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CRACK WIDTH CALCULATION (EC2)

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	$f_{ck} = f_{yk} = f_{yk} = E_S = A_S = b = b = b = c = 0$ $f_{ck} = f_{yk} = f_{yk$	
Note 1	STEP 1 Calculate the neutral axis depth of the cracked section $x = \frac{-\alpha_e A_s \pm \sqrt{(\alpha_e A_s)^2 + 2b\alpha_e A_s d}}{b}$ STEP 2 Calculate the steel stress at the crack (σ_{s2}) Lever $arm(Z) = d - \frac{x}{3}$	x =
	Lever $arm(Z) = a - \frac{1}{3}$ $\sigma_s = M/Z A_s =$	Lever $arm(Z) = \sigma_s =$

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Clauses 7.3.4(2) Eq. 7.10	STEP 3 Calculate the effective reinforcement ratio $\rho_{p.eff} = \frac{A_s}{A_{c,eff}}$	$oldsymbol{ ho_{p.eff}}=$
Clauses 7.3.4(3)	$\frac{\text{STEP 4}}{S_{r,max}} = K_3C + K_1K_2K_4 \frac{\emptyset}{\rho_{p,eff}}$	$S_{r,max} =$
Clauses 7.3.4(1) Eq. 7.8 Table 7.1N	$\frac{\text{STEP 5}}{\varepsilon_{sm}} = \frac{\sigma_s}{E_s}$ Calculate the maximum crack width; $w_K = S_{r,max} \times \varepsilon_{sm}$ $w_K =$	$ \varepsilon_{sm} = w_K = $

Note of Calculations

1. The serviceability calculations are based on triangular stress block for concrete only above neutral axis-i.e. a cracked section. There is no restriction on the x/d ratio, as in ultimate limit state calculations. Instead of using this formula for x/d, we could have found the value of x by equating the first moments of area of a transformed (cracked)section about the neutral axis, the area of steel can be converted to an equivalent concrete area based on x_{eff} We then have

$${b.x.(x/2)}/_{\alpha_{eff}} = A_s(d-x)$$