

Hand Calculation

Problem Statement:

Determine if W12 x 19 steel beam is safe and meet all the required demands

Beam size: W12 x 19

Span	$L := 18 \text{ ft}$
Tributary width	$S := 9 \text{ ft}$
Dead load (including self-weight)	$D_L := 40 \text{ psf}$
Live load	$LL := 100 \text{ psf}$
Total load deflection limit	$L/240$
Live load deflection limit	$L/360$
Compression flange bracing	$L_u := 5 \text{ ft OC}$
Steel Yield Strength	$F_y := 50 \text{ ksi}$
Steel Modulus Strength	$E := 29000 \text{ ksi}$

Assume $C_b := 1.0$

Use AISC 360-22 for properties of W12 x 19

Design Method: ASD

Solution:

Step 1: Calculate Linear Load

$$W_{DL} := D_L \cdot S = 360 \text{ plf} \quad W_{DL} = 0.36 \text{ klf}$$

$$W_{LL} := LL \cdot S = 900 \text{ plf} \quad W_{LL} = 0.9 \text{ klf}$$

Step 2: Calculate Applied Moment

$$M_{DL} := \frac{W_{DL} \cdot L^2}{8} = 14580 \text{ lbf} \cdot \text{ft} \quad M_{DL} = 14.58 \text{ kip} \cdot \text{ft}$$

$$M_{LL} := \frac{W_{LL} \cdot L^2}{8} = 36450 \text{ lbf} \cdot \text{ft} \quad M_{LL} = 36.45 \text{ kip} \cdot \text{ft}$$

Total applied moment is

$$M_a := M_{DL} + M_{LL} = 51030 \text{ lbf} \cdot \text{ft} \quad M_a = 51.03 \text{ kip} \cdot \text{ft}$$

Step 3: Calculate Applied Shear Force

$$V_{DL} := \frac{W_{DL} \cdot L}{2} = 3240 \text{ lbf} \quad V_{DL} = 3.24 \text{ kip}$$

$$V_{LL} := \frac{W_{LL} \cdot L}{2} = 8100 \text{ lbf}$$

$$V_{LL} = 8.1 \text{ kip}$$

Total applied shear force is

$$V_a := V_{DL} + V_{LL} = 11340 \text{ lbf}$$

$$V_a = 11.34 \text{ kip}$$

Step 4: Check member for slenderness (AISC-SPEC Table B4.1b)

- Check Flange:

W12 x 19 Beam's flange Width, $b := 4.01 \text{ in}$

W12 x 19 Beam's flange thickness, $t_f := 0.35 \text{ in}$

Width to thickness ratio for flange, λ_f

$$\lambda_f := \frac{b}{t_f} = 5.729$$

Limiting slenderness for a compact flange, λ_{pf}

$$\lambda_{pf} := 0.38 \sqrt{\frac{E}{F_y}} = 9.152 > 5.729, \lambda_f$$

Therefore, flange is compact

- Check Web:

W12 x 19 Beam's web height, $h := 10.85 \text{ in}$

W12 x 19 Beam's web thickness, $t_w := 0.235 \text{ in}$

Height to thickness ratio for web, λ_w

$$\lambda_w := \frac{h}{t_w} = 46.17$$

Limiting slenderness for a compact web, λ_{pw}

$$\lambda_{pw} := 3.76 \sqrt{\frac{E}{F_y}} = 90.553 > 46.17, \lambda_w$$

Therefore, web is compact

Step 5: Calculate nominal flexural strength capacity

- Yielding limit state:

Plastic section modulus, $Z_x := 24.7 \text{ in}^3$

$$M_{n_yield} := Z_x \cdot F_y = 1235 \text{ kip} \cdot \text{in} \quad (\text{spec Eq. F2-1})$$

- Lateral Torsional Buckling (LTB) limit state:

$$L_u = 60 \text{ in}$$

$$W12 \times 19 \text{ Beam's radius of gyration, } r_y := 0.822 \text{ in}$$

$$L_p := 1.76 \cdot r_y \cdot \sqrt{\frac{E}{F_y}} = 34.84 \text{ in} \quad (\text{spec Eq. F2-5})$$

For doubly symmetric shapes, $c := 1.0$

Effective radius of gyration for lateral torsional buckling, $r_{ts} := 1.02 \text{ in}$

Elastic section modulus about x-axis, $S_x := 21.3 \text{ in}^3$

Torsional constant, $J := 0.18 \text{ in}^4$

Distance between flange centroids, $h_o := 11.9 \text{ in}$

$$L_r := 1.95 \cdot r_{ts} \cdot \frac{E}{0.7 \cdot F_y} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{J \cdot c}{S_x \cdot h_o} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{J \cdot c}{S_x \cdot h_o}\right)^2 + 6.67 \cdot \left(\frac{0.7 \cdot F_y}{E}\right)^2}} = 103.01 \text{ in} \quad (\text{spec Eq. F2-6})$$

$$L_u = 60 \text{ in} \quad L_p = 34.842 \text{ in} \quad L_r = 103.01 \text{ in}$$

$$L_p < L_u < L_r$$

Hence, inelastic LTB Controls

$$M_{n_LTB} := C_b \cdot \left(Z_x \cdot F_y - \left((Z_x \cdot F_y - 0.7 \cdot F_y \cdot S_x) \cdot \left(\frac{L_u - L_p}{L_r - L_p} \right) \right) \right) = 1054.35 \text{ (kip} \cdot \text{in)} \quad (\text{spec Eq. F2-2})$$

Nominal flexure strength is:

$$M_{nx} := \min(M_{n_yield}, M_{n_LTB}) = 1054.35 \text{ kip} \cdot \text{in}$$

Allowable flexural capacity is:

Safety factor for flexure, $\Omega_f := 1.67$

$$M_{x_all} := \frac{M_{nx}}{\Omega_f} = 631.35 \text{ kip} \cdot \text{in}$$

$$M_{x_all} = 52.61 \text{ kip} \cdot \text{ft}$$

Step 6: Calculate shear capacity

- Determine Cv factor:

From step 4, height to thickness ratio for web, $\lambda_w = 46.17$

$$2.24 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{E}{F_y}} = 53.95$$

$$\lambda_w < 2.24 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{E}{F_y}}, \text{ Therefore } C_v := 1 \quad (\text{spec Eq. G2-2})$$

W12 x 19 Beam total depth, $d := 12.2 \text{ in}$
 W12 x 19 Beam's web thickness, $t_w = 0.235 \text{ in}$
 W12 x 19 Beam's web area, $A_w := d \cdot t_w = 2.867 \text{ in}^2$

Nominal shear strength is:

$$V_n := 0.6 \cdot F_y \cdot A_w \cdot C_v = 86.01 \text{ kip} \quad (\text{spec Eq. G2-1})$$

Allowable shear capacity is:

Safety factor for shear, $\Omega_v := 1.5$ (spec Eq. G2.1(a))

$$V_{x_all} := \frac{V_n}{\Omega_v} = 57.34 \text{ kip}$$

Step 7: Demand to Capacity Ratio (DCR) Check

- Flexural check:

Calculated from step 2 and 5

Total applied moment, $M_a = 51.03 \text{ kip} \cdot \text{ft}$

Allowable moment capacity, $M_{x_all} = 52.61 \text{ kip} \cdot \text{ft}$

Moment demand to capacity is:

$$DCR_{moment} := \frac{M_a}{M_{x_all}} = 0.97 < 1 \text{ PASS } \checkmark$$

- Shear check:

Calculated from step 3 and 6

Nominal shear strength, $V_a = 11.34 \text{ kip}$

Allowable shear capacity, $V_{x_all} = 57.34 \text{ kip}$

Shear demand to capacity is:

$$DCR_{shear} := \frac{V_a}{V_{x_all}} = 0.198 < 1 \text{ PASS } \checkmark$$

- Deflection check:

Calculated from step 1

Linear live load, $W_{LL} = 0.9 \text{ klf}$

Linear dead load, $W_{DL} = 0.36 \text{ klf}$

Total linear load, $W_{TL} := W_{LL} + W_{DL} = 1.26 \text{ klf}$

Total load deflection limit is $\frac{L}{240} = 0.9 \text{ in}$

W12 x 19 Beam's Moment of Inertia, $I := 130 \text{ in}^4$

Actual total load deflection is:

$$\Delta_{TL} := \frac{5 W_{TL} \cdot L^4}{384 \cdot E \cdot I} = 0.79 \text{ in} < 0.9 \text{ in PASS } \checkmark$$

Live load deflection limit is $\frac{L}{360} = 0.6$ *in*

Actual live load deflection is:

$$\Delta_{LL} := \frac{5 \cdot W_{LL} \cdot L^4}{384 \cdot E \cdot I} = 0.56 \text{ in} < 0.6 \text{ in PASS } \checkmark$$

See the following ENERCALC printed calc report for comparison

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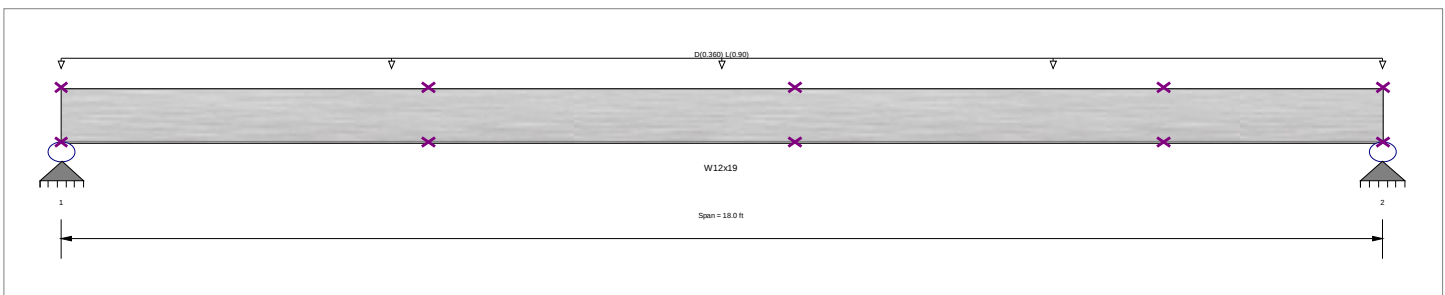
Code References

Governing Code : IBC 2024
Referenced Design Standard(s) : AISC 360-22
Load Combination Set : ASCE 7-22 / IBC 2024

Material Properties

Analysis Method : Allowable Strength Design
Beam Bracing : Beam bracing is defined as a set spacing over all spans
Bending Axis : Major Axis Bending
Fy : Steel Yield : 50.0 ksi
E: Modulus : 29,000.0 ksi

Unbraced Lengths

First Brace starts at ft from Left-Most support
Regular spacing of lateral supports on length of beam = 5.0 ft


Applied Loads

Service loads entered. Load Factors will be applied for calculations.

Beam self weight NOT internally calculated and added
Uniform Load : D = 0.040, L = 0.10 ksf, Tributary Width = 9.0 ft, (Floor Loads)

DESIGN SUMMARY

Design OK

Maximum Bending Stress Ratio =		0.968 : 1		Maximum Shear Stress Ratio =		0.198 : 1	
Section used for this span		W12x19		Section used for this span		W12x19	
Ma : Applied		51.030 k-ft		Va : Applied		11.340 k	
Mn / Omega : Allowable		52.713 k-ft		Vn/Omega : Allowable		57.340 k	
Load Combination				Load Combination			
				+D+L		+D+L	
Span # where maximum occurs		Span # 1		Location of maximum on span		0.000 ft	
Maximum Deflection				Span # where maximum occurs		Span # 1	
Max Downward Transient Deflection		0.566 in Ratio =		381 >=360		Span: 1 : L Only	
Max Upward Transient Deflection		0 in Ratio =		0 <360		n/a	
Max Downward Total Deflection		0.793 in Ratio =		272 >=240.		Span: 1 : +D+L	
Max Upward Total Deflection		0 in Ratio =		0 <240.0		n/a	

Maximum Forces & Stresses for Load Combinations

Load Combination		Max Stress Ratios		Summary of Moment Values							Summary of Shear Values		
Segment Length	Span #	M	V	Mmax +	Mmax -	Ma Max	Mnx	Mnx/Omega	Cb	Rm	Va Max	Vnx	Vnx/Omega
D Only													
Dsgn. L = 4.99 ft	1	0.222	0.057	11.68		11.68	88.03	52.71	1.00	1.00	3.24	86.01	57.34
Dsgn. L = 4.99 ft	1	0.277	0.025	14.58	11.68	14.58	88.03	52.71	1.00	1.00	1.44	86.01	57.34
Dsgn. L = 4.99 ft	1	0.273	0.037	14.41	8.17	14.41	88.03	52.71	1.00	1.00	2.15	86.01	57.34
Dsgn. L = 3.03 ft	1	0.134	0.057	8.17		8.17	101.98	61.07	1.00	1.00	3.24	86.01	57.34
+D+L													
Dsgn. L = 4.99 ft	1	0.776	0.198	40.89		40.89	88.03	52.71	1.00	1.00	11.34	86.01	57.34
Dsgn. L = 4.99 ft	1	0.968	0.088	51.03	40.89	51.03	88.03	52.71	1.00	1.00	5.05	86.01	57.34
Dsgn. L = 4.99 ft	1	0.957	0.131	50.43	28.61	50.43	88.03	52.71	1.00	1.00	7.52	86.01	57.34
Dsgn. L = 3.03 ft	1	0.468	0.198	28.61		28.61	101.98	61.07	1.00	1.00	11.34	86.01	57.34
+D+0.750L													
Dsgn. L = 4.99 ft	1	0.637	0.162	33.59		33.59	88.03	52.71	1.00	1.00	9.32	86.01	57.34
Dsgn. L = 4.99 ft	1	0.795	0.072	41.92	33.59	41.92	88.03	52.71	1.00	1.00	4.15	86.01	57.34
Dsgn. L = 4.99 ft	1	0.786	0.108	41.42	23.50	41.42	88.03	52.71	1.00	1.00	6.17	86.01	57.34
Dsgn. L = 3.03 ft	1	0.385	0.162	23.50		23.50	101.98	61.07	1.00	1.00	9.31	86.01	57.34
+0.60D													
Dsgn. L = 4.99 ft	1	0.133	0.034	7.01		7.01	88.03	52.71	1.00	1.00	1.94	86.01	57.34
Dsgn. L = 4.99 ft	1	0.166	0.015	8.75	7.01	8.75	88.03	52.71	1.00	1.00	0.87	86.01	57.34



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Maximum Forces & Stresses for Load Combinations

Load Combination		Max Stress Ratios				Summary of Moment Values						Summary of Shear Values		
Segment Length	Span #	M	V	Mmax +	Mmax -	Ma Max	Mnx	Mnx/Omega Cb	Rm	Va Max	VnxVnx/Omega			
Dsgn. L = 4.99 ft	1	0.164	0.022	8.64	4.90	8.64	88.03	52.71	1.00	1.00	1.29	86.01	57.34	
Dsgn. L = 3.03 ft	1	0.080	0.034	4.90		4.90	101.98	61.07	1.00	1.00	1.94	86.01	57.34	

Overall Maximum Deflections

Span	Load Combination	Max. "-" Defl	Location in Span	Load Combination	Max. "+" Defl	Location in Span
1	+D+L	0.7930	9.051		0.0000	0.000

Maximum Deflections for Load Combinations

Load Combination	Span	Max. Downward Defl	Location in Span	Span	Max. Upward Defl	Location in Span
D Only	1	0.2266	9.051		0.0000	0.000
+D+L	1	0.7930	9.051		0.0000	0.000
+D+0.750L	1	0.6514	9.051		0.0000	0.000
+0.60D	1	0.1359	9.051		0.0000	0.000
L Only	1	0.5664	9.051		0.0000	0.000

Vertical Reactions

Support notation : Far left is #1

Values in KIPS

Load Combination	Support 1	Support 2
Max Upward from all Load Conditions	11.340	11.340
Max Upward from Load Combinations	11.340	11.340
Max Upward from Load Cases	8.100	8.100
D Only	3.240	3.240
+D+L	11.340	11.340
+D+0.750L	9.315	9.315
+0.60D	1.944	1.944
L Only	8.100	8.100

Steel Section Properties : W12x19

Depth	=	12.200 in	I xx	=	130.00 in^4	J	=	0.180 in^4
Web Thick	=	0.235 in	S xx	=	21.30 in^3	Cw	=	131.00 in^6
Flange Width	=	4.010 in	R xx	=	4.820 in			
Flange Thick	=	0.350 in	Zx	=	24.700 in^3			
Area	=	5.570 in^2	I yy	=	3.760 in^4			
Weight	=	19.000 plf	S yy	=	1.880 in^3	Wno	=	11.900 in^2
Kdesign	=	0.650 in	R yy	=	0.822 in	Sw	=	4.170 in^4
K1	=	0.563 in	Zy	=	2.980 in^3	Qf	=	3.910 in^3
rts	=	1.020 in				Qw	=	12.200 in^3
Ycg	=	6.100 in						

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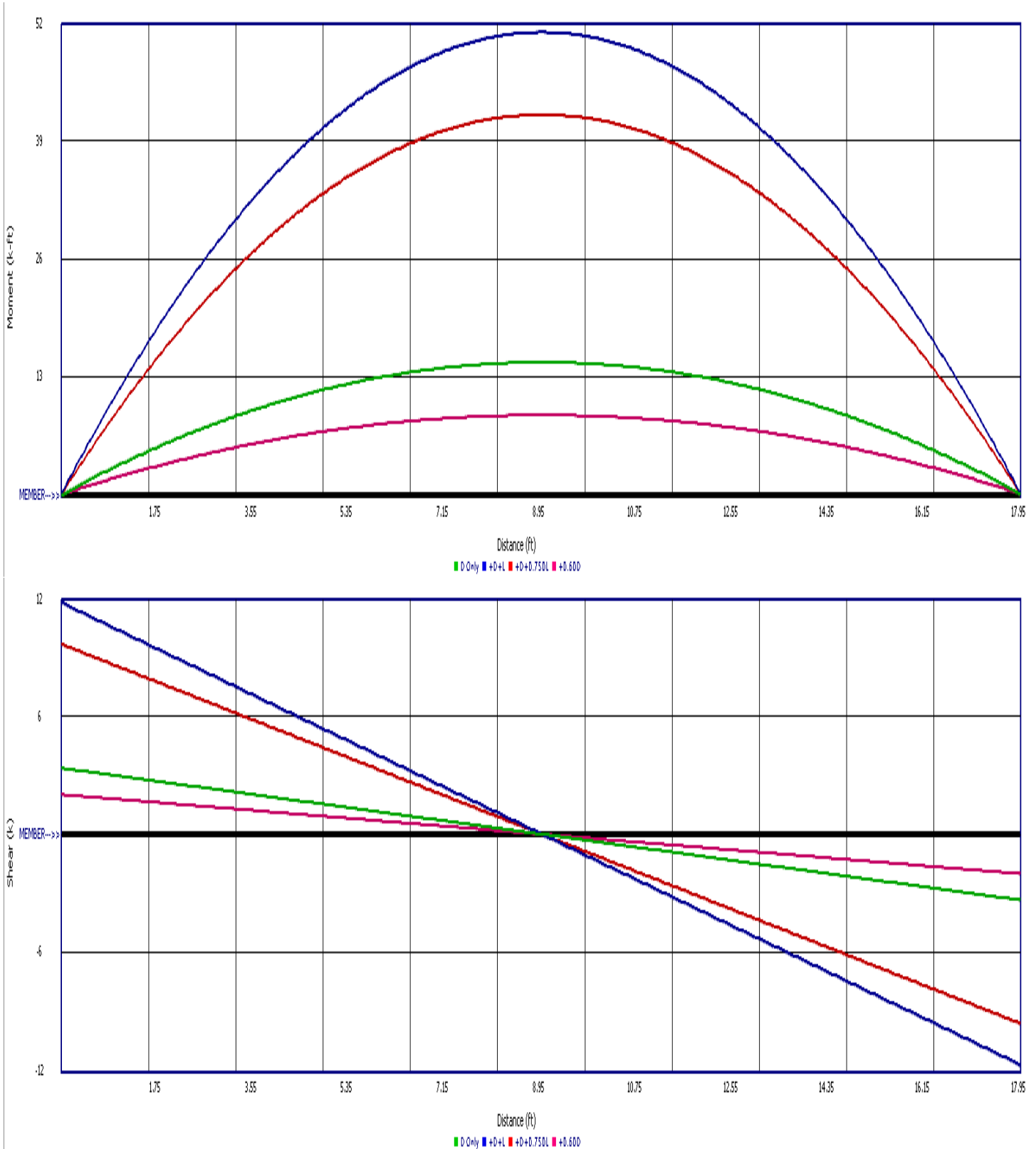
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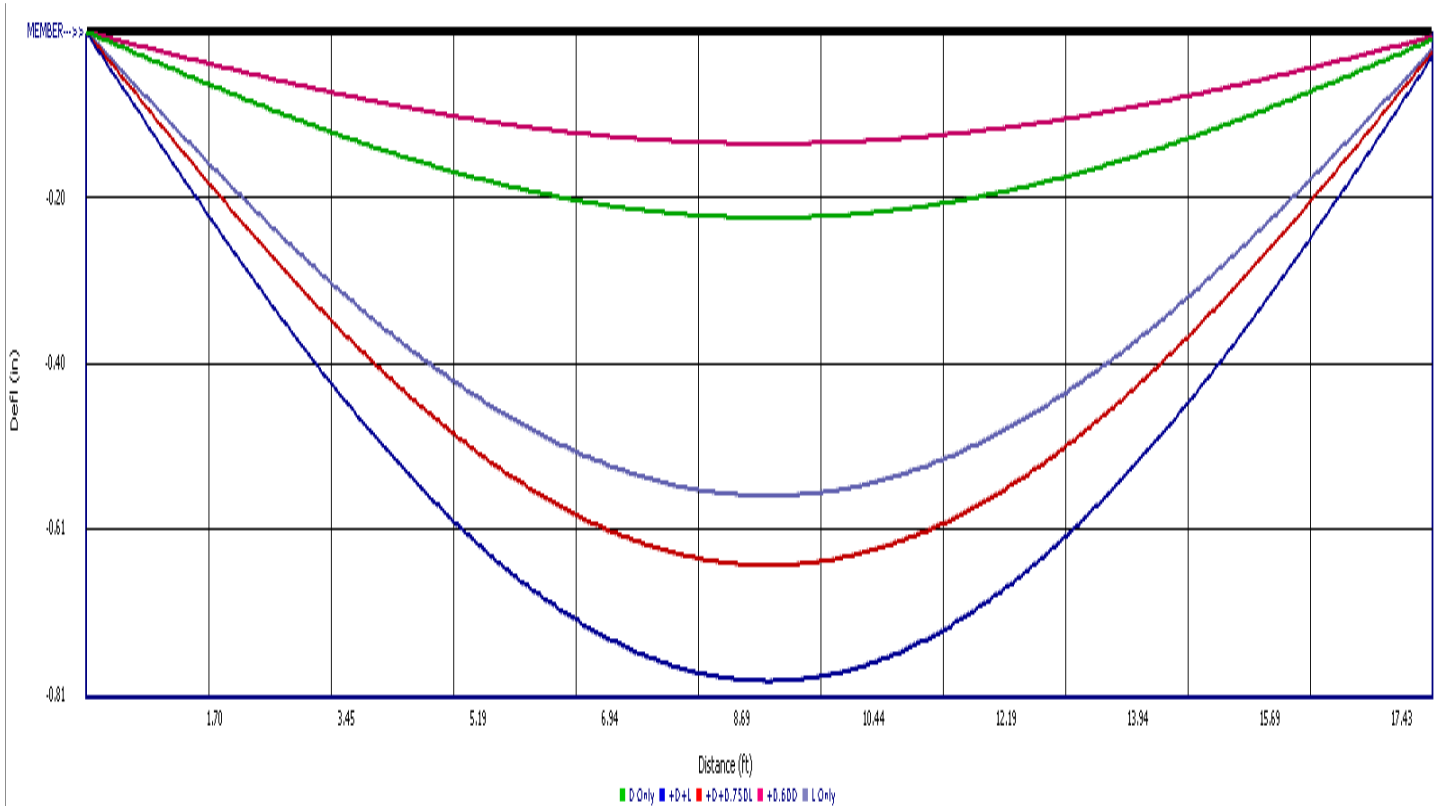
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Load Type/ Combination	Span Location (ft)	Span ID	Shear (k)	Moment (ft-k)
D Only	0.00	Span 1	3.240	0.000
D Only	1.80	Span 1	2.592	5.249
D Only	3.60	Span 1	1.944	9.331
D Only	5.40	Span 1	1.296	12.247
D Only	7.20	Span 1	0.648	13.997
D Only	9.00	Span 1	0.000	14.580
D Only	10.80	Span 1	-0.648	13.997
D Only	12.60	Span 1	-1.296	12.247
D Only	14.40	Span 1	-1.944	9.331
D Only	16.20	Span 1	-2.592	5.249
D Only	18.00	Span 1	-3.240	0.000
+D+L	0.00	Span 1	11.340	0.000
+D+L	1.80	Span 1	9.072	18.371
+D+L	3.60	Span 1	6.804	32.659
+D+L	5.40	Span 1	4.536	42.865
+D+L	7.20	Span 1	2.268	48.989
+D+L	9.00	Span 1	0.000	51.030
+D+L	10.80	Span 1	-2.268	48.989
+D+L	12.60	Span 1	-4.536	42.865
+D+L	14.40	Span 1	-6.804	32.659
+D+L	16.20	Span 1	-9.072	18.371
+D+L	18.00	Span 1	-11.340	0.000
+D+0.750L	0.00	Span 1	9.315	0.000
+D+0.750L	1.80	Span 1	7.452	15.090
+D+0.750L	3.60	Span 1	5.589	26.827
+D+0.750L	5.40	Span 1	3.726	35.211
+D+0.750L	7.20	Span 1	1.863	40.241
+D+0.750L	9.00	Span 1	0.000	41.918
+D+0.750L	10.80	Span 1	-1.863	40.241
+D+0.750L	12.60	Span 1	-3.726	35.211
+D+0.750L	14.40	Span 1	-5.589	26.827



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+D+0.750L	16.20	Span 1	-7.452	15.090
+D+0.750L	18.00	Span 1	-9.315	0.000
+0.60D	0.00	Span 1	1.944	0.000
+0.60D	1.80	Span 1	1.555	3.149
+0.60D	3.60	Span 1	1.166	5.599
+0.60D	5.40	Span 1	0.778	7.348
+0.60D	7.20	Span 1	0.389	8.398
+0.60D	9.00	Span 1	0.000	8.748
+0.60D	10.80	Span 1	-0.389	8.398
+0.60D	12.60	Span 1	-0.778	7.348
+0.60D	14.40	Span 1	-1.166	5.599
+0.60D	16.20	Span 1	-1.555	3.149
+0.60D	18.00	Span 1	-1.944	0.000

Beam Span Deflections at Incremental Locations

Load Type/ Combination	Span Location (ft)	Span ID	Deflection (in)
Overall MAXimum Envelope	0.00	Span 1	0.000
Overall MAXimum Envelope	1.85	Span 1	0.255
Overall MAXimum Envelope	3.70	Span 1	0.481
Overall MAXimum Envelope	5.55	Span 1	0.656
Overall MAXimum Envelope	7.41	Span 1	0.762
Overall MAXimum Envelope	9.26	Span 1	0.792
Overall MAXimum Envelope	11.11	Span 1	0.743
Overall MAXimum Envelope	12.96	Span 1	0.618
Overall MAXimum Envelope	14.81	Span 1	0.429
Overall MAXimum Envelope	16.66	Span 1	0.193
Overall MAXimum Envelope	18.00	Span 1	0.007
D Only	0.00	Span 1	0.000
D Only	1.85	Span 1	0.073
D Only	3.70	Span 1	0.137
D Only	5.55	Span 1	0.187
D Only	7.41	Span 1	0.218
D Only	9.26	Span 1	0.226
D Only	11.11	Span 1	0.212
D Only	12.96	Span 1	0.177
D Only	14.81	Span 1	0.122
D Only	16.66	Span 1	0.055
D Only	18.00	Span 1	0.002
+D+L	0.00	Span 1	0.000
+D+L	1.85	Span 1	0.255
+D+L	3.70	Span 1	0.481
+D+L	5.55	Span 1	0.656
+D+L	7.41	Span 1	0.762
+D+L	9.26	Span 1	0.792
+D+L	11.11	Span 1	0.743
+D+L	12.96	Span 1	0.618
+D+L	14.81	Span 1	0.429
+D+L	16.66	Span 1	0.193
+D+L	18.00	Span 1	0.007
+D+0.750L	0.00	Span 1	0.000
+D+0.750L	1.85	Span 1	0.209
+D+0.750L	3.70	Span 1	0.395
+D+0.750L	5.55	Span 1	0.539
+D+0.750L	7.41	Span 1	0.626
+D+0.750L	9.26	Span 1	0.651
+D+0.750L	11.11	Span 1	0.610
+D+0.750L	12.96	Span 1	0.507
+D+0.750L	14.81	Span 1	0.352
+D+0.750L	16.66	Span 1	0.158
+D+0.750L	18.00	Span 1	0.006
+0.60D	0.00	Span 1	0.000
+0.60D	1.85	Span 1	0.044
+0.60D	3.70	Span 1	0.082
+0.60D	5.55	Span 1	0.112



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Load Type/ Combination	Span Location (ft)	Span ID	Deflection (in)
+0.60D	7.41	Span 1	0.131
+0.60D	9.26	Span 1	0.136
+0.60D	11.11	Span 1	0.127
+0.60D	12.96	Span 1	0.106
+0.60D	14.81	Span 1	0.073
+0.60D	16.66	Span 1	0.033
+0.60D	18.00	Span 1	0.001
L Only	0.00	Span 1	0.000
L Only	1.85	Span 1	0.182
L Only	3.70	Span 1	0.344
L Only	5.55	Span 1	0.468
L Only	7.41	Span 1	0.545
L Only	9.26	Span 1	0.566
L Only	11.11	Span 1	0.531
L Only	12.96	Span 1	0.441
L Only	14.81	Span 1	0.306
L Only	16.66	Span 1	0.138
L Only	18.00	Span 1	0.005