

Detailing

Getting started

1. Open **Trevexs Adds** folder on your desktop.
2. Double click on sample file to open it.
3. This will generate a dxf file that will be put in same folder as the **.trad** file that was used to generate it. The dxf will have a similar name as the **.trad** file
4. At the time, view port in model is not updated, therefore remember to **zoom extents** to view contents of the dxf drawing

Creating *trad* file

A trad file is simply a json file with a **.trad** extension. This is to enable association of those particular files with this program.

It is possible to create file as json and then later rename it to **.trad**. That is if you have json linting software and want to avoid errors in the input.

Open **sample1.trad** to start editing your input. Folder with samples has been generated and put on your desktop.

Below are the editable parameters in the input file.

1. Starting point

Point at which the detailing starts within the model space. Details are drawn around the starting point. By default starting is **0,0,0** for **x**, **y** and **z** coordinates

2. Sections data

All sections data is entered under **sections** section in the **input_data.json** file.

Section Input parameters

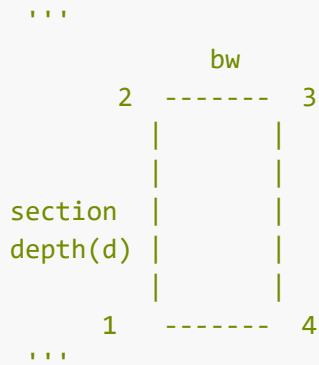
- **b** stands for width and **"d"** stands for depth
- **f** stands for flange and **"w"** stands for web
- **b** - total width of section //may not be applicable for end user
- **bf_top** - width of flange on top
- **bf_bottom** - width of flange at the bottom
- **bw** - width of web
- **d** - total depth of section
- **df** - depth of flange

- **w_offset** - off set of web from left starting point of section

NOTE: **bf_top**, **bf_bottom** and **bf** will or may mean the same thing in this document

Specification for square/rectangular sections

When no **df** is specified, section is assumed to be square or rectangular

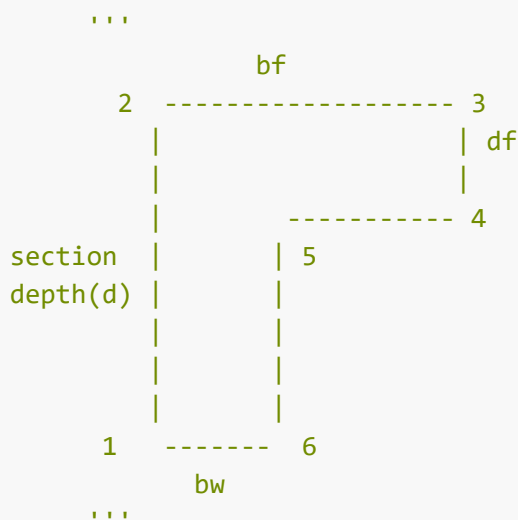


- example input for square section. See **section_4** in **sample1.trad**

```
"section_x": {
  "bw": "200",
  "d": "450"
}
```

Specification for L Right Flange Sections

L Right sections have no web offset (**w_offset**) and **bw** is smaller than **bf**



- example input for L right flanged section. See **section_2** in **sample1.trad**

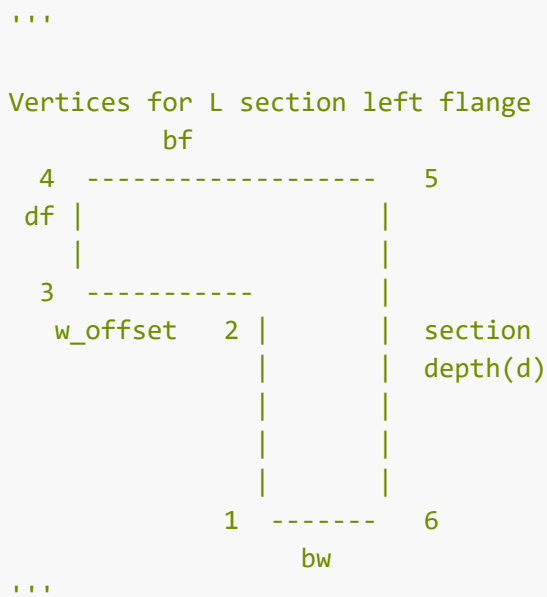
```

"section_x": {
  "bf_top": "350",
  "bw": "200",
  "d": "450",
  "df": "250"
}

```

Specification for L Left Flange Sections

L Left sections' **w_offset** and **bw** total up to **bf**.



- example input for L right flanged section. See **section_3** in **sample1.trad**
- $bw + w_offset = 350$ and $bf_top = 350$ meaning it's an L right section

```

"section_x": {
  "bf_top": "350",
  "bw": "200",
  "d": "450",
  "df": "200",
  "w_offset": "150"
}

```

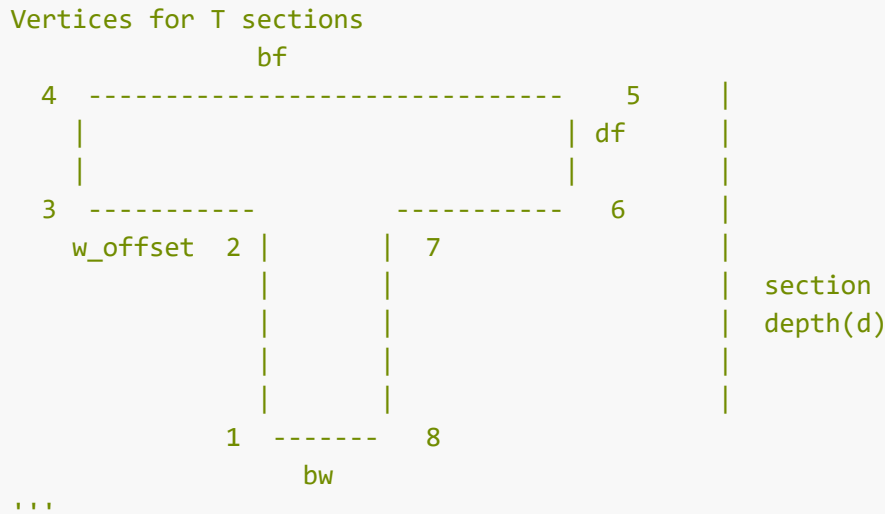
Specification for T sections

if it is not a square or L section, then it is a T section. T sections **w_offset** and **bw** do not total upto **bf**

```

...

```



- example input for T flanged section. See [section_1](#) in [sample1.trad](#)

```
"section_x": {
  "bf_top": "500",
  "bw": "200",
  "d": "450",
  "df": "200",
  "w_offset": "150"
}
```

NOTE: It is possible to enter values as negative or positive. Positive x is towards the right and positive y is towards the top.

3. Supports types data

Support types specify the column properties at each support point. The support point could have a column at the bottom and no column on top. The Column at the bottom could have a wider section than the column on top.

Support types specify these properties including the section properties of the column. At the this point in time, there is only consideration for *rectangular/square* column sections. Circular sections will be added as need arises.

Column Input parameters

- **column_top**: Specifications for column at the top of support. If no value this parameter is not provided, then the support type has no column on bottom.
- **column_bottom**: Specifications for column at the bottom of support. If no value this parameter is not provided, then the support type has no column on top.
- **section_d**: This stands for the section depth of a column
- **section_b**: This stands for section width of column
- **column_h_m**: This is the height of the column in **metres**

NOTE: Only column section width (*section_b*) is being used in beam detailing the time of writing this text. Other parameters will be used when column detailing has been added to the "adds" project.

- example input for support type with both column on top and the bottom. See [support_type_1](#) in [sample1.trad](#)

```
"support_type_x":{
  "column_top": {
    "section_d": "200",
    "section_b": "200",
    "column_h_m": "3"
  },
  "column_bottom": {
    "section_d": "200",
    "section_b": "200",
    "column_h_m": "3"
  }
}
```

- example input for support type with only the bottom bottom column. See [support_type_2](#) in [sample1.trad](#)

```
"support_type_x":{
  "column_bottom": {
    "section_d": "200",
    "section_b": "300",
    "column_h_m": "3"
  }
}
```

4. Beams data

Beams sections is where the beams are specified using both the **sections data** and **support types data** plus other beam parameters required to exhaustively specify a beam.

Beam Input parameters

- **beam_depth:** This is the overall depth of beam. Some sections a long length of beam may be shallower.
- **spans:** Specifies all the spans in beam. They have their own parameter as shown below.
 - *length_m:* This is the span *centre to centre* length in *metres*. Or this is the distance between the centre of the left support to the centre of the right support.
 - *section_left:* This is the section to the left of the span as specified in the sections section. The section is specified using the name of the section.

- *section_right*: This is the section to the right of the span as specified in the sections section. The section is specified using the name of the section.
- example input for span parameters. See `span_1` of `beam_1` in `sample1.trad`

```
"span_x":{  
  "length_m": "4.15",  
  "section_left": "section_2",  
  "section_right": "section_1"  
},
```

NOTE: span key words `length_m`, `section_left` and `section_right` can not be changed to other names

- **supports**: This is specification for the support type at each support point of the beam. A beam with 3 spans will have 4 supports. Specifying less supports will throw an error.

Assumptions

1. You can't have a beam section with both top and bottom flange
2. In some instances, `beam depth` and `section depth` may mean the same thing. ***Ignore this comment for now***