

# Study and Comparison of Steel Haunched and Tapered Beam

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**Keywords:** Prismatic beam, non-prismatic beam, stress-strain analysis, static loading, fatigue and ductile behavior.

## I. INTRODUCTION

Steel framed buildings are flexible, ductile and light weight compared to that of reinforced concrete buildings. Intense research had been conducted in the last decades regarding the fatigue and ductility behaviour of structural steel beam. Prismatic beams are the beams with uniform cross-section in the entire span of the beam. I-shaped section is very efficient for carrying bending and shear in the plane of web. The web of the I-section resists the shear forces, while the flange resist most of the bending moments. The uniform cross-section of the prismatic beam has a reduced capacity of resistance in the transverse direction. Members those do not have the same cross-sectional properties from one end to the other, and those do not have a straight axis are known as Non-prismatic beams. Non-prismatic beams are used to increase the efficiency of the beam, by increasing the strength per unit mass than that of prismatic beam.

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### A. Objective

The main objectives of this study were to

- Develop a simplified model of prismatic and non-prismatic beam, in order to analyse them.

- Study the behavior of hunched and tapered steel beam under static loading condition.  
Analyze the fatigue and ductility behavior of hunched and tapered steel beam under static loading

## II. MODELING OF STEEL PRISMATIC BEAM, HAUNCHED AND TAPERED BEAM BY USING ANSYS

A prismatic steel beam, haunched beam and tapered beam was modeled and analyzed in ANSYS.

### A. Description Of Analytical Model

ISMB 300 was taken  
Weight =442N  
Depth =300mm  
Width of flange=140mm  
Thickness of flange=13.10mm  
Thickness of web=7.70mm  
Haunch angle  $45^{\circ}$

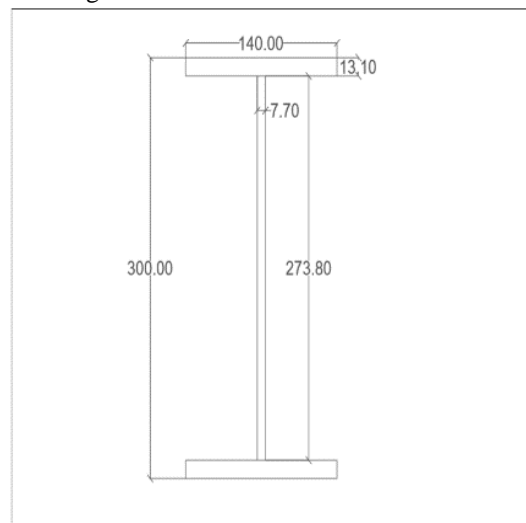


FIG-1: I-Section Dimensions

### B. MESHING

To obtain good result from the steel element the use of hexagonal mesh was done. There for the mesh was set up such that the elements were created. A suitable mesh size is chosen to achieve sufficient accuracy.

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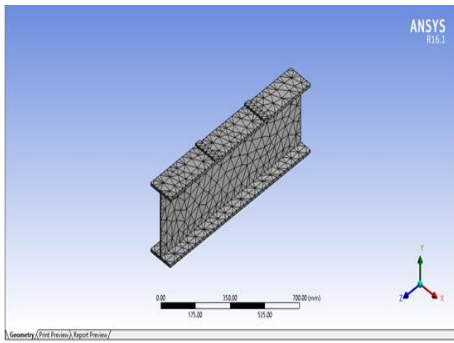


FIG-2: Mesh model of steel prismatic beam

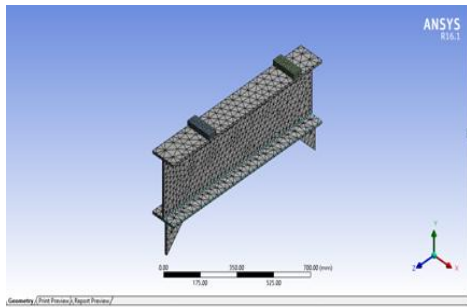


FIG-3: Mesh model of steel haunched beam

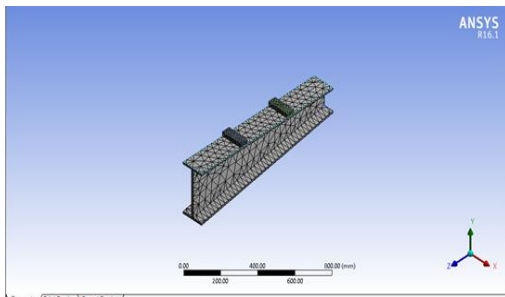


FIG-4: Mesh model of steel tapered beam

### III. METHODOLOGY

Elastic and plastic properties were used in the analysis to recognize the ductility and fatigue behavior of steel structures. The load and deformation, stress and strain curve were also analyzed.

#### A. Analysis

The properties that are considered for the analyzing processes are physical properties, linear elastic, plasticity, stress life parameters and strength. The above properties are used for steel prismatic beam, haunched beam, tapered beam.

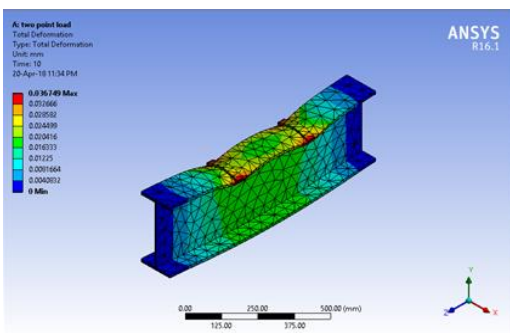


FIG-5: Analysis of steel prismatic beam

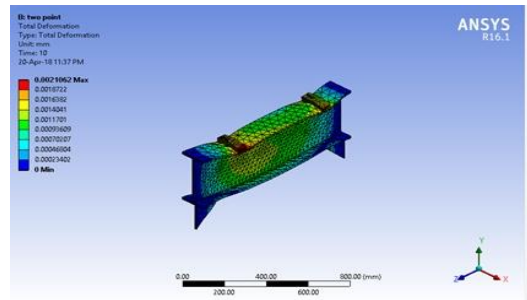


FIG-6: Analysis of steel haunched beam

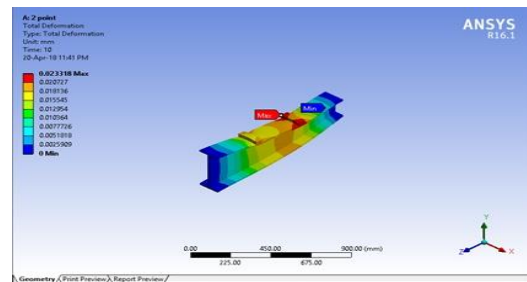


FIG-7: Analysis of steel tapered beam

### IV. RESULT AND DISCUSSION

#### A. Load Versus Deflection

##### Haunched Beam

The following figure 8 represents the load versus deflection curve for haunched beam.

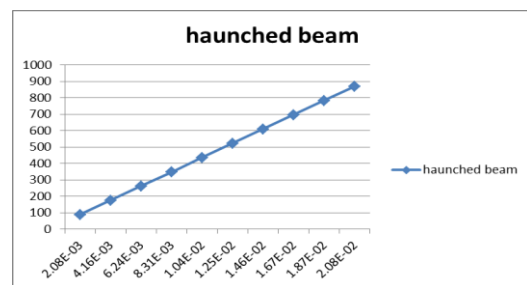


FIG-8: Load versus deflection for haunched beam

##### Tapered Beam

The following figure 9 represents the load versus deflection curve for tapered beam.

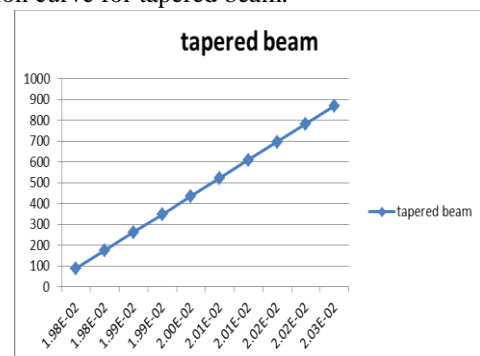
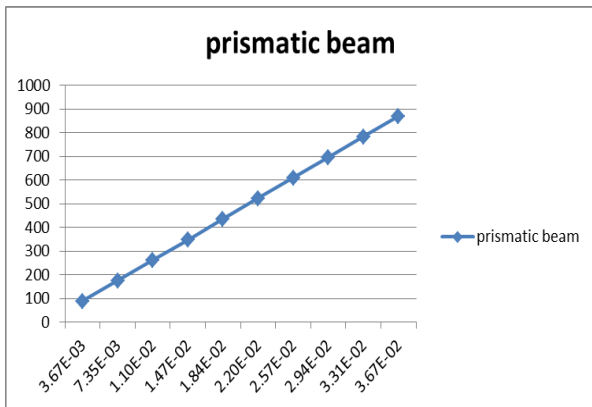


FIG-9: Load versus deflection for tapered beam



**Prismatic Beam**

The following figure 10 represents the load versus deflection curve for prismatic beam

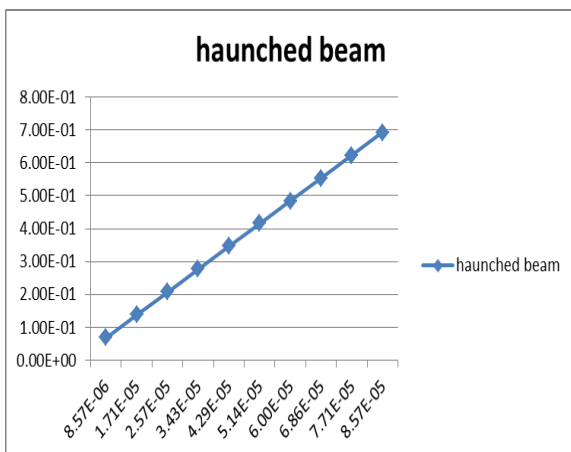


**FIG-10: Load versus deflection for prismatic beam**

**B. Stress Versus Strain**

**Haunched Beam**

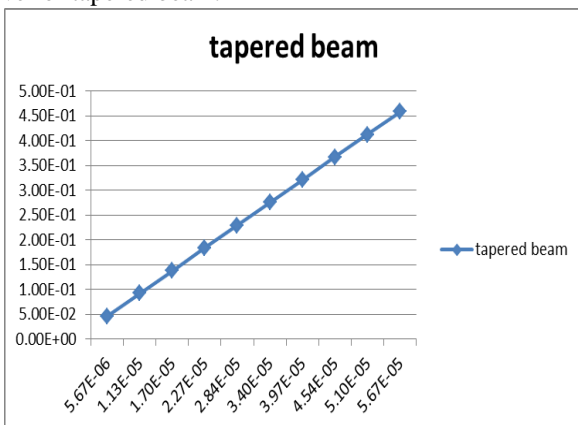
The following figure 11 represents the stress versus strain curve for haunched beam.



**FIG-11: stress versus strain for haunched beam**

**Tapered Beam**

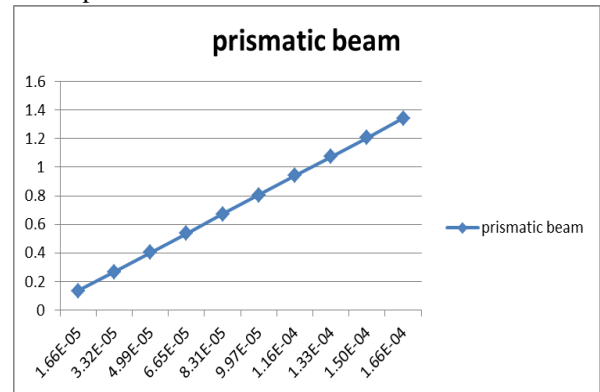
The following figure 12 represents the stress versus strain curve for tapered beam.



**FIG-12: stress versus strain for tapered beam**

**Prismatic Beam**

The following figure 13 represents the stress versus strain curve for prismatic beam.



**FIG-13: stress versus strain for prismatic beam**

**V. CONCLUSION**

From this analytical study, the responses are discussed and following conclusions were made for steel beams.

1. Comparison of steel haunched and tapered beam shows less deformation than tapered beam.
2. Compare with prismatic beam and tapered beam are moreover similar in response.

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