

BWS
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Alternative L_r expression

$$X_1 = \frac{\pi}{S_x} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{E \cdot G \cdot J \cdot A}{2}} \quad \text{AISC F1-8}$$

$$X_2 = 4 \cdot \frac{C_w}{I_y} \cdot \left(\frac{S_x}{G \cdot J}\right)^2 \quad \text{AISC F1-9}$$

L_r is the length at which $M_r = S_x(F_y - F_r) = S_x F_L = M_{cr}$ (note $C_b = 1.0$ always for L_r)

$$L_r = \frac{r_y \cdot X_1}{F_L} \cdot \sqrt{1 + \sqrt{1 + X_2 \cdot F_L^2}} \quad \text{AISC F1-6}$$

X_1 and X_2 are clumsy, the direct expression for L_r (found by substitution)

$$L_r = \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{2} \cdot S_x \cdot F_L} \cdot \sqrt{E \cdot I_y \cdot G \cdot J} \cdot \sqrt{1 + \sqrt{1 + 4 \cdot \frac{C_w \cdot (S_x \cdot F_L)^2}{I_y \cdot (G \cdot J)^2}}}$$

A numerical check on the derived formula for L_r (units are kips and in.):

$$E := 29000 \cdot \text{ksi}$$

$$C_w := 32500 \cdot \text{in}^6$$

$$I_y := 184 \cdot \text{in}^4$$

$$S_x := 345 \cdot \text{in}^3$$

$$G := \frac{E}{2 \cdot (1 + 0.3)}$$

$$F_L := 40 \cdot \text{ksi}$$

$$J := 11.2 \cdot \text{in}^4$$

$$A := 37.8 \cdot \text{in}^2$$

$$r_y := \sqrt{\frac{I_y}{A}} \quad X_1 := \frac{\pi}{S_x} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{E \cdot G \cdot J \cdot A}{2}} \quad X_2 := 4 \cdot \frac{C_w}{I_y} \cdot \left(\frac{S_x}{G \cdot J}\right)^2$$

$$r_y = 0.056 \cdot \text{m} \quad X_1 = 1.643 \cdot 10^{10} \cdot \text{kg} \cdot \text{m} \quad X_2 = 0 \cdot \text{kg}^{-2} \cdot \text{m}^2 \cdot \text{s}^4$$

$$L_r := \frac{r_y \cdot X_1}{F_L} \cdot \sqrt{1 + \sqrt{1 + X_2 \cdot F_L^2}} \quad L_r = 266.181 \cdot \text{in}$$

$$L_r := \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{2} \cdot S_x \cdot F_L} \cdot \sqrt{E \cdot I_y \cdot G \cdot J} \cdot \sqrt{1 + \sqrt{1 + 4 \cdot \frac{C_w \cdot (S_x \cdot F_L)^2}{I_y \cdot (G \cdot J)^2}}} \quad L_r = 266.181 \cdot \text{in}$$