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**Part 3: Mechanical response**

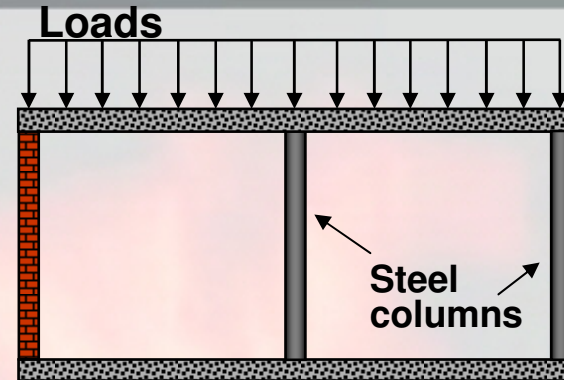
# Resistance to fire - Chain of events



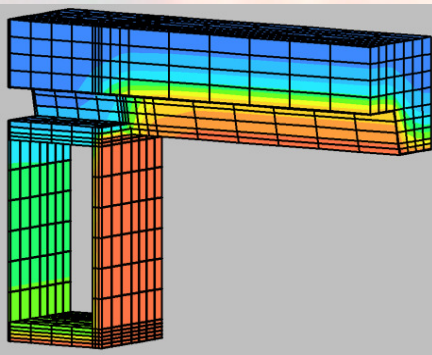
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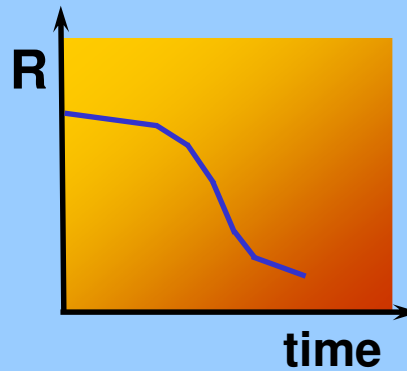
2: Thermal action



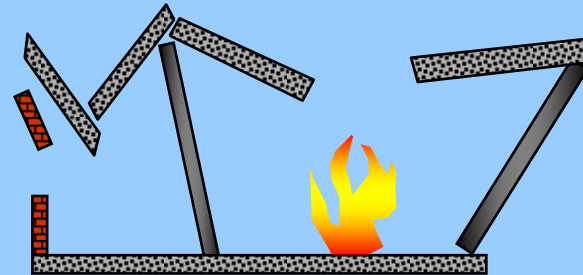
3: Mechanical actions



4: Thermal response



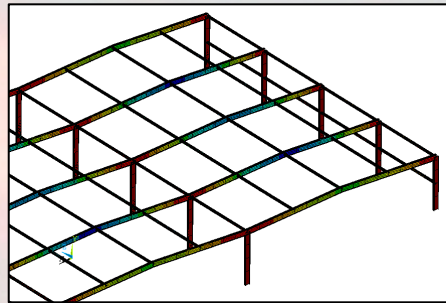
5: Mechanical response



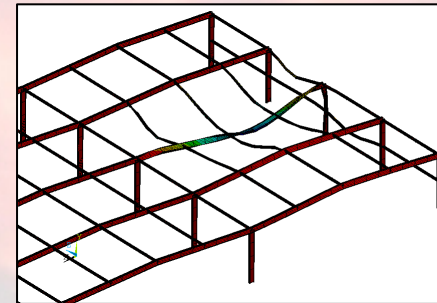
6: Possible collapse

# How structures react to fire

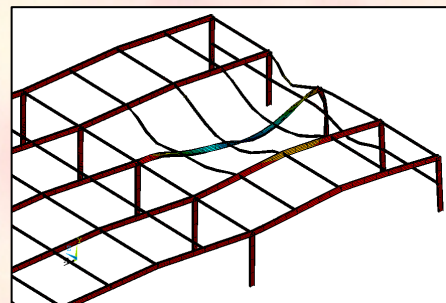
- Temperature rise → thermal expansion + loss of both stiffness and resistance → additional deformation ⇒ **eventual collapse**



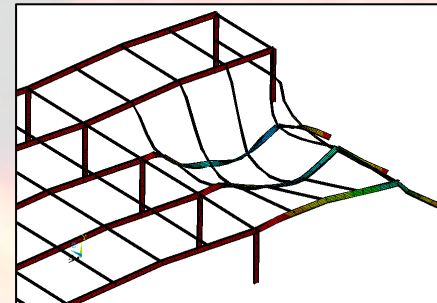
t = 0    $\theta = 20^\circ\text{C}$



16 min    $\theta = 620^\circ\text{C}$



22 min    $\theta = 720^\circ\text{C}$



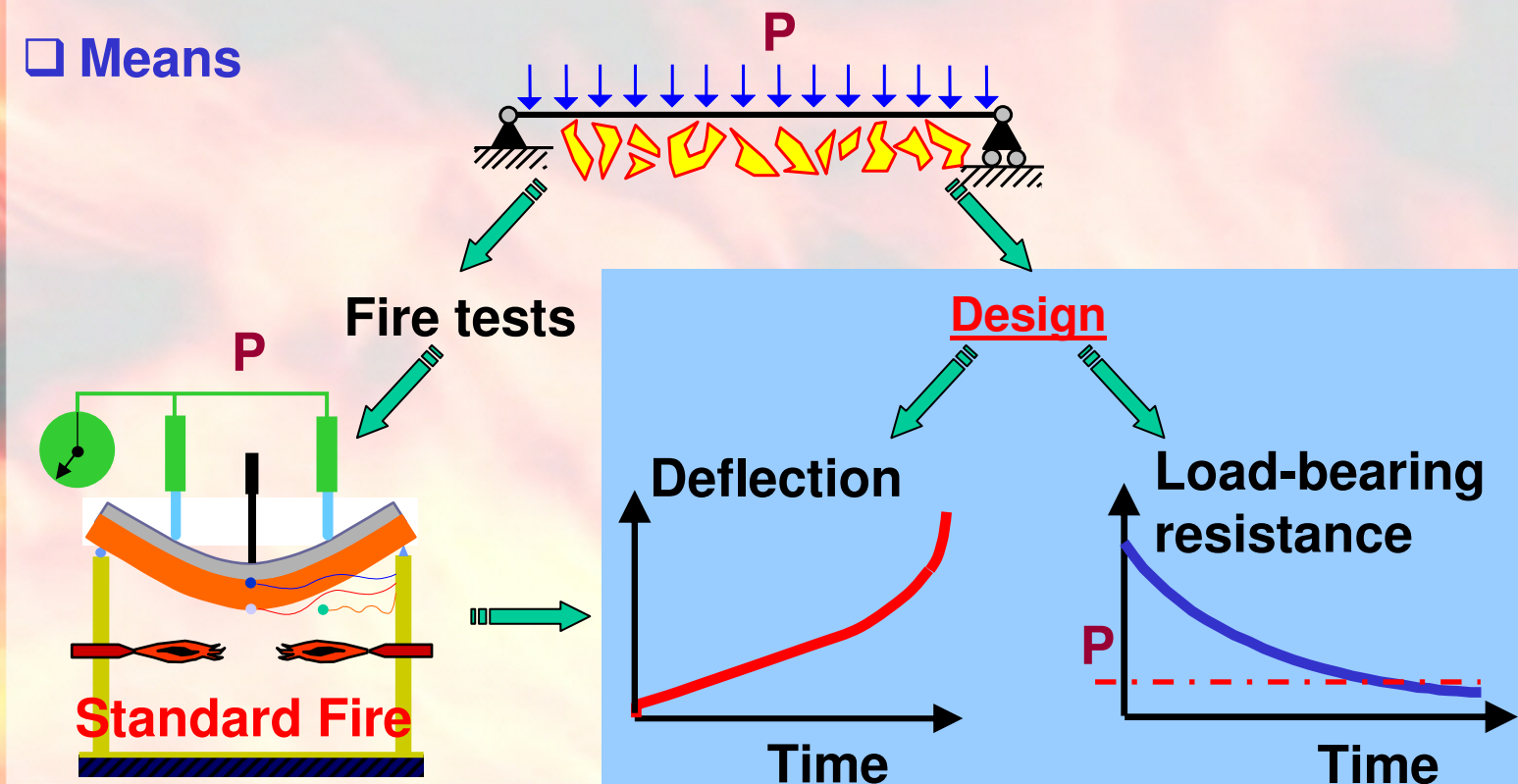
31 min    $\theta = 850^\circ\text{C}$

# Assessment of mechanical response of structures in fire

## □ Purpose

- to describe **structural behaviour** under any type of fire condition

## □ Means



# Basic features related to assessment of mechanical response of steel structures in fire

- ❑ Mechanical loadings under fire situation
  - **specific load combination**
- ❑ Mechanical properties of relevant materials at elevated temperatures
  - **stiffness and resistance varying with temperatures**
- ❑ Assessment methods for structural analysis in fire
  - **different approaches**
  - **application domain**
- ❑ Specific consideration in fire design of steel and composite structures
  - **connections, joints, etc**

## Mechanical loading – combination according to Eurocode (EN1990 and EN1991-1-2)

$$\sum_{j \geq 1} G_{k,j} + (\Psi_{1,1} \text{ or } \Psi_{2,1}) Q_{k,1} + \sum_{i \geq 2} \Psi_{2,i} Q_{k,i}$$

$G_{k,j}$  : characteristic values of permanent actions

$Q_{k,1}$  : characteristic leading variable action

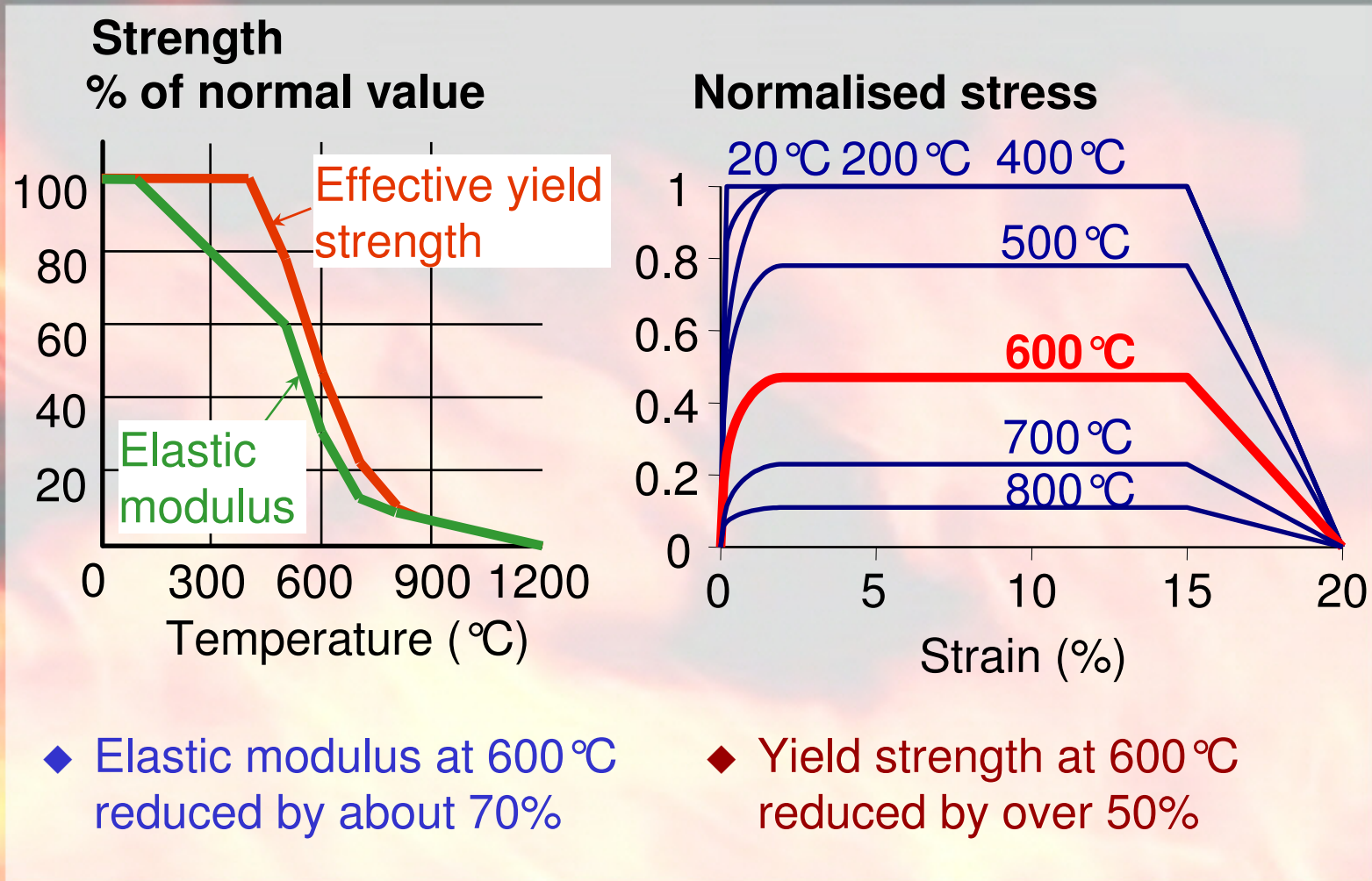
$Q_{k,i}$  : characteristic values of accompanying variable actions

$\Psi_{1,1}$  : factor for frequent value of a leading variable action

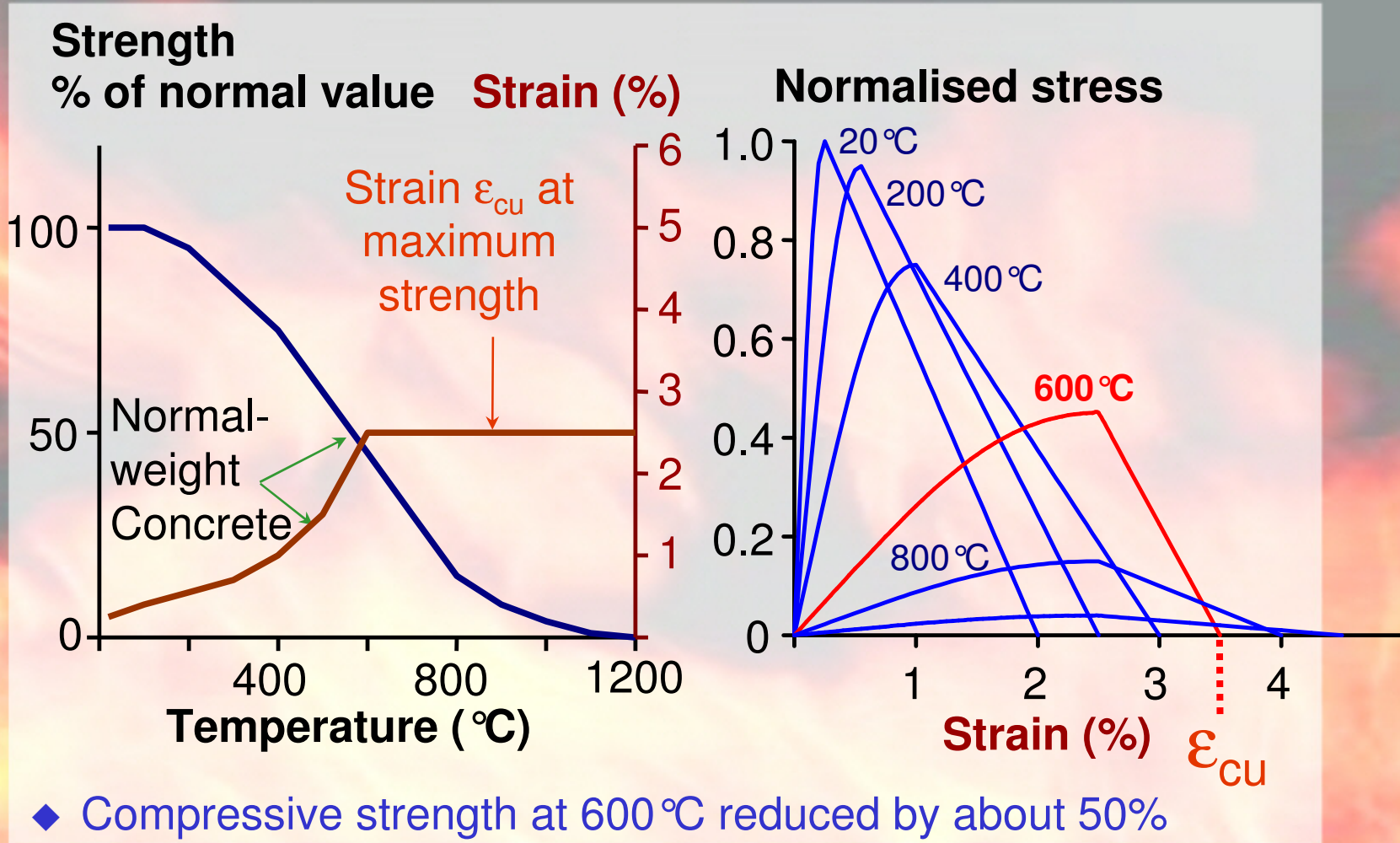
$\Psi_{2,i}$  : factor for quasi-permanent values of accompanying variable actions

→ Load level:  $\eta_{fi,t}$  (see presentation of WP1)

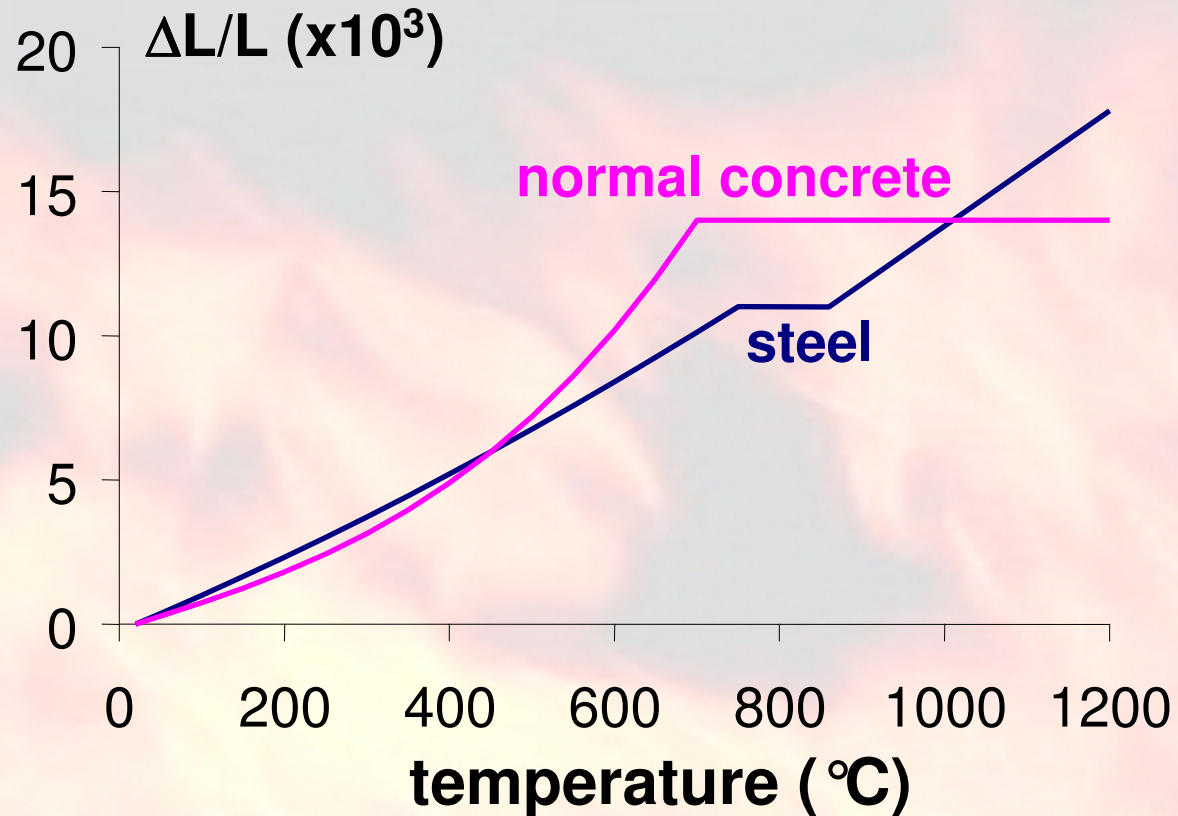
# Mechanical properties of structural steel at elevated temperatures (prEN1993-1-2)



# Mechanical properties of concrete at elevated temperatures (prEN1994-1-2)



# Thermal expansion of steel and concrete (prEN1993-1-2 and prEN1994-1-2)



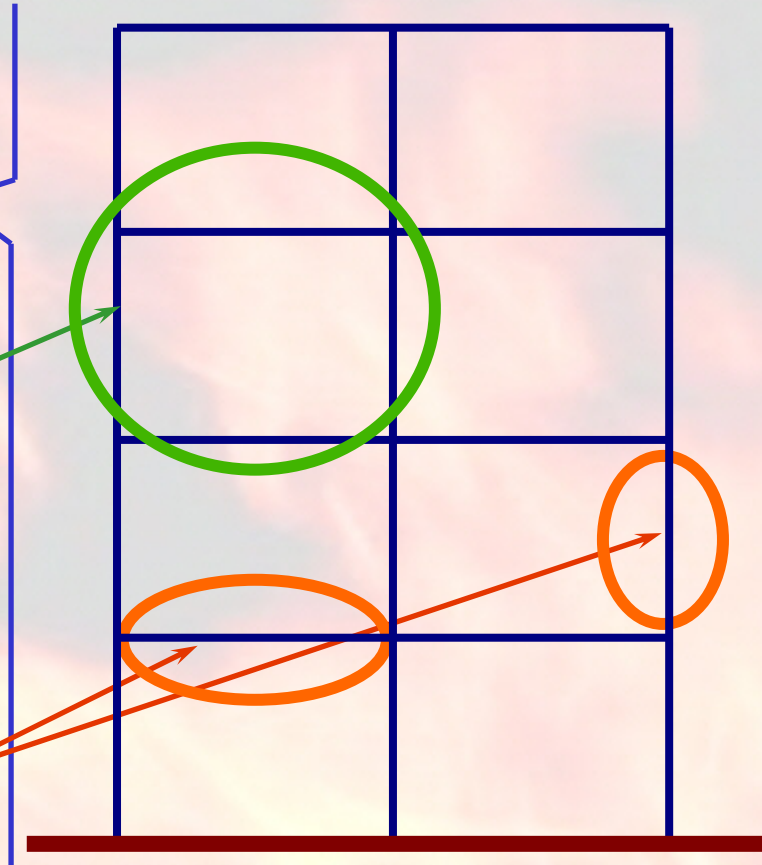
# Different design approaches for mechanical response of structure in fire

□ Three different approaches according to Eurocodes

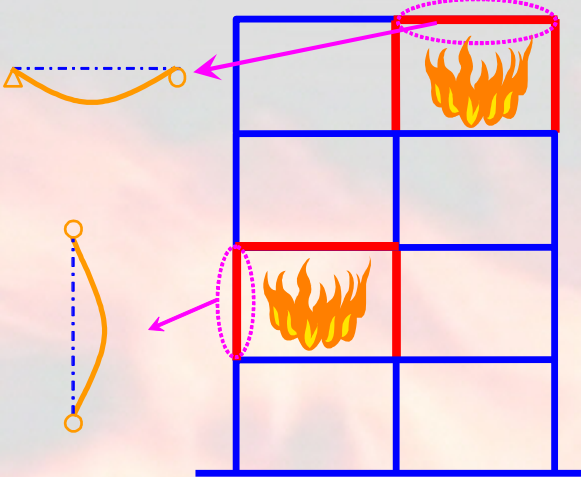
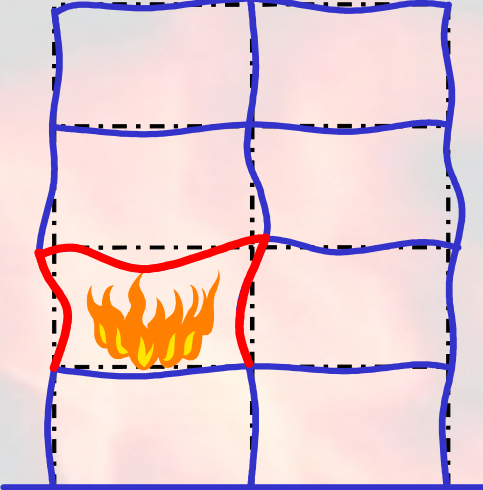
global structural analysis

analysis of parts of the structure

member analysis (mainly when verifying standard fire resistance requirements)



# Different design approaches for mechanical response of structure in fire

Member analysis	Global structural analysis
	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ independent structural element analysis</li><li>➤ simple to apply</li><li>➤ generally for nominal fire condition</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ interaction effects between different parts of the structure</li><li>➤ role of compartment</li><li>➤ global stability</li></ul>

# Three types of design methods for assessing mechanical response of structures in fire

- ❑ **Tabulated data**
  - composite structural members
- ❑ **Simple calculation models**
  - critical temperature
  - steel and composite structural members

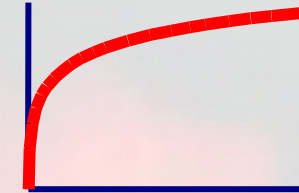
*Classic and traditional application*

- ❑ **Advanced calculation models**
  - all types of structures
  - numerical models based on:
    - finite element method
    - finite difference method

**Advanced and specific fire design**

# Application domain of different design methods under fire situation

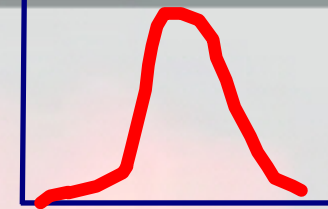
Thermal action defined with nominal fires



Type of analysis	Tabulated data	Simple calculation models	Advanced calculation models
Member analysis	Yes <u>ISO-834</u> standard fire	Yes	Yes
Analysis of a part of the structure	Not applicable	Yes (if available)	Yes
Global structural analysis	Not applicable	Not applicable	Yes

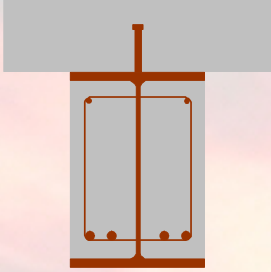
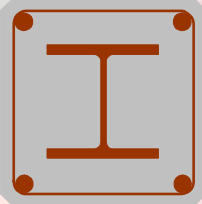
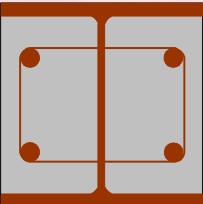
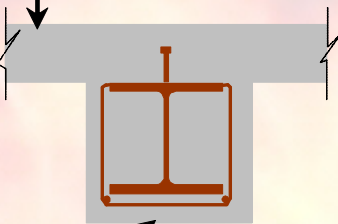
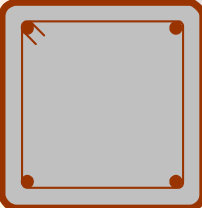
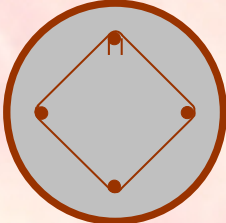
# Application domain of different design methods under fire situation

Thermal action defined with natural fires

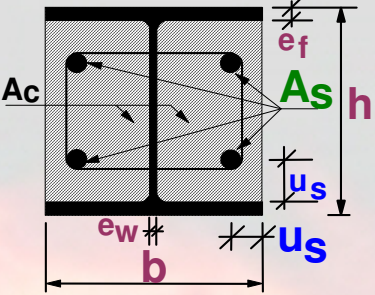


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Analysis of a part of the structure	Not applicable	Not applicable	Yes
Global structural analysis	Not applicable	Not applicable	Yes

# Tabulated data (steel and concrete composite members)

Composite beams	Composite columns	
		
<p>Slab</p>  <p>Concrete for insulation</p>		

# Tabulated data and relevant parameters (composite columns – prEN1994-1-2)



		Standard Fire Resistance			
		R30	R60	R90	R120
Minimum ratio of web to flange thickness $e_w/e_f$		0,5			
<b>1</b>	<b>Minimum cross-sectional dimensions for load level</b>	$\eta_{fi,t} \leq 0,28$			
1.1	minimum dimensions h and b [mm]	160	200	300	400
1.2	minimum axis distance of reinforcing bars $u_s$ [mm]	-	50	50	70
1.3	minimum ratio of reinforcement $A_s/(A_c+A_s)$ in %	-	4	3	4
<b>2</b>	<b>Minimum cross-sectional dimensions for load level</b>	$\eta_{fi,t} \leq 0,47$			
2.1	minimum dimensions h and b [mm]	160	300	400	-
2.2	minimum axis distance of reinforcing bars $u_s$ [mm]	-	50	70	-
2.3	minimum ratio of reinforcement $A_s/(A_c+A_s)$ in %	-	4	4	-
<b>3</b>	<b>Minimum cross-sectional dimensions for load level</b>	$\eta_{fi,t} \leq 0,66$			
3.1	minimum dimensions h and b [mm]	160	400	-	-
3.2	minimum axis distance of reinforcing bars $u_s$ [mm]	40	70	-	-
3.3	minimum ratio of reinforcement $A_s/(A_c+A_s)$ in %	1	4	-	-

Standard fire rating

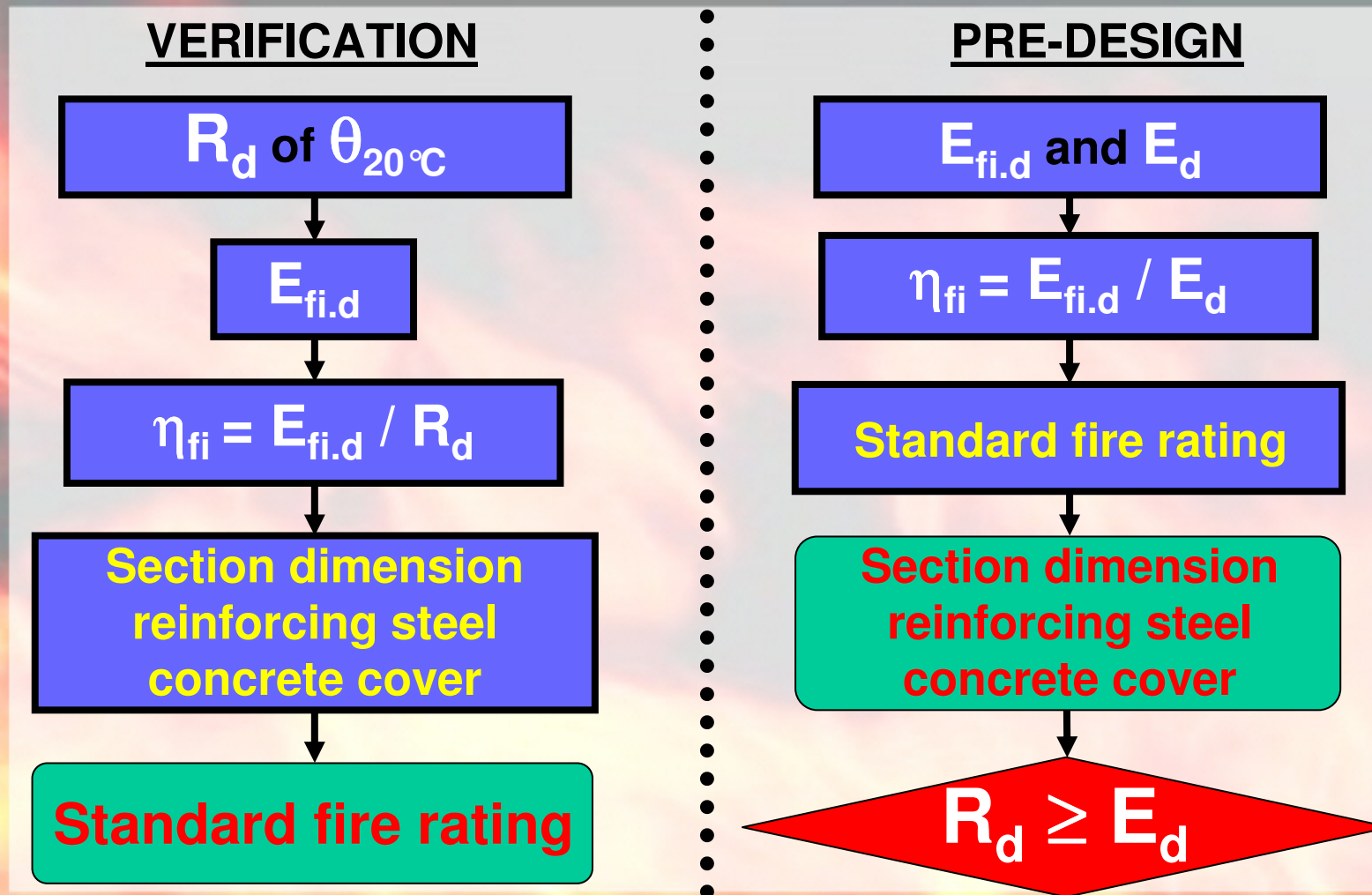
Load level

Section dimension


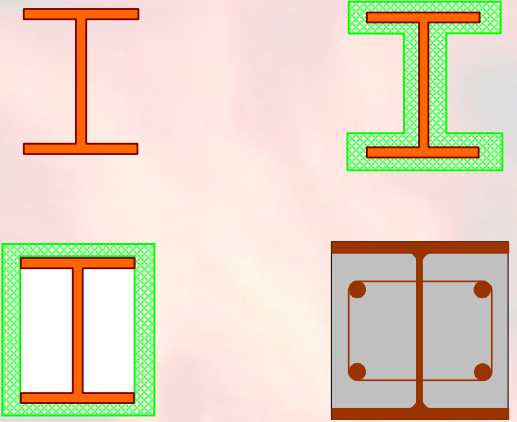
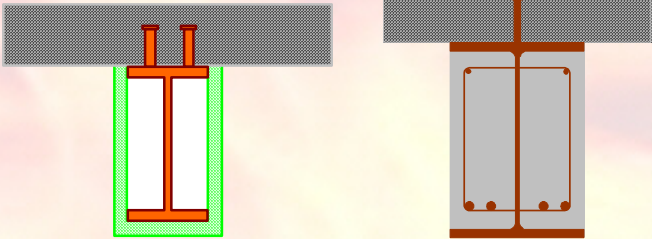

Reinforcing steel

Concrete cover

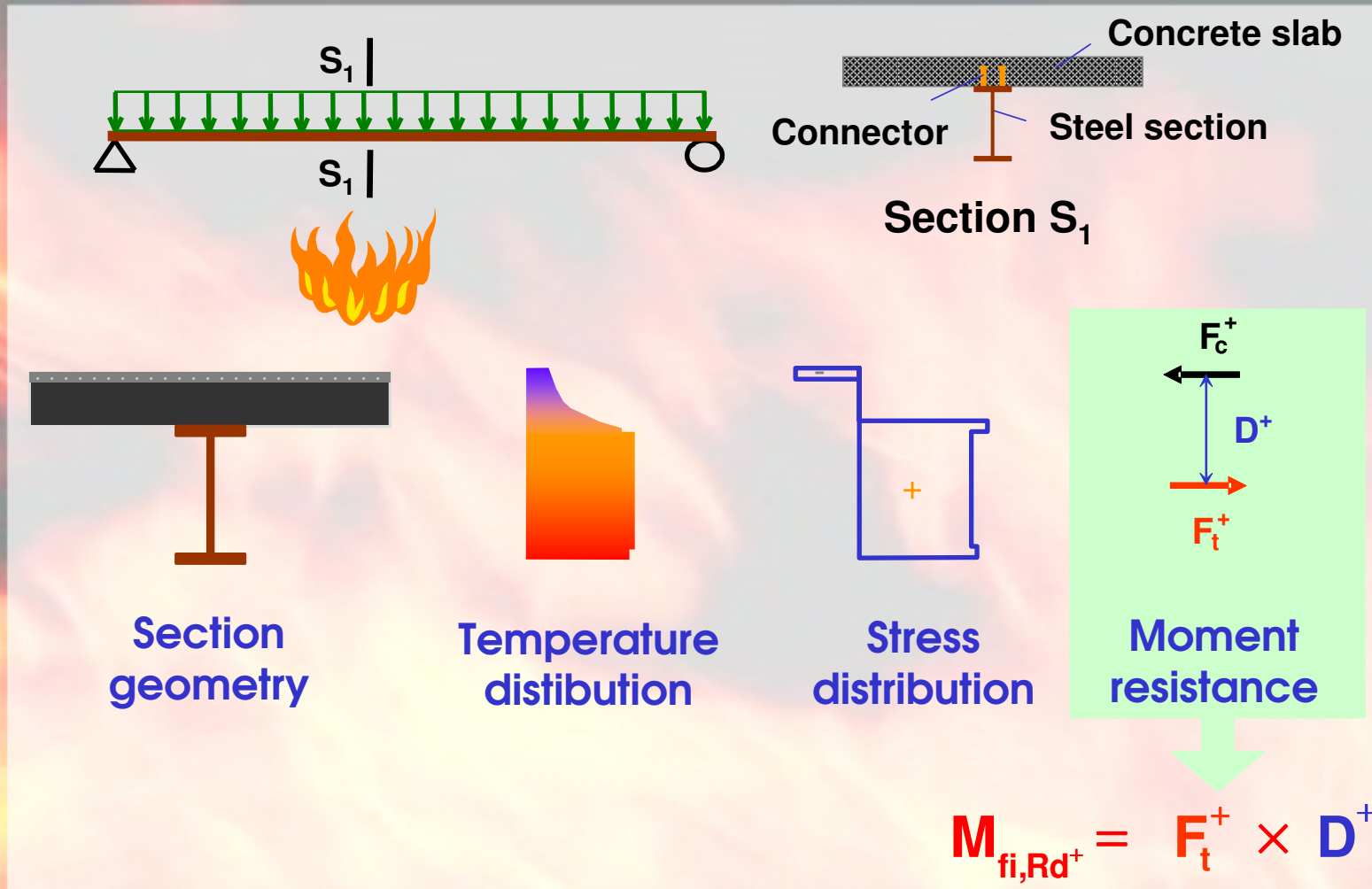
# How to apply tabulated data in fire design (two different situations)



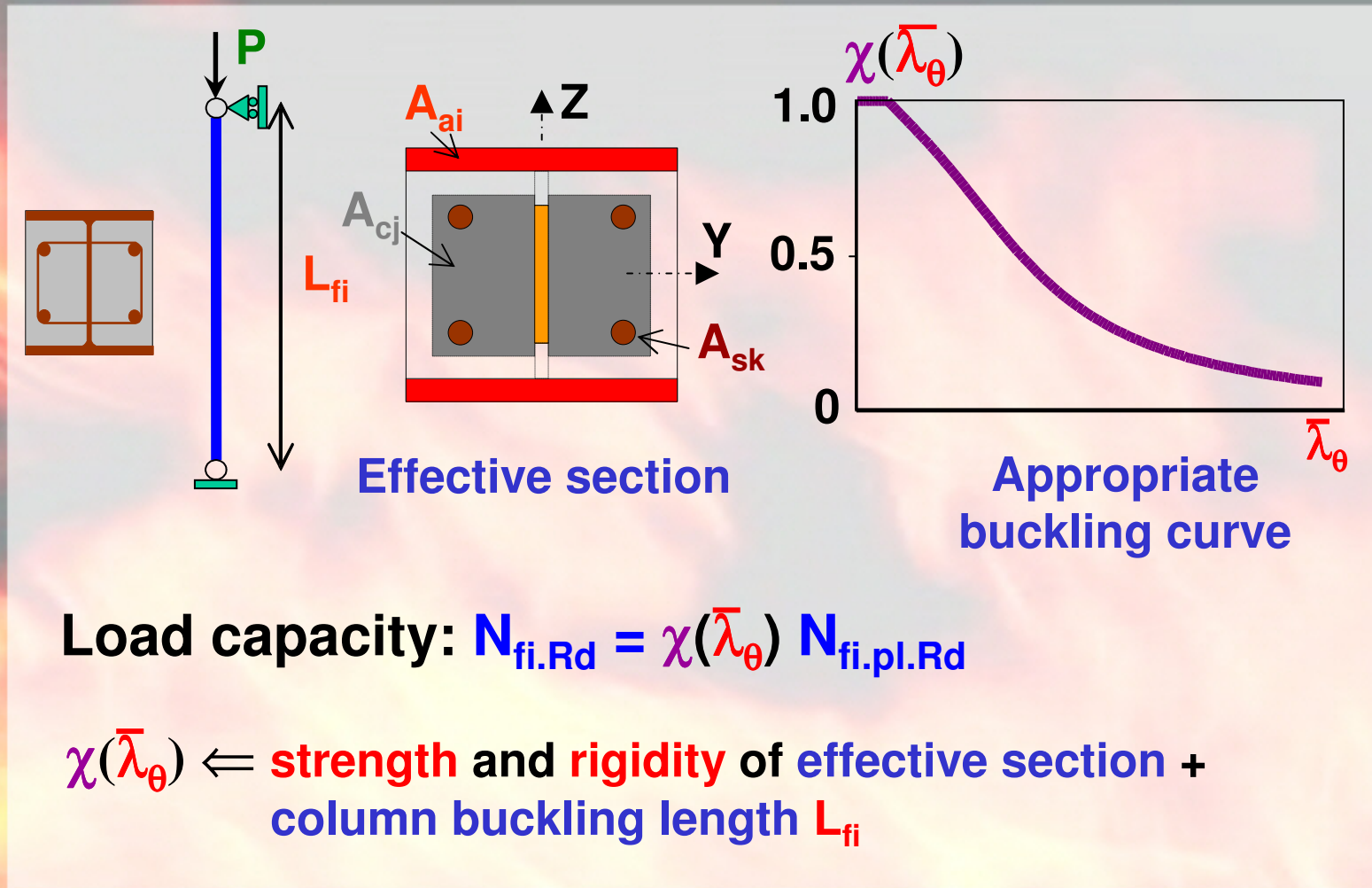
# Simple calculation model (steel and composite members)

Beams (steel or composite)	Columns
 <p>Diagrams showing two types of beams: a steel beam (orange I-section) and a composite beam (orange I-section with a grey concrete slab on top). The composite beam is shown in two views: a side view and a cross-section view where the concrete slab is highlighted in green.</p>	 <p>Diagrams showing two types of columns: a steel column (orange I-section) and a composite column (orange I-section with a grey concrete slab on top). The composite column is shown in two views: a side view and a cross-section view where the concrete slab is highlighted in green.</p>
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# Simple calculation model (composite beam) - plastic resistance theory



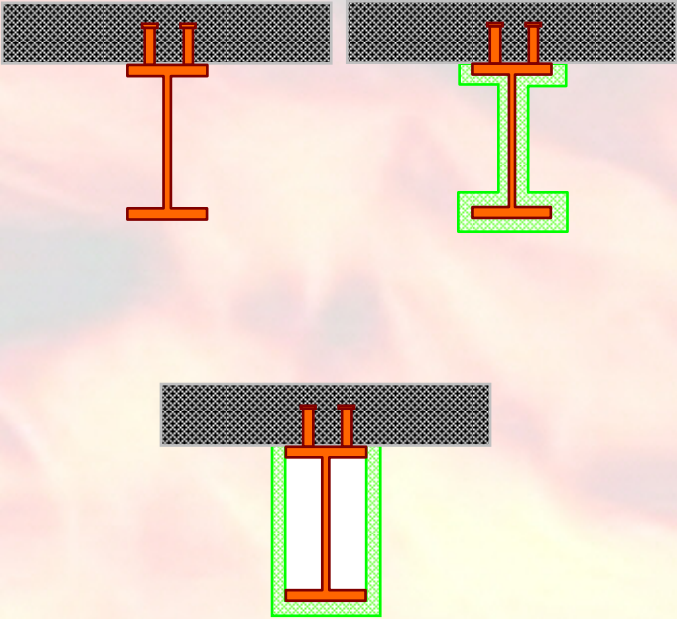
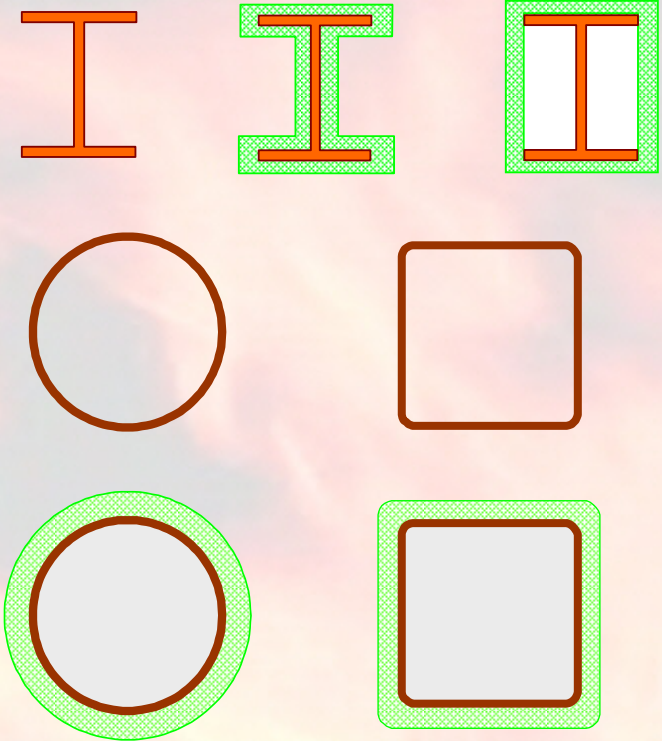
# Simple calculation model (composite column) - buckling curve



**Load capacity:**  $N_{fi.Rd} = \chi(\bar{\lambda}_\theta) N_{fi.pl.Rd}$

$\chi(\bar{\lambda}_\theta) \leftarrow$  **strength** and **rigidity** of effective section +  
column buckling length  $L_{fi}$

# Critical temperature method (only steel members and certain composite beams)

Beams (steel and composite)	Columns
 <p>The diagram shows three beam cross-sections. The top row features two horizontal grey hatched sections representing concrete slabs. The first slab is supported by a steel I-section (orange outline). The second slab is supported by a composite I-section (orange outline with a green hatched core). The bottom row shows a single horizontal grey hatched section supported by a composite I-section (orange outline with a green hatched core).</p>	 <p>The diagram shows six column cross-sections arranged in a 3x2 grid. The top row shows three I-sections: a steel I-section (orange outline), a composite I-section (orange outline with a green hatched core), and a square composite section (orange outline with a green hatched core). The middle row shows a circular steel section (orange outline) and a square steel section (orange outline). The bottom row shows a circular composite section (orange outline with a green hatched core) and a square composite section (orange outline with a green hatched core).</p>

## Critical temperature method

- According to simple calculation models, for **uniformly heated steel members**:  $R_{fi,d,t} = k_{y,\theta} R_{fi,d,0}$

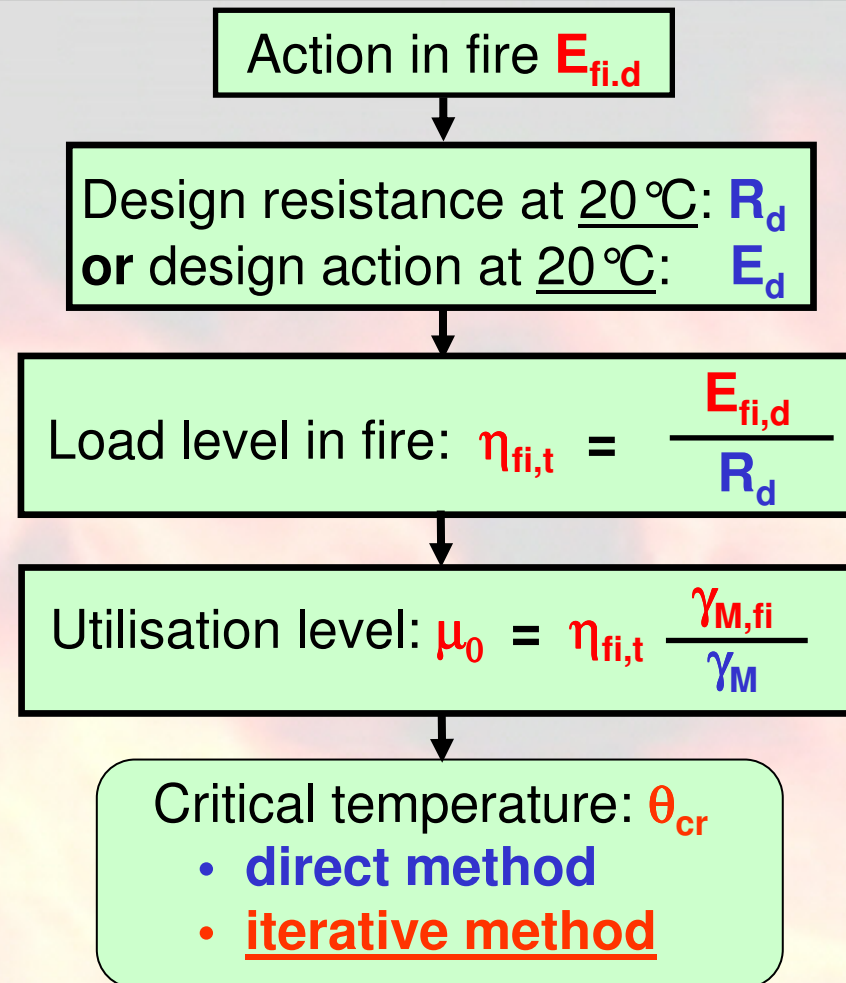
- On the other hand, fire resistance should satisfy:

$$R_{fi,d,t} \geq E_{fi,d} = \frac{E_{fi,d}}{R_{fi,d,0}} R_{fi,d,0} = \mu_0 R_{fi,d,0} \quad \Rightarrow \quad k_{y,\theta} \geq \mu_0$$

- In particular, when  $k_{y,\theta} = \mu_0$  the corresponding temperature is defined as critical temperature  $\theta_{cr}$
- In EN1993-1-2, a simple formula is given to determine critical temperature  $\theta_{cr}$

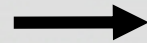
$$\theta_{cr} = 39.19 \ln \left[ \frac{1}{0.9674 \mu_0^{3.833}} - 1 \right] + 482$$

# How to apply critical temperature method



# Why direct and iterative critical temperature method (case of steel column)

- Short column without instability



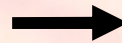
$$N_{b,fi,t,Rd} = A k_{y,\theta_{max}} f_y \frac{1}{\gamma_{M,fi}}$$



Strength reduction factor  $k_{y,\theta_{max}}$  at  $\theta_{a,max}$



- Column with **risk of buckling**



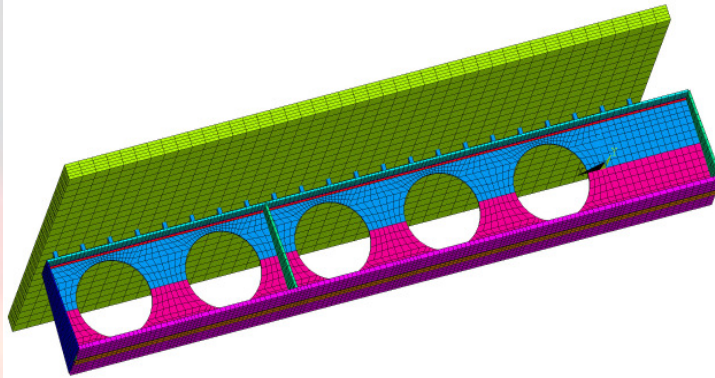
$$N_{b,fi,t,Rd} = \chi(\lambda_\theta) A k_{y,\theta_{max}} f_y \frac{1}{\gamma_{M,fi}}$$



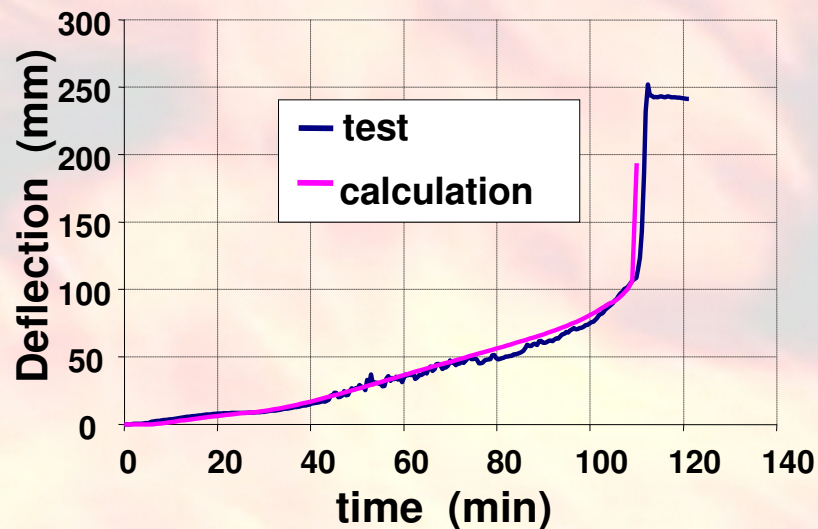
Reduction factor of buckling  $\chi(\lambda_\theta)$  depends on:

- strength
  - **stiffness**
- As a consequence, **simple iterative procedure** is needed to find the accurate  $\theta_{a,max}$  in case of instability problem

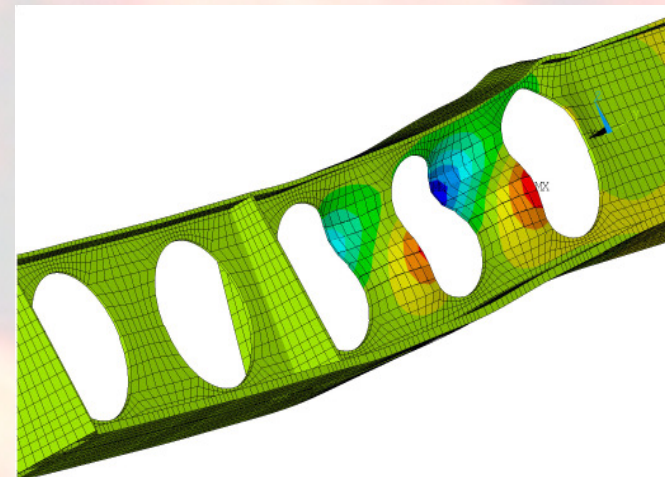
# Advanced calculation model for any case (steel and concrete composite cellular beam)



**Tested failure mode**



**Calculation vs test**

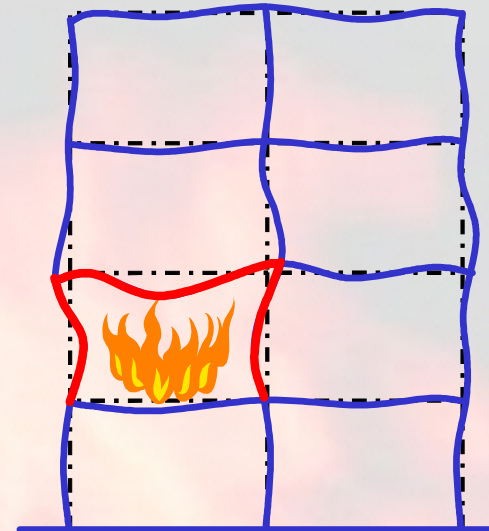


**Simulated failure mode**

# Fire design by global structural analysis

## □ General rules

- necessary to use advanced calculation model
- choice of appropriate structural modeling
- existing boundary conditions
- loading conditions
- appropriate material models
- restrained condition in relation with unmodeled parts of the structure
- analysis of results and check on failure criteria
- review of untreated features in direct analysis (consistency between numerical model and constructional details)



# Fire design by global structural analysis

## □ Application requirement of advanced calculation models

### ➤ requirement on material models

- strain composition
- kinematical material model
- strength during cooling phase

### ➤ step by step iterative solution procedure

### ➤ check of possible failure untreated in direct analysis

- rupture due to excessive steel elongation
- cracking and crushing of concrete

# Requirement on material model

## Strain composition

$$\epsilon_t = \epsilon_{th} + (\epsilon_\sigma + \epsilon_c) + \epsilon_r$$

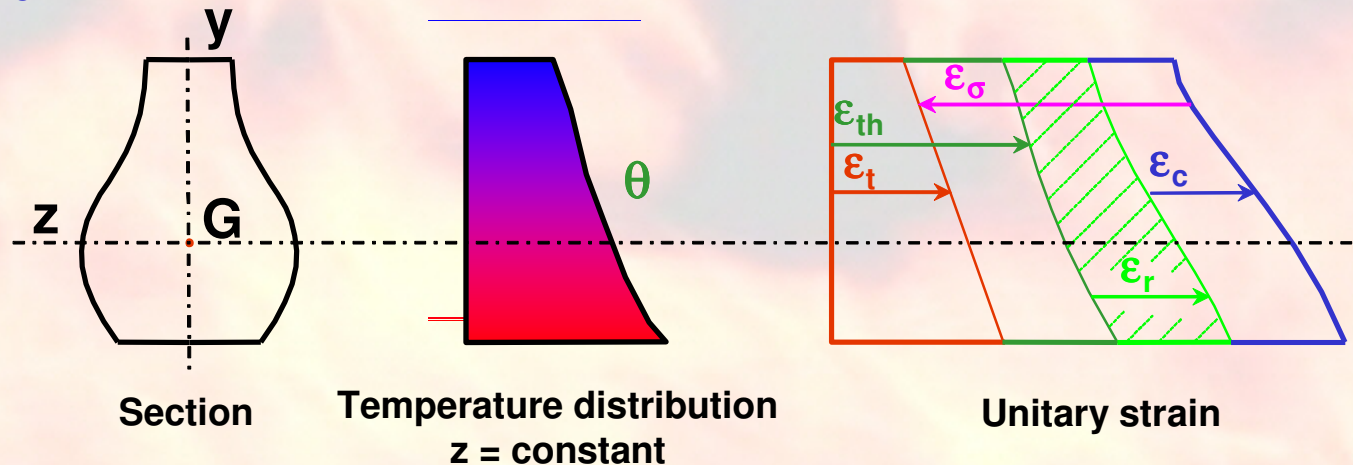
$\epsilon_t$ : total strain

$\epsilon_{th}$ : strain due to thermal elongation

$\epsilon_\sigma$ : strain due to stress tensor

$\epsilon_r$ : strain due to residual stress (if appropriate)

$\epsilon_c$ : strain due to creep

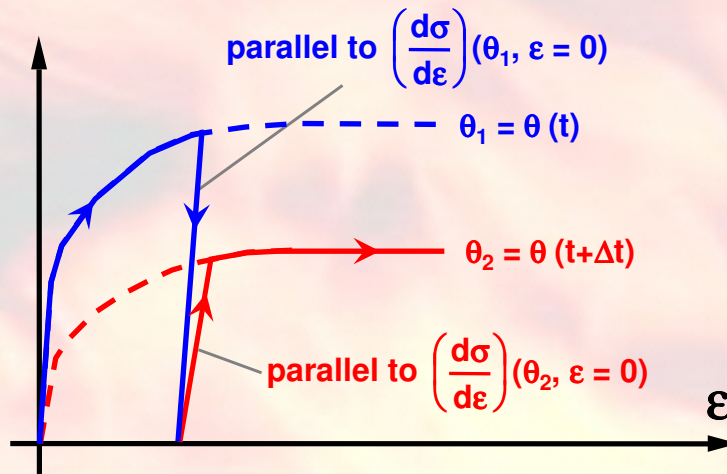


# Requirement on material model

## kinematical material model

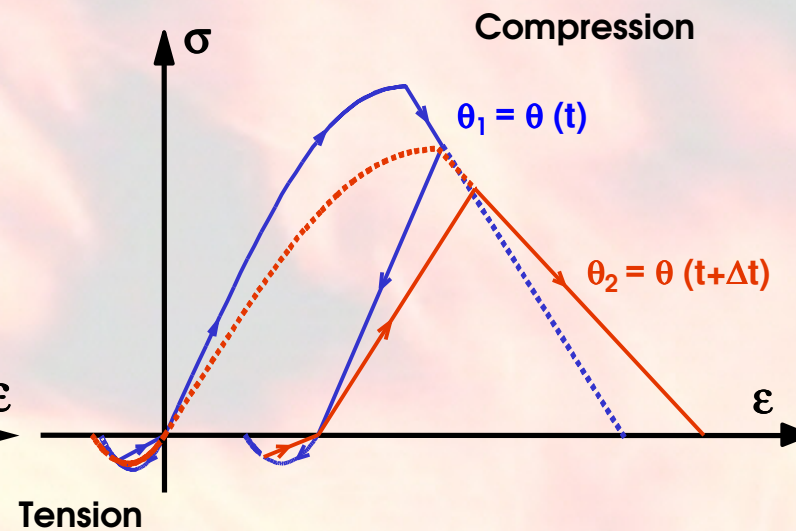
### Steel

(isotropic material)



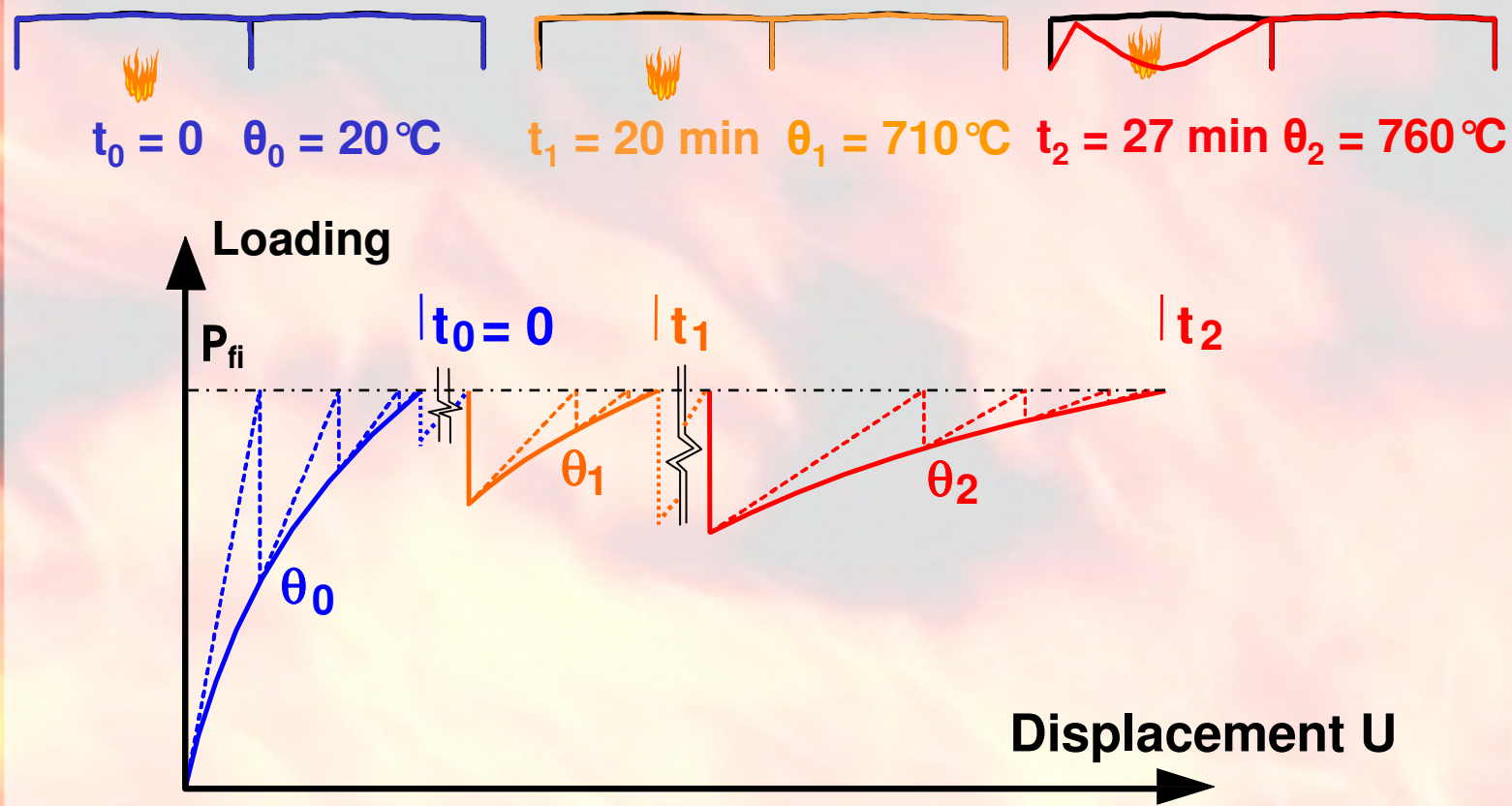
### Concrete

(compression-tension anisotropic material)



## Step by step iterative solution procedure

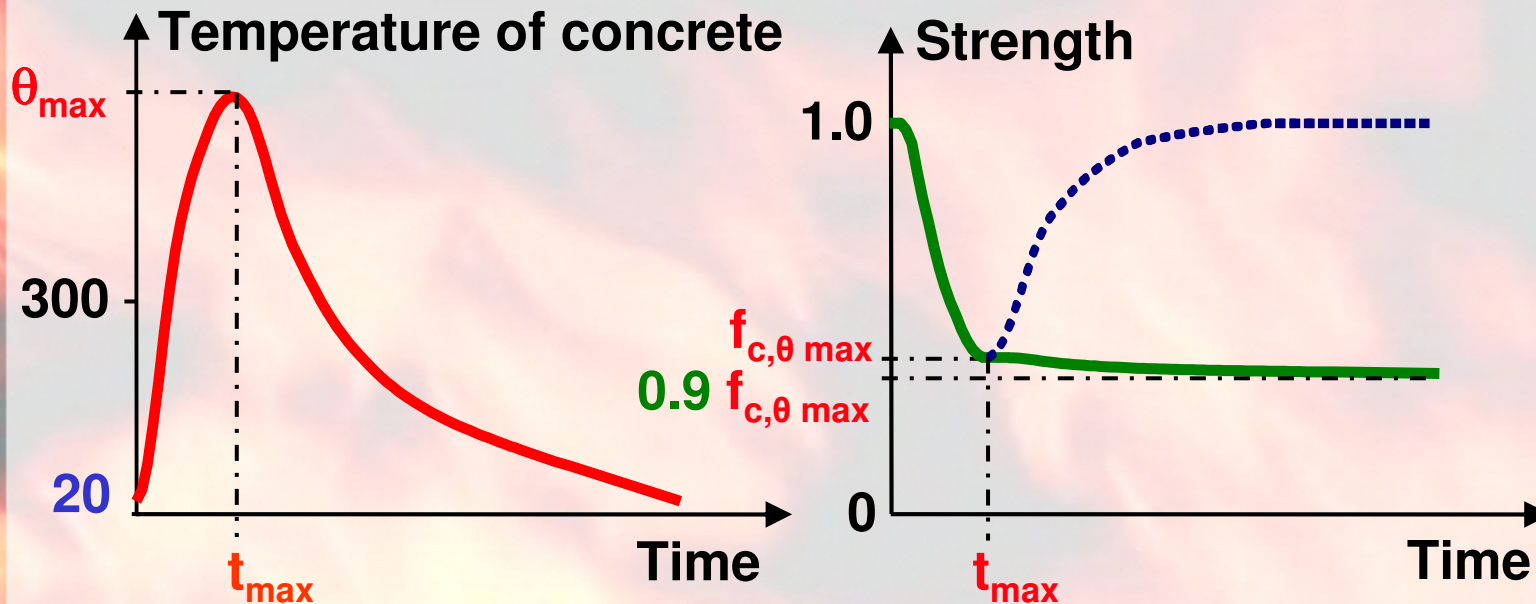
- Calculation procedure must take account of temperature dependence of both stiffness and strength of the structure



# Material strength during cooling phase

❑ Steel recovers its initial strength during cooling phase

❑ Concrete during cooling phase

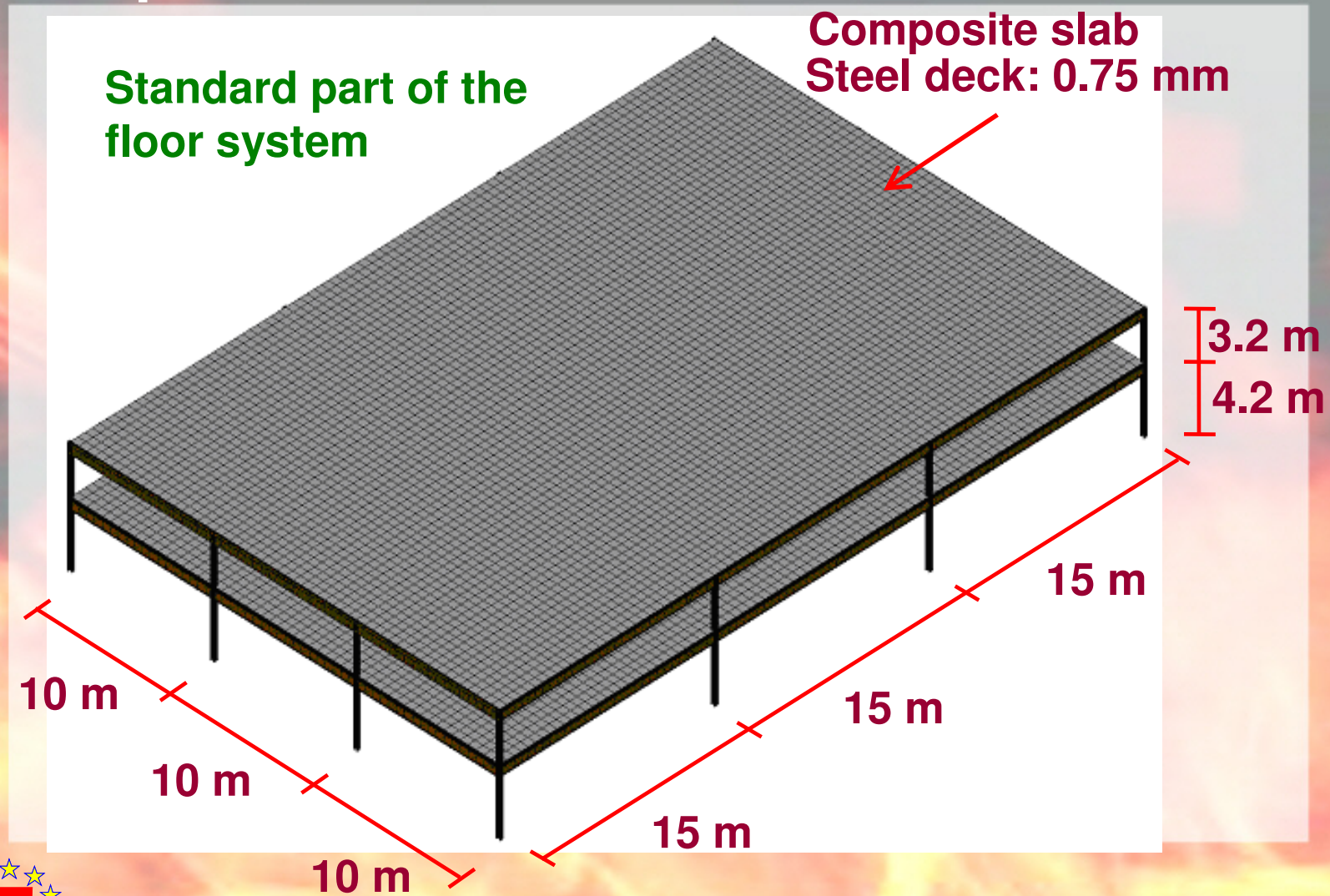


For example if  $\theta_{max} \geq 300 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

$$f_{c,\theta,20^\circ\text{C}} = 0.9 f_{c,\theta max}$$

Linear interpolation applies to  $f_{c,\theta}$  for  $\theta$  between  $\theta_{max}$  and  $20^\circ\text{C}$

# Global analysis of steel and concrete composite floor under localised fire



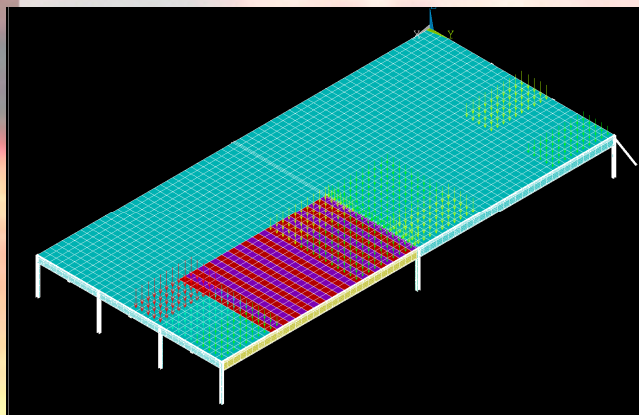
## Choice of structural model

- ❑ Two different structural models may be adopted
  - 2D composite frame model (beam elements)
    - membrane effect is limited to one direction due to 1D effect slab model
    - load redistribution is not possible between parallel beams
  - 3D composite floor model (multi-type element)
    - membrane effect over whole floor area
    - load redistribution becoming possible with help of shell elements
- ❑ More realistic to apply 3D composite floor model

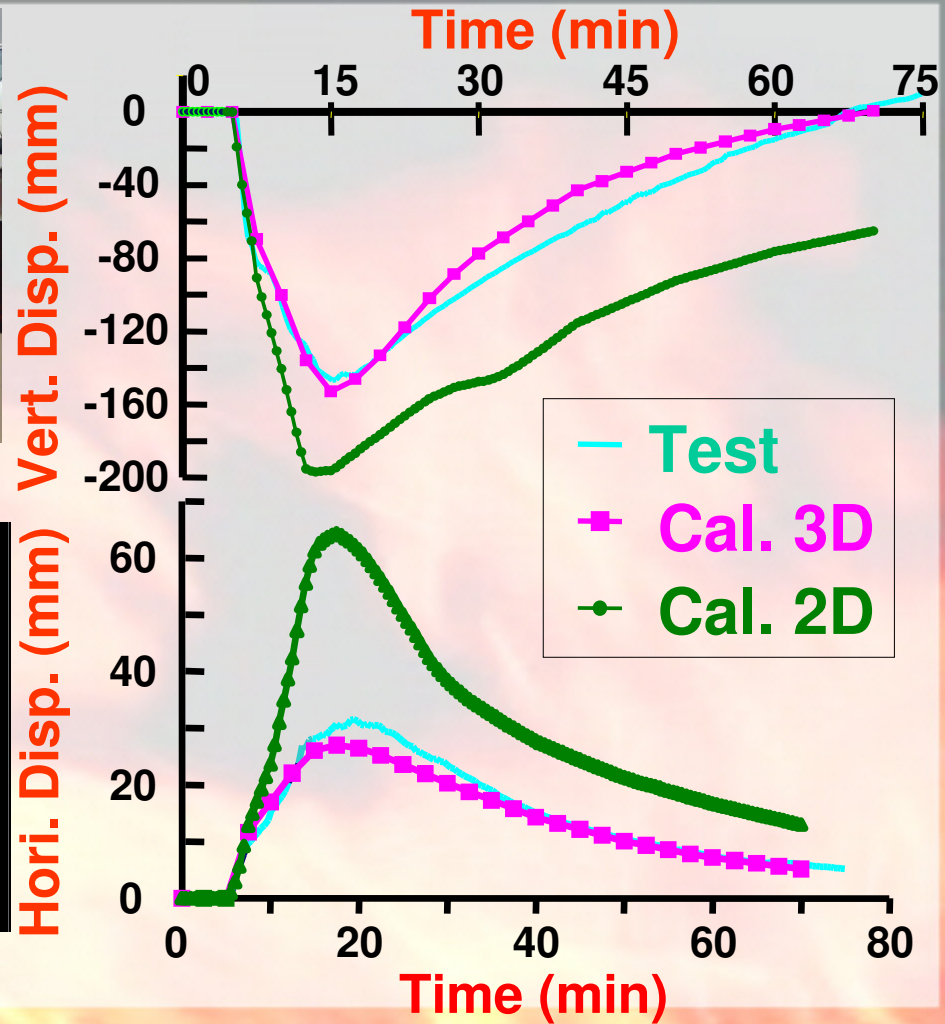
# Validity of 3D composite floor model



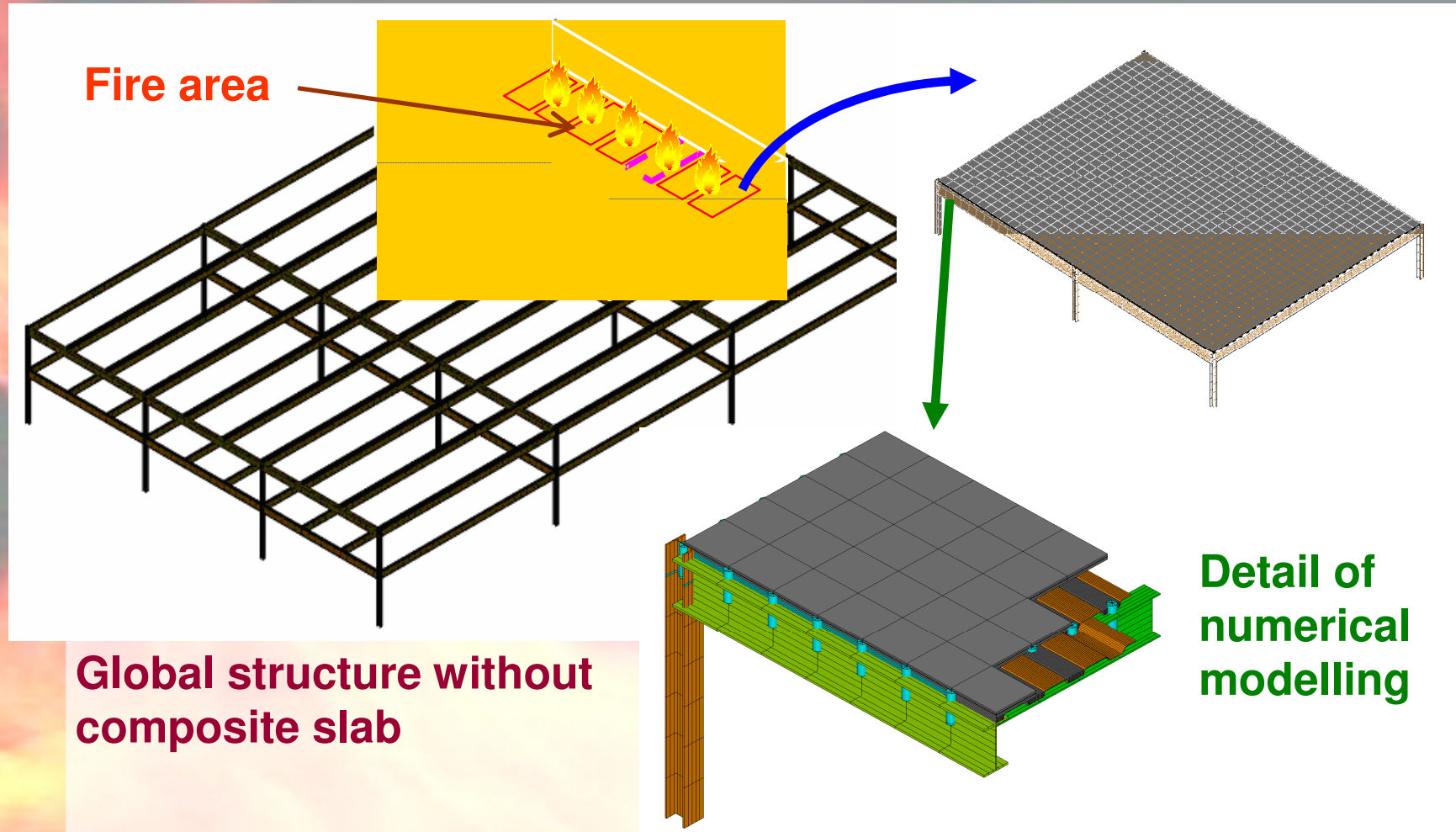
Test



3D calculation model



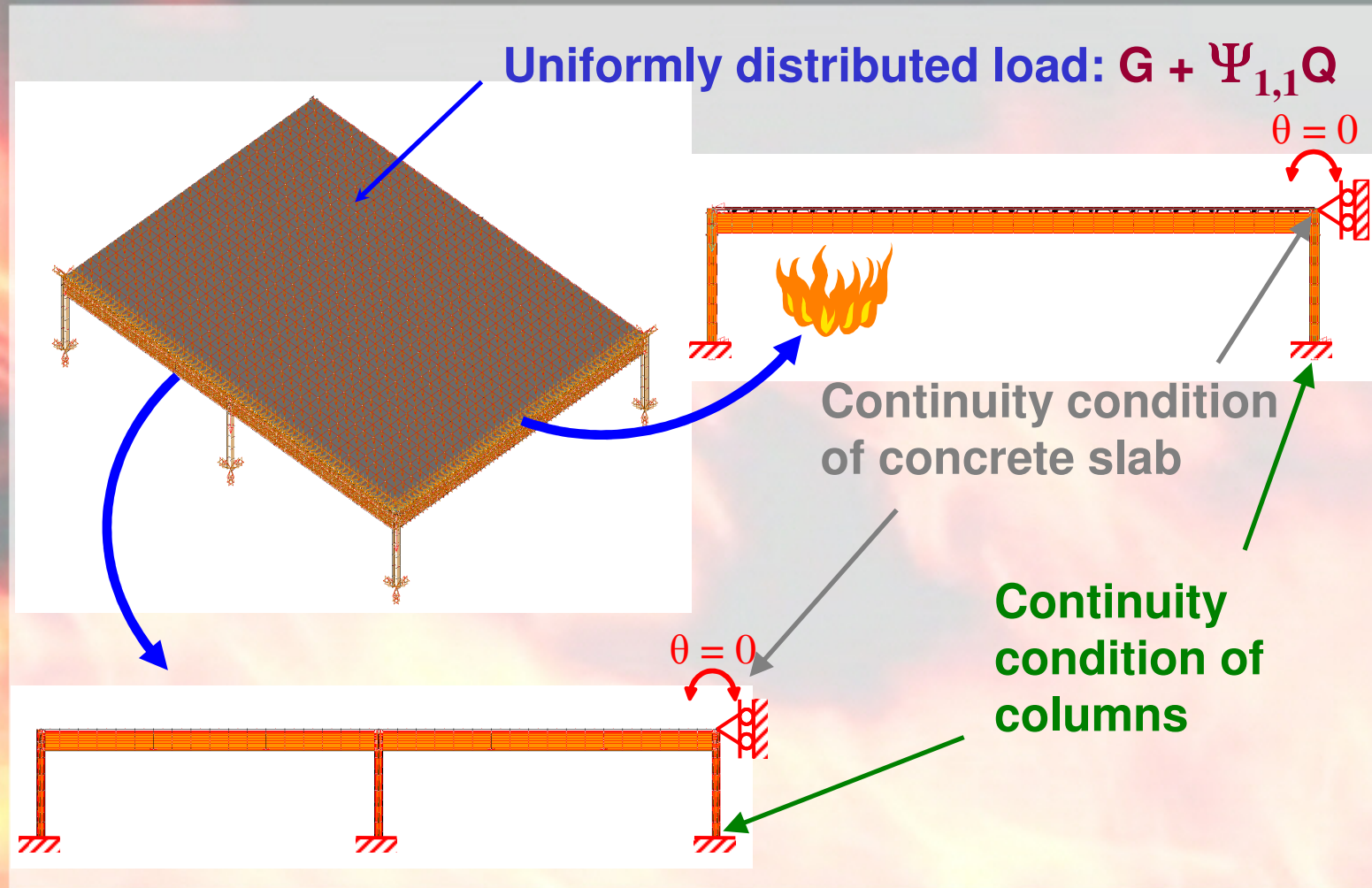
# Strategy of 3D composite floor modelling



Global structure without composite slab

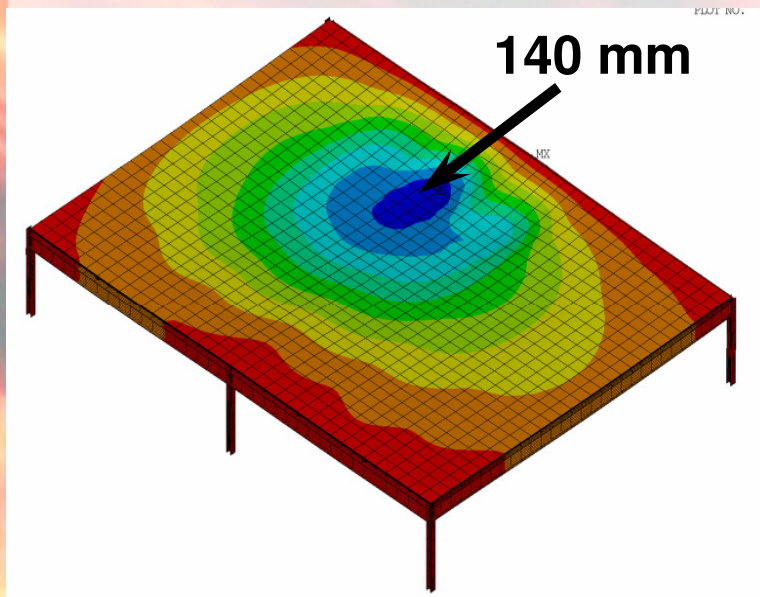
Detail of numerical modelling

# Mechanical loading and boundary conditions

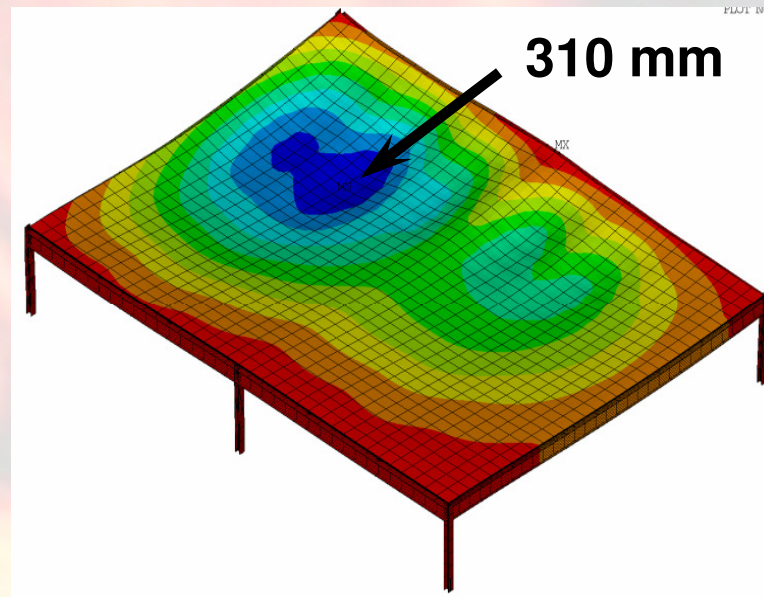


# Mechanical response of the structure

- Total deflection of the floor and check of the corresponding failure criteria



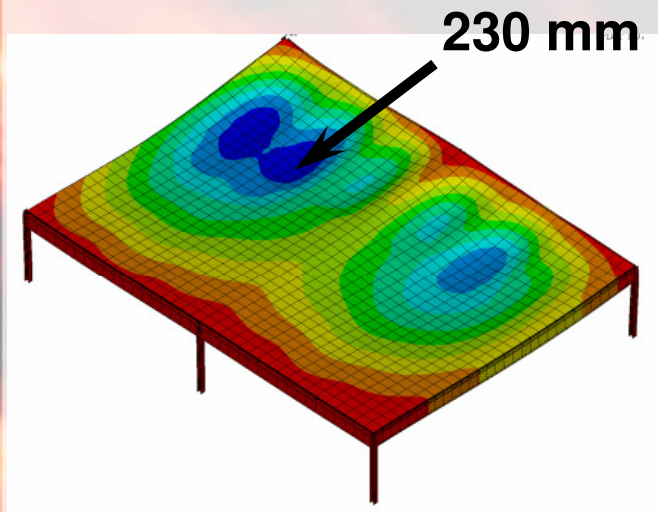
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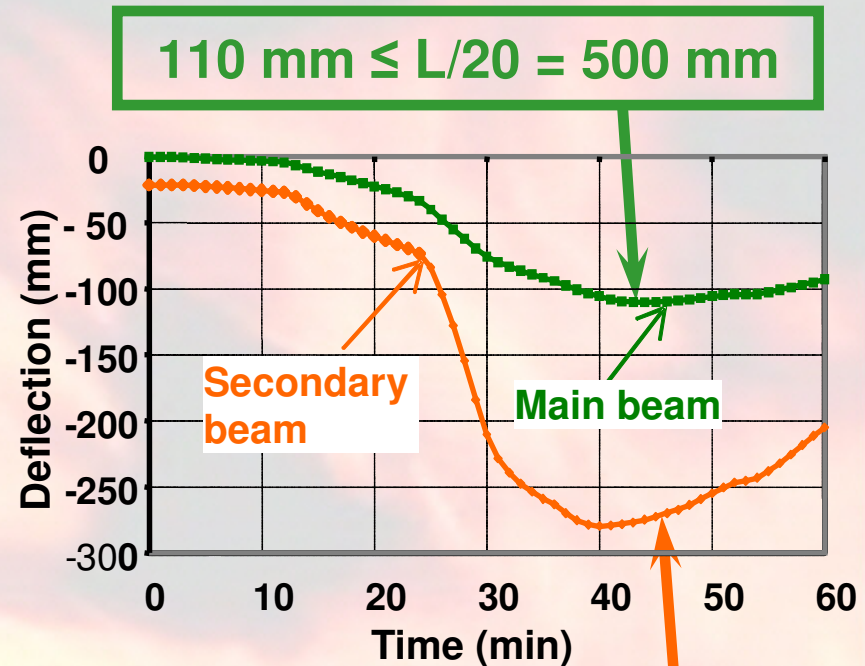
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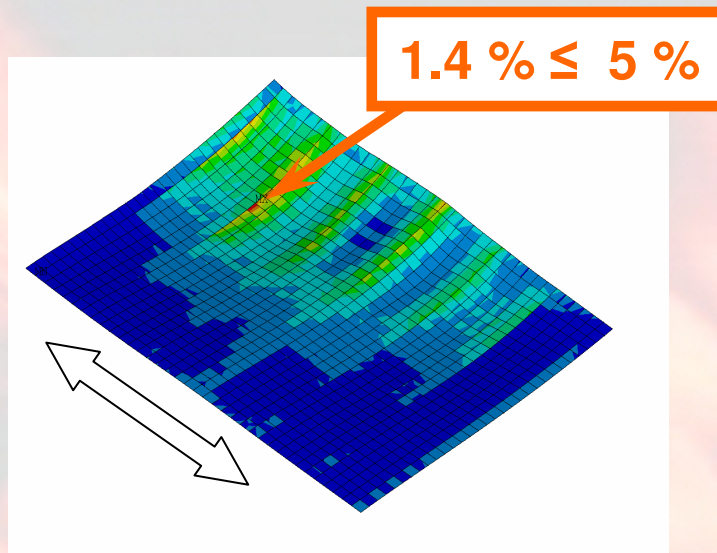
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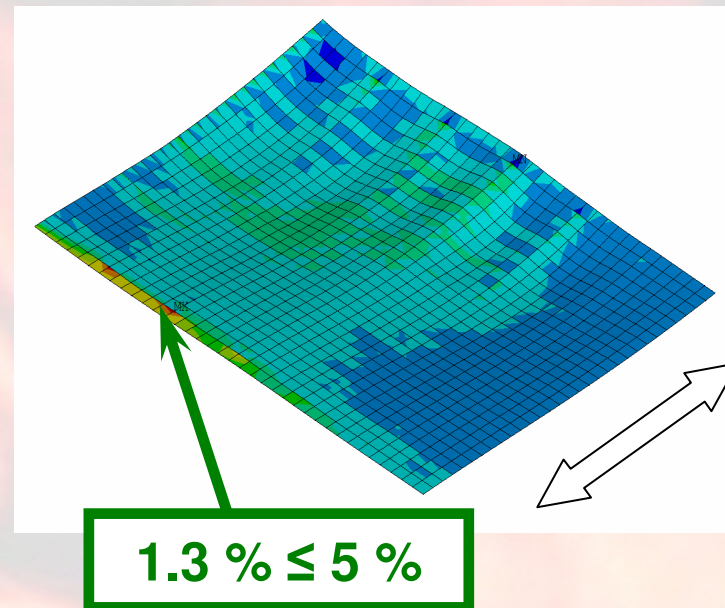
$280 \text{ mm} \leq L/20 = 750 \text{ mm}$

# Mechanical response of the structure

➤ Check of failure criteria: elongation of reinforcing steel



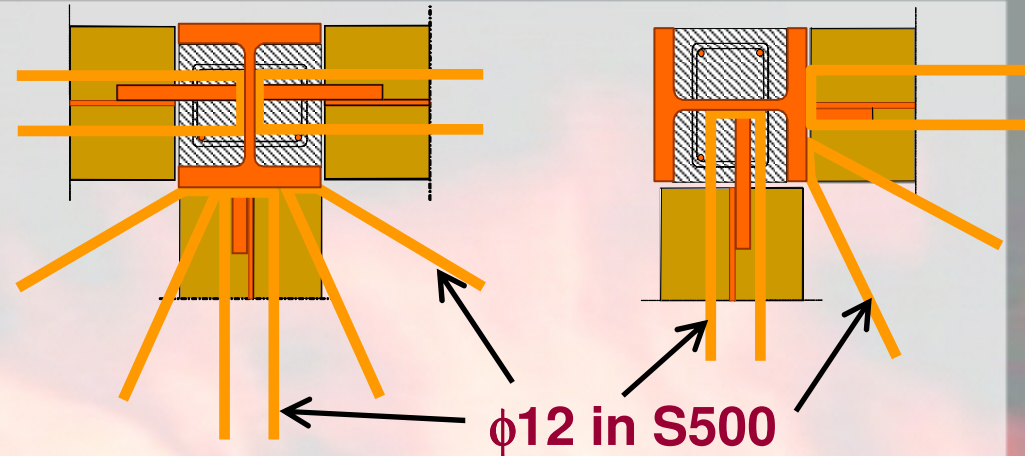
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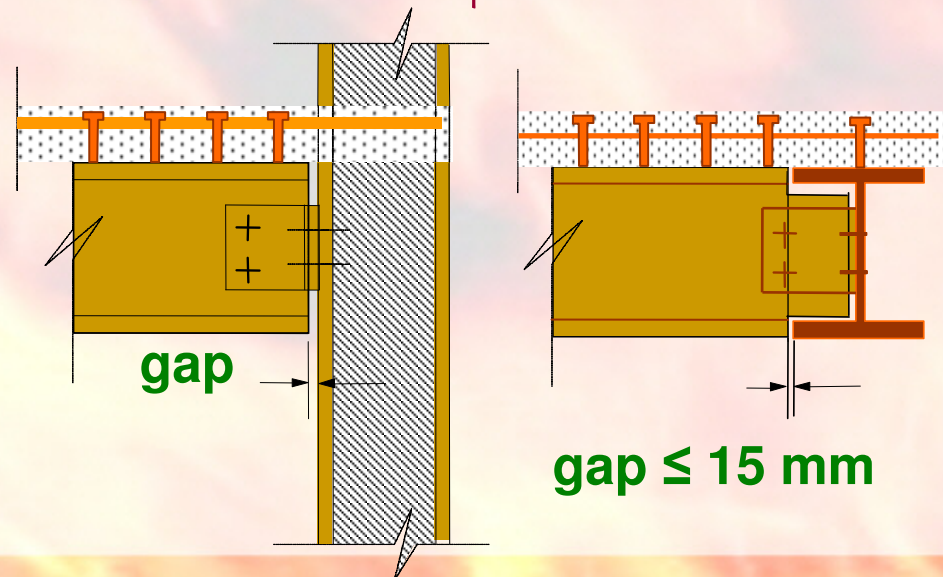
Strain of reinforcing steel  
⊥ slab span

# Construction details shall be respected in order to be consistent with numerical models

Reinforcing bars between slab and edge columns



Maximum gap of 15 mm between beam and column and between lower flange of the beam



# Real building with bare steel frames based on global structural analysis



**During construction**

**Finished**



# Specific consideration in fire design of steel and composite structures

## ❑ Constructional details

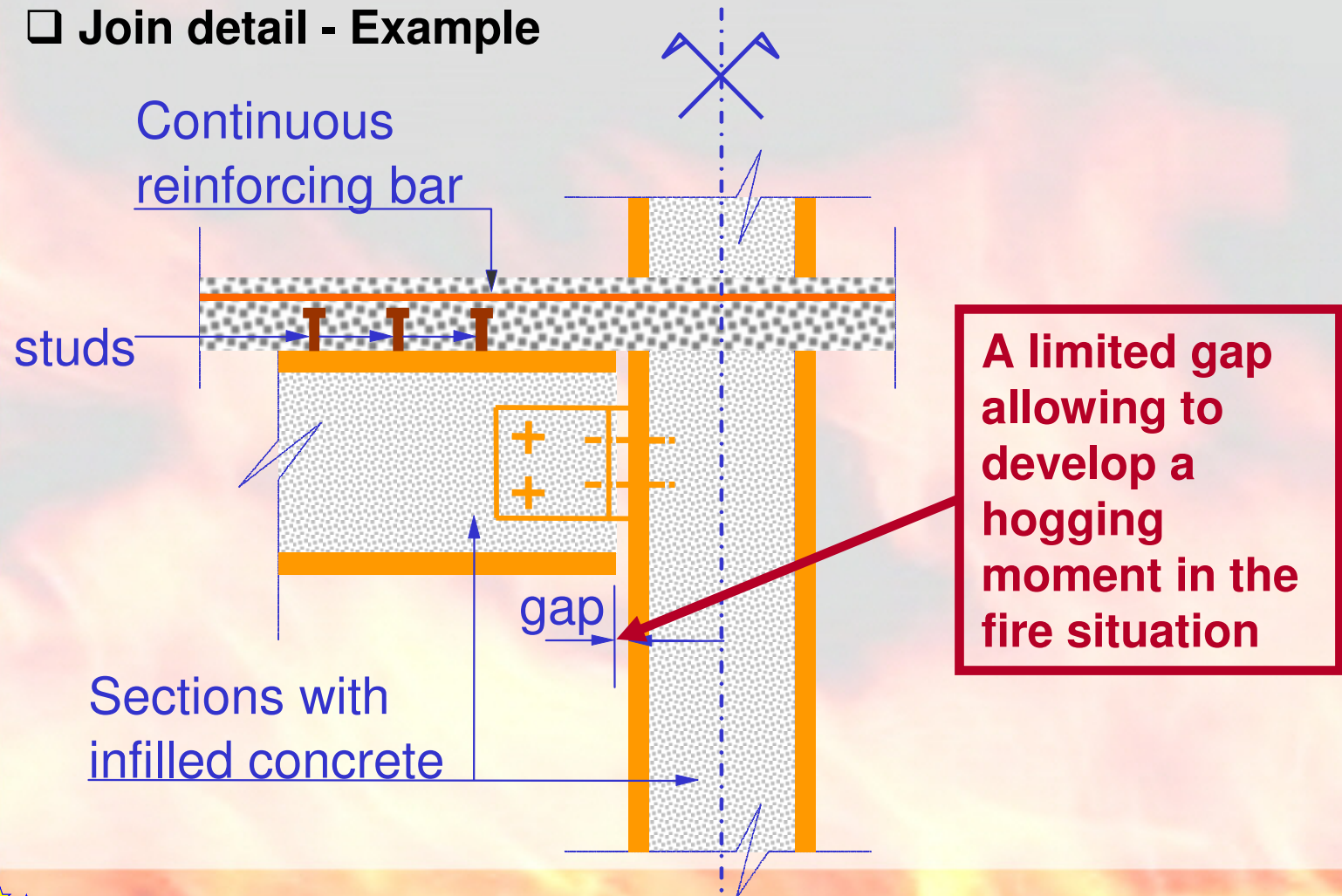
- Joint details (steel and composite)
- Connection between steel and concrete
  - Connectors
  - Reinforcing steel

## ❑ Behaviour during cooling phase under natural fire

- Joint

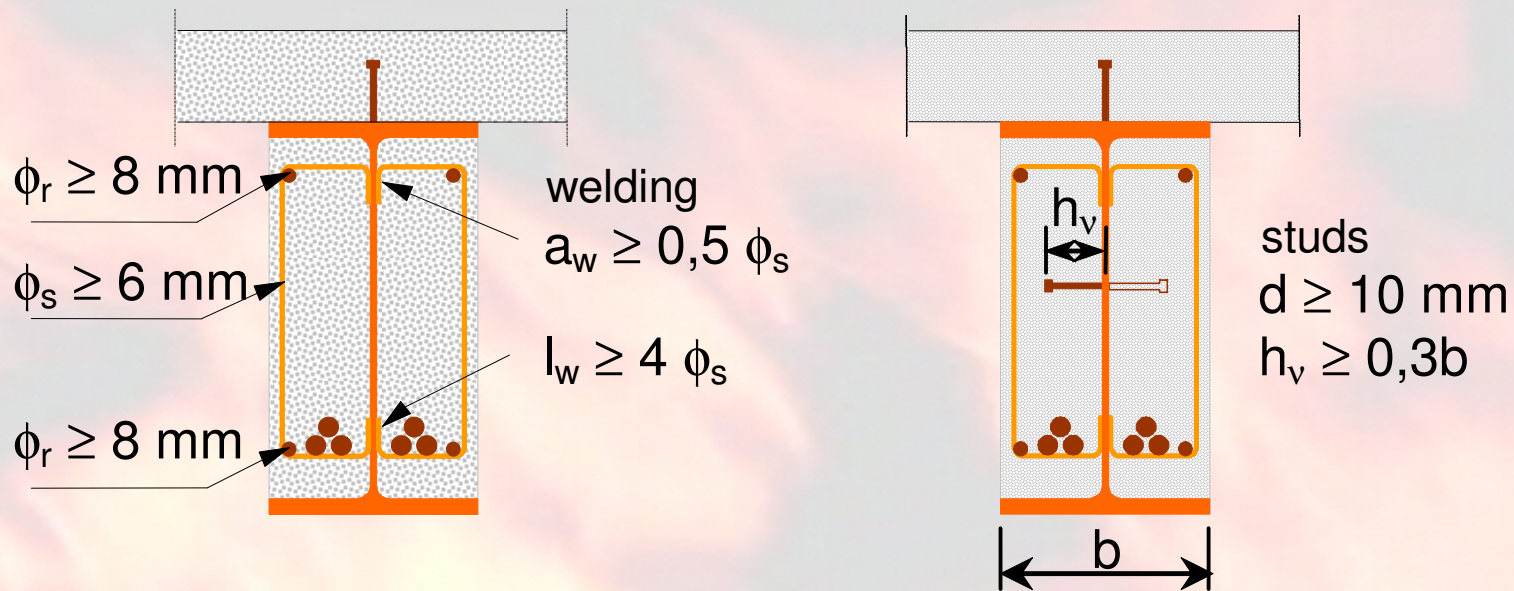
# Construction details to get hogging moment resistance in fire situation (prEN1994-1-2)

## □ Join detail - Example



# Construction details for connection between concrete and steel (prEN1994-1-2)

## □ Connection between steel profile and encased concrete



**Welding of stirrups to the web**

**Welding of studs to the web**

*Thank you  
for your attention*