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In addition, we’ll occasionally run a Steel Survey in the news section (page 11 in this issue). This month we’re asking for your opinion about future AISC Seminar Series topics. Responding to the survey is simple. Again, the responses are tied into the free Reader Service Card.

Oh, and by the way, the National Steel Construction Conference was great this year—from the T.R. Higgins lecture on composite construction to a connection question-and-answer session featuring Omer Blodgett and Geoffrey L. Kulak to the new products in the exhibit hall. But I’ll write more about the show in next month’s issue. And, if you’re a real early bird about planning, keep in mind that next year’s show will be in San Antonio in May. If any of the conversations I’ve been overhearing are an indication, it will be even better than this year’s! Hope to see you there. SM
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Serviceability is a particular concern for crane systems in industrial buildings but is not clearly covered in standard code literature. What are deflection limits for crane runway systems?

In Industrial Buildings, AISC Design Guide series No. 7, 1993 by James M. Fisher, deflection limits are given as follows:

- Vertical deflection of the crane beam due to wheel loads (no impact);
- L/600 for Light and Medium Cranes (CMAA Classes A, B, C, and D)
- L/1000 for Mill Cranes (CMAA Classes E and F)
- Lateral deflection of the crane beam due to crane lateral loads:
  - L/400 for all cranes.

Hussain Shanaa, Ph.D., P.E.
AEC Engineering
Minneapolis, MN

Another response:

Excessive deflections cause steep slopes on the runway and are a serious operating obstacle. Sometimes a crane cannot climb the slope caused by this deflection and will become stuck in midspan. Conversely, the crane can increase speed dangerously on the downhill portion of the trip.

The Crane Manufacturers Association of America (CMAA) recommends vertical deflections (from dead load plus rated load) not to exceed 0.00125 inch per inch of span of bridge girders. This limit could be applied to runway girders as well.

Horizontal deflections are not so critical but excessive deflection can cause excessive wear on wheel flanges and on the rail. Horizontal deflection of girder should be limited to half the difference between width of rail head and the inside flange-to-flange dimension of the wheel. Expressed differently, the center-to-center dimension of runway rails must not vary more than the difference of the inside flange-to-flange wheel less the width of rail head.

Gerald A. Reed, P.E.
Kenneecott Utah Copper Corp.
Bingham Canyon, UT

Another response:

There is no consensus among designers and engineers regarding crane runway deflection limits. However, there is general agreement that these limits should be considerably less than, for example, the L/360 deflection limit normally adhered to for members supporting plaster ceilings.

Deflection limits recommended in the literature vary from L/600 for light cranes up to L/1200 for heavy, fast cranes. Stone & Webster’s procedures require runway vertical deflection limits of from L/800 to L/100. Generally, lateral deflection is limited to L/400. These limits may be marginally exceeded when re-rating existing runways. We have been using these criteria for simple span girders on cranes in CMAA Classes A1, A2, B, and C with no apparent problems.

The deflection limit is only one of several important aspects of crane runway design. There are many other concerns to be addressed by the crane runway designer. To note all of them is impractical in this type of response. A very good introduction to crane runway design is the article, Tips for Avoiding Crane Runway Problems by David T. Ricker, AISC Engineering Journal, 4th Quarter 1982.

G. Jeffrey Ashworth, P.E.
Stone & Webster Engineering Corp.
Boston, MA

Steel Interchange is an open forum for Modern Steel Construction readers to exchange useful and practical professional ideas and information on all phases of steel building and bridge construction. Opinions and suggestions are welcome on any subject covered in this magazine. If you have a question or problem that your fellow readers might help you to solve, please forward it to Modern Steel Construction. At the same time, feel free to respond to any of the questions that you have read here. Please send them to:

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Another response:

Excessive crane beam deflection is the underlying cause of many crane runway problems, such as: weakening and eventual fracture of the crane beam-to-column connections, bending in the crane column, cracking of the crane beam web, creeping of the crane rail leading to loosening of the rail clips or hook bolts, yawing of the crane bridge resulting in binding wheels with subsequent wear of rails, wheel flanges, and bearings, etc. Historically, stiffer crane beams have a better performance record. The design profession, however, is not in agreement as to the desired degree of stiffness. For example:

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Since the benefits of crane beam stiffness far outweigh the costs of attainment this writer suggests using L/1000 for CMAA classes A, B, and C and L/1200 for CMAA classes D, E, and F. For all cranes lateral deflection should be limited to L/400.

As a word of caution, never use multi-span crane or knee braces as a means to reduce deflection. Crane beams should be designed as single spans.

David T. Ricker, P.E.
Payson, AZ

In a structure that has tubular columns, should weep holes be added at the bottom of the columns in order to drain any water in the column?

If water is present inside tubular columns, internal corrosion is likely. An ultrasonic thickness examination can be performed without removing the water. The Engineer can then determine the structural adequacy of the columns based on the amount of metal loss. From electrochemistry,

\[ 4\text{Fe} + 3\text{O}_2 + 2\text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow 2\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O} \]  

\text{(iron)} \quad \text{(air)} \quad \text{(moisture)} \quad \text{(hydrated red iron rust)}

In the above expression, moisture (water or humidity) is required for steel to rust in the presence of oxygen (air). If one of the above elements or compounds is removed, the reaction will stop. For example, steel will not rust in dry air.

If a column is structurally adequate, it should be drained and seal welded airtight. Equilibrium between the air, moisture and rust will be reached and rust formation will stop. The exterior of the column can then be protected with an approved coating. If seal welding is not possible, vents should be added for drainage and the column protected with a properly designed cathodic protection system.

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Ron E. Campos, S.E.
La Habra, CA

New Question

Listed below is a question that we would like the readers to answer or discuss.

If you have an answer or suggestion please send it to the Steel Interchange Editor, Modern Steel Construction, One East Wacker Dr., Suite 3100, Chicago, IL 60601-2001.

Questions and responses will be printed in future editions of Steel Interchange. Also, if you have a question or problem that readers might help solve, send these to the Steel Interchange Editor.

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### Designations, Dimensions & Properties

W shapes have essentially parallel flange surfaces. The profile of a W shape of a given nominal depth and weight available from different producers is essentially the same except for the size of fillets between the web and flange.

HP bearing pile shapes have essentially parallel flange surfaces and equal web and flange thickness. The profile of an HP shape of a given nominal depth and weight available from different producers is essentially the same.

American Standard Beams (S) and American Standard Channels (C) have a slope of approximately 17 percent (2 in 12 in.) on the inner flange surfaces. The profiles of S and C shapes of a given nominal depth and weight available from different producers is essentially the same.

The letter M designates shapes that cannot be classified as W, HP, or S shapes; MC designates channels that cannot be designated as C shapes. M and MC shapes may or may not have slopes on their inner flange surfaces, dimensions for which can be obtained from the respective producing mills.

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When Children's Hospital relocated in late 1988 from its downtown hospital site to Wauwatosa, it quickly became evident that even more room would be needed. The hospital had moved into a 300,000-sq.-ft. facility designed by Henningson, Durham, and Richardson, Inc. (HDR), Dallas, which served as both architect and engineer on the project. Construction manager was McCarthy of St. Louis. The structural steel building had composite floor deck and lightweight concrete fill with exterior cladding consisting of architectural precast panels with punched window openings.

Although provisions were made in the original design for one additional floor, it was soon obvious that even more would be needed. Within two weeks after occupancy of the new building, the hospital census was running at nearly 100 percent. By early

Pictured at top is the new sixth floor framing with the columns spliced to the existing columns from below. The mechanical unit remained in place to allow the operating rooms below to continue functioning during the construction. When the building is nearly complete, the unit will be demolished and removed. Floor framing will be added to complete the floor. Shown above is a plate girder at each floor spanning 105 ft. over the existing four-story main hospital section.
1989, Children's Hospital determined that additional space was needed due to the rapid growth and would, therefore, embark on a building program to expand the recently opened facility with two additional floors.

**Additional Growth**

The expansion plans resulted in HDR designing a ninth level floor, which was called for in the original plans, as well as starting design on a new east tower building to be located adjacent to the four-story ancillary portion of the main building and above the completed loading dock service area. While up to 17 stories is ultimately planned for the site, during the first phase only one floor of this new structure was to be built. What makes this project unique is that, because of programmatic requirements, only the fourth floor would be constructed during the first phase. This would allow the existing surgery and recovery floor of the existing building to expand by almost 23,000 sq. ft. Since the first, second and third levels would be built at an unknown future date, provisions were necessary for attaching the future floor framing to the columns supporting the new fourth floor.

It became readily apparent that a steel structure was the most appropriate and efficient choice to accomplish the hospital's requirements. Its lighter weight compared to concrete construction would result in smaller drilled pier costs. And even more importantly, connection of future framing would be vastly simpler. Also, since neither forming nor shoring are required, steel erection would be faster than concrete and unhindered by obstructions.

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resulting from their move into the new facility at the regional medical center campus. Patients were coming to Children’s Hospital in greater numbers than ever expected, and it was apparent that the hospital could not continue to effectively handle the patient census and provide required services without significant expansion of the medical support departments and an increase in the number of patient beds.

In early 1992, HDR was authorized to proceed with plans to renovate 70,000 sq. ft. of the existing hospital, construct 260,000 sq. ft. on nine new floors in the east tower, and add a connector link passageway between the main building and the new tower floors.

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for the hospital to remain completely operational during virtually all of the construction work. The use of structural steel played a major role in minimizing disruption and maintaining schedules.

Conventional steel erection using cranes was not possible for the east tower second and third levels since equipment access at the first level was severely restricted by basement walls and loading dock height and accessibility from above was blocked off by the existing fourth level surgery floor. Instead, scissor-lifts were utilized to erect the steel framing and deck in a planned sequence that allowed the hospital uninterrupted use of the loading dock area. The construction manager chose to place the steel for the east tower’s sixth through 11th floor with a self-climbing tower crane placed inside one of the central core elevator shafts.

The second and third floor framing was erected to existing columns that supported the fourth floor. Erection was planned to allow the first floor loading dock to maintain its operation.

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A connector link was constructed to allow passage between the main building and the new east tower. Pictured opposite is one of the three existing footings which was enlarged in order to support a new connector link between the main building and the east tower.

Prior to the commencement of erection, HDR was notified of an interference condition at the existing roof. An air-handling unit serving the surgery floor below and located on the roof was physically higher than the next level of structural framing. The top would extend into several beams and delay construction progress of a sizeable floor area. The unit was intended to be in service only for the interim period until a mechanical penthouse level could be completed. Meanwhile, though, the air-handling unit had to remain operational.

Fortunately, a simple solution was found. The affected area was directly accessible along the north side perimeter. The steel beams and deck in the two bays of the sixth floor above the unit were planned to be left out until the new mechanical system was finished. At such time, the interim unit could be disassembled, removed and the remaining framing, precast wall panels and floor would be put in place.

Fabricator and erector on the project is AISC-member Construction Supply & Erection, Inc.

Connections

VITAL TO THE EAST TOWER VERTICAL EXPANSION SCHEME WAS A CONNECTOR LINK to the main hospital building at the fifth, sixth, eighth and ninth floors. The lower floor would be connected because of a larger footprint plan. Complicating the design was the need to support the connector structure on existing columns of the main hospital building that were not designed for any additional future floors or increased loading.

Framing for the 12-ft.-wide by 80-ft.-long connector link was accomplished using W12x14 beams, W24x68 composite girders and 2-in.-deep composite deck with 3 in. of lightweight concrete fill. In addition, each floor slab functions as a simple span horizontal diaphragm for transferring wind loads from the connector to the main hospital.
building and east tower. Intermediate support was achieved by adding W14x132 columns to the top of existing W14x90 columns.

However, calculations showed that the existing W14x90 sections would be overstressed from the connector link loads. Furthermore, soil pressures under these existing footings would exceed allowable recommendations given by the geotechnical engineer. The most reasonable option was to reinforce the existing columns by welding coverplates to the flanges and web. This created greater cross-sectional area and reduced the column stresses caused by the new loading conditions. It also was necessary to enlarge three existing footings in order that soil bearing pressures not exceed permissible values.

Dynamic Design

The project at Children's Hospital of Wisconsin illustrates the complexity and difficulty of hospital strategic planning and design. In response to the hospital's dynamic changes and growth, it has been demonstrated that structural steel provided the strength and versatility needed to solve simple and complex problems for both new and renovation work. Construction is currently ongoing and is expected to be complete in early 1995.

Steve Punch, P.E., is the structural section manager and Sidney S. Wall is vice president and senior project manager for the Dallas office of Henningson, Durham, and Richardson, Inc.
A vertical addition to a Milwaukee hospital needed to match floor-to-floor heights with an adjacent building while accommodating massive mechanical ducts

By Steven J. Roloff, P.E.

Unlike other types of owners, when hospitals need more room, they can't just pick up and move to a new building. Instead, they expand—both horizontally and vertically—their existing facilities. And even while they're planning one expansion, they're already anticipating another.

When Columbia Hospital in Milwaukee started construction on an Ancillary Building Addition (now part of The Clinical Building) back in 1982, they knew they'd one day outgrow the new space. So while they built a two-story structure, their engineers planned for a future four-story addition to the steel-framed building. By the early 1990s, their plan blossomed beyond expectations. Programming projections established that a new building was required in addition to a seven level vertical expansion of the existing Ancillary Building. However, due to uncertainty about the future of health care led the hospital to build only three of these floors now, while planning for four more floors in the future.

In addition, initial project planning directed that clinical and mechanical areas be incorporated in the new levels, thereby increasing structural floor loading requirements. The original two-story building featured a 13-ft.-high lower-level-to-ground elevation and a 14-ft.-high ground-to-first-level elevation to align with an adjoining building. Likewise, the floors of the vertical expansion also had to match...
those of an adjacent building. Unfortunately, this meant floor-to-floor heights as tight as 11-ft.-6-in.

Architectural requirements, including floor layouts with large open spaces and maximum future flexibility, did not permit vertical expansion of any of the original building's lateral load resisting K-braces or the use of any other similar diagonal member braces at any of the typical non-mechanical occupied floors. The large size of the required HVAC distribution system necessary to address the intense internal heat gains associated with high-tech medical equipment and stringent air exchange rates also played a significant role in the selection of the building's structural system.

**Design Challenges**

The challenges inherent in the program were not that uncommon by themselves, but in combination they demanded a unique engineering solution. The approach was two-fold. First, the existing two-level structure had to be evaluated and reinforced for additional gravity and lateral loads from the levels not anticipated in the original design. Secondly, alternatives for the design of the new floors needed to be explored.

The foundation system for the original Ancillary Building construction consisted of concrete piers on 3-ksi concrete spread footings founded on 8-ksf allowable soil bearing pressure materials. One of the initial steps taken in the evaluation of the existing building was to determine the support characteristics of the insitu soils beneath the existing footings. The procedure used to complete this task was performed at two separate locations. The process consisted of coring through the existing footing pads and conducting pressuremeter testing. In addition, the cores collected from the footings were tested to evaluate their compressive strength. As a result of these tests, a net allow-
able soil bearing capacity of 10.35 ksf was recommended with insitu concrete compressive strengths of about 5 ksi for the footing concrete. Using this information and the new anticipated footing loads, it was determined that all of the affected existing footings were structurally adequate.

**Structural Design Alternatives**

**DURING THE CONCEPTUAL DESIGN OF THE NEW LEVELS, it quickly became apparent that there would be a conflict between the structural and**
The detail at right shows the vertical reaction and moment connection between orthogonal inframing Vierendeel joist girders and a supporting column.

mechanical systems if the original structural system was simply duplicated. Because of the tight floor-to-floor heights, mechanical requirements and the 9-ft. ceiling heights desired by the architect in many locations, a new design solution was required.

In an effort to satisfy all of the design criteria, a cast-in-place concrete slab and column moment frame system was investigated and quickly eliminated. This approach would have required extensive foundation work to accommodate the additional structure dead weight. Also, too much work would have been required within the existing occupied spaces to make the transition from a steel frame to a concrete frame.

The next alternative considered was a stub-girder system. In this system, short lengths of rolled steel sections (stubs) are welded to the top of a steel beam and connected to the underside of a concrete slab by shear connectors. This system results in open areas between the stubs that can accommodate mechanical and distribution equipment. After preliminary study, however, it was determined that the stub-girder system would not provide large enough openings. Also, the magnitude of the negative moments produced by the lateral loads could not be easily accommodated by the system.

Another alternative considered was the use of deep beam sections with cut web openings to accommodate mechanical requirements. However, discussions with McCarthy Bros. Co., the project’s construction manager, and with steel fabricators regarding preliminary pricing for this type of system revealed that it would be too expensive. However, it was determined that costs could be reduced by using a truss with a Vierendeel panel. Using this system meant the main mechanical duct chases would have to be provided in orthogonal directions and ducts would have had to be designed to...
The photo above shows ductwork passing through the Vierendeel panel opening in a typical joist girder, as well as smaller ductwork passing through a variety of additional panel openings.

span across the Vierendeel panels. This system was chosen for two of the floors, with the third vertical expansion floor utilizing a conventional composite steel beam system to maximize head height at the floor containing the mechanical equipment room.

Since the project now consisted of only 108 custom fabricated trusses, it was decided that costs could be minimized by designing the trusses to meet Steel Joist Institute (SJI) specifications and typical manufacturing practices in order to facilitate fabrication by any SJI member manufacturer.

**Type 1 Construction**

Since the building's lateral load resistance could not be accomplished using diagonal members, it was decided to go to a Type 1 rigid frame construction. Type 1 was chosen due to concerns the bottom chord of the truss may buckle under actual loads if only lateral loads were considered. But in an effort to reduce the negative moments to be designed for at the ends of the trusses, the final moment connection weldment was designed and detailed to be completed only after the slab's selfweight had been applied.

At some locations where wide flange beam sections cantilevered 10 ft. out from the column and had a truss member for the backspan, the end of the cantilever was required to be shored until the truss' end moment connection could be completed. To distinguish between trusses on a column line as part of a rigid frame and those trusses designed as simple span members framing between non-column supports, the terms Vierendeel girder and Vierendeel joist were adopted respectively.

A typical new unshored building bay consisted of 4 1/4 in. of lightweight concrete on 2 in. composite metal deck spanning between joists and girders typically at 10 ft. on-center. As the mechanical design advanced, it was established that a Vierendeel panel opening 1-ft.-10-in.-high by 3-ft.-2-in.-wide would be of sufficient size to accommodate the rectangular ducts and the required three-hour sprayed-on fireproofing material. It also was determined that on each side of the Vierendeel panel the system had to also allow for the passage of a 17-in.-diameter duct. Large scale layouts of the joists and girders with anticipated member sizes confirmed this additional opening could be satisfied between truss web members and would not require additional special provisions within the truss profile. Initial design loadings indicated trusses with double 5 x 5 angle top and bottom chords would satisfy structural requirements. With this information, initial girder section properties were estimated for the rigid frame analysis.

To properly model the relationship of the girder to the column, fictitious members having a high cross sectional area, a high moment of inertia and a length to match the depth of the girder were conceptualized at the ends of the girders. The ends of these fictitious members were then connected to the column at their respective heights with a simple pin connection at the top and a simple vertical slip connection at the bottom. Modeling the truss to column connection in this manner more accurately reflects the stiffness of the system and disbursement of the connection forces. To faithfully imitate the behavior of the new column to the top of the existing column, springs having a stiffness representative of the existing columns were modeled at the base of the new columns. The 2D and 3D models were generated and analyzed and sections designed by utilizing the STAAD-III program from Research Engineers.

The highest girder loadings were extracted from the output and forwarded to AISC associate member Vulcraft for their review and preliminary component design. Because of the relative stiffness of the girders and columns, the size of the top and bottom chords of the girders were increased to double 6 x 6 angles resulting in a final typical joist and girder depth of 34-in. In
order to establish an architectural relationship between the new floor elevations with the elevations of the existing adjacent building, the top of many of the exterior wall openings extend above the bottom of the Vierendeel trusses. A sloped ceiling makes the transition from this point back to the typical ceiling height. To accommodate this architectural detail, special joists and girders with an end tapering from 34 in. to 24 in. at the end were employed within sloped ceiling spaces. In fact, space requirements within and below the trusses dictated horizontal bridging be placed within the depth of the truss top and bottom chord angles.

Connection Design

Connections between joists and girders were accomplished using 1 in. plate that also acted as a spacer between the truss section's top and bottom double chord angles. Although a similar connection was called for between joists and supporting wide flange beams, during shop drawing review this detail was modified at some locations to be a field bolted butt joint between a WT-section welded to the beam web and a pair of angles on the joist end in order to address erection considerations.

Connections between girders and columns were designed to transfer vertical end reactions of up to 64 kips and end moment connections varying from 0 to 380 kip ft. Typical vertical reaction connection to the face of a column flange was accomplished using a T-shaped haunch constructed of plates while a similar connection into the web of the column was achieved using a fitted seat plate welded to the column with a support bar placed directly underneath the seat plate extending past and welded to the tips of the column flanges. Moment connections were completed using a plate welded to the column and the top of the girder's top chord and welding the bottom chord to a specially designed stabilizer plate welded to the column. Special detailing provisions were made and consideration given to erection requirements from orthogonal in-framing girders at column locations.

Schedules containing joist and girder design loadings and minimum moment of inertia values to be met were supplied to the girder fabricator, AISC-member Zalk Josephs Fabricators, Inc. Minimum moment of inertia values were provided to assure parity between models upon which the design of the columns and other members were based and final fabricated members provided. Contrary to typical SJ1 member manufacturer procedures, contract documents required the submittal and approval of all calculations prior to any section fabrication. Typically, these calculations were performed just days prior to fabrication. Actual girder moment of inertia values were obtained from these calculations and used in the models originally generated. New girder end moment schedules were produced from the output of these revised models and were forwarded to the fabricator for integration into final girder design. Typically, the girder end moments increased due to a higher girder moment of inertia value then had originally been assumed. Final analysis of the models also permitted a code check on the column sizes specified. No adjustments of any of the column sizes was required as a result of the final model runs.

Zalk Josephs provided 250 tons of A36 and A572 Grade 50 steel for the project, while Vulcraft provided 90 tons of Vierendeel paneled steel joists and girders.

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**PROGRAM:** SODA—STRENGTHENING OPTIMIZATION DESIGN & ANALYSIS  
**Type:** Design/verify/analyze structural steel frames  
**Company:** Acronym Software Inc.  
**Address:** 22 King St. S. #302 Waterloo, Ontario N2J1N8 Canada  
**Phone:** 519/885-2454  
**Fax:** 519/746-7931  
**Info:** SODA automatically and completely designs a least-weight 2D or 3D steel frame or truss from a library of commercial steel sections. The program designs for both strength and deflection requirements in accordance with ASD (1978 & 1989), LRFD (1986), and CISC CAN3-S16.1 M84 and includes First Order or P-Delta design and analysis. A design verification mode permits quick evaluation or revision of designs against codes and points out areas of over and/or under design. Also, the program is able to perform structural analysis as a separate operation. Version 3.2.5 was released in May 1994. A free demo disk is available.  
**Price:** $495 (single user); $1,485 (multiple user)  

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**PROGRAM:** DISPAR  
**Type:** Postprocessor for ETABS and SAP90  
**Company:** Advanced Structure Concepts  
**Address:** 1580 Lincoln, Ste. 550 Denver, CO 80203  
**Phone:** 303/860-9021  
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**Info:** Using simple virtual work techniques, DISPAR works with ETABS or SAP90 to provide the user with detailed information on the sources of excess stiffness or flexibility, including: a frame-by-frame breakdown of each members' contribution to global flexibility in terms of axial, flexural, shear and torsional deformation sources as well as column, beam, diagonal and panel classifications; various options for assessing the effects of beam-column joint deformation; information on the overall efficiency of the structure; accurate structural steel tonnage; and an approximate but very accurate method of reanalysis that is 10 to 20 times faster than ETABS reanalysis. The program, which utilizes LRFD, was last upgraded in 1994. A free demonstration package is available.  
**Price:** $495  
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**PROGRAM:** AISC SOFTWARE  
**Type:** Ranges from floor framing to connections to bridge design  
**Company:** American Institute of Steel Construction, Inc.  
**Address:** One East Wacker Dr. Ste. 3100 Chicago, IL 60601  
**Phone:** 312/670-2400  
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**Info:** The Composite Column Computer Program (CMPOL) is a companion computer disk to AISC Design Guide D806 (Load and Resistance Factor Design of W-Shapes Encased in Concrete) to generate supplementary composite column design tables in ASD or LRFD format. The Parametric Bay Studies disk gives design guidance for composite and non-composite floor framing alternatives in the early planning stage of a project. Included are 2,400 composite beam and girder designs for quick estimating of the most economical floor design. The AISC Database contains the properties and dimensions of structural steel shapes, corresponding to Part 1 of the LRFD and ASD Manuals of Steel Construction. LRFD-related properties such as X1 and X2, as well as torsional properties, are included. Both English and metric versions are available.  
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PROGRAM: MERLIN-DASH
Type: Design & analysis of straight steel girder bridge systems
Company: BEST Center
Address: University of Maryland
College Park, MD 20742
Phone: 301/405-2011
Fax: 301/314-9129
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PROGRAM: STEELPLUS
Type: Structural shapes drafting/detailing
Company: Barry Bowen Associates
Address: 3394 Coleman Road
Memphis, TN 38128
Phone: 901/373-6468
Fax: 901/373-6468
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Type: Finite element program
Company: Computer Aided Structural Technology
Address: P.O. Box 14674
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Phone: 510/226-8857
Fax: 510/226-7328
Info: WinSTRUDL is a general purpose finite element program that runs inside Microsoft Windows. The program includes: static, P-Delta and dynamic analysis and AISC (ASD & LRFD) code checks. Loads include: joint; member; linearly varied; temperature; moving; pressure; and pre-stress. Boundary conditions can be fixed, released or spring. Graphical output can be accepted by AutoCAD. The program's chief advantage is that it is a true Windows program written in 32 bit C and C++ languages and can therefore take advantage of Windows virtual memory system for almost unlimited capacity. The program was upgraded in June 1994. From $390

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PROGRAM: SAP90; ETABS; AUTOFLOOR
Type: 3D static and dynamic finite element analysis/design; 3D structural analysis and design; structural floor framing
Company: Computers & Structures, Inc.
Address: 1995 University Ave., Ste. 210
Berkeley, CA 94704
Phone: 510/845-2177
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**Phone:** 404/894-2260  
**Fax:** 404/894-8014  
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Price: Multiframe 3D costs $1,495; Multiframe 4D costs $1,995; Section Maker costs $395; Steel Designer costs $695

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**PROGRAM:** VISUALANALYSIS & ANALYSISGROUP
**Type:** VisualAnalysis is a finite element analysis program; AnalysisGroup is a suite of structural analysis tools
**Company:** Integrated Engineering Software
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**PROGRAM:** STRUCAD*3D

**Type:** Structural analysis and design program

**Company:** Zentech

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