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Preface

The present paper describes a rational analytical approach to a fire engineering design of load-bearing structures and partitions. The design method is permitted to be generally applied in Sweden, as one alternative, since about ten years. The method is directly based on the natural fire concept and strictly defined functional requirements and performance criteria.

For facilitating the practical application of the design method to steel structures, a comprehensive design basis has been worked out in the form of diagrams and tables for a direct and quick determination of the maximum steel temperature during a complete compartment fire and the corresponding design load-bearing capacity of the fire exposed structure. The design basis is presented in a manual [4] which is approved for practical use by the National Swedish Board of Physical Planning and Building.

The paper is organized in such a way, that a reader, who only wants to be informed of the practical application of the design method, can limit himself to a study of chapter 3 and the explanatory example. Chapters 1 and 2 are supplementing this description with respect to the general design philosophy behind the design method and the connected structural fire safety characteristics.

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RATIONAL APPROACH TO FIRE ENGINEERING DESIGN OF STEEL BUILDINGS

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A development of analytical design procedures, based on well-defined functional requirements, is an important task of the future fire research within different fields of the overall fire safety concept. Such procedures, successively replacing the present, internationally prevalent, schematic design methods, are necessary for getting an improved economy and for enabling more qualified and reliable fire safety analyses. A derivation of such analytical design systems is also in agreement with the present trend of development of the building codes and regulations in many countries towards an increased extent of functionally based requirements and performance criteria.

In the ideal case, a rational fire design methodology includes as essential components [1]

- * analytical modelling of relevant processes; verification of model validation and accuracy; determination of critical design parameters,
- * formulation of functional requirements, independent of choice of design process and expressed either in deterministic or probabilistic terms,
- * determination of design parameter values, and
- * verification by the means of a reliability analysis that the choice of safety factors leads to safety levels, which are consistent with the expressed functional requirements.

For a fire engineering design of load-bearing structures and partitions, a differentiated analytical procedure is permitted to be applied in Sweden, as one alternative, since about ten years. The procedure constitutes a direct design method based on temperature characteristics of the fully developed compartment fire as a function of the fire load density, the

ventilation of the fire compartment and the thermal properties of the structures enclosing the fire compartment. The design method is approved for a general practical use by the National Swedish Board of Physical Planning and Building [2]. For facilitating the practical application, design diagrams and tables are systematically produced, giving directly, on one hand, the design temperature state of the fire exposed structure, on the other, a transfer of this information to the corresponding design load-bearing capacity of the structure; c.f., for instance [3], [4], [5], [6]. Fig. 1 describes the design method in a summary way.

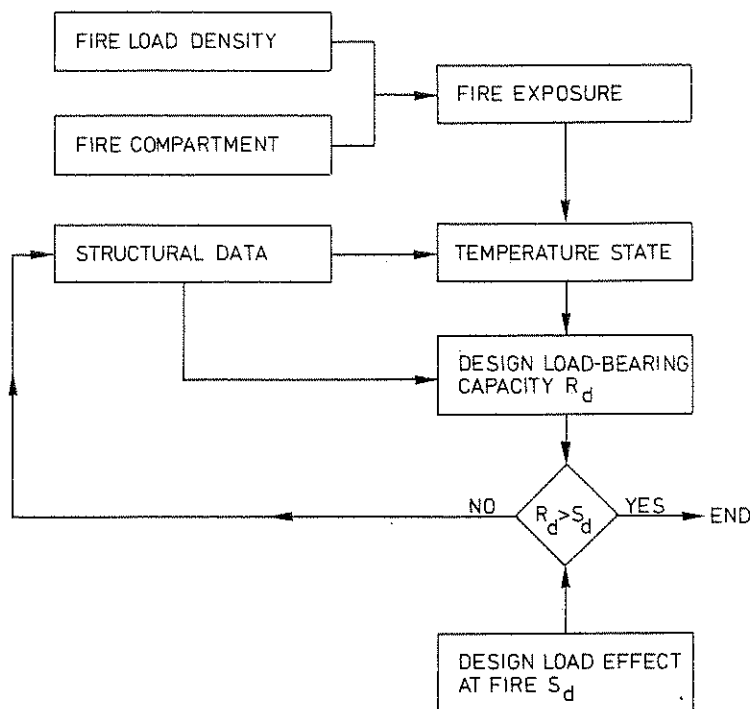


Figure 1. Summary description of a rational design method for fire exposed load-bearing structures

1. Main Principles of an Analytical Design of Fire Exposed Load-Bearing Structures

In a generalized summary way, an analytical design method for fire exposed structures, based on well-defined functional requirements, can be described according to Fig. 2.

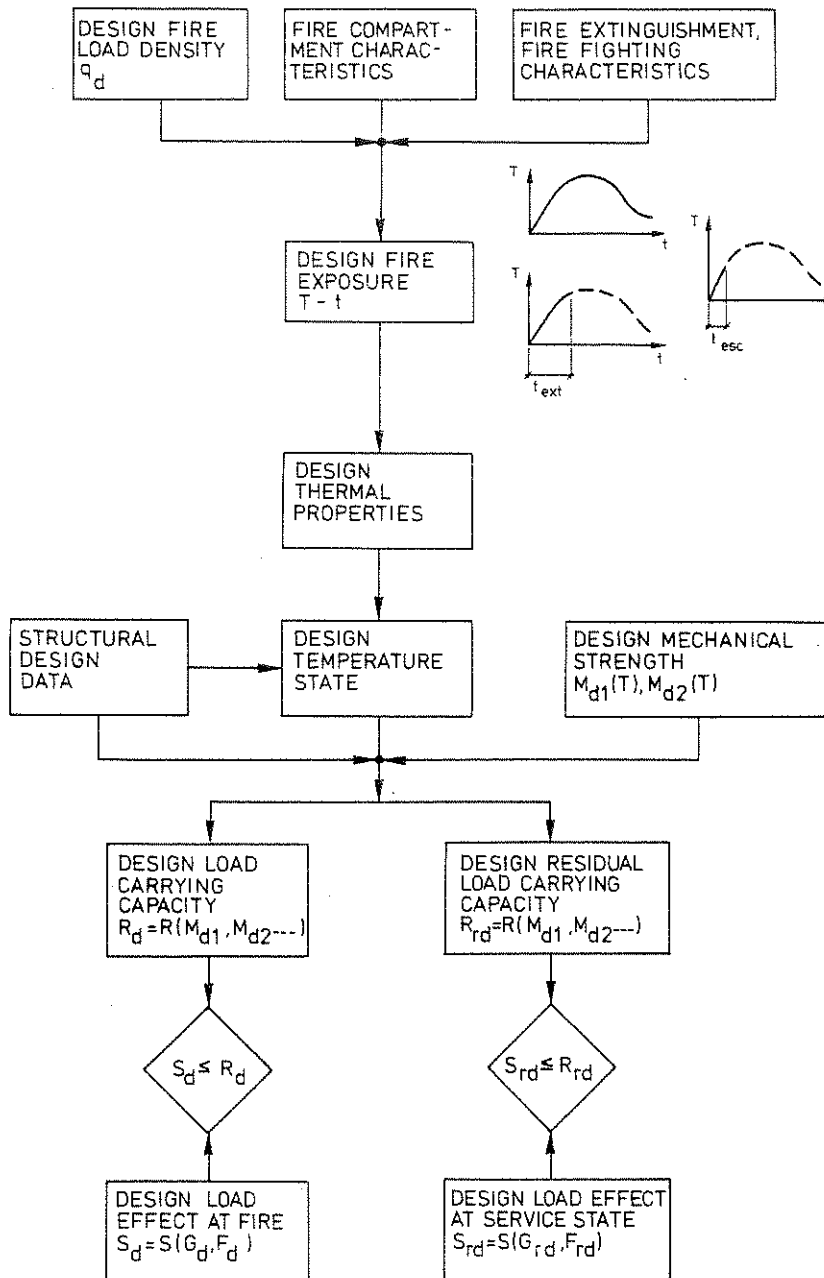


Figure 2. Procedure of a rational, reliability-based design of fire exposed load-bearing structures [1]

The design fire load density, the fire compartment characteristics and the fire extinguishment and fire fighting characteristics constitute the basis for a determination of the design fire exposure, given as the gastemperature-time curve $T-t$ of the fully developed compartment fire. Depending on the type of practical application, the load-bearing function of the structure can be required to be fulfilled for

- * the complete fire process,
- * a shortened fire process, limited by the time t_{ext} , necessary for the fire to be extinguished under the most severe conditions, or
- * a shortened fire process, limited by the design evacuation time t_{esc} for the building.

Together with the structural design data, the design thermal properties and the design mechanical strength of the structural materials, the design fire exposure gives the design temperature state and the design load-carrying capacity R_d as the lowest value during the relevant fire process.

A direct comparison between the design load-carrying capacity R_d and the design load effect at fire S_d decides whether the structure can fulfil its required function or not at the fire exposure. The quantities R_d and S_d then both can be referred to a defined load or a decisive section effect, for instance, a bending moment or a shear force.

Following, for instance the new Draft Code for Loading Regulations, issued by the Nordic Committee for Building Regulations [7], the determination of the design load effect S_d starts from characteristic values of permanent and variable loads G_k and F_k , connected to a defined probability of excess during a specified time period (Fig. 3). A multiplication by partial factors γ and load combination factors ψ transfers the characteristic load values to design loads G_d and F_d . The load combination factors ψ then may be differentiated with respect to whether a complete evacuation of people can be assumed or not in the event of fire. Finally, the design loads are combined and transformed to the design load effect at fire S_d .

Analogously, the design material strength M_d is to be calculated via characteristic strength values M_k at actual temperature, divided by resulting partial factors γ_m (Fig. 4). The characteristic strength values are defined as corresponding to specified fractiles of the probability density distribution. The different partial factors γ_m^1 , γ_m^2 , γ_m^3 , and γ_m^4 , are expressing the influence of the scatter in material strength, the uncertainty of the design model, the uncertainty in relation between material property in the structure and material property determined in test, and the safety class, respectively. The predicted extent of personal and property damage at failure - very serious, serious, not serious - decides the safety class.

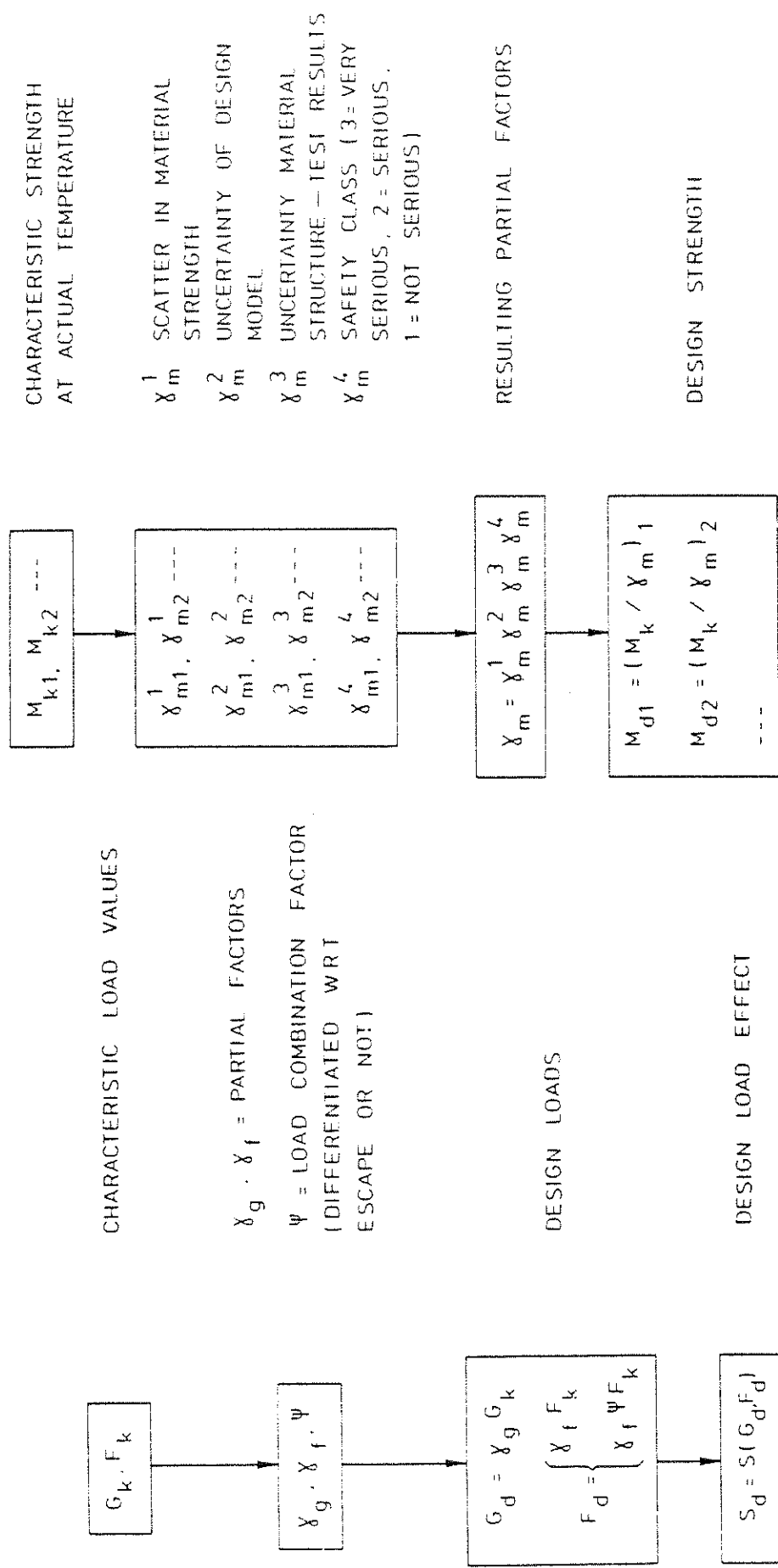


Figure 3. Procedure of determination of design load effect S_d

Figure 4. Procedure of determination of design strength M_d

A similar approach - as outlined for the design load effect S_d and the design mechanical strength M_d - can be applied also to the design fire load density q_d and the design thermal properties of the structural materials.

The level of the functional requirements to be laid down for a structural fire engineering design must be differentiated with respect to such influences as the occupancy, the height and volume of the building, and the importance of the structure or the structural member for the overall stability of the building. This can be met by, for instance, a division of buildings in categories with a related differentiation of the design fire load density and the length of the fire process, to be considered in the design.

For buildings containing activities, which are particularly important from, for instance, an economical point of view, there can be the motive for requiring that the building can be used again after a fire, almost immediately or very soon, for the current activities in a full extent. If the design also comprises such a requirement on re-serviceability of the structure after fire, the design procedure is to be expanded in the following way.

From the time curve of the load-carrying capacity R , the design residual load-carrying capacity R_{rd} of the structure after fire is obtained as end information. This quantity R_{rd} has to be compared with the design load effect at service, non-fire state, on the structure S_{rd} , given by the corresponding characteristic load values, partial factors and load combination factors.

2. Fire Safety of Load-Bearing Structures

In a general sense, the fire engineering design problem is non-deterministic. Performance has to be described and measured in probabilistic terms.

This is one essential perspective from which we have to judge or appraise the building fire safety code systems now in force. Historically, they had to be written without actually stating their objective level of safety and, still far less, without any analytical measurement of the

objectives involved. For this reason, there is an urgent need for future attempts to evaluate the levels of safety inherent in present local and national fire protection regulations and to develop rational, reliability-based design methods, leading to safety levels which are consistent with the relevant functional requirements [1].

For the case that the load-bearing capacity R and the load effect S can be expressed analytically, are statistically uncorrelated and have known probability density functions f_R and f_S , the probability of failure is given by the formula - cf. Fig. 5

$$P_f = \int_0^{\infty} \int_0^S f_S(s) f_R(r) ds dr \quad (1)$$

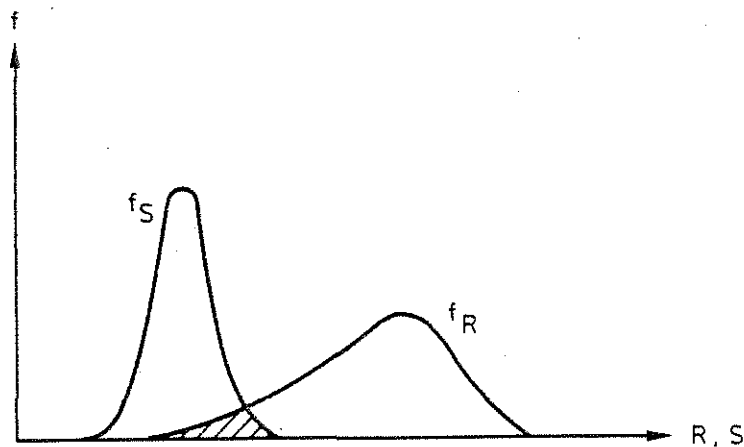


Figure 5. Probability density function f_R and f_S of load-bearing capacity R and load effect S

The computation of the probability of failure P_f can be re-formulated in the following way - Fig. 6. The difference between the load-bearing capacity R and the load effect S defines the safety margin. In the probability density function of the safety margin f_{R-S} , positive values mean survival, negative values failure. The dashed area gives the failure probability P_f .

Ideally, P_f should form the basis for deriving design criteria. However, P_f can be evaluated accurately only if the probability density function

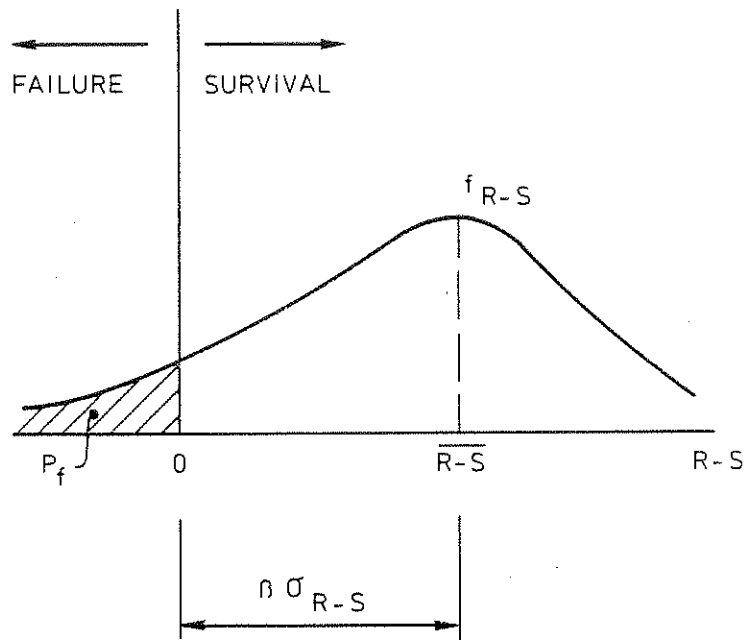


Figure 6. Probability density function f_{R-S} of safety margin $R-S$ and definition of safety index β

of $R-S$ is known in detail. In practice, this is very seldom the case. Two main alternatives then are open [8], [9]

- * to base a design code format on prescribed distributions of R and S , and
- * to acknowledge the incompleteness of statistical information and disregard the form of the distribution involved.

In the latter case, a design scheme can be based simply on requiring that some minimum safety margin be maintained. In place of requiring that a calculated risk of failure must fall below a specified probability, it may be required that the average safety margin $R-S$ must lie a specified number β standard deviation above zero, giving the formulas

$$\overline{R-S} \geq \beta \sigma_{R-S} \quad \text{or} \quad \bar{R} \geq \bar{S} + \beta \sqrt{\sigma_R^2 + \sigma_S^2} \quad (2)$$

σ_{R-S} is the standard deviation of the safety margin $R-S$, σ_R and σ_S are the standard deviation of R and S , respectively.

The safety index β defines the reliability of, for instance, a design system. A greater value of β then corresponds to a higher safety level.

With this safety measure we can improve our design methods to be more consistent and assess the implications of assumptions and guesses.

A methodology for a probabilistic analysis of fire exposed steel structures, connected to the design method described in chapter 1, has been developed in [10]. The methodology comprises a general systematized scheme for the identification and evaluation of the various sources and kinds of uncertainty in the differentiated structural fire engineering design. The structure of the methodology is quite general and applicable to a wide class of structures and structural elements. To get applicable and efficient final safety measures, the probabilistic analysis is numerically exemplified for an insulated, simply supported steel beam of I-cross section as a part of a floor or roof assembly. The chosen statistics of dead and live load and fire load density are representative for office buildings.

With the basic data variables selected, the different uncertainty sources in the design procedure are identified and dissembled in such a way that available information from laboratory tests can be utilized in a manner as profitable as possible. The derivation of the total or system variance $\text{Var}(R)$ in the load-carrying capacity R is divided into two main stages: variability $\text{Var}(T_{\max})$ in maximal steel temperature T_{\max} for a given type of structure and a given design fire compartment, and variability in strength theory and material properties for known value of T_{\max} .

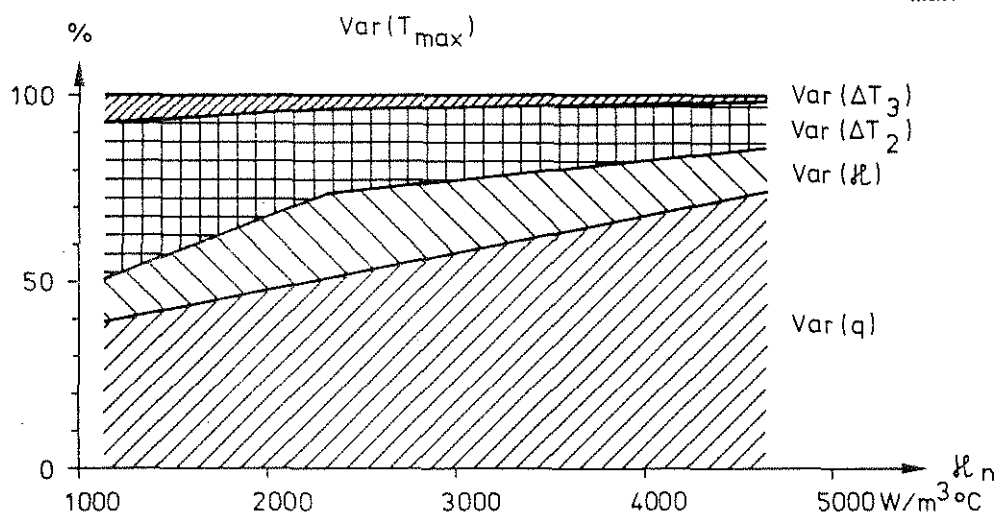


Figure 7. Decomposition of total variance in T_{\max} into component variances as a function of insulation parameter κ_n [10]

The results obtained are exemplified in Fig. 7, giving the decomposition of the total variance in maximum steel temperature T_{\max} into the component variances as a function of the insulation parameter $\kappa_n = A_i \lambda_i / (V_s d_i)$. A_i is the interior jacket surface area of the insulation per unit length, d_i the thickness of the insulation, λ_i the thermal conductivity of the insulating material, corresponding to an average value for the whole process of fire exposure, and V_s the volume of the steel structure per unit length. Increasing κ_n expresses a decreased insulation capacity.

The component variances refer to the stochastic character of the fire load density q , the uncertainty in the insulation properties κ , the uncertainty reflecting the prediction error in the theory of compartment fires and heat transfer from the fire process to the structural member ΔT_2 , and a correction term reflecting the difference between a natural fire in a laboratory and under real life service conditions ΔT_3 . Analogously, Fig. 8 exemplifies the decomposition of the total variance in the load-carrying capacity R into component variances as a function of the insulation parameter κ_n . The component variances refer to the variability in the maximum steel temperature T_{\max} , variability in material strength M , the uncertainty reflecting the prediction error in the strength theory $\Delta \phi_1$, and the uncertainty due to the difference between laboratory tests and in situ fire exposure $\Delta \phi_2$.

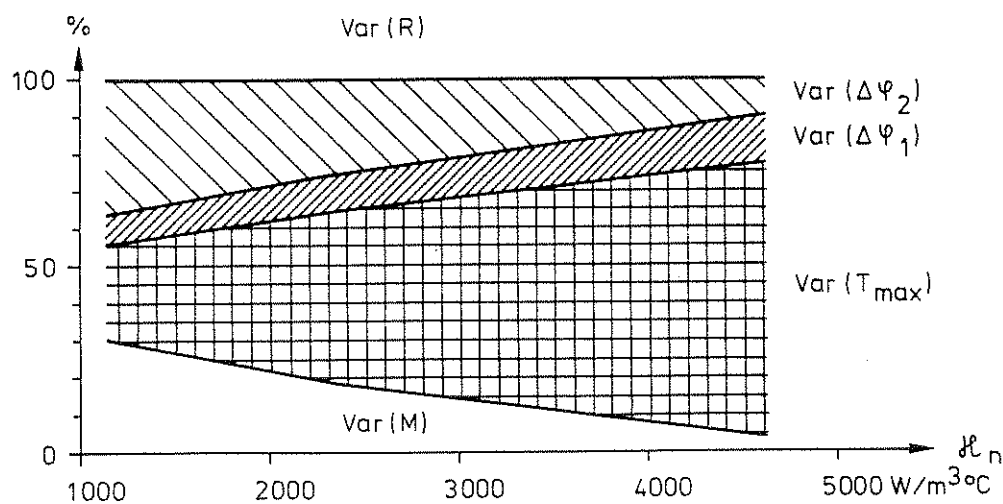


Figure 8. Decomposition of total variance in load-carrying capacity R into component variances as a function of insulation parameter κ_n [10]

The component variances are quantified, whenever possible by comparing the design theory with experiments. System variance is evaluated in two ways: by Monte Carlo simulation and by use of a truncated Taylor series expansion. Employing the Monte Carlo procedure, the mean and variance of R and S have been computed for different values of the ventilation factor of the fire compartment, the insulation parameter κ and the ratio D_n/L_n , where D_n is nominal dead load and L_n nominal live load, used in the normal temperature design. The second moment reliability as a function of these design parameters is evaluated by the safety index formulation according to Eq. (2).

A fragmentary illustration of the results received is given in Table 1, showing the range of variation for the safety index β , as determined for the present Swedish differentiated analytical design model (case II). Varying the opening factor of the fire compartment $A\sqrt{h}/A_t$ from 0.04 to $0.12 \text{ m}^{1/2}$ and the ratio between the nominal value of dead load D_n and live load L_n from $1/3$ to 3 , then leads to a range of β from 1.66 to 2.84. A is the total area of the window openings, h the mean value of the heights of window and door openings, weighed with respect to each individual opening area, and A_t the total interior area of the surface bounding the compartment, opening areas included. For the structural member designed in accordance to the standard fire endurance test (case I), the corresponding range of β will be from 1.77 to 3.69. Completing the present differentiated design model with statistically derived load factors (case III) will improve the consistency of β considerably by giving a very narrow range from 2.35 to 2.45.

Table 1. Safety index β and probability of failure P_f for different design procedures, applied to an insulated, simply supported steel beam as a part of a floor or roof assembly in office buildings

Design procedure	Range of β	Range of P_f	$(P_f)_{max}/(P_f)_{min}$
I. Classification, standard endurance test	1.77 - 3.69	$(1-400)10^{-4}$	~ 400
II. Present Swedish design model	1.66 - 2.84	$(23-500)10^{-4}$	~ 20
III = II, improved by statistically derived load factors	2.35 - 2.45	$(72-95)10^{-4}$	~ 1.5

The corresponding range of the probability of failure P_f is shown in the table, too. Related to this quantity, the difference between the three design procedures is extremely striking with the respective ratios $(P_f)_{\max}/(P_f)_{\min} = 400, 20$ and 1.5 . The P_f values presented are connected to a probability = 1 for a fire outbreak leading to flashover within the fire compartment.

3. Detailed Description of a Differentiated, Analytical Fire Engineering Design of Steel Structures

As mentioned in the introduction, a differentiated analytical procedure is permitted to be applied in Sweden for a fire engineering design of load-bearing structures and partitions since about ten years. The main principles behind the design procedure and the connected fire safety aspects are dealt with in the proceeding chapters.

Applied to fire exposed load-bearing structures or structural members, inside a fire compartment, the design procedure includes the following steps - Fig. 9.

The basis of the design is given by the fully developed compartment fire exposure. Decisive entrance quantities then are

- (1) nominal load and load factor for fire load density,
- (2) combustion properties of this design fire load,
- (3) size and geometry of the fire compartment,
- (4) ventilation characteristics of the fire compartment, and
- (5) thermal properties of structures enclosing the fire compartment.

These quantities jointly determine the rate of burning, the rate of heat release, and the design gas temperature-time curve of the complete fire process. Together with

- (6) structural data for the proposed structure,
- (7) thermal properties of structural materials, and
- (8) coefficients of heat transfer for various surfaces of the structure

this design gas temperature-time curve gives the requisite information for a determination of the transient temperature fields of the fire exposed structure or structural members. With

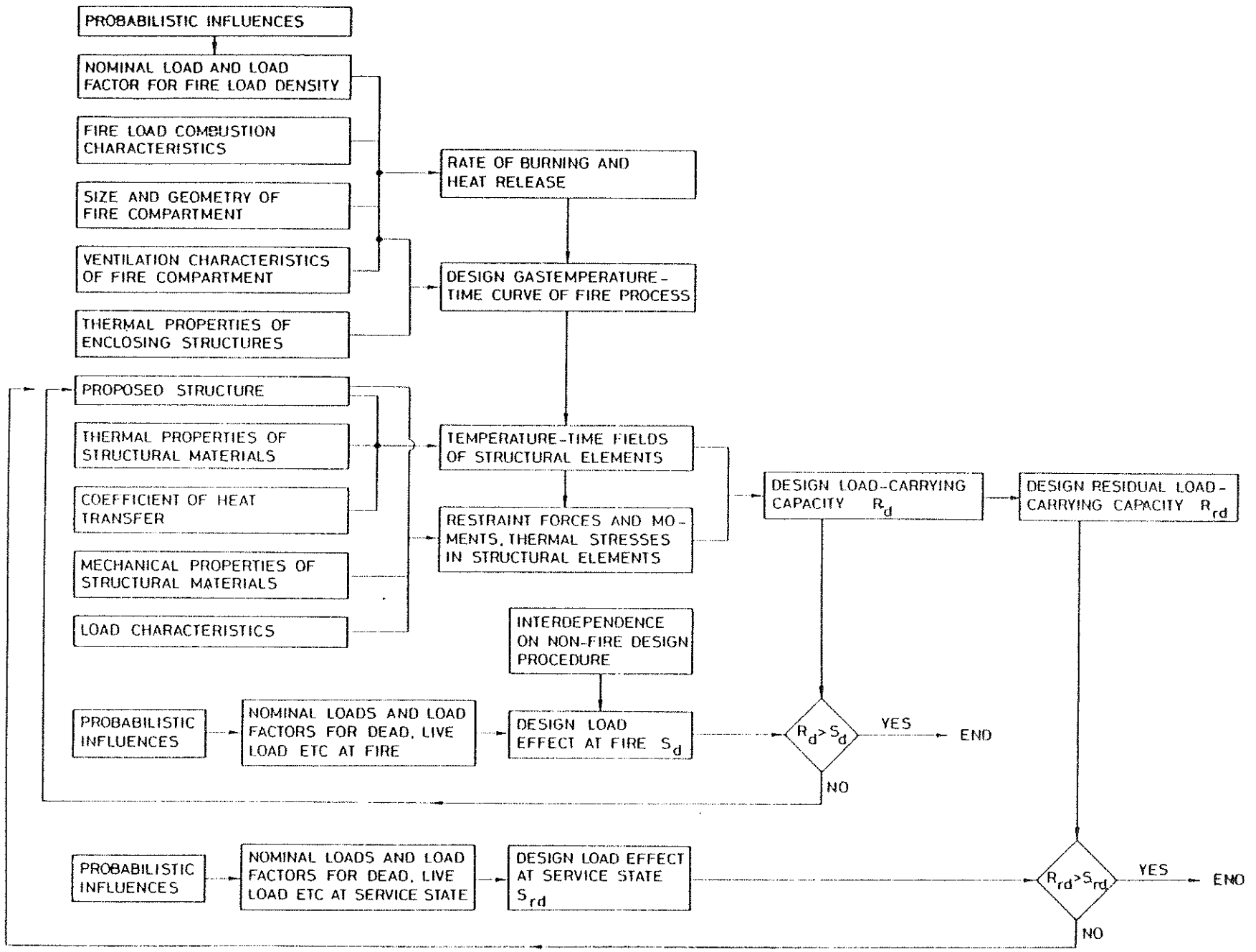


Figure 9. Procedure of a differentiated, analytical fire engineering design of load-bearing structures with additional requirement on re-serviceability after fire

- (9) mechanical properties of structural materials (Fig. 4), and
 (10) load characteristics

as further entrance quantities the time variation of restraint forces and moments, thermal stresses, and load-carrying capacity R can be determined. The lowest value of R during the complete fire process defines the design load-carrying capacity R_d .

Over nominal loads and load factors for dead load, live load, etc, statistically representative of a fire occasion, the design load effect at fire S_d is defined, interdependent on non-fire design procedure (Fig. 3).

A direct comparison between the design load-carrying capacity R_d and the design load effect at fire S_d decides whether the structure can fulfil its required function or not at a fire exposure.

Exceptionally, a requirement on re-serviceability of the structure after fire may be included on the fire engineering design. If so, the design residual load-carrying capacity R_{rd} of the structure after fire has to be determined in the design and compared with the design load effect at service, non-fire state, on the structure S_{rd} .

For exterior, load-bearing structures, the procedure for a direct, differentiated design will be modified with respect to the thermal exposure. For such a structure, the transient temperature fields are determined by a combined radiation and convection exposure from the flames and combustion gases outside the fire compartment as well as by radiation from the interior of the fire compartment through its window openings; cf., for instance [11], [12]. For the rest, the design procedure is principally the same as for interior, load-bearing structures.

3.1 Fire Load Density and Gas Temperature-Time Curves of a Fully Developed Compartment Fire

At known combustion characteristics of the fire load, the gas temperature-time curve of a fully developed compartment fire can be calculated in the individual practical application from the heat and mass balance equations of the fire compartment with regard taken to the size, geometry and ventilation of the compartment, and to the thermal properties of the structures enclosing the compartment - Fig. 10 [2], [4], [6], [13], [14], [15], [16], [17], [18], [19].

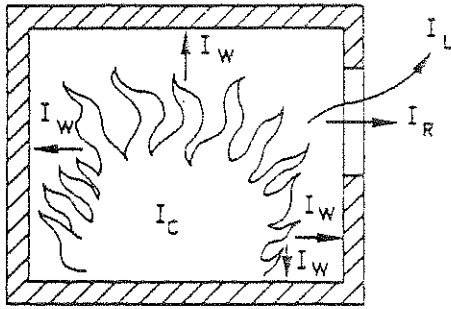


Figure 10. Energy balance equation $I_C = I_L + I_W + I_R$ of a fire compartment. I_C is the heat release per unit time from the combustion of the fuel, and I_L , I_W and I_R the quantities of energy removed per unit time by change of hot gases against cold air, by heat transfer to the surrounding structures, and by radiation through the openings of the compartment, respectively

For interior, load-bearing structures and partitions, the fire engineering design provisionally can be based on gas temperature-time curves T_t-t according to Fig. 11, [2], [4], [6], [15], which applies to a fire compartment with surrounding structures made of a material with a thermal conductivity $\lambda = 0.81 \text{ W}\cdot\text{m}^{-1}\cdot\text{°C}^{-1}$ and a heat capacity $\rho c_p = 1.67 \text{ MJ}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}\cdot\text{°C}^{-1}$ (fire compartment, type A). Entrance parameters of the diagrams are the fire load density q , defined by the formula

$$q = \frac{1}{A_t} \sum \mu_v m_v H_v \quad (\text{MJ}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}) \quad (3)$$

and the ventilation characteristics of the fire compartment, expressed by the opening factor $A\sqrt{h}/A_t$ ($\text{m}^{1/2}$), where

- A = total area of window and door openings (m^2),
- h = mean value of the heights of window and door openings, weighed with respect to each individual opening area (m),
- A_t = total interior area of the surfaces bounding the compartment, opening areas included (m^2),
- m_v = total weight of combustible material v (kg)
- H_v = effective heat value of combustible material v of the fire load ($\text{MJ}\cdot\text{kg}^{-1}$), and
- μ_v = a fraction between 0 and 1, giving the real degree of combustion for each individual component of the fire load.

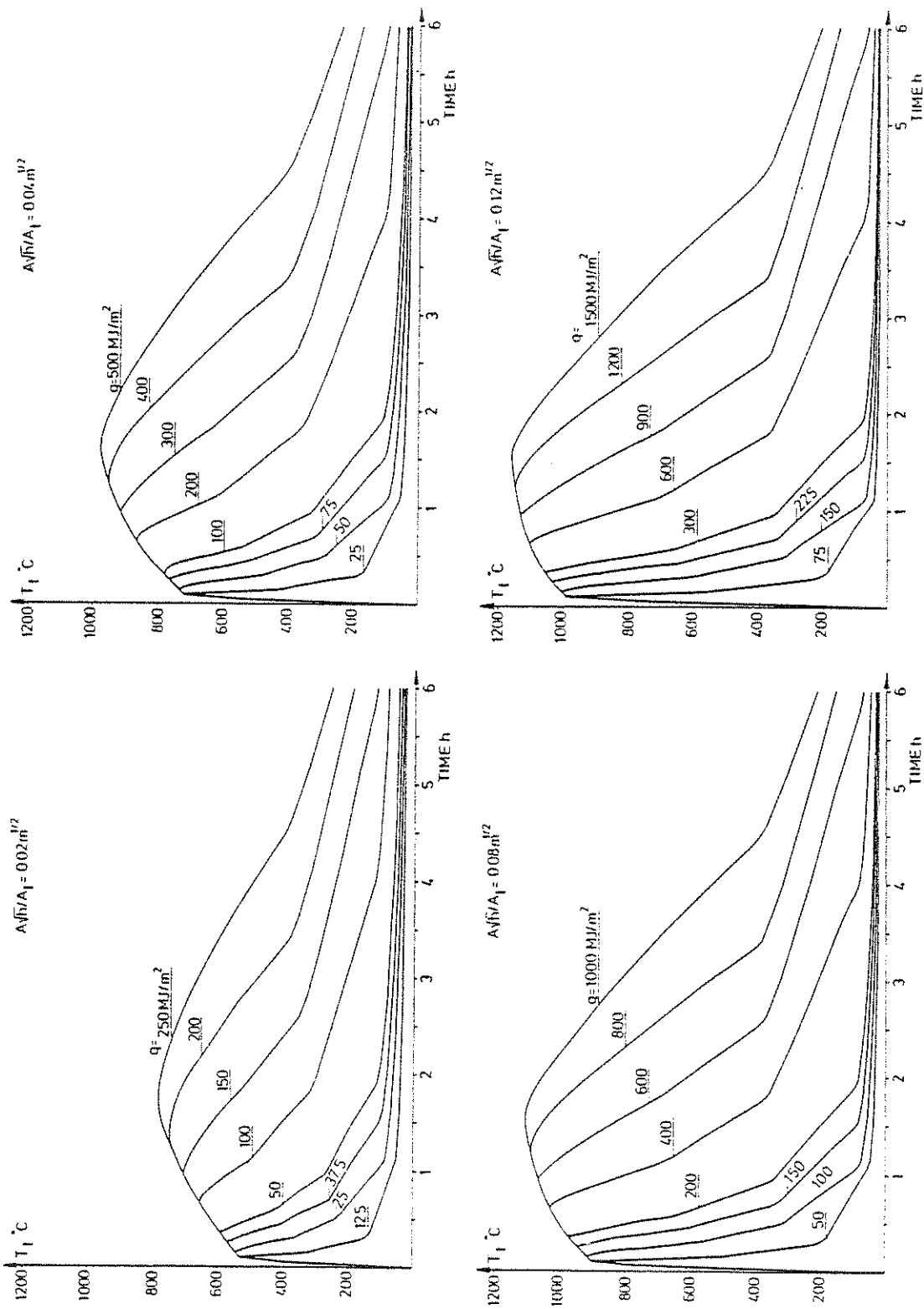


Figure 11. Gas temperature-time curves T_t-t of the complete process of fire development for different values of the fire load density q and the opening factor $A_f h / A_t$. Fire compartment, type A

The non-dimensional factor μ_v is a function of type of fuel, geometrical properties of fuel, and the position of fuel in a fire compartment, among other things. For some types of fire load components, μ_v will depend on the time of fire duration and on the gas temperature-time characteristics of the fire compartment. Bookcases and floor coverings are examples of fire components whose real degree of combustion is low, and whose μ_v values are probably appreciably below unity. At present, however, there is a lack of experimentally substantiated and verified μ_v values, and it is therefore usually necessary in the course of practical design to employ a fire load calculation with μ_v generally put equal to unity.

As a rule, the design fire load density is to be determined on the basis of statistical investigations for the type of building or premises in question. Such statistical investigations have been carried out for dwellings, offices, administration buildings, schools, stores, and hospitals [2], [4], [6]. As a temporary regulation, the Swedish Building Code authorizes the 80 percent level of the statistical distribution curve to be applied as the design fire load density.

A fragmentary example of the results, obtained in the statistical investigations of the fire load density q , is given in Fig. 12 [20], which refers some distribution curves, representative to dwellings in the suburbs and the central parts of Stockholm. In the figure the fire load density is specified on one hand by a minimum value, which only includes the highly inflammable components, and on the other hand by a maximum value, corresponding to all combustible material in the compartment, excluding floor covering. Table A1 in the appendix summarizes the average and standard deviation of the fire load density as well as the design fire load density from the investigations, determined according to Eq. (3) with $\mu_v = 1$ [2], [4], [6].

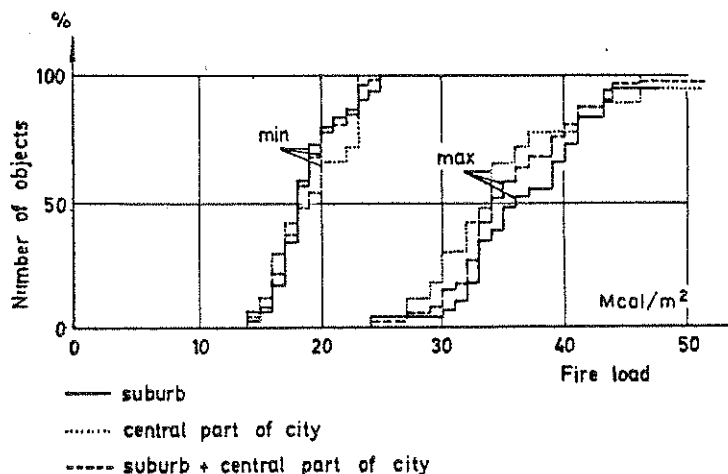


Figure 12. Distribution curves for the fire load density q , defined according to Eq. (3), representative to dwellings in the suburbs and the central parts of Stockholm. $1 \text{ Mcal/m}^2 = 4.19 \text{ MJ/m}^2$

The gas temperature-time curves in Fig. 11 have generally been determined on the assumption of ventilation controlled fires. For fires, which are fuel bed controlled in reality, this assumption leads to a structural fire engineering design on the safe side in practically every case, giving an overestimation of the maximum gastemperature and a simultaneous, partly balancing underestimation of the fire duration. For the minimum load-bearing capacity, which thermally can be seen as an integrated effect, the gas temperature-time curves in Fig. 11 give reasonably correct results, verified in [4], [10], [16].

As pointed out, the gas temperature-time curves in Fig. 11 apply to a certain fire compartment, type A, specified with respect to the thermal properties of its surrounding structures. Fire compartments with surrounding structures of deviating thermal properties can be transferred to fire compartment, type A, via effective values of the fire load density q_f and the opening factor $(A\sqrt{h}/A_t)_f$ in accordance to Table A2 in the appendix [2], [4], [6].

3.2 Opening Factor $A\sqrt{h}/A_t$

According to Fig. 11, the opening factor of a fire compartment is a fundamental concept in calculating the gastemperature-time curve of the process of fire development.

For a fire compartment with only vertical openings, the opening factor is defined by the quantity $A\sqrt{h}/A_t$, where - cf. Fig. 13

- A = total area of the window and door openings (m^2),
- h = mean value of the heights of window and door openings (m), weighed with respect to each individual opening area, and
- A_t = total interior area of the surfaces bounding the compartment, opening areas included (m^2).

If a fire compartment also comprises horizontal openings, an equivalent opening factor $(A\sqrt{h}/A_t)_e$ can be determined by the formula [15]

$$(A\sqrt{h}/A_t)_e = f_k (A\sqrt{h}/A_t)_v \quad (4)$$

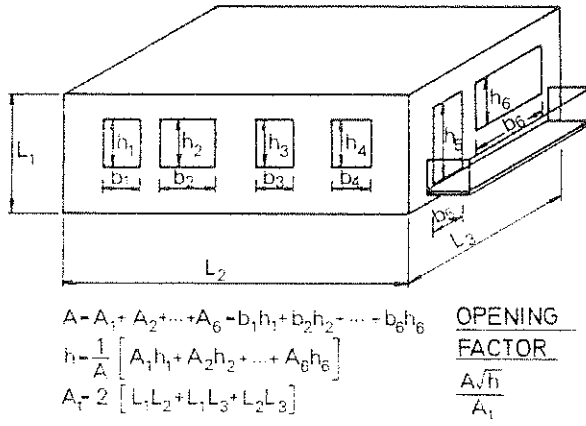


Figure 13. Definitions of the total opening area A , the weighed mean value of the opening height \bar{h} , the total interior area of the surrounding structures A_t , and the opening factor $A\sqrt{\bar{h}}/A_t$ of a fire compartment

where $(A\sqrt{\bar{h}}/A_t)_V$ is the opening factor, corresponding to the vertical openings of the compartment, calculated according to Fig. 13, and f_k a dimensionless multiplier, given by the alignment chart in Fig. 14. For the notations used in this chart, then see Fig. 15.

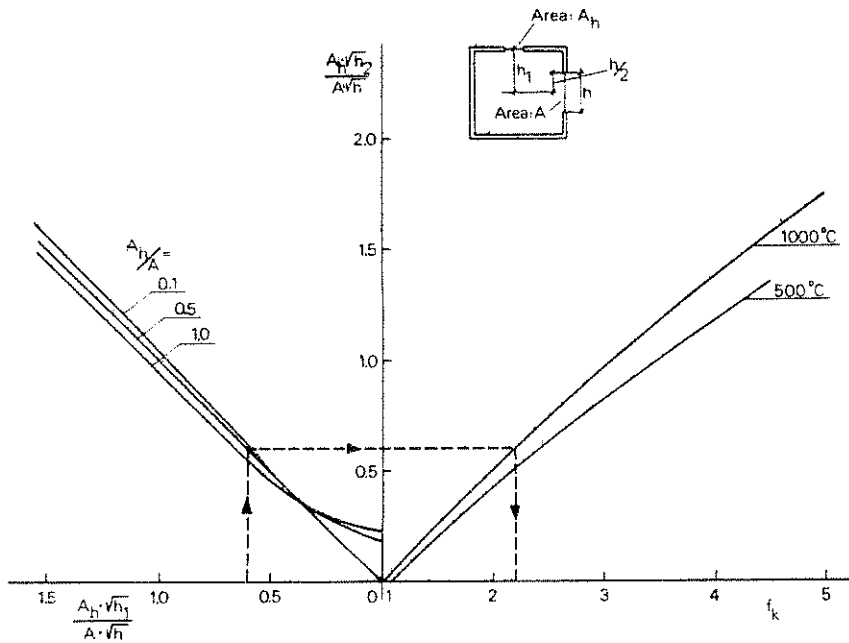


Figure 14. Alignment chart for a determination of the equivalent opening factor $(A\sqrt{\bar{h}}/A_t)_e$ of a fire compartment with vertical as well as horizontal openings. For notations, see Fig. 15

A determination of the equivalent opening factor over Eq. (4) and Fig. 14 presupposes that the gas flow through the horizontal openings of the roof is not predominant. This can be examined via the quotient $A_h \sqrt{h_2} / A \sqrt{\bar{h}}$, which has an upper limit at which the applied gas flow model ceases to be valid. This upper limit is given by the values

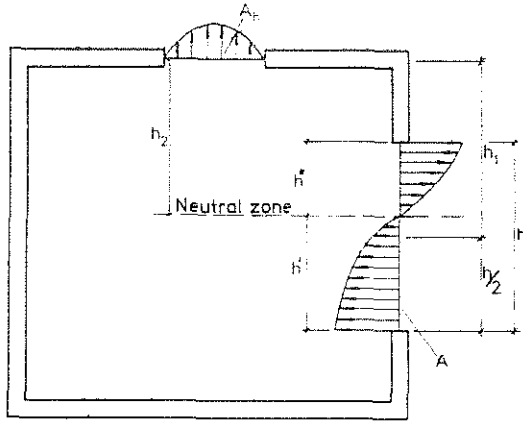


Figure 15. Gas flow mechanism for a fire compartment with vertical and horizontal openings

$$\frac{A_h \sqrt{h_2}}{A \sqrt{h}} = \begin{cases} 1.76 & \text{at } T_t = 1000^\circ\text{C} \\ 1.37 & \text{at } T_t = 500^\circ\text{C} \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

At these limit values, the neutral zone coincides with the upper edge of the vertical opening and tests have indicated the validity of the model up to these upper limits [21].

3.3 Design Temperature State of Fire Exposed, Uninsulated Steel Structures

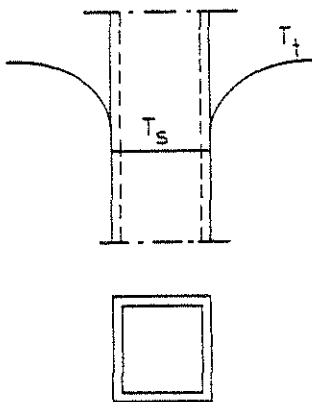


Figure 16. Fire exposed, uninsulated steel structure. T_t = gas temperature within fire compartment, T_s = steel temperature at time t

For a fire exposed, uninsulated steel structure, the energy balance equation gives the following formula for a determination of the steel temperature-time curve T_s - t - Fig. 16

$$\Delta T_s = \frac{\alpha}{\rho_s c_{ps}} \cdot \frac{F_s}{V_s} (T_t - T_s) \Delta t \quad (^\circ\text{C}) \quad (6)$$

where

- ΔT_s = change of steel temperature ($^{\circ}\text{C}$) during time step $\Delta t(\text{s})$,
 α = coefficient of heat transfer at fire exposed surface of structure ($\text{W}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}\cdot^{\circ}\text{C}^{-1}$),
 ρ_s = density of steel material ($7850 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$),
 c_{ps} = specific heat of steel material ($\text{J}\cdot\text{kg}^{-1}\cdot^{\circ}\text{C}^{-1}$),
 F_s = fire exposed surface of steel structure per unit length (m),
 V_s = volume of steel structure per unit length (m^2),
 T_t = gas temperature ($^{\circ}\text{C}$) within fire compartment at time t (s).

Eq. (6) presupposes that the steel temperature T_s is uniformly distributed over the cross section of the structure at any time t .

The coefficient of heat transfer α can be calculated from the approximate formula

$$\alpha = 23 + \frac{5.77 \epsilon_r}{T_t - T_s} \left[\left(\frac{T_t + 273}{100} \right)^4 - \left(\frac{T_s + 273}{100} \right)^4 \right] \quad (\text{W}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}\cdot^{\circ}\text{C}^{-1}) \quad (7)$$

giving an accuracy which is sufficient for ordinary practical purposes. ϵ_r is the resultant emissivity which for practical applications can be chosen according to the following table, giving values which generally are on the safe side.

1. Column, fire exposed on all sides	$\epsilon_r = 0.7$
2. Column, outside a facade	0.3
3. Floor structure, composed of steel beams with a concrete slab on the lower flange of the beams	0.5
4. Steel beams with a floor slab on the upper flange of the beams	
4a. Beams of I cross section with width/height ≥ 0.5	0.5
4b. Beams of I cross section with width/height < 0.5	0.7
4c. Beams of box cross section and trusses	0.7

More accurate values of the resultant emissivity ϵ_r can be determined for the application alternative 4 - steel beams with a floor slab, supported on the upper flange of the beams - from the diagrams of Fig. 17 and 18, applicable to floor structures with the flames completely below the steel beams and reaching the slab, respectively [22]. For the emissivity of the

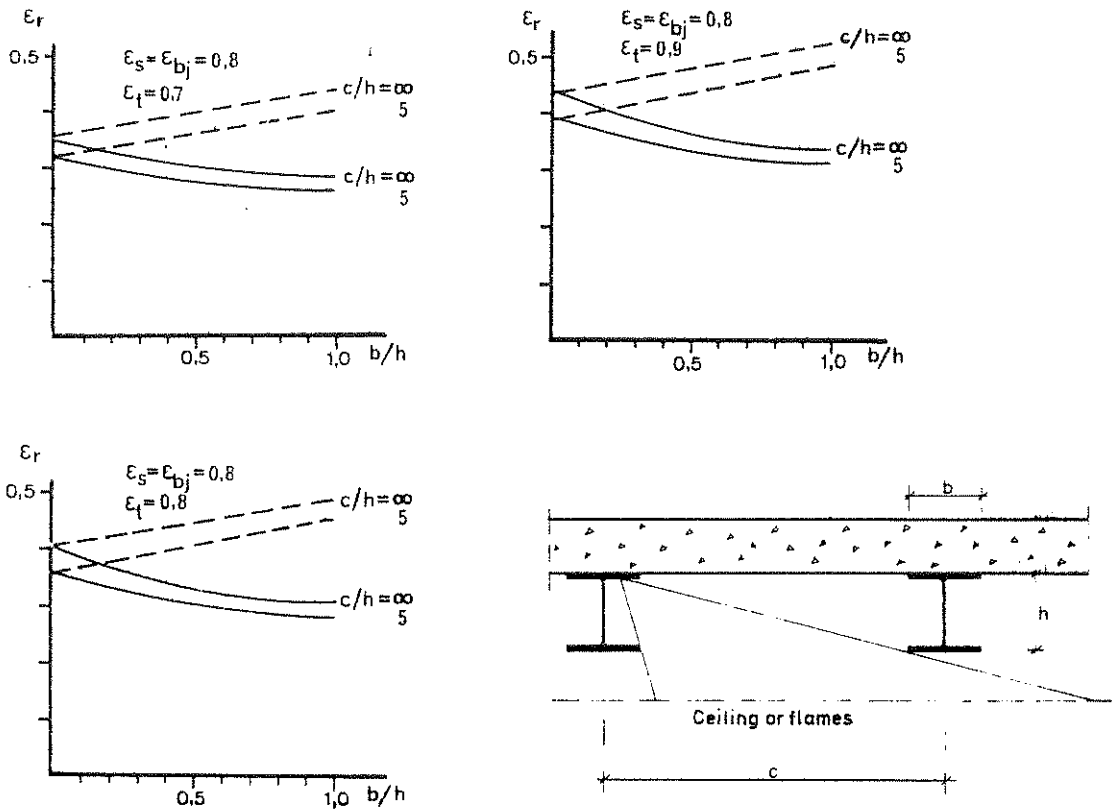


Figure 17. Resultant emissivity ϵ_r for steel beams with a floor slab, supported on the upper flange of the beams. Flames completely below the steel beams.

ϵ_{bj} = emissivity of the slab, ϵ_s = emissivity of the steel beams,
 ϵ_t = emissivity of the flames.
 — I cross section, ----- box cross section

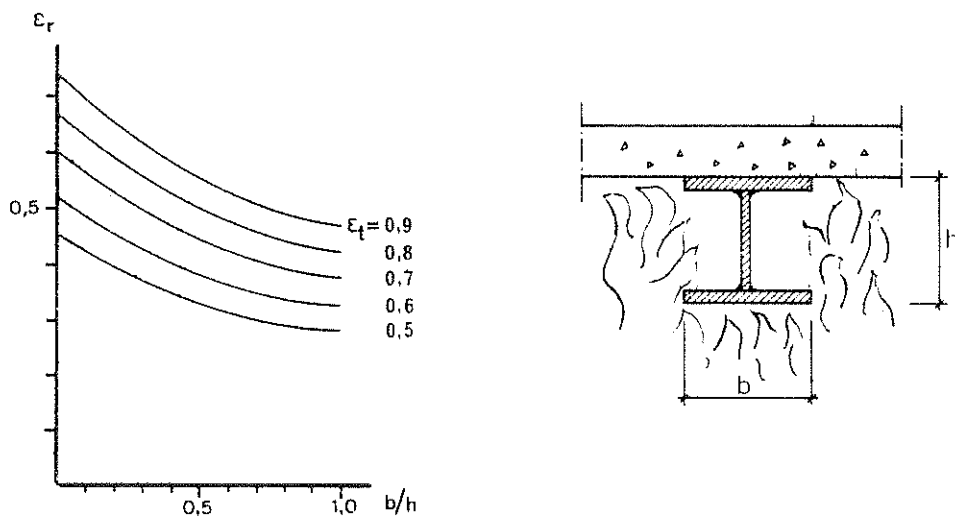


Figure 18. Resultant emissivity ϵ_r for steel beams of I cross section with a floor slab, supported on the upper flange of the beams. Flames reaching the slab.

ϵ_t = emissivity of the flames

flames ϵ_t , the value 0.85 is to be inserted, if not any other value can be proved to be more correct.

At a given gas temperature-time curve T_t-t of the fire compartment, the steel temperature T_s can be directly calculated from Eqs. (6) and (7) with regard taken to the temperature dependence of c_{ps} and α . Such computations have been carried out in a systematized way, giving the basis of design in Table A3 in the appendix [4]. From this table, the maximum steel temperature $T_{s,max}$ during a complete compartment fire can be determined directly as a function of the effective fire load density q_f , the effective opening factor $(A\sqrt{h}/A_t)_f$, the F_s/V_s ratio and the resultant emissivity ϵ_r . The values of the table are connected to gas temperature characteristics according to Fig. 11.

Table A4 in the appendix gives some guide-lines for the determination of the structural parameter F_s/V_s for different types of application.

3.4 Design Temperature State of Fire Exposed, Insulated Steel Structures

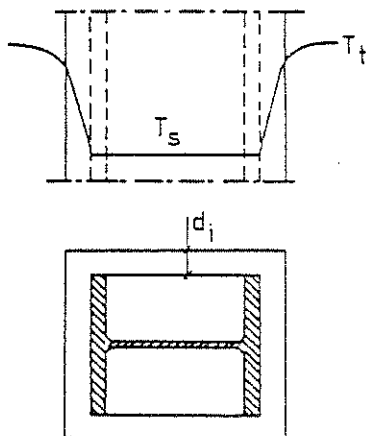


Figure 19. Fire exposed, insulated steel structure. T_t = gas temperature within fire compartment, T_s = steel temperature at time t

For a fire exposed, insulated steel structure, a simplified energy balance equation gives the following formula for a direct determination of the steel temperature-time curve T_s-t - Fig. 19

$$\Delta T_s = \frac{A_i}{(1/\alpha + d_i/\lambda_i)\rho_s c_{ps} V_s} (T_t - T_s)\Delta t \quad (^\circ\text{C}) \quad (8)$$

with the additional quantities

A_i = interior jacket surface area of insulation per unit length (m),

d_i = thickness of insulation (m),

λ_i = thermal conductivity of insulating material ($\text{W}\cdot\text{m}^{-1}\cdot^\circ\text{C}^{-1}$).

Eq. (8) presupposes that the steel temperature T_s is uniformly distributed over the cross section of the structure at any time t , that the temperature gradient is linear and the heating contribution negligible for the insulation, and that the heat transfer is one-dimensional.

Computations, originating from Eqs. (7) and (8), enable a production of a systematized design basis, facilitating an analytical, differentiated fire engineering design in practice. An example from such a design basis is referred in Table A5 in the appendix [4], giving the maximum steel temperature $T_{s,max}$ during a complete compartment fire for varying values of the effective fire load density q_f , the effective opening factor $(A\sqrt{h}/A_t)_f$, the structural parameter A_i/V_s , and the insulation parameter d_i/λ_i . The values of the table are connected to gas temperature characteristics according to Fig. 11.

Table A5 was computed on the assumption of a constant thermal conductivity of the insulating material λ_i , chosen as an average value for the whole compartment fire process. Calculations, carried through systematically, are verifying that this average value of λ_i approximately coincides with the value, determined for an insulation temperature equal to the maximum steel temperature $T_{s,max}$. Table A6 in the appendix gives the thermal conductivity λ_i of some insulation materials as a function of the temperature [4].

For a specific insulating material, systematized design diagrams or tables can be computed very accurately with regard to the temperature dependence of the thermal properties of the steel as well as the insulating material. The influence of an initial moisture content and of a disintegration of the insulating material can be considered, too. Practically, such a determination can be carried out over a numerical data processing by computers on the basis of a finite difference or a finite element method. A great number of design tables, computed according to such an accurate procedure, are presented in [4]. Table A7 in the appendix exemplifies this, giving the maximum steel temperature $T_{s,max}$ at varying fire and structural design characteristics for a fire exposed steel structure, insulated with mineral wool of density $\rho_i = 150 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$ at varying effective fire load density q_f , effective opening factor $(A\sqrt{h}/A_t)_f$, quotient A_i/V_s , and thickness d_i of the insulation.

Table A8 in the appendix gives some guide-lines for the determination of the structural parameter A_i/V_S for different types of application.

3.5 Design Temperature State of Fire Exposed Floor or Roof Assembly with Suspended Ceiling

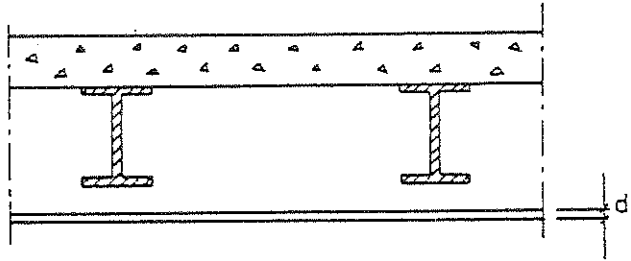


Figure 20. Floor structure, composed of a reinforced concrete slab, load-bearing steel beams, and an insulating ceiling

In [4], an analytical model is derived for a simplified determination of the temperature-time fields of a steel beam structure according to Fig. 20 - composed of a reinforced concrete slab, load-bearing steel beams, and an insulating ceiling - exposed to a fire from below. By applying this computational model in a systematic way, a design basis has been determined, facilitating a calculation of the steel beam temperature T_S , assumed as uniformly distributed over the cross section of the beams. The design basis is exemplified in Table A9 in the appendix [4], which gives the maximum steel beam temperature $T_{S,max}$ during a complete compartment fire for varying values of the effective fire load density q_f , the effective opening factor $(A\sqrt{h}/A_t)_f$, the structural parameter F_S/V_S , and the insulation parameter d_i/λ_i . F_S denotes the surface area of the steel beam, less the part covered by the concrete slab, and V_S the volume of the steel beam, per unit length. The values, given in brackets in the table, denote the corresponding maximum temperature at the centre level of the ceiling. The values of the table are connected to gas temperature characteristics according to Fig. 11.

For several types of steel beam structures with a suspended, insulating ceiling, the fire resistance of the ceiling and its fastening devices will be the decisive design criterion instead of the temperature of the steel beams. The ceiling can get a serious crack formation or fall down, partially or completely, after a comparatively short fire exposure. Under such conditions, the maximum steel beam temperature

cannot be determined from Table A9 solely on the basis of the thickness d_i and the thermal conductivity λ_i of the ceiling. If results are available for a type of a suspended ceiling from a standard fire resistance test, these results can be used for deriving an effective value of the insulation parameter $d_i/\lambda_i - (d_i/\lambda_i)_{\text{eff}}$ - which describes the real fire behaviour of the suspended ceiling, including its fastening devices. From the test results, also a possible critical failure temperature of the suspended ceiling can be estimated. Cf., further [4].

After the determination of $(d_i/\lambda_i)_{\text{eff}}$ and the critical temperature of a type of a suspended ceiling, the analytical differentiated fire design can be carried out by a direct application of Table A9. Parallely, then the maximum temperature at the centre level of the ceiling according to the table must be controlled against the critical temperature of the ceiling.

Effective d_i/λ_i values and critical temperatures have been determined for a number of types of suspended ceilings in a series of standard fire resistance tests performed at the National Swedish Institute for Testing and Metrology in Stockholm [23]. The compositions of these suspended ceilings, the results obtained and the characteristics derived are set out in Table A10 in the appendix [4].

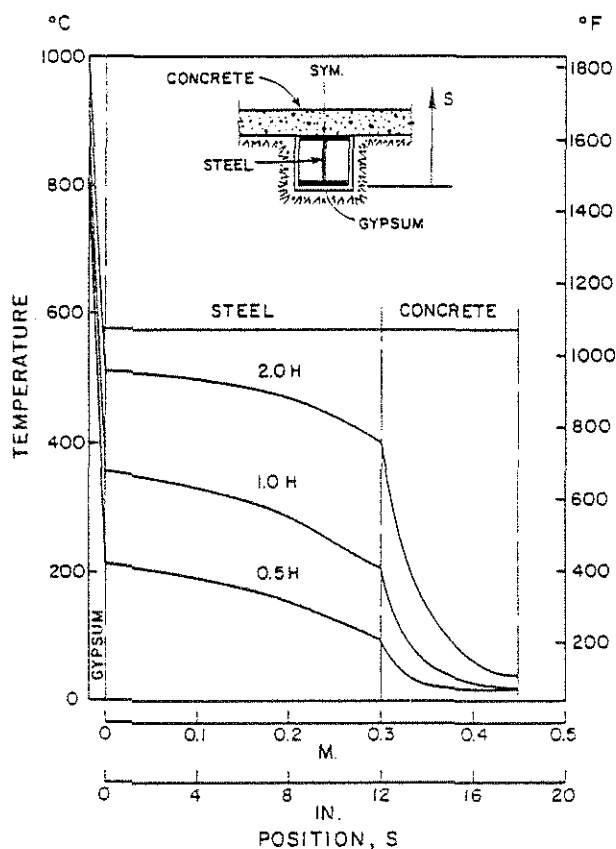


Figure 21. Calculated temperature distribution along line of symmetry of a steel beam, insulated by a 16 mm gypsum board (density $770 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$) and carrying a 150 mm concrete slab on top flange, at selected times of a thermal exposure according to ISO 834 [24]

The design basis, reproduced in Tables A3, A5, A7 and A9, generally assumes the steel temperature to be uniformly distributed over the cross section of the beam or column at any time t . A more accurate theory, which enables a determination of the temperature variation over the cross section of the steel structure, is presented in [24], together with computer routines. The algorithm described can easily be coupled to most finite element programs. An illustration of the capability of the theory is given in Fig. 21, which shows calculated temperature distribution along the line of symmetry of a gypsum insulated steel beam with a concrete slab at the top flange at selected times of a standard fire resistance test according to ISO 834.

3.6 Design Temperature State of Fire Exposed Partitions

As a complement to the design temperature state of fire exposed load-bearing steel structures, dealt with above, also some remarks will be given on the fire engineering design of partitions. The performance requirements for partitions imply that these must prevent a penetration of flames and hot gases and limit the rise in temperature on the unexposed side of the construction during a complete compartment fire.

An analytical method for a determination of the temperature-time field in a multi-layer partition is presented in [25]; cf. also [4]. The method considers the temperature dependence of the thermal material properties, an initial moisture content, and a possible material disintegration at specified temperature criteria. An illustrating application of the method is shown in Fig. 22 [25], which gives a summary conception of the fire behaviour of a steel stud wall, insulated on each side with two 13 mm gypsum plaster sheets, type Gyproc, of density $790 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$, fire exposed on one side and acting as a partition. The behaviour has been determined on the basis of temperature dependent thermal properties of gypsum plaster material according to Fig. 23 and a critical failure temperature for a gypsum plaster sheet of 550°C on that side of the sheet facing away from the fire. The results of full scale fire tests confirm this failure criterion.

Fig. 22a describes the fire behaviour of the wall, when it is fire exposed on one side by a compartment fire with gas temperature-time

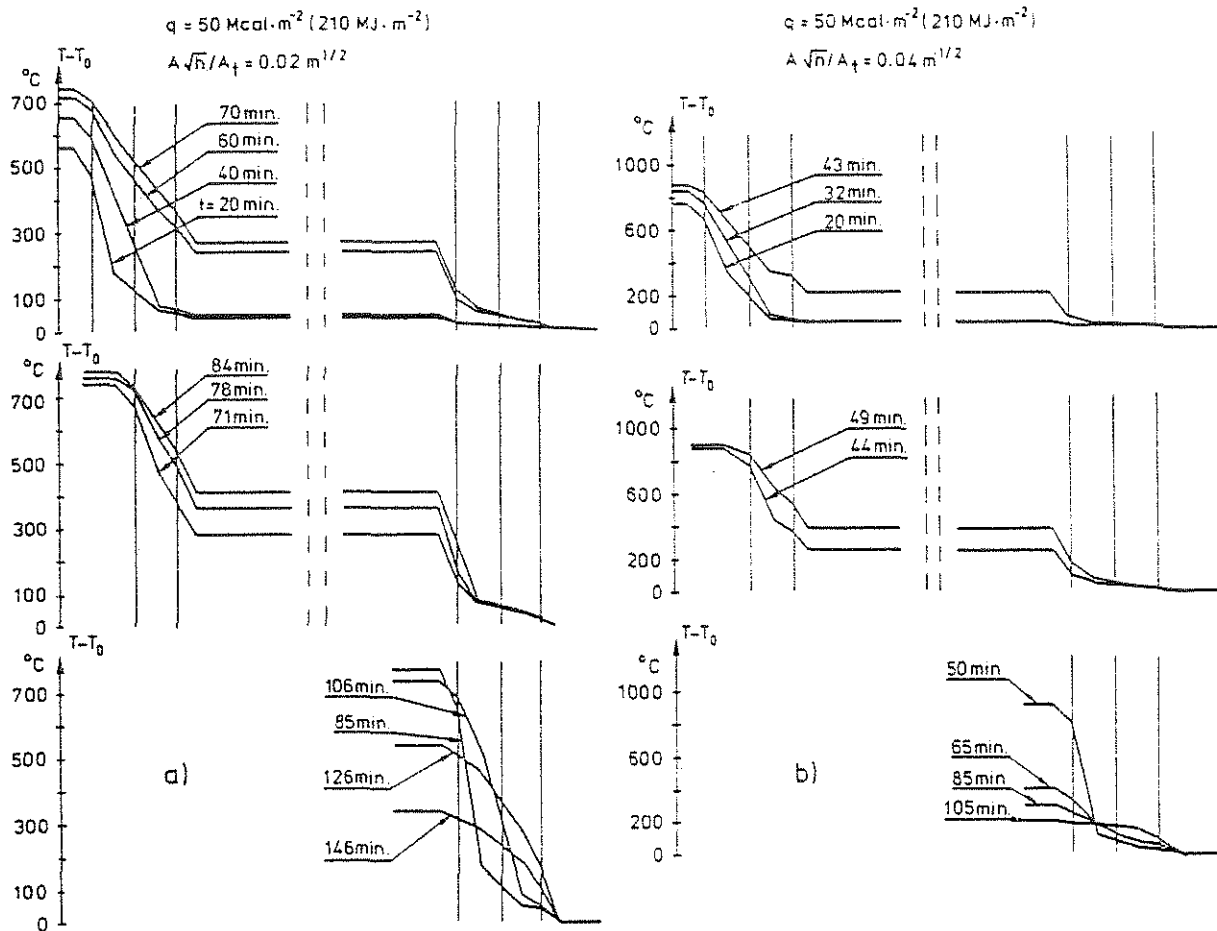


Figure 22. Calculated temperature-time fields for a steel stud wall, insulated on each side with two 13 mm gypsum plaster sheets, type Gyproc, of density $790 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$. The wall is fire exposed on one side with compartment fire characteristics according to Fig. 11: a) $q = 50 \text{ Mcal}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}$ ($210 \text{ MJ}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}$), $A\sqrt{h}/A_t = 0.02 \text{ m}^{1/2}$; b) $q = 50 \text{ Mcal}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}$ ($210 \text{ MJ}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}$), $A\sqrt{h}/A_t = 0.04 \text{ m}^{1/2}$. T_0 = temperature at time $t = 0$ [25]

characteristics according to Fig. 11 - fire load density $q = 50 \text{ Mcal}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}$ ($210 \text{ MJ}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}$), opening factor $A\sqrt{h}/A_t = 0.02 \text{ m}^{1/2}$. The figure gives a calculated failure of the directly fire exposed gypsum plaster sheet after about 70 min and of the next gypsum plaster sheet after about 85 min. The maximum temperature rise on the unexposed side of the wall amounts to 180°C during the complete fire process, i.e. precisely the maximum permissible value according to [2]. Fig. 22b analogously describes the fire behaviour of the wall, when it is exposed to a more rapid compartment fire - opening factor $A\sqrt{h}/A_t = 0.04 \text{ m}^{1/2}$ - at the same fire load density q . The increase of the opening factor results in a considerably decreased value of the maximum temperature rise on the unexposed side of the wall, which amounts to only about 55°C in this case.

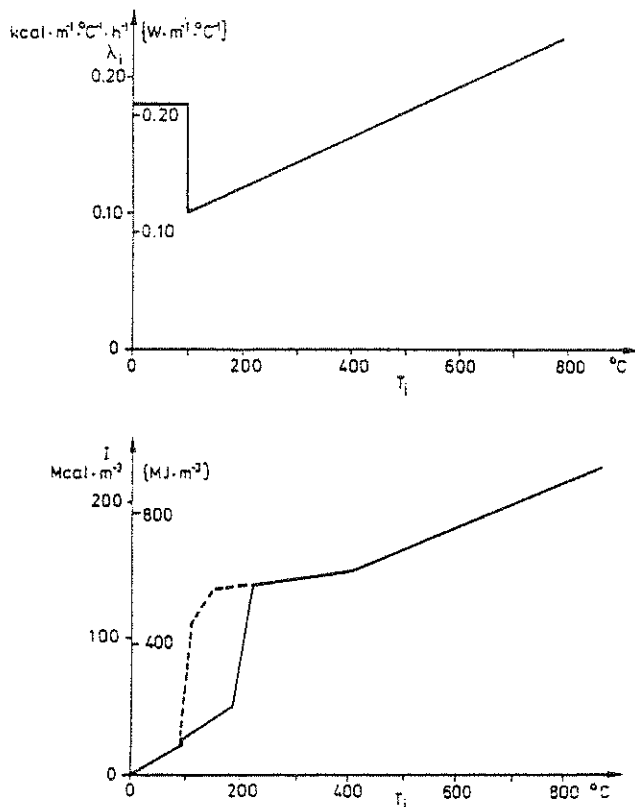


Figure 23. Thermal conductivity λ_i and enthalpy $I (= \int_0^T c_p dT)$ as a function of insulation temperature T_i for gypsum plaster slabs⁰, type Gyproc, of density $790 \text{ kg} \cdot \text{m}^{-3}$. For enthalpy I , full line refers to a rapid heating and dashed line to a slow heating [25], [26]

Systematic calculations of the type, illustrated by Fig. 22, lead to design diagrams as shown in Fig. 24 [4], [6], giving the maximum temperature $T_{v,\max}$ during a complete fire process on the unexposed side of a steel stud-gypsum plaster sheeting wall as a function of the effective fire load density q_f and the effective opening factor of the fire compartment $(A\sqrt{h}/A_t)_f$. The two diagrams apply to an insulation on each side of the wall with one and two 13 mm gypsum plaster sheets, type Gyproc, of density $790 \text{ kg} \cdot \text{m}^{-3}$, respectively. The calculated $T_{v,\max}$ values are to be compared with the corresponding maximum temperature, permitted in the Swedish Building Code, which implies 200°C as an average temperature and 240°C as a temperature over limited areas of the unexposed side of the partition [2].

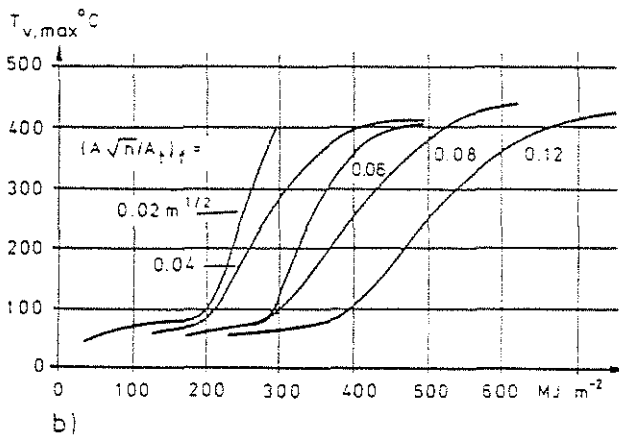
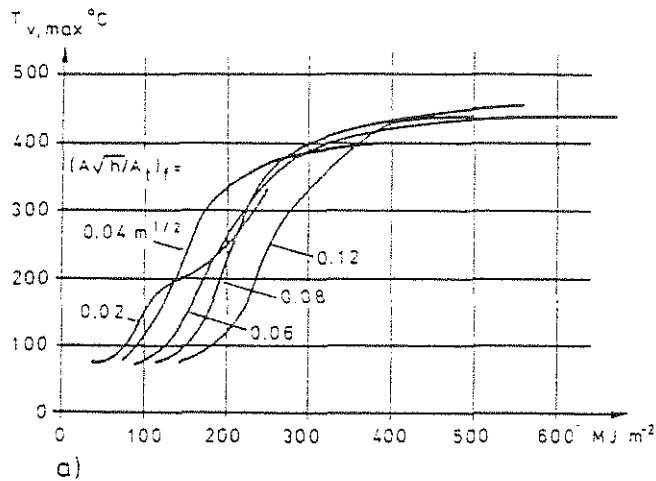


Figure 24. Maximum temperature $T_{v,max}$ during a complete fire process according to Fig. 6 on the unexposed side of a steel-gypsum plaster sheeting wall as a function of the effective fire load density q_f and the effective opening factor $(A\sqrt{h}/A_t)_f$ of the fire compartment. The wall is insulated on each side with one (fig a) or two (fig b) 13 mm gypsum plaster sheets, type Gyproc, of density $790 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$ [4], [6]

3.7 Design Load Effect and Design Load-Bearing Capacity of Fire Exposed Steel Structures

In the design, it is to be proved that the design load-bearing capacity of the fire exposed structure does not decrease below the design load effect during the complete process of fire development. The design load effect then is to be chosen on the basis of the most unfavourable combination of dead load, live load, snow load and wind load.

Table A11 in the appendix refers the load values, specified in the Swedish Building Code for a differentiated, analytical, structural fire engineering design [2], [4], [6]. The specified load values are differentiated with respect to whether a complete evacuation of people can be

assumed or not in the event of fire. The values include a safety factor which roughly considers the probability of a fully developed fire and the probability of the presence of the maximum load at the fire occasion.

By applying the design tables A3 to A10, the maximum steel temperature $T_{S,max}$ can be determined comparatively quickly for an uninsulated or insulated steel structure, exposed to a complete compartment fire with gas temperature-time characteristics according to Fig.11. The corresponding design load-bearing capacity of the structure then is obtained by design diagrams of the type exemplified in Fig. 25, 26 and 27.

Fig. 25 and 26 [4], [6] give the design load-bearing capacity (M_{cr} , P_{cr} , q_{cr}) of fire exposed beams of constant I cross section at different types of loading and support conditions, as a function of the steel beam temperature T_S . The design curves in Fig. 25 apply to a slow rate of heating - assumed to be $4\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}\cdot\text{min}^{-1}$, followed by a cooling with a rate of $1.33\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}\cdot\text{min}^{-1}$ - and Fig. 26 gives the correction $\Delta\beta$ of the load-bearing capacity coefficient β due to a more rapid rate of heating. In the formulas for the load-bearing capacity

σ_s = yield stress of steel material at room temperature (MPa),
 L = span of beam (m),
 W = elastic modulus of beam cross section (m^3).

The design curves in Fig. 25 and 26 have been determined on the basis of the deformation curve of the fire exposed beams calculated by an analytical model, presented in [27], which takes into account the softly rounded shape of the stress-strain curve of steel at elevated temperatures as well as the influence of creep strain. As can be seen from Fig. 26, this influence of creep begins to be noticeable for ordinary structural steels at temperatures in excess of about 450°C . The load-bearing capacity of the beams is defined by the limit deflection criterion according to ROBERTSON and RYAN [28].

The diagrams in Fig. 27 [4] determine the variation with the steel temperature T_S of the relationship between the buckling stress σ_{cr} and the slenderness ratio λ for fire exposed columns, axially loaded in compression. The diagrams apply to steel having a yield stress at room temperature $\sigma_s = 220, 260$ and 320 MPa , respectively, and are valid under the

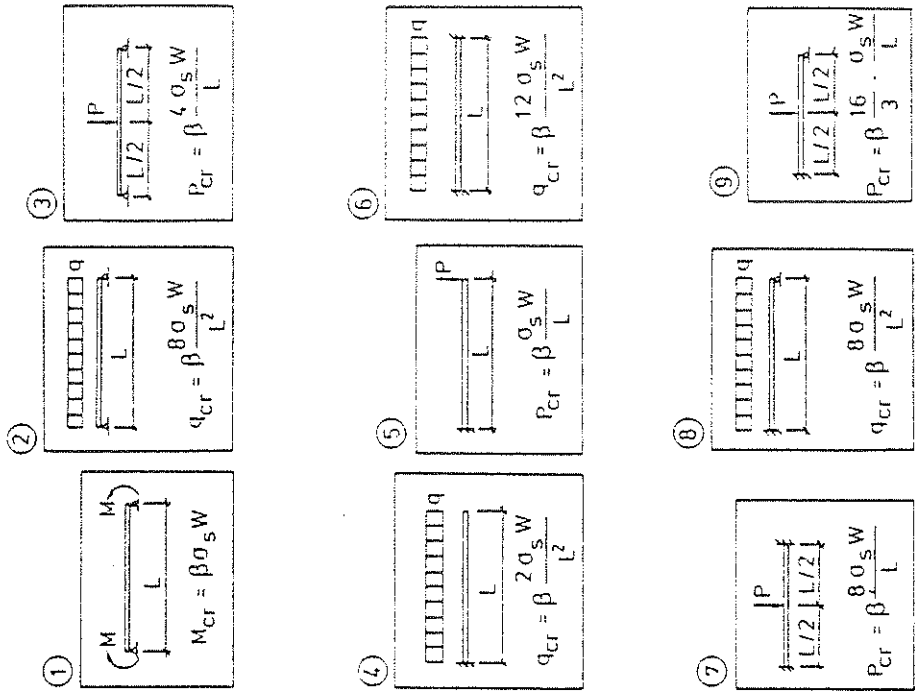
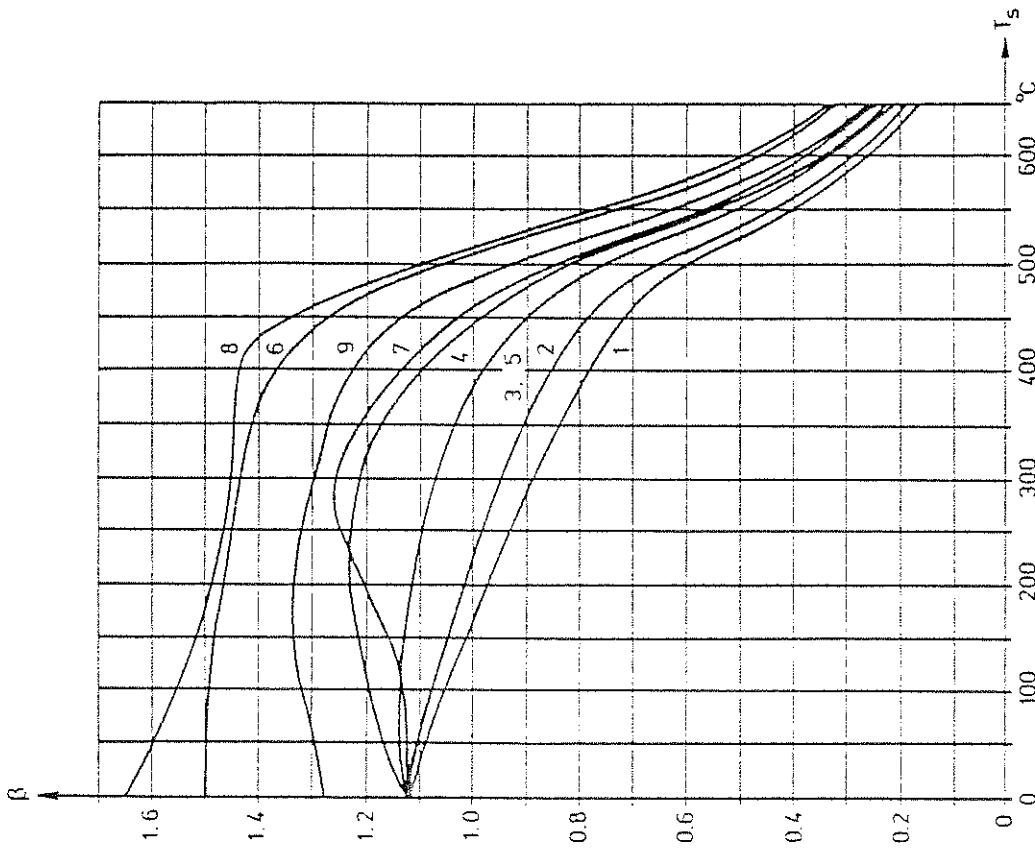


Figure 25. Coefficient β for determination of critical load (M_{cr} , P_{cr} , q_{cr}) for fire exposed beams of I cross section at different types of loading and support conditions, as a function of the steel beam temperature T_s . The curves have been calculated for a slow rate of heating of $4 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}\cdot\text{min}^{-1}$ and a subsequent cooling, assumed to be one third of the rate of heating [4], [6]

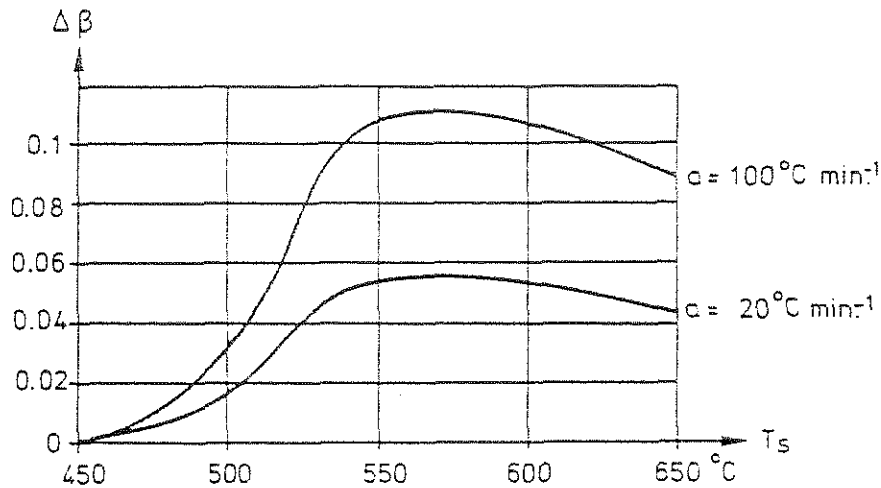


Figure 26 . Increase $\Delta\beta$ of coefficient β , determined according to Fig. 25, for a rate of heating $\alpha \geq 4 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}\cdot\text{min}^{-1}$, as a function of the steel beam temperature T_s [4], [6]

presumption that the column is unrestrained with respect to longitudinal expansion during the fire exposure. The $\sigma_{cr}-\lambda$ curves have been computed for an initially deflected and eccentrically loaded column on the basis of data on the change of the 0.5 % proof stress $\sigma_{0.5}$ and the secant modulus with the temperature, obtained in tension tests at a very slow rate of loading. This implies that a considerable influence of short-time creep at elevated temperatures is included.

For a fire engineering design of columns, partly restrained to a longitudinal expansion, reference is made to [4].

The design curves, reproduced in Fig. 25, 26 and 27, are generally based on the assumption of a uniformly distributed temperature over the cross section of the steel structure at any time t during the fire exposure. By this assumption, the design curves are directly connected to Tables A3, A5, A7 and A9, determining the design temperature state of the steel structure.

If the analytical, differentiated design of fire exposed steel structures will be further developed in future towards a more accurate determination of the design temperature state, with regard taken to the temperature variation over the cross section of the steel structure, this will also require a more refined basis of design for the transfer of the design temperature state to the design load-bearing capacity of the fire exposed structure. The first attempts of developing such a more refined design

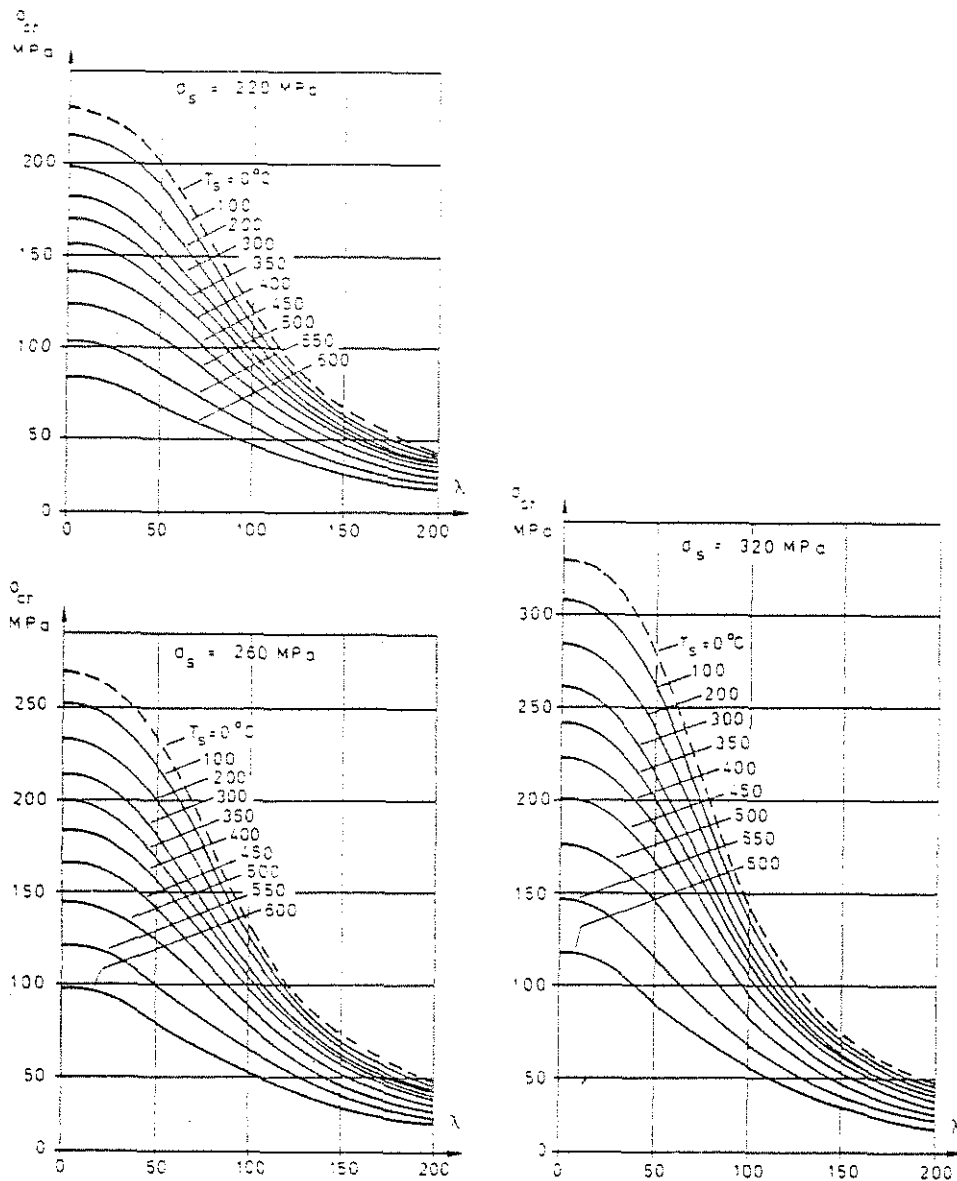


Figure 27. Variation with steel temperature T_s of the relationship between buckling stress σ_{cr} and slenderness ratio λ for fire exposed steel columns, axially loaded in compression, free to expand longitudinally and made of steel having a yield stress at room temperature $\sigma_s = 220$, 260 and 320 MPa, respectively [4], [6]

basis now can be noticed in the literature. As a fragmentary example of this development, Fig. 28 [29] shows the calculated variation of the plastic bending moment of a fire exposed steel I cross section as a function of the maximum temperature for various linear temperature distributions over the cross section.

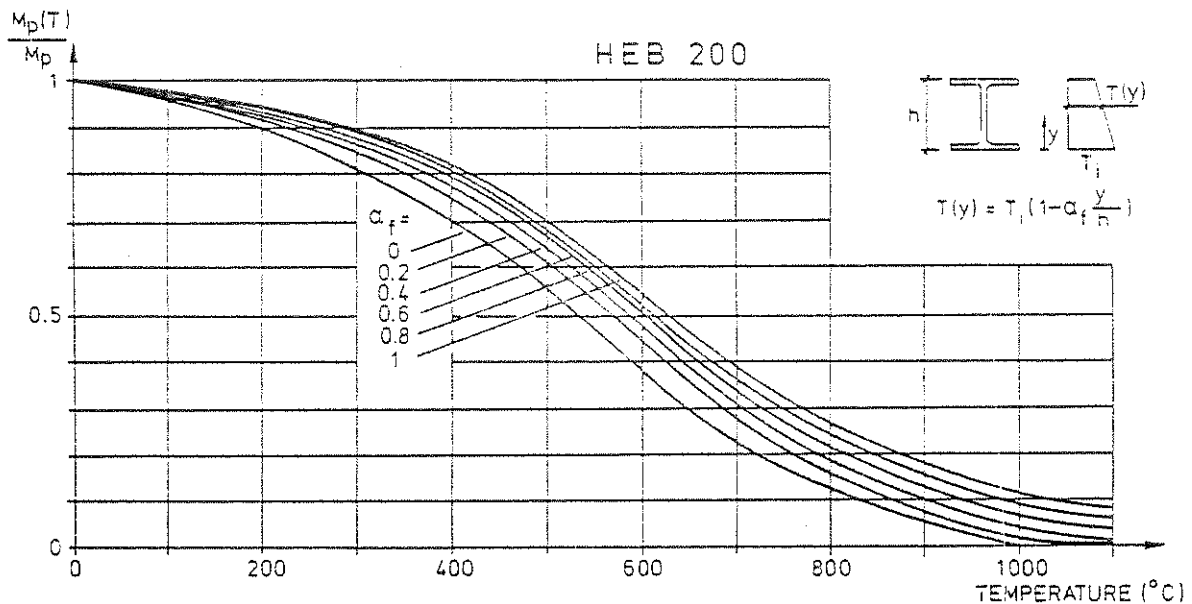


Figure 28. Calculated variation of plastic bending moment $M_p(T)$ in terms of various linear temperature distribution over height of a steel I cross section [29]

4. Concluding Remarks

A differentiated procedure is presented for an analytical fire engineering design of load-bearing steel structures and partitions. The procedure is a direct design method based on gas temperature-time characteristics of a complete compartment fire, which depends on the fire load density, the ventilation of the fire compartment and the thermal properties of the structures enclosing the fire compartment. The practical use for the design procedure has been approved by the National Swedish Board of Physical Planning and Building.

For the practical application of the design procedure, a comprehensive design basis in the form of diagrams and tables has been worked out for a direct determination of the maximum steel temperature during a complete compartment fire and the corresponding design load-bearing capacity of the fire exposed structure. Included in this paper is also a worked out example, providing a rough impression of the more important features of the methodology.

Compared with the conventional fire engineering design, based on classification and results of standard fire resistance tests, the presented analytical design procedure has a more logical structure, based on well-defined functional requirements and performance criteria. Of the ensuing advantages, the following are seen to be the main ones:

1. More consistent safety levels. This point has been elaborated in chapter 2.
2. Better economy. The cost of structural fire protection is, as a rule, hard to itemize and the cost - saving consequences have been quantified only in a few cases. Rough estimates indicate that while the cost for conventional structural fire protection may exceed 30 per cent of the cost for the steel frame material, the corresponding percentage may be as low as 10 with the design procedure based on analytical modelling, see Fig. 29. The latter figure is based on the assumption that the advantages are fully exploited of integrating the design of the structural steel fire protection into the overall design process (inner and outer walls are used as fire protection whenever possible, concrete floor slabs are placed on the lower flange of the girders, inherently providing a smaller area to insulate, etc.).

Finally, it is recognized that the design system presented is not homogeneous with respect to the present basis of knowledge for the different design steps. Naturally, this can be put forward as a criticism of the system. However, such a remark is not essential. Instead, this fact ought to be used as an important guide on how to systematize a future research work for making possible a successive improvement of the system.

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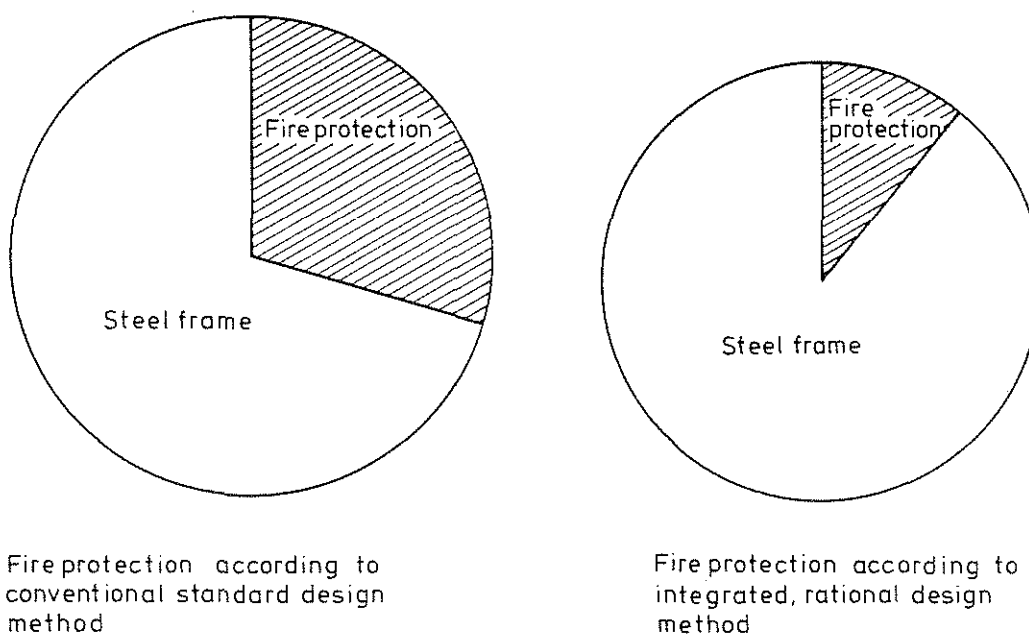


Figure 29.

Example

Introduction

The following example is solved in order to illustrate the practical application of the design procedure and to outline the computational scheme. The calculations may, for two reasons, seem somewhat lengthy and elaborate. Firstly, the problem to be solved has been chosen in order to include and emphasize several of the more important aspects of the design methodology. Secondly, for pedagogic reasons the calculations have been presented in a rather detailed manner. Several more worked out examples, giving a more balanced view of the practicality of the approach, may be found in Ref. 4.

Background Data

A two-storey high school building is designed with a load-carrying steel frame of columns and simply supported girders according to Fig. 30. The material in columns and girders is steel quality 1412 with a nominal yield strength at room temperature $\sigma_s = 260$ MPa.

The dimension of the center columns is HE 200 A and the girders in the floor-slab system are of size HE 280 B. Relevant data are given in Fig. 30. The center distance for girders and columns in the longitudinal direction of the building is 4 m.

The concrete floor assembly system is designed according to the figure. The dead weight of the system is 7.0 kN m^{-2} . The dead weight of the upper floor assembly system, including the weight of the roof, is 7.0 kN m^{-2} . The attic cannot be used for storage.

The fire compartment is defined by the materials in walls, floor and ceiling, by its geometric dimensions and the ventilation characteristics of door and windows. The horizontally bounding structures are the concrete slabs, inner walls are light-weight concrete with a density = 500 kg m^{-3} . For the outer walls, two alternatives are to be studied

- alternative (a) sheet steel - mineral wool with density 50 kg m^{-3} - sheet steel
- (b) from inside 13 mm gypsum plaster board with density 790 kg m^{-3} - 100 mm mineral wool with density 50 kg m^{-3} - brick with density 1800 kg m^{-3}

The task is to investigate if center columns and floor girders must be fire insulated. If so, determine the required insulation when using Unitherm fire retardant paint.

A design condition is that complete evacuation of the building in case of fire cannot be guaranteed.

Step 1. Determination of the Design, Static Load

(a) Floor assembly girders

Dead weight of floor assembly system		7.0 kN m ⁻²
Live load according to Table A11	0.5 + 1.5 =	<u>2.0</u>
Total, excluding dead weight of girders		9.0 kN m ⁻²
Load per unit girder length, including estimated dead weight for girders	4 · 9.0 + 1.0 =	37 kN m ⁻¹

(b) Upper central column

Dead weight of upper ceiling assembly system, including roof		7.0 kN m ⁻²
Snow load = normal design snow load 1 kN m ⁻²		<u>1.0</u>
Total		8.0 kN m ⁻²
Load per column = 7 · 4 · 8.0		224 kN
(Dead load of column neglected)		

(c) Lower central column

Dead weight of upper floor assembly system, including roof		7.0 kN m ⁻²
Snow load as (b)		1.0
Dead weight of ceiling assembly system, including girders		7.3
Live load according to (a)		<u>2.0</u>
Total		17.3 kN m ⁻²
Load per column (dead load of column neglected)		
7 · 4 · 17.3		484 kN

Step 2. Determination of Effective Fire Load Density and Effective Ventilation Factor

The total bounding area of the fire compartment, including door and windows, is

$$A_t = 2L_1L_2 + 2L_1L_3 + 2L_2L_3 = 2 \cdot 2.5 \cdot 7.0 + 2 \cdot 2.5 \cdot 16.0 + 2 \cdot 7.0 \cdot 16.0 = 35.0 + 80.0 + 224.0 = 339 \text{ m}^2 \quad (\text{a})$$

Design fire load density for movable furnishings is given by Table A1, $q_1 = 117 \text{ MJ m}^{-2}$. To this must be added the fire load from the combustible flooring. The weight of the flooring is 1.5 kg m^{-2} with an effective calorific value = 21 MJ kg^{-1} . This gives a contribution to the fire density =

$$q_{\text{floor}} = \frac{1.5 \cdot 21 \cdot 7 \cdot 16}{339} = 10 \text{ MJ m}^{-2}$$

Wall and ceiling lining materials are assumed incombustible. The total fire load density will be

$$q = q_1 + q_{\text{floor}} = 117 + 10 = 127 \text{ MJ m}^{-2} \quad (\text{b})$$

When determining the opening factor of the fire compartment, all window panes are assumed to be broken as a consequence of the fully developed fire. If the door is assumed closed and intact during the complete fire process, the opening factor will be

$$A = A_1 + A_2 + \dots = 1.5(5 \cdot 1.5 + 3.0) = 15.75 \text{ m}^2$$

$$h = 1.5 \text{ m}$$

$$\frac{A\sqrt{h}}{A_t} = \frac{15.75 \sqrt{1.5}}{339} = 0.0569 \text{ m}^{1/2} \quad (\text{c})$$

If the door is assumed open from outbreak of the fire, the opening factor equals

$$A = 15.75 + 0.9 \cdot 2.1 = 15.75 + 1.89 = 17.64 \text{ m}^2$$

$$h = \frac{\sum A_v h_v}{\sum A_v} = \frac{15.75 \cdot 1.5 + 1.89 \cdot 2.1}{17.64} = 1.56 \text{ m}$$

$$\frac{A\sqrt{h}}{A_t} = \frac{17.64 \sqrt{1.56}}{339} = 0.0650 \text{ m}^{1/2} \quad (\text{d})$$

The Tables A3 and A5, which give the relation between maximal steel temperature $T_{s,\text{max}}$ and the combination of fire load density and opening

factor, indicate that the alternative with the lower opening factor value will give the higher steel temperature. Accordingly, the value of $0.0569 \text{ m}^{1/2}$ for the opening factor will be chosen as basis for further calculations.

Effective Fire Load Density and Effective Opening Factor

The concept of effective fire load density q_f and effective opening factor $(A\sqrt{h}/A_t)_f$ translates the values of fire load density and opening factor for the existing fire compartment to those of fire compartment type A, see Table A2. The purpose is to get an equivalent gastemperature-time curve from the number of curves computed for fire compartment type A and keep the volume of the design data base within reasonable limits.

Alternative (a)

Bounding structures of the fire compartment comprise the following material types and areas:

concrete floor assembly, area $2.7 \cdot 16.0 = 224 \text{ m}^2$

inner walls of lightweight concrete, area $\sim 2.5 \cdot 7.0 + 2.5 \cdot 16.0 = 57.5 \text{ m}^2$
(door closed)

outer wall sheet steel - 100 mm mineral wool - sheet steel, area $2.5 \cdot 7.0 + 2.5 \cdot 16.0 - 1.5 \cdot (5 \cdot 1.5 + 3.0) = 41.8 \text{ m}^2$

The relative proportions are 69, 18 and 13 percent respectively. The existing fire compartment can, with regard to thermal characteristics, be described as a combination of fire compartment type B (100 percent concrete), type C (100 percent light weight concrete) and type H (100 percent sheet steel with mineral wool insulation). The value of K_f is given by

$$K_f = \frac{69}{100}(K_f)_B + \frac{18}{100}(K_f)_C + \frac{13}{100}(K_f)_H = 0.69 \cdot 0.85 + 0.18 \cdot 3.0 + 0.13 \cdot 3.0 = 1.52$$

The fire compartment can also be seen as a combination of fire compartments B, D and H. In this case K_f will be given by

$$K_f = \frac{13}{100}(K_f)_H + \frac{18}{50}(K_f)_D + \frac{69-18}{100}(K_f)_B = 0.13 \cdot 3.0 + 0.36 \cdot 1.35 +$$

$$+ 0.51 \cdot 0.85 = 1.31 \quad (e)$$

These are the two possible alternatives to derive a K_f -value. According to the comments in Table A2 the lowest of the derived K_f -values is to be used in the further calculations. The effective values of fire load density q_f and opening factor $(A\sqrt{h}/A_t)_f$ are now given by

$$q_f = K_f q = 1.31 \cdot 127 = 166 \text{ MJ m}^{-2} \quad (f)$$

$$(A\sqrt{h}/A_t)_f = K_f A\sqrt{h}/A_t = 1.31 \cdot 0.0569 = 0.0745 \text{ m}^{1/2} \quad (g)$$

Alternative (b)

In this alternative, the bounding structures comprise

concrete floor slab, area $2 \cdot 7.0 \cdot 16.0 = 224 \text{ m}^2$

inner walls of lightweight concrete, area $\sim 2.5 \cdot 7.0 + 2.5 \cdot 16.0 = 57.5 \text{ m}^2$

outer wall 13 mm gypsum plaster board with density 790 kg m^{-3} - 100 mm mineral wool with density 50 kg m^{-3} - brick with density 1800 kg m^{-3} , area = 41.8 m^2 .

With regard to its thermal characteristics, the enclosure may be seen as a combination of fire compartments of type B, D and E. A linear interpolation will give as a result that fire compartment type D is to be included as a negative term. This is not permitted according to the comments in Table A2. As a consequence, the factor K_f will have to be derived with the thermal effects of the fire compartment outer wall approximated.

An assumption that the wall material is lightweight concrete will give results on the conservative side. The factor K_f is then derived from the following expression

$$K_f = \frac{31}{50}(K_f)_D + \frac{69-31}{100}(K_f)_B = 0.62 \cdot 1.35 + 0.38 \cdot 0.85 = 1.16 \quad (h)$$

Other combinations are possible, but give higher K_f -values.

The effective values of the fire load density q_f and opening factor $(A\sqrt{h}/A_t)_f$ will be

$$q_f = K_f \cdot q = 1.16 \cdot 127 = 147 \text{ MJ m}^{-2} \quad (\text{i})$$

$$(A\sqrt{h}/A_t)_f = K_f \cdot (A\sqrt{h}/A_t) = 1.16 \cdot 0.0569 = 0.066 \text{ m}^{1/2} \quad (\text{j})$$

Step 3. Maximum Steel Temperature

(a) Floor assembly girders

As an initial attempt will be calculated the maximum steel temperature with the girders unprotected.

According to the table in section 3.3 the value of the resultant emissivity ϵ_r may be chosen = 0.5. As only the lower flange of the girders is exposed to fire, the F_s/V_s -ratio is expressed by - cf. Table A4 -

$$F_s/V_s = b/bt = 1/t = 1/0.018 = 55.6 \text{ m}^{-1} \quad (\text{k})$$

For a fire compartment with enclosing structures designed according to alternative (a), Table A3 gives, with $q_f = 166 \text{ MJ m}^{-2}$, $(A\sqrt{h}/A_t)_f = 0.0745 \text{ m}^{1/2}$, $\epsilon_r = 0.5$ and $F_s/V_s = 55.6 \text{ m}^{-1}$, the following values for the maximum steel temperature $T_{s,\max}$

$(A\sqrt{h}/A_t)_f$	F_s/V_s	$T_{s,\max}$	
	50	785	
0.06	55.6	800	← interpolated value
	75	855	
	50	754	
0.08	55.6	765	← interpolated value
	75	835	

$$T_{s,\max} = 775^\circ\text{C for } (A\sqrt{h}/A_t)_f = 0.0745 \text{ m}^{1/2}$$

For the girders situated in fire compartment alternative (b) and with $q_f = 147 \text{ MJ m}^{-2}$, $(A\sqrt{h}/A_t)_f = 0.0660 \text{ m}^{1/2}$, $\epsilon_r = 0.5$ and $F_s/V_s = 55.6 \text{ m}^{-1}$ the corresponding interpolations give

$\left(\frac{A\sqrt{h}}{A_t}\right)_f$	$\frac{F_s}{V_s}$	$T_{s,max}$	
	50	730	
0.06	55.6	750	← interpolated value
	75	810	
	50	700	
0.08	55.6	720	← interpolated value
	75	795	

(m)

$T_{s,max} = 740^{\circ}\text{C}$ for $(A\sqrt{h}/A_t)_f = 0.0660 \text{ m}^{1/2}$

Fig. 25, indicating the relation between load carrying capacity and steel temperature for a fire-exposed steel girder, shows that the computed values of $T_{s,max}$ are too high to be acceptable. The girders will have to be protected and in a first attempt is chosen a two coat Unitherm fire retardant paint.

According to Table A6, the effective d_i/λ_i -value for this insulation system is $d_i/\lambda_i = 0.065 \text{ m}^2 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C W}^{-1}$.

The maximum steel temperature is taken from Table A5 valid for insulated fire-exposed steel members. For the girders situated in fire compartment alternative (a) the computational scheme is as follows - $q_f = 166 \text{ MJ m}^{-2}$, $(A\sqrt{h}/A_t)_f = 0.0745 \text{ m}^{1/2}$

$$\frac{A_i}{V_s} = \frac{1}{t} = \frac{1}{0.018} = 55.6 \text{ m}^{-1} \quad (\text{Table A8}) \quad (n)$$

$$\frac{A_i \lambda_i}{V_s d_i} = \frac{55.6}{0.065} = 855 \text{ Wm}^{-3} \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}^{-1}$$

$\left(\frac{A\sqrt{h}}{A_t}\right)_f$	$\frac{A_i \lambda_i}{V_s d_i}$	$T_{s,max}$	
	600	285	
0.06	855	330	← interpolated value
	1000	375	
	600	245	
0.08	855	290	← interpolated value
	1000	330	

(o)

$$T_{s,max} = 300^{\circ}\text{C}$$
 for $(A\sqrt{h}/A_t)_f = 0.0745 \text{ m}^{1/2}$

Corresponding calculations for fire compartment alternative (b) give
 - with $q_f = 147 \text{ MJ m}^{-2}$ and $(A\sqrt{h}/A_t)_f = 0.060 \text{ m}^{1/2}$ -

$(\frac{A\sqrt{h}}{A_t})_f$	$\frac{A_i \lambda_i}{V_s d_i}$	$T_{s,max}$	
	600	265	
0.06	855	310	← interpolated value
	1000	350	
	600	225	
0.08	855	265	← interpolated value
	1000	305	

(p)

$T_{s,max} = 295^\circ\text{C}$ for $(A\sqrt{h}/A_t)_f = 0.0660 \text{ m}^{1/2}$

(b) Columns

The F_s/V_s -ratio of the center column is given by - cf. Table A4

$$\frac{F_s}{V_s} = \frac{2h + 4b - 2d}{\text{cross section area}} = \frac{0.38 + 0.80 - 0.013}{53.8 \cdot 10^{-4}} = 217 \text{ m}^{-1} \quad (q)$$

This F_s/V_s -value is considerably larger than the F_s/V_s -ratio for the floor assembly girders. Other circumstances being equal, the maximum steel temperature T_s will be higher than the corresponding temperature of the girders. The fact that the resultant emissivity is higher for the column, fire exposed in all sides, than for the girder - cf. section 3.3 - also works in the same direction. It follows that the centre columns must be protected.

As a first attempt, an insulation with two-coat Unitherm fire retardant paint is chosen. According to Table A6, the d_i/λ_i -value is $= 0.065 \text{ m}^2 \text{ }^\circ\text{C W}^{-1}$. The A_i/V_s -value is given by

$$\frac{A_i}{V_s} = \frac{2h + 4b - 2d}{\text{cross section area}} = 217 \text{ m}^{-1} \quad (r)$$

Hence

$$\frac{A_i \lambda_i}{V_s d_i} = \frac{217}{0.065} = 3340 \text{ W m}^{-3} \text{ }^\circ\text{C}^{-1}$$

The maximum steel temperature $T_{s,max}$ is calculated on the basis of Table A5a for the case of columns placed inside fire compartment alternative (a) - $q_f = 166 \text{ MJ m}^{-2}$, $(A\sqrt{h}/A_t)_f = 0.0745 \text{ m}^{1/2}$

$(\frac{A\sqrt{h}}{A_t})_f$	$\frac{A_i \lambda_i}{V_s d_i}$	$T_{s,max}$	
	3000	610	
0.06	3340	630	← interpolated value
	4000	675	
	3000	575	
0.08	3340	595	← interpolated value
	4000	640	

$$T_{s,max} = 605^{\circ}\text{C for } (A\sqrt{h}/A_t)_f = 0.0745 \text{ m}^{1/2}$$

and for the columns inside fire compartment alternative (b) with $q_f = 147 \text{ MJ m}^{-2}$, $(A\sqrt{h}/A_t)_f = 0.0660 \text{ m}^{1/2}$

$(\frac{A\sqrt{h}}{A_t})_f$	$\frac{A_i \lambda_i}{V_s d_i}$	$T_{s,max}$	
	3000	585	
0.06	3340	605	← interpolated value
	4000	650	
	3000	540	
0.08	3340	560	← interpolated value
	4000	605	

$$T_{s,max} = 590^{\circ}\text{C for } (A\sqrt{h}/A_t)_f = 0.0660 \text{ m}^{1/2}$$

With the center columns insulated with a three coat Unitherm fire retardant paint, the effective $d_i/\lambda_i = 0.085 \text{ m}^2 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C W}^{-1}$ (cf. Table A6), and an analogous calculation gives the maximum steel temperatures

$$T_{s,max} = 545^{\circ}\text{C} \quad (\text{u})$$

for fire compartment alternative (a)

$$T_{s,max} = 530^{\circ}\text{C} \quad (\text{v})$$

for fire compartment alternative (b).

Step 4. Calculation of Critical Loads

(a) Floor assembly girders

The calculations in the last section demonstrated that the maximum steel temperature of the floor assembly beams, insulated with a two coat Unitherm fire retardant paint, was nearly identical for the two fire compartment alternatives. The maximum value is - cf. Eqs. (o) and (p)

$$T_{s,max} = 300^{\circ}\text{C}$$

The corresponding smallest value of the load carrying capacity or the critical load is obtained from Fig. 25. As the maximum temperature does not exceed 450°C , the influence of creep deformation and variation in heating up rate can be neglected, implying that Fig. 26 lacks relevance in this instance.

For existing loading and supporting conditions, curve No. 2 in Fig. 25 is applicable, and the value of the critical load q_{cr} is given by

$$\beta = 0.95$$

$$q_{cr} = \beta \frac{8\sigma_s W}{L^2} = 0.95 \frac{8 \cdot 260 \cdot 10^3 \cdot 1.38 \cdot 10^{-3}}{7^2} = 55.7 \text{ kN m}^{-1} \quad (\text{x})$$

which exceeds the design load = 37 kN m^{-1} - see step 1. The conclusion is, that with the chosen fire protection, the floor assembly girders will be able to fulfil their load carrying function throughout the complete fire exposure.

(b) Columns

The columns are assumed to be unbraced between the floor assembly levels. Buckling in the weak axis direction will be decisive. It is further assumed that the support condition of the columns are such that the effective buckling length L is equal to the centrum distance between the floor assemblies, 2.8 m.

The slenderness ratio λ of the center columns will be, with i_{min} denoting the least radius of gyration of the cross-sectional area

$$\lambda = \frac{L}{i_{\min}} = \frac{2.8}{0.0498} = 56 \quad (y)$$

With known values for the slenderness ratio λ and maximum steel temperature $T_{s,\max}$ the allowable buckling stress σ_{cr} is obtained from Fig. 27. (The steel quality of the columns corresponds to a nominal yield strength at room temperature $\sigma_s = 260$ MPa).

For the center columns inside fire compartment alternative (a) and insulated with a two coat Unitherm fire retardant paint, the following values are obtained

$$T_{s,\max} = 605^{\circ}\text{C}, \text{ Eq. (s)}$$

$$\sigma_{cr} = 62 \text{ MPa}$$

$$N_{cr} = \sigma_{cr} A = 62 \cdot 53.8 \cdot 10^{-4} = 0.335 \text{ MN} = 335 \text{ kN} \quad (z)$$

The minimum value of the buckling load N_{cr} in this case falls below the calculated design load $N = 484$ kN. The insulation with a two-coat Unitherm fire retardant paint is insufficient for fire compartment alternative (a). An increase in the Unitherm-insulation to a three-coat painting gives

$$T_{s,\max} = 545^{\circ}\text{C}, \text{ Eq. (u)}$$

$$\sigma_{cr} = 87 \text{ MPa}$$

$$N_{cr} = 87 \cdot 53.8 \cdot 10^{-4} = 0.470 \text{ MN} = 470 \text{ kN} \quad (\text{aa})$$

and the fire protection is still insufficient. The difference from the required capacity of 484 kN is quite small however. It is summarised that an increase in the insulating capacity, i.e. the d_i/λ_i -value, from $0.085 \text{ m}^2 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C W}^{-1}$, valid for the three coat Unitherm treatment, to $0.09 \text{ m}^2 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C W}^{-1}$ should give adequate protection. With sprayed mineral wool as fire insulation material, this insulating capacity is obtained with a layer thickness d_i of 10 mm, see Table A6, which gives the variation of thermal conductivity λ_i with temperature for a number of insulating materials. Assuming that the average insulation temperature approximately is equal to maximum steel temperature $T_{s,\max} \approx 525^{\circ}\text{C}$, Table A6 gives

$$\lambda_i = 0.10 \text{ W m}^{-1} \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}^{-1}$$

$$\frac{d_i}{\lambda_i} = \frac{0.01}{0.10} = 0.1 \text{ m}^2 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C W}^{-1}$$

Consequently, adequate fire protection for the columns is offered by the application of 10 mm sprayed mineral wool.

For the centre columns inside fire compartment alternative (b) and protected with a three-coat Unitherm fire retardant paint the calculations show

$$T_{s,\max} = 530^\circ\text{C}, \text{ Eq. (v)}$$

$$\sigma_{cr} = 93 \text{ MPa}$$

$$N_{cr} = 93 \cdot 53.8 \cdot 10^{-4} = 0.500 \text{ MN} = 500 \text{ kN} \quad (\text{ab})$$

i.e. a minimum buckling load exceeding the required design load $N = 484 \text{ kN}$. A protection with a three coat-Unitherm fire retardant paint is obviously sufficient under these conditions.

It is assumed, when calculating the buckling loads, that the columns are free to longitudinally expand during the thermal exposure from the fire. For design situation where this assumption is not valid, the calculations must be based on design curves, specifically taking into account the effect of a partially restrained thermal expansion. Reference is made to [4].

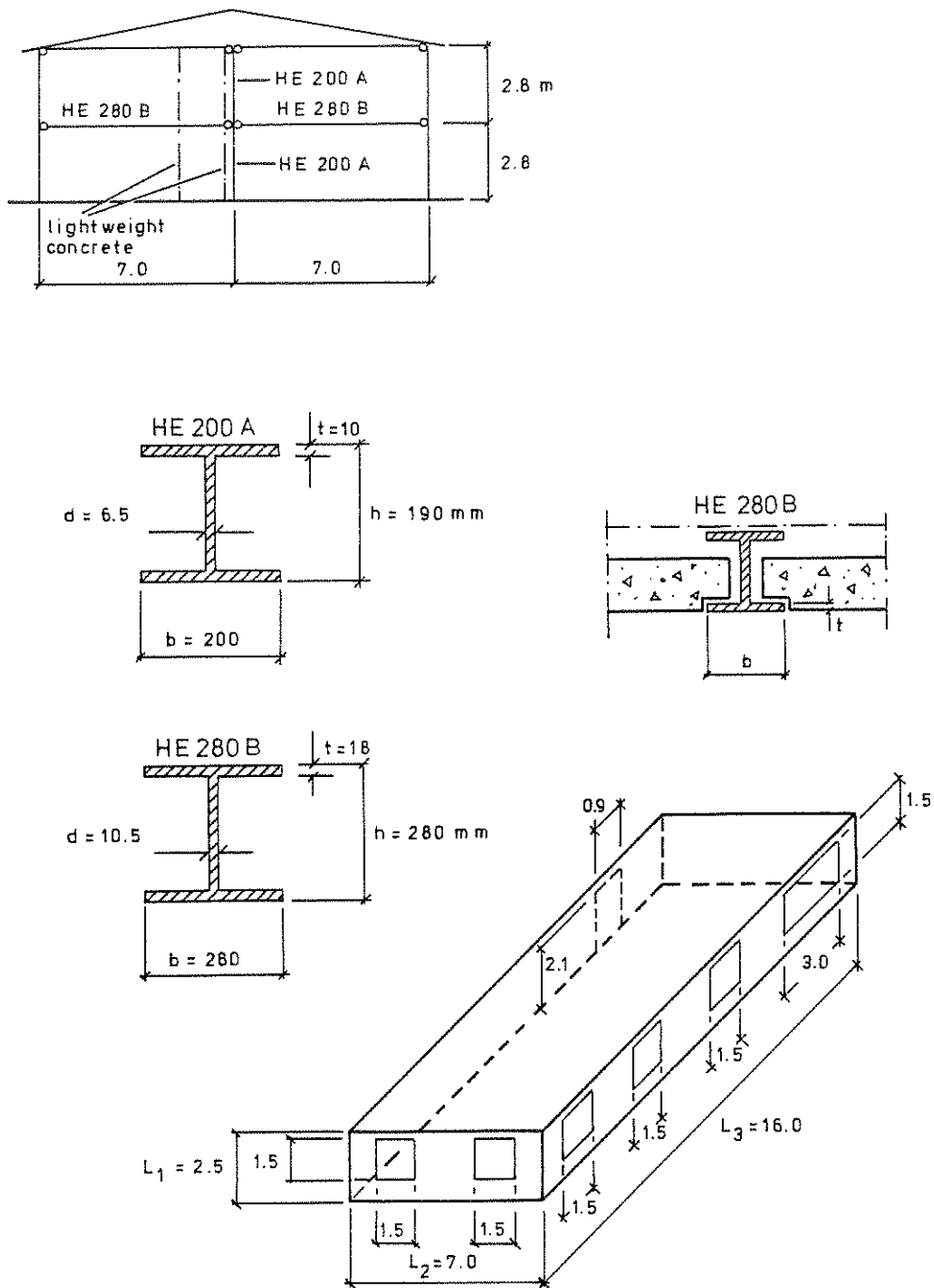


Figure 30.

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APPENDIX

Table A1. Fire load characteristics according to recent Swedish investigations - fire load density q defined according to Eq (3) with $\mu_v=1$

Type of fire compartment	Average $\text{Mcal}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}$ { $\text{MJ}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}$ }	Standard deviation $\text{Mcal}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}$ { $\text{MJ}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}$ }	Design value $\text{Mcal}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}$ { $\text{MJ}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}$ }
1 Dwellings ¹⁾			
1a Two rooms and a kitchen	35.8 {150}	5.9 {24.7}	40.0 {168}
1b Three rooms and a kitchen	33.1 {139}	4.8 {20.1}	35.5 {149}
2 Offices ²⁾			
2a Technical offices	29.7 {124}	7.5 {31.4}	34.5 {145}
2b Administrative offices	24.3 {102}	7.7 {32.2}	31.5 {132}
2c All offices, investigated	27.3 {114}	9.4 {39.4}	33.0 {138}
3 Schools ²⁾			
3a Schools - junior level	20.1 {84.2}	3.4 {14.2}	23.5 {98.4}
3b Schools - middle level	23.1 {96.7}	4.9 {20.5}	28.0 {117}
3c Schools - senior level	14.6 {61.1}	4.4 {18.4}	17.0 {71.2}
3d All schools, investigated	19.2 {80.4}	5.6 {23.4}	23.0 {96.3}
4 Hospitals	27.6 {116}	8.6 {36.0}	35.0 {147}
5 Hotels ²⁾	16.0 {67.0}	4.6 {19.3}	19.5 {81.6}

1) Floor covering excluded

2) Only moveable fire load components included

Table A2. Coefficient K_f for transforming a real fire load density q and a real opening factor of a fire compartment $A\sqrt{h}/A_t$ to an effective fire load density q_f and an effective opening factor $(A\sqrt{h}/A_t)_f$ corresponding to a fire compartment, type A

$$q_f = K_f q \quad (A\sqrt{h}/A_t)_f = K_f A\sqrt{h}/A_t$$

Type of fire compartment	Opening factor $A\sqrt{h}/A_t$ $m^{1/2}$					
	0.02	0.04	0.06	0.08	0.10	0.12
Type A	1	1	1	1	1	1
Type B	0.85	0.85	0.85	0.85	0.85	0.85
Type C	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	2.50
Type D	1.35	1.35	1.35	1.50	1.55	1.65
Type E	1.65	1.50	1.35	1.50	1.75	2.00
Type F ¹⁾	1.00-	1.00-	0.80-	0.70-	0.70-	0.70-
	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50
Type G	1.50	1.45	1.35	1.25	1.15	1.05
Type H	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	2.50

¹⁾The lowest value of K_f applies to a fire load density $q > 500 \text{ MJ}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}$, the highest value to a fire load density $q \leq 60 \text{ MJ}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}$. For intermediate fire load densities, linear interpolation gives sufficient accuracy.

The different types of fire compartment are defined as follows

Fire compartment, type B: Bounding structures of concrete.

Fire compartment, type C: Bounding structures of lightweight concrete (density $\rho = 500 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$).

Fire compartment, type D: 50% of the bounding structures of concrete, and of 50% lightweight concrete (density $\rho = 500 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$).

Fire compartment, type E: Bounding structures with the following percentage of bounding surface area:

50% lightweight concrete (density $\rho = 500 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$),
33% concrete,

17% of from the interior to the exterior: plasterboard panel (density $\rho = 790 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$), 13 mm in thickness - diabase wool (density $\rho = 50 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$), 10 cm in thickness - brickwork (density $\rho = 1800 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$), 20 cm in thickness.

Fire compartment, type F: 80% of the bounding structures of sheet steel, and 20% of concrete. The compartment corresponds to a storage space with a sheet steel roof, sheet steel walls, and a concrete floor.

Fire compartment, type G: Bounding structures with the following percentage of bounding surface area:

20% concrete,

80% of from the interior to the exterior: double plasterboard panel (density $\rho=790 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$), 2x13 mm in thickness - air space, 10 cm in thickness - double plasterboard panel (density $\rho = 790 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$), 2x13 mm in thickness.

Fire compartment, type H: Bounding structures of sheet steel on both sides of diabase wool (density $\rho = 50 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$), 10 cm in thickness.

For fire compartments, not directly represented in the table, the coefficient K_f can either be determined by a linear interpolation between applicable types of fire compartment in the table or be chosen in such a way as to give results on the safe side. For fire compartments with surrounding structures of both concrete and lightweight concrete, then different values can be obtained of the coefficient K_f , depending on the choice between the fire compartment types B, C, and D at the interpolation. This is due to the fact that the relationships, determining K_f , are non-linear. However, the K_f -values of the table are such that a linear interpolation always gives results on the safe side, irrespective of the alternative of interpolation chosen. In order to avoid an unnecessarily large overestimation of K_f , that alternative of interpolation is recommended which gives the lowest value of K_f . At the determination of K_f , it is not allowed to combine types of fire compartments in such a way, that any of them gives a negative contribution to K_f .

Table A3. Maximum steel temperature $T_{s,max}$ ($^{\circ}C$) for unisolated steel structure as a function of effective fire load density q ($Mcal \cdot m^{-2}$) $\{MJ \cdot m^{-2}\}$, effective opening factor $A\sqrt{h}/A_t$ ($m^{1/2}$), F_s/V_s ratio (m^{-1}), and resultant emissivity ϵ_r [4]

q	$A\sqrt{h}/A_t$	F_s/V_s	$T_{s,max}$			q	$A\sqrt{h}/A_t$	F_s/V_s	$T_{s,max}$			q	$A\sqrt{h}/A_t$	F_s/V_s	$T_{s,max}$																		
			ϵ_r 0,3	ϵ_r 0,5	ϵ_r 0,7				ϵ_r 0,3	ϵ_r 0,5	ϵ_r 0,7				ϵ_r 0,3	ϵ_r 0,5	ϵ_r 0,7																
10 {42}	0,01	50	325	345	370	15 {63}	0,01	50	400	420	440	20 {84}	0,01	25	390	425	445	25 {105}	0,01	25	455	490	500										
		75	365	385	405			75	435	445	460			75	465	480	490			75	525	530	535	75	525	530	535						
		100	395	410	425			100	450	460	470			100	495	500	500			100	530	535	535	100	530	535	535						
		125	410	425	435			125	460	470	475			125	500	505	510			125	530	535	540	125	530	535	540						
		150	425	435	440			150	470	475	480			150	505	510	510			150	535	540	540	150	535	540	540						
		200	435	445	445			200	475	480	480			200	505	510	515			200	535	540	540	200	535	540	540						
	300	450	450	450	300		480	485	485	300	510		515	515	300	535	540		540	300	535	540	540										
	0,02	50	335	360	410		15 {63}	0,02	50	425	480		515	20 {84}	0,02	50	500		550	575	25 {105}	0,02	50	555	600	625							
		75	410	445	475				75	500	540		565			75	560		600	620			75	610	640	650	75	610	640	650			
		100	445	490	520				100	540	575		595			100	595		620	630			100	640	650	655	100	640	650	655			
		125	480	520	545				125	565	600		610			125	615		630	640			125	650	655	660	125	650	655	660			
		150	500	540	555				150	585	605		615			150	625		640	645			150	670	685	700	150	670	685	700			
		200	540	560	575				200	605	620		625			200	635		645	650			200	670	685	700	200	670	685	700			
	300	575	585	585	300			620	630	630	300		650		650	650	300		670	685		700	300	670	685	700							
	0,04	50	285	320	365			15 {63}	0,04	50	400		465		510	20 {84}	0,04		50	485		565	625	25 {105}	0,04	50	570	645	705				
		75	350	400	450					75	490		550		600				75	565		650	700			75	640	690	760	75	640	690	760
		100	405	460	510					100	550		610		655				100	650		700	740			100	660	775	-	100	660	775	-
		125	430	515	555					125	600		655		690				125	650		700	740			125	660	775	-	125	660	775	-
150		495	555	595	150	635				680	710	150	685		730			770	150	660		775	-			150	660	775	-				
200		530	605	645	200	650				660	690	200	685		730			770	200	660		775	-			200	660	775	-				
300	625	660	690	300	625	660			690	300	685	730	770		300		660	775	-	300		660	775		-								
0,06	50	235	275	330	15 {63}	0,06			50	340	400	475	20 {84}		0,06		50	430	505	600		25 {105}	0,06		50	480	590	655					
	75	305	370	425					75	380	465	535					75	485	590	670					75	580	655	800	75	580	655	800	
	100	365	410	485					100	450	540	630					100	565	670	755					100	630	720	-	100	630	720	-	
	125	415	495	545					125	500	600	680					125	615	675	735					125	630	720	-	125	630	720	-	
	150	450	485	580			150		530	630	720	150		630			715	790	150	630	720				-	150	630	720	-				
	200	520	550	660			200		550	660	755	200		650			670	730	200	630	720				-	200	630	720	-				
300	615	650	735	300		550	660		755	300	650	670		730	300		630	720	-	300	630		720		-								
0,08	50	200	250	300		15 {63}	0,08		50	300	375	430		20 {84}	0,08		50	390	490	530	25 {105}		0,08		50	450	565	600					
	75	270	330	400					75	380	465	535					75	485	590	670					75	580	655	800	75	580	655	800	
	100	330	400	460					100	450	540	630					100	565	670	755					100	630	720	-	100	630	720	-	
	125	360	450	510					125	500	600	680					125	615	675	735					125	630	720	-	125	630	720	-	
	150	410	510	550				150	530	630	720	150				630	715	790	150	630				720	-	150	630	720	-				
	200	480	500	660				200	550	660	755	200				650	670	730	200	630				720	-	200	630	720	-				
300	600	700	760	300			550	660	755	300	650	670			730	300	630	720	-	300			630	720	-								
0,12	50	170	200	260			15 {63}	0,12	50	260	290	400			20 {84}	0,12	50	330	400	480			25 {105}	0,12	50	400	460	500					
	75	220	260	350					75	340	380	500					75	430	460	515					75	510	515	520	75	510	515	520	
	100	240	310	400					100	390	400	600					100	520	520	520					100	520	520	520	100	520	520	520	
	125	260	380	540					125	450	540	675					125	530	530	530					125	530	530	530	125	530	530	530	
	150	310	430	620	150				500	600	750	150	530				530	530	150	530		530			530	150	530	530	530				
	200	380	500	700	200				575	680	-	200	530				530	530	200	530		530			530	200	530	530	530				
300	450	620	800	300	575			680	-	300	530	530	530			300	530	530	530	300		530		530	530								
12,5 {52,5}	0,01	50	365	385	405			17,5 {73,5}	0,01	25	355	385	410			22,5 {94,5}	0,01	50	530	575		605		30 {120}	0,01	50	600	640	660				
		75	410	425	435					75	430	450	465					75	590	620		635				75	650	670	670	75	650	670	670
		100	430	445	450					100	460	475	480					100	630	645		650				100	660	675	675	100	660	675	675
		125	440	450	460					125	480	485	490					125	645	650		655				125	660	675	675	125	660	675	675
		150	450	455	460	150				485	490	495	150	650				655	655	150	660	675				675	150	660	675	675			
		200	455	460	465	200				485	495	500	200	650				660	665	200	660	675				675	200	660	675	675			
	300	465	470	470	300	490			500	500	300	650	660	665			300	660	675	675	300	660			675	675							
	0,02	50	380	435	470	17,5 {73,5}			0,02	50	460	515	550	22,5 {94,5}			0,02	50	620	660	660	30 {120}			0,02	50	680	720	740				
		75	455	500	535					75	530	570	595					75	690	735	735					75	750	780	800	75	750	780	800
		100	500	540	560					100	565	600	615					100	720	765	765					100	780	810	810	100	780	810	810
		125	525	555	575					125	595	610	630					125	735	765	765					125	790	820	820	125	790	820	820
		150	550	570	580		150			610	620	635	150		750			780	780	150	810		840			840	150	810	840	840			
200		570	590	600	200		625	635		645	200	765	795		795	200		820	850	850	200		820	850		850							
300	600	605	605	300	635		645	645	300	765	795	795	300		820	850	850	300	820	850	850												
0,04	50	340	400	450	17,5 {73,5}		0,04	25	355	400	470	22,5 {94,5}	0,04		50	550	600	600	30 {120}	0,04	50		700	740	760								
	75	415	455	540				75	490	555	635				75	665	710	760			75		760	800	800	75	760	800	800				
	100	485	550	600				100	530	600	670				100	700	770	770			100		770	810	810	100	770	810	810				
	125	535	600	640				125	565	620	710				125	730	800	800			125		790	830	830	125	790	830	830				
	150	570	625																														

Table A4. F_s/V_s for different types of fire exposed, uninsulated steel structures

<p>Column within a fire compartment</p>		$\frac{F_s}{V_s} = \frac{2h + 4b - 2d}{\text{cross section area}}$
<p>Column, immediately outside a window opening</p>		$\frac{F_s}{V_s} = \frac{2h + 2b}{\text{cross section area}}$
<p>Floor structure, composed of steel beams with a concrete slab, supported on the lower flange of the beams</p>		$\frac{F_s}{V_s} = \frac{b}{bt} = \frac{1}{t}$
<p>Beams with a floor slab, supported on the upper flange of the beams</p>		$\frac{F_s}{V_s} = \frac{2h + 3b - 2d}{\text{cross section area}}$
<p>Beams with a floor slab, supported on the lower flange of the beams</p>		$\frac{F_s}{V_s} = \frac{2h + b}{\text{cross section area}}$
<p>Floor slab beams of truss type (F_s/V_s is determined for each part of the truss)</p>		$\frac{F_s}{V_s} \text{ (lower flange)} = \frac{2b_1 + 2h_1}{\text{cross section area of lower flange}}$ $\frac{F_s}{V_s} \text{ (upper flange)} = \frac{b_2 + 2h_2}{\text{cross section area of upper flange}}$ $\frac{F_s}{V_s} \text{ (diagonal)} = \frac{4}{d}$

Table A5. Maximum steel temperature $T_{s,max}$ ($^{\circ}\text{C}$) for insulated steel structures as a function of effective fire load density q_f (MJ m^{-2}), effective opening factor $(A\sqrt{h}/A_t)_f$ ($\text{m}^{1/2}$) and the design parameter $A_i\lambda_i/(V_s d_i)$ ($\text{W m}^{-3} \text{h}^{-1} \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}^{-1}$) [6]

$$(A\sqrt{h}/A_t)_f = 0.01 \text{ m}^{1/2}$$

q_f	$A_i\lambda_i/(V_s d_i)$												
	50	100	200	400	600	1000	1500	2000	3000	4000	6000	8000	10000
13	30	40	50	70	90	115	140	160	190	210	235	260	280
19	35	45	65	95	115	150	180	205	245	265	295	320	340
25	40	55	80	115	145	180	220	245	285	305	335	360	375
50	60	90	135	190	225	280	325	350	390	410	430	440	450
75	80	125	180	250	295	355	400	430	455	470	480	490	490
100	100	155	225	310	365	430	470	490	510	520	530	530	535
125	115	185	270	370	425	485	520	535	550	555	560	560	565

$$(A\sqrt{h}/A_t)_f = 0.02 \text{ m}^{1/2}$$

q_f	$A_i\lambda_i/(V_s d_i)$												
	50	100	200	400	600	1000	1500	2000	3000	4000	6000	8000	10000
13	25	30	40	60	70	90	110	130	165	185	215	245	270
25	35	45	65	90	120	155	190	220	270	300	335	375	405
38	40	55	85	125	160	205	250	290	345	380	420	460	485
50	45	70	105	155	195	250	305	345	400	435	480	515	535
100	75	115	175	250	305	385	450	490	550	580	610	630	635
150	100	155	235	330	405	490	555	595	640	660	680	690	695
200	125	195	290	415	495	585	645	680	710	725	735	740	745
250	145	235	355	490	570	655	705	730	755	765	775	780	780

$$(A\sqrt{h}/A_t)_f = 0.04 \text{ m}^{1/2}$$

q_f	$A_i\lambda_i/(V_s d_i)$												
	50	100	200	400	600	1000	1500	2000	3000	4000	6000	8000	10000
25	25	35	50	70	85	115	140	170	210	245	290	330	365
50	35	50	75	115	150	200	245	290	350	395	450	505	540
75	45	65	100	155	200	260	325	380	450	500	565	615	650
100	50	80	125	190	245	320	395	450	525	575	640	685	715
200	85	135	210	310	385	490	575	635	710	755	800	825	835
300	115	180	275	410	500	615	700	755	815	845	875	890	895
400	140	225	345	505	605	720	800	845	890				
500	170	270	415	585	685	790	860	895					

Table A6. Thermal conductivity λ_i ($\text{kcal}\cdot\text{m}^{-1}\cdot\text{C}^{-1}\cdot\text{h}^{-1}$) $\{\text{Wm}^{-1}\cdot\text{C}^{-1}\}$ of some insulation materials as a function of the insulation temperature [4]

	Temperature °C										
	0	100	200	300	400	500	600	700	800	900	1000
Sprayed mineral wool Calco Blaze-Shield Type DC/F	0,045 {0,053}	0,047 {0,055}	0,050 {0,058}	0,058 {0,066}	0,066 {0,077}	0,077 {0,090}	0,095 {0,110}	0,120 {0,140}	0,145 {0,170}	0,170 {0,198}	0,210 {0,245}
Sprayed mineral wool Type Pyroguard 101	0,044 {0,051}	0,055 {0,064}	0,059 {0,069}	0,066 {0,077}	0,071 {0,083}	0,079 {0,092}	0,089 {0,104}	0,103 {0,120}	0,123 {0,144}	0,150 {0,175}	0,190 {0,220}
Fire retardant plaster Type Jimoterm	0,203 {0,236}	0,145 {0,169}	0,144 {0,168}	0,143 {0,167}	0,141 {0,165}	0,138 {0,161}	0,138 {0,161}	0,156 {0,182}	0,182 {0,212}	0,186 {0,217}	—
Fire retardant plaster Type Pyrodur	0,085 {0,099}	0,090 {0,105}	0,095 {0,110}	0,100 {0,116}	0,105 {0,122}	0,110 {0,128}	0,115 {0,134}	0,115 {0,134}	0,120 {0,140}	0,125 {0,146}	0,130 {0,152}
Slabs of vermiculite based material Type Vermit fire insulation slab	0,077 {0,090}	0,085 {0,099}	0,092 {0,108}	0,100 {0,116}	0,112 {0,130}	0,117 {0,137}	0,125 {0,146}	0,133 {0,155}	0,145 {0,169}	0,157 {0,183}	0,171 {0,199}
Mineral wool slabs with a density of $\gamma \approx 150 \text{ kg/m}^3$ Type Minwool slab 3060 or Rockwool slab 337	0,030 {0,035}	0,044 {0,051}	0,058 {0,068}	0,081 {0,094}	0,109 {0,127}	0,149 {0,173}	0,187 {0,218}	0,235 {0,275}	0,280 {0,325}	0,365 {0,425}	0,470 {0,550}
Gypsum plaster slabs Type Gyproc	0,180 {0,210}	0,180 {0,210}	0,120 {0,140}	0,135 {0,157}	0,155 {0,181}	0,170 {0,198}	0,190 {0,220}	0,205 {0,240}	0,225 {0,260}	0,250 {0,290}	0,275 {0,320}
Prefabricated gypsum plaster sections Type GPG	0,250 {0,290}	0,130 {0,152}	0,124 {0,145}	0,133 {0,155}	0,135 {0,157}	0,130 {0,152}	—	—	—	—	—
Prefabricated gypsum plaster sections Type Perlitgips	0,180 {0,210}	0,105 {0,122}	0,084 {0,098}	0,106 {0,123}	0,115 {0,134}	0,122 {0,142}	—	—	—	—	—

Fire retardant paints

Most fire retardant paints change in thickness on exposure to fire. Information relating only to the variation of the thermal conductivity with temperature does not therefore provide a sufficient basis for design. The insulation capacity of the paint, expressed in terms of a fictive d_i/λ_i value, must be known. For Unitherm fire retardant paint, the following values can be used in determining the maximum steel temperature. Two-coat Unitherm application, $d_i/\lambda_i = 0,075 \text{ m}^2 \cdot \text{C h/kcal}$ $\{0,064 \text{ m}^2 \cdot \text{C/W}\}$. Three-coat Unitherm application, $d_i/\lambda_i = 0,10 \text{ m}^2 \cdot \text{C h/kcal}$ $\{0,086 \text{ m}^2 \cdot \text{C/W}\}$. These values have been determined using the results of standard fire tests. The values are clearly on the safe side and should be applicable also to other types of paint which are found in fire tests to exhibit at least the same fire resistance as Unitherm fire retardant paint.

Table A7. Maximum steel temperature $T_{s,max}$ ($^{\circ}\text{C}$) for a steel structure insulated with mineral wool slabs, type Minwool 3060 or Rockwool 337 ($\rho_i = 150 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$), as a function of effective fire load density q ($\text{Mcal}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}$) [$\text{MJ}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}$], effective opening area $A\sqrt{h}/A_t$ ($\text{m}^{1/2}$), structural parameter A_i/V_s (m^{-1}), and insulation thickness d_i (mm)

q	$\frac{A\sqrt{h}}{A_t}$	$\frac{A_i}{V_s}$	$T_{s,max}$				q	$\frac{A\sqrt{h}}{A_t}$	$\frac{A_i}{V_s}$	$T_{s,max}$				q	$\frac{A\sqrt{h}}{A_t}$	$\frac{A_i}{V_s}$	$T_{s,max}$									
			d_i	d_i	d_i	d_i				d_i	d_i	d_i	d_i				d_i	d_i								
																			30	50	70	30	50	70	30	50
20 {84}	0,01	200	325	250	200	0,02	100	370	275	215	0,02	50	400	255	220	0,04	50	415	295	220						
		300	350	300	245				125	415				310	245			75	500	375	295	75	540	390	300	
		400	415	335	275				150	455				345	270			100	565	440	350	100	620	465	365	
	0,02	200	295	215	165	0,04	200	315	400	320	0,04	125	610	495	400	0,04	125	680	530	420						
		300	355	265	210				150	640				530	440			150	640	530	440	150	725	560	465	
		400	400	300	240				200	690				595	505			200	735	660	580	200	785	650	540	
	0,04	300	300	205	150	0,06	100	300	205	155	0,06	75	355	250	190	0,06	75	320	220	165						
		400	350	250	180				125	340				240	180			100	425	305	230	100	425	295	220	
		400	320	200	135				150	380				270	205			125	485	350	270	125	510	360	270	
	25 {105}	0,01	125	330	250	200	0,04	200	450	320	240	0,04	150	525	390	300	0,06	125	570	410	315					
			150	355	270	225				300	535				400	300			150	525	390	300	150	625	460	355
			200	395	315	260				400	600				450	350			200	600	450	350	200	710	530	420
0,02		300	450	370	310	0,06	200	400	265	200	0,06	200	690	550	430	0,06	200	710	530	420						
		400	480	405	340				200	495				340	240			200	740	600	455	200	710	530	420	
		400	465	355	285				400	550				395	285			400	550	395	285	400	550	395	285	
0,04		200	300	225	175	0,08	300	440	280	200	0,08	125	415	285	215	0,08	125	450	310	230						
		300	350	260	205				400	500				340	230			125	465	325	240	125	515	365	270	
		400	400	310	225				400	500				340	230			200	540	385	285	150	570	400	300	
30 {120}		0,01	75	310	230	175	0,02	100	325	230	175	0,02	150	370	250	180	0,04	200	500	340	250					
			100	355	270	215				200	350				265	205			200	540	385	285	200	650	480	360
			125	390	305	245				300	645				540	450			400	710	540	415	300	765	585	450
	0,02	200	420	335	270	0,04	100	325	230	175	0,04	150	415	265	200	0,04	200	290	205	190						
		300	460	375	315				125	480				360	290			150	520	400	320	150	520	400	320	
		400	520	460	365				200	590				460	370			200	680	590	360	200	680	590	360	
	0,04	125	320	235	185	0,06	100	325	220	160	0,06	200	605	435	305	0,06	200	615	475	350						
		150	355	260	205				200	650				475	360			200	650	475	360	200	650	475	360	
		200	405	305	240				300	780				650	525			400	780	650	525	400	780	650	525	
	0,06	300	480	370	300	0,08	150	350	250	175	0,08	200	445	295	225	0,08	300	290	205	160						
		400	530	420	335				200	445				295	225			300	290	205	160	300	290	205	160	
		400	500	365	270				300	580				435	335			400	505	350	265	400	505	350	265	
35 {147}	0,01	150	300	210	155	0,02	125	325	230	175	0,02	50	340	240	180	0,04	75	355	250	190						
		200	350	250	185				125	365				230	185			75	450	315	245	75	560	410	315	
		300	440	315	235				150	395				275	215			100	525	385	295	100	650	485	370	
	0,02	400	500	365	270	0,04	200	435	300	220	0,04	125	580	435	340	0,04	125	725	545	425						
		200	300	210	155				200	435				300	220			125	620	490	375	125	620	490	375	
		300	395	250	180				300	535				375	275			200	695	555	440	200	695	555	440	
	0,04	300	440	315	235	0,06	400	600	430	320	0,06	200	780	650	525	0,06	200	775	600	480						
		400	500	365	270				150	320				210	150			300	780	650	525	300	775	600	480	
		200	305	200	140				200	385				250	175			400	550	375	260	400	550	375	260	
	0,06	300	395	250	180	0,08	300	460	375	260	0,08	150	450	350	260	0,08	200	430	300	225						
		400	450	300	210				300	460				375	260			150	550	390	295	150	550	390	295	
		400	390	250	175				400	375				270	200			200	630	460	350	200	630	460	350	
40 {168}	0,01	100	325	240	190	0,02	50	320	225	175	0,02	75	320	215	155	0,04	100	305	220	160						
		125	365	270	215				75	410				300	235			100	395	265	190	100	395	265	190	
		150	405	300	240				100	475				355	280			125	530	400	320	125	530	400	320	
	0,02	200	455	350	280	0,04	150	565	445	360	0,04	125	450	305	225	0,04	150	500	350	250						
		300	535	420	340				200	620				500	415			200	680	580	490	200	680	580	490	
		400	575	470	385				300	710				625	545			300	710	625	545	300	710	625	545	
	0,04	200	400	290	215	0,06	100	300	210	160	0,06	200	695	530	410	0,06	200	770	580	440						
		300	490	355	270				100	355				255	190			125	305	220	160	125	305	220	160	
		400	550	410	310				125	410				300	225			150	340	250	190	150	340	250	190	
	0,06	300	490	355	270	0,08	150	455	350	250	0,08	200	535	395	280	0,08	300	535	395	280						
		400	550	410	310				200	525				390	290			200	430	300	220	200	430	300	220	
		200	300	190	145				300	620				475	365			400	610	450	325	400	610	450	325	
0,08	400	500	350	250	0,12	400	680	535	420	0,12	150	310	210	155	0,12	200	290	210	150							
	200	300	200	135				125	360				240	175			200	440	300	225	200	440	300	225		
	300	385	250	175				150	400				275	205			200	475	325	240	200	475	325	240		
45 {180}	0,01	200	300	200	135	0,02	100	310	210	150	0,02	50	300	250	185	0,04	75	350	250	190						
		300	350	250	185				125	365				235	170			75	425	265	200	75	425	265	200	
		400	450	300	210				150	425				265	200			100	530	355	260	100	530	355	260	
	0,02	200	350	235	165	0,04	150	530	360	290	0,04	125	450	305	225	0,04	150	590	405	305						
		300	450	300	210				200	680				535	420			200	680	535	420	200	680	535	420	
		400	500	350	250				300	775				610	495			300	775	610	495	300	775	610	495	
	0,04	300	490	355	270	0,06	200	680	535	420	0,06	150	580	435	340	0,06	200	775	600	480						
		400	550	410	310				100	440				300	225			100	440	300	225	100	440	300	225	
		200	300	200	135				125	500				350	260			125	500	350	260	125	500	350	260	
	0,06	300	395	250	180	0,08	300	460</																		

Table A8. A_i/V_s for different types of fire exposed, insulated steel structures

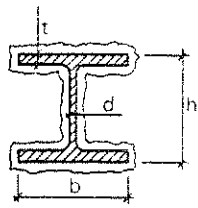
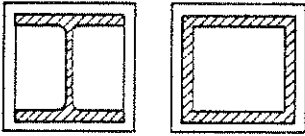
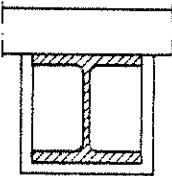
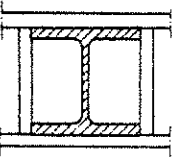
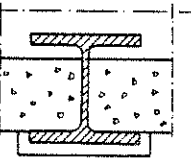
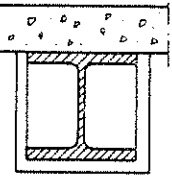
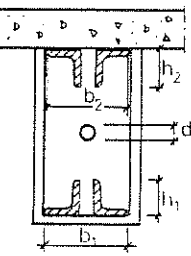
<p>Column in a fire compartment</p>		$\frac{A_i}{V_s} = \frac{2h + 4b - 2d}{\text{steel cross section area}}$
		$\frac{A_i}{V_s} = \frac{2h + 2b}{\text{steel cross section area}}$
<p>Column against a wall with a sufficient fire resistance</p>		$\frac{A_i}{V_s} = \frac{2h + b}{\text{steel cross section area}}$
<p>Column within a wall with a sufficient fire resistance</p>		$\frac{A_i}{V_s} = \frac{b}{bt} = \frac{1}{t}$
<p>Floor structure, composed of steel beams with a concrete slab, supported on the lower flange of the beams</p>		$\frac{A_i}{V_s} = \frac{b}{bt} = \frac{1}{t}$
<p>Beams with a floor slab, supported on the upper flange of the beams</p>		$\frac{A_i}{V_s} = \frac{2h + b}{\text{steel cross section area}}$
<p>Floor slab beams of truss type (A_i/V_s is determined for each part of the truss)</p>		$\frac{A_i}{V_s} \text{ (lower flange)} = \frac{2b_1 + 2h_1}{\text{cross section area of lower flange}}$ $\frac{A_i}{V_s} \text{ (upper flange)} = \frac{b_2 + 2h_2}{\text{cross section area of upper flange}}$ $\frac{A_i}{V_s} \text{ (diagonal)} = \frac{4}{d}$

Table A9. Maximum steel beam temperature $T_{s,max}$ ($^{\circ}\text{C}$) for a steel beam construction according to Fig. 20, with an insulation in the form of a suspended ceiling, as a function of effective fire load density q ($\text{Mcal}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}$) [$\text{MJ}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}$], effective opening factor $A\sqrt{h}/A_t$ ($\text{m}^{1/2}$), structural parameter F_s/V_s (m^{-1}), and insulation parameter d_i/λ_i ($\text{m}^2\cdot^{\circ}\text{C}\cdot\text{h}\cdot\text{kcal}^{-1}$)^c. The maximum temperature in the suspended ceiling is given in brackets [4]

q	$\frac{A\sqrt{h}}{A_t}$	$\frac{F_s}{V_s}$	Maximum steel temperature $T_{s,max}$ and () maximum suspended ceiling temperature				q	$\frac{A\sqrt{h}}{A_t}$	$\frac{F_s}{V_s}$	Maximum steel temperature $T_{s,max}$ and () maximum suspended ceiling temperature			
			$(d_i/\lambda_i)_{\text{fact}}$							$(d_i/\lambda_i)_{\text{fact}}$			
			0,05	0,10	0,20	0,30				0,05	0,10	0,20	0,30
15 {63}	0,02	50	130	90	65	50	60	0,02	50	435	315	200	160
		100	180 (470)	130 (440)	90 (410)	70 (390)			100	450 (615)	340 (570)	240 (530)	185 (500)
		200	230	170	115	90			200	455	350	250	200
		300	260	190	130	100			300	455	350	250	200
	0,04	50	100	70	45	40	60	0,04	50	340	225	145	110
		100	150 (565)	100 (530)	65 (500)	50 (475)			100	400 (630)	285 (630)	185 (590)	140
		200	200	140	90	70			200	435	320	220	165 (560)
		300	240	170	110	80			300	445	330	230	180
	0,08	50	65	50	35	25	60	0,08	50	250	160	100	75
		100	95 (675)	70 (630)	50 (590)	40 (570)			100	340 (750)	225 (700)	130 (650)	100 (625)
		200	150	100	65	50			200	415	285	185	135
		300	190	125	90	60			300	445	315	210	155
0,12	50	40	35 (690)	30 (650)	25 (620)	60	0,12	50	190	120 (725)	75 (680)	60 (660)	
	100	60 (735)	45 (690)	40 (650)	30 (620)			100	285 (780)	185 (725)	110 (680)	80 (660)	
	200	120	70	50	40			200	375	250	155	110	
	300	155	100	60	45			300	420	290	185	130	
25 {105}	0,02	50	200	140	95	75	90	0,04	50	475	330	205	150
		100	260 (510)	185 (470)	125 (435)	100 (420)			100	510 (740)	370 (680)	250 (630)	190 (600)
		200	300	225	155	120			200	515	385	270	210
		300	320	245	170	130			300	515	385	270	215
	0,04	50	160	110	75	55	90	0,08	50	345	225	130	100
		100	230 (600)	150 (565)	100 (530)	75 (515)			100	430 (790)	290 (730)	180 (675)	130 (650)
		200	290	205	135	100			200	480	340	225	170
		300	325	235	155	115			300	495	360	250	190
	0,08	50	115	75	50	40	120	0,04	50	560	400	260	200
		100	160 (680)	110 (635)	70 (595)	55 (570)			100	570 (780)	420 (715)	290 (660)	220 (630)
		200	240	160	100	75			200	575	425	300	230
		300	285	195	120	90			300	575	425	300	230
0,12	50	80	60	40	30	120	0,08	50	425	280	160	120	
	100	130 (740)	80 (690)	60 (650)	45 (620)			100	495 (810)	345 (750)	210 (695)	160 (670)	
	200	190	125	80	60			200	520	375	250	195	
	300	235	160	100	75			300	525	385	260	205	
40 {168}	0,02	50	300	220	145	110	120	0,02	50	300	220	145	110
		100	360 (560)	260 (520)	175 (480)	135 (460)			100	360	260	175	135
		200	380	290	200	160			200	385	295	210	165
		300	385	295	210	165			300	385	295	210	165
	0,04	50	240	160	105	80	120	0,04	50	240	160	105	80
		100	315 (645)	220 (600)	140 (560)	100 (535)			100	315	220	140	100
		200	375	270	180	135			200	375	270	180	135
		300	390	290	195	150			300	390	290	195	150
	0,08	50	170	110	70	55	120	0,08	50	170	110	70	55
		100	245 (715)	160 (665)	100 (625)	75 (600)			100	245	160	100	75
		200	335	220	140	105			200	335	220	140	105
		300	380	260	165	120			300	380	260	165	120
0,12	50	130	85	55	45	120	0,12	50	130	85	55	45	
	100	200 (750)	130 (700)	85 (660)	60 (630)			100	200	130	85	60	
	200	290	190	115	85			200	290	190	115	85	
	300	340	225	145	100			300	340	225	145	100	

^c $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 0,05 \text{ m}^2 \cdot ^{\circ}\text{C}\cdot\text{h}/\text{kcal} = 0,043 \text{ m}^2 \cdot ^{\circ}\text{C}/\text{W} \\ 0,10 \text{ } \gg \gg = 0,086 \text{ } \gg \gg \\ 0,20 \text{ } \gg \gg = 0,172 \text{ } \gg \gg \\ 0,30 \text{ } \gg \gg = 0,258 \text{ } \gg \gg \end{array} \right\}$

Table A10. Summary results of standard fire resistance tests on some types of suspended ceilings and connected values, derived from the test results, for $(d_i/\lambda_i)_{\text{eff}}$ and critical temperature of the ceilings [4]

No	Make	Material	Resistance time in standard fire test (min)	Remarks	Estimated $(d_i/\lambda_i)_{\text{eff}}$		Estimated critical suspended ceiling temperature ($^{\circ}\text{C}$)
					$\left(\frac{\text{m}^2 \text{ } ^{\circ}\text{C h}}{\text{kcal}}\right)$	$\left(\frac{\text{m}^2 \text{ } ^{\circ}\text{C}}{\text{W}}\right)$	
1	Gyproc	2x13 mm gypsum plaster slabs no glass fibre reinforcement	30-40	All tests were discontinued because the suspended ceiling fell down. The critical temperature had not been reached in the steel girders	0,075	0,064	625
2		1x13 mm gypsum plaster slabs 0,25% g f r	48		0,075	0,064	650
3		1x16 mm gypsum plaster slabs 0,25% g f r	48		0,10	0,086	650
4		2x13 mm gypsum plaster slabs 0,25% g f r	60		0,15	0,129	650
5		3x13mm gypsum plaster slabs 0,25% g f r	75-80		0,25	0,215	625
6		2x20 mm gypsum plaster slabs 0,25% g f r	80		0,30	0,258	625
7	WST	2x13 mm gypsum plaster slabs with 13 mm mineral wool between them	45	All tests were discontinued for the same reason as above. The gypsum plaster slabs were not reinforced	0,30	0,258	550
8		2x13 mm gypsum plaster slabs with 13 mm mineral wool between them	50		0,30	0,258	550
9		2x13 mm gypsum plaster slabs with 43 mm straw between them	47		0,30	0,258	550
10		2x13mm gypsum plaster slabs with 43 mm straw between them	54		0,30	0,258	550
11	Ingenjör-firma Zero	Soundex special suspended ceiling tiles. Cast glass fibre reinforced gypsum plaster tiles with "ridges" in a grid pattern. Tile thickness 18 mm, at the ridges 38 mm	90	Parts of the ceiling fell down after 90 minutes. Max. steel temperature approx. 440 $^{\circ}\text{C}$	0,15	0,129	700
12	Consentus	Armstrong 13 mm thick	30	No visible damage to suspended ceiling. Max steel temperature about 450 $^{\circ}\text{C}$	0,05	0,043	550
13		Mineral wool acoustic 16 mm thick	80		0,075	0,064	>(725) ^a
14		Type minaboard 13 mm thick	85	No visible damage to suspended ceiling. Max steel temperature about 300 $^{\circ}\text{C}$	0,075	0,064	>(725) ^a
15	Dansk Eternitfabrik	Deflamit-Asbestolux (9 mm Deflamit + 15 mm mineral wool + 8 mm eternit)	50		0,20	0,172	>(675) ^a
16	Nordakustik	Celotex Acoustiformat 15 mm thick glass fibre slab	90	No visible damage to suspended ceiling. Max steel temperature about 450 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. The test was discontinued because the suspended ceiling fell down. The critical temperature had not been reached in the steel girders.	0,10	0,086	(725) ^a
17	Rockwool	Rockfon Decor 85l (15 mm thick mineral wool slab)	66		0,20	0,172	600

^a No damage to the suspended ceiling. Calculated temperature in the suspended ceiling when the test was discontinued.

Table A11. Load values to be applied in a differentiated, analytical, structural fire engineering design [2], [4], [6].

It is to be proved that the load-bearing structure or structural member does not collapse during the complete process of fire development for the most unfavourable combination of dead load, live load, snow load and wind load. On the assumption that the design fire load density is chosen according to Table A1, the following load values are to be applied. The values include a safety factor which roughly takes into account the probability of a fully developed fire and the probability of the presence of the maximum load at the fire occasion.

(a) Complete evacuation of occupants not certainly anticipated

Following values shall be applied for the live load.

Type of fire compartment	Permanent loading kN.m^{-2}	Movable loading kN.m^{-2}
Dwellings, hotels and hospitals	0.5	1.0
Offices	0.5	1.5
Schools (lecturing rooms)	0.5	1.5
Schools (corridors)	0.5	2.5
Assembly-rooms	1.0	2.0
Libraries	1.0	2.0

For the snow load, permanent and movable loading values shall be in accordance to the general loading regulations.

For the wind load, values shall be applied which correspond to a velocity pressure = 50% of the velocity pressure specified in the general loading regulations.

(b) Complete evacuation of occupants certainly anticipated

Following values shall be applied for the live load. Snow and wind load according to (a).

Type of fire compartment	Permanent loading kN.m^{-2}	Movable loading kN.m^{-2}
Dwellings, hotels and hospitals	0.5	0.5
Offices	0.5	0.8
Schools (lecturing rooms)	0.5	0.8
Schools (corridors)	0.5	0.8
Assembly-rooms	1.0	0.8
Libraries	1.0	2.0

Due consideration shall be taken to the local increase of the live load in connection with an evacuation of the building or a removal of people to a safe place of refuge within the building.