

# Equivalent Frame Method

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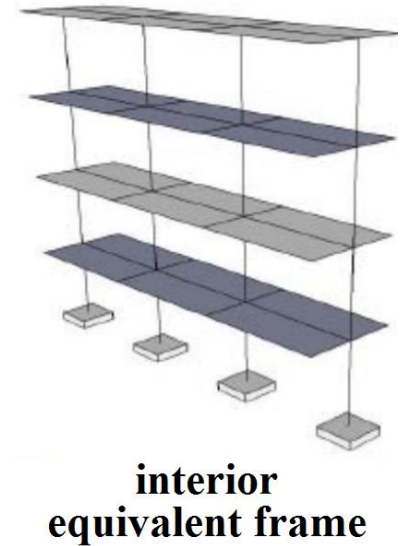
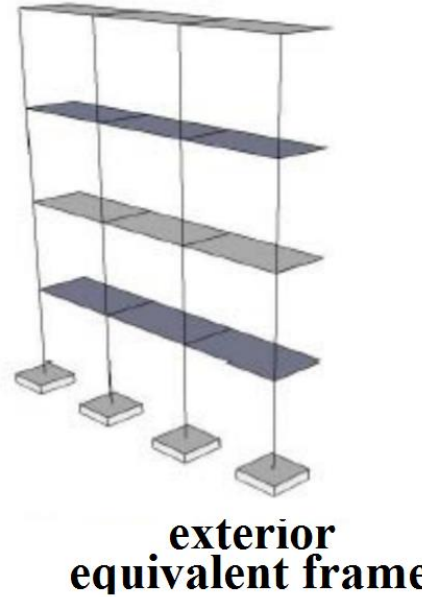
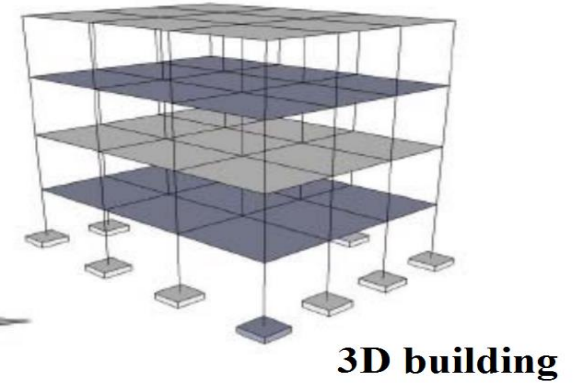
Dividing the building into equivalent frames, then analysing them either by (moment distribution method) or (slope deflection method). After that, distributing positive and negative moments to the middle and column strips will be in the same way that of D.D.M.

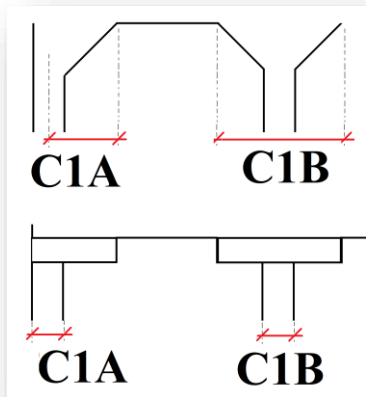
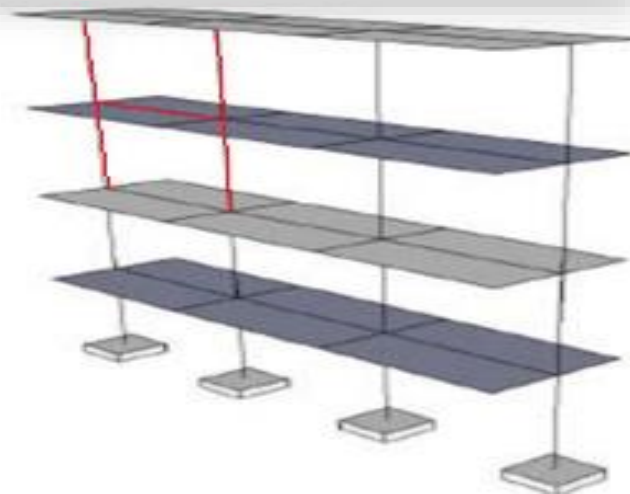
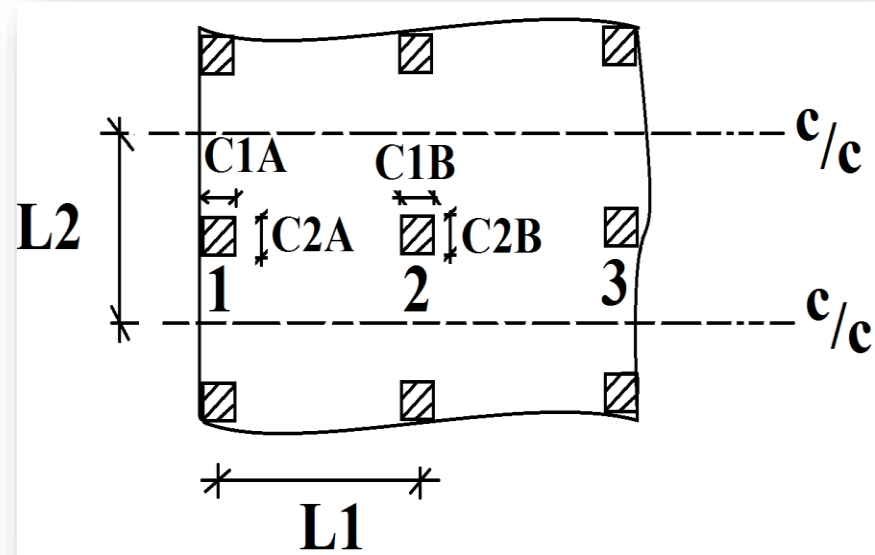
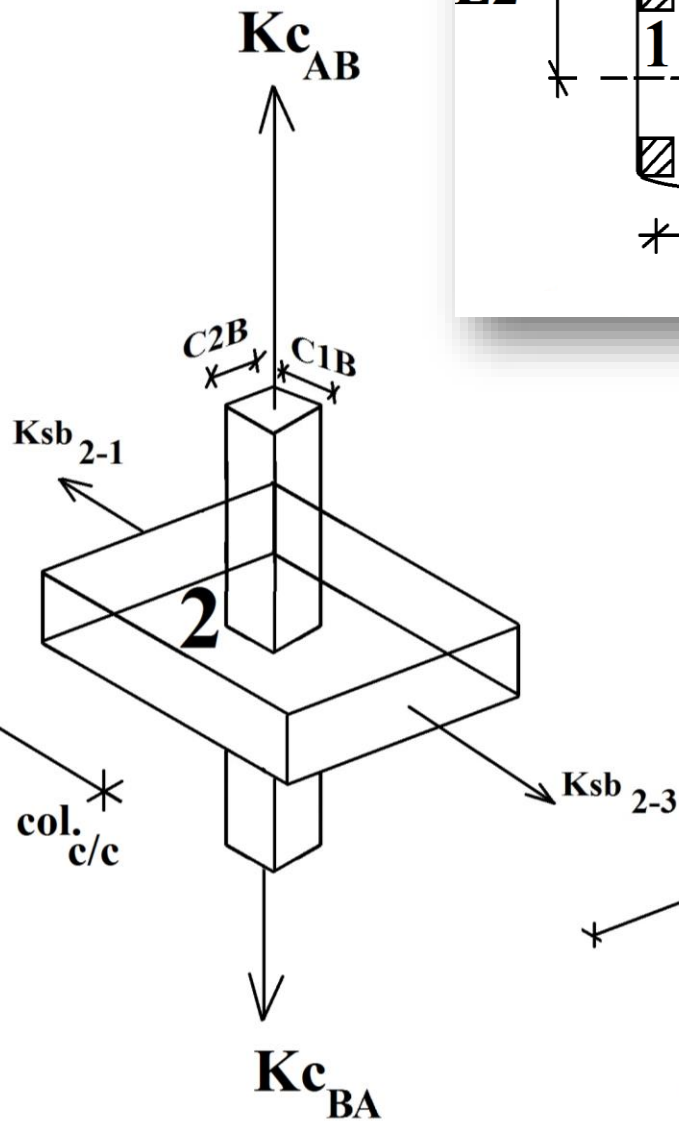
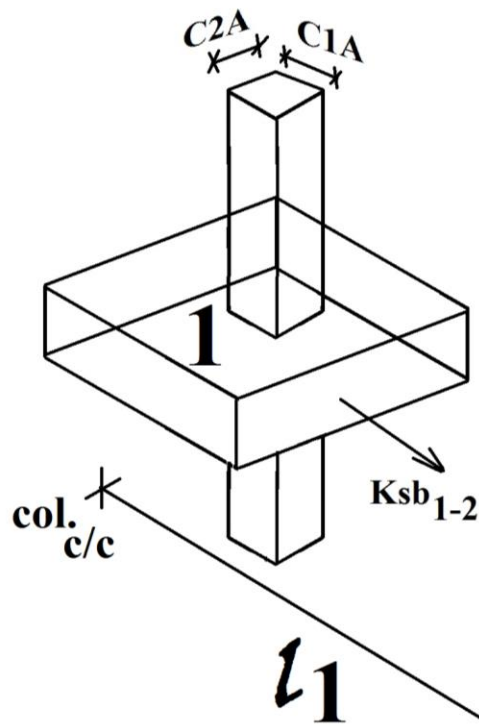
The followings should be identified:

- $K$ , flexural stiffness ( $K = k \frac{EI}{L}$ );
- $COF$ , carryover factors;
- $DF$ , distribution factors; and
- $FEM$ , fixed-end moments.

$$FEM = \alpha W_u l_2 l_1^2$$

$\alpha=4$  for prismatic members, otherwise tables should be used.

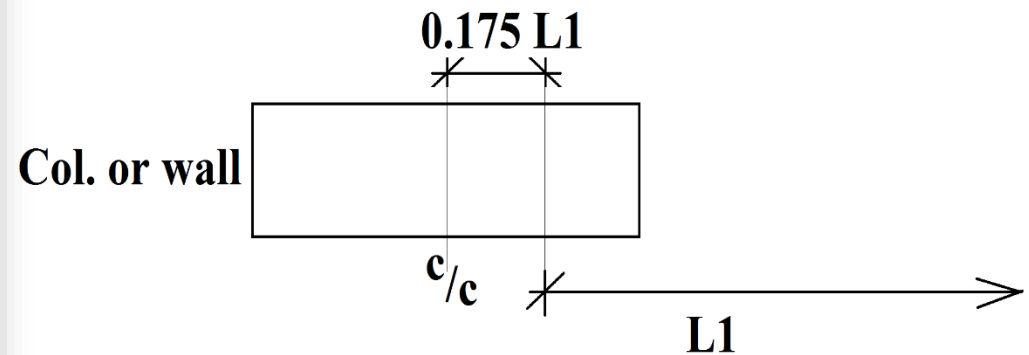
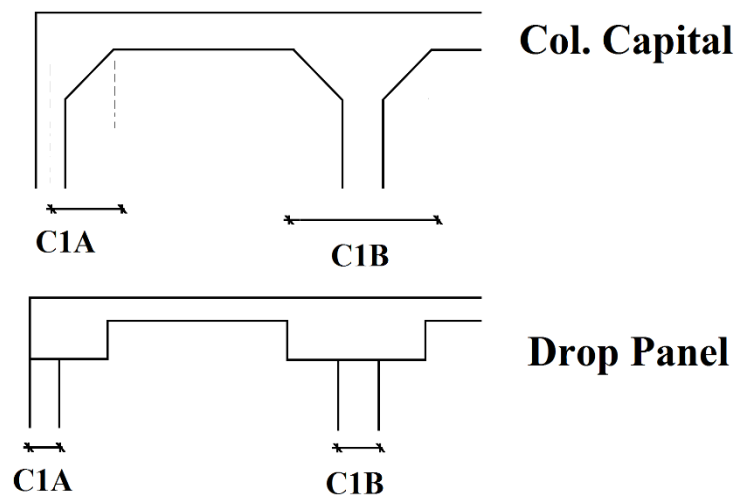




$l_2$   
strip width

- Equivalent column has a less stiffness than that of the actual column, capital, bracket or wall. A beam is not considered a supporting member for the equivalent frame.
- Non-rectangular supports should be treated as equivalent square supports (having the same cross-sectional area).
- Negative factored moments for design must be taken at faces of rectilinear supports, but not at a distance greater than  $(0.175 L_1)$  from the centre of a support. This absolute value is limited on long narrow supports in order to prevent undue reduction in design moment.

**Note:**



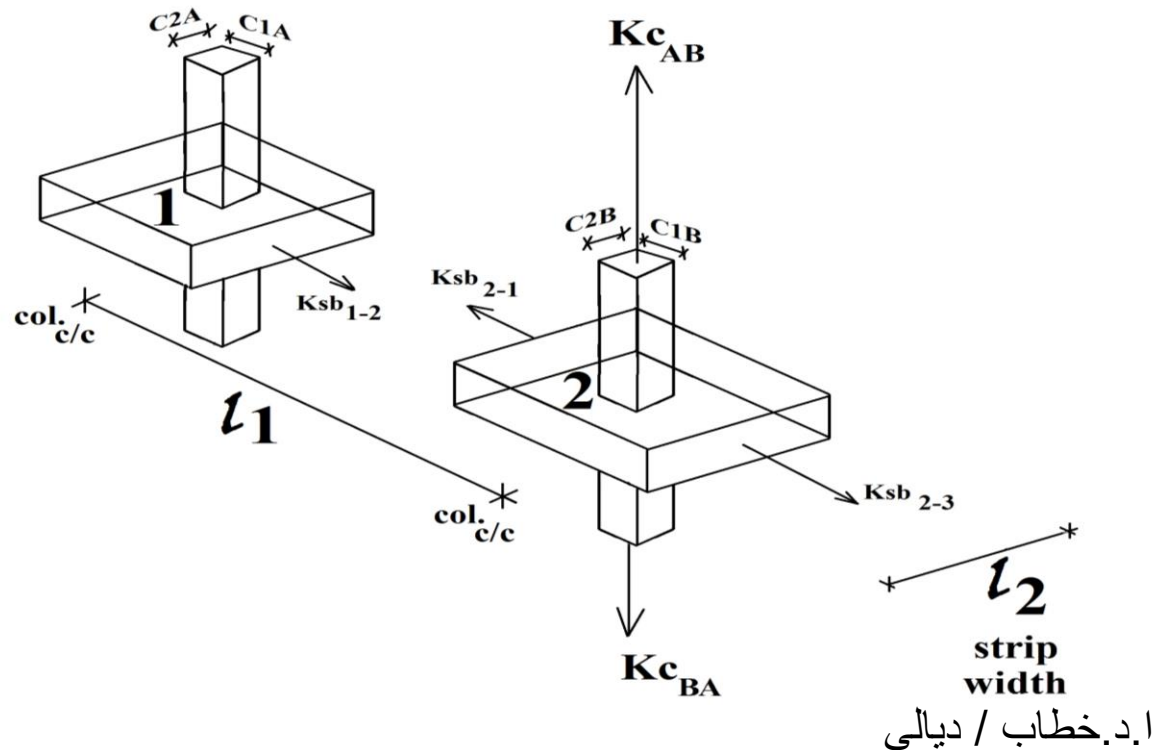
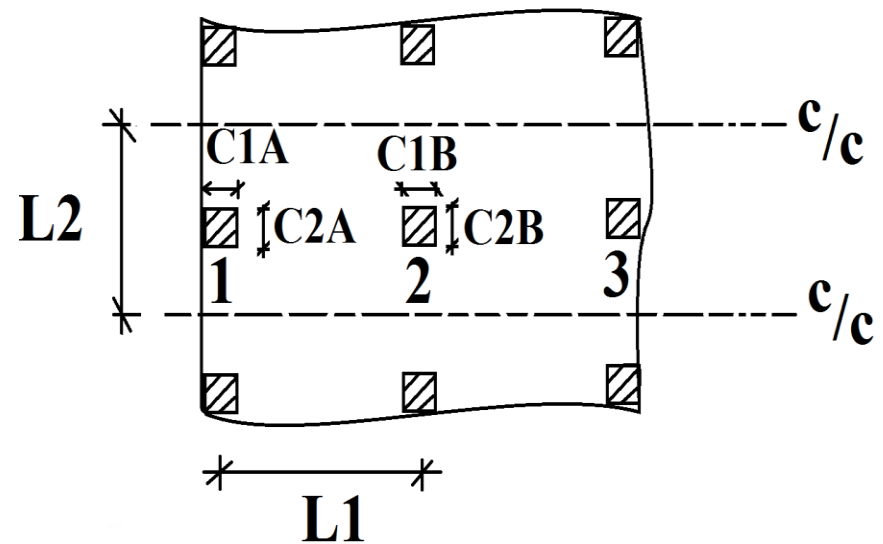
## Flexural stiffness of slab-beam $K_{sb}$ :

1. Without internal parallel beam:

$$K_{sb_{1-2}} = K_{AB} \frac{4700 \sqrt{f'c} I_{cs}}{L1}$$

$$K_{sb_{2-1}} = K_{BA} \frac{4700 \sqrt{f'c} I_{cs}}{L1}$$

$$I_{cs} = \frac{L2 \cdot h_f^3}{12}$$



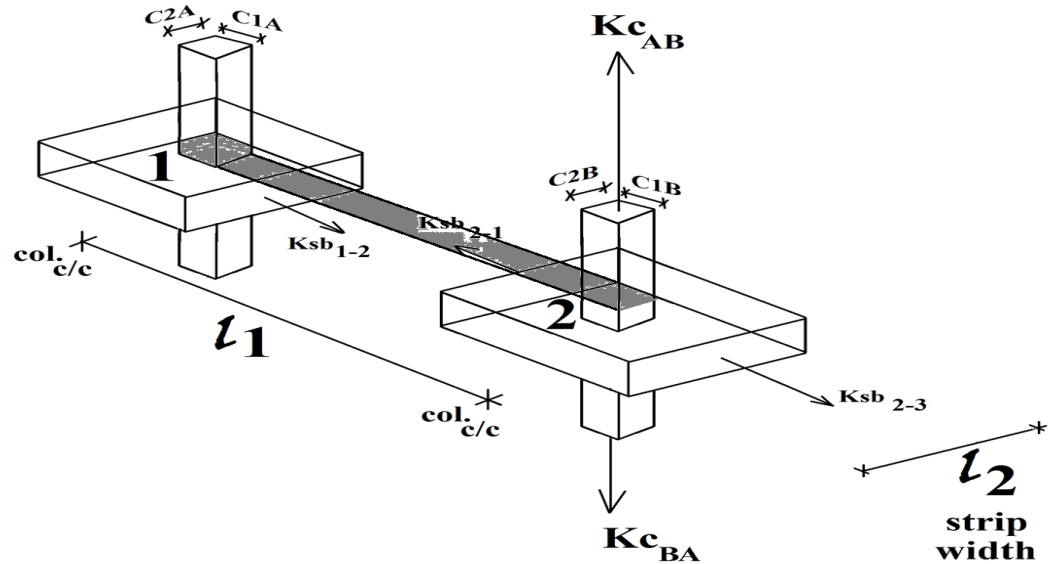
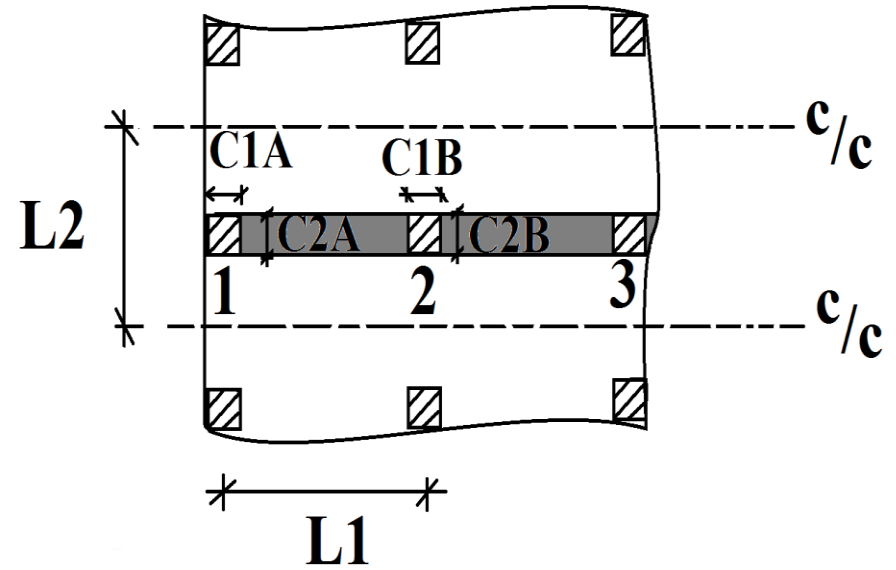
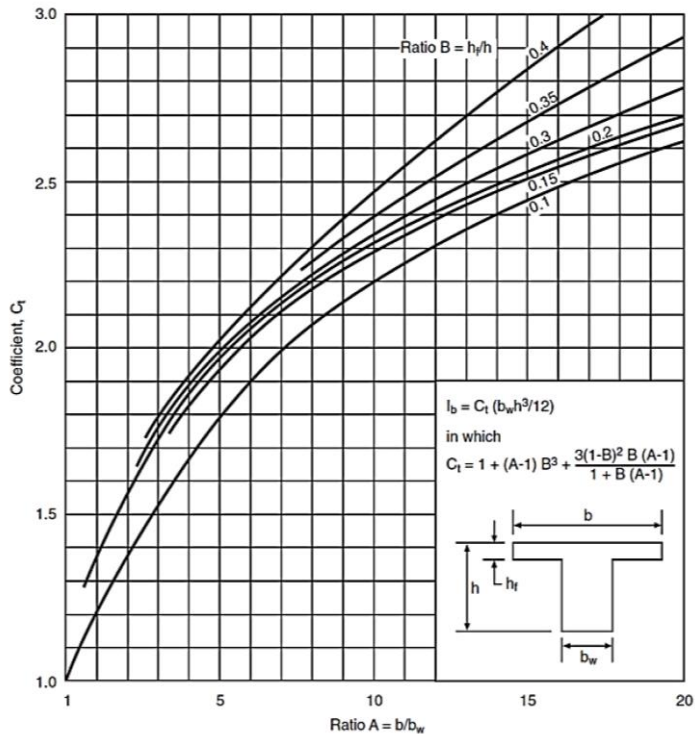
2. With internal parallel beam:

$$Ksb_{1-2} = K_{AB} \frac{4700\sqrt{f'c} \left( C_t \frac{b_w h^3}{12} \right)}{L1}$$

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Where h= total height of beam.

To get  $C_t$ , the following figure should be used:



## Torsional stiffness, $K_t$ .

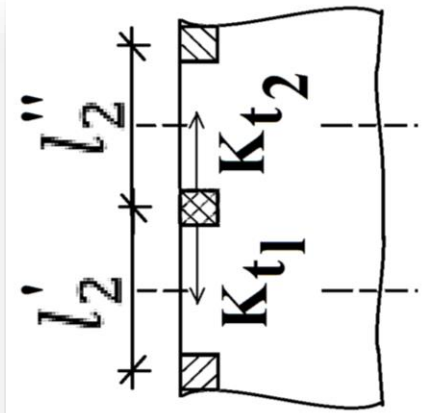
$$K_t = \sum \frac{9 E_{cs} C}{l_2 \left(1 - \frac{c_2}{l_2}\right)^3}$$

**Note:**  $\left(1 - \frac{c_2}{l_2}\right)$   
is magnification  
factor

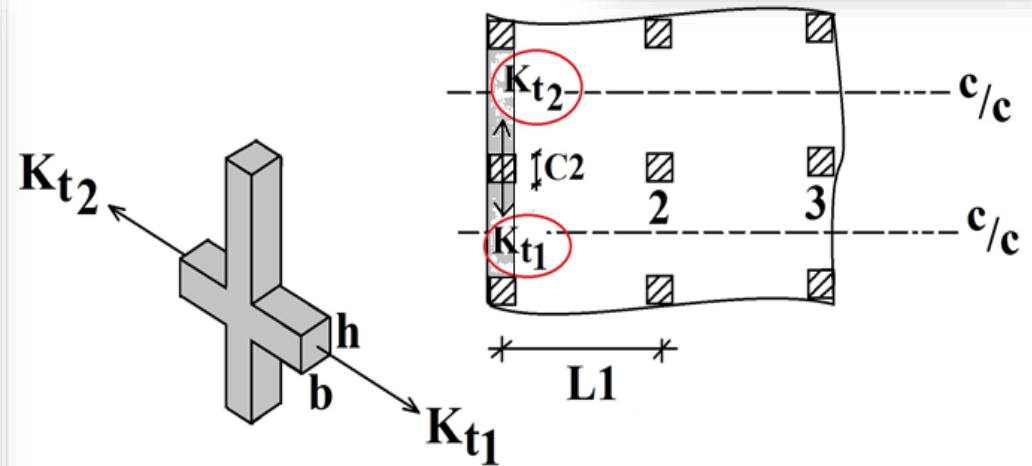
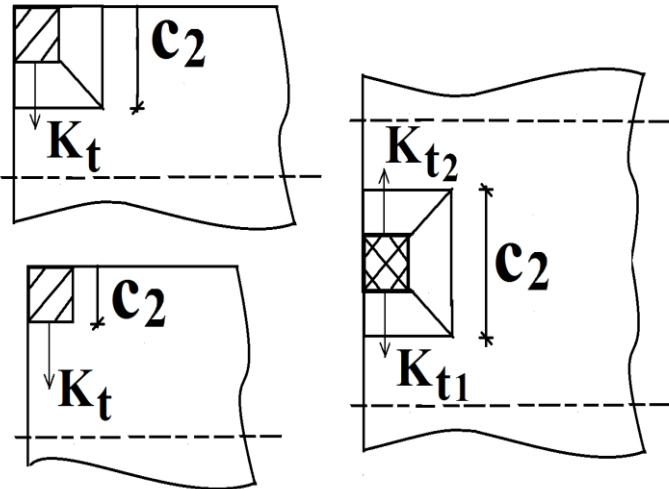
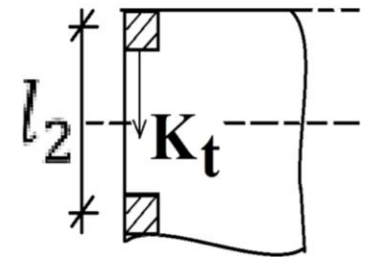
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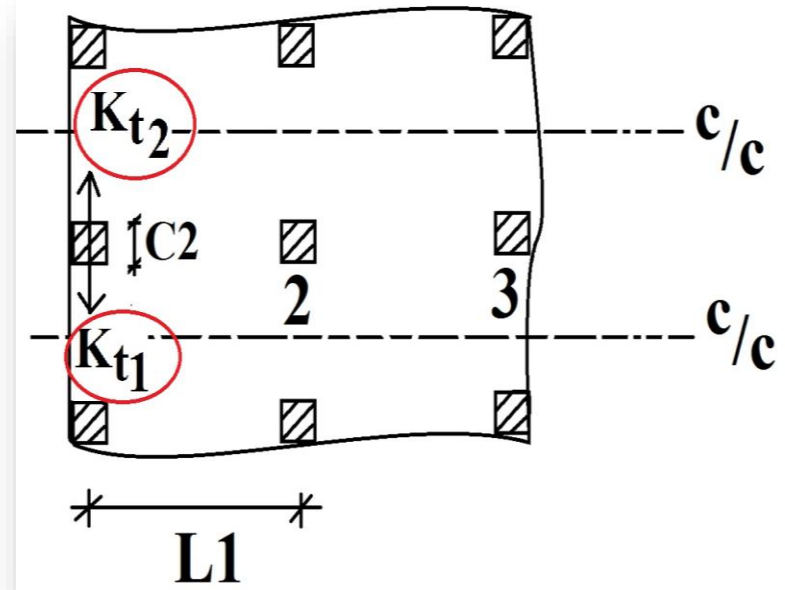
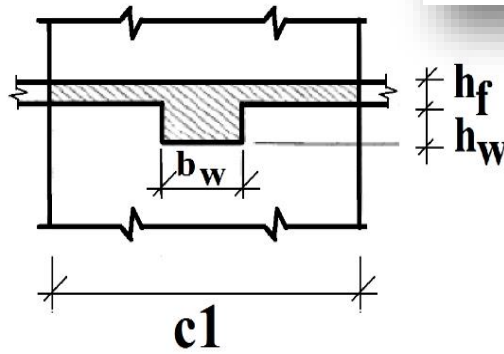
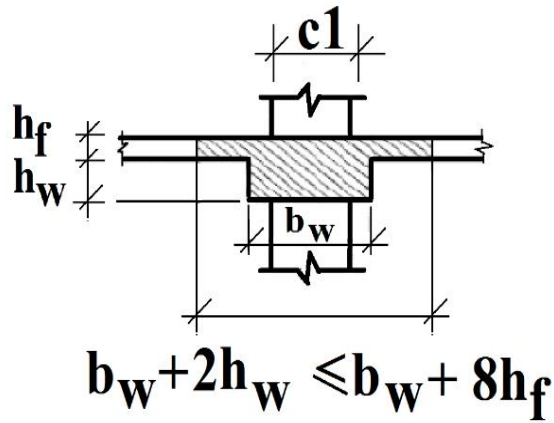
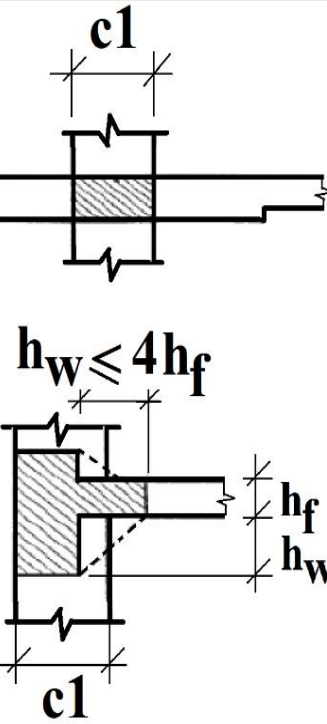
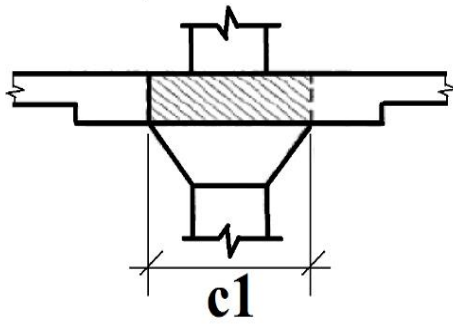
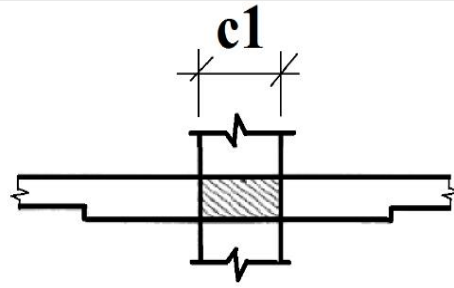
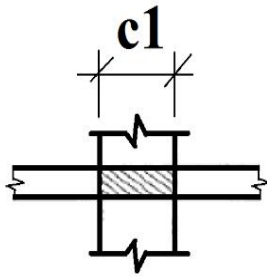
$c_2$  = column dimension which is perpendicular to the strip.

$C$  = torsional constant (max value),  $C = \sum \left(1 - 0.63 \frac{x}{y}\right) \frac{x^3 y}{3}$   
, where  $x$  is the smaller dimension and  $y$  is the greater one.

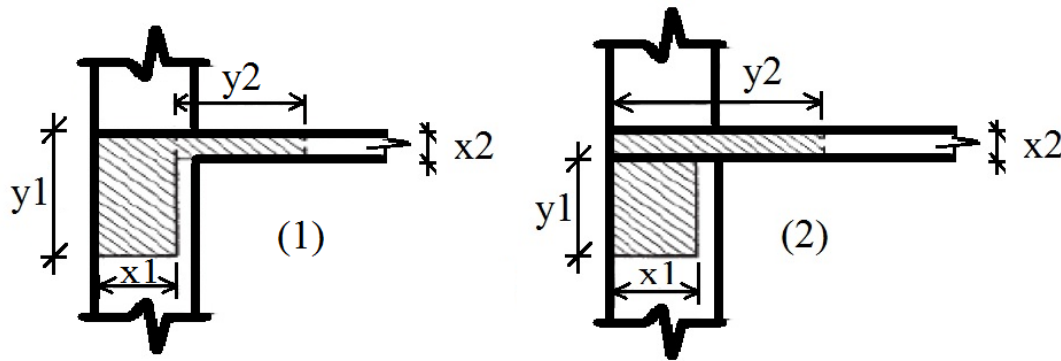
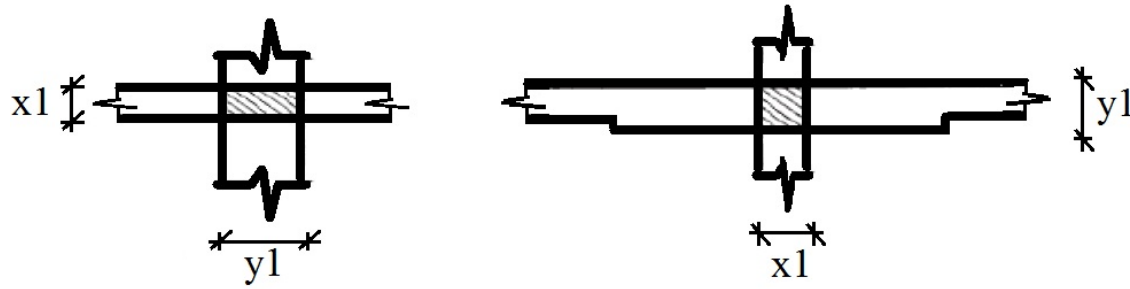


where  $l_2$  is:

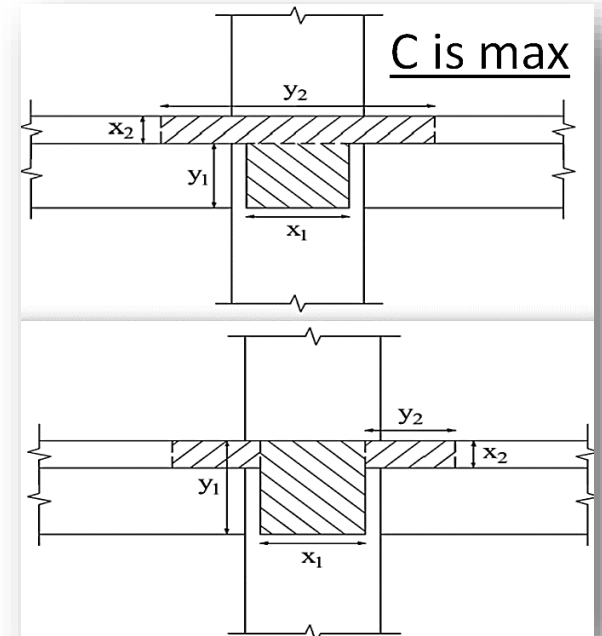
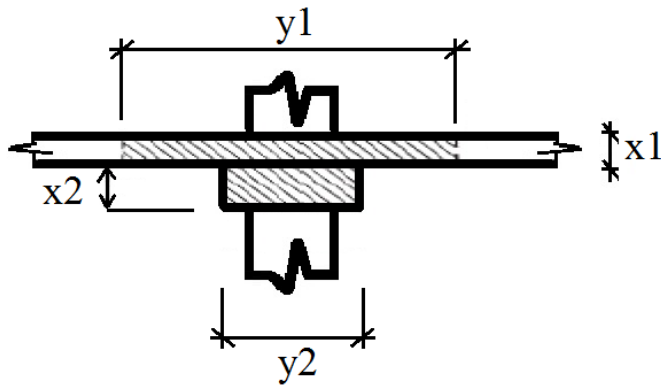








Use larger C computed in (1) and (2)



$$K_t = \sum \frac{9 E_{cs} C}{l_2 \left(1 - \frac{c_2}{l_2}\right)^3}$$

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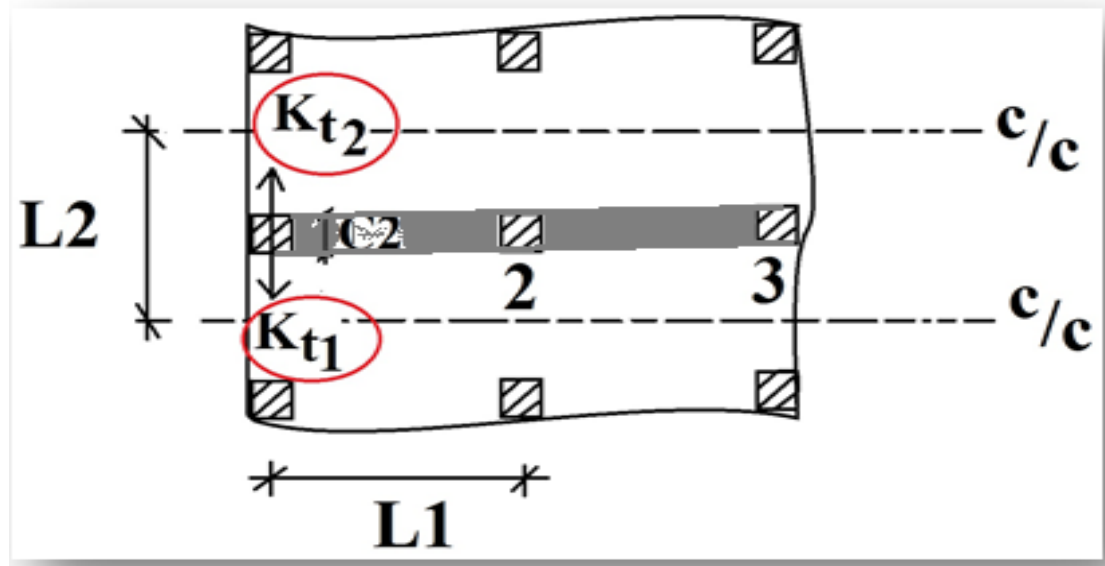
**Note:** when there is a parallel beam in the strip under consideration,  $K_t$  will be modified through  $K_{tm}$  by:

$$K_{tm} = K_t \frac{I_{sb}}{I_s}$$

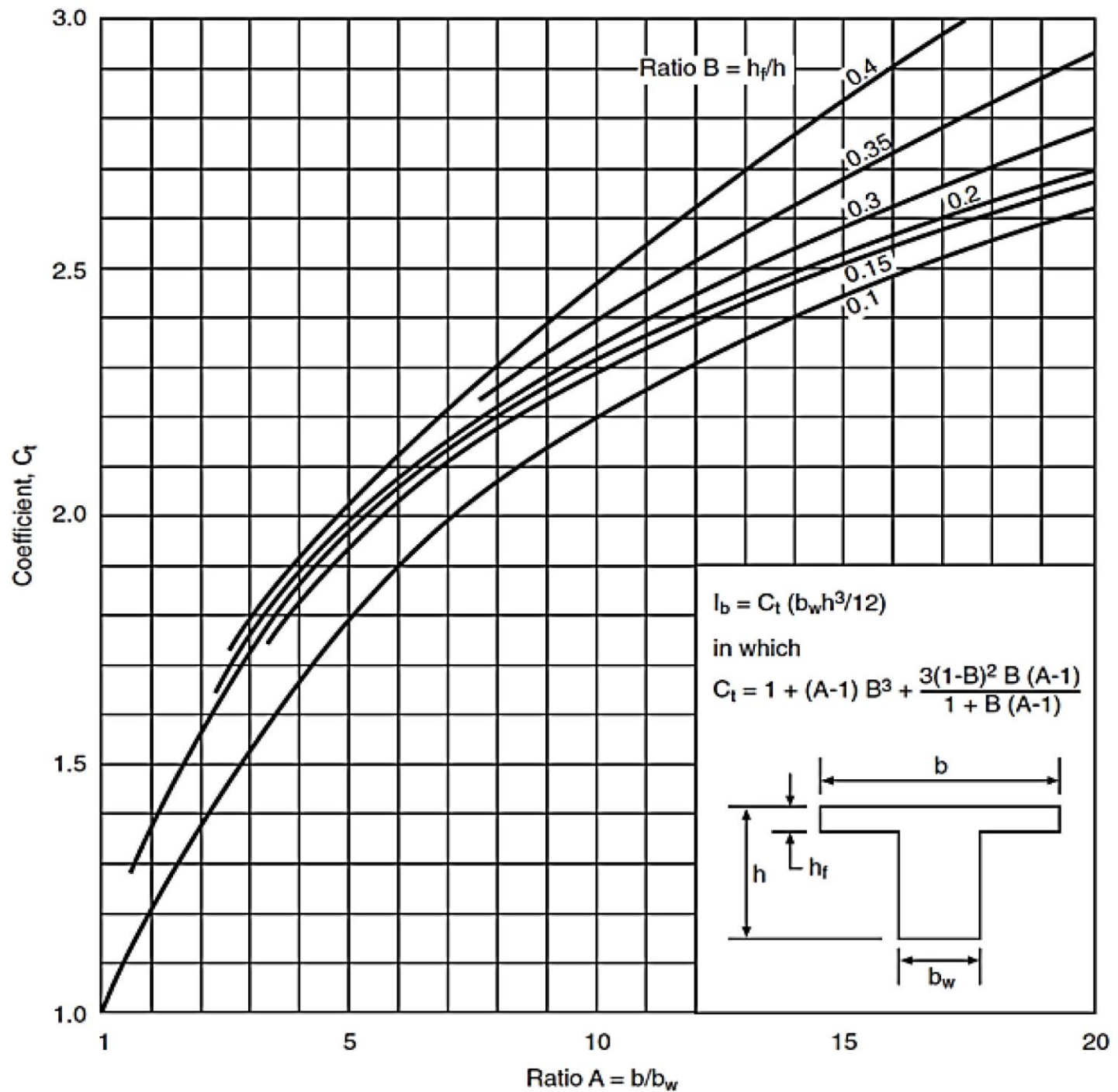
where  $I_{sb} = \frac{b_{sb} h^3}{12} C_t$

and  $I_s = \frac{L_2 h_f^3}{12}$

where  $I_{sb}$  is the moment of inertia of the slab and beam together, and  $I_s$  is the moment of inertia of the slab neglecting the beam section.



# $C_t$



# Flexural stiffness of actual column $K_c$

$$K_{C_{AB}} = K_{AB} \frac{4700\sqrt{f'_c} I_c}{L_c} \quad (\text{top column})$$

$$K_{C_{BA}} = K_{BA} \frac{4700\sqrt{f'_c} I_c}{L_c} \quad (\text{bottom column})$$

$$I_c = \frac{b h^3}{12}$$

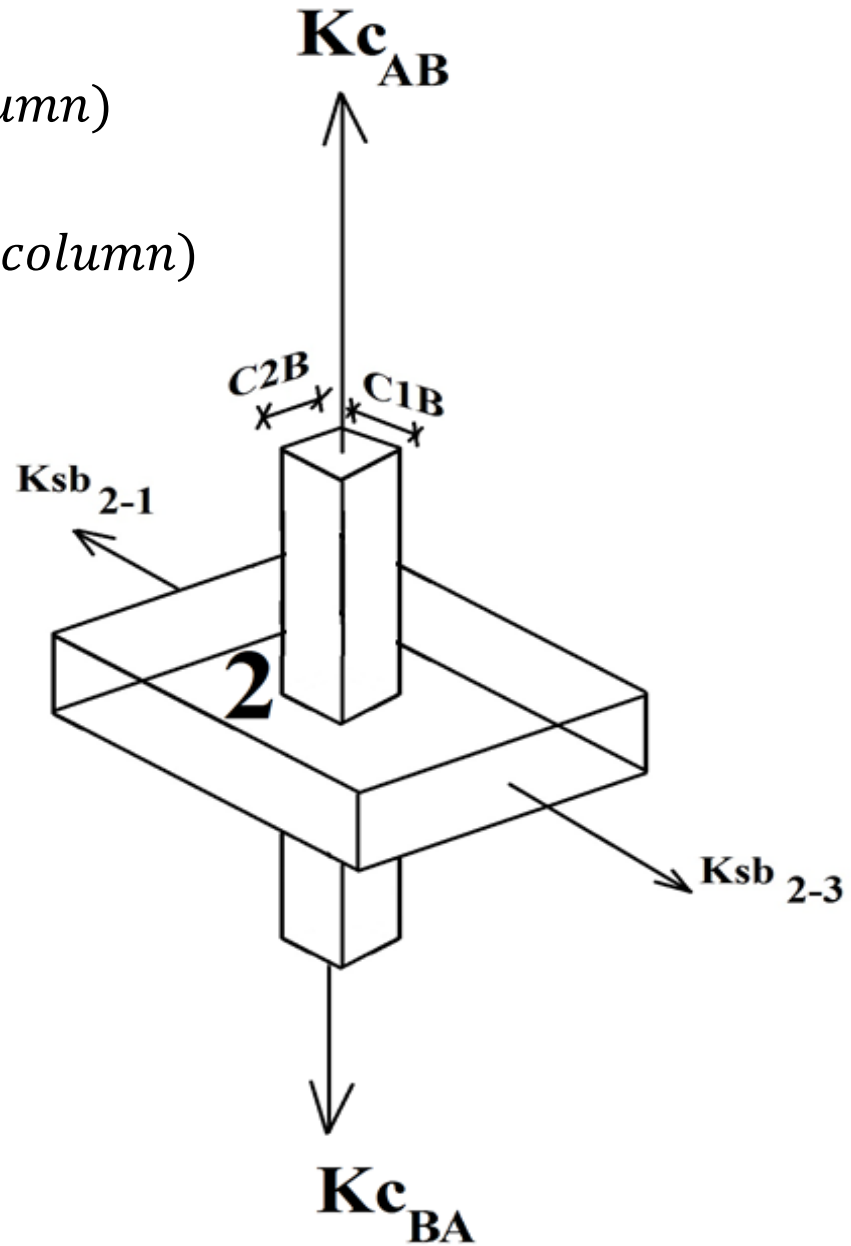
where:

$b$  &  $h$  = *perpendicular* & *parallel*  
sectional dimensions of column

$L_c$  = column c/c length

$$I_c = \frac{b h^3}{12} = \frac{C2 \cdot C1^3}{12} \rightarrow b \begin{array}{c} h \\ \square \\ C1 \end{array} C2$$

$$I_c = \frac{\pi \cdot D^4}{64}$$

# Notes on (C1A) considering for columns (Table 3)

1- When the column is not connected to a beam

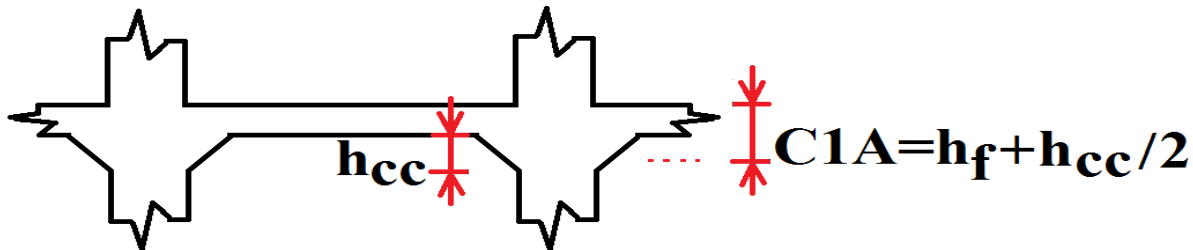
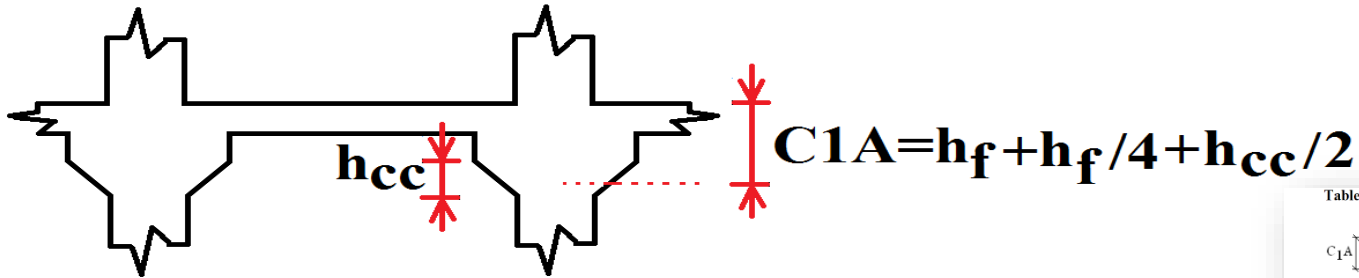
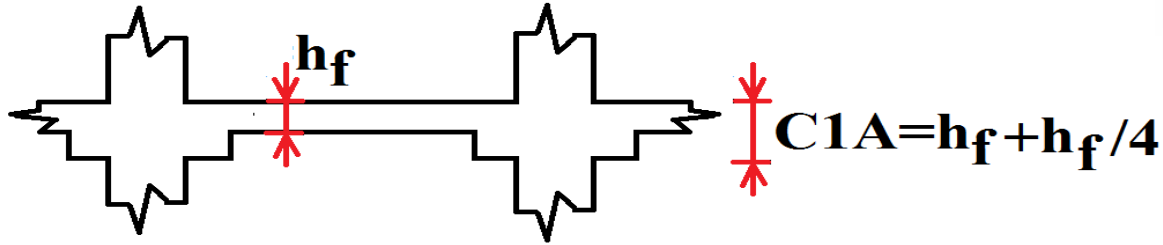
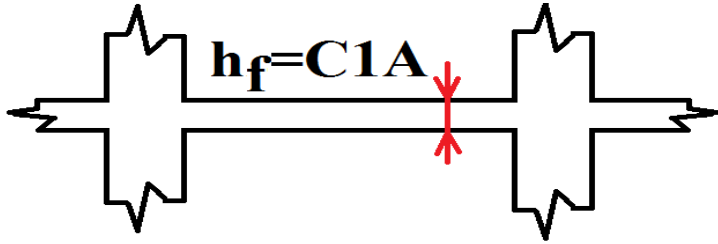
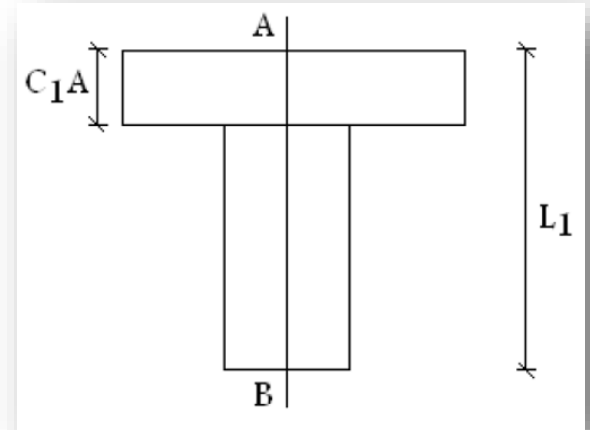


Table 3 Coefficients for columns with variable moment of inertia

A small schematic diagram of a column cross-section, similar to the one in the top right, with dimensions  $C1A$ ,  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $L1$ .

Slab Depth $C_1A/L_1$	Uniformly Load F.E.M= coef. (w L <sub>2</sub> L <sub>1</sub> <sup>2</sup> )		Stiffness Factors		Carry-over Factors	
	M <sub>AB</sub>	M <sub>BA</sub>	k <sub>AB</sub>	k <sub>BA</sub>	COF <sub>AB</sub>	COF <sub>BA</sub>
0.00	0.083	0.083	4.00	4.00	0.500	0.500
0.05	0.100	0.075	4.91	4.21	0.496	0.579
0.10	0.118	0.068	6.09	4.44	0.486	0.667
0.15	0.135	0.060	7.64	4.71	0.471	0.765
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## 2- When the column is connected to a beam

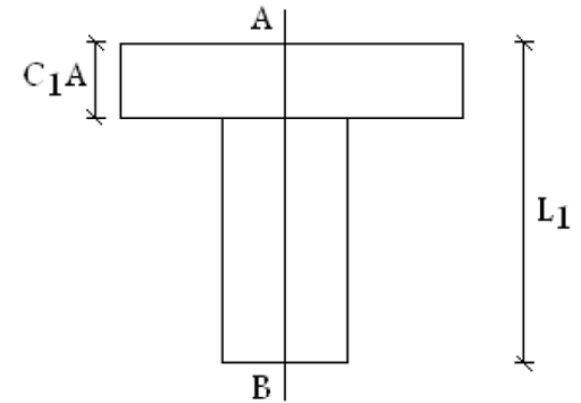
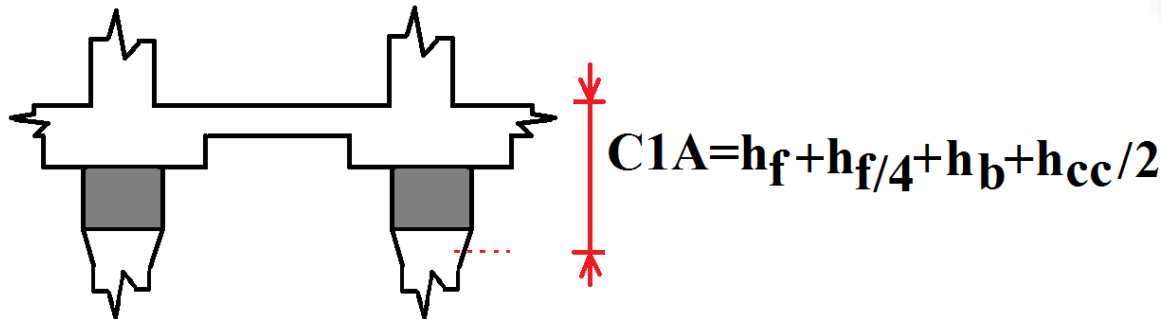
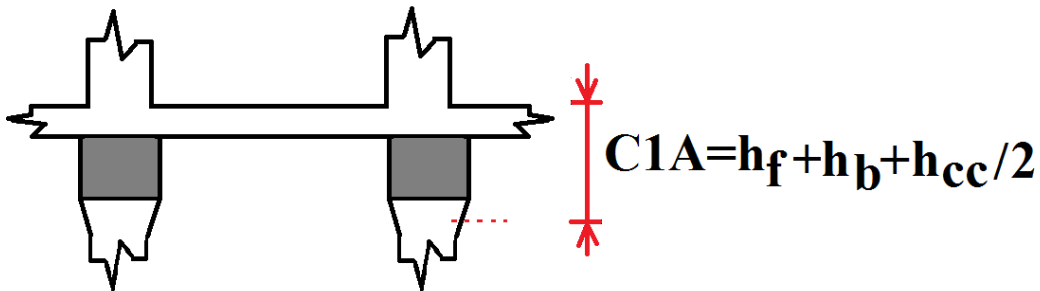
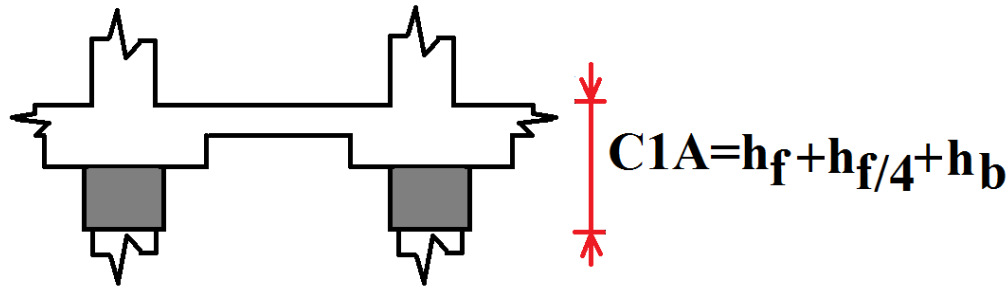
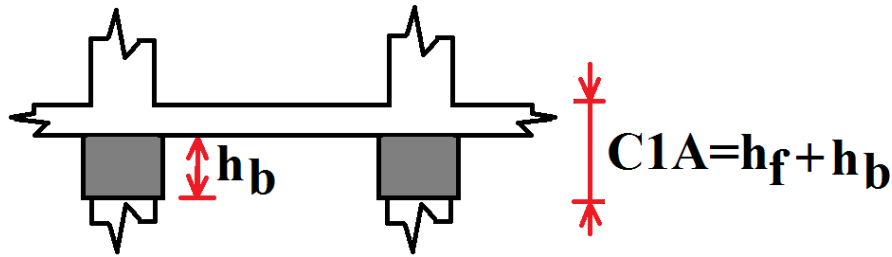


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## Flexural stiffness of equivalent column ( $K_{ec}$ ):

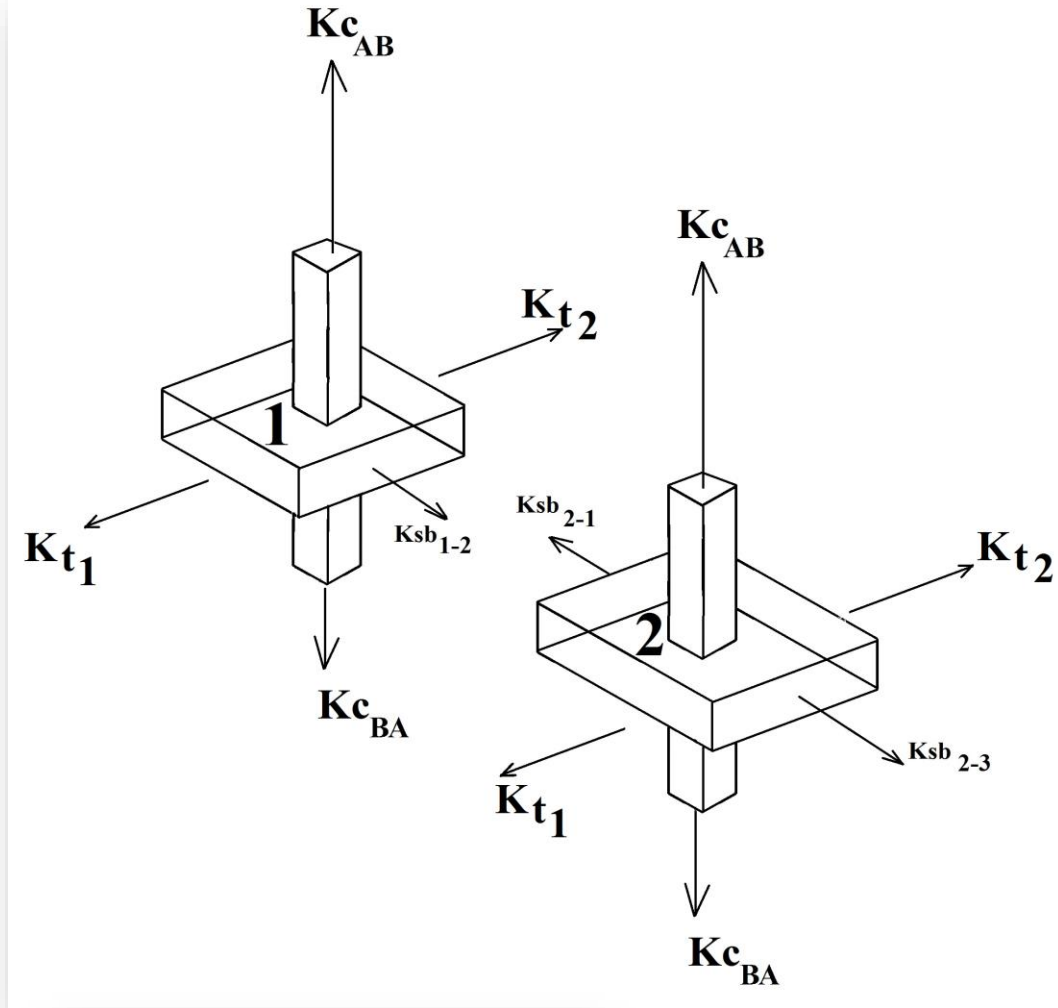
$$\frac{1}{K_{ec}} = \frac{1}{\sum K_c} + \frac{1}{\sum K_t}$$

## Distribution Factor (DF):

$$DF_{1-2} = \frac{K_{sb1-2}}{K_{sb1-2} + K_{ec}}$$

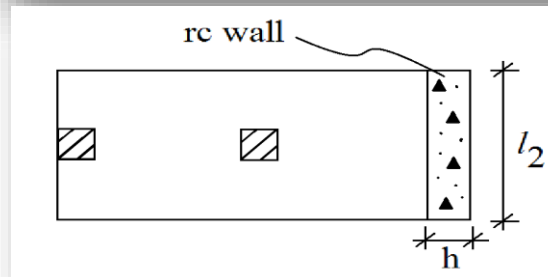
$$DF_{2-1} = \frac{K_{sb2-1}}{K_{sb2-1} + K_{sb2-3} + K_{ec}}$$

$$DF_{2-3} = \frac{K_{sb2-3}}{K_{sb2-1} + K_{sb2-3} + K_{ec}}$$



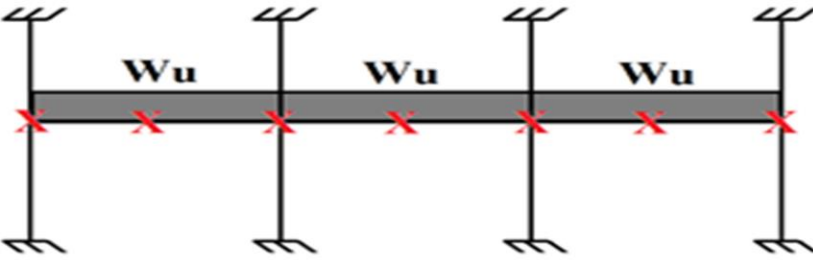

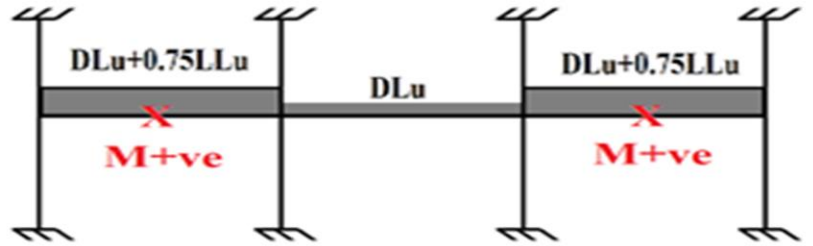
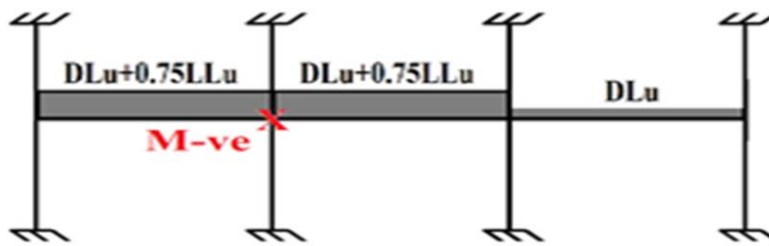
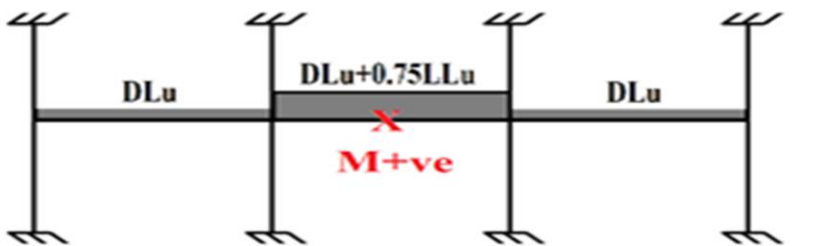
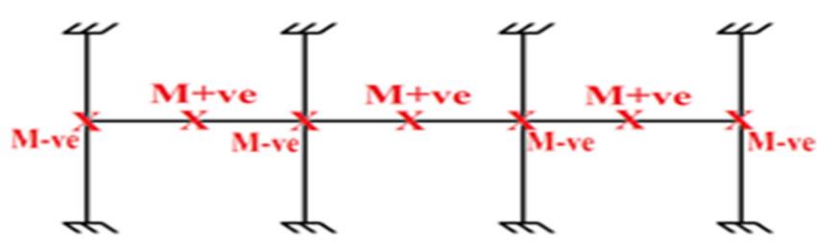
**Note:** when slab is supported by a rc wall, DF=0

$$K_C = K_{AB} \frac{4700\sqrt{f'c} I_c}{L_1} \quad I_c = \frac{l_2 h^3}{12}$$



# Loading Arrangement

If LL is known and  $LL \leq 0.75DL$  then only full load case (case 1) is used, otherwise ( $LL > 0.75DL$ ) the five cases (from 1 to 5) should be summarized in one case (max case):

Pattern	Case	Pattern	Case
	1		4
	2		5
	3		Summary (max)