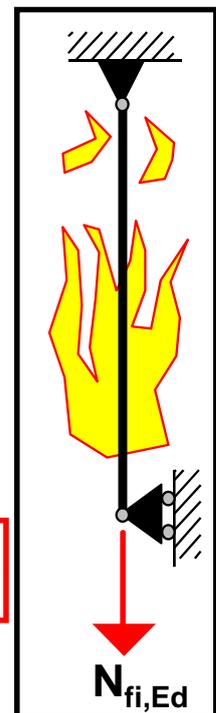
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NOTE: For intermediate values of the steel temperature, linear interpolation may be used.

$$k_{y,\theta} = N_{fi,Ed} / (A f_y / \gamma_{M,fi})$$



$$\theta_{a,cr} = 39.19 \ln \left[ \frac{1}{0.9674 k_{y,\theta}^{3.833}} - 1 \right] + 482$$



## Eurocode 3: Fire Resistance

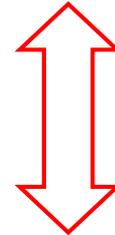
### Concept of critical temperature for a member in tension - 5

$$\theta_{a,cr} = 39.19 \ln \left[ \frac{1}{0,9674 k_{y,\theta}^{3,833}} - 1 \right] + 482$$

$$k_{y,\theta} = N_{fi,Ed} / (A f_y / \gamma_{M,fi})$$

Eurocode 3

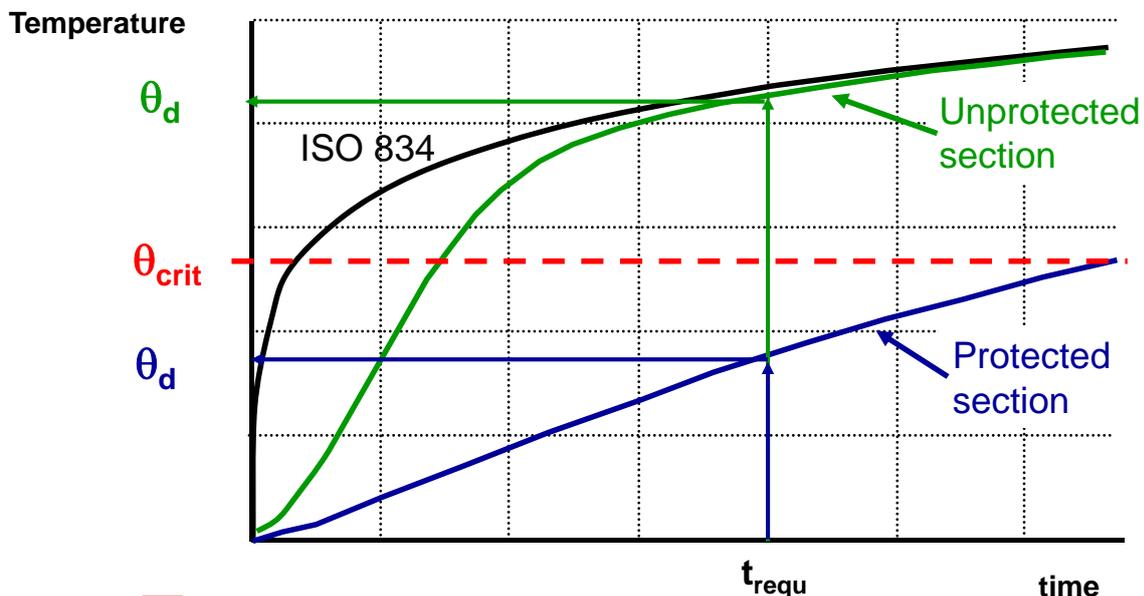
$$\theta_{a,cr} = 39.19 \ln \left[ \frac{1}{0,9674 \mu_0^{3,833}} - 1 \right] + 482$$



$$\mu_0 = \frac{E_{fi,d}}{R_{fi,d,0}} = k_{y,\theta} \quad \text{For the case of tension} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mu_0 = \frac{E_{fi,d}}{R_{fi,d,0}} = \frac{N_{fi,Ed}}{A f_y / \gamma_{M,fi}}$$

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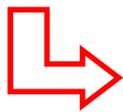
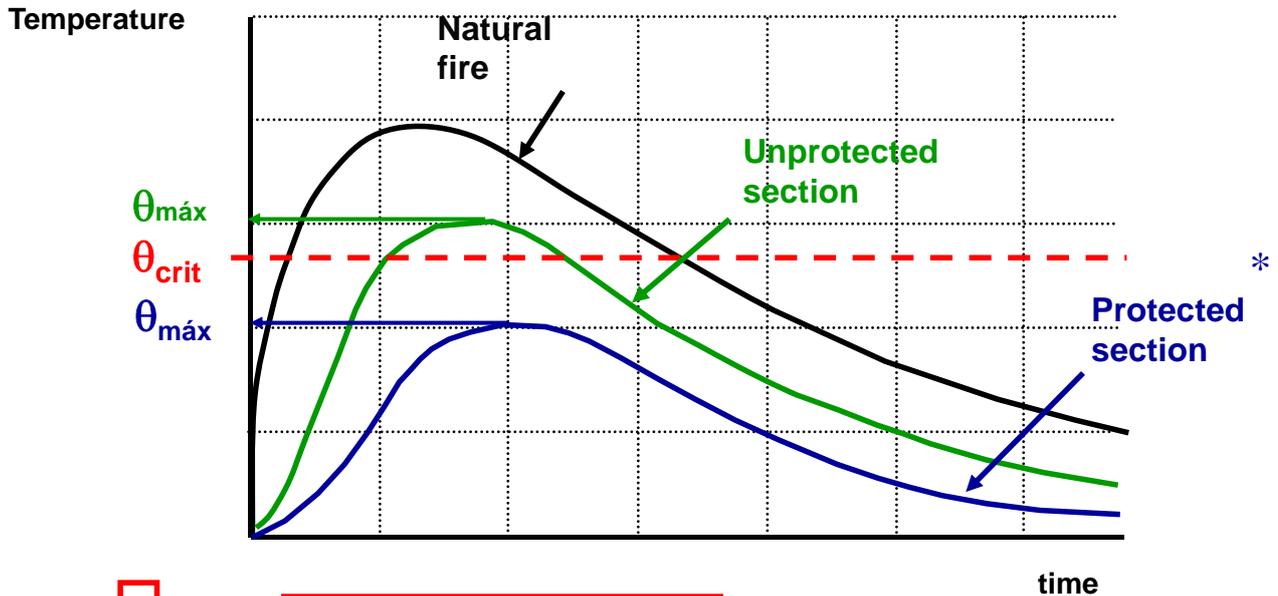
## Checking Fire Resistance in the temperature domain: Strategy for nominal fires



$$\theta_d \leq \theta_{crit} \quad !$$

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### Checking Fire Resistance in the temperature domain: Strategy for natural fires

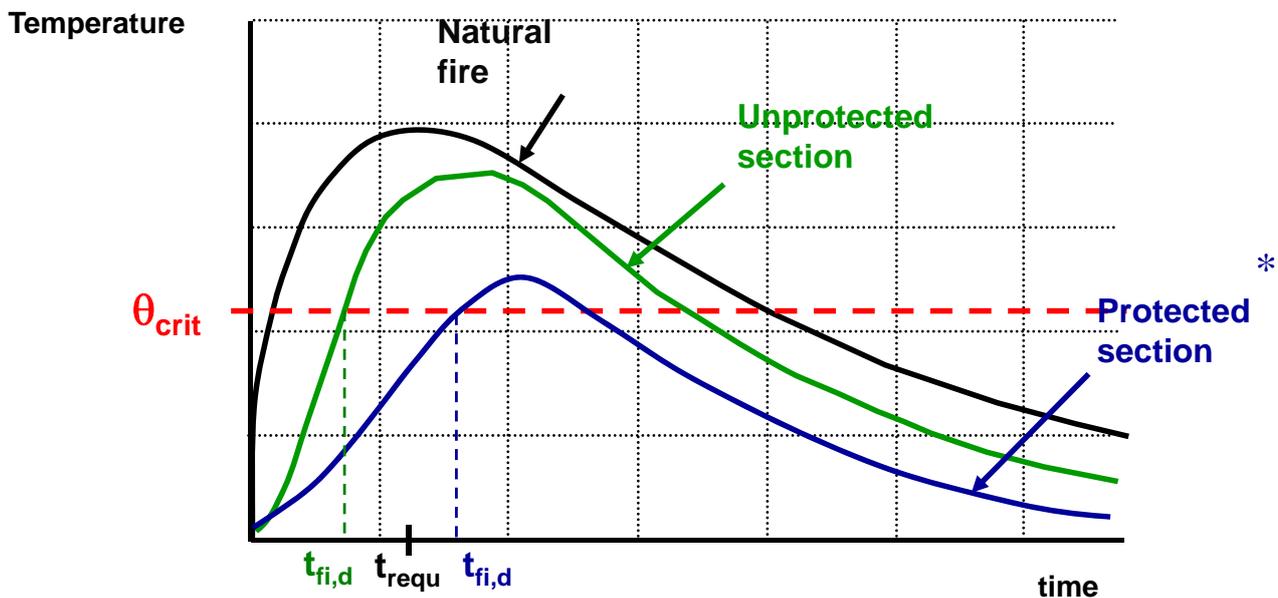


$$\theta_{\text{máx}} \leq \theta_{\text{crit}} !$$

\* - or using active fire fighting measures

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### Checking Fire Resistance in the time domain: Strategy for natural fires – if accepted by the authorities



$$t_{\text{requ}} \leq t_{\text{fi,d}} !$$

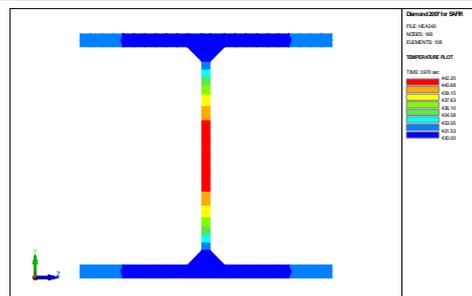
\* - or using active fire fighting measures

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## Design procedures

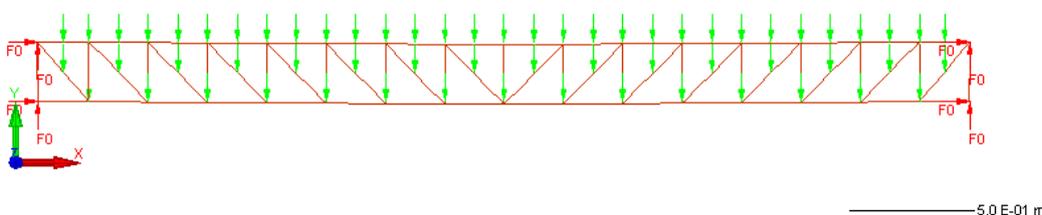
- Tabulated data (EC2, EC4, EC6)
- Simple calculation models (All the Eurocodes)
- Advanced calculation models (All the Eurocodes)

## Advanced calculation models



Temperature field in a profile

Truss without the possibility of expanding longitudinally subjected (collapse time 66.1 min)



Diamond 2007 for SAFIR

FILE: PAVFCPV1  
 NODES: 621  
 BEAMS: 326  
 TRUSSES: 0  
 SHELLS: 0  
 SOILS: 0

IMPOSED DOF PLOT  
 POINT LOADS PLOT  
 DISPLACEMENT PLOT (x 10)

TIME: 20 sec

**Examples using different methodologies.  
Fire resistance of steel structures**

- Using tables from the suppliers of the fire protection material

**Prescriptive approach**

- Comparison between simplified calculation methods and advanced calculation models – **Prescriptive / Performance-based approach**

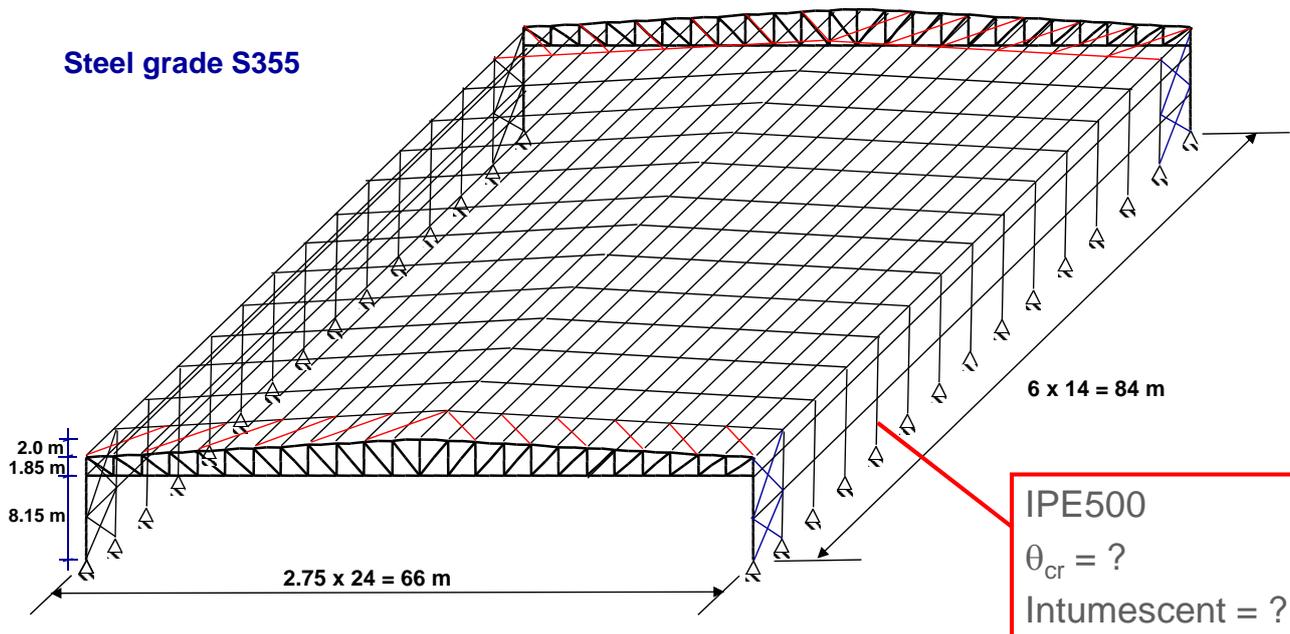
- Cases where it is not possible to use simplified calculation method

**Performance-based approach**

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**Single storey hall – R60**

**Steel grade S355**



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## Load combinations

- G – Dead load
- Q – Live load in the roof
- W - Wind

Load combination 1:  $G + \psi_{1,Q}Q + \psi_{2,W}W = G + 0.0Q + 0.0W = G$

Load combination 2:  $G + \psi_{1,W}W + \psi_{2,Q}Q = G + 0.2W + 0.0Q = G + 0.2W$

## Critical temperature for load combination 1

Section	N [kN]	M <sub>1</sub> [kNm]	M <sub>2</sub> [kNm]	q [kN/m]	I <sub>fi,y</sub> [m]	I <sub>fi,z</sub> [m]
IPE 500	-139.4	0	135.9	0	16.300	-
	-139.4	0	0	0	-	4.075

Program Elefir-EN

The screenshot shows the 'Bending and Compression' dialog box in the Elefir-EN software. The configuration is as follows:

- Profile: IPE
- Cross-section: IPE 500
- Steel: S355
- Buckling:  about y - y or z - z axis
- System length: L<sub>y</sub> = 8150 mm, L<sub>z</sub> = 4075 mm
- Buckling coefficients: about y - y axis: l<sub>y,fi</sub>/L = 2; about z - z axis: l<sub>z,fi</sub>/L = 1
- Axial force: Design axial compression load: N<sub>b,fi,Ed</sub> = 135.9 kN
- Bending diagrams: About major axis: **Define**; About minor axis: Define
- Calculation:  Critical temperature function of the loads;  Fire resistance time function of the loads;  Buckling resistance function of steel temperature;  Buckling resistance function of time

A 'Define' button is circled in red in the 'Bending diagrams' section.

## Critical temperature for load combination 1

**Results**

IPE 500 (Class 1)

**Buckling resistance of the element**  
Critical temperature: 656.0 °C (Reduction factor,  $k_{y,\theta}$ : 0.336)

**Resistance of the cross-section**  
Critical temperature: 746.3 °C (Reduction factor,  $k_{y,\theta}$ : 0.174)

**Critical temperature used in the next calculations: 656.0 °C**

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## Critical temperature for load combination 2

Section	$N$ [kN]	$M_1$ [kNm]	$M_2$ [kNm]	$q$ [kN/m]	$l_{fi,y}$ [m]	$l_{fi,z}$ [m]
IPE 500	-135.9	0	170.9	0.69	16.300	-
	-135.9	0	0	0	-	4.075

**Bending and Compression**

Profile: IPE    Cross-section: IPE 500    Steel: S355

Buckling:  
 about y - y axis  
 about z - z axis  
 about y - y or z - z axis

System length:  
 $L_y = 8150$  mm  
 $L_z = 4075$  mm

Buckling coefficients:  
 about y - y axis:  $l_{y,\theta}/L = 2$   
 about z - z axis:  $l_{z,\theta}/L = 1$

Axial force  
 Design axial compression load:  $N_{d,\theta} = 139.4$  kN

Bending diagrams  
 About major axis: **Change**    About minor axis: Define

Lateral torsional buckling verification:  
 Is lateral torsional buckling allowed?     Yes     No  
 Length between lateral restraints: 4075 mm  
 Loading: Define

Calculation:  
 Critical temperature function of the loads  
 Fire resistance time function of the loads  
 Buckling resistance function of steel temperature  
 Buckling resistance function of time

Main Menu      Next

**Loads**

Select load:  
 No moments about the major axis ( $M_{y,\theta} = 0$ )  
 End moments  
 Moments due to in-plane lateral loads  
 Moments due to in-plane lateral loads and end moments

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## Critical temperature for load combination 2

## Critical temperature for load combination 2

**IPE 500 (Class 1)**

**Buckling resistance of the element**  
Critical temperature: 637.6 °C (Reduction factor,  $k_{y,\delta}$ : 0.380)

**Resistance of the cross-section**  
Critical temperature: 708.8 °C (Reduction factor,  $k_{y,\delta}$ : 0.219)

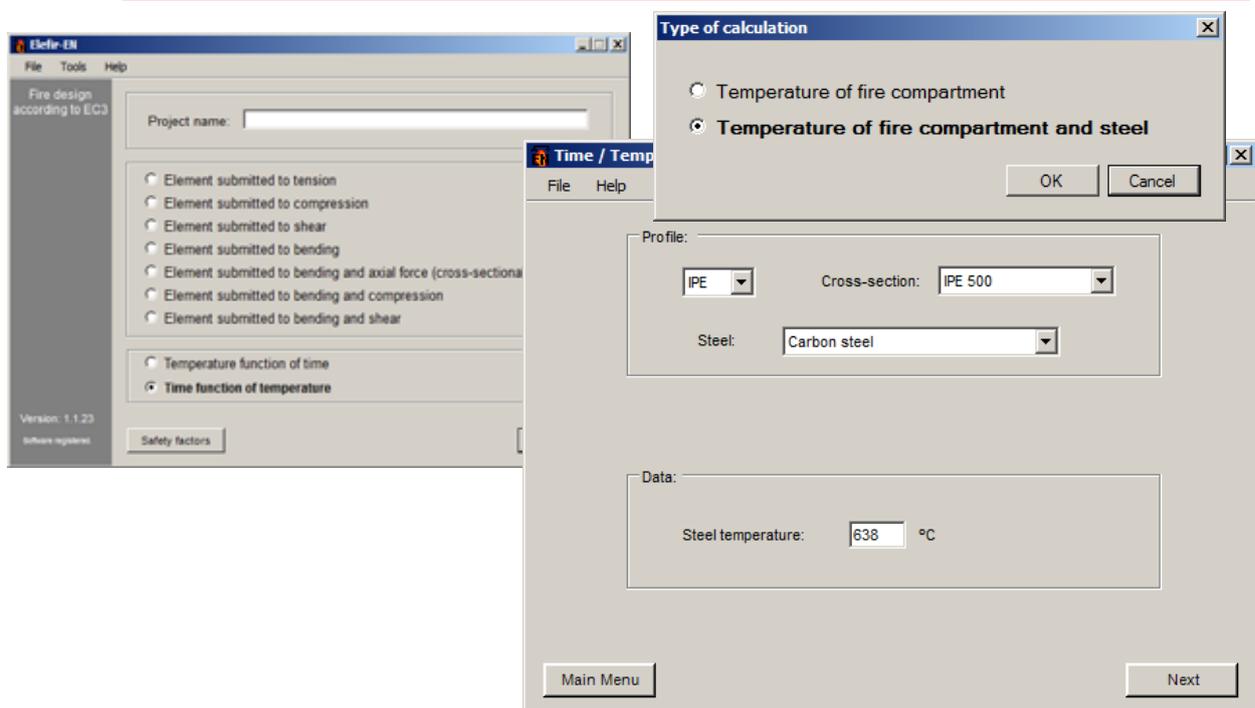
**Critical temperature used in the next calculations: 637.6 °C**

## Critical temperature of the column IPE 500

$$\theta_{a,cr} = \min(656 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}; 638 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}) = 638 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$$

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## Critical time with ISO 834 Using Elefir-EN



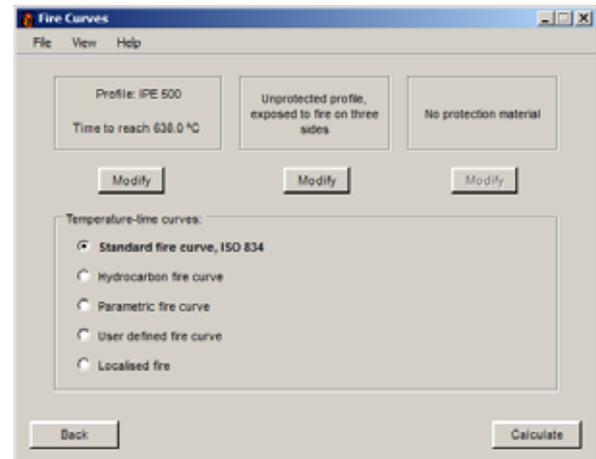
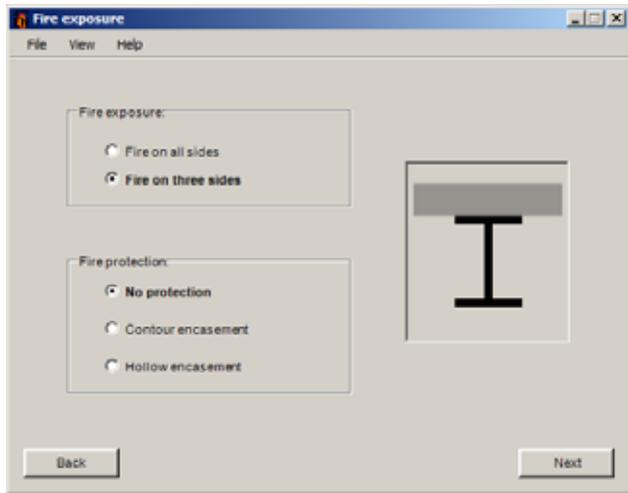
The screenshot displays the Elefir-EN software interface. The main window shows a 'Fire design according to EC3' section with a 'Project name' field and a list of loading conditions. The 'Time function of temperature' option is selected. A 'Time / Temp' dialog box is open, showing the following settings:

- Type of calculation:**  Temperature of fire compartment and steel
- Profile:** IPE
- Cross-section:** IPE 500
- Steel:** Carbon steel
- Data:** Steel temperature: 638 °C

Buttons for 'Main Menu' and 'Next' are visible at the bottom of the dialog box.

## Critical time with ISO 834 Using Elefir-EN

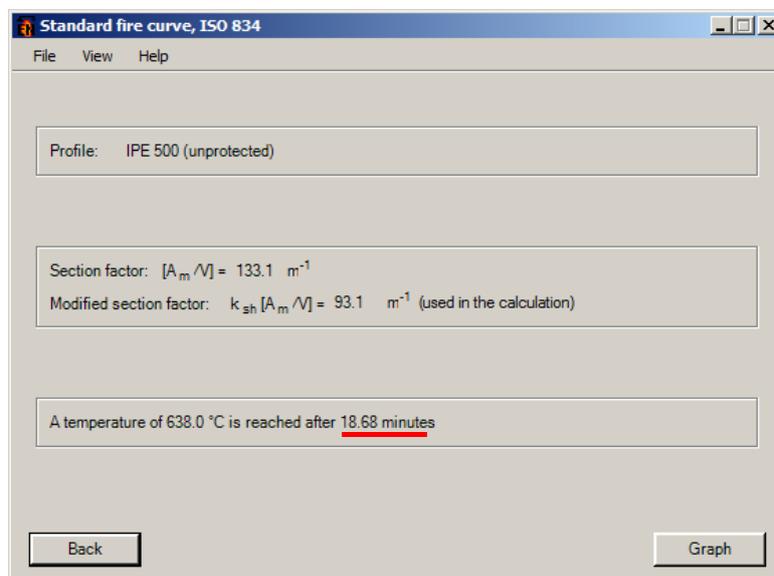
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## Critical time with ISO 834 Using Elefir-EN

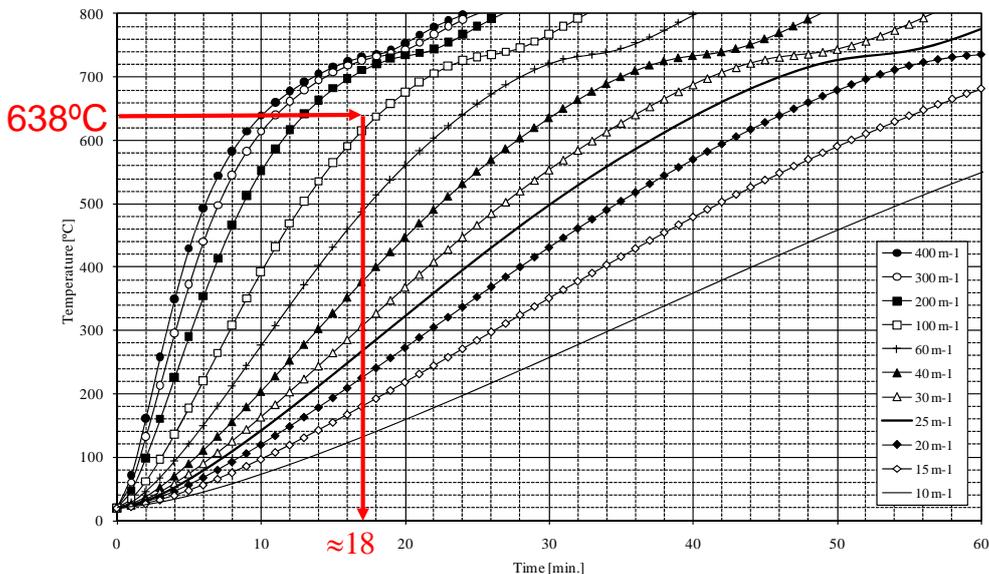
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$t_{fi,d} < t_{requ} = 60 \text{ min} \Rightarrow$  Fire protection is needed for a critical temperature of  $\theta_{a,cr} = 638 \text{ °C}$

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## Critical time with ISO 834 Using Nomogram



$t_{fi,d} < t_{requ} = 60 \text{ min} \Rightarrow$  Fire protection is needed for a critical temperature of  $\theta_{a,cr} = 638 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

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Table 3 continued: Three Sided I-Section Beams: 450°C

60 minutes			
Section factor up to m <sup>-1</sup>	Thickness mm	Section factor up to m <sup>-1</sup>	Thickness mm
25	0.250	175	0.886
30	0.260	180	0.910
35	0.267	185	0.933
40	0.265	190	0.955
45	0.264	195	0.978
50	0.262	200	1.000
55	0.261	205	1.118
60	0.259	210	1.231
65	0.258	215	1.347
70	0.258	220	1.462
75	0.258	225	1.578
80	0.258	230	1.693
85	0.258	235	1.809
90	0.258	240	1.924
95	0.258	245	2.040
100	0.258	250	2.156
105	0.257	255	2.271
110	0.257	260	2.386
115	0.257	265	2.502
120	0.257	270	2.617
125	0.257	275	2.733
130	0.257	280	2.849
135	0.257	285	2.964
140	0.257	290	3.080
145	0.257	295	3.195
150	0.257	300	3.311
155	0.257	305	3.426
160	0.257	310	3.542
165	0.257	315	3.657
170	0.257		

Thickness is intumescent only. Beams with a concrete slab  
Data 3 of EN 1994-1-2

Table 4 continued: Three Sided I-Section Beams: 500°C

60 minutes			
Section factor up to m <sup>-1</sup>	Thickness mm	Section factor up to m <sup>-1</sup>	Thickness mm
30	0.226	180	0.7
35	0.234	185	0.8
40	0.250	190	0.8
45	0.266	195	0.8
50	0.283	200	0.8
55	0.299	205	0.9
60	0.315	210	0.9
65	0.332	215	0.9
70	0.348	220	0.9
75	0.364	225	0.9
80	0.381	230	1.0
85	0.397	235	1.1
90	0.413	240	1.2
95	0.433	245	1.3
100	0.454	250	1.4
105	0.476	255	1.5
110	0.497	260	1.6
115	0.519	265	1.7
120	0.540	270	1.8
125	0.562	275	1.9
130	0.583	280	2.0
135	0.605	285	2.1
140	0.626	290	2.2
145	0.648	295	2.3
150	0.669	300	2.4
155	0.691	305	2.5
160	0.712	310	2.6
165	0.734	315	2.7
170	0.755	320	2.8
175	0.777		

Thickness is intumescent only. Beams with

Table 5 continued: Three Sided I-Section Beams: 550°C

60 minutes				90 minutes		120 minutes	
Section factor up to m <sup>-1</sup>	Thickness mm	Section factor up to m <sup>-1</sup>	Thickness mm	Section factor up to m <sup>-1</sup>	Thickness mm	Section factor up to m <sup>-1</sup>	Thickness mm
30	0.228	180	0.721	165	1.000	160	3.144
35	0.233	185	0.743	180	1.134	185	3.242
40	0.245	190	0.765	188	1.267	170	3.341
45	0.257	195	0.788	170	1.401	175	3.439
50	0.270	200	0.808	175	1.535	180	3.537
55	0.282	205	0.830	180	1.668	185	3.635
60	0.294	210	0.852	185	1.802		
65	0.307	215	0.874	190	1.936		
70	0.319	220	0.896	195	2.070		
75	0.331	225	0.917	200	2.203		
80	0.344	230	0.938	205	2.337		
85	0.356	235	0.951	210	2.471		
90	0.368	240	0.963	215	2.604		
95	0.381	245	1.015	220	2.738		
100	0.393	250	1.062	225	2.872		
105	0.405	255	1.108	230	3.006		
110	0.418	260	1.244	235	3.139		
115	0.437	265	1.320	240	3.273		
120	0.459	270	1.397	245	3.407		
125	0.481	275	1.473	250	3.540		
130	0.503	280	1.549	255	3.674		
135	0.525	285	1.628				
140	0.546	290	1.702				
145	0.568	295	1.778				
150	0.590	300	1.854				
155	0.612	305	1.931				
160	0.634	310	2.007				
165	0.655	315	2.083				
170	0.677	320	2.159				
175	0.699						

Thickness is intumescent only. Beams with a concrete slab.

This Company has sheets for the temperatures: 350, 400, 450, 500, 550, 600, 620, 650 and 700°C

## Thickness of intumescent painting

... 600°C, 620°C, 650°C, ...

Table 7 continued: Three Sided I-Section Beams: 620°C

$$\theta_{a,cr} = 638 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$$

$$\frac{A_m}{V} = 133.1 \approx 135 \text{ m}^{-1}$$

60 minutes				90 minutes				120 minutes	
Section factor up to m <sup>-1</sup>	Thickness mm	Section factor up to m <sup>-1</sup>	Thickness mm	Section factor up to m <sup>-1</sup>	Thickness mm	Section factor up to m <sup>-1</sup>	Thickness mm	Section factor up to m <sup>-1</sup>	Thickness mm
45	0.235	185	0.518	50	0.420	185	1.000	40	0.945
50	0.244	190	0.530	55	0.441	190	1.101	45	1.023
55	0.254	195	0.543	60	0.463	195	1.202	50	1.101
60	0.263	200	0.555	65	0.484	200	1.303	55	1.179
65	0.272	205	0.567	70	0.506	205	1.403	60	1.257
70	0.281	210	0.619	75	0.527	210	1.504	65	1.335
75	0.291	215	0.650	80	0.549	215	1.605	70	1.413
80	0.300	220	0.682	85	0.570	220	1.706	75	1.491
85	0.309	225	0.714	90	0.592	225	1.807	80	1.569
90	0.318	230	0.746	95	0.613	230	1.908	85	1.647
95	0.328	235	0.778	100	0.635	235	2.008	90	1.725
100	0.337	240	0.809	105	0.656	240	2.109	95	1.803
105	0.346	245	0.841	110	0.678	245	2.210	100	1.881
110	0.355	250	0.873	115	0.699	250	2.311	105	1.96
115	0.365	255	0.905	120	0.721	255	2.412	110	2.038
120	0.374	260	0.936	125	0.742	260	2.513	115	2.116
125	0.383	265	0.968	130	0.764	265	2.614	120	2.194
130	0.392	270	1.000	135	0.785	270	2.714	125	2.272
135	0.402	275	1.063	140	0.807	275	2.815	130	2.35
140	0.411	280	1.126	145	0.828	280	2.916	135	2.428
145	0.420	285	1.190	150	0.850	285	3.017	140	2.506
150	0.432	290	1.253	155	0.871	290	3.118	145	2.584

## Thickness of intumescent painting

In some Countries default temperatures are suggested if no calculation is made. Normally for columns or other members susceptible of instability phenomena a critical temperature of 500°C is suggested.

If, instead of a critical temperature of 638°C, a critical temperature of 500°C was used, a thickness of 0,605 mm would be obtained.

$$\theta_{cr} = 638^\circ\text{C} \Rightarrow e = 0,402 \text{ mm}$$

$$\theta_{cr} = 500^\circ\text{C} \Rightarrow e = 0.605 \text{ mm}$$



More than 50%

**Examples using different methodologies.  
Fire resistance of steel structures**

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- Using tables from the suppliers of the fire protection material

**Prescriptive approach**

- Comparison between simplified calculation methods and advanced calculation models – **Prescriptive / Performance-based approach**

- Cases where it is not possible to use simplified calculation method

**Performance-based approach**

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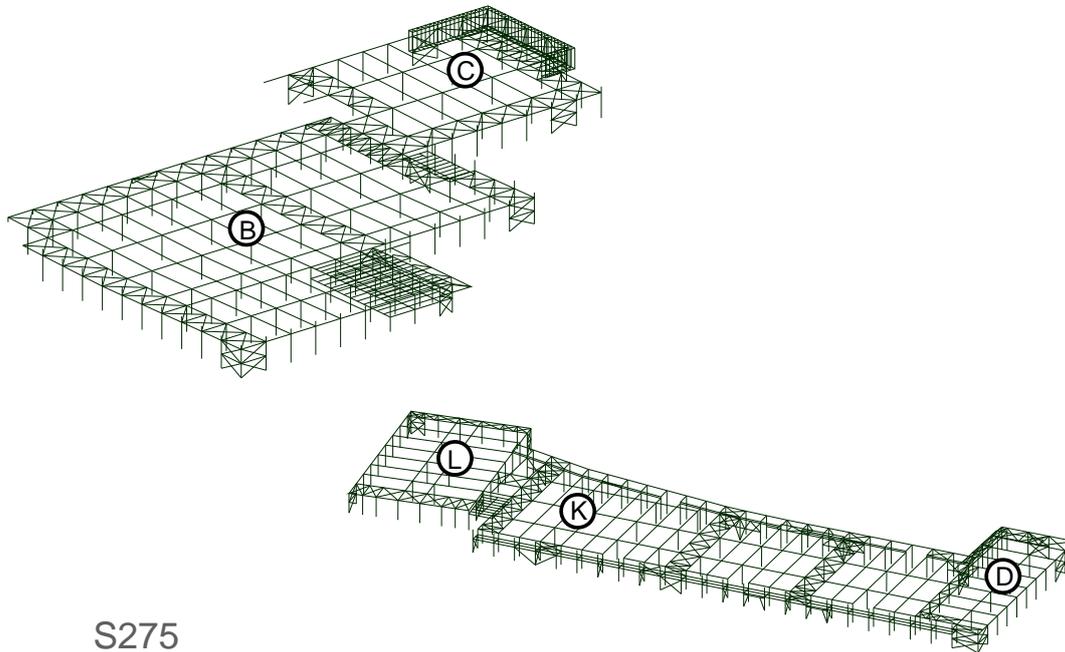
## BARREIRO RETAIL PARK



**Required fire resistance 90 minutes (R90)**

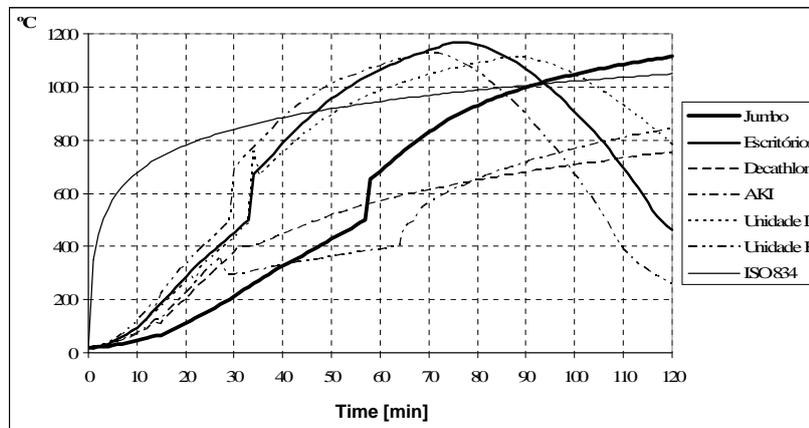
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## Different zones for fire scenarios



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## Temperature development for different fire scenarios



Temperatures obtained using the program Ozone

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## Unit B - Jumbo

Combination of actions:  $1.0G_k + \psi_{1,1}Q_{k,1} = 1.0G_k + 0.0Q_{k,1} = G_k$

	$N_{Ed}$ (kN)	$M_1$ (kN.m)	$M_2$ (kN.m)	$I_{fi}/L$	L (m)	$\theta_{cr}$ (°C)	$t_{fi,d}$ (min)
HEA 260	80	0.00	23	1.0	7.3	672.9	19.25
HEA 240	34	0.00	45	1.0	7.3	593.5	15.23
IPE 360	0.00	76.0	0.0	-	-	682.8	17.92

Without fire protection

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## Unit B - Jumbo



	$\theta_{cr}$ (°C)	ISO (min)	Natural Fire + Simplified Method (min)	Natural Fire + Advanced Method (min)
HEA 260	672.9	> 90	> 90	> 90
HEA 240	593.5	80.8	> 90	
IPE 360	682.8	> 90	> 90	

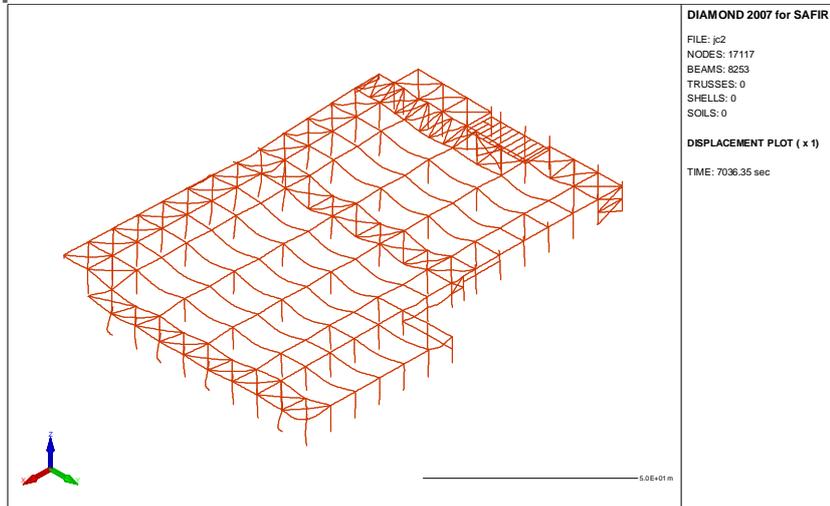
With fire protection  
for R60 and a critical  
temperature of 500°C

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## Deformed shape Obtained with Advanced Calculation Methods

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Deformed shape of Unit B (Jumbo supermarket) after 117 minutes of exposure to a natural fire



Software: GiD (for the numerical model mesh);  
SAFIR (for the analysis)

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## Examples using different methodologies. Fire resistance of steel structures

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- Using tables from the suppliers of the fire protection material  
**Prescriptive approach**
- Comparison between simplified calculation methods and advanced calculation models – **Prescriptive / Performance-based approach**
- Cases where it is not possible to use simplified calculation method  
**Prescriptive / Performance-based approach**

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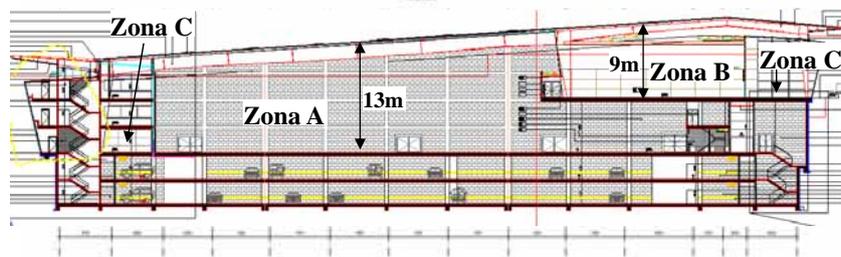


## EXHIBITION CENTRE

Required fire resistance 120 minutes (R120)

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## Main Structure



56.0 m 30.0 m

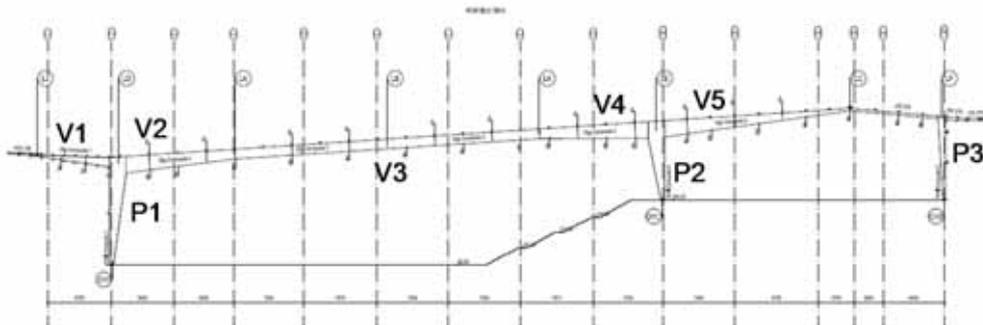
Main Portal Frame

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## Choice of the structural analysis

The main structure is made of non-uniform class 4 elements. There are no simplified methods, for the time being, for such type of elements. Two options were possible:

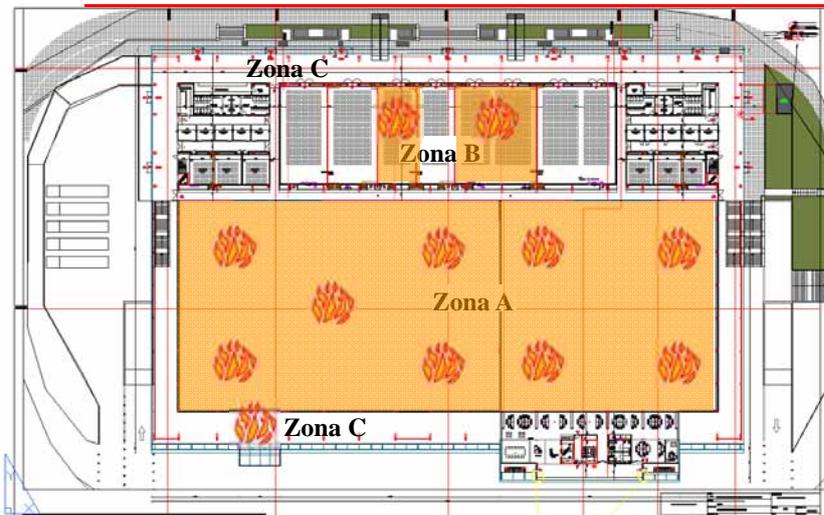
- Using a **prescriptive approach**, protect the structure for a critical temperature of 350°C;
- Using **performance-based approach** with advanced calculation methods.



Required fire resistance 120 minutes (R120)

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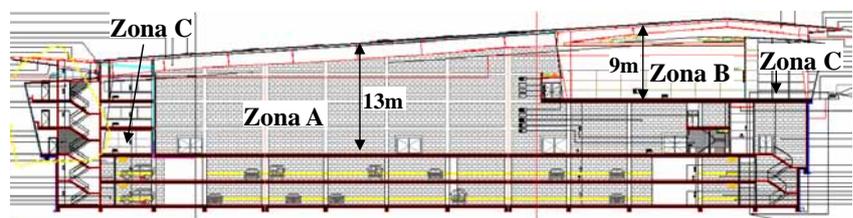
## Fire scenarios



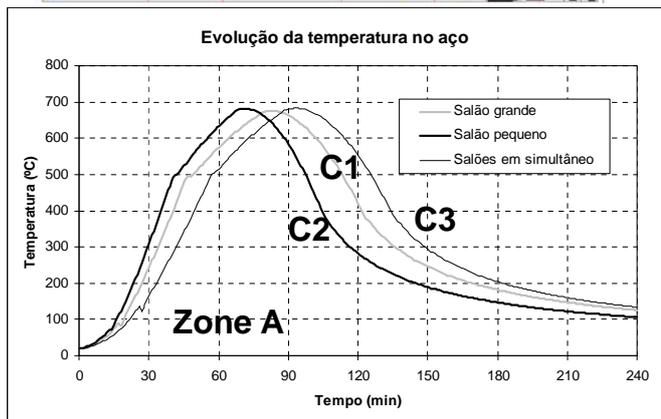
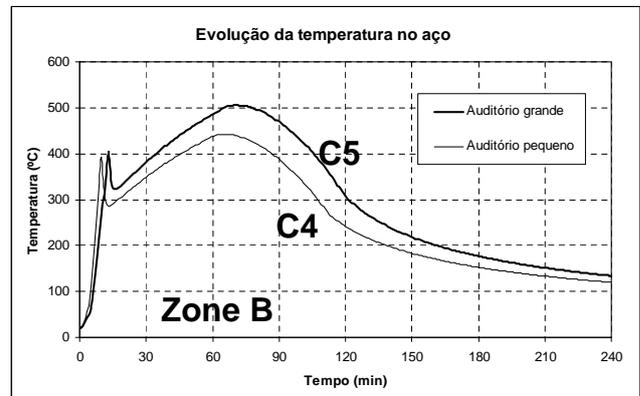
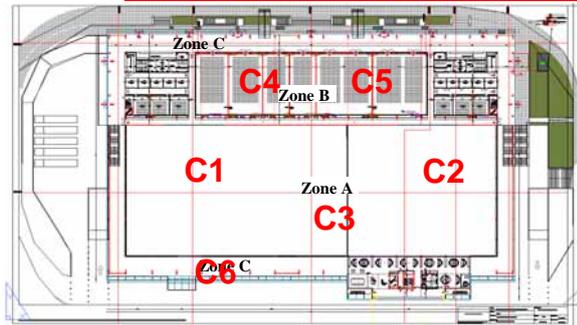
**6 fire scenarios**

Fire load density reduced by 39% due to the sprinklers

Fire resistance (R120)



## Fire scenarios

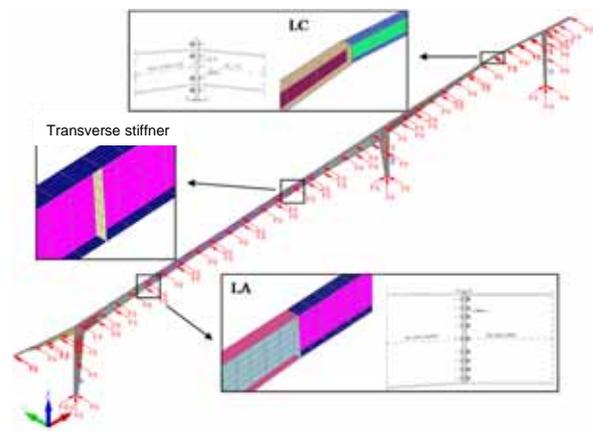
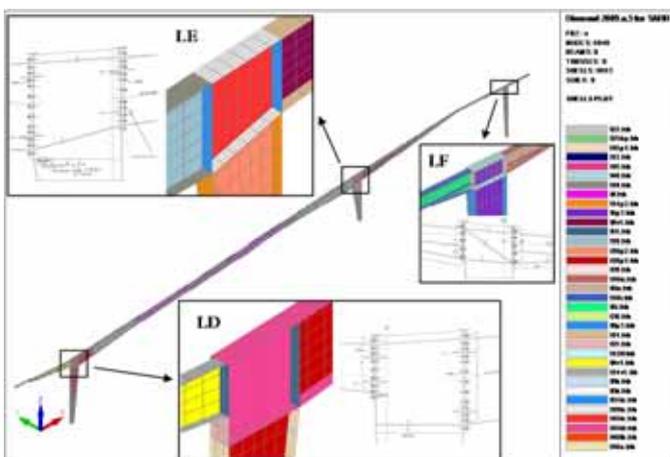


**C1-5 - Software OZone**

**C6 is a localized fire in Zone C - Elefir-EN**

## Structural Analysis

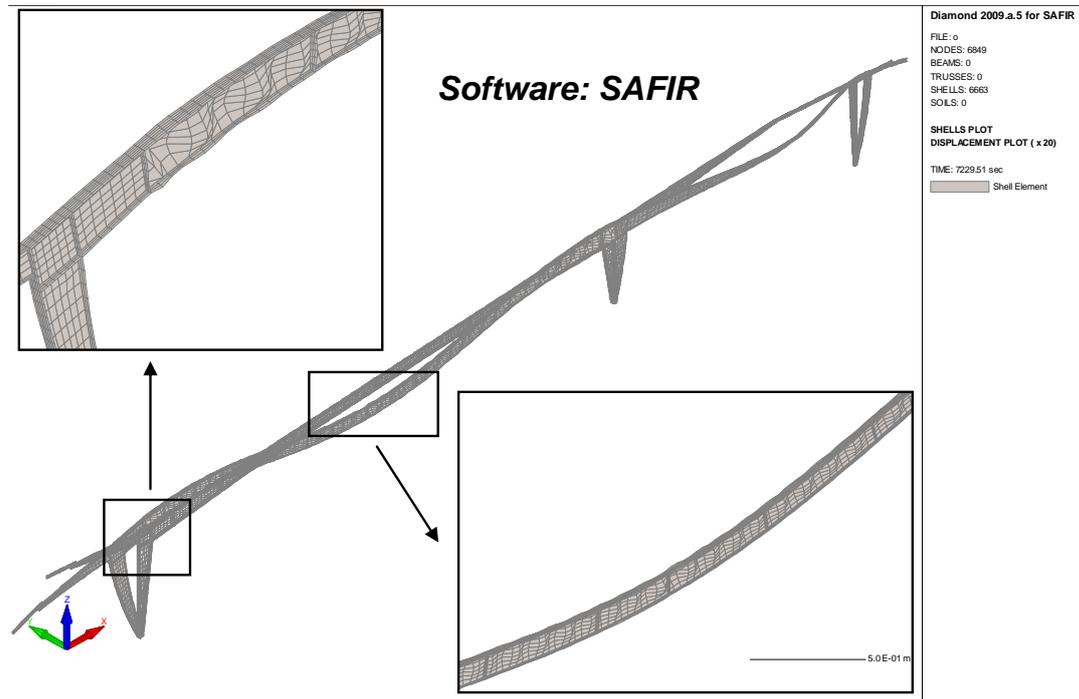
**Main structure – portal frame with built-up non-uniform class 4 steel elements**



**Software: GiD (for the numerical model mesh);**

**SAFIR (for the analysis)**

## Structural Analysis



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Deformed shape at Zone A, for the combination of actions 1, after 120 minutes (x20)

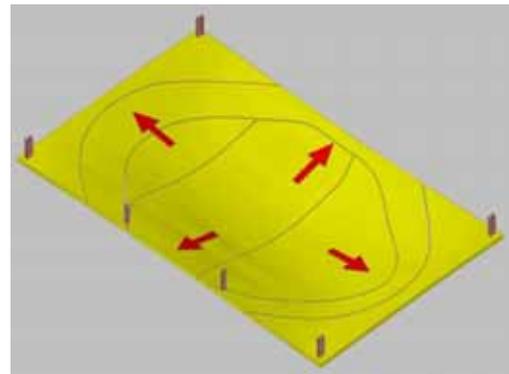
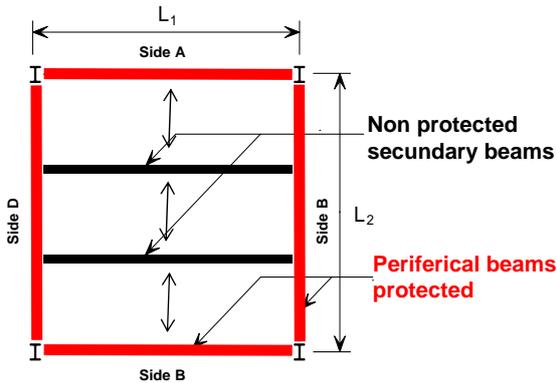
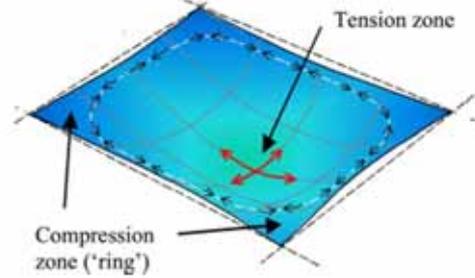
## Conclusions

➤ A performance-based analysis, demonstrated in this study that, protecting the structure for a standard fire resistance of 60 minutes (R60), considering a critical temperature of 500°C, the load-bearing function is ensured during the complete duration of the fire, including the cooling phase.

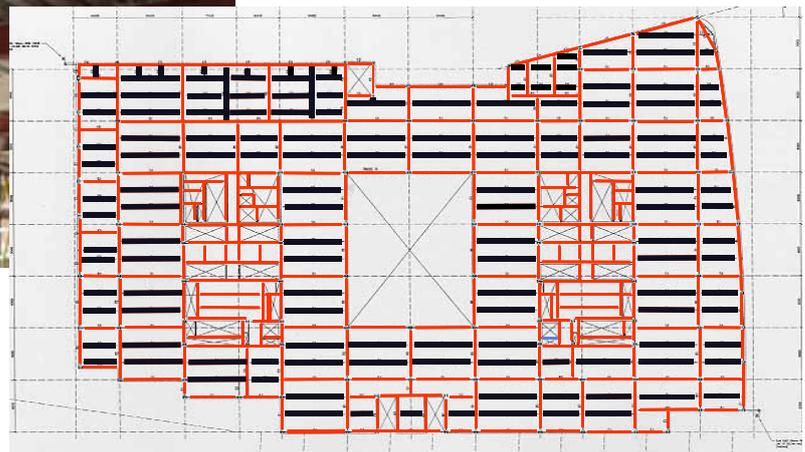
➤ The steel structure of the Center for Exhibitions and Fairs in Oeiras consists of class 4 cross section profiles. In a prescriptive approach and without making any calculation, this structure should have been protected for a critical temperature of 350°C and for R120.

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One example of a new finding that may be included in the next generation of EN 1994-1-2 – So-called MEMBRANE ACTION



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**One example of a new finding that may be included in the next generation of EN 1994-1-2 – So-called MEMBRANE ACTION**



*40 to 55% of beams  
can be left  
unprotected by  
placing protection  
where it is needed.*

**One example of a new finding that may be included in the next generation of EN 1994-1-2 – So-called MEMBRANE ACTION**



**The shard in London**



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