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Structural Behaviour of Castellated Beam: A Review

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Abstract: The use of castellated beams has gained popularity due to their excellent performance in terms of strength, stiffness, and economy. Castellated beams are fabricated by cutting I-sections or H-sections along the web in the desired shape and re-joining the two halves on one another through welding in order to improve the beam's overall depth. Most often, hexagonal, circular, diamond, and sinusoidal shapes are used for the web opening. This pattern increases the surface area and reduces the weight of the beam without compromising its structural integrity. The idea incorporates the technique of offering the best section in accordance with the most essential need. This paper presents an overview of the behavior of castellated steel beams with several shape openings having an I-shaped cross-section, modeling is conducted using the finite element software package ANSYS14 and ABAQUS. With uniform distributed load and simply support conditions, an analysis is conducted. The investigation of various failure patterns and the deflection at the middle of the beam are done.

Keywords: Castellated beam, Web opening, ANSYS and ABAQUS, Failure patterns

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