

**AISC  
Spec or Manual  
Section**

**Connections  
Formula  
Number**

Single angles and plates	$k_a = 1$
Double angles	$k_a = 2$
Connection material length	$L_p$
Number of Bolts in a single line	$n$
Distance from weld line to first bolt column	$a$
Vertical bolt spacing	$s$

**Bolts**

J3.6

*Single bolt shear*

$$r_v = F_n A_b$$

B-1

$$A_b = \pi d_b^2 / 4$$

$d_b$  = nominal bolt diameter

**Bolt Shear**     $\phi = 0.75, \Omega = 2.00$

*Bolt shear w/o eccentricity*

$$R_n = n r_v$$

B-2

Manual

*Bolt shear w/ eccentricity*

$$R_n = C r_v$$

B-3

7-30

Bolt shear coefficient **C** from Manual Table 7-6 thru 7-13

Eccentricity  $e_b = a$  for tee connections

**Bearing strength at bolt holes**

J3.10

w/o eccentricity on bolts

$$R_n = k_a (Edge + (n - 1) Bearing)$$

$\phi = 0.75, \Omega = 2.00$

B-4a

$$Bearing = Min \left( S_1 \left( s - 1.0 \left( d_b + \frac{1}{16} \right) \right), S_2 d_b \right) F_u t$$

$$Edge = Min \left( S_1 \left( L_{ev} - 0.5 \left( d_b + \frac{1}{16} \right) \right), S_2 d_b \right) F_u t$$

When deformations at bolt holes are design consideration,

$$S_1 = 1.2 \text{ \& } S_2 = 2.4$$

When deformations at bolt holes are not a design consideration,

$$S_1 = 1.5 \text{ \& } S_2 = 3.0, \text{ used at SPSC}$$

At long slotted holes,  $S_1 = 1.0 \text{ \& } S_2 = 2.0$

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J3.10 w eccentricity on bolts

$$R_n = k_a C * \min(\text{Edge}, \text{Bearing})$$

$$\phi = 0.75, \Omega = 2.00$$

B-4b

## Welds

### Welds ( $F_{EXX} = 70$ ksi)

J2.4. Direct shear (no eccentricity)

$$R_n = 0.6 F_{EXX} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \frac{D}{16} L = 1.856 DL$$

$$\phi = 0.75, \Omega = 2.00$$

$$\phi R_n = 1.392 DL$$

LRFD

W-1a

$$\frac{R_n}{\Omega} = 0.928 DL$$

ASD

W-1b

*Base Metal Effective Weld Sizes:*

Shear Rupture  $\phi_w 0.60 F_{EXX} \left( \frac{D}{16\sqrt{2}} \right) = \phi_{BM} 0.60 F_u t$

$$D_{eff} = 22.6 \left( \frac{F_u}{F_{EXX}} \right) t$$

For welds on one side  $(D_{eff})_{max} = \frac{F_u t}{3.09}$

W-2

$$t = \frac{3.09 D}{F_u} \text{ for welds on one side of support}$$

When support  $t < \frac{3.09 D}{F_u}$ , then reduce weld capacity by  $\frac{F_u t}{3.09 D}$

For weld on both sides  $(D_{eff})_{max} = \frac{F_u t}{6.19}$

W-3

$$t = \frac{6.19 D}{F_u} \text{ for welds on both sides of support}$$

When support  $t < \frac{6.19 D}{F_u}$ , then reduce weld capacity by  $\frac{F_u t}{6.19 D}$

*Shear with eccentricity by ultimate analysis*

Manual

$$R_n = CDL$$

W-4

C from AISC Table for single angle

$$e_w = a + e_b$$

C from AISC Table

*Shear with eccentricity by vector analysis*

$$R_n = 0.6F_{EXX} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \frac{D}{16} (2L) / \sqrt{1 + \frac{12.96L_c^2}{L^2}}$$

Double angle clips

$$R_n = \frac{3.712DL}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{12.96L_c^2}{L^2}}} \quad \phi = 0.75, \Omega = 2.00$$

W-5

Where  $L_c$  = width of column leg of angle  
 (From Salmon and Johnson)

$$R_n = 0.6F_{EXX} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \frac{D}{16} (2L) / \sqrt{1 + \frac{20.25e_w^2}{L^2}}$$

Unstiffened seat angle

$$R_n = \frac{3.712DL}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{20.25e_w^2}{L^2}}} \quad \phi = 0.75, \Omega = 2.00$$

W-6

Where  $L$  = width of column leg of angle  
 $e_w$  = eccentricity from column face to shear resultant  
 (From Salmon and Johnson)

$$R_n = 0.6F_{EXX} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \frac{D}{16} (2.4L^2) / \sqrt{16e^2 + L^2}$$

Stiffened seat

$$R_n = \frac{4.454DL}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{10.2W^2}{L^2}}} \quad \phi = 0.75, \Omega = 2.00$$

W-7

Where  $L$  = width of column leg of angle  
 $e = 0.8W$  and  
 each horizontal leg length =  $0.2L$   
 (From Salmon and Johnson)

**Connection Material**

J4.2(a)      *Shear yield strength*       $R_n = k_a(0.6F_y)L_p t$        $\phi = 1.00, \Omega = 1.50$       CM-1

J4.2(b)      *Shear rupture strength*       $R_n = k_a(0.6F_u)(L_p - n(d_b + \frac{1}{8}))t$        $\phi = 0.75, \Omega = 2.00$       CM-2

F11      *Tee Stem Flexural Yielding*       $R_n = F_y \frac{tL_p^2}{4a} \leq 1.6F_y \frac{tL_p^2}{6a}$        $\phi = 0.90, \Omega = 1.67$       CM-3

*Tee Stem Flexural rupture*       $R_n = \frac{F_u Z_{net}}{a}$        $\phi = 0.75, \Omega = 2.00$       CM-4

J4.3      *Block shear strength*

*Block shear length*       $L = s(n - 1) + L_{ev}$       CM-5

*Gross shear area*       $A_{gv} = tL$

*Net shear area*       $A_{nv} = t(L - (n - 0.5)d_h)$

*Net tension area*       $A_{nt} = t(L_{eh} - 0.5d_h)$

Divide by t gives

$L$       (Vertical length of shear plane)      CM-5a

$L_s = L - (n - 0.5)(d_b + \frac{1}{8})$       CM-5b

$L_t = L_{eh} - 0.5(d_b + \frac{1}{8})$  (Less 0.25 at beam ends)      CM-5c

$R_n = k_a t (0.6F_u L_s + U_{bs} F_u L_t)$        $\phi = 0.75, \Omega = 2.00$       CM-5d

Where:  $0.6F_u L_s \leq 0.6F_y L$  and

$U_{bs} = 1.0$  for all except for double row connections

*Unstiffed Angle Seat Flexural Yielding*

$R_n = F_y \frac{L t_a^2}{4e} \leq (0.6F_y) L t_a$        $\phi = 0.90, \Omega = 1.67$       CM-6

$e = \frac{l_b}{2} + \text{Setback} - \frac{1}{4}t_a - r$

where  $l_b$  is largest required bearing length from Equations 8b, 8c, 8d and 8e (cannot exceed width of angle leg minus  $\frac{3}{4}$ -in.)

$r$  = angle fillet radius taken as  $\frac{3}{8}$ -in.

$t_a$  = angle thickness

J10.2      *Local web yielding*       $R_n = (2.5k + l_b)F_{yw} t_w$

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$l_b$  = Bearing Length

Solving for  $l_b$  gives

$$l_b = \frac{R_n - 2.5kF_{yw}t_w}{F_{yw}t_w}$$

$$R_1 = 2.5kF_{yw}t_w$$

$$R_2 = l_b F_{yw}t_w \quad \text{Where } l_b = 1$$

$$l_{b,\min} = \frac{R - (\phi, \Omega)R_1}{(\phi, \Omega)R_2} \quad \phi = 1.00, \Omega = 1.50$$

CM-5

$$l_{b,\min} = k$$

CM-6

Web crippling when  $l_b/d \leq 0.2$

J10.3(b)(i)

$$R_n = 0.40t_w^2 \left[ 1 + 3 \left( \frac{l_b}{d} \right) \left( \frac{t_w}{t_f} \right)^{1.5} \right] \sqrt{\frac{EF_{yw}t_f}{t_w}}$$

Solving for  $l_b$  gives

$$l_b = \frac{R_n - 0.40t_w^2 \sqrt{\frac{EF_{yw}t_f}{t_w}}}{0.40t_w^2 \left( \frac{3}{d} \right) \left( \frac{t_w}{t_f} \right)^{1.5} \sqrt{\frac{EF_{yw}t_f}{t_w}}}$$

$$R_3 = 0.40t_w^2 \sqrt{\frac{EF_{yw}t_f}{t_w}}$$

$$R_4 = 0.40t_w^2 \left( \frac{3}{d} \right) \left( \frac{t_w}{t_f} \right)^{1.5} \sqrt{\frac{EF_{yw}t_f}{t_w}}$$

$$l_{b,\min} = \frac{R - (\phi, \Omega)R_3}{(\phi, \Omega)R_4} \quad \phi = 0.75, \Omega = 2.00$$

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Web crippling when  $l_b/d > 0.2$

J10.3(b)(ii)

$$R_n = 0.40t_w^2 \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{4l_b}{d} - 0.2 \right) \left( \frac{t_w}{t_f} \right)^{1.5} \right] \sqrt{\frac{EF_{yw}t_f}{t_w}}$$

Solving for  $l_b$  gives

$$I_b = \frac{d}{4} \left[ \frac{R_n - 0.40t_w^2 \sqrt{\frac{EF_{yw}t_f}{t_w}}}{0.40t_w^2 \left(\frac{t_w}{t_f}\right)^{1.5} \sqrt{\frac{EF_{yw}t_f}{t_w}}} + 0.2 \right]$$

$$R_5 = 0.40t_w^2 \left( 1 - 0.2 \left(\frac{t_w}{t_f}\right)^{1.5} \right) \sqrt{\frac{EF_{yw}t_f}{t_w}}$$

$$R_6 = 0.40t_w^2 \left( \frac{4}{d} \right) \left(\frac{t_w}{t_f}\right)^{1.5} \sqrt{\frac{EF_{yw}t_f}{t_w}}$$

$$I_{b,min} = \frac{R - (\phi, \Omega) R_5}{(\phi, \Omega) R_6} \quad \phi = 0.75, \Omega = 2.00 \quad \text{CM-8}$$

**Stiffened Seated Connections:**

HSS Wall Yield Line

$$R_n = k \frac{t^2 F_y L}{4e} \quad \phi = 0.90, \Omega = 1.67 \quad \text{CM-9}$$

Where  $B$  = HSS Connection face width

$$e = 0.8W$$

$$k = f[gh + m + n]$$

$$f = \frac{2}{2B - 0.4L - t_s}$$

$$g = \left( 1 + \frac{B\sqrt{7}}{4L} \right)$$

$$h = \sqrt{(B - 0.4L - t_s)(7B + 0.4L + t_s)}$$

$$m = \frac{B(B - 0.4L - t_s)}{4L}$$

$$n = 2L + B\sqrt{7}$$

(Abolitz and Warner, AISC Engineering Journal, 1<sup>st</sup> Qtr 1965)

Column Web Yield Line

$$R_n = k \frac{t^2 F_y L}{4e} \quad \phi = 0.90, \Omega = 1.67 \quad \text{CM-10}$$

Where  $T$  = Clear distance between web fillets

$$e = 0.8W$$

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$$k = A[CD + E + G]$$

$$A = \frac{2}{2T - 0.4L - t_s}$$

$$C = \left( 2 + \frac{T\sqrt{3}}{2L} \right)$$

$$D = \sqrt{(T - 0.4L - t_s)(3T + 0.4L + t_s)}$$

$$E = \frac{T(T - 0.4L - t_s)}{2L}$$

$$G = 4L + 2T\sqrt{3}$$

(Ellifritt and Sputo, *AISC Engineering Journal*, 4<sup>th</sup> Qtr 1999)

### Main Material

#### Beam Web

J4.2(a)	<i>Shear yield strength</i>	$R_n = 0.6F_y L_p t$	$\phi = 1.00, \Omega = 1.50$	MM-1
J4.2(b)	<i>Shear rupture strength</i>	$R_n = 0.6F_u (L - n(d_b + \frac{1}{8}))t$	$\phi = 0.75, \Omega = 2.00$	MM-2

#### Flange Stiffening

J10.1	<i>Flange local bending</i>	$R_n = 6.25F_{yf} t_f^2$	$\phi = 0.90, \Omega = 1.67$	
		$P_{fb} = 6.25F_{yf} t_f^2$		MM-3

#### Web Stiffening

J10.2(b)	<i>Local web yielding</i>	$R_n = (2.5k + l_b)F_{yw} t_w$	$\phi = 1.00, \Omega = 1.50$	
		Where $l_b$ = Bearing Length		
		$R_1 = 2.5kF_{yw} t_w$		
		$R_2 = F_{yw} t_w$		
	Load applied:			
	$\leq d$ from end	$(\phi, \Omega)R_n = (\phi, \Omega)R_1 + l_b(\phi, \Omega)R_2$		MM-4
	$> d$ from end	$(\phi, \Omega)R_n = 2(\phi, \Omega)R_1 + l_b(\phi, \Omega)R_2$		MM-5

J10.3(b)(i) Web local crippling when  $I_b/d \leq 0.2$   $\phi = 0.75, \Omega = 2.00$

$$R_n = 0.40t_w^2 \left[ 1 + 3 \left( \frac{N}{d} \right) \left( \frac{t_w}{t_f} \right)^{1.5} \right] \sqrt{\frac{EF_{yw}t_f}{t_w}}$$

$$R_3 = 0.40t_w^2 \sqrt{\frac{EF_{yw}t_f}{t_w}}$$

$$R_4 = 0.40t_w^2 \left( \frac{3}{d} \right) \left( \frac{t_w}{t_f} \right)^{1.5} \sqrt{\frac{EF_{yw}t_f}{t_w}}$$

$$(\phi, \Omega)R_n = (\phi, \Omega)R_3 + I_b(\phi, \Omega)R_4$$

MM-6

J10.3(b)(ii) Web local crippling when  $I_b/d > 0.2$   $\phi = 0.75, \Omega = 2.00$

$$R_n = 0.40t_w^2 \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{4N}{d} - 0.2 \right) \left( \frac{t_w}{t_f} \right)^{1.5} \right] \sqrt{\frac{EF_{yw}t_f}{t_w}}$$

Solving for  $I_b$  gives

$$R_5 = 0.40t_w^2 \left( 1 - 0.2 \left( \frac{t_w}{t_f} \right)^{1.5} \right) \sqrt{\frac{EF_{yw}t_f}{t_w}}$$

$$R_6 = 0.40t_w^2 \left( \frac{4}{d} \right) \left( \frac{t_w}{t_f} \right)^{1.5} \sqrt{\frac{EF_{yw}t_f}{t_w}}$$

$$(\phi, \Omega)R_n = (\phi, \Omega)R_5 + I_b(\phi, \Omega)R_6$$

MM-7

J10.3(a) Web local crippling when load applied  $> d$  from end  $\phi = 0.75, \Omega = 2.00$

$$R_n = 0.40t_w^2 \left[ 1 + 3 \left( \frac{N}{d} \right) \left( \frac{t_w}{t_f} \right)^{1.5} \right] \sqrt{\frac{EF_{yw}t_f}{t_w}}$$

$$(\phi, \Omega)R_n = 2[(\phi, \Omega)R_3 + I_b(\phi, \Omega)R_4]$$

MM-8

### Web Compression buckling

J.10.8

$$R_n = \frac{24t_w^3 \sqrt{EF_{yw}}}{h}$$

$$\phi = 0.90, \Omega = 1.67$$

$$P_{wb} = \frac{24t_w^3 \sqrt{EF_{yw}}}{h}$$

$$\phi = 0.90, \Omega = 1.67$$

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*Coped Section*

$$M = R_n e = F_{cr} S_{net}$$

$$R_n = \frac{F_{cr} S_{net}}{e}$$

$$\phi = 0.90, \Omega = 1.67$$

MM-10

Where

$$S_{net} = \frac{I_{tr}}{N_{comp}} \text{ for single coped beams and}$$

$$\frac{bd^2}{6} \text{ for double coped beams}$$

$$e = a - L_{eh} + c + 0.25$$

*Top flange coped only*

$$F_{cr} = \frac{\pi^2 E}{12(1 - \nu^2)} \left( \frac{t_w}{h_o} \right)^2 f_k \leq F_y$$

$$F_{cr} = 26210 \left( \frac{t_w}{h_o} \right)^2 fK$$

MM-10a

$$f = \frac{2c}{d} \text{ when } \frac{c}{d} \leq 1.0$$

$$f = 1 + \frac{c}{d} \text{ when } \frac{c}{d} > 1.0$$

$$k = 2.2 \left( \frac{h_o}{c} \right)^{1.65} \text{ when } \frac{c}{h_o} \leq 1.0$$

$$k = 2.2 \left( \frac{h_o}{c} \right) \text{ when } \frac{c}{h_o} > 1.0$$

$c$  = cope length

$d_c$  = cope depth

$$h_o = d - d_c$$

*Both Flanges coped same length and  $c \leq 2d$ ,  $d_c < 0.2d$*

$$F_{cr} = 0.62\pi E \left( \frac{t_w^2}{ch_o} \right) f_d \leq F_y$$

$$F_{cr} = 56485 \left( \frac{t_w^2}{ch_o} \right) f_d$$

MM-10b

$$f_d = 3.5 - 7.5 \left( \frac{d_c}{d} \right)$$

All other cope conditions

$$F_{cr} = F_y Q$$

MM-10c

$$Q = 1 \text{ for } \lambda \leq 0.7$$

$$Q = 1.34 - 0.486\lambda \text{ for } 0.7 < \lambda \leq 1.41$$

$$Q = 1.30 / \lambda^2 \text{ for } \lambda > 1.41$$

$$\lambda = \frac{h_o \sqrt{F_y}}{10t \sqrt{475 + 280 \left( \frac{h_o}{c} \right)^2}}$$

At cope conditions where tension flange is longer than compression flange

$S_{net}$  = net elastic section modulus at end of tension flange

## Ductility

Local buckling

$$t_{min} = \frac{L_p}{234} \sqrt{\frac{F_y}{K}}$$

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$$K = \frac{6}{\pi^2} \left[ (1 - \nu) + \frac{(\pi b m / a)^2}{6} \right]$$

Where:  $b = L_p / 2$

$$m = 1$$

$\nu = 0.3$ , Poisson' ratio

Tee Stem Ductility

Min. weld size at support  $w_{min} \geq 0.0155 \frac{F_{yc} t_f^2}{b} \left( \frac{b^2}{L^2} + 2 \right) \leq \frac{5}{8} t_s$

D-2

Where  $t_f$  = tee flange thickness

$b = (b_f - k_1) / 2$  of tee

$t_s$  = tee stem thickness

Max. Tee stem thickness  $t_s = \frac{d_b}{2} + \frac{1}{16}$

D-3

## Single-Plate

### HSS Column Checks

K1.2

$$F_y \leq 52 \text{ ksi}$$

$$F_y / F_u \leq 0.8$$

HSS wall cannot be slender  $b/t \leq 1.40 \sqrt{E/F_y}$

K1.5

HSS Punching Shear

$$F_{yp} t_p = F_{u(HSS)} \cdot t_{HSS}$$

$$t_p \leq \frac{F_{u(HSS)}}{F_{yp}} t_{HSS}$$

SP-1

### Eccentricity & Rotational Ductility

n	Hole Type	e <sub>b</sub>	Max t <sub>w</sub> or t <sub>p</sub>
2-5	SSLT	$\frac{a}{2}$	None
	STD	$\frac{a}{2}$	$\frac{d_b}{2} + \frac{1}{16}$
6-12	SSLT	$\frac{a}{2}$	$\frac{d_b}{2} + \frac{1}{16}$
	STD	a	$\frac{d_b}{2} + \frac{1}{16}$

SP-2

Weld

$$w = \frac{5}{8} t_p$$

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## Extended Single-Plate

Maximum plate thickness  $t_{\max} = \frac{6M_{\max}}{F_y L_p^2}$

ESP-1

Where  $M_{\max} = F_v / 0.90 A_b C'$

Exceptions: a. For single bolt column, ignore if

$$\text{either } t_p \text{ or } t_w \leq \frac{d_b}{2} + \frac{1}{16} \text{ and both } L_{eh} \geq 2d_b$$

b. For double bolt column, ignore if

$$\text{both } t_p \text{ or } t_w \leq \frac{d_b}{2} + \frac{1}{16} \text{ and both } L_{eh} \geq 2d_b$$

Shear & flexure interaction (Flexural Yielding)	$R_n = \frac{F_y L_p t_p}{\sqrt{2.25 + 16 \left( \frac{a}{L_p} \right)^2}}$	$\phi = 0.90, \Omega = 1.67$	ESP-2
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Plate buckling	$R_n = \frac{F_{cr} S_{net}}{a}$ $F_{cr} = F_y Q$ $Q = 1 \text{ for } \lambda \leq 0.7$ $Q = 1.34 - 0.486\lambda \text{ for } 0.7 < \lambda \leq 1.41$ $Q = 1.30 / \lambda^2 \text{ for } \lambda > 1.41$ $\lambda = \frac{L_p \sqrt{F_y}}{10 t_p \sqrt{475 + 280 \left( \frac{L_p}{a} \right)^2}}$	$\phi = 0.90, \Omega = 1.67$	ESP-3
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Weld	$w = \frac{5}{8} t_p$		ESP-4
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**Stabilizer Plate Requirements**

If applied load $\leq \frac{1500 L_p t_p^3}{a^2}$	$\phi = 0.90, \Omega = 1.67$	ESP-5
No stabilizer plates required		

**Connection Torsion Strength**

Not applicable if metal deck supports top flange

$M_T = R \left( \frac{t_w + t_p}{2} \right)$		
$M_T \leq \left[ (\phi_v, \Omega_v) 0.6 F_{yp} - \frac{R}{L_p t_p} \right] \frac{L_p t_p}{2} + \frac{2R(t_w + t_p) b_f}{(\phi_b, \Omega_b) F_{yb} L_s t_w^2}$		ESP-6

Where  $L_s$  = Beam span in inches

Limit States of Shear Yielding, Shear buckling & Flexural Yielding

$$\left( \frac{V_r}{(\phi, \Omega)V_n} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{M_r}{(\phi, \Omega)M_n} \right)^2 \leq 1$$

ESP-7