

# RC Beam Design to Eurocode 2

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## Input data

### Beam and cross section dimensions

Beam length -  $L = 10 \text{ m}$

Cross section dimensions: height -  $h = 700 \text{ mm}$ , width -  $b = 250 \text{ mm}$

### Loads

Uniformly distributed load -  $q = 12 \text{ kN/m}$  (total, factored)

### Materials

#### Concrete

Characteristic compressive cylinder strength -  $f_{ck} = 20 \text{ MPa}$

Partial safety factor for concrete -  $\gamma_c = 1.5$ ,  $\alpha_{cc} = 0.85$

Design compressive cylinder strength -  $f_{cd} = \frac{\alpha_{cc} \cdot f_{ck}}{\gamma_c} = 11.33 \text{ MPa}$

Factor for effective compression zone depth -  $\lambda = 0.8$

Effective compressive strength factor -  $\eta = 1$

Ultimate compressive strain -  $\epsilon_{cu3} = 0.0035$

Mean value of axial tensile strength -  $f_{ctm} = 0.3 \cdot \left( \frac{f_{ck}}{\text{MPa}} \right)^{\frac{2}{3}} \cdot \text{MPa} = 2.21 \text{ MPa}$

#### Steel

##### Longitudinal reinforcement

Characteristic yield strength -  $f_{yk} = 500 \text{ MPa}$

Partial safety factor for steel -  $\gamma_s = 1.15$

Design yield strength -  $f_{yd} = \frac{f_{yk}}{\gamma_s} = 434.78 \text{ MPa}$

Modulus of elasticity -  $E_s = 200000 \text{ MPa}$

## Shear reinforcement

Characteristic yield strength -  $f_{yk} = 500 \text{ MPa}$

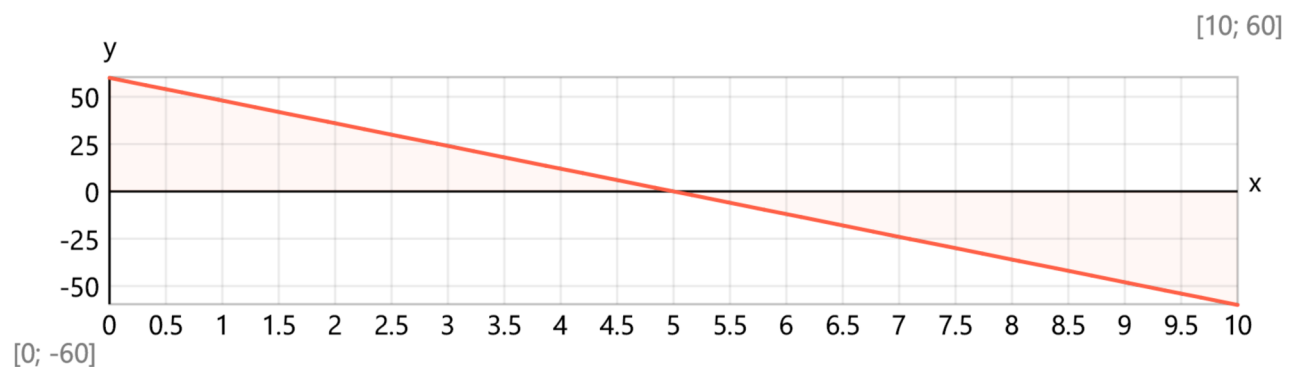
Design yield strength -  $f_{ywd} = \frac{f_{yk}}{\gamma_s} = 434.78 \text{ MPa}$

## Results

### Internal forces

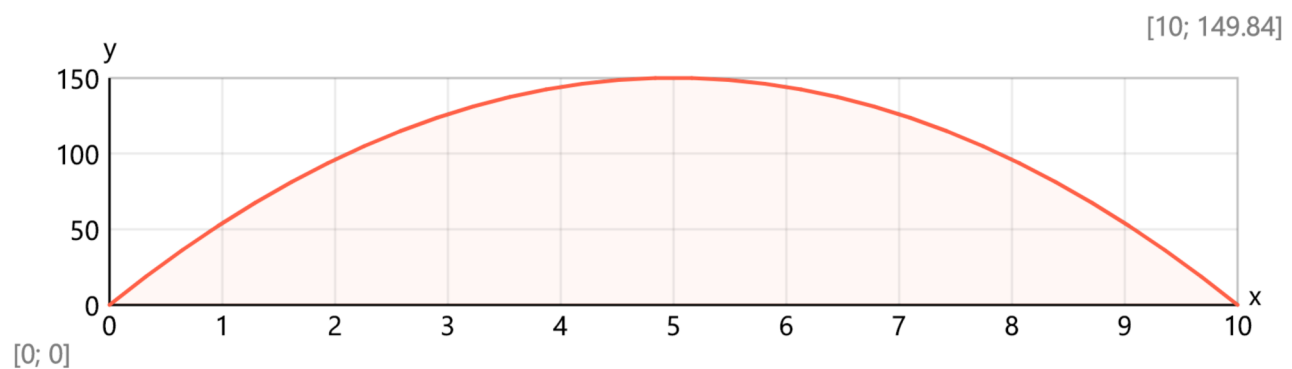
Support reaction -  $A = \frac{q \cdot L}{2} = 60 \text{ kN}$

Shear force diagram -  $V(x) = A - q \cdot x$



Design shear force -  $V_{Ed} = A = 60 \text{ kN}$

Bending moment diagram -  $M(x) = A \cdot x - \frac{q \cdot x^2}{2}$



Design bending moment -  $M_{Ed} = \frac{q \cdot L^2}{8} = 150 \text{ kNm}$

## Bending design

Concrete cover to the center of reinforcement -  $d_1 = 50 \text{ mm}$

Effective cross section depth -  $d = h - d_1 = 650 \text{ mm}$

Relative design bending moment -  $m_{Ed} = \frac{M_{Ed}}{b \cdot d^2 \cdot \eta \cdot f_{cd}} = 0.125$

Compressive zone depth -  $x = \frac{d}{\lambda} \cdot (1 - \sqrt{1 - 2 \cdot m_{Ed}}) = 109.14 \text{ mm}$

Relative compression zone depth -  $\xi = \frac{x}{d} = 0.168$

Design reinforcement yield strain -  $\epsilon_{yd} = \frac{f_{yd}}{E_s} = 0.00217$

Relative depth of compression zone at yielding of bottom reinforcement

$$\xi_{yd} = \frac{\epsilon_{cu3}}{\epsilon_{cu3} + \epsilon_{yd}} = 0.617$$

Limit compression zone depth -  $\xi_{lim} = \xi_{yd} = 0.617$

( $\xi_{lim} = \xi_{yd}$  for elastic and  $\xi_{lim} = 0.45$  for plastic analysis)

$\xi = 0.168 \leq \xi_{lim} = 0.617$  - Compressive reinforcement is **NOT** required.

Lever arm of internal forces -  $z = d - 0.5 \cdot \lambda \cdot x = 606.34 \text{ mm}$

Required main reinforcement -  $A_{sL,rq} = \frac{M_{Ed}}{z \cdot f_{yd}} = 568.98 \text{ mm}^2$

Selected  $n_b = 3$  bars with size  $\varnothing_L = 20 \text{ mm}$

Provided main reinforcement  $A_{sL} = \frac{n_b \cdot \pi \cdot \varnothing_L^2}{4} = 942.48 \text{ mm}^2$

Reinforcement ratio -  $\rho_L = \frac{A_{sL}}{b \cdot d} = 0.0058$

Minimum reinforcement ratio

$$\rho_{min} = \max\left(\frac{0.26 \cdot f_{ctm}}{f_{yk}}; 0.0013\right) = 0.0013 < \rho_L = 0.0058$$

Maximum reinforcement ratio -  $\rho_{max} = 0.04 > \rho_L = 0.0058$

## Shear design

Shear capacity without reinforcement

$$k = \min\left(1 + \sqrt{\frac{200 \text{ mm}}{d}}; 2\right) = 1.55, C_{Rd\_c} = \frac{0.18}{\gamma_c} = 0.12, k_1 = 0.15, \sigma_{cp} = 0 \text{ MPa}$$

$$v_{\min} = 0.035 \cdot k^{\frac{3}{2}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{f_{ck}}{\text{MPa}}} \cdot \text{MPa} = 0.303 \text{ MPa}$$

$$V_{Rd\_c} = \left(C_{Rd\_c} \cdot k \cdot \left(\frac{100 \cdot \rho_L \cdot f_{ck}}{\text{MPa}}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \cdot \text{MPa} + k_1 \cdot \sigma_{cp}\right) \cdot b \cdot d = 68.63 \text{ kN}$$

Minimum shear resistance

$$V_{Rd\_c\_min} = (v_{\min} + k_1 \cdot \sigma_{cp}) \cdot b \cdot d = 49.31 \text{ kN}$$

$$V_{Rd\_c} = \max(V_{Rd\_c\_min}; V_{Rd\_c}) = 68.63 \text{ kN}$$

Design check:

$$V_{Ed} = 60 \text{ kN} \leq V_{Rd\_c} = 68.63 \text{ kN}. \text{ Shear reinforcement is } \mathbf{NOT} \text{ required by calculations!}$$

Nominal reinforcement will be provided as follows:

Shear links with  $n_w = 2$  legs and diameter -  $d_w = 6 \text{ mm}$

$$\text{Area of one leg} - A_{sw1} = \pi \cdot \left(\frac{d_w}{2}\right)^2 = 28.27 \text{ mm}^2$$

$$\text{Maximum stirrup spacing} - s_{\max} = \min(0.75 \cdot d; 300 \text{ mm}) = 300 \text{ mm}$$

$$\text{Provided stirrup spacing} - s = s_{\max} = 300 \text{ mm}$$

$$\text{Provided shear reinforcement area} - A_{sw} = n_w \cdot A_{sw1} \cdot \frac{1 \text{ m}}{s} = 188.5 \text{ mm}^2 / \text{m}$$

$$\text{Reinforcement ratio} - \rho_w = \frac{A_{sw}}{s \cdot b} = 0.00251$$

$$\rho_{w\_min} = \frac{0.08 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{f_{ck}}{\text{MPa}}} \cdot \text{MPa}}{f_{yk}} = 0.000716 < \rho_w = 0.00251$$