

Calculating the Flexural Stress on the Base Plates

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If the base plate is analyzed as a cantilevered beam, both the moment of inertia and moment vary with distance "l" from the edge of the beam. Flexural stress is a result of the combination of these two variables. It could be possible that the maximum flexural stress occurs at a place different than the maximum moment ($l=2.5"$).

Flexural stress is a function of moment and moment of inertia.

$$f_b(m, i) = (m * T * 0.5) / i$$

However, both the moment and the moment of inertia are functions of the length,
 $m(l) = Pl = 5l$ in ft-kips

$$i(w) = w * T^3 / 12$$

$$w(0) = 3.6$$

$$w(2.5) = 8.8$$

$$w(l) = ((8.8 - 3.6)/2.5)l + 3.6$$

$$\text{Therefore, } i(l) = (((8.8 - 3.6)/2.5)l + 3.6) * T^3 / 12$$

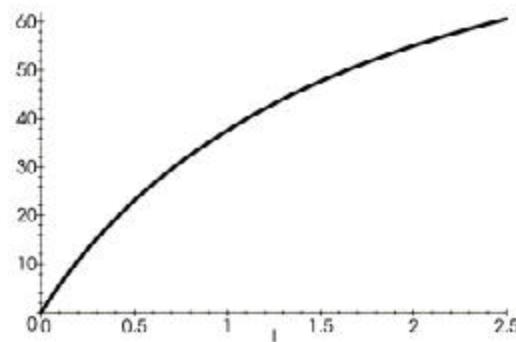
Consequently,

$$f_b(m(l), i(l)) = f_b(l) = (5l * T * 0.5) / (((((8.8 - 3.6)/2.5)l + 3.6) * T^3 / 12)$$

$T = \{3/8, 1/2, 5/8, 3/4\}$ To test different plate thickness

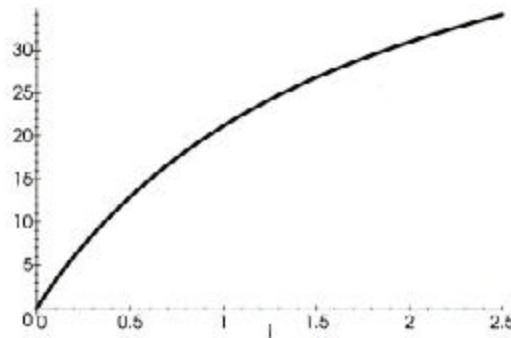
$$T = 3/8$$

$$f_b(l) = (5l * T * 0.5) / (((((8.8 - 3.6)/2.5)l + 3.6) * T^3 / 12)$$



$$T = 1/2$$

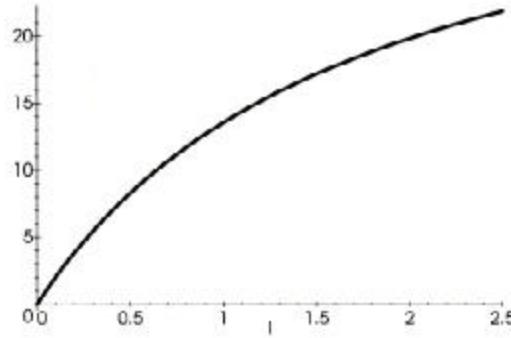
$$f_b(l) = (5l * T * 0.5) / (((((8.8 - 3.6)/2.5)l + 3.6) * T^3 / 12)$$



$$f_b(2.5) = (5 * 2.5) * 1/2 * 0.5 / (((((8.8 - 3.6) / 2.5) * 2.5 + 3.6) * (1/2)^3 / 12) = 34.091 \quad \text{NOT OK}$$

$$\tilde{T} = 5/8$$

$$f_b(l) = (5l) * T * 0.5 / (((((8.8 - 3.6) / 2.5)l + 3.6) * T^3 / 12)$$



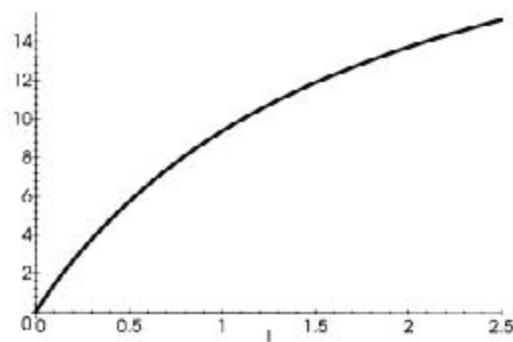
$$f_b(2.5) = (5 * 2.5) * 5/8 * 0.5 / (((((8.8 - 3.6) / 2.5) * 2.5 + 3.6) * (5/8)^3 / 12) = 21.818 \quad \text{OK}$$

$$\tilde{T} = 3/4 \quad \text{OK}$$

$$f_b(l) = (5l) * T * 0.5 / (((((8.8 - 3.6) / 2.5)l + 3.6) * T^3 / 12)$$

$$21.818 < 30.36$$

$$f_b(2.5) < f_{\text{allow}}$$



$$f_b(l) = (5 * 2.5) * 3/4 * 0.5 / (((((8.8 - 3.6)/2.5) * 2.5 + 3.6) * (3/4)^3 / 12) - 15.152) \text{ ok}$$