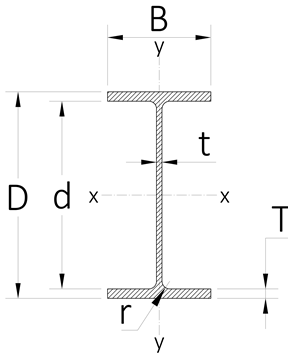




**Universal beam with fixed supports and two equi-spaced point loads**

**Dimensions and properties of structural steel EN 1993-1-1 Universal Beam:**



Sizes based on British Steel  
Section 203 x 102 x 23 UB  
BS EN 10365:2017

Depth of UB section:	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"><math>D := 203.2 \text{ mm}</math></span>
Width of UB section:	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"><math>B := 101.8 \text{ mm}</math></span>
Flange thickness:	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"><math>T := 9.3 \text{ mm}</math></span>
Web thickness:	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"><math>t := 5.4 \text{ mm}</math></span>
Root radius:	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"><math>r := 7.6 \text{ mm}</math></span>
Depth between flanges:	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"><math>d := 184.6 \text{ mm}</math></span>
Mass of section per metre:	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"><math>mass := 23.1 \text{ kg m}^{-1}</math></span>
Density of steel:	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"><math>\rho := 7850 \text{ kg m}^{-3}</math></span>
Poisson's ratio in elastic range:	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"><math>\nu := 0.30</math></span>
Young's modulus of elasticity:	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"><math>E := 210 \text{ GPa}</math></span>
Ultimate tensile strength of hot rolled steel:	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"><math>UTS := 400 \text{ MPa}</math></span>
Yield strength of hot rolled steel:	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"><math>\sigma_y := 250 \text{ MPa}</math></span>

**Calculations for beam loading with two supports and point load**

Length of beam:	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"><math>L := 2.0 \text{ m}</math></span>
Distance to first support along beam:	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"><math>L_A := 0.0 \text{ m}</math></span>
Distance to second support along beam:	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"><math>L_B := 2.0 \text{ m}</math></span>
Point loads and distance along beam:	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"><math>F := \begin{bmatrix} 10.7 \text{ kN} &amp; 1.0 \text{ kN} \\ 0.5 \text{ m} &amp; 1.5 \text{ m} \end{bmatrix}</math></span>
Factor of Safety for bending stress:	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"><math>FOS := 5</math></span>
Distance from support "A" for deflection investigation:	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"><math>x := 0.5 \text{ m}</math></span>
Total weight of the beam:	$W := mass \cdot L \cdot g_e = 0.4531 \text{ kN}$
Cross sectional area of UB section:	$A := \left[ (2 \cdot r)^2 - \left( \frac{\pi \cdot (2 \cdot r)^2}{4} \right) \right] + 2 \cdot (B \cdot T) + (d \cdot t) = 2939.9 \text{ mm}^2$
Second moment of area on x-x axis:	$I_{xx} := \left[ \frac{t \cdot d^3}{12} \right] + \left[ \frac{B}{12} \right] \cdot (D^3 - d^3) = 2064.18 \text{ cm}^4$
Maximum allowable bending stress:	$\sigma_a := \frac{\sigma_y}{FOS} = 50 \text{ MPa}$

**Stress loading on supports**

Point load F1 on beam:

$$F1 = 10.7 \text{ kN}$$

Point load F2 on beam:

$$F2 = 1 \text{ kN}$$

Maximum point loads on beam:

$$F_{max} := F1 + F2 = 11.7 \text{ kN}$$

Distances of point loads from support "A" and "B":

$$a_A = 0.5 \text{ m} \quad a_B = 0.5 \text{ m}$$

Left support reaction force:

$$R1 := \left( -\frac{L_B - a_A}{L_B - L_A} \right) \cdot F_{max} = -8.775 \text{ kN}$$

Right support reaction force:

$$R2 := -R1 - F_{max} = -2.925 \text{ kN}$$

Total reaction forces on beam:

$$R1 + R2 = -11.7 \text{ kN}$$

Distance to point load from neutral axis:

$$y := \frac{D}{2} = 101.6 \text{ mm}$$

Normal stress on the beam:

$$\sigma := \frac{F_{max}}{A} = 3.9797 \text{ MPa}$$

Bending moment at "F1" point load:

$$M_1 := F1 \cdot a_A = 5.35 \text{ kN m}$$

Bending moment at "F2" point load:

$$M_2 := F2 \cdot a_B = 0.5 \text{ kN m}$$

Maximum bending moment of beam at F1 point load:

$$M_{max} := F_{max} \cdot a_A = 5.85 \text{ kN m}$$

Bending stress at "F1" point load:

$$\sigma_1 := \frac{y \cdot F1 \cdot a_A}{I_{xx}} = 26.3329 \text{ MPa}$$

Bending stress at "F2" point load:

$$\sigma_2 := \frac{y \cdot F2 \cdot a_B}{I_{xx}} = 2.461 \text{ MPa}$$

Maximum bending stress on the beam:

$$\sigma_b := \frac{y \cdot F_{max} \cdot a_A}{I_{xx}} = 28.794 \text{ MPa}$$

Strain on the beam:

$$\varepsilon := \frac{\sigma_b}{E} = 0.000137$$

Maximum deflection of beam:

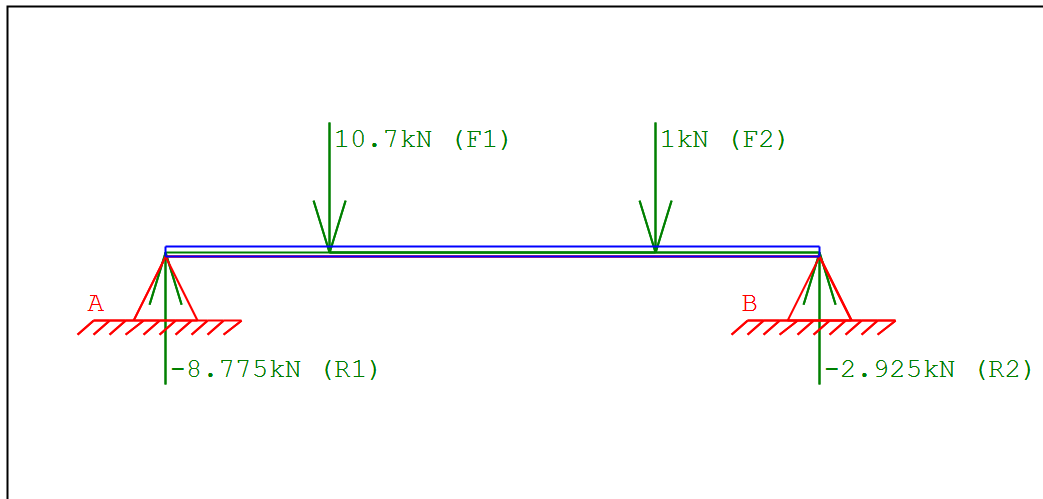
$$\delta_{max} = 0.67477 \text{ mm}$$

Maximum extension of beam:

$$\Delta L := \varepsilon \cdot L = 0.2742 \text{ mm}$$



Diagram showing longitudinal section of beam



UB supported at both ends  
2 equi-spaced loads  
applied to beam

result = "Beam unlikely to be permanently deformed"

**Additional properties of steel beam not included in calculations above**

Second moment of area on y-y axis:

$$I_{yy} := \frac{t^3 \cdot d}{12} + 2 \cdot \left( \frac{B^3 \cdot T}{12} \right) = 163.76 \text{ cm}^4$$

Radius of gyration on x-x axis:

$$i_{xx} := \left( \frac{I_{xx}}{A} \right)^{0.5} = 8.3793 \text{ cm}$$

Radius of gyration on y-y axis:

$$i_{yy} := \left( \frac{I_{yy}}{A} \right)^{0.5} = 2.3602 \text{ cm}$$

Section modulus on x-x axis:

$$Z_{xx} := \frac{2 \cdot I_{xx}}{(d + 2 \cdot T)} = 203.1676 \text{ cm}^3$$

Section modulus on y-y axis:

$$Z_{yy} := \frac{2 \cdot I_{yy}}{B} = 32.1736 \text{ cm}^3$$

Shear modulus:

$$G := \frac{E}{(2 \cdot (1 + \nu))} = 80769.2308 \text{ MPa}$$

Breaking stress at the extreme fibre in tension:

$$\sigma_{max} := \frac{M_{max}}{Z_{xx}} = 28.794 \text{ MPa}$$

Proof stress, length of plastic deformation  
of beam before it is permanently deformed:

$$\sigma_p := L \cdot 0.2 \% = 4 \text{ mm}$$