# F – V interaction of girders with trapezoidally corrugated webs



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# Introduction

- Previous research activities
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    - Development of analytical design method
- Problem statement and research aims (F-V interaction)
- Literature overview
- Numerical modelling and structural behaviour
- Development of an F-V interaction curve
- Summary of the research work and possible further subjects

# Previous research activities



# Research aim

#### 1. Design method of Kähönen

$$R_{d} = (R_{d1} + R_{d2} + R_{d3}) \cdot k_{o} \cdot \frac{k_{r}}{\gamma_{M}}$$

$$R_{d1} = k_{w} \cdot \sigma_{yw} \cdot t_{wep} \cdot a$$

$$R_{d2} = 2 \cdot t_{f} \cdot \sqrt{k_{w} \cdot \sigma_{yw} \cdot k_{f} \cdot \sigma_{yf} \cdot t_{wep} \cdot b_{f}}$$

$$R_{d3} = -0.07 \cdot \sigma_{f} \cdot b_{f} \cdot t_{f}$$

- Developed for building structures.
- Does not follow the steps of the EC3 stability analysis (design methods with reduction factors).
- Possible interactions are considered in the design method.
   k<sub>o</sub>; k<sub>w</sub>; k<sub>r</sub>; R<sub>d3</sub>

2. Enhanced design method

Based on design method of Kähönen+ numerical calculations + own experiments

 $\overline{\lambda}_{p} = \sqrt{\frac{f_{yw}}{\sigma_{cr}}} \quad \sigma_{cr} = \frac{k_{\sigma} \cdot \pi^{2}}{12 \cdot (1 - \upsilon^{2})} \cdot E \cdot \left(\frac{t_{w}}{a_{i}}\right)^{2} \qquad \qquad \text{Pure patch loading resistance without interactions.}$   $R = R_{w} + R_{f} = \rho \cdot ss \cdot t_{w} \cdot f_{yw} \cdot k_{\alpha} + 2 \cdot \sqrt{4 \cdot M_{plf}} \cdot \rho \cdot t_{w} \cdot f_{yw}$ Research aim: Development of interaction equations.  $(F+V); \quad F+M)$ 

## Problem statement

In the practice during launching of a bridge structure large shear (V) and transverse force (F) can be introduced at the same cross section .



Interaction should be considered in the design.

- 1. There are no recommendations in the EN1993-1-5 for the F-V interaction (neither for flat web nor for corrugated web girders).
- 2. In the literature only a limited numer of investigations are available dealing with this topic, especially for corrugated web girders.



## Research strategy

- Literature overview and experimental background
- Numerical model development
- Analysis of the structural behaviour
- Numerical parametric study
- Developement of the F-V interaction curve

#### Literature overview



Basis of the separation is that the shear stresses due to "pure transverse force" are already included in the patch loading resistance model and a reduction of the load carrying capacity is caused only by the additional shear stresses coming from "pure shear force".





# Numerical modelling



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- 1. Reduced model.
  - 2. By defining the parameter x, many shear force distributions can be analysed.



# Structural behaviour



# Analysis of the interaction





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Evaluation of the numerical calculations (without the separation methodology)

Effect of the web ratio:  $h_w/t_w$ 



Effect of the corrugation angle:





Effect of the loading length: ss/h<sub>w</sub>



# Interaction of shear and transverse forces



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# Summary

- 1. Literature overview
- 2. Numerical model development
- 3. Analysis of the structural behaviour
- 4. Numerical parametric study
- 5. Parameters which have influence on the structural behaviour
- 6. Development of interaction curve

# Further research subject

Interaction of bending and patch loading (F+M).

Thank you for your attention!