

Hooke's Law: Nonlinear Generalization and Applications

Part III Distribution of Stress in Prisms and Beams

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Introduction

As stated in [5] [Part II](#), the distribution of stress σ in the bending pressure zone of a beam is identical with the distribution of stress in a non-centric loaded prism in such a manner, that the strain ε_2 , remote to the loading, is zero (see figure 1).

In a huge number of experiments with the variables

$$\varepsilon_1(\infty) = \varepsilon_0 \quad (\text{in contrast to } \varepsilon_2 = 0)$$

$x = 1 - \beta_0$, the center of loading; NB! The width of the prism $d = 150 \text{ cm}$ (see [5], Part II, figure 2) is standardized to 1: $0 \leq x \leq 1 = d/150$,

$\alpha_0^p = \bar{\sigma}/K_b$, the (relative) loading; $K_b (\text{kg/cm}^2)$ is the utmost strength of the prism with centric loading - Generally: Index 0 means „experiment with $\varepsilon_2 = 0$ “,

in [2] the experimental results are given in dependence on strength of cube $W = W^{20}$ (kg/cm^2 ; cube length 20 cm) and $\kappa = \bar{\sigma}/\bar{\sigma}_B$ (B for break). See also tables 1, 2, 3 and figures 4, 5 and 6 of [5], part II.

With these experimental data 3 hypothesis were postulated in [5], part II (hypothetical values are signed as \hat{v} in contrast to experimental values v – as it is usual in statistics).

$$\text{Hypothesis H1: } \hat{\beta}_0(W, \kappa) = 1/3 + (1/2 - 1/3) e^{-\alpha(\frac{W}{100})} \kappa^b$$

$$\text{Hypothesis H2: } \hat{\alpha}_0^p(W, \kappa) = (2/3)\kappa + (1/3) e^{-\alpha(\frac{W}{100})} \kappa^b$$

$$\text{Hypothesis H3: } \hat{\kappa}(\varepsilon_0) = a \varepsilon_0 e^{-b\varepsilon_0}$$

The good coincidence of experiments and hypotheses can be seen in the tables and figures of [5], part II.

Distribution of stress σ in an eccentric pressed prism (with $\varepsilon_2 = 0$)

The (relative) stress $y(x) = \sigma(x)/K_b$ is

$$\text{Hypothesis H4: } y(x) = Ax e^{-Bx}$$

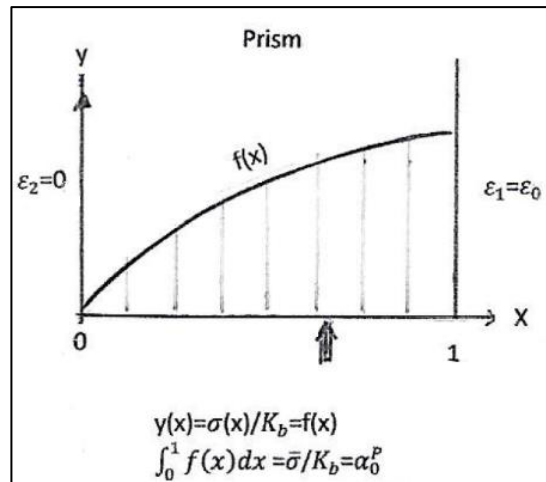


Fig. 1: Sketch of an eccentrically pressed prism with center of pressure $x=1-\beta_0$ so, that $\varepsilon_2 = 0$

see figure 1. That means: The stress-function $\sigma(x)$ for eccentric pressed prisms is of the same mathematical form as for centric pressed prisms, as K_b , as well as W , is a constant for a fixed experiment.

The two parameters A and B are estimated by minimizing according to the method of least squares of Gauss

$$D_1 = \left(\int_0^1 y(x) dx - \hat{\alpha}_0^p \right)^2 \quad \text{and}$$

$$D_2 = \left[\left(\int_0^1 xy(x) dx \right) / \int_0^1 y(x) dx - (1 - \hat{\beta}_0) \right]^2$$

together by minimizing the objective function $D = D_1 + D_2$.

The values of $\hat{\alpha}_0^p$ and $\hat{\beta}_0$ are given in [5], part II, tables 2 and 1 for a series of values of W and of κ .

For example for $W=300$ and $\kappa=0,9$ we have 0.653 and 0.374.

The minimum of D is found by the iterative nonlinear Simplex-method of Nelder and Mead [1]. The resulting optimal parameters A and B of hypothesis H_4 are registered together with figure 2 for $W=80$, figure 3 for $W=160$, figure 4 for $W=300$, figure 5 for $W=450$ and figure 6 for $W=600$ (kg/cm^2). To every value of W seven values of $\kappa = \frac{\bar{\sigma}}{\bar{\sigma}_B} = 0.3, 0.4, \dots, 0.9$ were chosen for stress-lines. For $\kappa > 0.9$ and $W < 80$ I do not put my hand in the fire with my formulae. This may already be seen in figure 5b of [5], Part II for $\kappa = 0.9$ and small values of W .

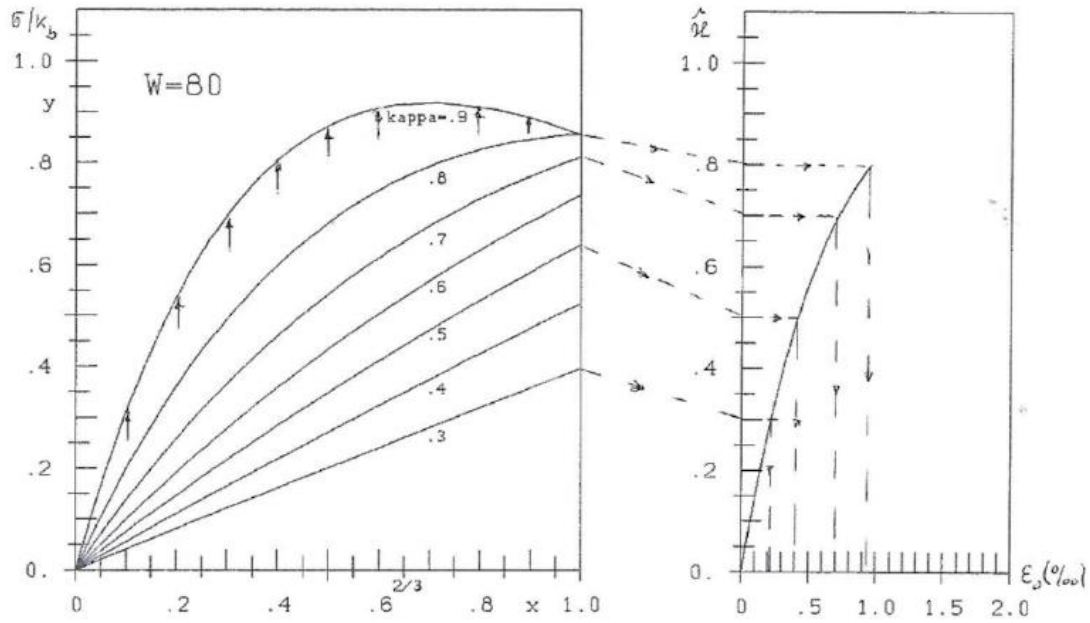


Fig. 2: $W=80 \text{ kg/cm}^2$. stress-lines $y = Axe^{-Bx}$ and strain ϵ_0 according to H3 ([5], part II): $\hat{\kappa} = a\epsilon_0 e^{-b\epsilon_0}$

κ	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9
A	0.4082	0.5601	0.7577	1.0230	1.4540	2.1750	3.5630
B	0.0306	0.0663	0.1726	0.3295	0.5850	0.9321	1.4280

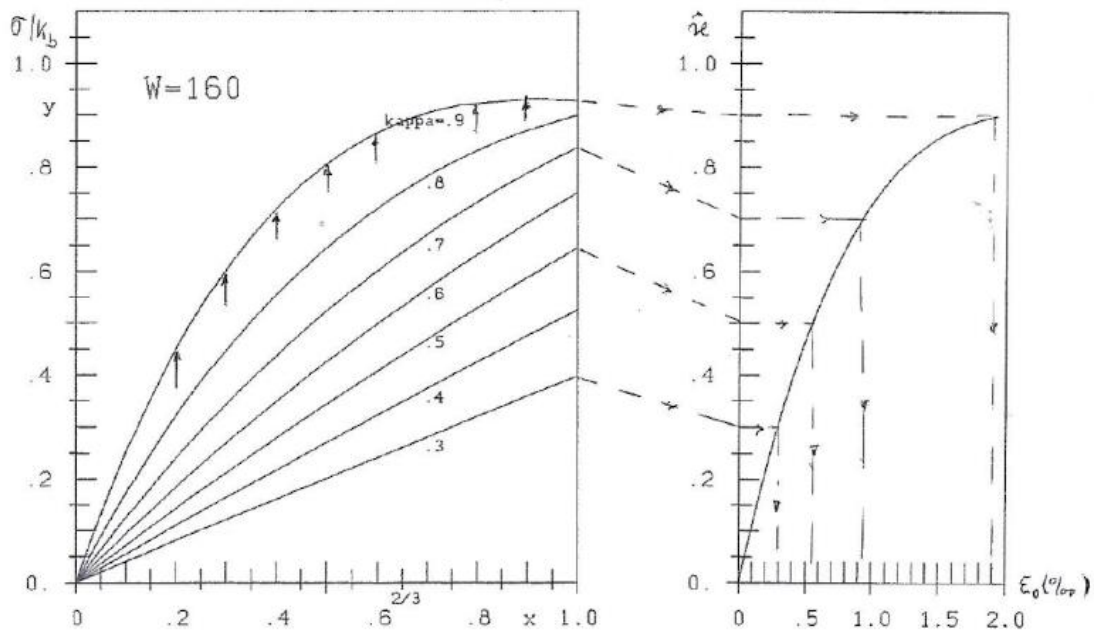


Fig. 3: $W=160 \text{ kg/cm}^2$. stress-lines $y = Axe^{-Bx}$ and strain ϵ_0 according to H3 ([5], part II): $\hat{\kappa} = a\epsilon_0 e^{-b\epsilon_0}$

κ	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9
A	0.4057	0.5551	0.7325	0.9661	1.3080	1.8530	2.7990
B	0.0199	0.0556	0.1284	0.2532	0.4463	0.7235	1.1050

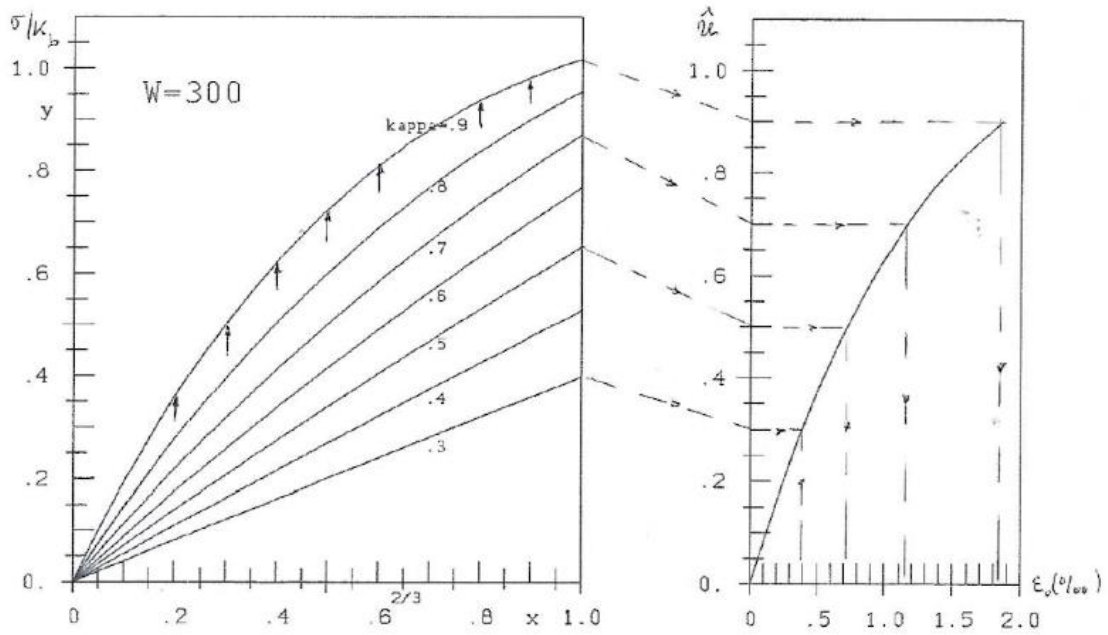


Fig. 4: $W=300 \text{ kg/cm}^2$. stress-lines $y = Ax e^{-Bx}$ and strain ϵ_0 according to H3 ([5], part II): $\hat{\kappa} = a\epsilon_0 e^{-b\epsilon_0}$

κ	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9
A	0.4035	0.5470	0.7070	0.8996	1.1530	1.5110	2.0590
B	0.0126	0.0358	0.0805	0.1586	0.2810	0.4581	0.7037

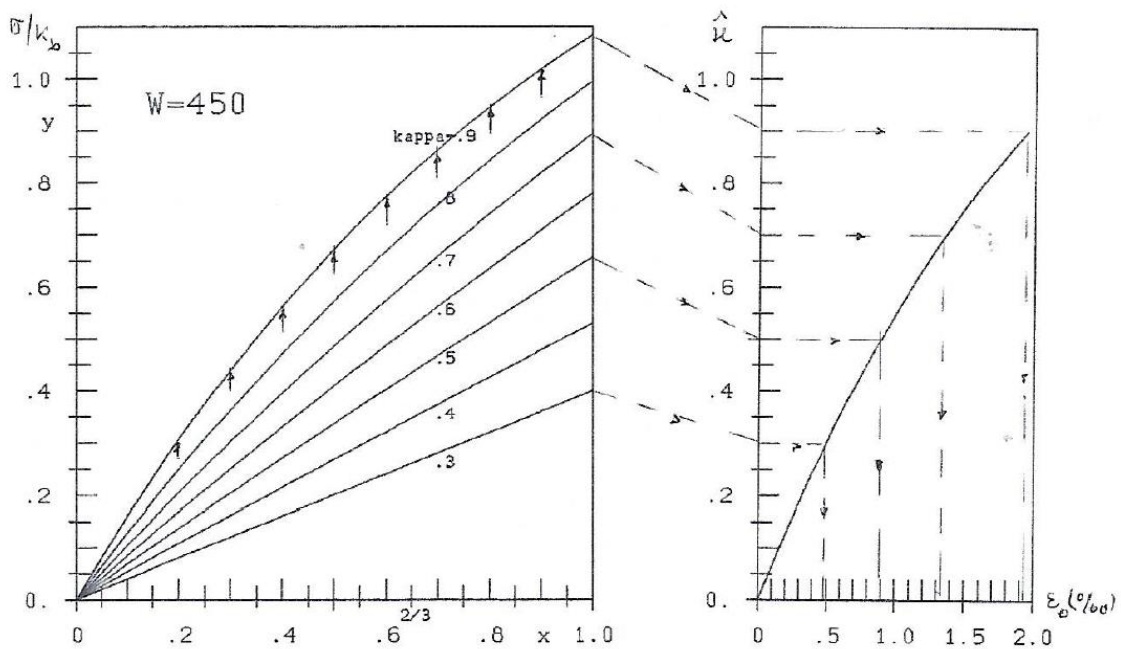


Fig. 5: $W=450 \text{ kg/cm}^2$. stress-lines $y = Ax e^{-Bx}$ and strain ϵ_0 according to H3 ([5], part II): $\hat{\kappa} = a\epsilon_0 e^{-b\epsilon_0}$

κ	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9
A	0.4019	0.5415	0.6904	0.8587	1.0600	1.3170	1.6680
B	0.0071	0.0217	0.0485	0.0966	0.1708	0.2792	0.4309

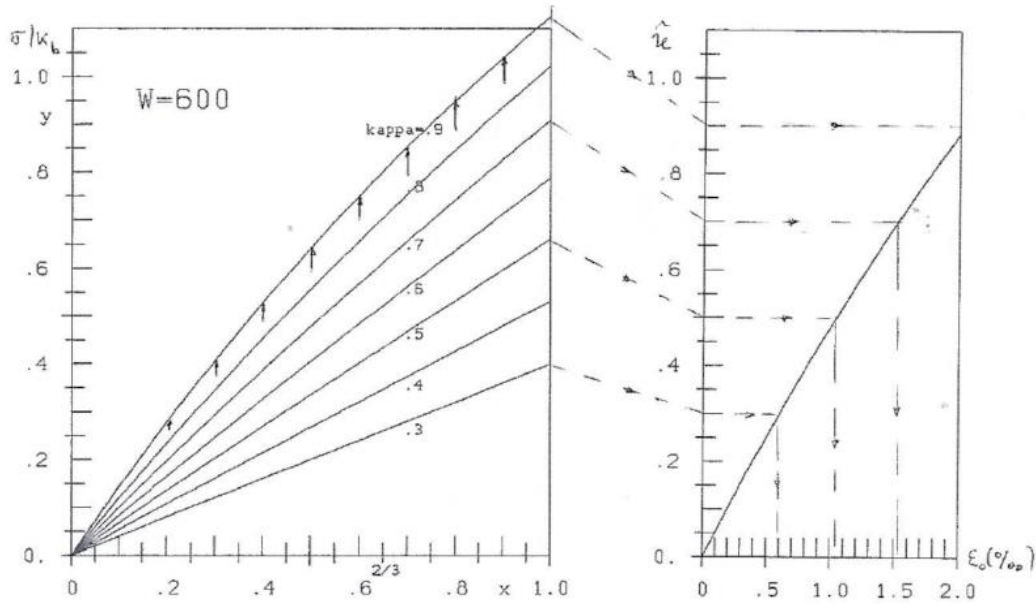


Fig. 6: $W=600 \text{ kg/cm}^2$. stress-lines $y = Axe^{-Bx}$ and strain ϵ_0 according to H3 ([5], part II): $\hat{\kappa} = a\epsilon_0 e^{-b\epsilon_0}$

κ	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9
A	0.4014	0.5380	0.6813	0.8341	1.0080	1.2110	1.4650
B	0.0054	0.0125	0.0306	0.0573	0.1038	0.1691	0.2636

In the left part of the figures the distribution of stress y is given.

The strain ϵ is zero for $x=0$ according to the experiments. For $x=1$ strain $\epsilon=\epsilon_0$ can be computed with formulae $\hat{\kappa} = a\epsilon_0 e^{-b\epsilon_0}$ of [5], part II. This is shown in the right part of the figures. For example in the experiment with $W=300$ and some values of $\hat{\kappa}$ we get (see also figure 4):

$\hat{\kappa}$.3	.4	.5	.6	.7	.8	.9
ϵ_0	.39	.55	.72	.92	1.16	1.45	1.86

Distribution of stress σ in the bending pressure zone of a beam

According to Part II the distribution of the stress in the bending pressure zone of a beam is identical with that of a corresponding eccentric pressed prism with $\epsilon_2=0$: The side of the prism with $\epsilon=0$ (y -axis in figure 1) is equivalent with the neutral axis of the beam (see figure 7).

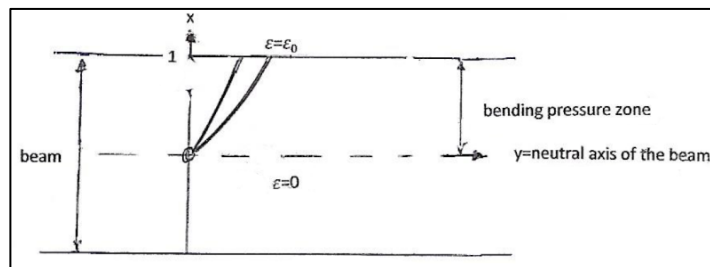


Fig. 7: Sketch of the bending pressure zone of a beam

In figures 8, ..., 12 the lower part give the stress-lines in the bending pressure zones of the beams. They simply are the mirror-images of the stress lines of the corresponding prisms, reflected at the mirror with $y=x$.

The curves $\hat{\kappa} = a\epsilon_0 e^{-b\epsilon_0}$ in the upper part of the figures are the same as those of the corresponding prisms (in a somewhat modified scale).

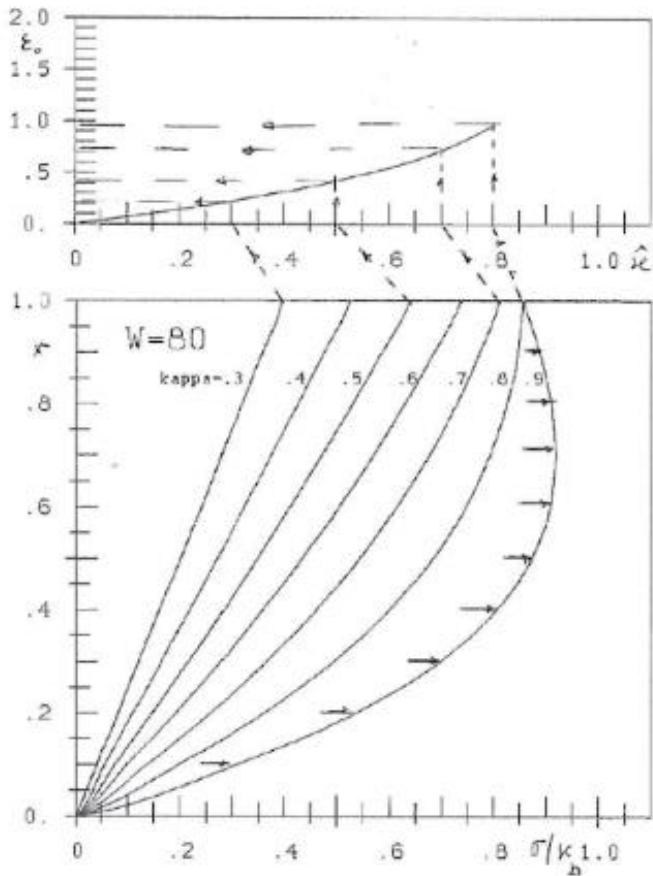


Fig. 8: $W=80 \text{ kg/cm}^2$. Strain ϵ_0 and stress-lines σ/K_b In the bending pressure zone $0 \leq x \leq 1$

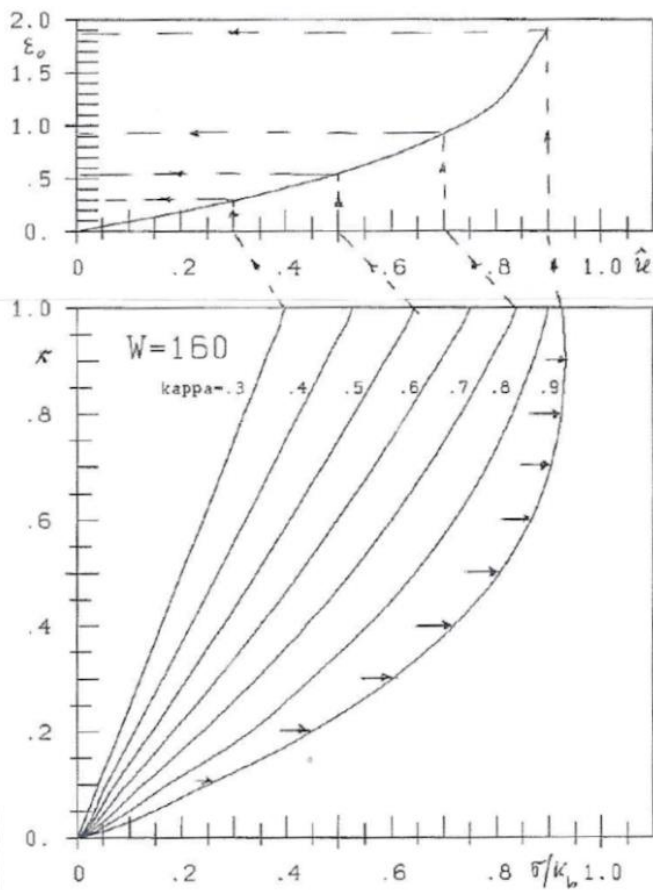


Fig. 9: $W=160 \text{ kg/cm}^2$. Strain ϵ_0 and stress-lines σ/K_b In the bending pressure zone $0 \leq x \leq 1$

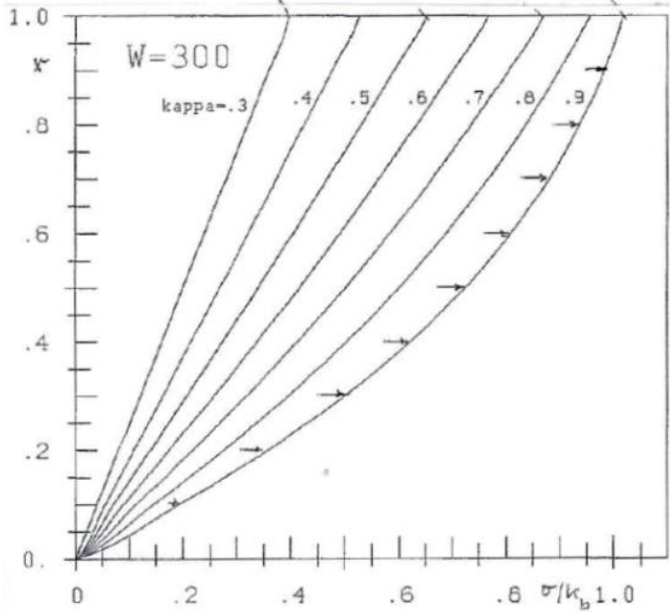
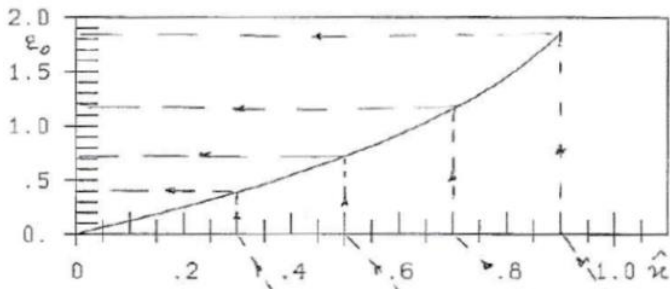


Fig 10: $W=300 \text{ kg/cm}^2$. Strain ϵ_0 and stress-lines σ/K_b In the bending pressure zone $0 \leq x \leq 1$

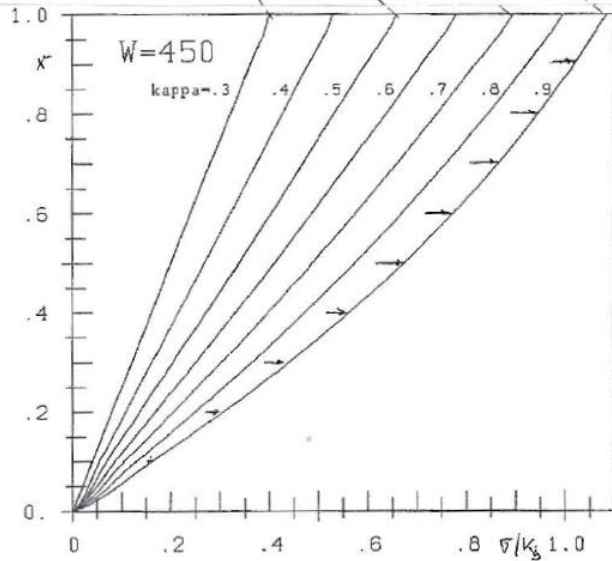
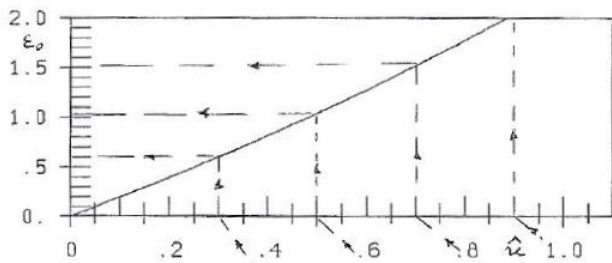


Fig. 11: $W=450 \text{ kg/cm}^2$. Strain ϵ_0 and stress-lines σ/K_b In the bending pressure zone $0 \leq x \leq 1$

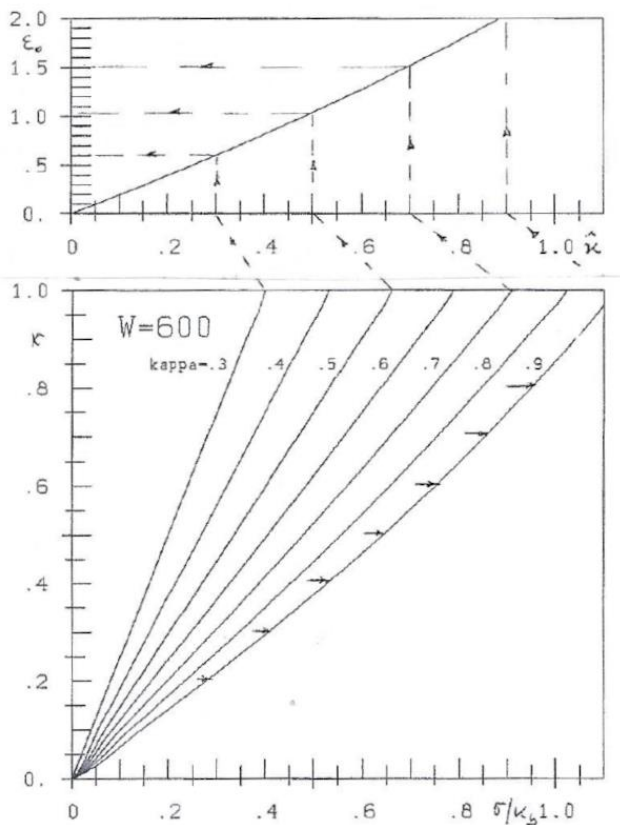


Fig. 12: $W=600 \text{ kg/cm}^2$. Strain ϵ_0 and stress-lines σ/K_b In the bending pressure zone $0 \leq x \leq 1$

Comment

The experiments, the results of which are used in this analysis, were directed by Rüsç [2] at the University of Technology Munich. The evaluation of the data was done under the direction of Scholz, who also made two hypotheses on the distribution of the stress in beams ([3] and [4]).

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