









CONCENTRATED TORQUE MODEL		AS	RISA 3D	SAP2000	INVENTOR
MAXIMUM DETECTED VON MISES STRESS Mpa	WITHOUT STIFFENERS		44	46	55
MAXIMUM DETECTED VON MISES STRESS Mpa	WITH STIFFENERS	46	39.9	46	61
MAXIMUM TRANSVERSAL DEFLECTION mm	WITHOUT STIFFENERS	2.46	2.78	2.3	2.4
MAXIMUM TRANSVERSAL DEFLECTION mm	WITH STIFFENERS	2.08	2.19	2.2	2

EDGE LOAD MODEL		AS MODEL	RISA 3D MODEL	SAP2000	INVENTOR
MAXIMUM DETECTED VON MISES STRESS Mpa	WITHOUT STIFFENERS		257		270
MAXIMUM DETECTED VON MISES STRESS Mpa	WITH STIFFENERS	202	196		232
MAXIMUM VERTICAL DEFLECTION mm	WITHOUT STIFFENERS	4.2	16		12.18
MAXIMUM VERTICAL DEFLECTION mm	WITH STIFFENERS	9	12		10.36
MAXIMUM TRANSVERSAL DEFLECTION mm	WITHOUT STIFFENERS	6.46	8.12		7.13
MAXIMUM TRANSVERSAL DEFLECTION mm	WITH STIFFENERS	4.55	6.41		6.13

## CONCLUSIONS

We have managed after some reworking of the discording AS model to get consistent results from the models for the cases in 4 programs, enough to ascertain that for the stated cases, addition of stiffeners signify a moderate betterment of torsional response of the beam, that shows less rotation. The effect will be even far bigger if something that is able to provide restraint of rotation -even the element imparting the loading- takes hold of the stiffeners, that then will further prevent rotation and local deformation. As Pilkey's quotes Jefferson in the frontispice of his monumental book of closed form solutions, "all is demonstration, and satisfaction". Surely a mathematician could get a good laugh with this "demonstration" but well, this is technical matter, and if I remember well the original greek meaning for tekno is ART.