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## **O DISTORZIJI POPREČNOG PRESJEKA VELIKIH TANKERA OPTEREĆENIH NA SAVIJANJE**

### **SAŽETAK**

U radu je razmatrana distorzija poprečnog presjeka velikih suvremenih brodova za prijevoz tekućeg tereta s jednom uzdužnom pregradom opterećenih na savijanje u vertikalnoj ravnini simetrije. Distorzija poprečnog presjeka razmatrana je u graničnom slučaju. Podrazumijeva se da su paneli broskog trupa — dno, paluba, bokovi i uzdužne pregrade — međusobno zglobno vezani duž uzdužnih rubova. Dodatna naprezanja i pomaci zbog distorzije analizirani su u odnosu na naprezanje i pomake koje daje elementarna teorija savijanja. Pretpostavka o „zglobnim poprečnim presjecima“ suprotna je pretpostavci o „apsolutno krutim poprečnim presjecima“. Obje pretpostavke granični su slučajevi stanja naprezanja i deformacije stvarnih konstrukcija, posebno u slučaju velikih brodova za prijevoz tekućeg tereta. Dana je usporedba s rezultatima analize s pomoću metode konačnih elemenata.

*Ključne riječi: distorzija, poprečni presjek, brodski trup, jedna uzdužna pregrada*

## **ON THE CROSS-SECTION DISTORTION OF LARGE TANKERS SUBJECTED TO BENDING**

### **SUMMARY**

The paper deals with distortion of hull cross-sections of large modern tankers with one longitudinal bulkhead subjected to bending in the vertical plane of symmetry. The cross-section distortion is considered in the limit case. It is assumed that hull panels — bottom, deck, sides and longitudinal bulkheads — are hinged along their longitudinal edges. The additional stresses and displacements due to distortion with respect to the stresses and displacements of the ordinary hull girder bending theory are analysed. The assumption of “hinged cross-sections” is opposite to the assumption of “rigid cross-sections”. Both are limiting cases of stresses and deformations of actual hull structures, particularly in the case of large tankers. A comparison with the results of the finite element analysis is provided.

*Key words: distortion, cross-section, ship hull, single longitudinal bulkhead*

### 1. Introduction

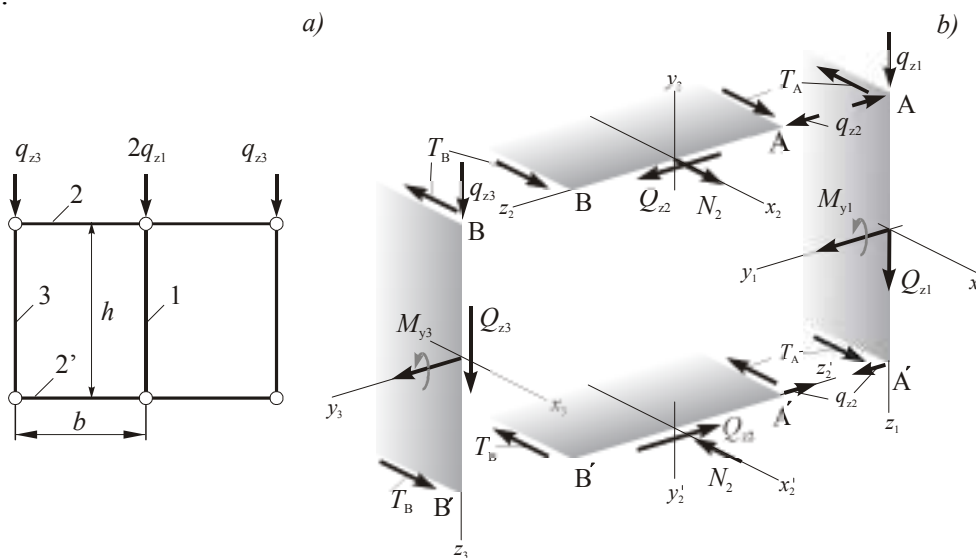
The assumption that the cross-section shape of thin-walled beams is maintained during beam bending depends on the transverse stiffening of the actual structure; in some cases on the load distribution in the transverse direction as well [1, 2, and 3]. In the limit, it may be assumed that the thin-walled beam panels are “hinged” along their longitudinal edges; if the panels are considered as plane stress elements, the compatibility of longitudinal displacement at hinged connections is assumed only [1]. The two different types of structural behaviour—with “rigid” cross-sections and “hinged” cross-section—may be considered as two limiting cases of stresses and deformations of the actual structure [1].

In the case of cross-sections of large tankers with double skin and one longitudinal bulkhead, the load distribution in the transverse direction can significantly be non-uniform [4,5,6]. In this work, the distortion effect on the stresses and displacements of such structures will be analysed, by assuming that the structure is assembled of thin plates hinged along their longitudinal edges.

### 2. Thin-walled beams subjected to bending with the cross-section distortion

#### 2.1. Beam components

It is assumed that a prismatic thin-walled beam, with two closed cells, is assembled of thin walls that are hinged along the longitudinal edges; the loads act in vertical walls only (Fig. 1a).



**Figure 1 a)** Cross-section with hinged walls; **b)** beam components  
**Slika 1 a)** presjek sa zglobno vezanim stijenama; **b)** komponente grede

The walls can be treated as simple thin-walled beams [6,7,8]; the beam components 1 and 3 subjected to bending with influence of shear and the beams 2 and 2' to tension and shear due to cross-section distortion (Fig. 1b).

For the beam components 1 and 3, one has

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dw_i}{dx} &= -\beta_i, & EI_{yi} \frac{d^2w_i}{dx^2} &= -M_{yi}, & EI_{yi} \frac{d^3w_i}{dx^3} &= -\frac{dM_{yi}}{dx} = -(Q_{zi} - m_{yi}), \\ EI_{yi} \frac{d^4w_i}{dx^4} &= -\frac{d^2M_{yi}}{dx^2} = -\frac{d}{dx}(Q_{zi} - m_{yi}) = q_{zi} + \frac{dm_{yi}}{dx}, \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

where  $w_i = w_i(x)$  is the displacement in the  $z_i$ -direction,  $\beta_i = \beta_i(x)$  is the angular

displacement with respect to the  $y_i$ -axis,  $I_{y_i}$  is the cross-section moment of inertia with respect to the  $y_i$ -axis,  $M_{y_i} = M_{y_i}(x)$  is the bending moment with respect to the  $y_i$ -axis,  $Q_{z_i} = Q_{z_i}(x)$  is the shearing force with respect to the  $z_i$ -axis,  $q_{z_i} = q_{z_i}(x)$  is the force per unit length in  $z_i$ -direction,  $m_{y_i} = m_{y_i}(x)$  is the moment per unit length,  $O_{i x_i y_i z_i}$  is the rectangular co-ordinate system, where the  $y_i, z_i$ -axes coincide with principal axes of the corresponding cross-sections.

The stresses may be expressed as follows

$$\sigma_{x_i} = \frac{M_{y_i}}{I_{y_i}} z_i, \quad \tau_{x z_i} = \frac{T_{x z_i}}{t_i}, \quad T_{x z_i} = \frac{(Q_{z_i} - m_{y_i})}{I_{y_i}} S_{y_i}^* + T_i, \quad (2)$$

where  $\sigma_{x_i} = \sigma_{x_i}(x, z)$  is the normal stress in the  $x_i$  direction,  $\tau_{x z_i} = \tau_{x z_i}(x, z)$  is the shear stress in the  $z_i$  direction,  $T_{x z_i} = T_{x z_i}(x, z)$  is the shear flow in the  $z_i$  direction,  $t_i$  is the wall thickness;

$$m_{y_1} = T_A h, \quad m_{y_3} = T_B h, \quad (3)$$

where  $T_A = T_A(x)$  and  $T_B = T_B(x)$  are the force per unit length along the longitudinal edges  $A$  and  $B$ , respectively, and  $h$  is the height of the cross-section

For the beam component 2, it may be written

$$EA_2 \frac{du_{2p}}{dx} = N_2, \quad EA_2 \frac{d^2 u_{2p}}{dx^2} = \frac{dN_2}{dx} = -q_{x_2}, \quad q_{x_2} = T_A + T_B, \quad (4)$$

where  $A_2$  is the cross-section area of the beam component 2,  $u_{2p} = u_{2p}(x)$  is the displacement of the cross-section in the  $x_2$ -direction as a plane section and  $N_2 = N_2(x)$  is the normal force;

$$Q_{z_2} = m_{y_2}, \quad \frac{dQ_{z_2}}{dx} = -q_{z_2} = \frac{dm_{y_2}}{dx}, \quad m_{y_2} = -(T_A - T_B) \frac{b}{2}; \quad (5)$$

$$u_2 = u_{2p} - [T_A - T_B - k(T_A + T_B)] \frac{b^2}{2GA_2} \left[ \frac{2G}{kE} \left( \frac{z_2}{b} \right)^2 + \frac{z_2}{b} - \frac{G}{6kE} \right], \quad (6)$$

where  $u_2 = u_2(x, z)$  is the displacement in the  $x_2$  direction. For  $w_1 = w_3$ :

$$u_2 = u_{2p}, \quad T_A - T_B = k(T_A + T_B), \quad k = \frac{2z_{20}}{b} = \frac{S_{yA}^* - S_{yB}^*}{S_{yA}^* + S_{yB}^*}, \quad (7)$$

$$S_{yA}^* = \frac{A_2 h}{4} (1 + k), \quad S_{yB}^* = \frac{A_2 h}{4} (1 - k),$$

where  $z_{20}$  is the coordinate of the shear flow zero point for the rigid cross-section,  $S_{yA}^*$  and  $S_{yB}^*$  are the statical moments of the cut-off portion of the rigid cross-section for the points  $A$  and  $B$ , respectively;

$$\sigma_{x_2} = E \varepsilon_x = \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial x} = \frac{N_2}{A_2} - \frac{Eb^2}{2GA_2} \left[ \frac{2G}{kE} \left( \frac{z_2}{b} \right)^2 + \frac{z_2}{b} - \frac{G}{6kE} \right] \frac{d}{dx} [T_A - T_B - k(T_A + T_B)],$$

$$\tau_{x z_2} = \frac{T_{x z_2}}{t_2}, \quad T_{x z_2} = -\frac{1}{2} (T_A - T_B) + (T_A + T_B) \frac{z_2}{b}, \quad (8)$$

where  $\sigma_{x_2} = \sigma_{x_2}(x, z)$  is the normal stress in the  $x_2$  direction,  $\tau_{x z_2} = \tau_{x z_2}(x, z)$  is the shear stress,  $T_{x z_2} = T_{x z_2}(x, z)$  is the shear flow,  $G$  is the shear modulus.

For the beam as an assembly of the beam components rigidly connected along the longitudinal edges, i.e. for the beam bending by elementary theory, the relation (1) may be used, where  $w_i = w$

## 2.2. Compatibility conditions

The compatibility conditions, along the edges  $A$  and  $B$ , according (1) and (6), can be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned} -\beta_1 \frac{h}{2} &= u_{2p} + \frac{b^2}{4GA_2} \left(1 - \frac{2G}{3kE}\right) [T_A - T_B - k(T_A + T_B)], \\ -\beta_3 \frac{h}{2} &= u_{2p} - \frac{b^2}{4GA_2} \left(1 + \frac{2G}{3kE}\right) [T_A - T_B - k(T_A + T_B)]. \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

Hence, referring to (1) and (4)

$$N_2 = - \left( \frac{M_{y1}}{I_{y1}} + \frac{M_{y3}}{I_{y3}} \right) \frac{A_2 h}{4} - \left( \frac{M_{y1}}{I_{y1}} - \frac{M_{y3}}{I_{y3}} \right) \frac{GA_2 h}{6kE}, \quad (10)$$

i.e.

$$\begin{aligned} T_A &= - \frac{EA_2 h}{8} (1+k) \frac{d^3}{dx^3} (w_1 + w_3) - \frac{GA_2 h}{12} \left(1 + \frac{1}{k}\right) \frac{d^3}{dx^3} (w_1 - w_3) + \frac{GA_2 h}{2b^2} \frac{d}{dx} (w_1 - w_3) \\ T_B &= - \frac{EA_2 h}{8} (1-k) \frac{d^3}{dx^3} (w_1 + w_3) + \frac{GA_2 h}{12} \left(1 - \frac{1}{k}\right) \frac{d^3}{dx^3} (w_1 - w_3) - \frac{GA_2 h}{2b^2} \frac{d}{dx} (w_1 - w_3). \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

## 2.3. Internal forces and displacements

By substituting (11) into the fourth equation of (1), taking onto account (3), the following differential equations can be written

$$\begin{aligned} EI_{yc} \frac{d^4 w_1}{dx^4} - \frac{EA_2 h^2}{8} (1+k) \left(1 - \frac{2G}{3kE}\right) \frac{d^4}{dx^4} (w_1 - w_3) - \frac{GA_2 h^2}{2b^2} \times \frac{d^2}{dx^2} (w_1 - w_3) &= q_{z1}, \\ EI_{ys} \frac{d^4 w_1}{dx^4} + \frac{EA_2 h^2}{8} (1-k) \left(1 + \frac{2G}{3kE}\right) \frac{d^4}{dx^4} (w_1 - w_3) + \frac{GA_2 h^2}{2b^2} \times \frac{d^2}{dx^2} (w_1 - w_3) &= q_{z3}, \\ I_{yc} = I_{y1} + (1+k) \frac{A_2 h^2}{4}, \quad I_{ys} = I_{y3} + (1-k) \frac{A_2 h^2}{4}. \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

By multiplying the first equation of (12) by  $I_{ys}/(I_{yc} + I_{ys})$  and the second by  $I_{yc}/(I_{yc} + I_{ys})$ , and subtracting the second equation from the first, the following equation may be written

$$EI_{y_{cs}} \frac{d^4 w_{1-3}}{dx^4} - k_\beta \frac{d^2 w_{1-3}}{dx^2} = q_{zcs}, \quad (13)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} w_{1-3} &= w_1 - w_3, \quad q_{zcs} = \frac{q_{z1} I_{ys} - q_{z3} I_{yc}}{I_{yc} + I_{ys}}, \quad k_\beta = \frac{GA_2}{2} \left(\frac{h}{b}\right)^2, \\ I_{y_{cs}} &= \frac{I_{yc} I_{ys}}{I_{yc} + I_{ys}} \left[ 1 - \frac{(1+k) \left(1 - \frac{2G}{3kE}\right) I_{ys} + (1-k) \left(1 + \frac{2G}{3kE}\right) I_{yc}}{I_{yc} I_{ys}} \cdot \frac{A_2 h^2}{8} \right]; \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dw_{1-3}}{dx} &= -\beta_{1-3}, \quad EI_{y_{cs}} \frac{d^2 w_{1-3}}{dx^2} = -M_{y_{cs}}, \quad EI_{y_{cs}} \frac{d^3 w_{1-3}}{dx^3} = -\frac{dM_{y_{cs}}}{dx} = -(Q_{z_{cs}} - m_{y_{cs}}), \\ EI_{y_{cs}} \frac{d^4 w_{1-3}}{dx^4} &= -\frac{d^2 M_{y_{cs}}}{dx^2} = -\frac{d}{dx}(Q_{z_{cs}} - m_{y_{cs}}) = q_{z_{cs}} + \frac{dm_{y_{cs}}}{dx}; \\ m_{y_{cs}} &= k_{\beta} \frac{dw_{1-3}}{dx} = -k_{\beta} \beta_{1-3}. \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

Referring to (1), one may write

$$\frac{M_{y1}}{I_{y1}} - \frac{M_{y3}}{I_{y3}} = \frac{M_{y_{cs}}}{I_{y_{cs}}}. \quad (16)$$

From the equilibrium, it follows

$$M_{y1} + M_{y3} - N_2 h = \frac{1}{2} M_y, \quad Q_{z1} + Q_{z3} = \frac{1}{2} Q_z. \quad (17)$$

By substituting (10), one obtains

$$\frac{M_{y1}}{I_{y1}} I'_{yc} + \frac{M_{y3}}{I_{y3}} I'_{ys} = \frac{1}{2} M_y, \quad (18)$$

where

$$I'_{yc} = I_{y1} + \frac{A_2 h^2}{4} \left(1 + \frac{2G}{3kE}\right), \quad I'_{ys} = I_{y3} + \frac{A_2 h^2}{4} \left(1 - \frac{2G}{3kE}\right), \quad I'_{yc} + I'_{ys} = \frac{1}{2} I_y. \quad (19)$$

From (16) and (18), one has

$$M_{y1} = \frac{M_y}{I_y} I_{y1} + 2 \frac{I'_{ys}}{I_{y_{cs}}} \times \frac{M_{y_{cs}}}{I_y} I_{y1}, \quad M_{y3} = \frac{M_y}{I_y} I_{y3} - 2 \frac{I'_{yc}}{I_{y_{cs}}} \times \frac{M_{y_{cs}}}{I_y} I_{y3}, \quad (20)$$

and, and according to (1) and (15),

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{z1} - m_{y1} &= \frac{Q_z}{I_y} I_{y1} + 2 \frac{I'_{ys}}{I_{y_{cs}}} \times \frac{Q_{z_{cs}} - m_{y_{cs}}}{I_y} I_{y1}, \\ Q_{z3} - m_{y3} &= \frac{Q_z}{I_y} I_{y3} - 2 \frac{I'_{yc}}{I_{y_{cs}}} \times \frac{Q_{z_{cs}} - m_{y_{cs}}}{I_y} I_{y3}. \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

Referring to (20), taking into account (1) and (15), it may be written

$$w_1 = w + \Delta w_1, \quad w_3 = w + \Delta w_3; \quad \beta_1 = \beta + \Delta \beta_1, \quad \beta_3 = \beta + \Delta \beta_3. \quad (22)$$

where

$$\Delta w_1 = 2 \frac{I'_{ys}}{I_y} w_{1-3}, \quad \Delta w_3 = -2 \frac{I'_{yc}}{I_y} w_{1-3}; \quad \Delta \beta_1 = 2 \frac{I'_{ys}}{I_y} \beta_{1-3}, \quad \Delta \beta_3 = -2 \frac{I'_{yc}}{I_y} \beta_{1-3}; \quad (23)$$

$$w = \frac{1}{2} (w_1 + w_3) + \frac{I'_{yc} - I'_{ys}}{I_y} w_{1-3}. \quad (24)$$

Thus, taking into account (1), (14) and (15),  $T_A$  and  $T_B$  given by (11) may be written as

$$T_A = \frac{Q_z}{I_y} S_{yA}^* - \frac{Q_{z_{cs}} - m_{y_{cs}}}{I_y} \times \frac{I'_{yc} - I'_{ys} - \frac{G}{3EK} I_y}{I_{y_{cs}}} S_{yA}^* - k_{\beta} \frac{\beta_{1-3}}{h},$$

$$T_B = \frac{Q_z}{I_y} S_{yB}^* - \frac{Q_{zcs} - m_{yCS}}{I_y} \times \frac{I'_{yc} - I'_{ys} - \frac{G}{3Ek} I_y}{I_{yCS}} S_{yB}^* + k_\beta \frac{\beta_{1-3}}{h}. \quad (25)$$

By substituting (25) into (21), referring to (2) and (12), (7) and (19), one may write

$$Q_{z1} = \frac{Q_z}{I_y} I_{yc} + Q_{zcs} - m_{yCS}, \quad Q_{z3} = \frac{Q_z}{I_y} I_{ys} - Q_{zcs} + m_{yCS}. \quad (26)$$

and according to (17)

$$Q_{zcs} - m_{yCS} = \frac{Q_{z1} I_{ys} - Q_{z3} I_{yc}}{I_{yc} + I_{ys}}, \quad (27)$$

where

$$2I_{yc} I_3 + \left( I'_{yc} - I'_{ys} - \frac{G}{3kE} I_y \right) S_{yB}^* = 2I_{ys} I_1 - \left( I'_{yc} - I'_{ys} - \frac{G}{3kE} I_y \right) S_{yA}^*,$$

#### 2.4. Stresses

The stresses for the beam component 1 and 3 may, finally, be obtained by substituting (20) and (21) into (2):

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{x1} &= \frac{M_{y1}}{I_y} z_1 + \Delta\sigma_{x1}, & T_{xs1} &= \frac{Q_z}{I_y} S_{y1}^* + \frac{Q_z}{I_y} S_{yA}^* + \Delta T_{xs1}, \\ \sigma_{x3} &= \frac{M_{y3}}{I_y} z_3 + \Delta\sigma_{x3}, & T_{xs3} &= \frac{Q_z}{I_y} S_{y3}^* + \frac{Q_z}{I_y} S_{yB}^* + \Delta T_{xs3}, \end{aligned} \quad (28)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta\sigma_{x1} &= \frac{2I'_{ys}}{I_{yCS}} \times \frac{M_{yCS}}{I_y} z_1, & \Delta\sigma_{x3} &= -\frac{2I'_{yc}}{I_{yCS}} \times \frac{M_{yCS}}{I_y} z_3, \\ \Delta T_{xs1} &= \frac{2I'_{ys}}{I_{yCS}} \times \frac{Q_{zcs} - m_{yCS}}{I_y} S_{y1}^* - \frac{Q_{zcs} - m_{yCS}}{I_y} \times \frac{I'_{yc} - I'_{ys} - \frac{G}{3kE} I_y}{I_{yCS}} S_{yA}^* + \frac{m_{yCS}}{h} \Big|_A^{A'}, \\ \Delta T_{xs3} &= -\frac{2I'_{yc}}{I_{yCS}} \times \frac{Q_{zcs} - m_{yCS}}{I_y} S_{y3}^* - \frac{Q_{zcs} - m_{yCS}}{I_y} \times \frac{I'_{yc} - I'_{ys} - \frac{G}{3kE} I_y}{I_{yCS}} S_{yB}^* - \frac{m_{yCS}}{h}. \end{aligned} \quad (29)$$

#### 2.5. Boundary conditions

The boundary conditions at the beam ends may be formulated as

$$w_1 = w_1^*, \quad w_3 = w_3^*; \quad \beta_1 = \beta_1^*, \quad \beta_3 = \beta_3^*. \quad (30)$$

Then, according to the first equation of (14)

$$w_{1-3} = w_1^* - w_3^*; \quad \beta_{1-3} = \beta_1^* - \beta_3^*; \quad (31)$$

and according to (24)

$$w = \frac{1}{2}(w_1^* + w_3^*) + \frac{I'_{yc} - I'_{ys}}{I_y}(w_1^* - w_3^*); \quad \beta = \frac{1}{2}(\beta_1^* + \beta_3^*) + \frac{I'_{yc} - I'_{ys}}{I_y}(\beta_1^* - \beta_3^*). \quad (32)$$

In terms of forces, the boundary conditions may be formulated as follows

$$Q_{z1} = Q_{z1}^*, \quad Q_{z3} = Q_{z3}^*; \quad M_{y1} = M_{y1}^*, \quad M_{y3} = M_{y3}^*. \quad (33)$$

Then, according to (27) and (16)

$$Q_{zcs} - m_{y_{cs}} = \frac{Q_{z1}^* I_{ys} - Q_{z3}^* I_{yc}}{I_{yc} + I_{ys}}; \quad M_{y_{cs}} = \left( \frac{M_{y1}^*}{I_{y1}} - \frac{M_{y3}^*}{I_{y3}} \right) I_{y_{cs}}; \quad (34)$$

and from (26) and (18),

$$Q_z = 2(Q_{z1}^* + Q_{z3}^*); \quad M_y = 2 \left( \frac{I'_{yc}}{I_{y1}} M_{y1}^* + \frac{I'_{ys}}{I_{y3}} M_{y3}^* \right). \quad (35)$$

### 3. Tanker hull subjected to bending with the cross-section distortion

The prismatic tanker hull with one longitudinal bulkhead within  $l = 0,7L$  is considered, where  $L$  is the hull length. The load  $q_z$  is uniformly distributed in the longitudinal direction, where:  $Q_z(0) = -Q_{zA}(l) = Q$ ,  $M_y(0) = M_y(l) = M$ ; in the transverse direction:  $q_{z1}/q_{z3} = 4$ . The model corresponds approximately to the double skin tanker with full cargo tanks within  $0,7L$ , in the still water condition. At the boundaries the cross-section distortion will be neglected:

$$w_{1-3}(0) = w_{1-3}(l) = 0, \quad \beta_{1-3}(0) = \beta_{1-3}(l) = 0. \quad (36)$$

The internal forces and displacement, given by (15), at  $x = 0$  read

$$Q_{zcs} = \frac{q_{zcs} l}{2} = \frac{q_z l}{2} \cdot \frac{q_{zcs}}{q_z} = Q_z \frac{q_{zcs}}{q_z},$$

$$M_{y_{cs}} = -\frac{q_{zcs} l^2}{12} \chi_2 = -\frac{q_z l^2}{12} \cdot \frac{q_{zcs}}{q_z} \chi_2 = M_y \frac{q_{zcs}}{q_z} \chi_2, \quad \chi_2 = \frac{3}{v^2} \left( \frac{v}{\text{th } v} - 1 \right); \quad (37)$$

and at  $x = l/2$

$$M_{y_{cs}} = \frac{q_{zcs} l^2}{24} \chi_1 = \frac{q_z l^2}{24} \cdot \frac{q_{zcs}}{q_z} \chi_1 = M_y \frac{q_{zcs}}{q_z} \chi_1, \quad \chi_1 = \frac{6}{v^2} \left( 1 - \frac{v}{\text{sh } v} \right), \quad (38)$$

where

$$v = \frac{g}{2} = \frac{l}{2} \sqrt{\frac{k_\beta}{EI_{y_{cs}}}}. \quad (39)$$

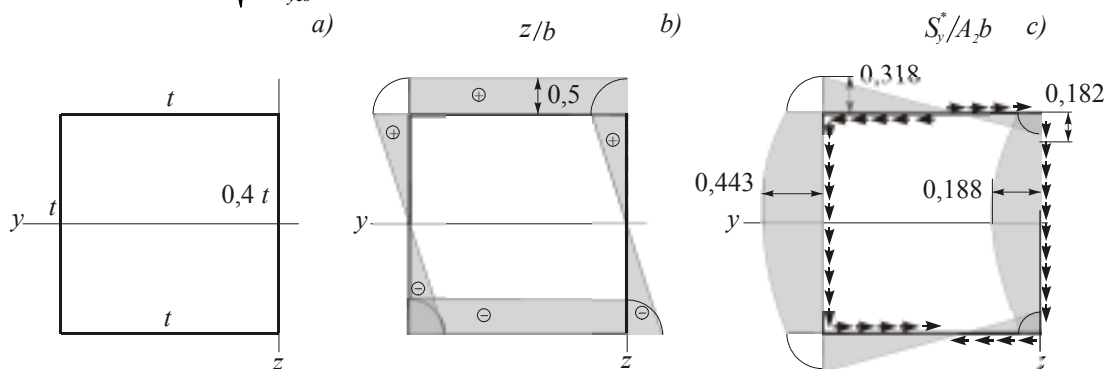


Figure 2 a) simplified section; b)  $z$ -coordinate; c) statical moment  $S_y^*$  (half of the section)

Slika 2 a) pojednostavnjeni presjek; b)  $z$ -koordinata; c) statički moment  $S_y^*$  (polovica presjeka)

The cross-section of a tanker:  $L = 270$  m,  $B = 48,2$  m,  $D = 23$  m,  $d = 16$  m, is simplified as shown in Fig. 2a; the properties are (Fig 2b,c):

$$l = 189 \text{ m}, \quad h = b = 22,5 \text{ m}, \quad I_y = 1,233 A_2 b^2, \quad S_{yA}^* = 0,182 A_2 b, \quad S_{yB}^* = 0,318 A_2 b,$$

$$k = -0,272, \quad I_{y1} = 0,0333A_2b^2, \quad I_{y3} = 0,0833A_2b^2, \quad I_{yc} = 0,2153A_2b^2,$$

$$I_{ys} = 0,4013A_2b^2, \quad I'_{yc} = 0,0476A_2b^2, \quad I'_{ys} = 0,5690A_2b^2, \quad I_{yCS} = 0,02189A_2b^2,$$

$$k_\beta = 0,5GA_2, \quad \frac{E}{G} = 2,6, \quad \frac{2I'_{yc}}{I_{yCS}} = 4,349, \quad \frac{2I'_{ys}}{I_{yCS}} = 51,99, \quad \frac{q_{zCS}}{q} = 0,2254.$$

The, additional stresses due to distortion, given by (29), then are, at  $x = 0$ , according to (37)

$$\Delta\sigma_{x1} = 51,99 \frac{M_{yCS}}{I_y} z_1 = 51,99 \frac{M_y}{I_y} z_1 \frac{q_{zCS}}{q_z} \chi_2,$$

$$\Delta\sigma_{x3} = -4,349 \frac{M_{yCS}}{I_y} z_3 = -4,349 \frac{M_y}{I_y} z_3 \frac{q_{zCS}}{q_z} \chi_2,$$

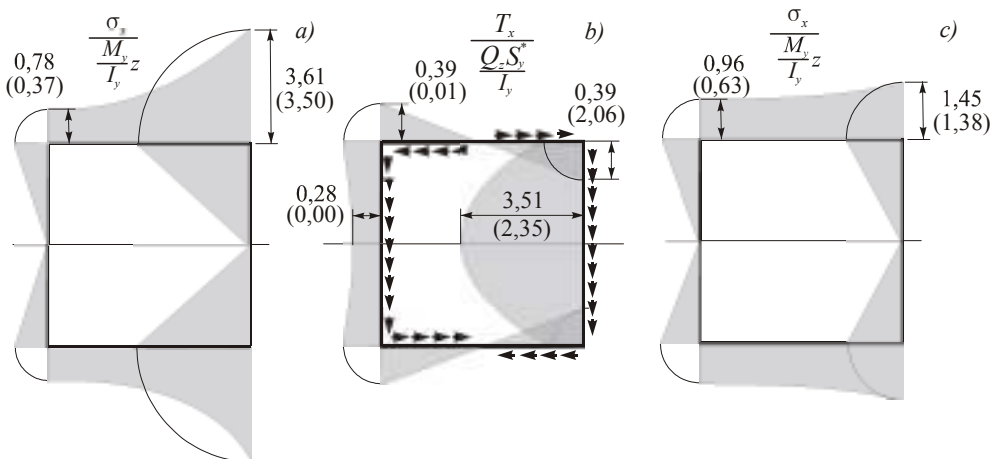
$$\Delta T_{xs1} = \frac{Q_{zCS}}{I_y} (51,99S_{y1}^* - 2,71S_{yA}^*) = \frac{Q_z}{I_y} (51,99S_{y1}^* - 2,71S_{yA}^*) \frac{q_{zCS}}{q_z},$$

$$\Delta T_{xs3} = \frac{Q_{zCS}}{I_y} (-4,349S_{y3}^* + 2,71S_{yB}^*) = \frac{Q_z}{I_y} (-4,349S_{y3}^* + 2,71S_{yB}^*) \frac{q_{zCS}}{q_z},$$

and at  $x = l/2$ , according to (38)

$$\Delta\sigma_{x1} = 51,99 \frac{M_{yCS}}{I_y} z_1 = 51,99 \frac{M_y}{I_y} z_1 \frac{q_{zCS}}{q_z} \chi_1,$$

$$\Delta\sigma_{x3} = -4,349 \frac{M_{yCS}}{I_y} z_3 = -4,349 \frac{M_y}{I_y} z_3 \frac{q_{zCS}}{q_z} \chi_1.$$



**Figure 3** a) normal stresses at  $x = 0$ ; b) shear flow at  $x = 0$ ; c) normal stresses at  $x = l/2$  ( half of the section; FEM in brackets, shear flow at  $x = 0,02l$ )

**Slika 3** a) normalno naprezanje na  $x = 0$ ; b) posmično naprezanje na  $x = 0$ ; c) normalno naprezanje na  $x = l/2$  (polovica presjeka; MKE u zagradama, tok posmičnih naprezanja na  $x = 0,02l$ )

For the argument  $\nu$  given by (40), one has  $\nu = 12,449$ , and by (38) and (39)  $\chi_1 = 0,0387$ ,  $\chi_2 = 0,222$ . Then, for  $x = 0$

$$\Delta\sigma_{x1} = 2,61 \frac{M_y}{I_y} z_1, \quad \Delta\sigma_{x3} = -0,78 \frac{M_y}{I_y} z_3,$$

$$\Delta T_{xs1} = \frac{Q_z}{I_y} (51,99S_{y1}^* - 2,71S_{yA}^*) 0,2254,$$



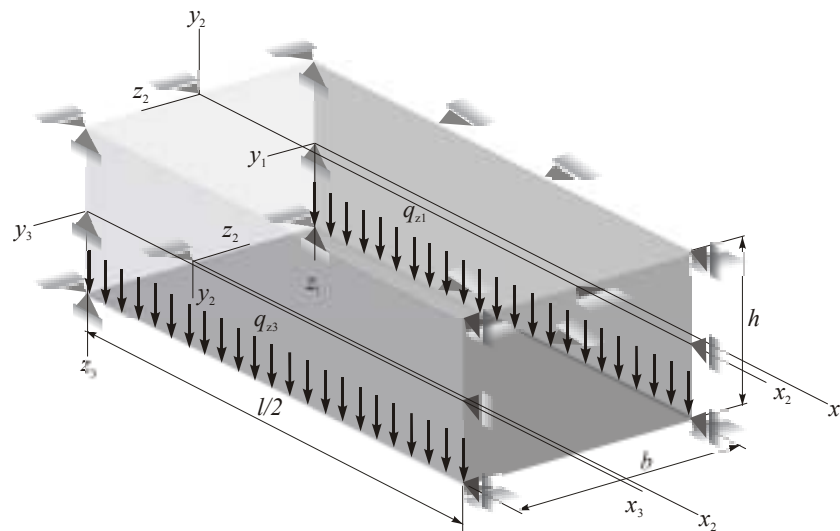
$$\Delta T_{x_3} = \frac{Q_z}{I_y} (-4,349 S_{y_3}^* - 2,71 S_{y_B}^*) 0,2254 ;$$

and for  $x = l/2$

$$\Delta \sigma_{x_1} = 0,454 \frac{M_y}{I_y} z_1, \quad \Delta \sigma_{x_3} = -0,038 \frac{M_y}{I_y} z_3 .$$

Stresses at  $x = 0$  (at the ends of the region  $0,7L$ ) and at  $x = l/2$  (amidships) are shown in Fig. 3.

The 3D membrane model of one-quarter of the hull is considered with 34020 rectangular elements and 34200 nodes (Fig. 4) [9]. At  $x = 0$ , the node displacements of the vertical walls are restricted in both directions, while the node displacements of the horizontal walls are restricted in the longitudinal direction only. At  $x = l/2$ , the node displacements are restricted in longitudinal direction only. At  $y = 0$  (in the plane of symmetry) the displacements of the horizontal walls are restricted in the transverse direction only. The results obtained by the finite element method are shown in Fig. 3 in brackets (the shear stresses are given for  $x = 0,02l$  since at  $x = 0$  these stresses are equal to zero due to boundary condition, as shown in Fig.4).



**Figure 4** Finite element model (one quarter of the hull)  
**Slika 4** Model s konačnim elementima (četvrtina trupa)

The shear stresses are almost equal to zero for the side walls (ship sides) due to the loading condition ( $q_{z1}/q_{z3} = 4$ ).

The differences between the results for the shear stresses are significant due to the assumed approximate solution for the displacement field for the beam flanges (ship deck/bottom plating), given by (2), as well as due to the boundary conditions for the clamped ends, which are not identical for the finite element model and the analytical solution of the problem (Fig. 4).

For the given boundary conditions, as is expected, the maximum stresses due to the cross-section distortion occur at the clamped ends (at  $x = 0$  and  $x = l = 0,7L$ ).

#### 4. Conclusion

The additional stresses due to the cross-section distortion of the tanker hull with one longitudinal bulkhead are compared to the stresses of the ordinary bending theory, where the cross-section distortion is ignored. It is assumed that the hull panels are hinged along their longitudinal edges.

The comparison with the finite element method has shown acceptable agreements of the obtained results.

Although the stiffness of the transverse frames and bulkheads is ignored, the model with hinged walls can be useful to further, more realistic, considerations, with the actual hull cross-section stiffening.

The real stiffness of the hull cross-section can be easily included in the consideration. The torsional stiffness of the plating together with bending stiffness of the framing and the shear stiffness of the transverse bulkheads should be taken into account.

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