

# Structural Considerations for Bridges



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## Introduction

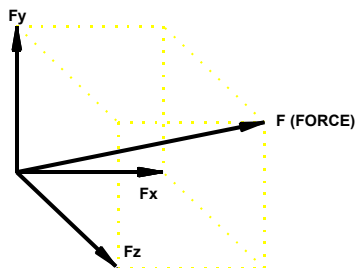
- Bridge members must be able to carry loads applied to them.
- Forces resisted by bridge members:
  - Axial forces
  - Bending forces
  - Shear forces
  - Torsional forces
- This presentation considers:
  - How bridge members are stressed by loads
  - How bridge materials resist stress
  - How bridges accommodate thermal movements



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## Force



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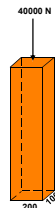
## Stress

- What is a stress?
  - Loads cause stresses
  - Stresses are the internal forces
- How to calculate stress?

$$\text{Stress} = \text{Force/Area}$$

$$= 40000/200 \times 100$$

$$= 2\text{MPa}$$

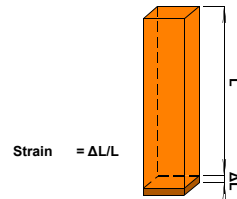


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## Strain

- It is described as the amount of deformation.
- It denotes the ratio of material's deformed dimension to its original dimension.



## Deformation & Modules of Elasticity

- Elastic Deformation - It is reversible distortion of a material.
- Plastic Deformation – It is the irreversible distortion of a material.
- Modulus of Elasticity (E) = Stress/Strain

## Response to Loading

- Forces resisted by bridge members:
  - Axial forces
  - Bending forces
  - Shear forces
  - Torsional forces

## Response to Loading

### Rigid Body

- A rigid body does not deform under load.

### Equilibrium

- When a particle is at rest or moves with constant velocity.

$$\sum V = 0$$

$$\sum H = 0$$

$$\sum M = 0$$

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### Types of Applied Stresses

**Tensile Stress**

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### Types of Applied Stresses

**Compressive Stress**

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### Types of Applied Stresses

**Positive Moment**

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### Types of Applied Stresses

**Negative Moment**

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### Bending Stress

**Bending Stress**  
 $f_b = Mc/I$

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### Types of Applied Stresses

**Shear Stress**

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### Beams – Horizontal Shear Stress

**SHEAR STRESSES**  
**DIAGONAL TENSILE STRESS**

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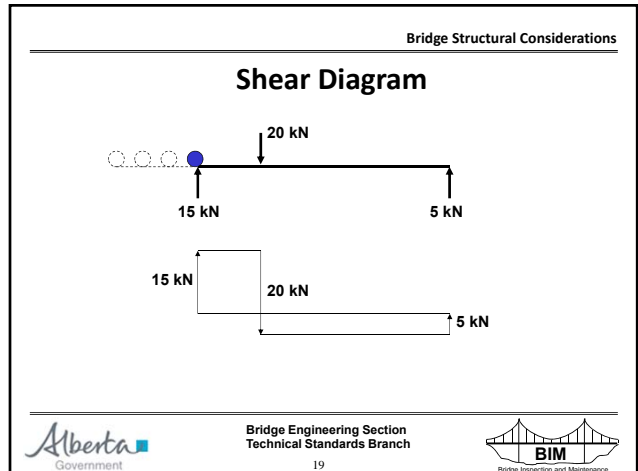
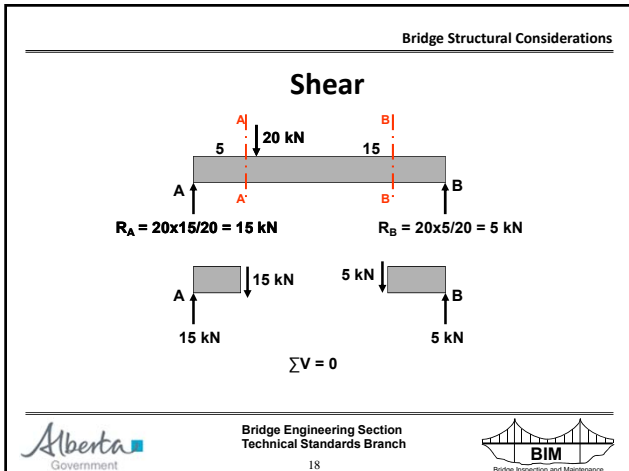
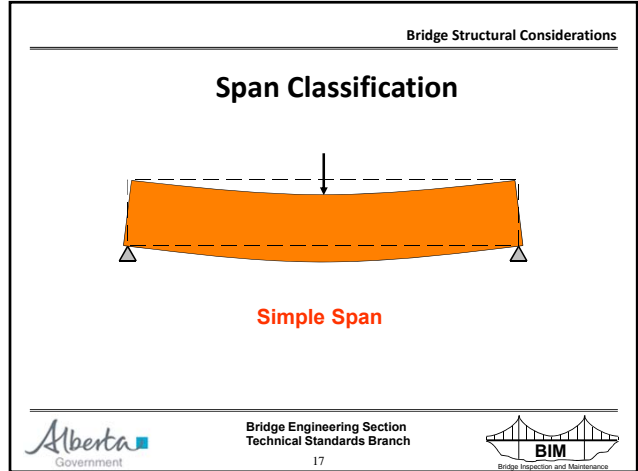
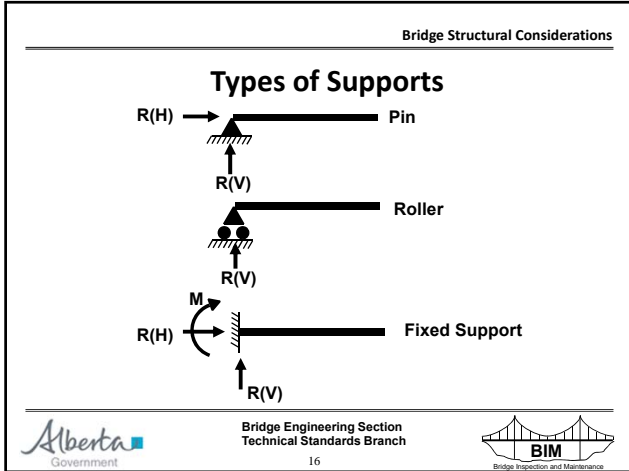
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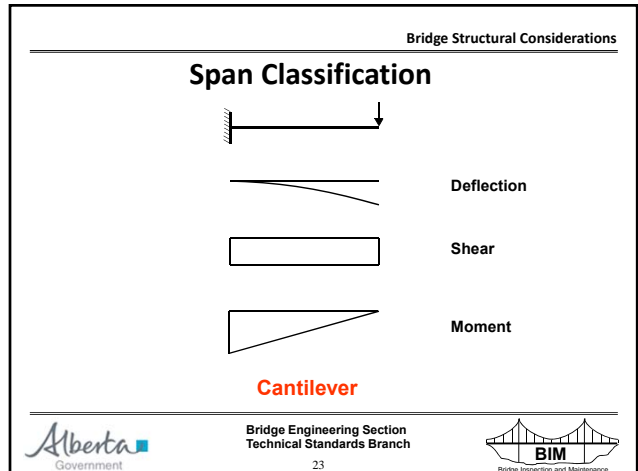
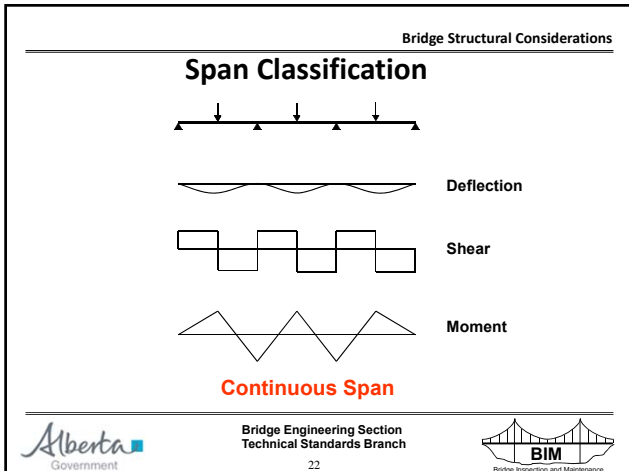
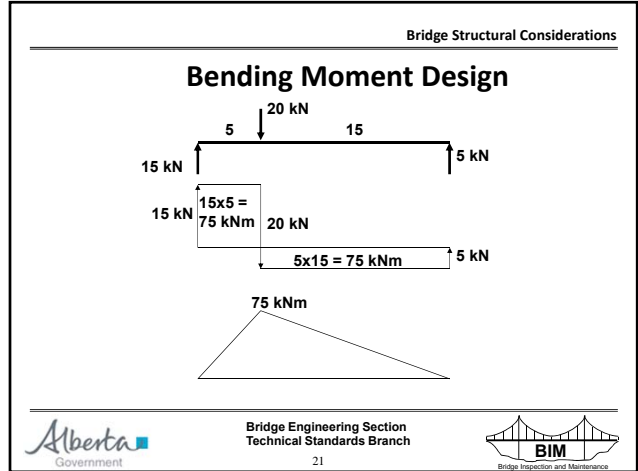
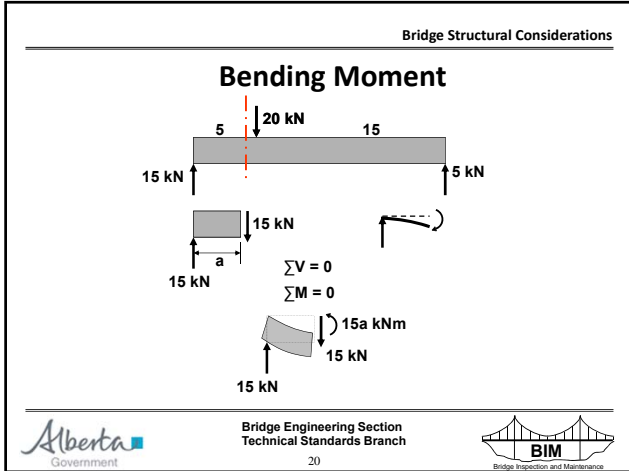
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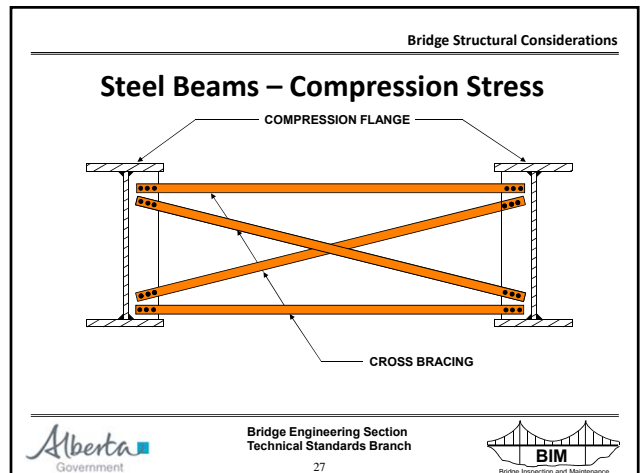
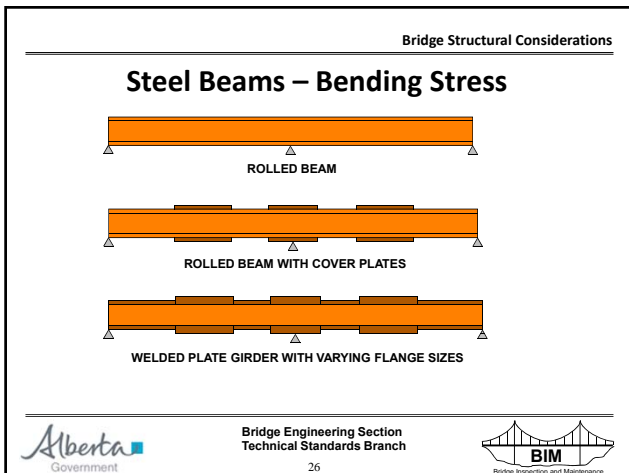
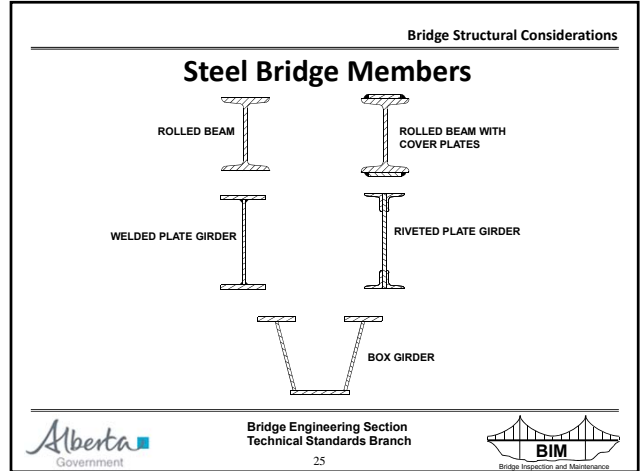
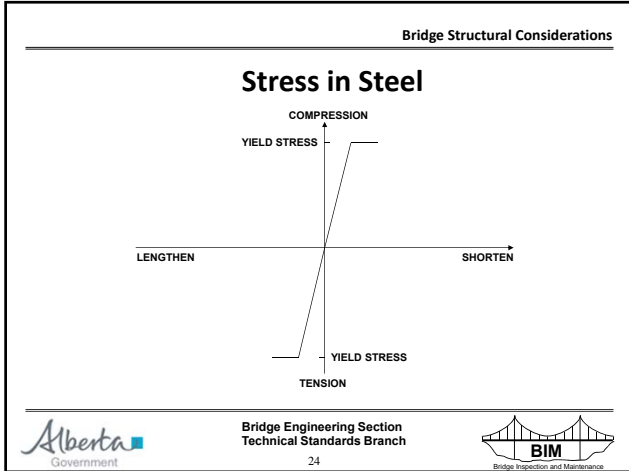
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## Steel Beams – Shear Stress

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## Composite Beam

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## Stress in Concrete

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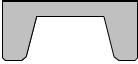
## Concrete Bridge Members

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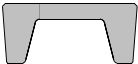


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## Concrete Bridge Members



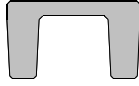
"A" GIRDER




"G" GIRDER



"E" GIRDER




"H", "HC", "VH" GIRDER



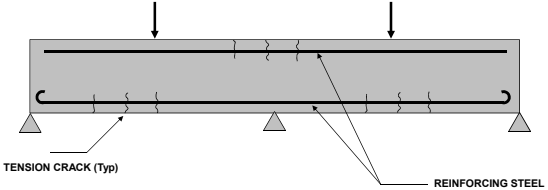
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## Concrete Beams – Bending Stress





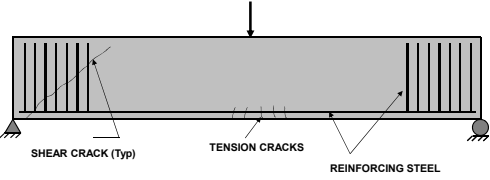
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## Concrete Beams – Shear Stress





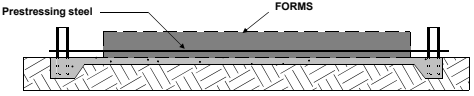
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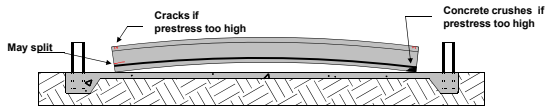


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## Prestressed Concrete



Tensioning Operation




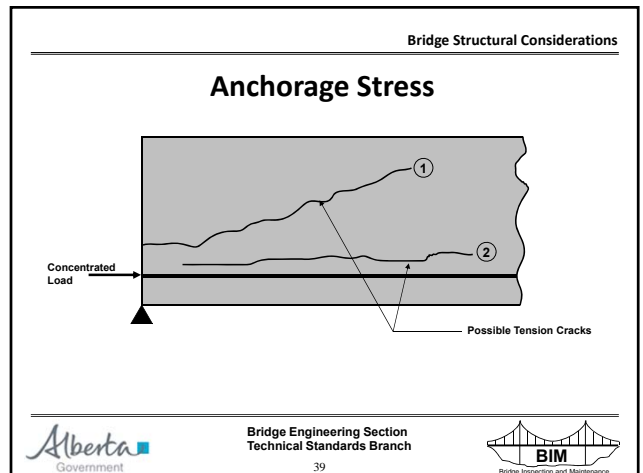
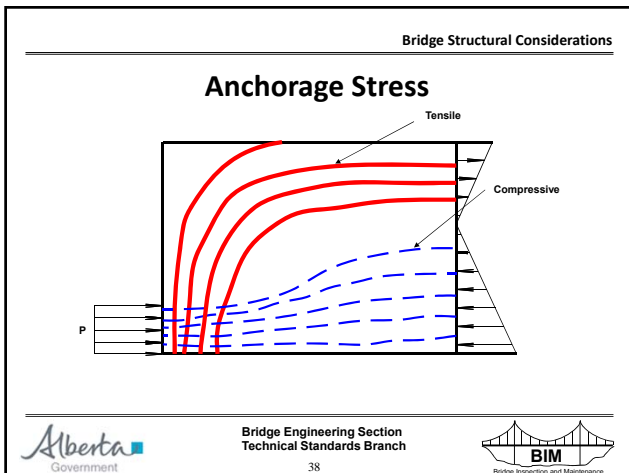
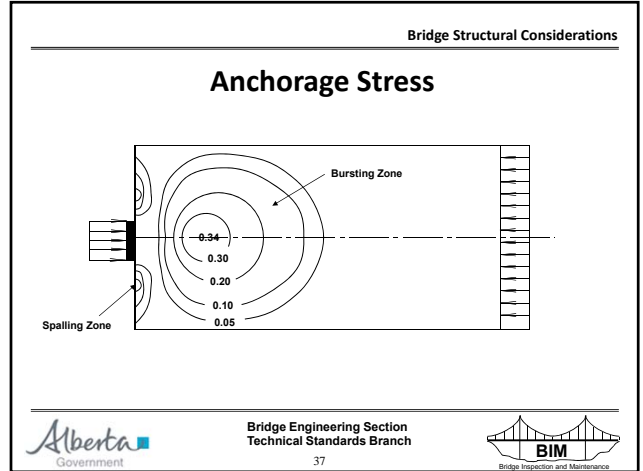
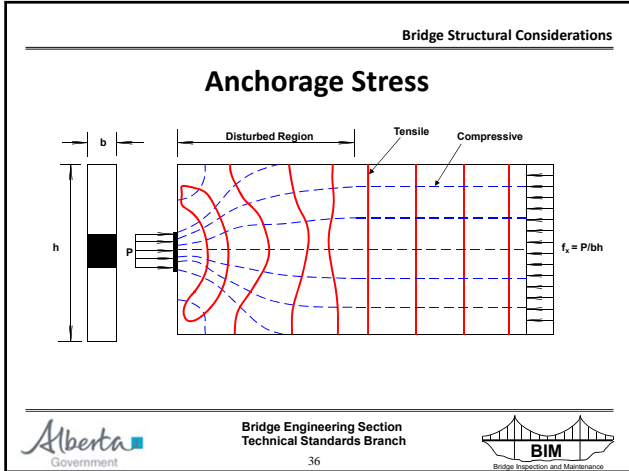
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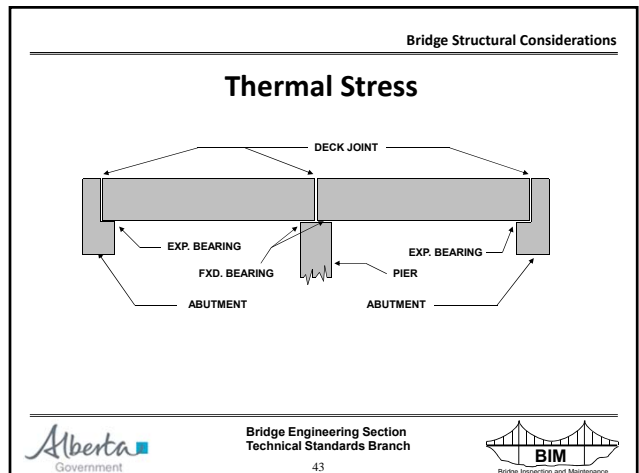
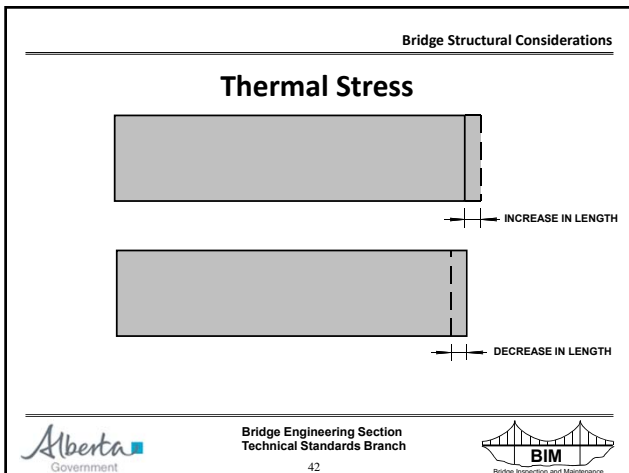
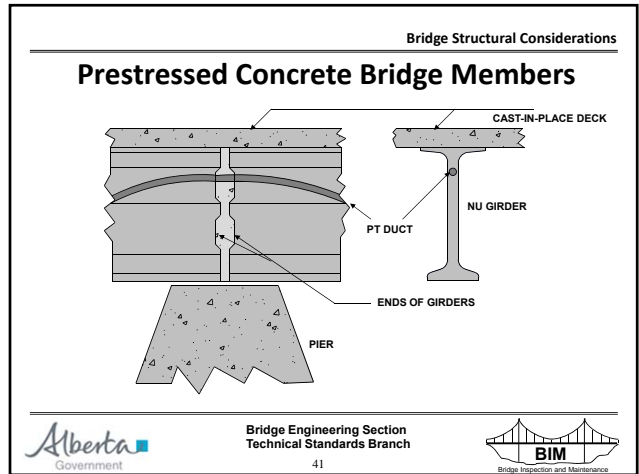
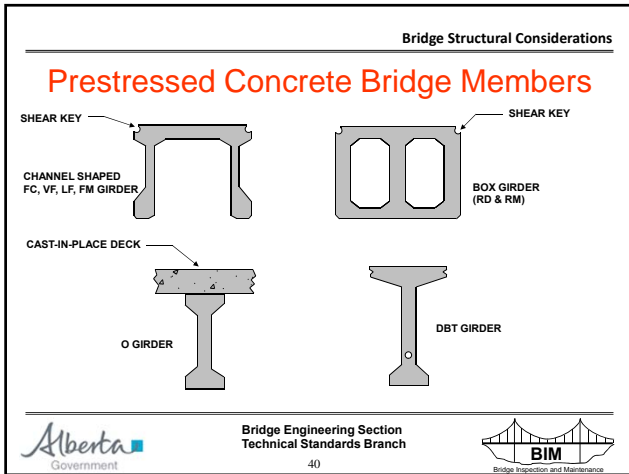


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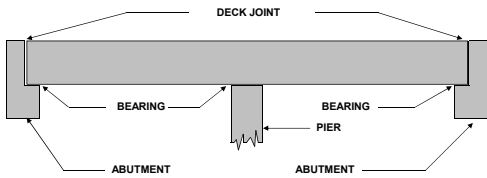
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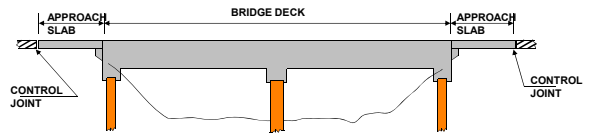




### Thermal Stress



### Stress in Concrete



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