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Determine the critical slenderness ratio for each of the following about the weak (y-y) axis.

**Example Calculation:**

\[ I_y = \frac{10(8)^3}{12} - 2\left(\frac{6(3)^3}{12}\right) - 2\left(3(6)(2.5^2)\right) = 174.67 \text{ in}^4 \]

\[ A = 2(2)(8) + 2(6) = 44 \text{ in}^2 \]

\[ r_y = \sqrt{\frac{I_y}{A}} = \sqrt{\frac{174.67}{44}} = 1.972 \text{ in} \]

\[ \frac{K_f}{r_y} = \frac{1(120)}{1.972} = 60.22 \]

**Example Calculation:**

\[ I_y = \frac{4(4)^3}{12} - \frac{3(3)^3}{12} = 14.583 \text{ in}^4 \]

\[ A = 4^2 - 3^2 = 7 \text{ in}^2 \]

\[ r_y = \sqrt{\frac{I_y}{A}} = \sqrt{\frac{14.583}{7}} = 1.443 \text{ in} \]

\[ \frac{K_f}{r_y} = \frac{(1)20}{1.443} = 83.16 \]