

Masonry Beams and Lintels

Definitions

Behavior under flexure

Reinforcement

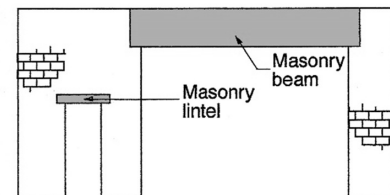
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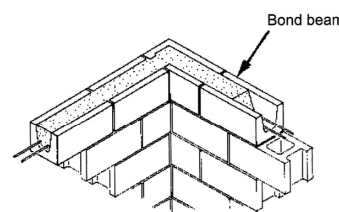
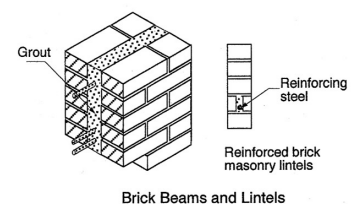
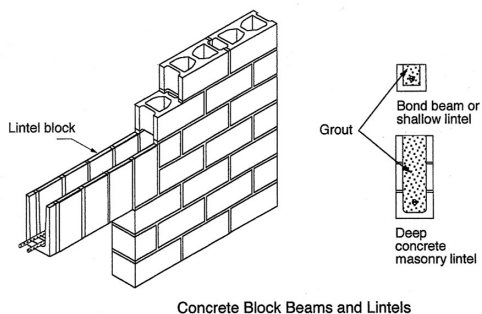
Types of Flexure in Masonry

Beams and Lintels

- single-wythe brickwork
- double-wythe brickwork + grout
- special lintel CMU
- bond beam CMU
- special knock-out CMU



Beams and Lintels

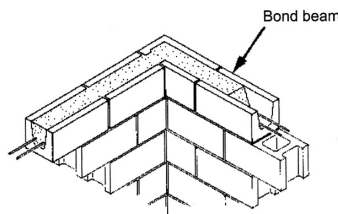
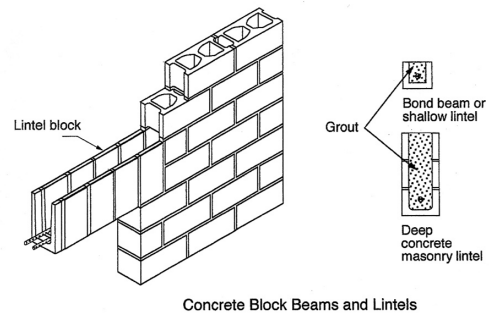


Typical masonry bond beams

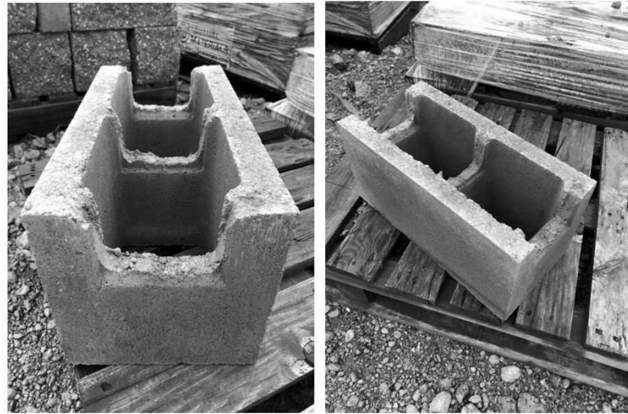
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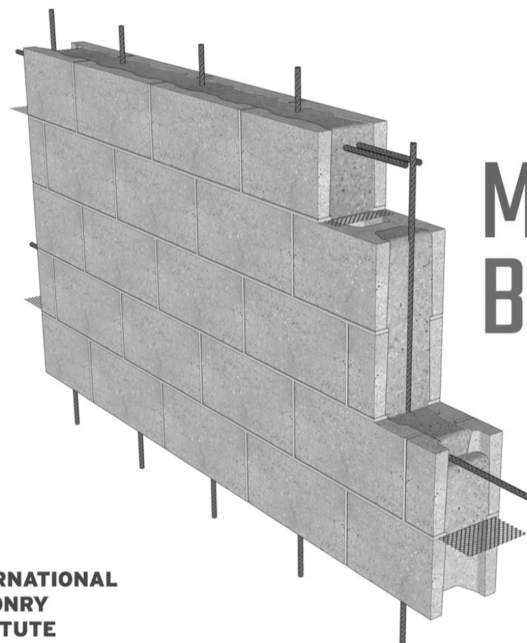
- within a wall
- horizontally reinforced and grouted
- resist out of plane bending
- resist in plane tension and shear
- typically at top of foundation and floor and roof levels
- distribute floor or roof loads
- bond beam CMU
- special knock-out CMU



Typical masonry bond beams



Types of Flexure in Masonry – Bond Beams



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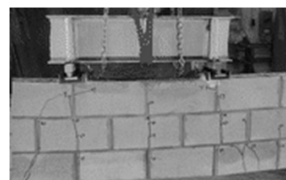
Design considerations

Strength and Stability

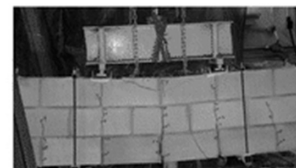
- flexure
- shear
- anchorage

Serviceability

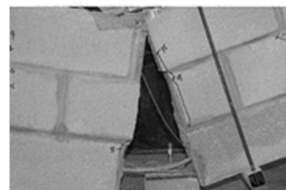
- deflection
- cracking



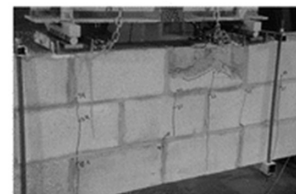
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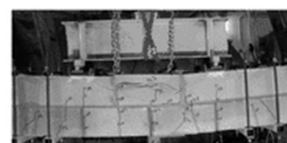
d)



e)



f)



g)

Fundamental Assumptions

Elastic Analysis:

- internal forces at any section are in equilibrium with external loads
- plane sections before bending remain plane after bending
- after cracking tension in masonry is ignored. Tension is carried by steel.
- linearly elastic behavior exists for both steel and masonry within the service load range. N.A. at centroid of cracked section.
- complete bond exists between steel and grout

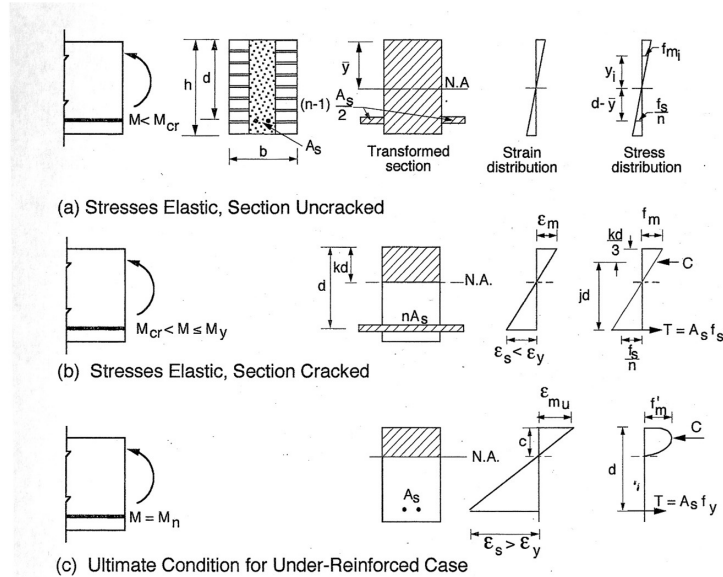
$$f_{m_i} = My_i/I_{tr}$$

$$f_s = n(My_s/I_{tr})$$

$$n = \frac{E_s}{E_m}$$

E_s = modulus of elasticity of steel

E_m = modulus of elasticity of masonry



Fundamental Assumptions - uncracked

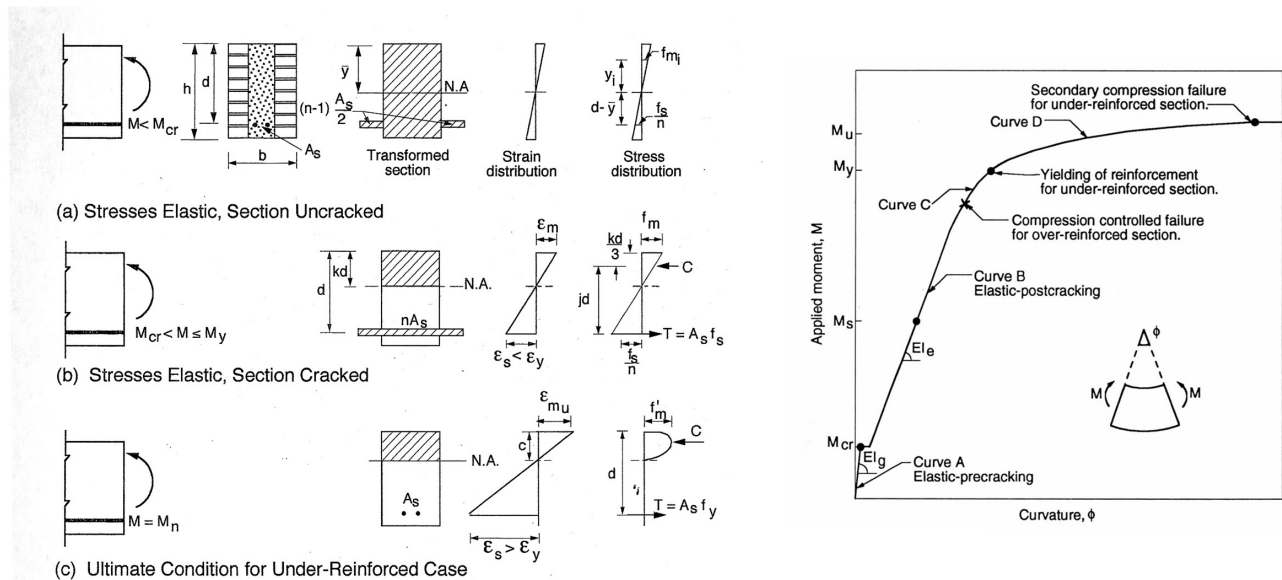
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Fundamental Assumptions - cracked

$$C = f_m k b d / 2$$

$$T = A_s f_s = \rho b d f_s$$

$$\rho = A_s / b d$$

$$\rho f_s b d = f_m k b d / 2$$

$$k = 2 \rho f_s / f_m$$

$$k = \sqrt{2 n \rho + (n \rho)^2} - n \rho$$

Compression

$$M = C j d = f_m k j b d^2 / 2$$

$$f_m = 2 M / k j b d^2$$

Tension

$$M = T j d = \rho f_s j b d^2$$

$$f_s = M / \rho j b d^2$$

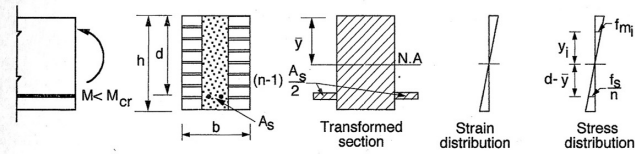
$$j d = d - k d / 3$$

$$j = 1 - k / 3$$

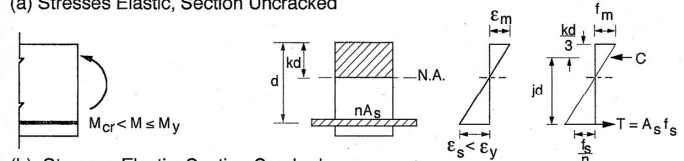
$$\rho_b = \frac{n F_b}{2 F_s (n + F_s / F_b)}$$

$$n = \frac{E_s}{E_m}$$

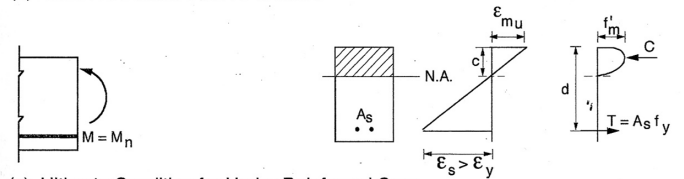
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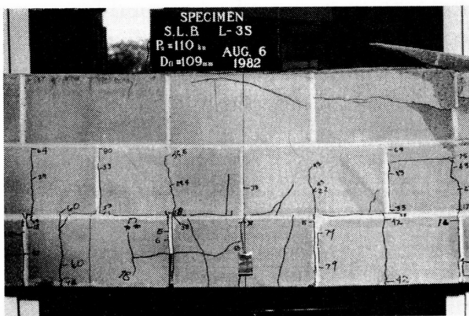


(b) Stresses Elastic, Section Cracked

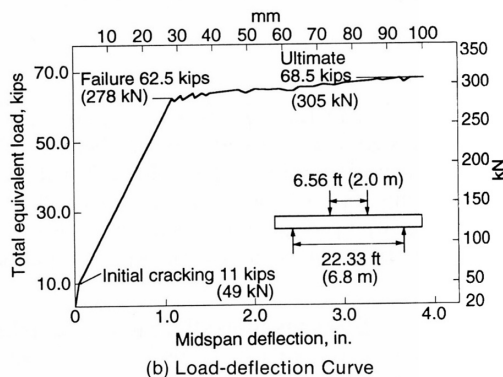


(c) Ultimate Condition for Under-Reinforced Case

Fundamental Assumptions – cracked + under reinforced

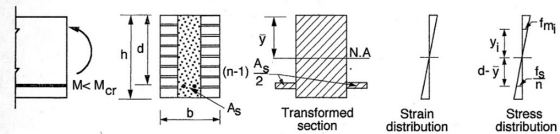


(a) Failure of Under-reinforced Beam
 (Courtesy of V.V. Neis)

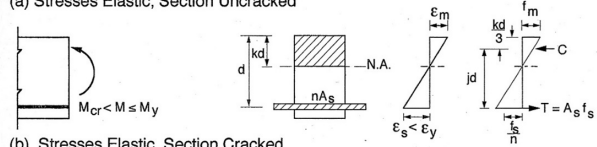


(b) Load-deflection Curve

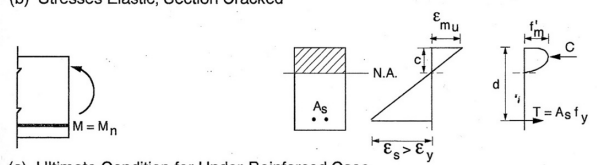
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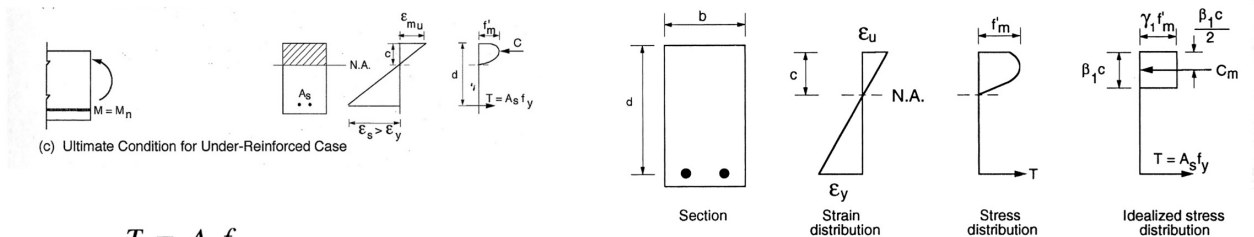


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Fundamental Assumptions – cracked + under reinforced



$$T = A_s f_y$$

$$C = \gamma_1 f'_m \beta_1 c b$$

$$c = \frac{A_s f_y}{\gamma_1 f'_m \beta_1 b}$$

$$M_n = T \left(d - \frac{\beta_1 c}{2} \right)$$

$$M_n = A_s f_y \left(d - \frac{A_s f_y}{2 \gamma_1 f'_m b} \right)$$

$$\omega = \rho \frac{f_y}{f'_m}$$

$$M_n = b d^2 f'_m \omega \left(1 - \frac{\omega}{2 \gamma_1} \right)$$

$$M_n = b d^2 f'_m \omega (1 - 0.59 \omega)$$

$$\rho_b = \beta_1 \gamma_1 (f'_m / f_y) \left(\frac{\epsilon_u}{\epsilon_u + \epsilon_y} \right)$$

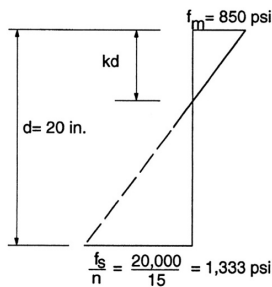
$$M_u \leq \Phi M_n$$

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Grouted Concrete Block – example ASD

Given:

- 3 blocks high
- 7 5/8 in. wide
- $A_s = 1 \times \#8 = 0.79 \text{ in}^2$
- $d = 20 \text{ in.}$
- modular ratio $n = 15$
- $F_b = 850 \text{ psi}$
- $F_s = 20 \text{ ksi}$



$$\rho = \frac{A_s}{b d} = \frac{0.79}{7.625 \times 20} = 0.0052$$

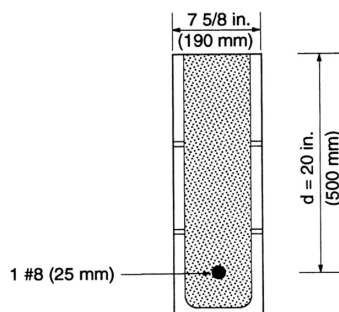
$$k = \sqrt{2 n \rho + (n \rho)^2} - n \rho$$

$$= 0.324$$

$$j = 1 - k/3 = 0.892$$

Find:

- allowable bending moment M



Compression:

$$M = C j d = \frac{1}{2} F_b k j b d^2$$

$$= \frac{850(0.324)(0.892)(7.625)(20)^2}{2(1000)(12)} = 31.1 \text{ ft-kip.}$$

Tension:

$$M = T j d = \rho F_s j b d^2$$

$$= \frac{0.0052(20000)(0.892)(7.625)(20)^2}{1000(12)} = 23.6 \text{ ft-kip}$$

tension controls

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$$k = \frac{kd}{d} = \frac{850}{850 + 1333} = 0.389$$

$$kd = 0.389(20) = 7.78 \text{ in. from the top}$$

$$j = 1 - k/3 = 0.87$$

$$C = \frac{1}{2} f_m k b d = \frac{1}{2} (850)(0.389)(7.625)(20)(10)^{-3}$$

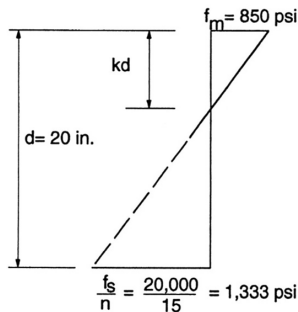
$$C = 25.21 \text{ kips}$$

$$C = T = A_s f_s$$

$$A_s = \frac{25,210}{20,000} = 1.26 \text{ in.}^2$$

Find:

- Find balanced condition and $A_{s\text{-bal}}$



$$\rho_b = \frac{n F_b}{2 F_s (n + F_s / F_b)} = \frac{15(850)}{2(20000)(15 + 20000/850)} = 0.0083$$

$$A_s = \rho_b b d = 0.0083(7.625)(20) = 1.26 \text{ in.}^2$$

$$\rho_{\max} = 0.5 \rho_b = 0.5(0.0083) = 0.00415 > 0.0052 \text{ NG!}$$

2-Wythe Brick Beam - example

Given:

- Grouted beam
- $L = 12 \text{ ft.}$
- $P @ \text{C.L.} = 10 \text{ kips}$
- selfweight $w_0 = 273 \text{ lb/ft}$
- $f'_m = 3000 \text{ psi}$
- $F_b = 0.33(f'_m) = 1000 \text{ psi}$
- $F_s = 20 \text{ ksi}$
- $d = 28 \text{ in.}$

$$M = \frac{Pl}{4} + \frac{w_0 l^2}{8}$$

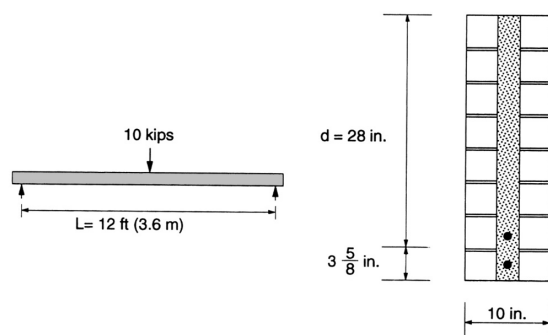
$$= \frac{10 \times 12}{4} + \frac{0.273 \times (12)^2}{8} = 30 + 4.9 = 34.9 \text{ ft-kips}$$

Find:

- Required reinforcement, A_s

$$M = Tj d = A_s f_s j d$$

$$A_s = \frac{M}{f_s j d} = \frac{34.9(12)(1000)}{20000(0.90)(28)} = 0.83 \text{ in.}^2$$



Try two No. 6 bars, giving $A_s = 0.88 \text{ in.}^2$
check the stresses.

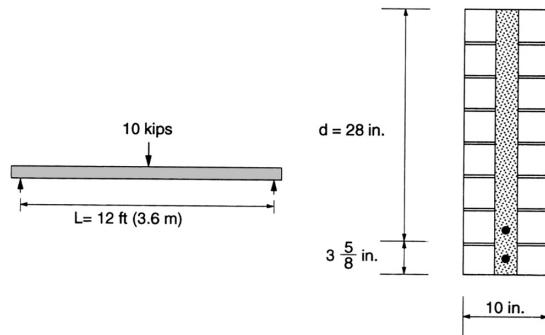
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$$\rho = \frac{A_s}{bd} = \frac{0.88}{10 \times 28} = 0.00314$$

$$n = \frac{E_s}{E_m} = \frac{29,000,000}{3000 \times 750} = 12.9$$

$$k = \sqrt{2n\rho + (n\rho)^2} - n\rho = 0.247$$

$$j = 1 - k/3 = 0.918$$

$$M = \frac{1}{2} f_m k j b d^2$$

$$f_m = \frac{2(34.9)(12)(1000)}{0.247(0.918)(10)(28)^2} = 471 \text{ psi}$$

$$f_m = 471 \text{ psi} < F_m = 1000$$

ok

$$\rho_{\min} = \frac{80}{f_y} = \frac{80}{40,000} = 0.0020$$

$$\rho > \rho_{\min}$$

use two No. 6 bars

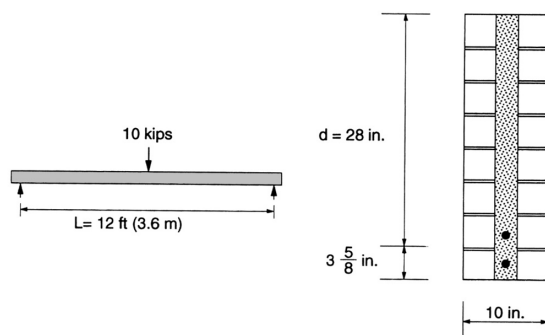
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$$\rho_b = (0.85)(0.85) \left(\frac{3}{40} \right) \left(\frac{0.003}{0.003 + \frac{40}{29,000}} \right) = 0.037$$

$$\rho_{\max} = 0.5 \rho_b = 0.5(0.037) = 0.0185$$

$$0.00314 < 0.0185 \text{ ok}$$

