

# **SECTION 3**

# **DESIGN OF POST- TENSIONED COMPONENTS FOR FLEXURE**

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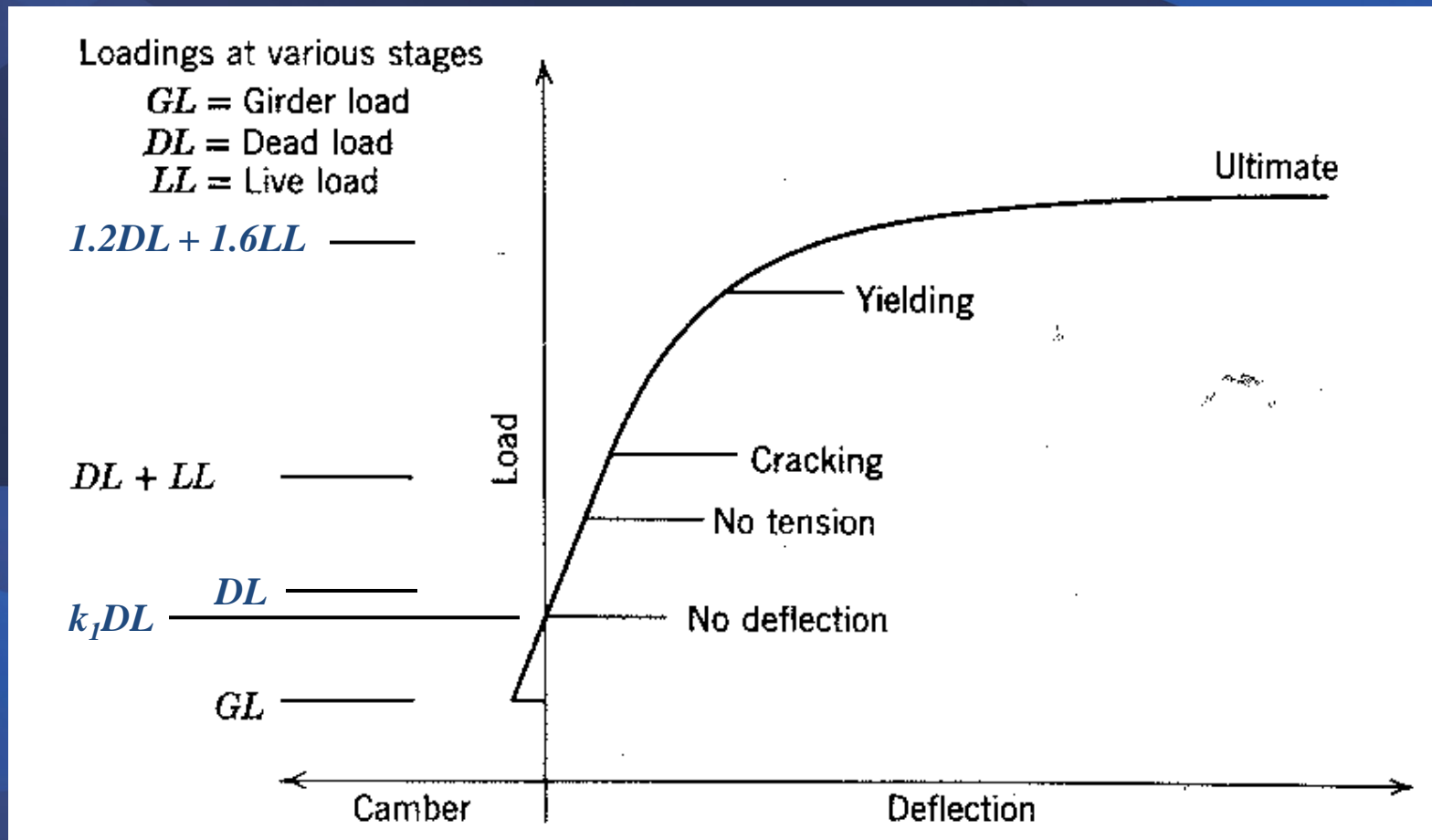
# NOTE: MOMENT DIAGRAM CONVENTION

- In PT design, it is preferable to draw moment diagrams to the tensile face of the concrete section. The tensile face indicates what portion of the beam requires reinforcing for strength.
- When moment is drawn on the tension side, the diagram matches the general drape of the tendons. The tendons change their vertical location in the beam to follow the tensile moment diagram. Strands are at the top of the beam over the support and near the bottom at mid span.
- For convenience, the following slides contain moment diagrams drawn on both the tensile and compressive face, denoted by (T) and (C), in the lower left hand corner. Please delete the slides to suit the presenter's convention.

# OBJECTIVE

- 1 hour presentation
- Flexure design considerations

# PRESTRESSED GIRDER BEHAVIOR

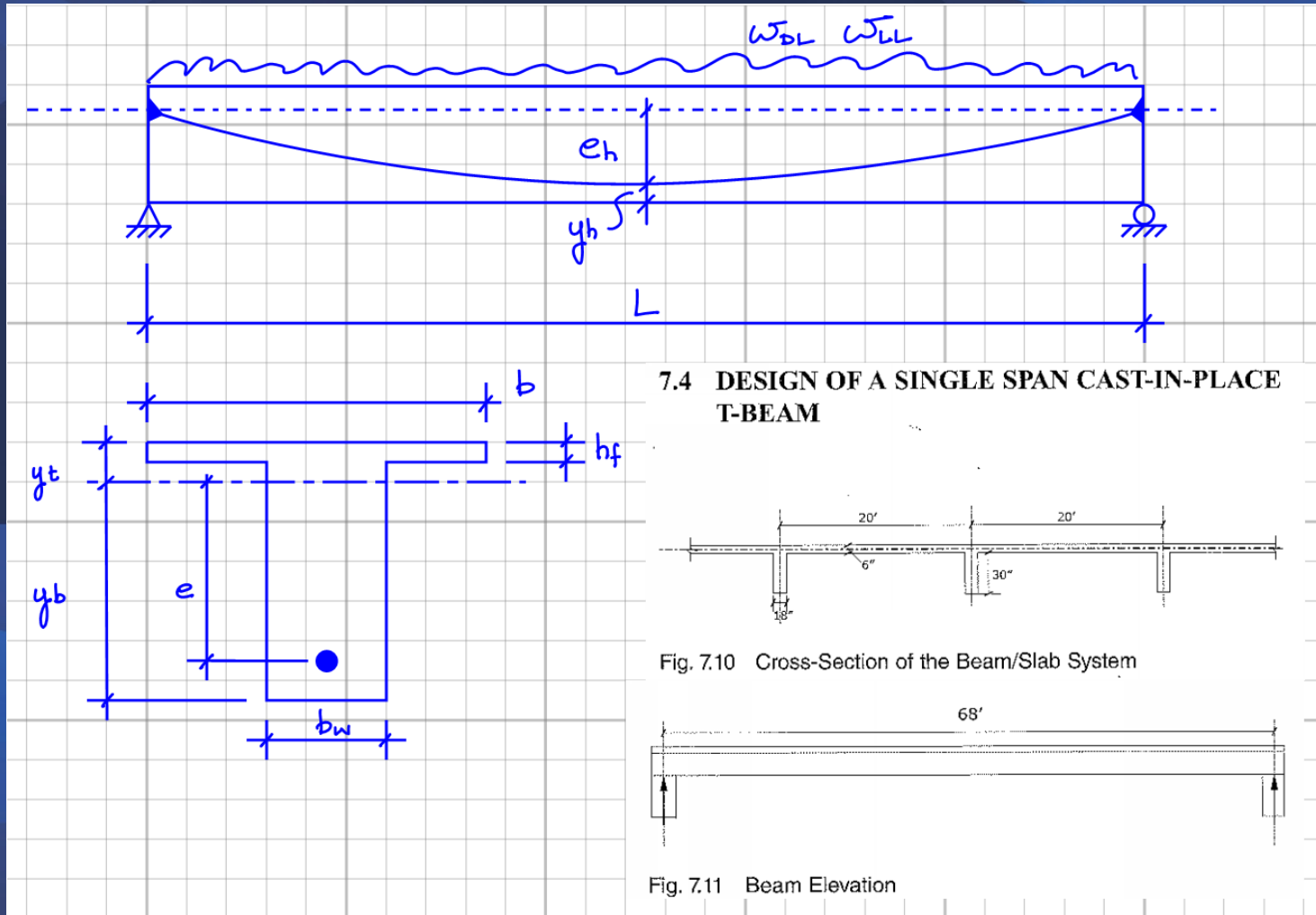


Lin and Burns, Design of Prestressed Concrete Structures, 3<sup>rd</sup> Ed., 1981

# LIMIT STATES – AND PRESENTATION OUTLINE

- Load Balancing –  $k_1DL$ 
  - Minimal deflection.  
Select  $k_1$  to balance majority of sustained load.
- Service –  $DL + LL$ 
  - Concrete cracking.  
Check tension and compressive stresses.
- Strength –  $1.2DL + 1.6LL + 1.0\text{Secondary}$ 
  - Ultimate strength.  
Check Design Flexural Strength ( $\phi M_n$ )

# EXAMPLE





# DIMENSIONS AND PROPERTIES

## Geometry and section properties

$$L = 68\text{ft}$$

end to end of girder and assumed center-to-center span length

$$b_w = 18\text{in}$$

web width

$$h = 36\text{in}$$

section height

$$h_f = 6\text{in}$$

flange thickness

$$s = 20\text{ft}$$

beam spacing

## Tendon data

$$A_{ps} = 28 \cdot A_{ps5}$$

Number of 0.5 in. dia. strands in fully bonded tendon

$$y_h = 3.75\text{in}$$

Distance from bottom of beam to cgs of tendon at low point of harp.

## Material properties

$$f'_c = 5000\text{psi}$$

Specified 28-day concrete compressive strength.

$$f'_{ci} = 4000\text{psi}$$

Specified concrete compressive strength at prestress transfer.

$$f_y = 60\text{ksi}$$

Specified yield strength of mild steel reinforcement

$$f_{pu} = 270\text{ksi}$$

Specified ultimate tensile strength of prestressing strand

# SECTION PROPERTIES

- Determine effective flange width according to ACI 8.12.2.

$$16 \cdot h_f + b_w = 114 \cdot \text{in}$$

$$(s - b_w) \cdot 0.5 = 111 \cdot \text{in}$$

$$0.25 \cdot L = 204 \cdot \text{in}$$

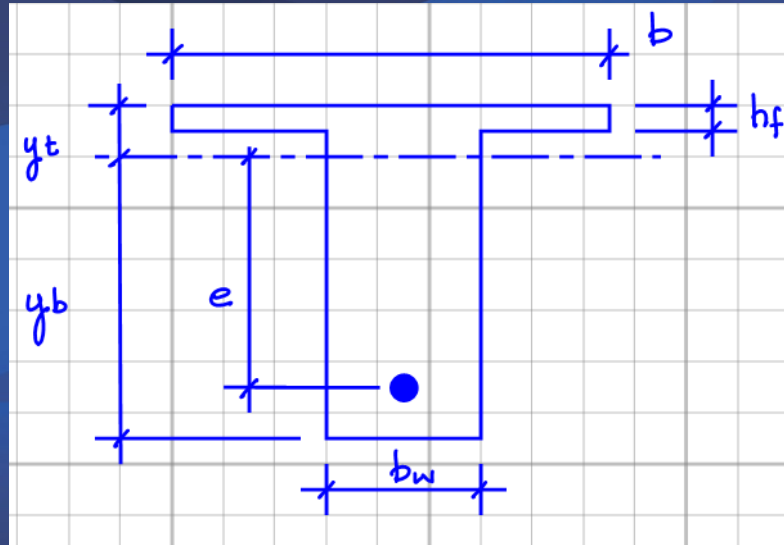
Effective flange width is 111 in.

$$I = 139118 \cdot \text{in}^4$$

$$A = 1206 \cdot \text{in}^2$$

$$y_b = 24.94 \cdot \text{in}$$

$$y_t = 11.06 \cdot \text{in}$$





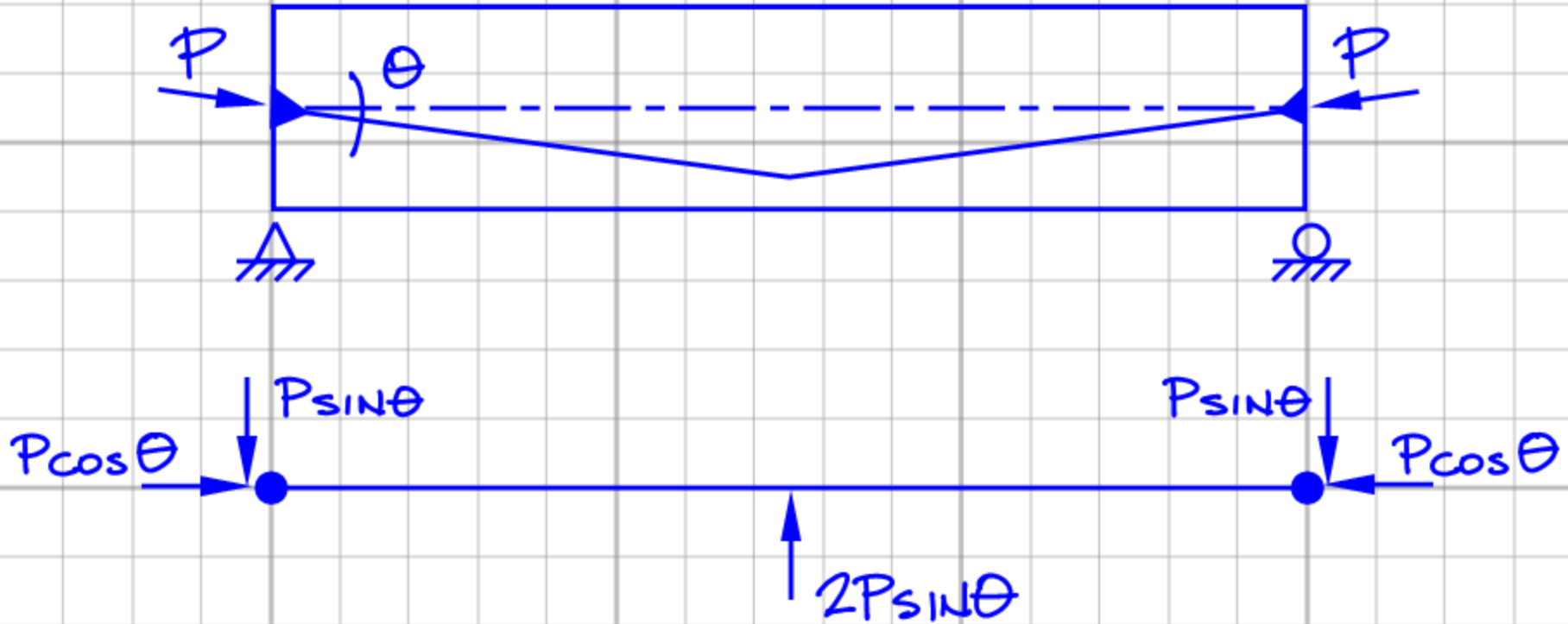
# LOAD BALANCING

- Tendons apply external self-equilibrating transverse loads to member.
- Forces applied through anchorages
- The angular change in tendon profile causes a transverse force on the member

# LOAD BALANCING

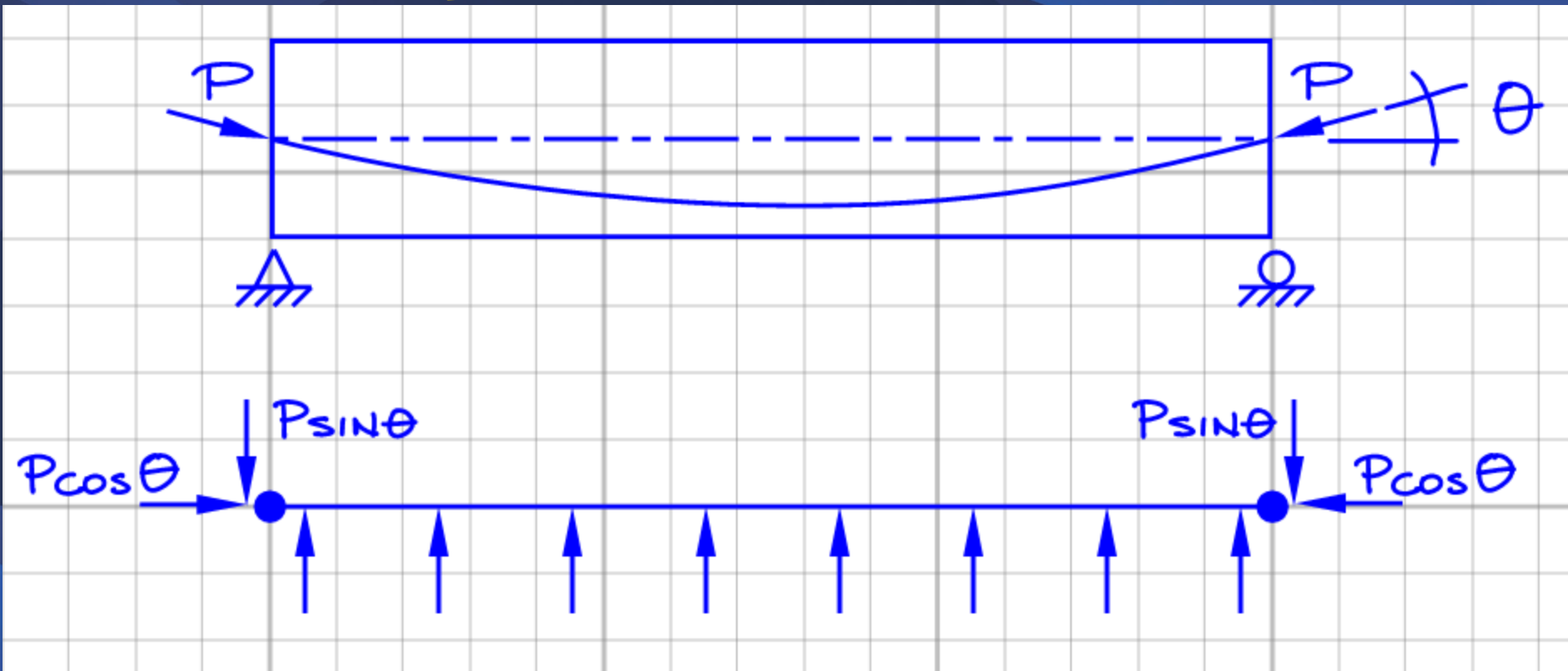
- Transverse forces from tendon “balances” structural dead loads.
- Moments caused by the equivalent loads are equal to internal moments caused by prestressing force

# EQUIVALENT LOAD



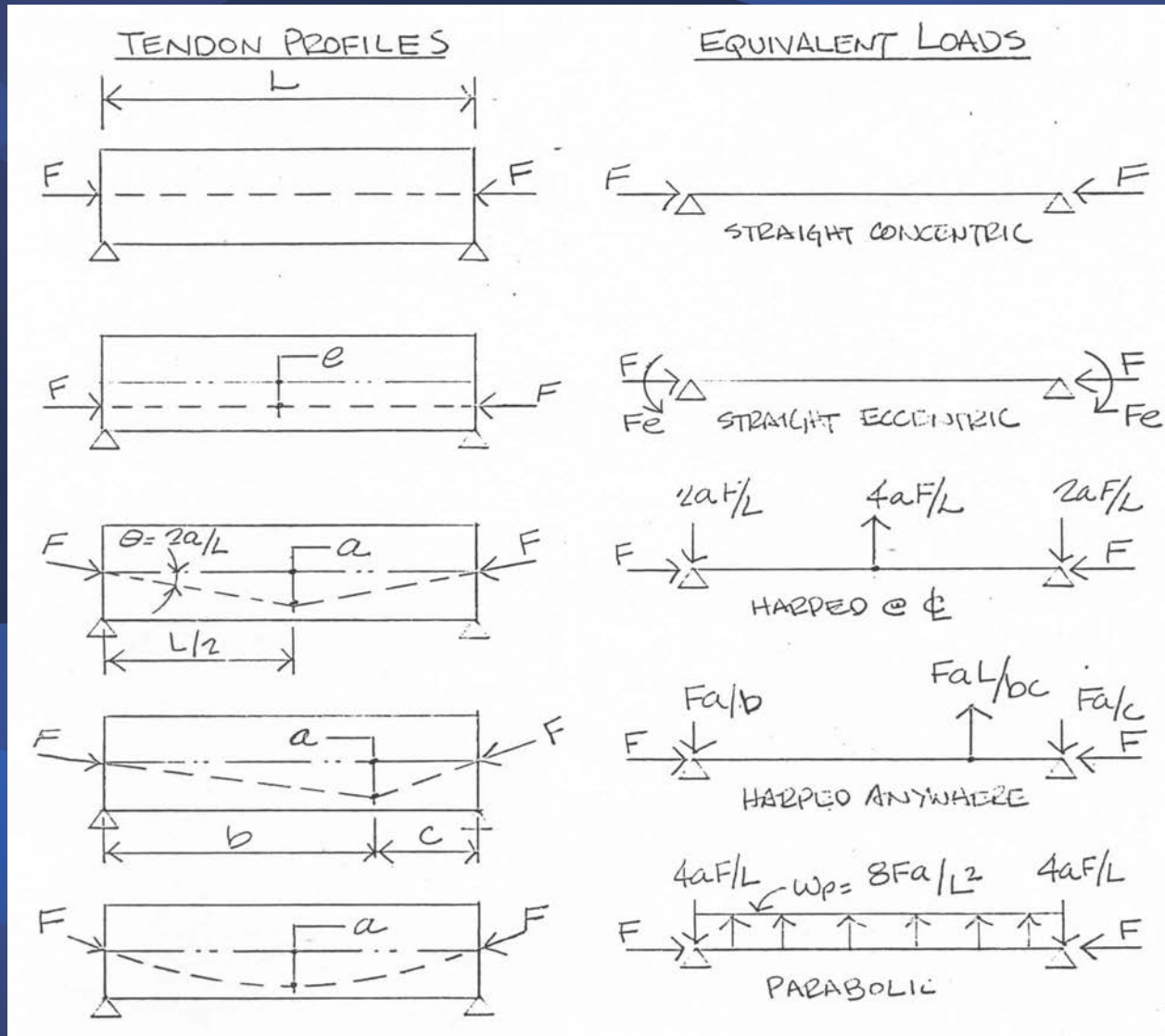
***Harped Tendon*** can be sized and placed such that the upward force exerted by the tendon at midspan exactly **balances** the applied concentrated load

# EQUIVALENT LOAD



***Parabolic Tendon*** can be sized and placed such that the upward force exerted by the tendon along the length of the member exactly **balances** the applied uniformly distributed load

# FORMULAS (FROM PTI DESIGN MANUAL?)





# EXAMPLE – LOAD BALANCING

- Determine portion of total dead load balanced by prestressing
- $w_{DL} = 0.20$  klf  
superimposed dead load (10psf\*20ft)
- $w_{sw} = 2.06$  klf  
self weight including tributary width of slab

# EXAMPLE – LOAD BALANCING

$$f_{se} = 175 \text{ ksi}$$

effective prestress Including all short and long term losses

$$A_{ps} = 4.28 \text{ in}^2$$

area of 28 0.5 in. dia. strand

$$e_c = 21.19 \text{ in}$$

eccentricity of tendon from section centroid

$$w_{eq} = \frac{8 \cdot (f_{se} \cdot A_{ps}) \cdot e_c}{L^2}$$

$$w_{eq} = 2.29 \cdot \text{klf}$$

$$\frac{w_{eq}}{w_{DL} + w_{sw}} = 101 \% \quad \text{prestressing balances full dead load}$$

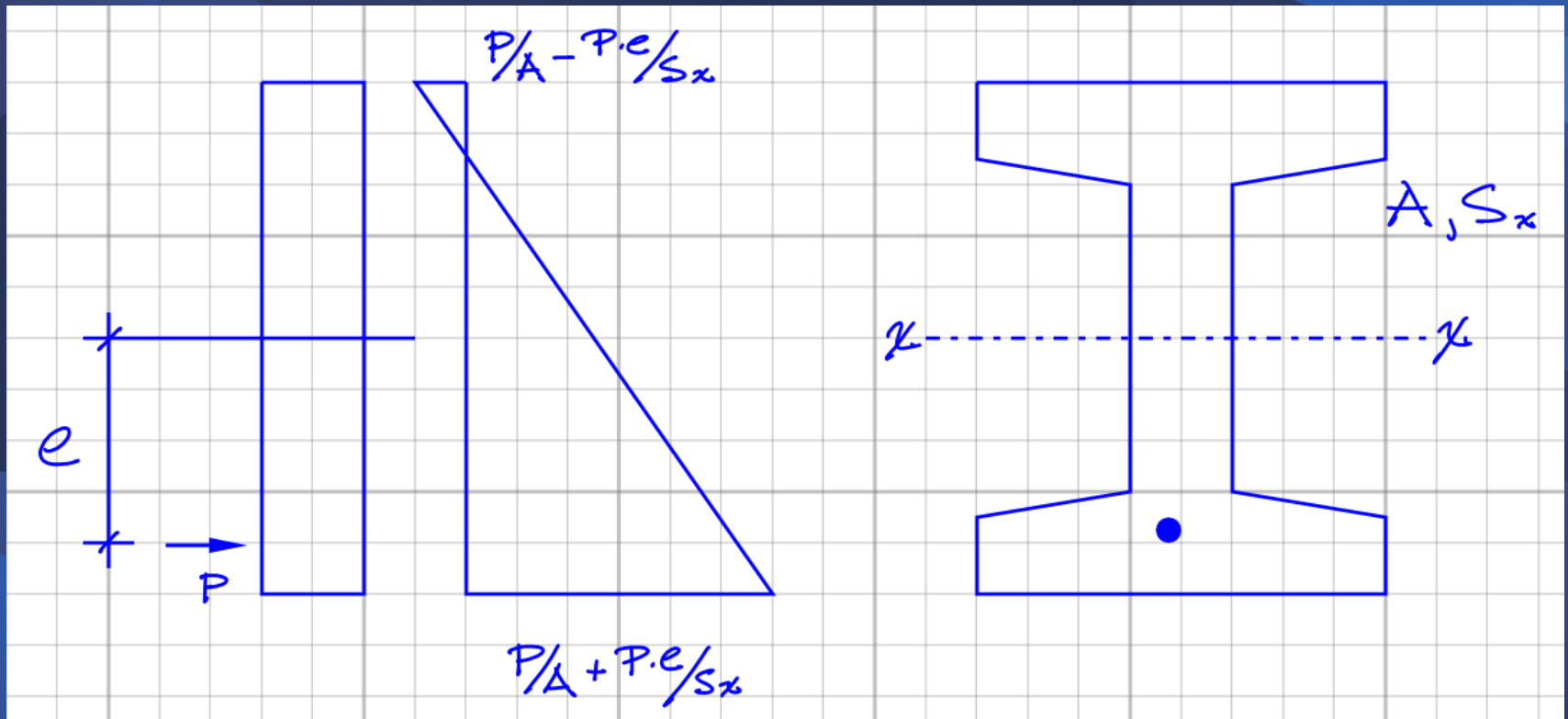
# EXAMPLE – LOAD BALANCING

- Prestressing in this example balances ~100% of total dead load.
- In general, balance 65 to 100% of the self-weight
- Balancing in this range ***does not guarantee*** that service or strength limit states will be met. These must be checked separately

# STRESSES

- Section remains uncracked
- Stress-strain relationship is linear for both concrete and steel
- Use superposition to sum stress effect of each load. Prestressing is just another load.

# CALCULATING STRESSES

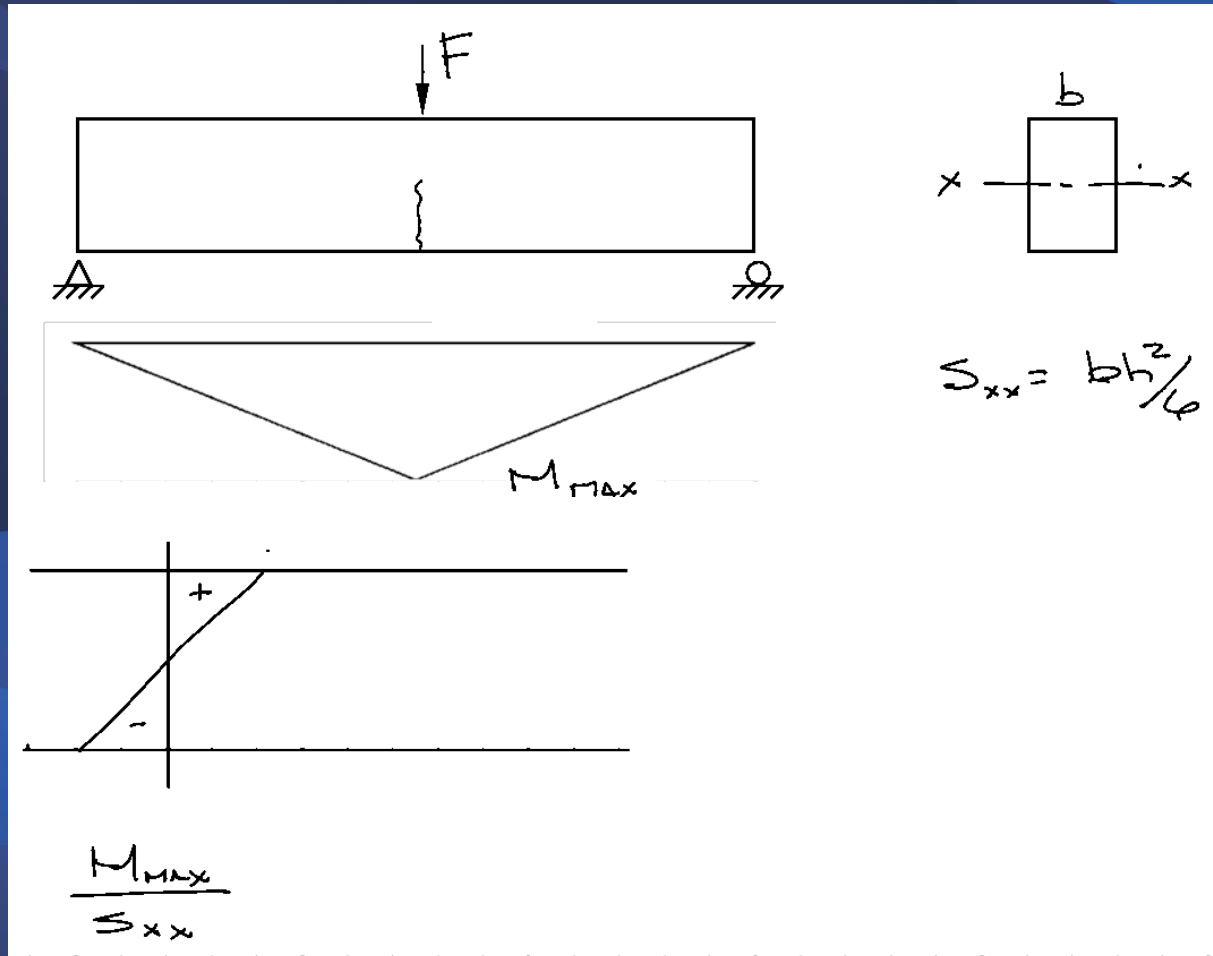




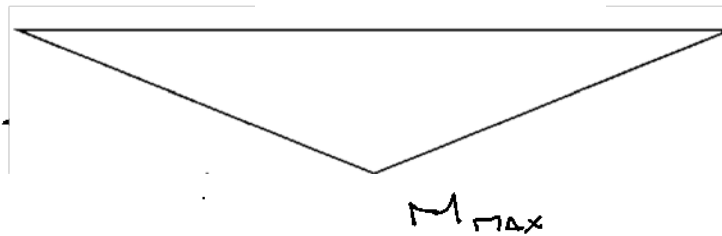
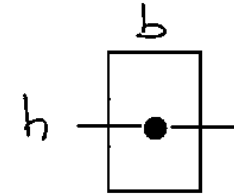
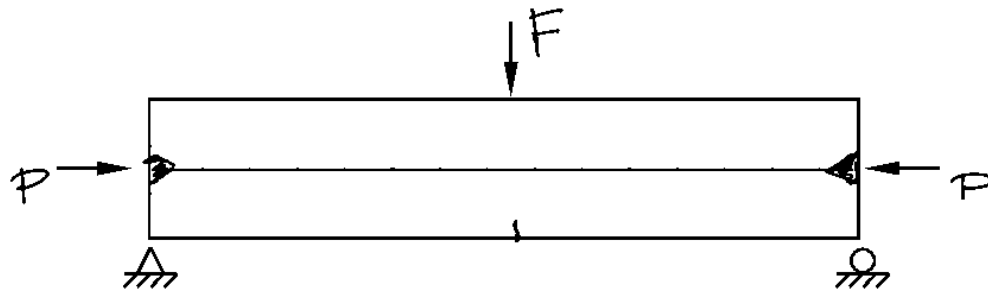
# STRESSES

- Stresses are typically checked at significant stages
- The number of stages varies with the complexity and type of prestressing.
- Stresses are usually calculated for the service level loads imposed (i.e. load factors are equal to 1.0). This includes the forces imposed by the prestressing.

# PLAIN CONCRETE

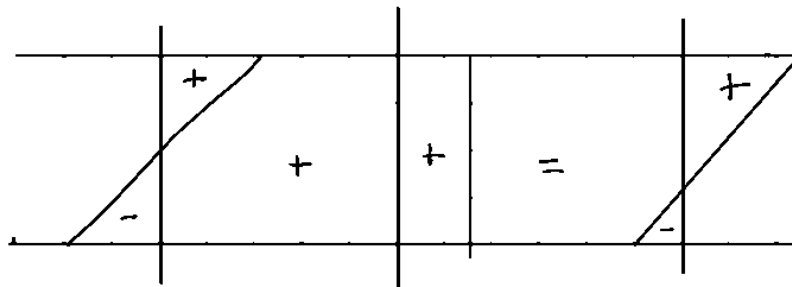


# CONCENTRIC PRESTRESSING



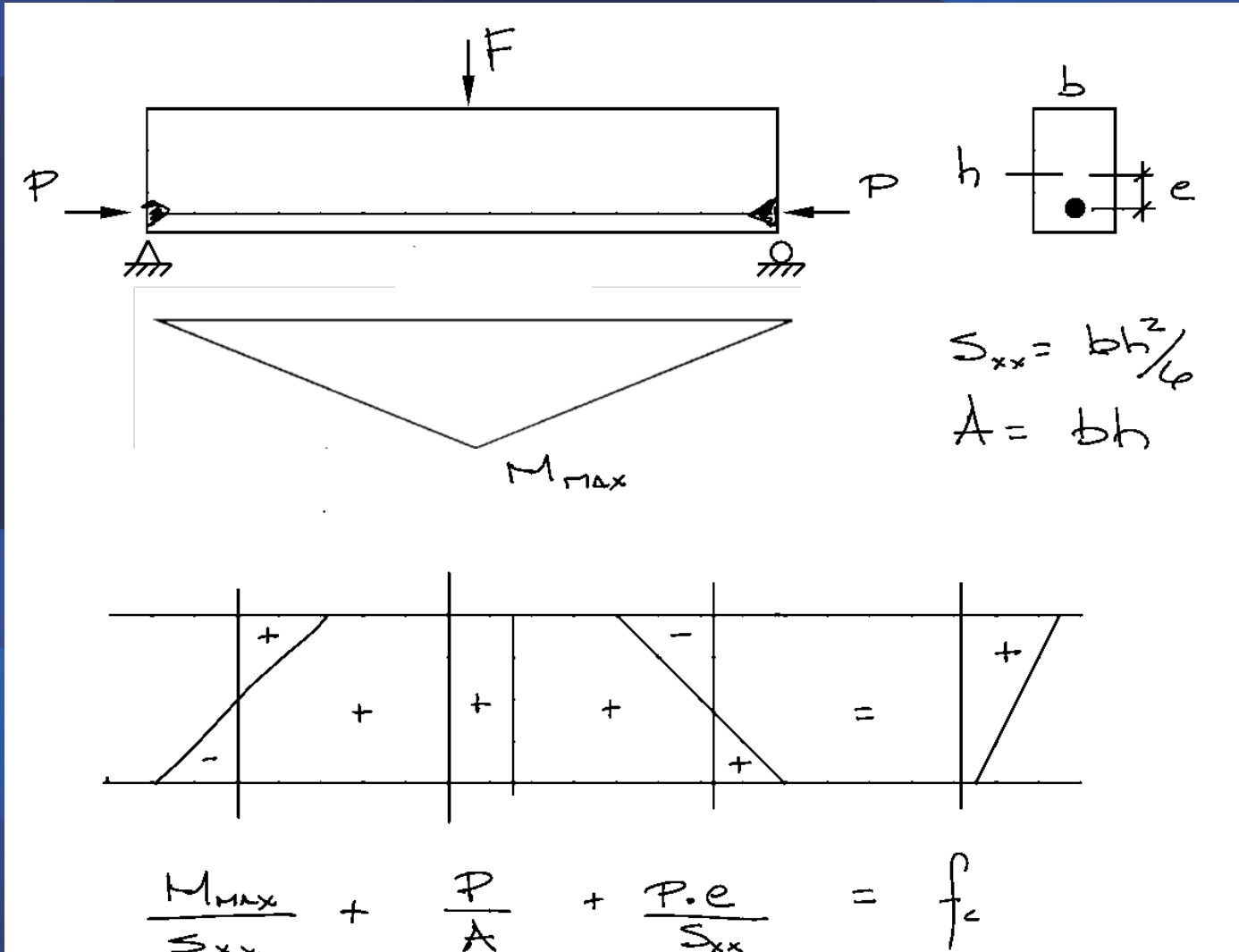
$$S_{xx} = \frac{bh^3}{12}$$

$$A = bh$$

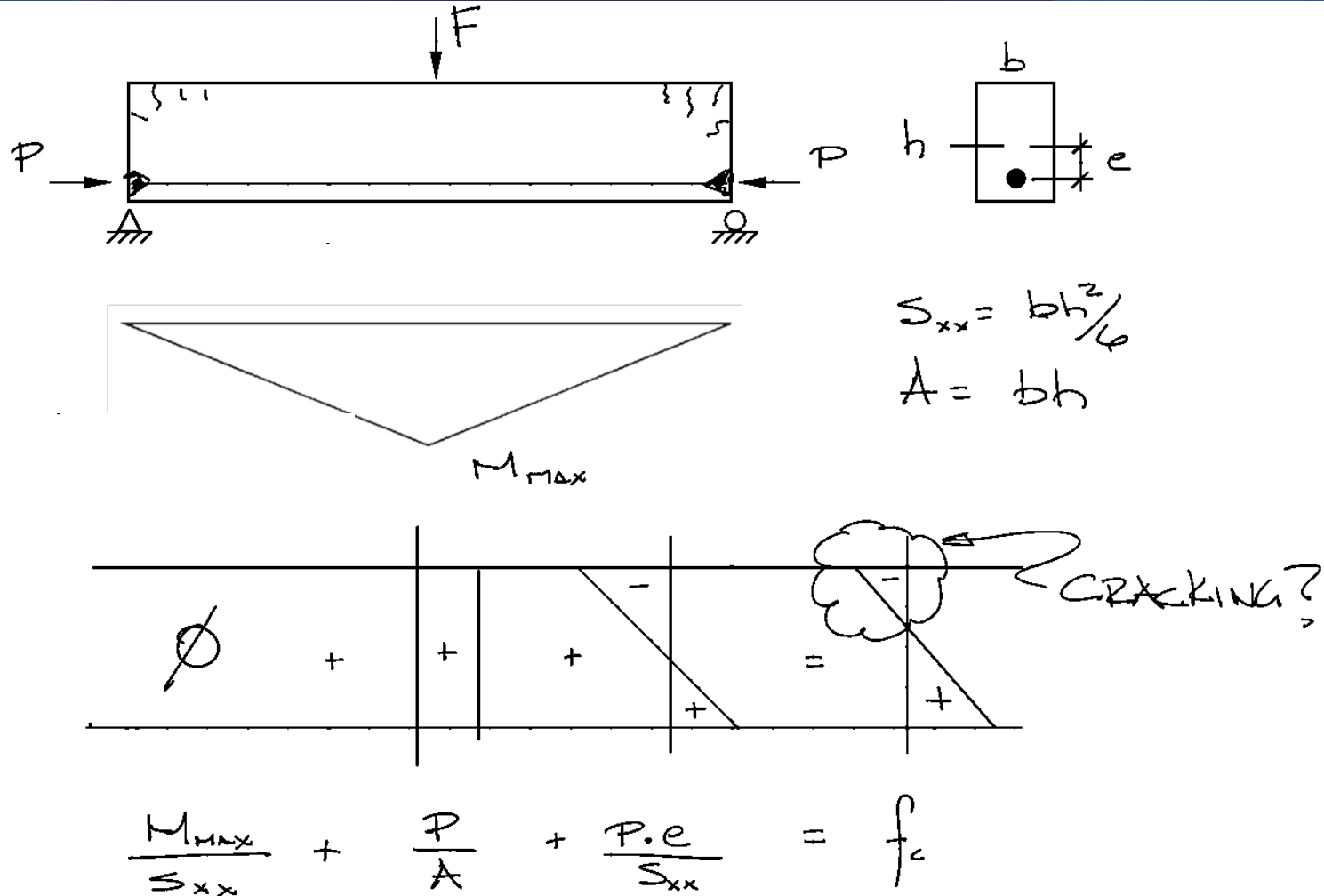


$$\frac{M_{max}}{S_{xx}} + \frac{P}{A} = f_c$$

# ECCENTRIC PRESTRESSING

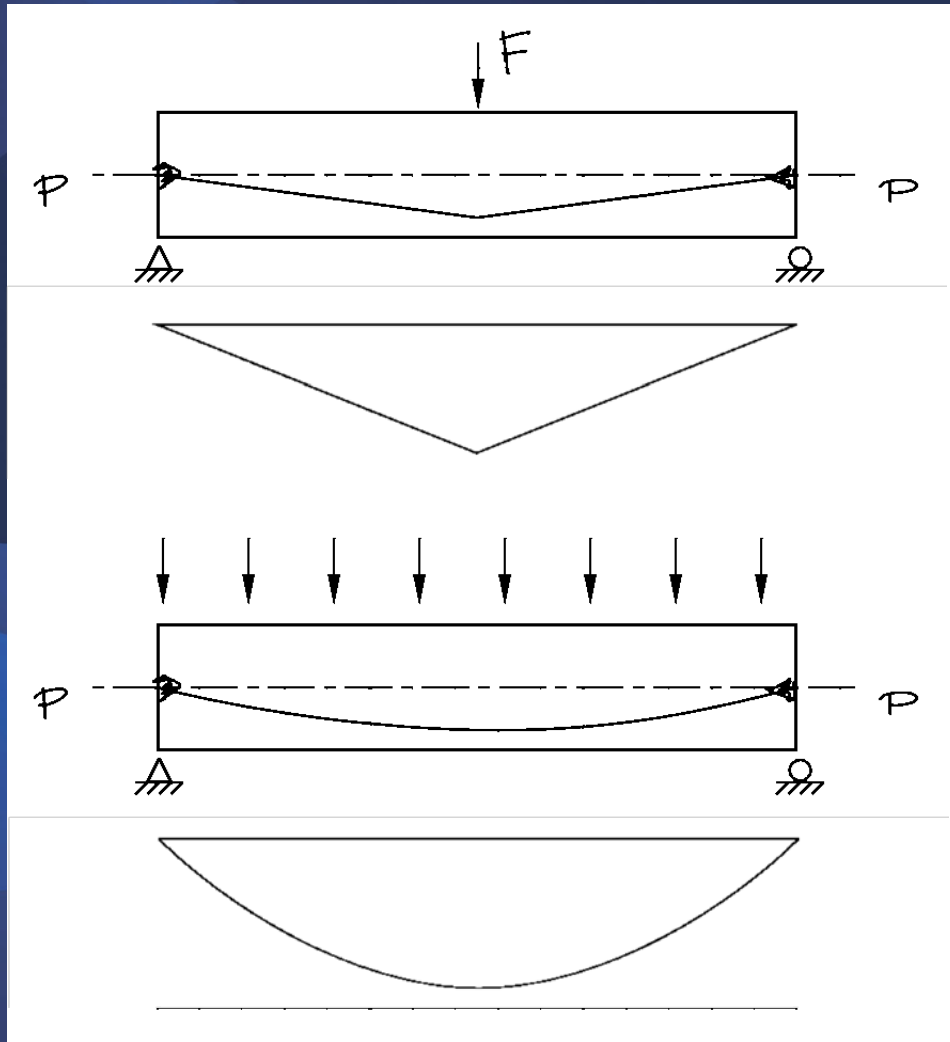


# ECCENTRIC PRESTRESSING STRESSES AT SUPPORT





# VARY TENDON ECCENTRICITY



***Harped Tendon*** follows moment diagram from concentrated load

***Parabolic Drape*** follows moment diagram from uniformly distributed load

# STRESSES AT TRANSFER - MIDSPAN

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$$f_{pi} = 0.7f_{pu}$$

$$f_{pi} = 189 \text{ ksi}$$

Effective prestress in tendon

$$P_i = f_{pi} \cdot A_{ps}$$

$$P_i = 810 \cdot \text{kip}$$

Including friction and elastic losses

$$e_c = 21.19 \cdot \text{in}$$

$$M_{\max} = \frac{w_{sw} \cdot L^2}{8}$$

$$M_{\max} = 1192 \cdot \text{kip} \cdot \text{ft}$$

$$f_{\text{top}} = \frac{P_i}{A} - \frac{P_i \cdot e_c}{S_t} + \frac{M_{\max}}{S_t}$$

$$f_{\text{top}} = 445 \cdot \text{psi}$$

Compression

$$f_{\text{bott}} = \frac{P_i}{A} + \frac{P_i \cdot e_c}{S_b} - \frac{M_{\max}}{S_b}$$

$$f_{\text{bott}} = 1183 \cdot \text{psi}$$

Compression

$$6 \cdot \sqrt{f'_{ci} \cdot \text{psi}} = 379 \text{ psi}$$

tension at "end" of member

$$3 \cdot \sqrt{f'_{ci} \cdot \text{psi}} = 190 \text{ psi}$$

tension at other locations

$$0.7 \cdot f'_{ci} = 2800 \text{ psi}$$

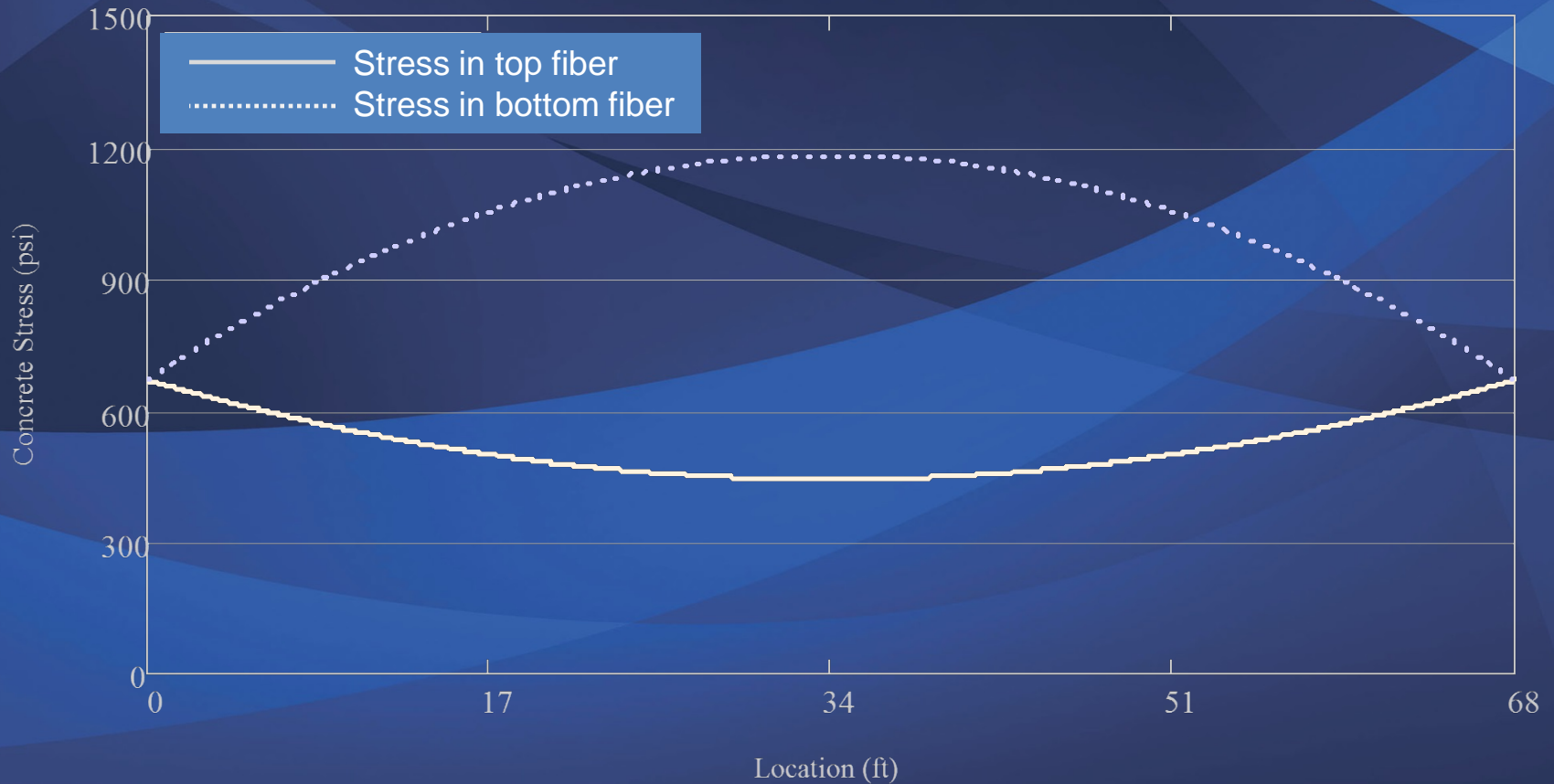
compression stress limit at "end" of member

$$0.6 \cdot f'_{ci} = 2400 \text{ psi}$$

compression stress limit at other locations

OK

# STRESSES AT TRANSFER – FULL LENGTH



# STRESSES AT SERVICE - MIDSPAN

$$f_{se} = 175 \cdot \text{ksi}$$

$$P_e = f_{se} \cdot A_{ps}$$

$$e_c = 21.19 \cdot \text{in}$$

$$M_{\max} = \frac{w \cdot L^2}{8}$$

$$f_{\text{top}} = \frac{P_e}{A} - \frac{P_e \cdot e_c}{S_t} + \frac{M_{\max}}{S_t}$$

$$f_{\text{bott}} = \frac{P_e}{A} + \frac{P_e \cdot e_c}{S_b} - \frac{M_{\max}}{S_b}$$

$$7.5 \cdot \sqrt{f'_c \cdot \text{psi}} = 530 \text{ psi}$$

$$12 \cdot \sqrt{f'_c \cdot \text{psi}} = 849 \text{ psi}$$

$$0.45 \cdot f'_c = 2250 \text{ psi}$$

$$0.6 \cdot f'_c = 3000 \text{ psi}$$

Effective prestress in tendon Including all short and long term losses

$$P_e = 750 \cdot \text{kip}$$

$$M_{\max} = 1770 \cdot \text{kip} \cdot \text{ft}$$

$$f_{\text{top}} = 1047 \cdot \text{psi}$$

Compression

$$f_{\text{bott}} = -338 \cdot \text{psi}$$

Tension

limit to be considered uncracked (Class U)

limit to be considered transition (Class T)

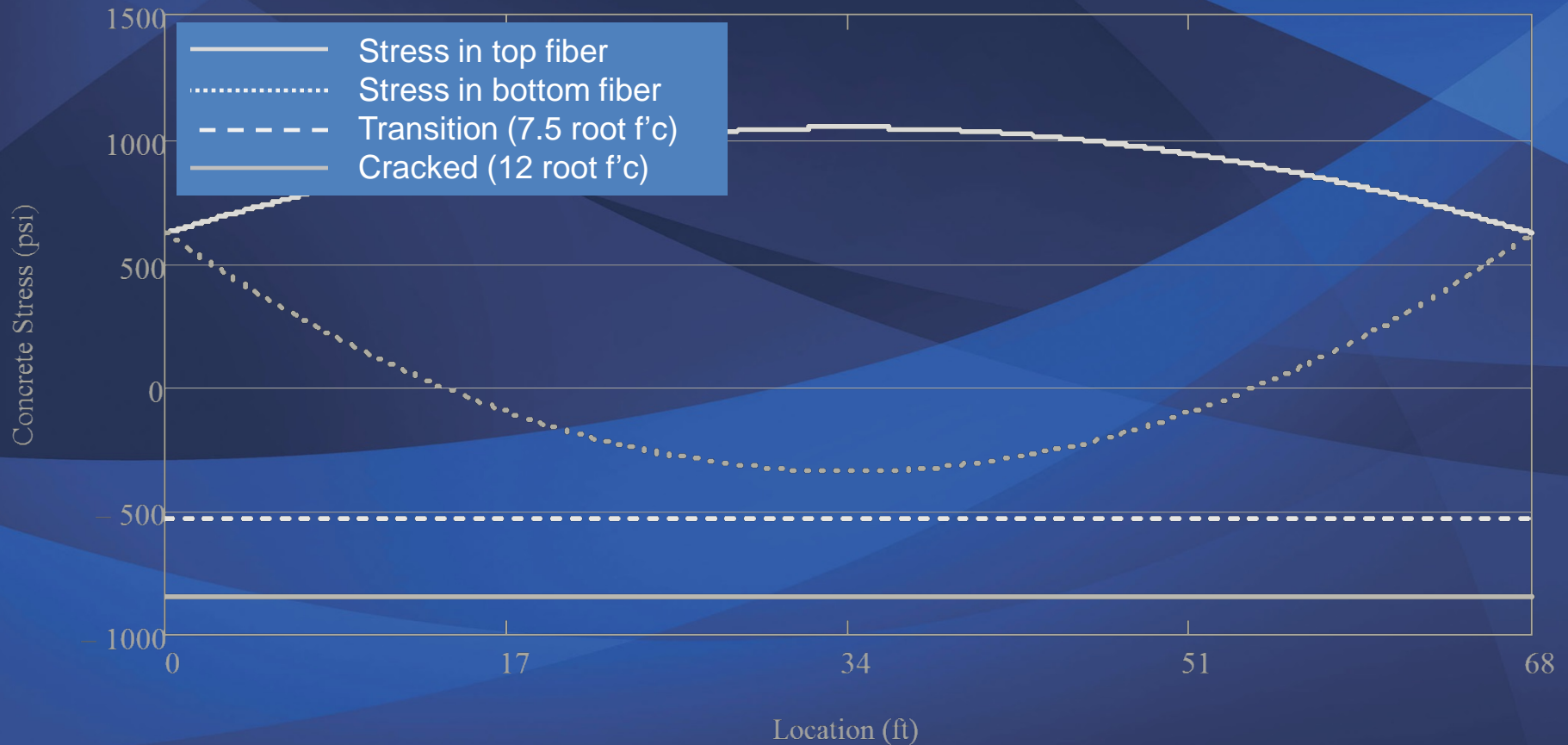
Class U member

compression stress limit for sustained loads plus prestress

compression stress limit for total load  
plus prestress

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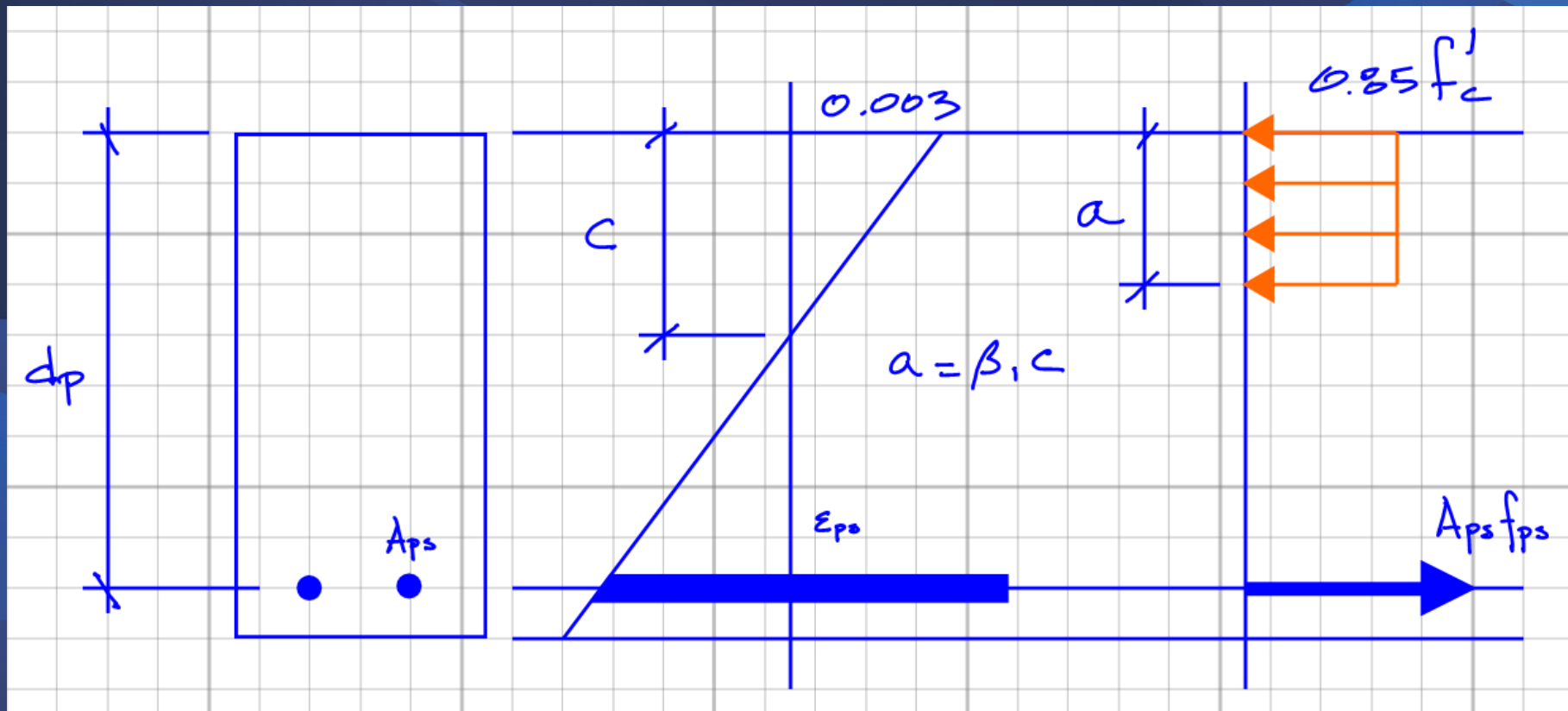
# STRESSES AT SERVICE – FULL LENGTH





# FLEXURAL STRENGTH (MN)

ACI 318 indicates that the design moment strength of flexural members are to be computed by the strength design procedure used for reinforced concrete with  $f_{ps}$  is substituted for  $f_y$



# ASSUMPTIONS

- Concrete strain capacity = 0.003
- Tension concrete ignored
- Equivalent stress block for concrete compression
- Strain diagram linear
- Mild steel: elastic perfectly plastic
- Prestressing steel: strain compatibility, or empirical
- Perfect bond (for bonded tendons)

# $f_{ps}$ - STRESS IN PRESTRESSING STEEL AT NOMINAL FLEXURAL STRENGTH

- Empirical (bonded and unbonded tendons)
- Strain compatibility (bonded only)

# EMPIRICAL – BONDED TENDONS

$$f_{ps} = f_{pu} \left\{ 1 - \frac{\gamma_p}{\beta_1} \left[ \rho_p \frac{f_{pu}}{f'_c} + \frac{d}{d_p} (\omega - \omega') \right] \right\} \quad (18-3)$$

where  $\omega$  is  $\rho f_y / f'_c$ ,  $\omega'$  is  $\rho' f_y / f'_c$ , and  $\gamma_p$  is 0.55 for  $f_{py} / f_{pu}$  not less than 0.80; 0.40 for  $f_{py} / f_{pu}$  not less than 0.85; and 0.28 for  $f_{py} / f_{pu}$  not less than 0.90.

If any compression reinforcement is taken into account when calculating  $f_{ps}$  by Eq. (18-3), the term

$$\left[ \rho_p \frac{f_{pu}}{f'_c} + \frac{d}{d_p} (\omega - \omega') \right]$$

shall be taken not less than 0.17 and  $d'$  shall be no greater than **0.15** $d_p$ .

270 ksi  
prestressing  
strand

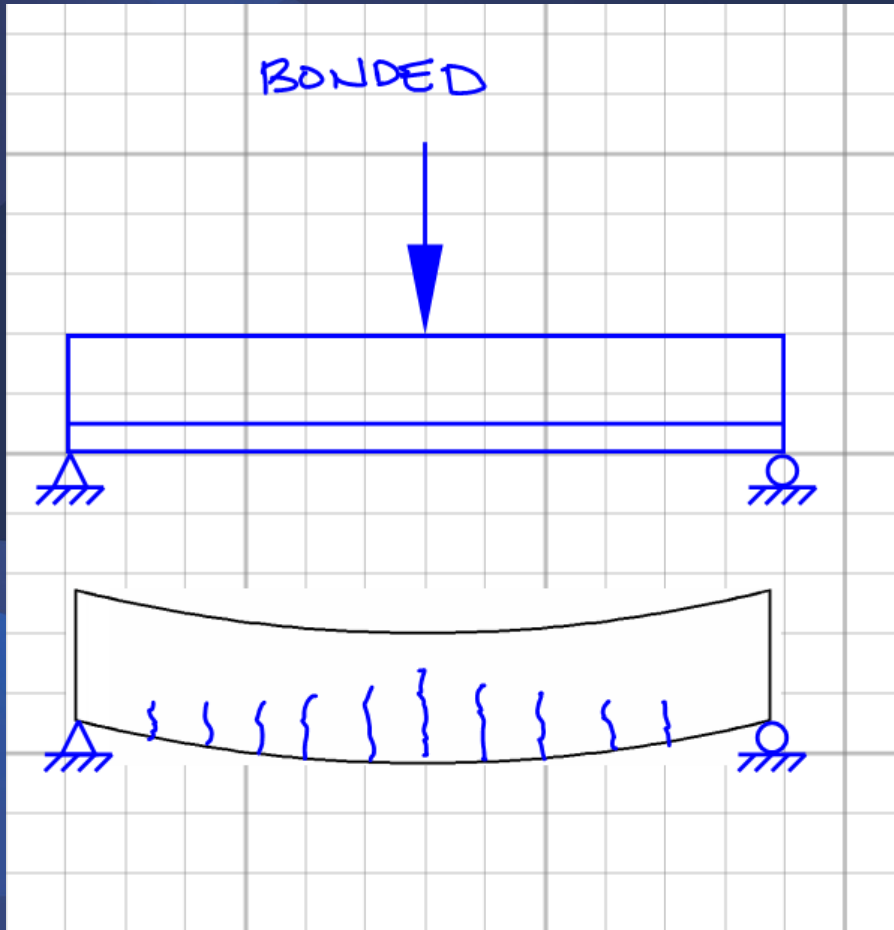
# EMPIRICAL – BONDED TENDONS NO MILD STEEL

$$f_{ps} = f_{pu} \left\{ 1 - \frac{\gamma_p}{\beta_1} \left[ \rho_p \frac{f_{pu}}{f'_c} \right] \right\}$$

$\rho_p$  = ratio of  $A_{ps}$  to  $bd_p$



# BONDED VS. UNBONDED SYSTEMS

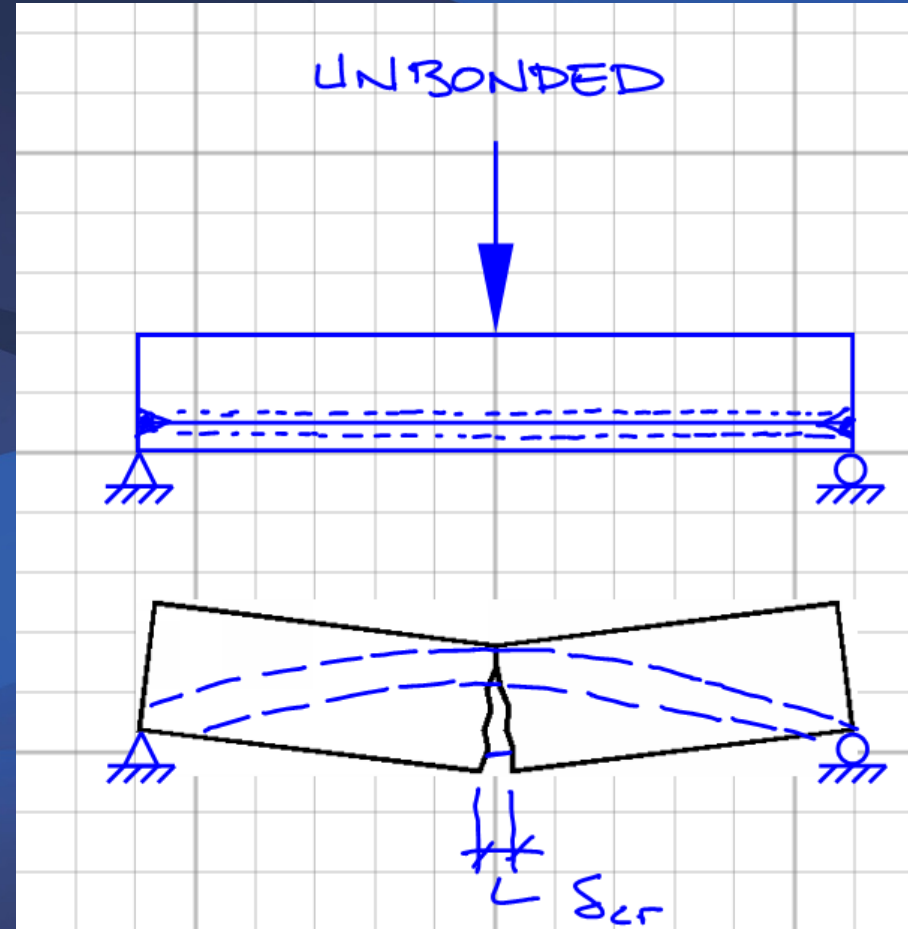


- Steel-Concrete force transfer is uniform along the length
- Assume steel strain = concrete strain (i.e. strain compatibility)
- Cracks restrained locally by steel bonded to adjacent concrete



# BONDED VS UNBONDED SYSTEMS

- Steel-Concrete force transfer occurs at anchor locations
- Strain compatibility cannot be assumed at all sections
- Cracks restrained globally by steel strain over the entire tendon length
- If sufficient mild reinforcement is not provided, large cracks are possible



# SPAN-TO-DEPTH 35 OR LESS

$$f_{ps} = f_{se} + 10,000 + \frac{f'_c}{100\rho_p} \quad (18-4)$$

but  $f_{ps}$  in Eq. (18-4) shall not be taken greater than the lesser of  $f_{py}$  and  $(f_{se} + 60,000)$ .

# SPAN-TO-DEPTH > 35

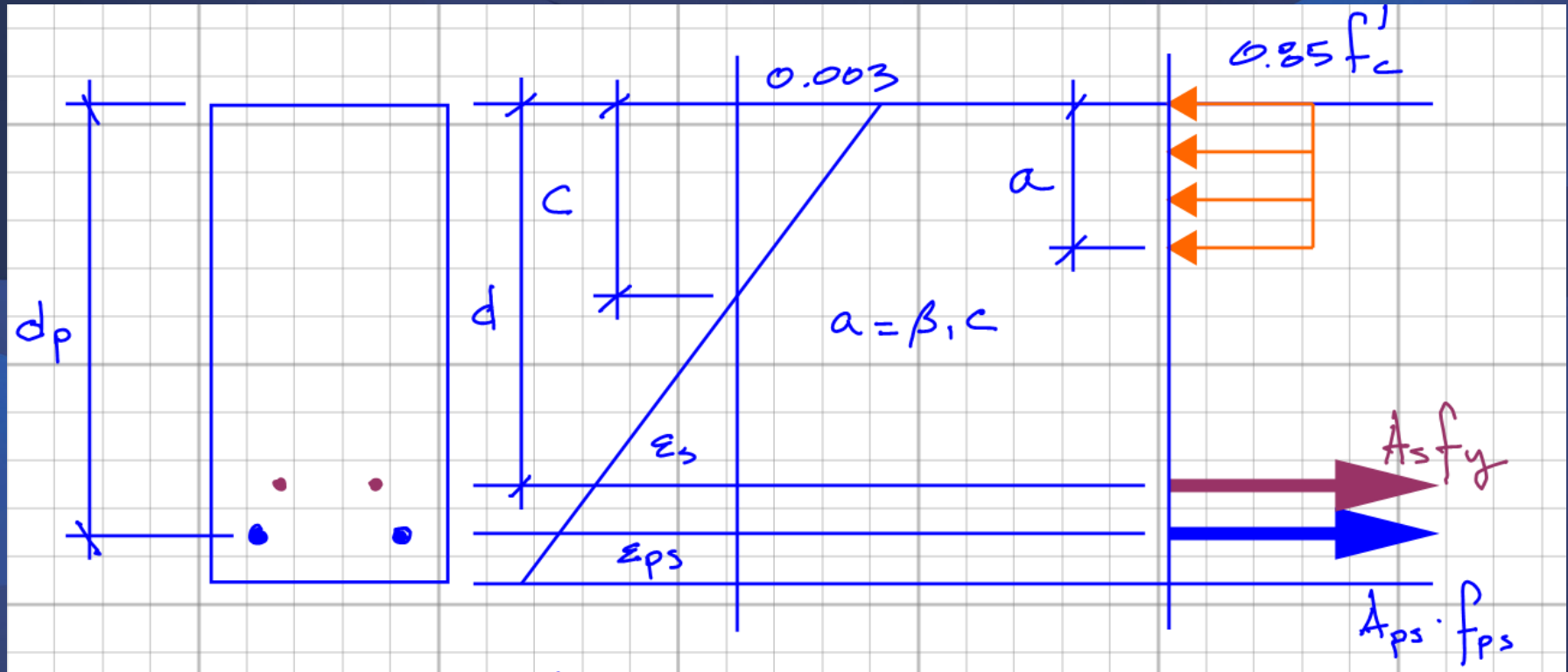
$$f_{ps} = f_{se} + 10,000 + \frac{f'_c}{300\rho_p} \quad (18-5)$$

but  $f_{ps}$  in Eq. (18-5) shall not be taken greater than the lesser of  $f_{py}$  and  $(f_{se} + 30,000)$ .

Careful with units for  $f_{se}$  (psi)

# COMBINED PRESTRESSING AND MILD STEEL

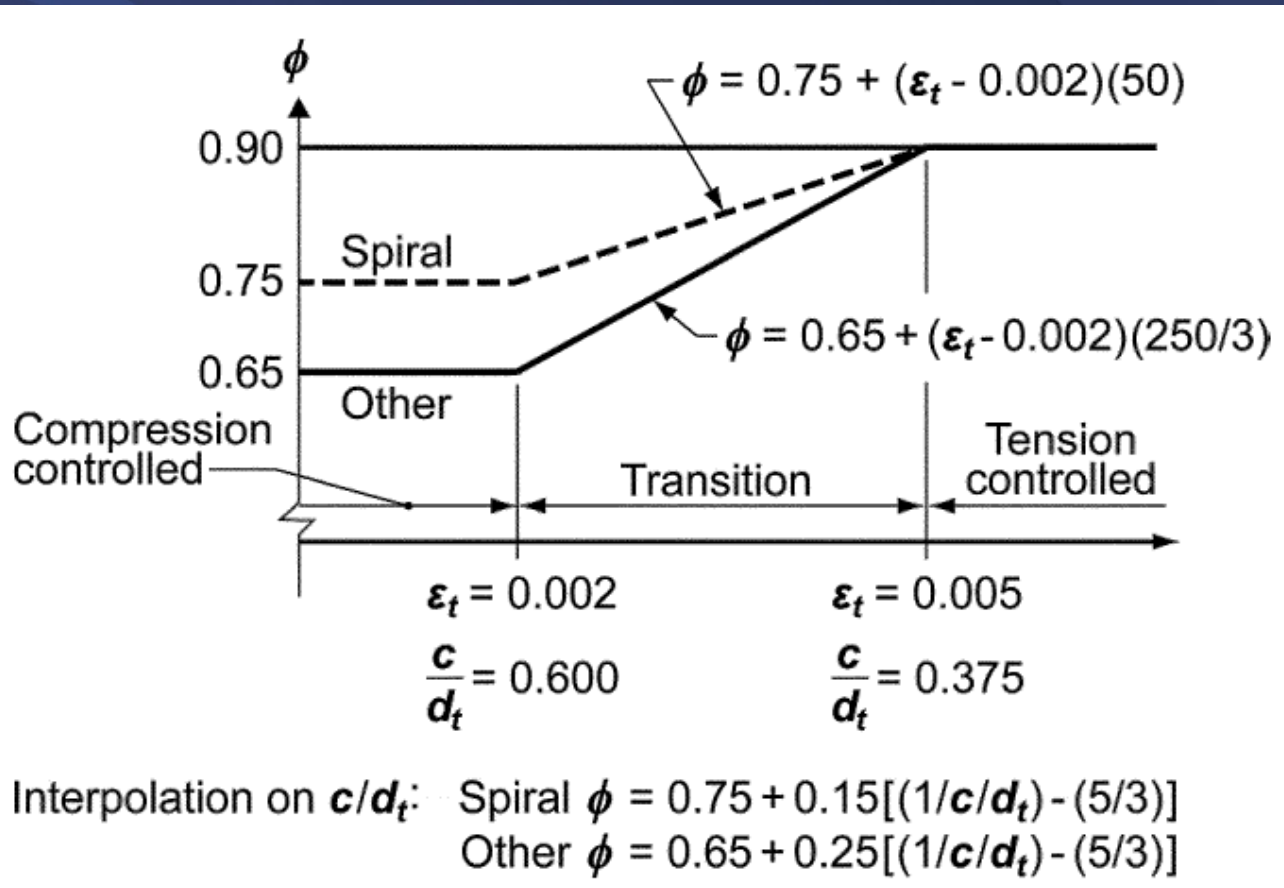
- Assume mild steel stress =  $f_y$
- Both tension forces contribute to  $M_n$



# STRENGTH REDUCTION FACTOR $\phi$

- Applied to nominal moment strength ( $M_n$ ) to obtain design strength ( $\phi M_n$ )
- ranges from 0.6 to 0.9
- Determined from strain in extreme tension steel (mild or prestressing)
- Section is defined as compression controlled, transition, or tension controlled

# STRENGTH REDUCTION FACTOR $\phi$





# DETERMINE FLEXURAL STRENGTH

- Is effective prestress sufficient?
- Determine  $f_{ps}$
- Use equilibrium to determine:
  - Depth of stress block  $a$
  - Nominal moment strength  $M_n$
- Determine depth of neutral axis and strain in outside layer of steel ( $\epsilon_t$ )
- Determine  $\phi$
- Compute  $\phi M_n$



# $f_{ps}$ OF BONDED TENDON

$$\gamma_p = 0.28$$

$f_{py}/f_{pu} > 90$  for seven-wire prestressing strand

$$d_p = 32.3 \text{ in}$$

$$A_s = 0 \quad A'_s = 0 \quad d = 0$$

assume no mild reinforcement present. Use simplified version of  $f_{ps}$  equation.

$$\rho_p = \frac{A_{ps}}{b \cdot d_p}$$

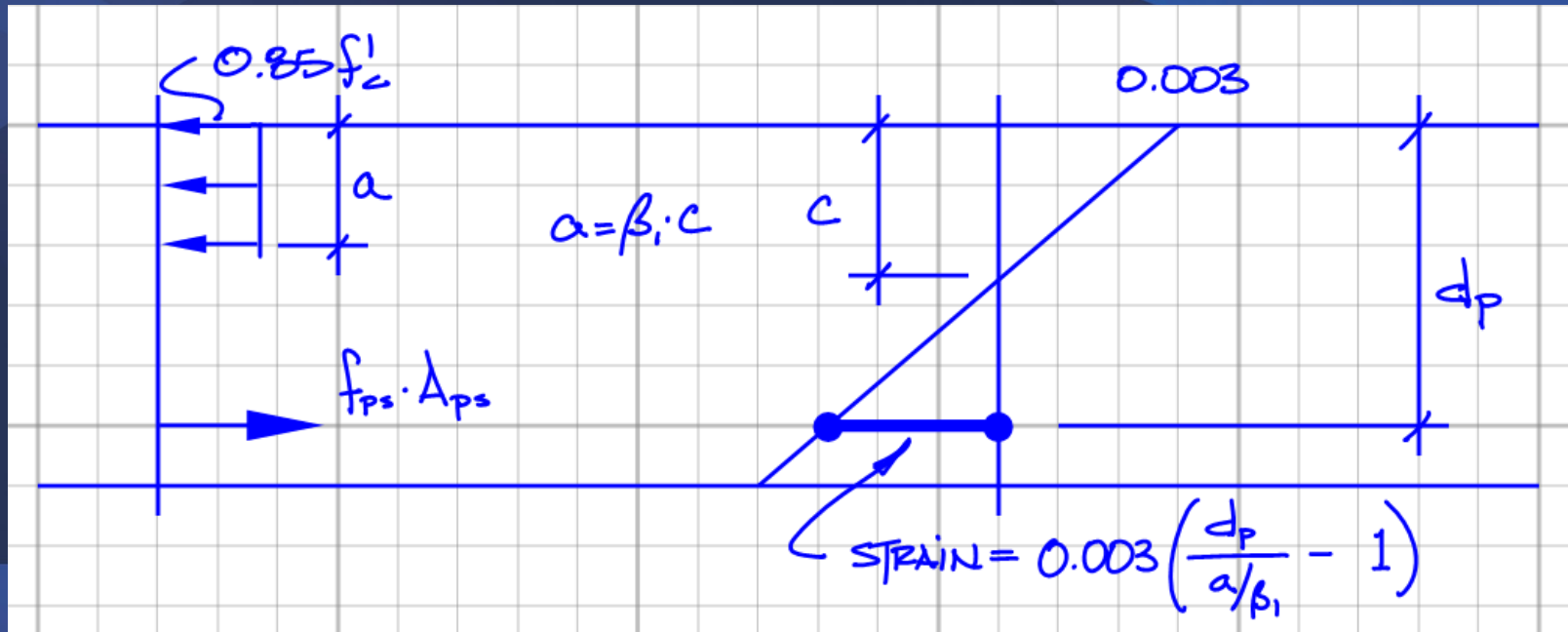
$$\rho_p = 0.00120 \quad \text{no change from unbonded}$$

$$f_{ps} = f_{pu} \cdot \left[ 1 - \frac{\gamma_p}{\beta_1} \left( \rho_p \cdot \frac{f_{pu}}{f'_c} \right) \right]$$

$$f_{ps} = 264 \cdot \text{ksi}$$

more than  $f_{ps}$  for unbonded

# $a$ and $\phi$



$$a = \frac{f_{ps} \cdot A_{ps}}{0.85 \cdot f'_c \cdot b}$$

$$a = 2.40 \cdot \text{in} \quad h_f = 6 \cdot \text{in}$$

Check that the depth of the stress block is less than the thickness of the hollow core flange. OK.

$$\text{strain} = 0.003 \cdot \left( \frac{\beta_1 \cdot d_p}{a} - 1 \right) \quad \text{strain} = 0.0293$$

Strain in the prestressing is greater than 0.005 so the phi factor is set equal to 0.9 (ACI 18.8.1)

# $\phi M_N$ – BONDED TENDON

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$$\phi M_n = 0.9 \cdot f_{ps} \cdot A_{ps} \cdot \left( d_p - \frac{a}{2} \right) \quad \text{sum moments about resultant compressive force}$$

$$\phi M_n = 2633 \cdot \text{kip} \cdot \text{ft}$$

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$$w_u = 1.2 \cdot w_{DL} + 1.2 \cdot w_{0p} + 1.6 \cdot w_{LL} \quad w_u = 3.99 \cdot \text{klf} \quad \text{Factored uniform load}$$

$$M_u = \frac{1}{8} \cdot w_u \cdot L^2 \quad M_u = 2309 \cdot \text{kip} \cdot \text{ft} \quad \text{Design moment strength is OK}$$

# REINFORCEMENT LIMITS

- Members containing bonded tendons must have sufficient flexural strength to avoid abrupt failure that might be precipitated by cracking.
- Members with unbonded tendons are not required to satisfy this provision.

# REINFORCEMENT LIMITS

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$$f_r = 7.5\sqrt{f'_c \cdot \text{psi}}$$

$$M_{cr} = S_b \cdot \left( \frac{P_c}{A} + \frac{P_c \cdot e_c}{S_b} + f_r \right)$$

$$1.2 \cdot M_{cr} = 2231 \cdot \text{kip} \cdot \text{ft}$$

$$\phi M_n = 2633 \cdot \text{kip} \cdot \text{ft}$$

Cracking is considered to have occurred when the net tensile stress exceeds the modulus of rupture. This occurs when the effective precompression and tensile strength are exceeded.

Flexural capacity exceeds 1.2 times the cracking moment. OK.



# $f_{ps}$ – UNBONDED TENDON

$$0.5f_{pu} = 135 \text{ ksi}$$

$$\beta_1 = 0.8$$

$$d_p = y_t + e_c$$

$$\rho_p = \frac{A_{ps}}{b \cdot d_p}$$

$$\frac{L}{h} = 22.7$$

$$f_{se} + 10 \text{ ksi} + \frac{f'_c}{100 \cdot \rho_p} = 227 \cdot \text{ksi}$$

$$f_{se} + 60 \text{ ksi} = 235 \cdot \text{ksi}$$

$$f_{py} = 0.9 \cdot f_{pu}$$

$$f_{se} = 175 \text{ ksi} \quad \text{effective prestress is sufficient to allow use of empirical eqn.}$$

rectangular stress block factor. relates depth of stress block to depth of NA

$$d_p = 32.3 \cdot \text{in} \quad \text{effective depth of prestressing steel}$$

$$\rho_p = 0.00120$$

span-to-depth is less than 35. Use ACI eqn 18-4

$$f_{py} = 243 \cdot \text{ksi} \quad \text{Equation 18-4 controls effective prestress at strength}$$



# $\phi M_n$ – UNBONDED TENDON

$$a = \frac{f_{ps} \cdot A_{ps}}{0.85 \cdot f'_c \cdot b}$$

$$a = 2.06 \cdot \text{in}$$

$$h_f = 6 \cdot \text{in}$$

rectangular assumption OK

$$\text{strain} = 0.003 \cdot \left( \frac{\beta_1 \cdot d_p}{a} - 1 \right)$$

$$\text{strain} = 0.0346$$

strain > 0.005 phi factor is set equal to 0.9

$$\phi M_n = 0.9 \cdot f_{ps} \cdot A_{ps} \cdot \left( d_p - \frac{a}{2} \right)$$

$$\phi M_n = 2275 \cdot \text{kip} \cdot \text{ft}$$

$$M_u = 2309 \text{ kip} \cdot \text{ft}$$

not quite sufficient. Consider minimum bonded steel

# MIN. BONDED REINF.

- Members with unbonded tendons must have a minimum area of bonded reinf.
- Must be placed as close to the tension face (precompressed tensile zone) as possible.
- $A_s = 0.004 A_{ct}$
- $A_{ct}$  – area of section in tension

# AS MINIMUM

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$$A_{ct} = y_b \cdot b_w$$

$$A_{ct} = 448.9 \cdot \text{in}^2$$

$$A_{s\text{Min}} = 0.004 \cdot A_{ct}$$

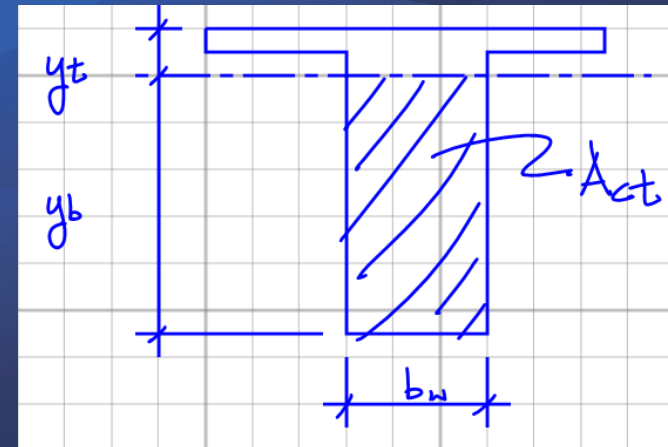
$$A_{s\text{Min}} = 1.80 \cdot \text{in}^2$$

$$\text{SixNo5} = 6A_{s5}$$

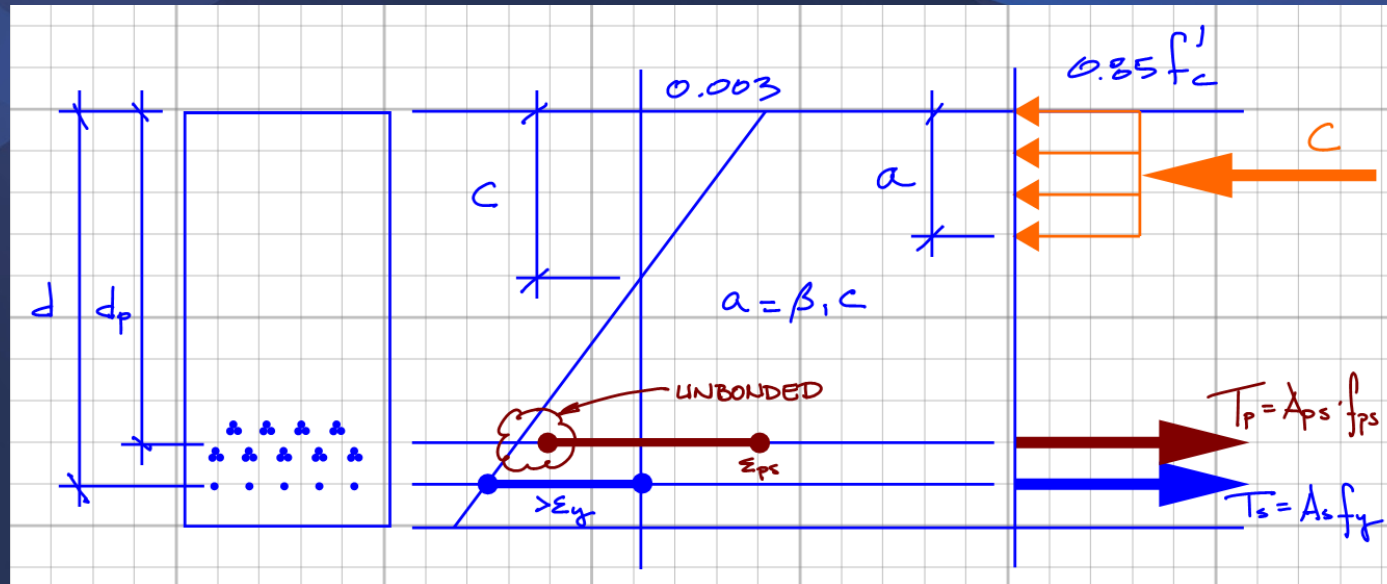
$$\text{SixNo5} = 1.86 \cdot \text{in}^2$$

Add six #5 bars to flexural tension face of beam

$$d = h - 1.5\text{in} - d_{b3} - 0.5d_{b5} \quad d = 33.8 \cdot \text{in}$$



# $\phi M_n$ – UNBONDED TENDON INCORPORATE MILD STEEL



$$a = \frac{f_{ps} \cdot A_{ps} + f_y \cdot A_{sMin}}{0.85 \cdot f'_c \cdot b}$$

$$a = 2.29 \cdot \text{in}$$

$$hf = 6 \cdot \text{in}$$

$$\text{strain} = 0.003 \cdot \left( \frac{\beta_1 \cdot d}{a} - 1 \right)$$

$$\text{strain} = 0.0325$$

$$\phi M_n = 0.9 \cdot \left[ f_{ps} \cdot A_{ps} \cdot \left( d_p - \frac{a}{2} \right) + f_y \cdot A_{sMin} \cdot \left( d - \frac{a}{2} \right) \right]$$

$$\phi M_n = 2531 \cdot \text{kip} \cdot \text{ft}$$