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Course Description

Vertical Bracing Connections

**Vertical Bracing Corner Connection – Wind and Low-seismic
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The various steps and methodologies used for bracing connection design will be highlighted as the presenter works through a design example. Practical design tips will be discussed as well as addressing common design challenges.





Learning Objectives

1. Determine forces in a corner connection using the Uniform Force Method.
2. List the limit states that must be reviewed for the design of bracing connections.
3. Describe the bracing connection design process through the presentation of a design example.
4. Determine gusset plate dimensions based on the type of corner connection.



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Bracing Connections and Related Topics

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Course Outline

1. Basic Principles
2. Uniform Force Method Part 1
3. Bracing Connection Details and Prying Action
4. **Vertical Bracing Corner Connection – Wind and Low-seismic**
5. Uniform Force Method Part 2
6. Vertical Bracing Corner Connection – Seismic
7. Chevron Gussets Connection
8. Other Connection Topics and Case Study



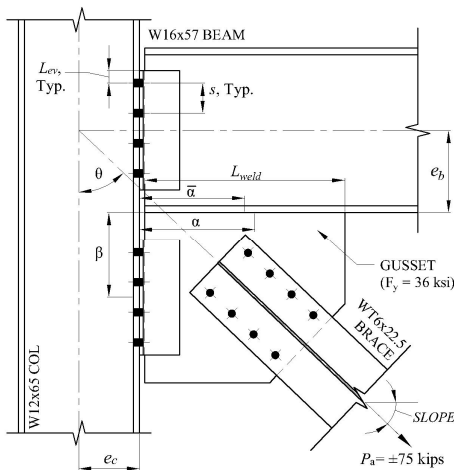
Session Outline

- Example of VB Corner Connection in Wind and Low-Seismic Systems
 - Begin with the brace-to-gusset design
 - Determine gusset dimensions based on brace-to-gusset connection
 - Check gusset-to-column connection
 - Check gusset-to-beam connection
 - Check beam-to-column connection



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Example of VB Corner Connection (Part I) in Wind and Low-Seismic



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Example of VB Corner Connection (Part I) in Wind and Low-Seismic

Given:

1. AISC 15th Edition, ASD
2. Beam-to-Column and Gusset-to-Column: $n = 4$
3. $L_{weld} = 20$ in. min. (gusset to beam) with $\frac{1}{4}$ " min. weld
4. $\frac{3}{4}$ " dia. ASTM F3125 Gr. A325-N, STD holes, UNO
5. Double L4x4x $\frac{3}{8}$ " Gr. 36 angles, horizontal SSLT with $L_{ev} = 1.25$ in. minimum and bolt spacing, $s = 3$ in.
6. Brace force, $P_a = \pm 75$ kips with slope = 43.6° , $\theta = 46.4^\circ$
7. $\frac{3}{8}$ " Gusset PL (A36), $F_y = 36$ ksi
8. WT and W Shapes ASTM A992, $F_y = 50$ ksi



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Example VB Corner Connection, I Brace-to-Gusset (cont.)

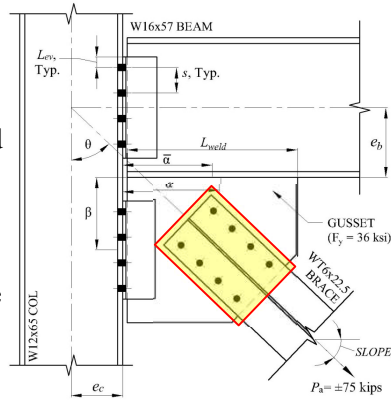


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Example VB Corner Connection, I Brace-to-Gusset (cont.)

The example will begin with designing the brace-to-gusset connection. This will help set the geometry of the gusset.

- Determine the number of bolts required to attach the brace to the gusset
- Check gross and net tension and block shear for the brace
- Check bolt bearing and tearout of brace and gusset
- Check block shear and Whitmore tension and buckling for the gusset



Example VB Corner Connection, I Brace-to-Gusset (cont.)

Brace-to-Gusset – Bolt Shear:

AISC Manual Table 7-1

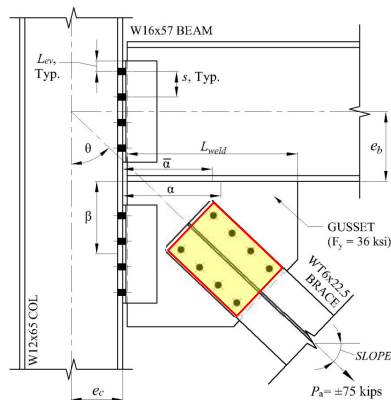
$$R_b/\Omega = nr_t/\Omega \text{ (single shear)}$$

$$= 8 \times 11.9 \text{ kips/bolt}$$

$$= 95.2 \text{ kips} \geq 75 \text{ kips o.k.}$$

Table 7-1
 Available Shear
 Strength of Bolts, kips

		Nominal Bolt Diameter, d, in.				5/8		3/4		1		
		Nominal Bolt Area, in. ²				0.307		0.442		0.601		
ASTM Desig.	Thread Cond.	F _u /Ω (ksi)		Load- ing	F _y /Ω		F _y /Ω		F _y /Ω		F _y /Ω	
		ASD	LRFD		ASD	LRFD	ASD	LRFD	ASD	LRFD	ASD	LRFD
Group A	N	27.0	40.5	S	8.29	12.4	11.9	17.9	16.2	24.3	21.2	31.8
					D	16.6	24.9	22.5	33.8	32.5	48.7	42.4
	X	34.9	51.0	S	10.4	15.7	15.0	22.5	20.4	30.7	26.7	40.0
					D	20.9	31.3	30.1	45.1	40.9	61.3	53.4

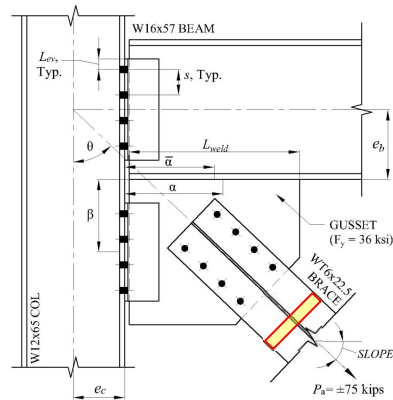


Example VB Corner Connection, I Brace-to-Gusset (cont.)

Brace-to-Gusset – WT Gross Tension:

AISC Specification Eq. J4-1

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{R_n}{\Omega} &= \frac{F_y A_g}{\Omega} \\ &= \frac{(50 \text{ ksi})(6.56 \text{ in.}^2)}{1.67} \\ &= 196 \text{ kips} > 75 \text{ kips o.k.} \end{aligned}$$



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Net Tension

- The determination of the net section strength must account for
 - the area reduction due to the holes
 - shear lag effects
- The width of the holes is $(d_b + 1/16 \text{ in.})$ for standard holes and bolts less than 1.0 in. in diameter. For bolts ≥ 1.0 in dia., width of hole is $(d_b + 1/8 \text{ in.})$ – Spec. section J3.2
- The shear lag factor, U , is computed using Table D3.1.





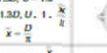

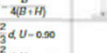
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**TABLE D3.1
 Shear Lag Factors for Connections
 to Tension Members**

Case	Description of Element	Shear Lag Factor, U	Example
1	All tension members where the tension load is transmitted directly to each of the cross-sectional elements.	$U = 1.0$	—
2	All tension members, except HSS, where the tension load is transmitted to some but not all of the cross-sectional elements by fasteners or by longitudinal welds in combination with transverse welds. Alternatively, Case 7 is permitted for W, M, S and HP shapes, (for angles, Case 8 is permitted to be used.)	$U = 1 - \frac{\bar{x}}{l}$	
3	All tension members where the tension load is transmitted only by transverse welds to some but not all of the cross-sectional elements.	$U = 1 - \frac{A_e}{A_g}$ <small>A_e = area of the directly connected elements.</small>	—
4 ⁽¹⁾	Plates, angles, channels with welds at heels, tees, and W shapes with connected elements, where the tension load is transmitted by longitudinal welds only. See Case 2 for definition of \bar{x} .	$U = \frac{3e^2}{3e^2 + w^2} \left(1 - \frac{\bar{x}}{l} \right)$	
5	Round HSS with a single concentric gusset plate through slots in the HSS.	$l \geq 1.3D, U = 1.0$ $D, l, 1.3D, U = 1 - \frac{\bar{x}}{l}$ <small>$\bar{x} = \frac{D}{2}$</small>	
6	Rectangular HSS with a single concentric gusset plate	$l \geq H, U = 1 - \frac{\bar{x}}{l}$ <small>$\bar{x} = \frac{B^2 + 2BH}{4(B + H)}$</small>	
	with two side gusset plates	$l \geq H, U = 1 - \frac{\bar{x}}{l}$ <small>$\bar{x} = \frac{B^2}{4(B + H)}$</small>	
7	W, M, S or HP shapes, or tees cut from these shapes, (if U is calculated per Case 2, the larger value is permitted to be used.)	with flange connected with three or more fasteners per line in the direction of loading <small>$b_f \geq \frac{2}{3}d$</small> , $U = 0.90$	—
	with web connected with four or more fasteners per line in the direction of loading	$b_f < \frac{2}{3}d$, $U = 0.85$	—
8	Single and double angles.	with four or more fasteners per line in the direction of loading	$U = 0.80$
	(If U is calculated per Case 2, the larger value is permitted to be used.)	with three fasteners per line in the direction of loading (with lower than three fasteners per line in the direction of loading, see Case 2)	$U = 0.60$

B = overall width of rectangular HSS member, measured 90° to the plane of the connection, in (inches) outside diameter of round HSS, in (mm); H = overall height of rectangular HSS member, measured in the plane of the connection, in (mm); d = depth of section, in (mm), for I-shape; depth of the section from which the tee was cut, in (mm); length of connection, in (mm); w = width of plate, in (mm); e = eccentricity of connection, in (mm); $l = l_1 + l_2$, where l_1 and l_2 shall not be less than 4 times the weld size.

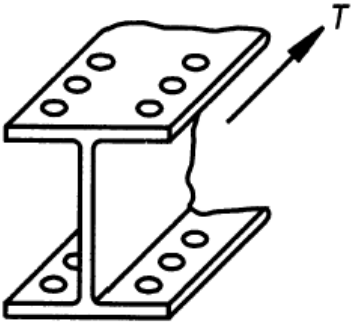
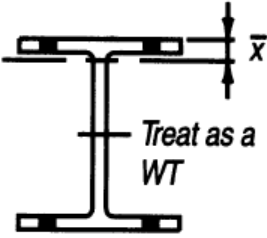
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$$U = 1 - \frac{\bar{x}}{l}$$

Net Tension Determination of \bar{x}

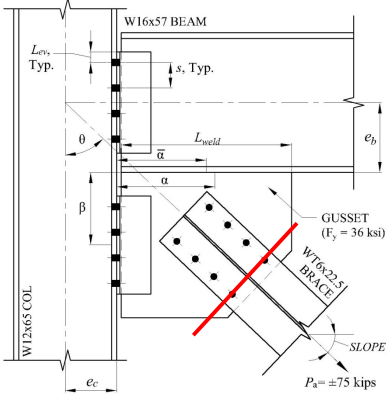





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Example VB Corner Connection, I Brace-to-Gusset (cont.)

Brace-to-Gusset – WT Net Tension:
 AISC Specification Eq. J4-2
 $\bar{x} = 1.13 \text{ in.}$
 $l = s(n - 1) = (3 \text{ in.})(4 - 1) = 9 \text{ in.}$
 $U = 1 - \bar{x} / l = 1 - (1.13 \text{ in.} / 9 \text{ in.}) = 0.874$

To simplify calculations:
 For 3/4 in. dia. bolts with STD holes,
 $d_h = 13/16 \text{ in.}$ and
 $(d_h + 1/16 \text{ in.}) = (13/16 \text{ in.} + 1/16 \text{ in.}) = 7/8 \text{ in.}$



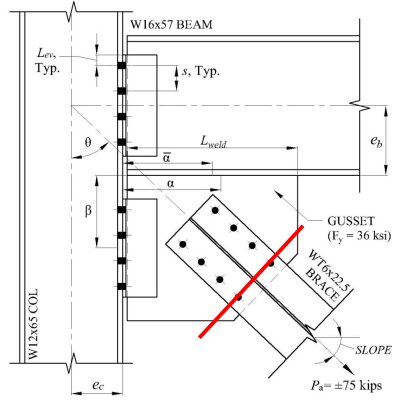

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Brace-to-Gusset – WT Net Tension (cont.):

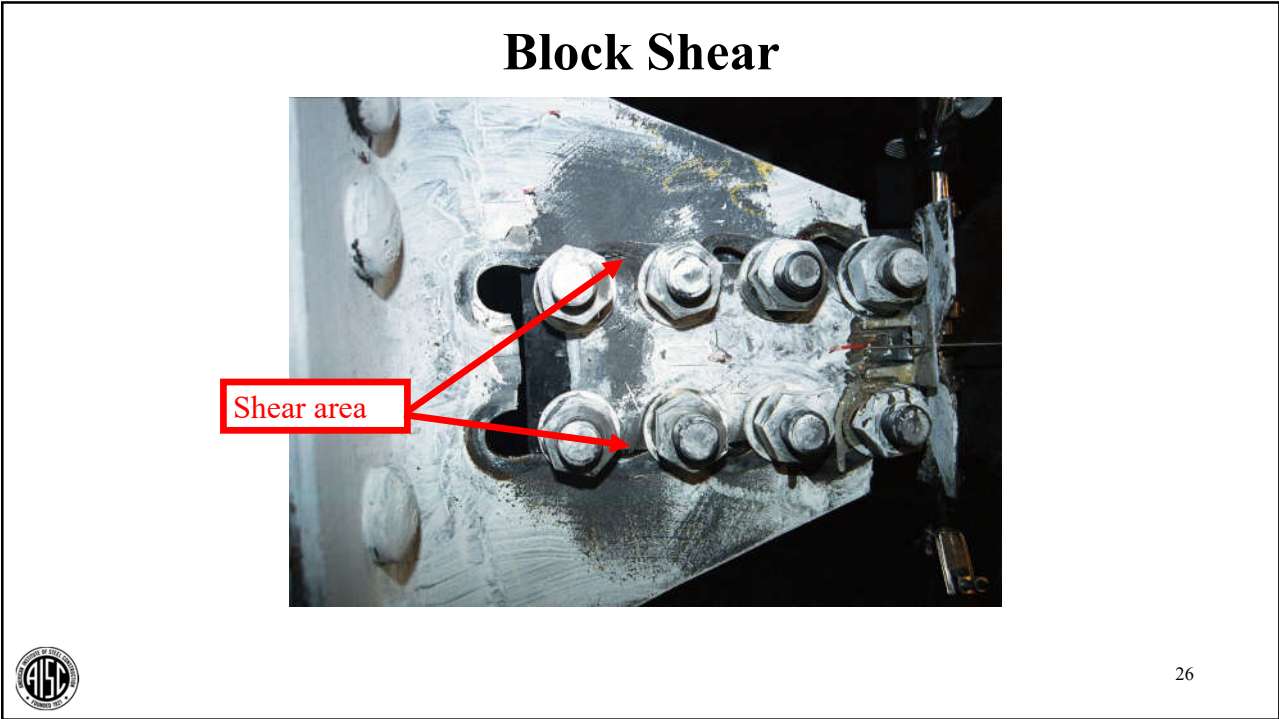
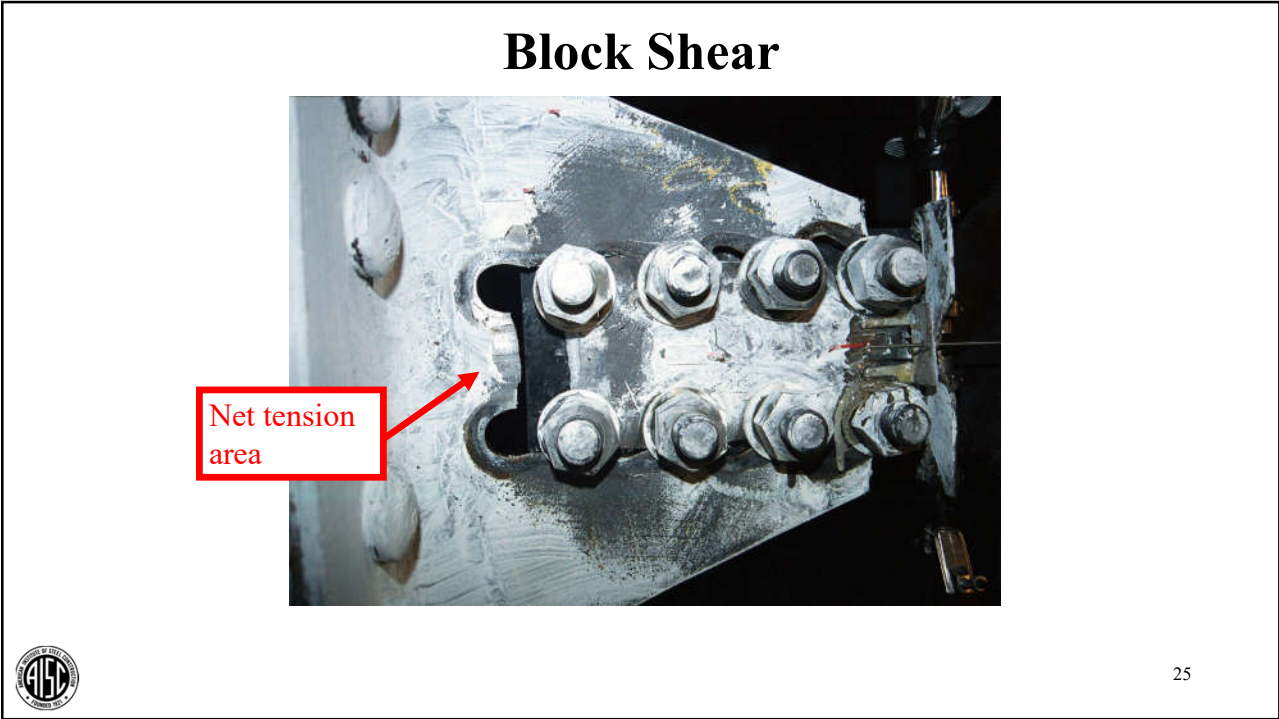
$$\begin{aligned}
 A_e &= U[A_g - t_f(\# \text{ lines})(d_h + 1/16 \text{ in.})] \\
 &= 0.874 [6.56 \text{ in.}^2 - (0.575 \text{ in.})(2)(1/8 \text{ in.})] \\
 &= 4.85 \text{ in.}^2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{R_n}{\Omega} &= \frac{F_u A_e}{\Omega} \\
 &= \frac{(65 \text{ ksi})(4.85 \text{ in.}^2)}{2} \\
 &= 158 \text{ kips} > 75 \text{ kips o.k.}
 \end{aligned}$$



Block Shear





Example VB Corner Connection, I Brace-to-Gusset (cont.)

Brace-to-Gusset – Block Shear WT:

AISC Spec Section J4.3 *Block Shear Strength*

$$\Omega = 2.00$$

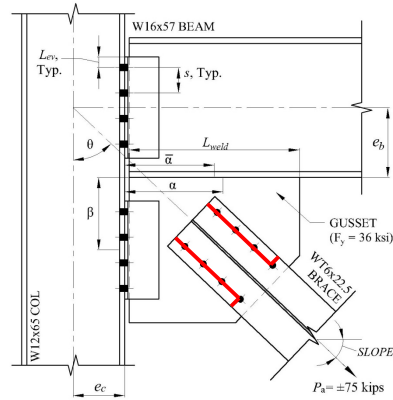
$$R_n = 0.6F_u A_{nv} + U_{bs}F_u A_{nt} \leq 0.6F_y A_{gv} + U_{bs}F_u A_{nt}$$

$$\text{Shear Rupture} = 0.6F_u A_{nv}$$

$$\text{Shear Yield} = 0.6F_y A_{gv}$$

$$\text{Tension Rupture} = F_u A_{nt}$$

$$U_{bs} = 1.0 \text{ for Direct Loaded Connections}$$



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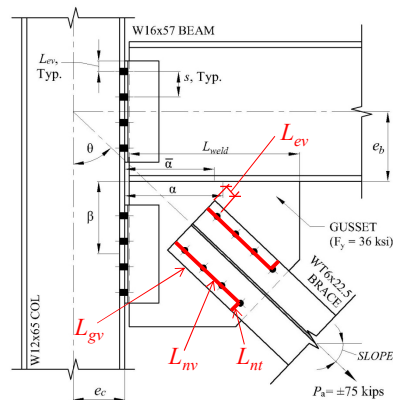
Example VB Corner Connection, I Brace-to-Gusset (cont.)

Brace-to-Gusset – Block Shear WT (cont.):

$$L_{gv} = L_{ev} + s(n - 1) = 1.5 \text{ in.} + (3 \text{ in.})(4 - 1) = 10.5 \text{ in.}$$

$$L_{nv} = L_{ev} + s(n - 1) - (n - 0.5)(d_h + 1/16 \text{ in.}) - (4 - 0.5)(7/8 \text{ in.}) = 7.44 \text{ in.}$$

$$L_{nt} = (b_f - \text{gage})/2 - (d_h + 1/16 \text{ in.})/2 = (8.05 \text{ in.} - 5.5 \text{ in.})/2 - (7/8 \text{ in.})/2 = 0.838 \text{ in.}$$



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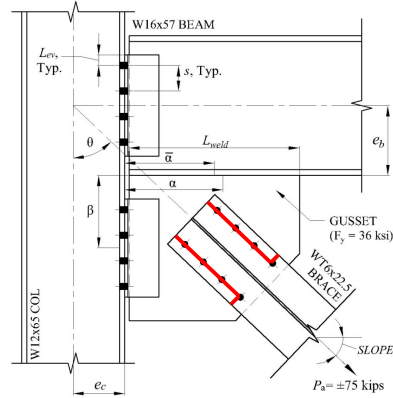
Example VB Corner Connection, I Brace-to-Gusset (cont.)

Brace-to-Gusset – Block Shear WT (cont.):

$$A_{gv} = 2L_{gv}t_f = 2(10.5 \text{ in.})(0.575 \text{ in.}) = 12.08 \text{ in.}^2$$

$$A_{nv} = 2L_{nv}t_f = 2(7.44 \text{ in.})(0.575 \text{ in.}) = 8.56 \text{ in.}^2$$

$$A_{nt} = 2L_{nt}t_f = 2(0.838 \text{ in.})(0.575 \text{ in.}) = 0.96 \text{ in.}^2$$



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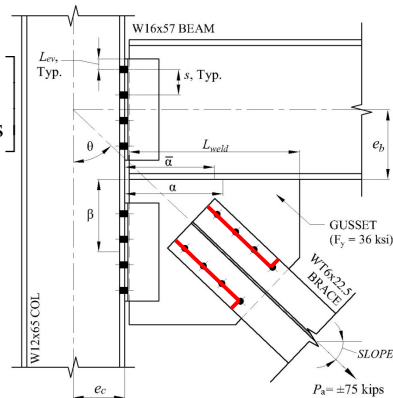
Example VB Corner Connection, I Brace-to-Gusset (cont.)

Brace-to-Gusset – Block Shear WT (cont.):

$$R_n = \min \left[\begin{array}{l} 0.6(65 \text{ ksi})(8.56 \text{ in.}^2) = 333.84 \text{ kips} \\ 0.6(50 \text{ ksi})(12.08 \text{ in.}^2) = 362.40 \text{ kips} \\ + [1(65 \text{ ksi})(0.96 \text{ in.}^2)] \end{array} \right]$$

$$= 333.84 \text{ kips} + 62.4 \text{ kips} = 396.24 \text{ kips}$$

$$R_n/\Omega = (396.24 \text{ kips})/2 = 198 \text{ kips} > 75 \text{ kips o.k.}$$



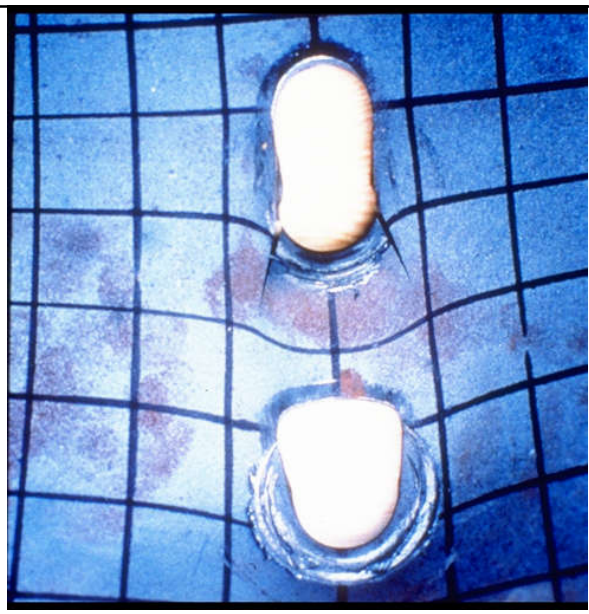
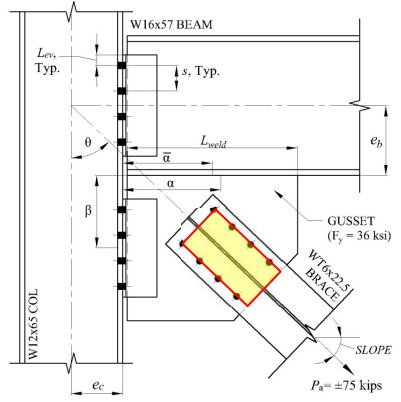
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Example VB Corner Connection, I Brace-to-Gusset (cont.)

Brace-to-Gusset – Block Shear Gusset:

These calculations are similar to the block shear check for the WT that was previously shown.

The actual calculations will be contained in Appendix 1 which is available with the handouts for this session.



Bolt
Tearout

Bolt
Bearing



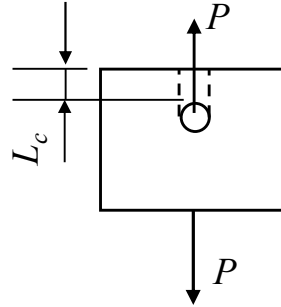
Bolt Bearing and Tearout

Bolt Tearout is easier to understand if you think about a bolt tearing through the material as shown.

There are 2 shear planes; the strength is therefore:

$$(2)(0.6)(F_u)(L_c)(t)$$

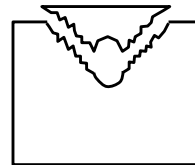
or, $1.2(F_u)(L_c)(t)$



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Bolt Bearing and Tearout

In reality, the material will fail as shown, but test results support the equation in the *Specification*.



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Bolt Bearing and Tearout

- For each bolt there are five (5) possible limit states or failure modes that need to be checked
 - Bolt Shear
 - Bolt Bearing on the Main Material
 - Bolt Bearing on the Connection Material
 - Bolt Tearout on the Main Material
 - Bolt Tearout on the Connection Material
- Then the sum of the bolt capacities can be added.



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Example VB Corner Connection, I Brace-to-Gusset (cont.)

Brace-to-Gusset – Bolt Bearing/Tearout:

$$R_n = 2.4dtF_u \quad \text{AISC Specification Eq. J3-6a}$$

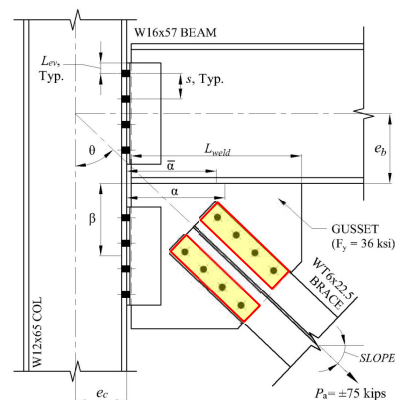
$$R_n = 1.2l_c t F_u \quad \text{AISC Specification Eq. J3-6c}$$

AISC Bolt Shear:

$$r_v/\Omega = 11.9 \text{ kips}$$

WT Bolt Bearing:

$$\begin{aligned} R_{brg(WT)}/\Omega &= 2.4d_b t F_u / \Omega \\ &= 2.4(0.75 \text{ in.})(0.575 \text{ in.})(65 \text{ ksi})/2 \\ &= 33.6 \text{ kips} \end{aligned}$$



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Example VB Corner Connection, I Brace-to-Gusset (cont.)

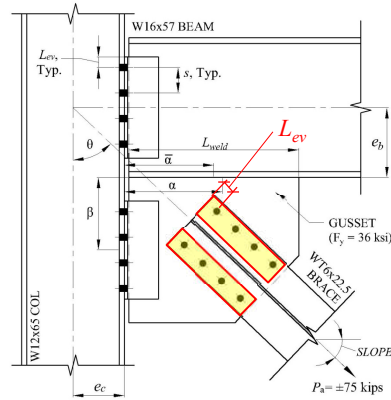
Brace-to-Gusset – Bolt Bearing (cont.):

WT Bolt Tear Out (Edge):

$$\begin{aligned} R_{tear(WT_E)}/\Omega &= 1.2[L_{ev} - (d_{h_w}/2)]t_f F_u/\Omega \\ &= 1.2[1.5 \text{ in.} - (1^{3/16} \text{ in.})/2] \\ &\quad \times (0.575 \text{ in.})(65 \text{ ksi})/2 \\ &= 24.5 \text{ kips} \end{aligned}$$

WT Bolt Tear Out (Center):

$$\begin{aligned} R_{tear(WT_C)}/\Omega &= 1.2(s - d_{h_w})t_f F_u/\Omega \\ &= 1.2(3 \text{ in.} - 1^{3/16} \text{ in.})(0.575 \text{ in.}) \\ &\quad \times (65 \text{ ksi})/2 \\ &= 49.1 \text{ kips} \end{aligned}$$



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Example VB Corner Connection, I Brace-to-Gusset (cont.)

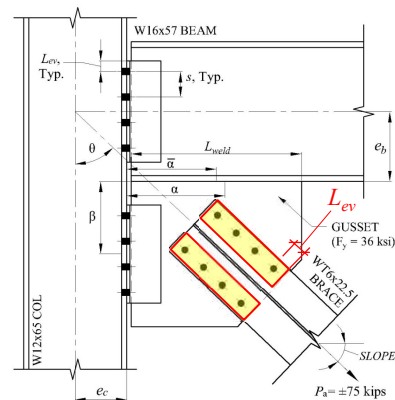
Brace-to-Gusset – Bolt Bearing (cont.):

Plate Bolt Bearing:

$$\begin{aligned} R_{brg(PL)}/\Omega &= 2.4d_b t_p F_u/\Omega \\ &= 2.4(0.75 \text{ in.})(0.375 \text{ in.})(58 \text{ ksi})/2 \\ &= 19.6 \text{ kips} \end{aligned}$$

Plate Bolt Tear Out (Edge):

$$\begin{aligned} R_{tear(PL_E)}/\Omega &= 1.2[L_{ev} - (d_{h_w}/2)]t_p F_u/\Omega \\ &= 1.2[1.5 \text{ in.} - (1^{3/16} \text{ in.})/2] \\ &\quad \times (0.375 \text{ in.})(58 \text{ ksi})/2 \\ &= 14.3 \text{ kips} \end{aligned}$$



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Example VB Corner Connection, I Brace-to-Gusset (cont.)

Brace-to-Gusset – Bolt Bearing (cont.):

Plate Bolt Tear Out (Center):

$$R_{tear(PL_C)}/\Omega = 1.2(s - d_{h_w})t_p F_u / \Omega$$

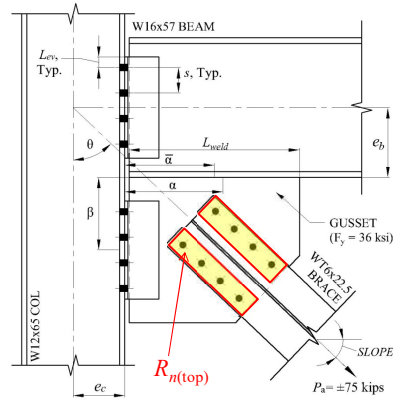
$$= 1.2(3 \text{ in.} - 13/16 \text{ in.})(0.375 \text{ in.}) \times (58 \text{ ksi}) / 2$$

$$= 28.6 \text{ kips}$$

$$R_{n(top)}/\Omega = \min \{ r_v / \Omega, R_{brg(WT)}/\Omega, R_{tear(WT_E)}/\Omega, R_{brg(PL)}/\Omega, R_{tear(PL_C)}/\Omega \}$$

$$= \min \{ 11.9 \text{ kips}, 33.6 \text{ kips}, 24.5 \text{ kips}, 19.6 \text{ kips}, 28.6 \text{ kips} \}$$

$$= 11.9 \text{ kips}$$



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Example VB Corner Connection, I Brace-to-Gusset (cont.)

Brace-to-Gusset – Bolt Bearing (cont.):

$$R_{n(center)}/\Omega = \min \{ r_v / \Omega, R_{brg(WT)}/\Omega, R_{tear(WT_C)}/\Omega, R_{brg(PL)}/\Omega, R_{tear(PL_C)}/\Omega \}$$

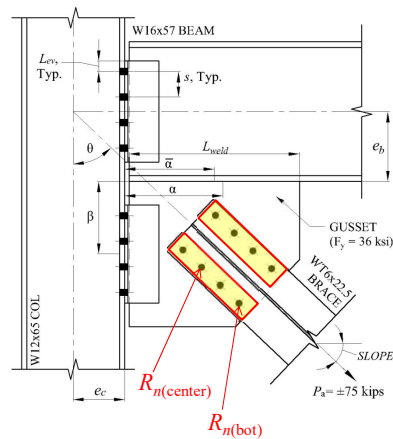
$$= \min \{ 11.9 \text{ kips}, 33.6 \text{ kips}, 49.1 \text{ kips}, 19.6 \text{ kips}, 28.6 \text{ kips} \}$$

$$= 11.9 \text{ kips}$$

$$R_{n(bot)}/\Omega = \min \{ r_v / \Omega, R_{brg(WT)}/\Omega, R_{tear(WT_C)}/\Omega, R_{brg(PL)}/\Omega, R_{tear(PL_E)}/\Omega \}$$

$$= \min \{ 11.9 \text{ kips}, 33.6 \text{ kips}, 49.1 \text{ kips}, 19.6 \text{ kips}, 14.3 \text{ kips} \}$$

$$= 11.9 \text{ kips}$$



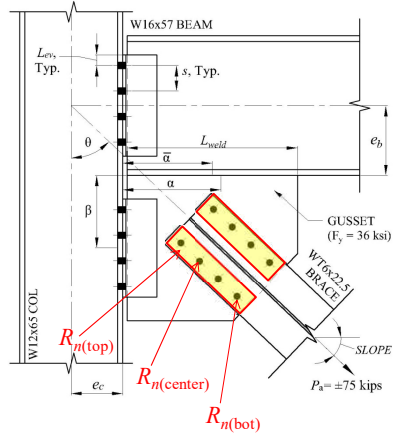
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Example VB Corner Connection, I Brace-to-Gusset (cont.)

Brace-to-Gusset – Bolt Bearing (cont.):

Total Bolt Strength

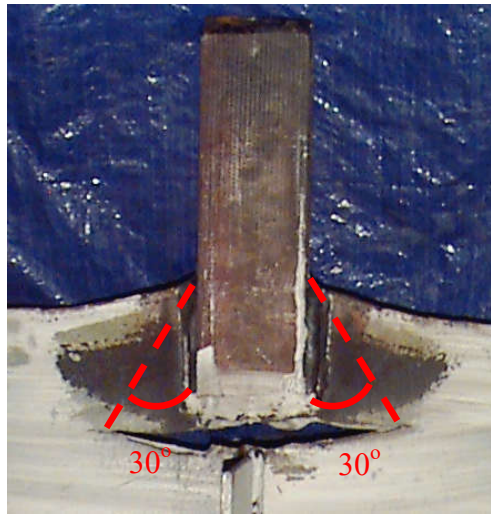
$$\begin{aligned}
 R_n/\Omega &= [R_{n(top)}/\Omega + (R_{n(center)}/\Omega)(n - 2) \\
 &\quad + R_{n(bot)}/\Omega](2 \text{ lines}) \\
 &= [11.9 \text{ kips} + (11.9 \text{ kips})(4 - 2) \\
 &\quad + 11.9 \text{ kips}](2) \\
 &= 95.2 \text{ kips} > 75 \text{ kips} \text{ o.k.}
 \end{aligned}$$



Whitmore Section



Whitmore Section



Example VB Corner Connection, I Brace-to-Gusset (cont.)

Brace-to-Gusset – Whitmore Section of Gusset Plate:

Whitmore Compression will control over Whitmore Tension by inspection.

$$l_{unbraced} = 8.81 \text{ in. max}$$

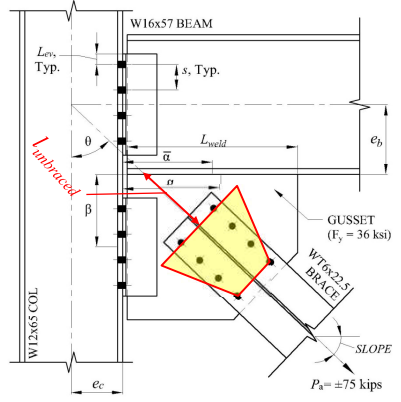
$$l_w = 2(l_{conn})\tan 30^\circ + gage$$

$$= 2(9 \text{ in.})\tan 30^\circ + 5.5 \text{ in. min.}$$

$$= 15.9 \text{ in.}$$

$$l_{w(\text{beam})} = \text{length of Whitmore in beam}$$

$$= 0 \text{ in. from geometric layout}$$



Reference AISC Manual Part 9 for Whitmore Section



Example VB Corner Connection, I Brace-to-Gusset (cont.)

Brace-to-Gusset – Whitmore Section of Gusset Plate (cont.):

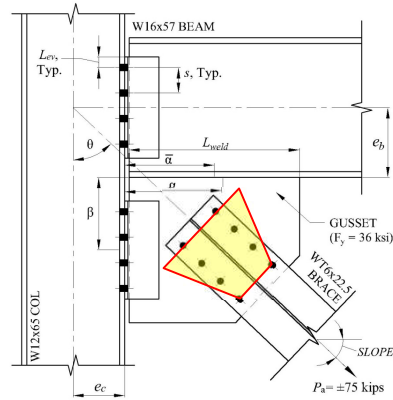
$$l_{w(\text{gusset})} = l_w - l_{w(\text{beam})} = 15.9 \text{ in.} - 0 \text{ in.} = 15.9 \text{ in.}$$

$K = 0.5$ from AISC's *Design Guide 29* - Chapter 5 Design Examples

$$Kl_{unbraced}/r = [0.5(8.81 \text{ in.})\sqrt{(12)}]/0.375 \text{ in.} = 40.7$$

AISC Manual Table 4-14, $F_{cr(\text{Gr.36})}/\Omega = 19.7 \text{ ksi}$

AISC Manual Table 4-14, $F_{cr(\text{Gr.50})}/\Omega = 26.5 \text{ ksi}$

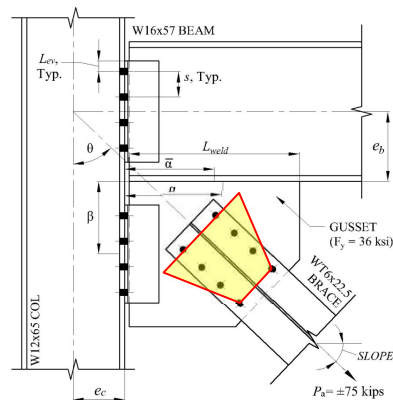


Example VB Corner Connection, I Brace-to-Gusset (cont.)

Brace-to-Gusset – Whitmore Section of Gusset Plate (cont.):

$\frac{Kl}{r}$	$F_y = 35 \text{ ksi}$		$F_y = 36 \text{ ksi}$		$F_y = 46 \text{ ksi}$		$F_y = 50 \text{ ksi}$		$F_y = 65 \text{ ksi}$		$F_y = 70 \text{ ksi}$	
	F_{cr}/Ω_c	ϕF_{cr}	F_{cr}/Ω_c	ϕF_{cr}	F_{cr}/Ω_c	ϕF_{cr}	F_{cr}/Ω_c	ϕF_{cr}	F_{cr}/Ω_c	ϕF_{cr}	F_{cr}/Ω_c	ϕF_{cr}
	ASD	LRFD	ASD	LRFD	ASD	LRFD	ASD	LRFD	ASD	LRFD	ASD	LRFD
41	19.2	26.9	19.7	29.7	24.6	37.0	26.5	39.8	33.2	49.9	35.3	53.0
42	19.2	28.8	19.8	29.5	24.5	36.8	26.3	39.5	32.9	49.5	35.0	52.8
43	19.1	28.7	19.6	29.4	24.3	36.6	26.2	39.3	32.6	49.1	34.7	52.1

From AISC *Design Guide 29*: The effective length factor K has been established as 0.5 by full scale tests on bracing connections (Gross, 1990). It assumes that the gusset plate is supported on both connected edges. (Alternately, see: Dowsell, Bo (2006), "Effective Length Factors for Gusset Plate Buckling," AISC *Engineering Journal*, 2nd Qtr.)

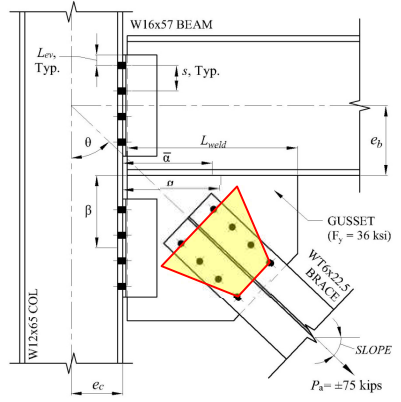


Example VB Corner Connection, I Brace-to-Gusset (cont.)

Brace-to-Gusset – Whitmore Section of Gusset Plate (cont.):

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{P_n}{\Omega_c} &= \frac{F_{cr(\text{gusset})}}{\Omega_c} A_{w(\text{gusset})} + \frac{F_{cr(\text{beam})}}{\Omega_c} A_{w(\text{beam})} \\ &= (19.7 \text{ ksi})(0.375 \text{ in.})(15.9 \text{ in.}) + 0 \\ &= 83 \text{ kips} \geq 75 \text{ kips } \mathbf{o.k.} \end{aligned}$$

Note: for Whitmore tension, use F_y/Ω in lieu of F_{cr}/Ω

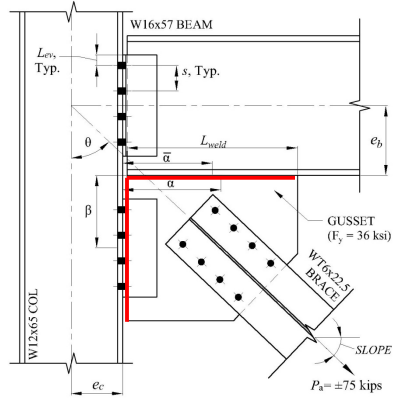


Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset Forces

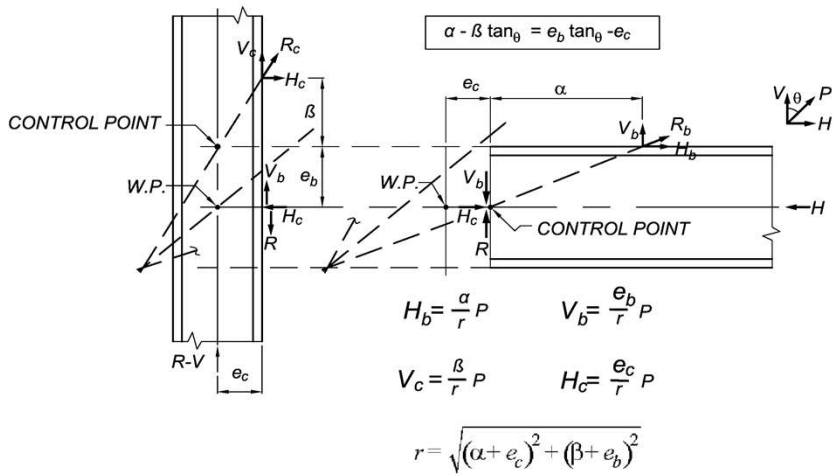


Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset Forces

Next, the gusset forces, V_b , H_b , M_b , V_c , H_c , and M_c , will be determined using the Uniform Force Method.



Geometry of UFM All Parts are in Equilibrium



Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset Forces (cont.)

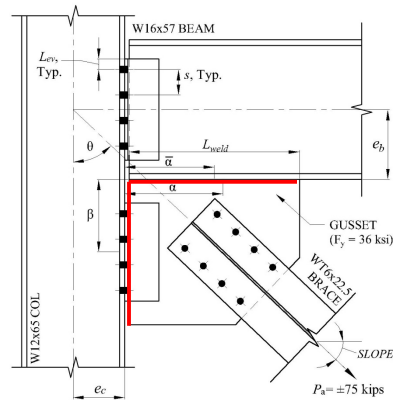
Determine Gusset Forces using UFM:

$$\tan \theta = 1.05$$

$$e_b = d_B/2 = (16.4 \text{ in.})/2 = 8.2 \text{ in.}$$

$$e_c = d_C/2 = (12.1 \text{ in.})/2 = 6.05 \text{ in.}$$

(note: $e_c = 0.0 \text{ in.}$ for connections
 into column web, except Special
 Case IV)



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Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset Forces (cont.)

β = distance to center of gusset-to-column
 connections

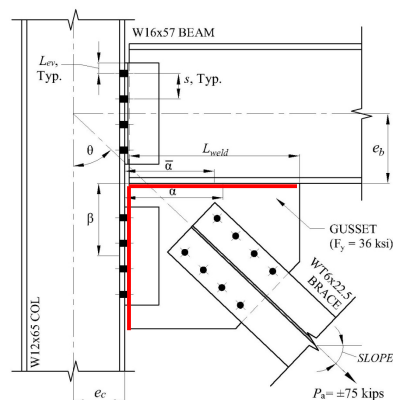
From geometric layout, $H_{gusset} = 16.875 \text{ in.}$

Place bolts in approximate center of gusset,

$$\beta = 8.5 \text{ in.}$$

Let $\bar{\beta} = \beta$

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha &= e_b \tan \theta - e_c + \bar{\beta} \tan \theta \\ &= (8.2 \text{ in.} \times 1.05) - 6.05 \text{ in.} \\ &\quad + (8.5 \text{ in.} \times 1.05) \\ &= 11.5 \text{ in.} \end{aligned}$$



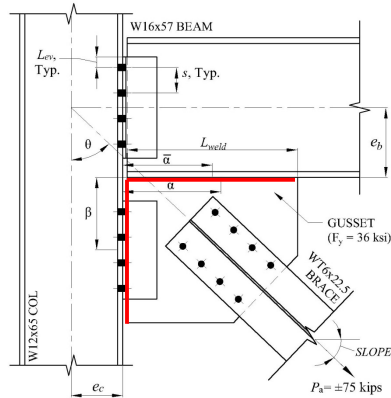
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Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset Forces (cont.)

Determine Gusset Forces using UFM (cont.):

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\alpha} &= \frac{L_{weld}}{2} + 0.5 \text{ in. (setback for angles)} \\ &= \frac{20 \text{ in.}}{2} + 0.5 \text{ in.} \\ &= 10.5 \text{ in. min.} \rightarrow \text{does not equal } \alpha \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} r &= \sqrt{(\alpha + e_c)^2 + (\beta + e_b)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{(11.5 \text{ in.} + 6.05 \text{ in.})^2 + (8.5 \text{ in.} + 8.2 \text{ in.})^2} \\ &= 24.2 \text{ in.} \end{aligned}$$



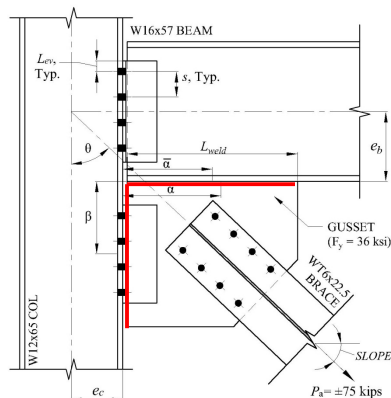
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Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset Forces (cont.)

Determine Gusset Forces using UFM (cont.):

$$\begin{aligned} V_b &= P_a (e_b / r) \\ &= (75 \text{ kips})(8.2 \text{ in.} / 24.2 \text{ in.}) \\ &= 25.4 \text{ kips} \end{aligned}$$

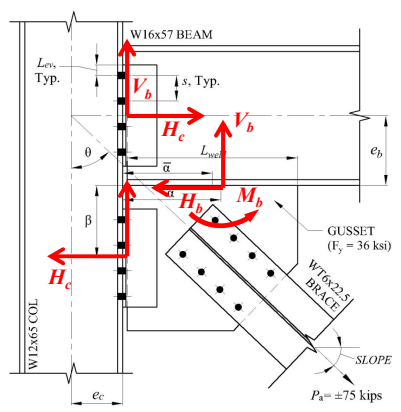
$$\begin{aligned} H_b &= P_a (\alpha / r) \\ &= (75 \text{ kips})(11.5 \text{ in.} / 24.2 \text{ in.}) \\ &= 35.6 \text{ kips} \end{aligned}$$



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Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset Forces (cont.)

$$\begin{aligned}
 M_b &= V_b (\alpha - \bar{\alpha}) \\
 &= 25.4 \text{ kips}(11.5 \text{ in.} - 10.5 \text{ in.}) \\
 &= 25.4 \text{ kip-in.} \\
 V_c &= P_a (\beta/r) \\
 &= 75 \text{ kips}(8.5 \text{ in.}/24.2 \text{ in.}) \\
 &= 26.3 \text{ kips} \\
 H_c &= P_a (e_c/r) \\
 &= 75 \text{ kips}(6.05 \text{ in.}/24.2 \text{ in.}) \\
 &= 18.8 \text{ kips} \\
 M_c &= 0 \text{ since } \bar{\beta} = \beta
 \end{aligned}$$



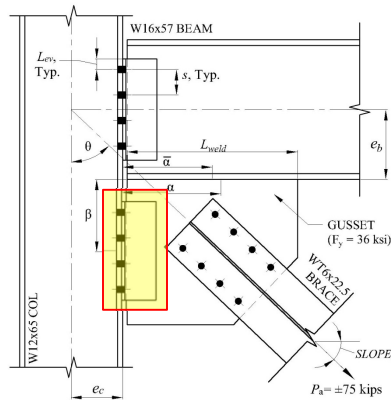
Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Column



Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Column

The gusset-to-column will be designed using the gusset forces previously determined.

- Check bolts at column flange
- Check prying of angles and column flange
- Check bolt bearing and tearout of angles and column flange
- Check gross and net shear and block shear for angles
- Check angle welds



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Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Column (cont.)

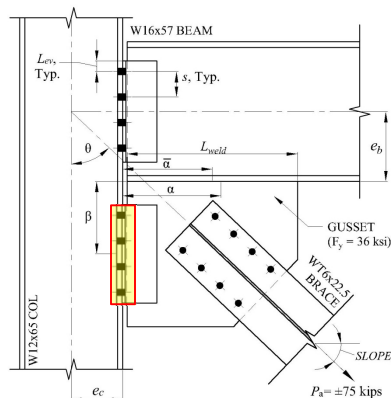
Gusset-to-Column – Bolts:

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_b/\Omega &= 2n(r_v/\Omega) \\
 &= 2(4)(11.9 \text{ kips}) \\
 &= 95.2 \text{ kips} > V_c = 26.3 \text{ kips } \mathbf{o.k.}
 \end{aligned}$$

Check Shear and Tension:

$$\begin{aligned}
 V_{bolt} &= V_c/(2n) = 26.3 \text{ kips}/[(2)(4)] \\
 &= 3.29 \text{ kips}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 T_{bolt} &= H_c/(2n) = 18.8 \text{ kips}/[(2)(4)] \\
 &= 2.35 \text{ kips}
 \end{aligned}$$



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Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Column (cont.)

Gusset-to-Column – Bolts (cont.):

Check Shear and Tension (cont.):

$$A_b = \frac{\pi d_b^2}{4}$$

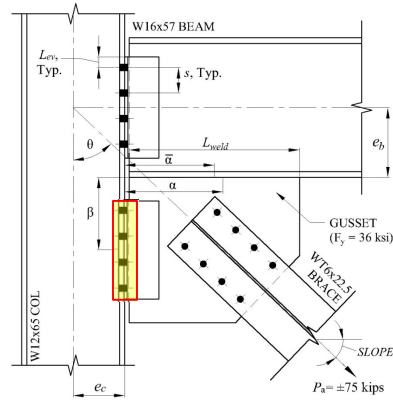
$$= \frac{3.14(0.75 \text{ in.})^2}{4}$$

$$= 0.442 \text{ in.}^2$$

$$f_{rv} = V_{bolt}/A_b$$

$$= 3.29 \text{ kips}/0.442 \text{ in.}^2$$

$$= 7.44 \text{ ksi}$$



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Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Column (cont.)

Gusset-to-Column – Bolts (cont.):

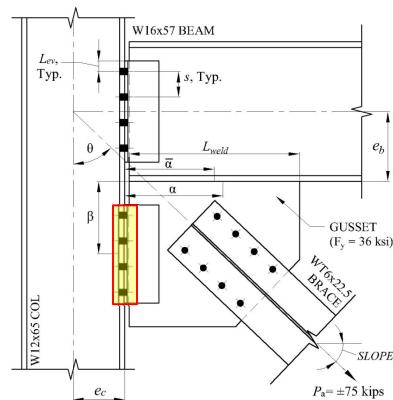
Check Shear and Tension (cont.):

$$F'_{nt} = 1.3F_{nt} - \Omega F_{nv} f_{rv} / F_{nv} \leq F_{nt} \quad (\text{Spec J3-3b})$$

$$= 1.3(90 \text{ ksi}) - 2(90 \text{ ksi})(7.44 \text{ ksi})/(54 \text{ ksi})$$

$$= 92.2 \text{ ksi} > 90 \text{ ksi, use } 90 \text{ ksi}$$

AISC Specification TABLE J3.2 Nominal Strength of Fasteners and Threaded Parts, ksi (MPa)		
Description of Fasteners	Nominal Tensile Strength, F_{nt} , ksi (MPa) ^[a]	Nominal Shear Strength in Bearing-Type Connections, F_{nv} , ksi (MPa) ^[b]
A307 bolts	45 (310)	27 (188) ^[d]
Group A (e.g., A325) bolts, when threads are not excluded from shear planes	90 (620)	54 (372)

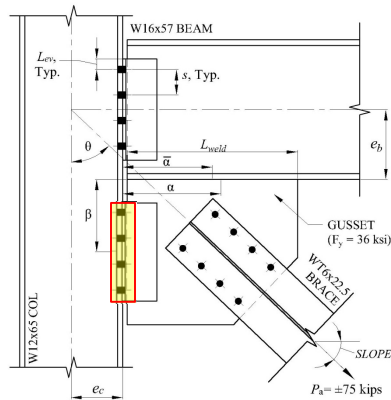


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Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Column (cont.)

Gusset-to-Column – Bolts (cont.):
 Check Shear and Tension (cont.):

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{r_t}{\Omega} &= \frac{F'_t A_b}{\Omega} \quad (\text{AISC Spec J3-2}) \\ &= \frac{(90 \text{ ksi})(0.442 \text{ in.}^2)}{2} \\ &= 19.9 \text{ kips} > T_{bolt} = 2.35 \text{ kips o.k.} \end{aligned}$$



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Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Column (cont.)

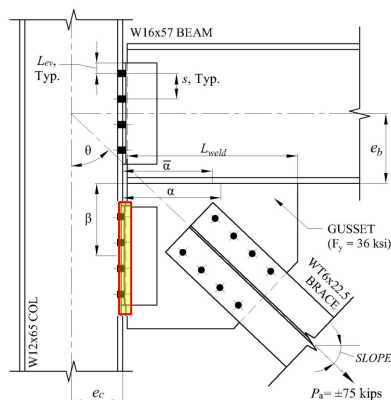
Gusset-to-Column – Prying of Angles:

For connections to column webs, there is no tension force on the angle since $H_c = 0$ kips. For this example, which is to a column flange, however:

$$T_{bolt} = H_c / (2n) = 18.8 \text{ kips} / [(2)(4)] = 2.35 \text{ kips}$$

$$\begin{aligned} b &= \text{gage}/2 - t_p/2 - t_d/2 \\ &= 5.5 \text{ in.}/2 - 0.375 \text{ in.}/2 - 0.375/2 = 2.38 \text{ in.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} b' &= b - d_p/2 = \\ &= 2.38 \text{ in.} - 0.75 \text{ in.}/2 = 2 \text{ in.} \end{aligned}$$



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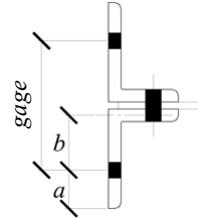
Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Column (cont.)

Gusset-to-Column – Prying of Angles (cont.):

$$\begin{aligned} a &= [2(\text{angle OSL}) + t_p - \text{gage}]/2 \\ &= [2(4 \text{ in.}) + 0.375 \text{ in.} - 5.5 \text{ in.}]/2 \\ &= 1.44 \text{ in.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a' &= a + d_b/2 \leq 1.25b + d_b/2 \\ &= 1.44 \text{ in.} + 0.75 \text{ in.}/2 \leq 1.25(2.38 \text{ in.}) + 0.75 \text{ in.}/2 \\ &= 1.82 \text{ in.} \leq 3.35 \text{ in.} \\ &= 1.82 \text{ in.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\rho = b' / a' = 2 \text{ in.} / 1.82 \text{ in.} = 1.10$$



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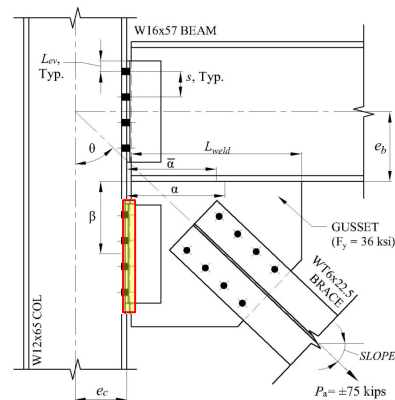
Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Column (cont.)

Gusset-to-Column – Prying of Angles (cont.):

$$\begin{aligned} p &= L/n = 11.5 \text{ in.}/4 \\ &= 2.88 \text{ in. (tributary length per bolt)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \delta &= 1 - d' / p = 1 - 0.8125 \text{ in.} / 2.88 \text{ in.} \\ &= 0.717 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} B_c &= r_t / \Omega \\ &= 19.9 \text{ kips (bolt available tensile strength from previously)} \end{aligned}$$



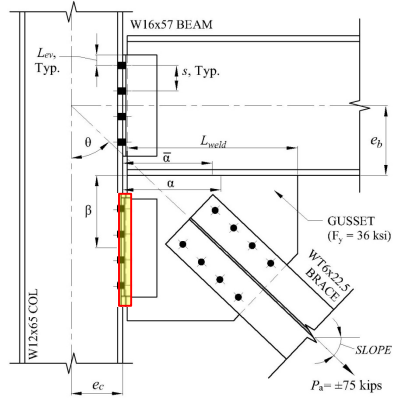
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Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Column (cont.)

Gusset-to-Column – Prying of Angles (cont.):

$$\begin{aligned}
 t_c &= \sqrt{\frac{\Omega_4 B_c b'}{p F_u}} \quad (\text{AISC Manual Eq. 9-26b}) \\
 &= \sqrt{\frac{1.67(4)(19.9 \text{ kips})(2 \text{ in.})}{(2.88 \text{ in.})(58 \text{ ksi})}} \\
 &= 1.26 \text{ in.}
 \end{aligned}$$

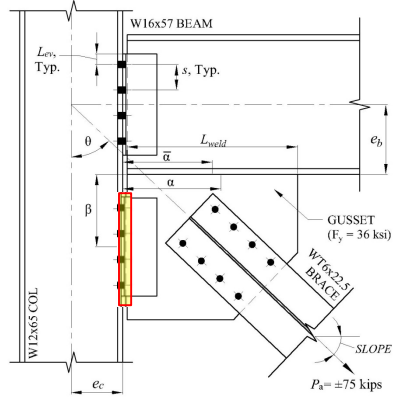
t_c = minimum thickness of angles to develop full available tensile strength of bolt with no prying



Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Column (cont.)

Gusset-to-Column – Prying of Angles (cont.):

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha' &= \frac{1}{\delta(1+\rho)} \left[\left(\frac{t_c}{t} \right)^2 - 1 \right] \quad (\text{AISC Manual Eq. 9-28}) \\
 &= \frac{1}{0.717(1+1.10)} \left[\left(\frac{1.26 \text{ in.}}{0.375 \text{ in.}} \right)^2 - 1 \right] \\
 &= 6.83 \text{ in.}
 \end{aligned}$$



Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Column (cont.)

Gusset-to-Column – Prying of Angles (cont.):

Note:

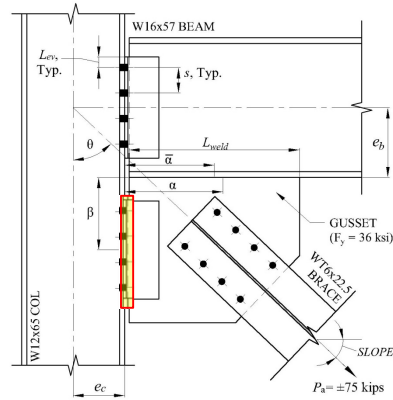
When $\alpha' < 0$, this means that the fitting has sufficient strength and stiffness to develop the full bolt available tensile strength,

$$Q = 1$$

When $0 \leq \alpha' \leq 1$, this means that the fitting has sufficient strength and stiffness to develop the full bolt available tensile strength, but insufficient stiffness to prevent prying action,

$$Q = \left(\frac{t}{t_c} \right)^2 (1 + \delta \alpha')$$

(see AISC Manual Eq. 9-27)



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Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Column (cont.)

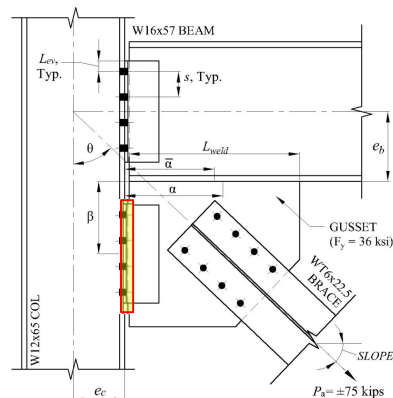
Gusset-to-Column – Prying of Angles (cont.):

For the example,

$$\alpha' = 6.83 > 1$$

This means that the angle has insufficient strength to develop the full bolt available tensile strength. Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} Q &= \left(\frac{t}{t_c} \right)^2 (1 + \delta) \\ &= \left(\frac{0.375 \text{ in.}}{1.26 \text{ in.}} \right)^2 (1 + 0.717 \text{ in.}) \\ &= 0.152 \end{aligned}$$



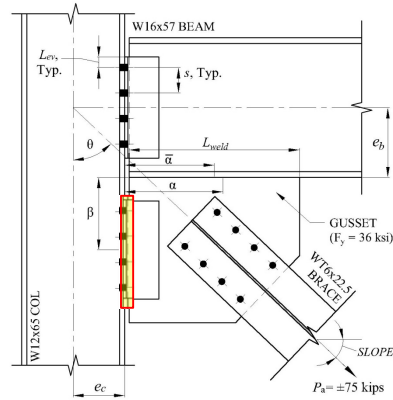
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Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Column (cont.)

Gusset-to-Column – Prying of Angles (cont.):

The available tensile strength including the effects of prying action, T_c , is:

$$T_c = B_c Q = (19.9 \text{ kips})(0.152) = 3.02 \text{ kips} > T_{bolt} = 2.35 \text{ kips} \text{ o.k.}$$



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Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Column (cont.)

Gusset-to-Column – Prying of Column Flange:

For connections to column webs, there is no tension force on the angle since $H_c = 0$ kips. For this example, which is to a column flange, use the following criteria:

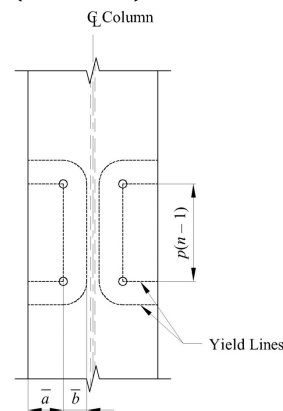
Determine effective flange width

$$p_{eff} = [p(n-1) + \pi \bar{b} + 2\bar{a}] / n$$

(Ref Akbar Tamboli, *Handbook of Steel Connection Design and Details*, 2nd Ed.)

p = spacing = 3 in.

Note: $\bar{a} = a$ and $\bar{b} = b$



(A.P. Mann and L.J. Morris, "Limit Design of Extended End-Plate Connections," *Journal of the Structural Division, ASCE*, Vol. 105, ST3, March 1979)



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Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Column (cont.)

Gusset-to-Column – Prying of Column Flange
 (cont.):

$$\bar{b} = (\text{gage} - t_{wc}) / 2$$

$$= (5.5 \text{ in.} - 0.39 \text{ in.}) / 2 = 2.56 \text{ in.}$$

$$\bar{a} = (b_{fc} - \text{gage}) / 2$$

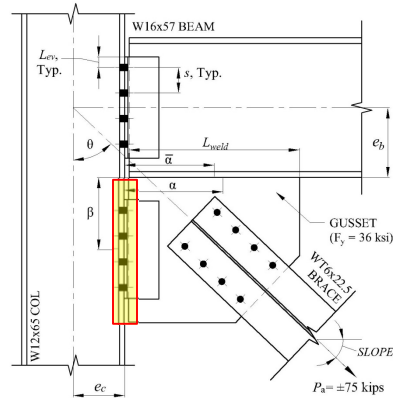
$$= (12 \text{ in.} - 5.5 \text{ in.}) / 2 = 3.25 \text{ in.}$$

$$p_{eff} = [p(n-1) + \pi\bar{b} + 2\bar{a}] / n$$

$$= [(3 \text{ in.})(4-1) + (3.14)(2.56 \text{ in.}) + (2)(3.25 \text{ in.})] / 4$$

$$= 5.88 \text{ in.}$$

Note: use 3" max if at top of column



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Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Column (cont.)

Gusset-to-Column – Prying of Column Flange
 (cont.):

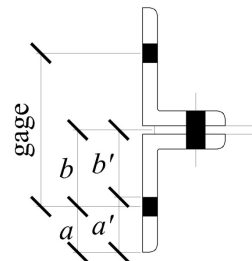
$$T_{bolt} = H_c / (2n) = 18.8 \text{ kips} / [(2)(4)] = 2.35 \text{ kips}$$

$$b = \text{gage} / 2 - t_{wc} / 2$$

$$= 5.5 \text{ in.} / 2 - 0.39 \text{ in.} / 2 = 2.56 \text{ in.}$$

$$b' = b - d_b / 2 =$$

$$= 2.56 \text{ in.} - 0.75 \text{ in.} / 2 = 2.18 \text{ in.}$$



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Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Column (cont.)

**Gusset-to-Column – Prying of Column Flange
 (cont.):**

$$a = \min\{(b_{fc} - \text{gage})/2, a \text{ from angle calcs}\}$$

$$= \min\{(12 \text{ in.} - 5.5 \text{ in.})/2, 1.44 \text{ in.}\}$$

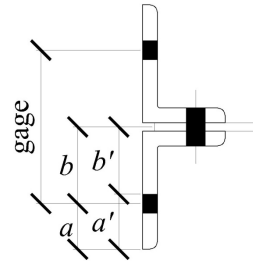
$$= 1.44 \text{ in.}$$

$$a' = a + d_b/2 \leq 1.25b + d_b/2$$

$$= 1.44 \text{ in.} + 0.75 \text{ in.}/2 \leq 1.25(2.56 \text{ in.}) + 0.75 \text{ in.}/2$$

$$= 1.82 \text{ in.} < 3.58 \text{ in.} \text{ Use } 1.82 \text{ in.}$$

$$\rho = b'/a' = 2.18 \text{ in.}/1.82 \text{ in.} = 1.20$$



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Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Column (cont.)

**Gusset-to-Column – Prying of Column Flange
 (cont.):**

$$p = p_{eff} = 5.88 \text{ in.}$$

$$\delta = 1 - d'/p = 1 - 0.8125 \text{ in.}/5.88 \text{ in.}$$

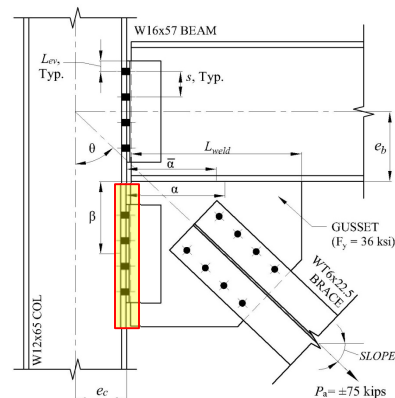
$$= 0.862$$

$$t_c = \sqrt{\frac{\Omega 4 B_c b'}{p F_u}} \quad (\text{AISC Manual Eq. 9-26b})$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{1.67(4)(19.9 \text{ kips})(2.18 \text{ in.})}{(5.88 \text{ in.})(65 \text{ ksi})}}$$

$$= 0.871 \text{ in.}$$

→ check available strength of bolt including the effects of prying action



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Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Column (cont.)

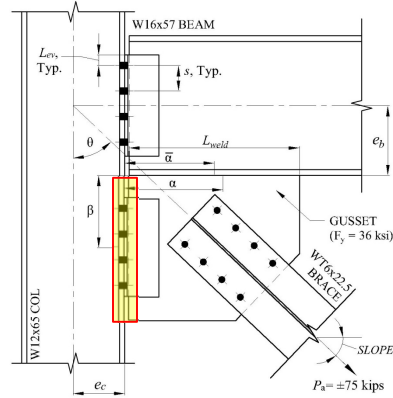
Gusset-to-Column – Prying of Column Flange
 (cont.):

$$\alpha' = \frac{1}{\delta(1+\rho)} \left[\left(\frac{t_c}{t} \right)^2 - 1 \right] \quad (\text{AISC Manual Eq. 9-28})$$

$$= \frac{1}{0.862(1+1.20)} \left[\left(\frac{0.871 \text{ in.}}{0.605 \text{ in.}} \right)^2 - 1 \right]$$

$$= 0.565 > 0 \text{ and } < 1.0$$

$$\rightarrow \text{use } Q = \left(\frac{t}{t_c} \right)^2 (1 + \delta\alpha')$$



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Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Column (cont.)

Gusset-to-Column – Prying of Column Flange
 (cont.):

$$Q = \left(\frac{t}{t_c} \right)^2 (1 + \delta\alpha')$$

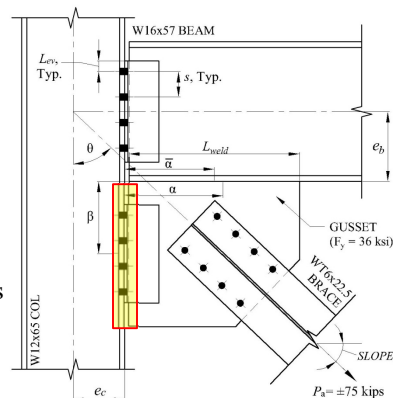
$$= \left(\frac{0.605 \text{ in.}}{0.871 \text{ in.}} \right)^2 [1 + (0.862)(0.565)]$$

$$= 0.717$$

The available strength of bolt including prying is

$$T_c = B_c Q = (19.9 \text{ kips})(0.717)$$

$$= 14.3 \text{ kips} > T_{bolt} = 2.35 \text{ kips o.k.}$$



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Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Column (cont.)

Gusset-to-Column – Bolt Bearing:

$$R_n = 2.4dtF_u \quad \text{AISC Specification Eq. J3-6a}$$

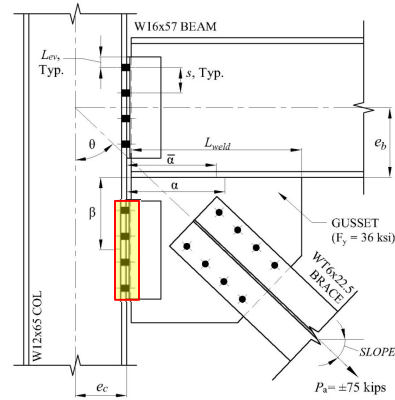
$$R_n = 1.2l_c t F_u \quad \text{AISC Specification Eq. J3-6c}$$

AISC Bolt Shear:

$$r_v/\Omega = 11.9 \text{ kips}$$

Column Bolt Bearing:

$$\begin{aligned} R_{brg(col)}/\Omega &= 2.4d_b t_f F_u / \Omega \\ &= 2.4(0.75 \text{ in.})(0.605 \text{ in.})(65 \text{ ksi})/2 \\ &= 35.4 \text{ kips} \end{aligned}$$



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Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Column (cont.)

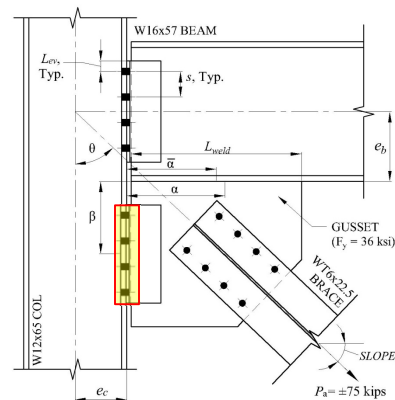
Gusset-to-Column – Bolt Bearing (cont.):

Column Bolt Tear Out (Center):

$$\begin{aligned} R_{tear(col_C)}/\Omega &= 1.2(s - d_{h_w})t_f F_u / \Omega \\ &= 1.2(3 \text{ in.} - 13/16 \text{ in.}) \\ &\quad \times (0.605 \text{ in.})(65 \text{ ksi})/2 \\ &= 51.6 \text{ kips} \end{aligned}$$

Angle Bolt Bearing:

$$\begin{aligned} R_{brg(L)}/\Omega &= 2.4d_b t_a F_u / \Omega \\ &= 2.4(0.75 \text{ in.})(0.375 \text{ in.})(58 \text{ ksi})/2 \\ &= 19.6 \text{ kips} \end{aligned}$$



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Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Column (cont.)

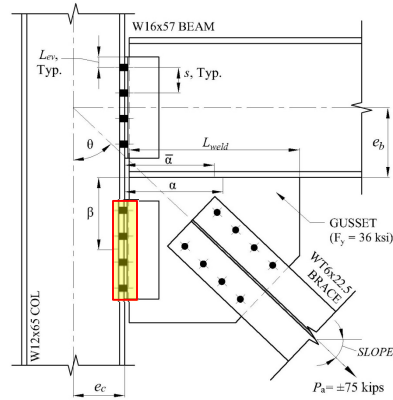
Gusset-to-Column – Bolt Bearing (cont.):

Angle Bolt Tear Out (Edge):

$$\begin{aligned} R_{tear(L_E)}/\Omega &= 1.2(L_{ev} - d_{h_w}/2)t_a F_u / \Omega \\ &= 1.2 (1.25 \text{ in.} - 13/16 \text{ in.}/2) \\ &\quad \times (0.375 \text{ in.})(58 \text{ ksi})/2 \\ &= 11.0 \text{ kips} \end{aligned}$$

Angle Bolt Tear Out (Center):

$$\begin{aligned} R_{tear(L_C)}/\Omega &= 1.2(s - d_{h_w})t_a F_u / \Omega \\ &= 1.2 (3 \text{ in.} - 13/16 \text{ in.})(0.375 \text{ in.}) \\ &\quad \times (58 \text{ ksi})/2 \\ &= 28.6 \text{ kips} \end{aligned}$$



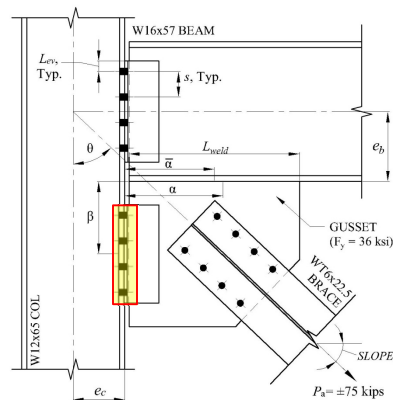
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Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Column (cont.)

Gusset-to-Column – Bolt Bearing (cont.):

$$\begin{aligned} R_{n(top)}/\Omega &= \min \{ r_v/\Omega, R_{brg(col)}/\Omega, R_{tear(col_C)}/\Omega, \\ &\quad R_{brg(L)}/\Omega, R_{tear(L_C)}/\Omega \} \\ &= \min \{ 11.9 \text{ kips}, 35.4 \text{ kips}, 51.6 \text{ kips}, \\ &\quad 19.6 \text{ kips}, 28.6 \text{ kips} \} \\ &= 11.9 \text{ kips} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} R_{n(center)}/\Omega &= \min \{ r_v/\Omega, R_{brg(col)}/\Omega, R_{tear(col_C)}/\Omega, \\ &\quad R_{brg(L)}/\Omega, R_{tear(L_C)}/\Omega \} \\ &= \min \{ 11.9 \text{ kips}, 35.4 \text{ kips}, 51.6 \text{ kips}, \\ &\quad 19.6 \text{ kips}, 28.6 \text{ kips} \} \\ &= 11.9 \text{ kips} \end{aligned}$$



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Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Column (cont.)

Gusset-to-Column – Bolt Bearing (cont.):

$$R_{n(bot)}/\Omega = \min \{ r_v/\Omega, R_{brg(col)}/\Omega, R_{tear(col_C)}/\Omega, R_{brg(L)}/\Omega, R_{tear(L_E)}/\Omega \}$$

$$= \min \{ 11.9 \text{ kips}, 35.4 \text{ kips}, 51.6 \text{ kips}, 19.6 \text{ kips}, 11.0 \text{ kips} \}$$

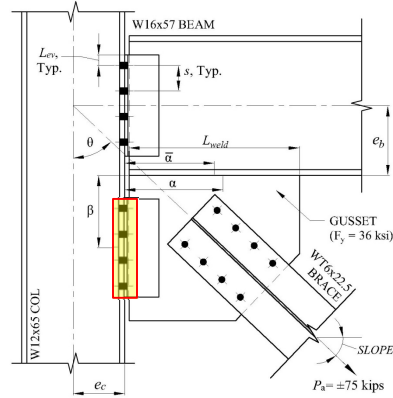
$$= 11.0 \text{ kips}$$

Total Bolt Strength

$$R_n/\Omega = [R_{n(top)}/\Omega + (R_{n(center)}/\Omega)(n - 2) + R_{n(bot)}/\Omega](2 \text{ lines})$$

$$= [11.9 \text{ kips} + (11.9 \text{ kips})(4 - 2) + 11.0 \text{ kips}](2)$$

$$= 93.4 \text{ kips} > V_c = 26.3 \text{ kips o.k.}$$



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Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Column (cont.)

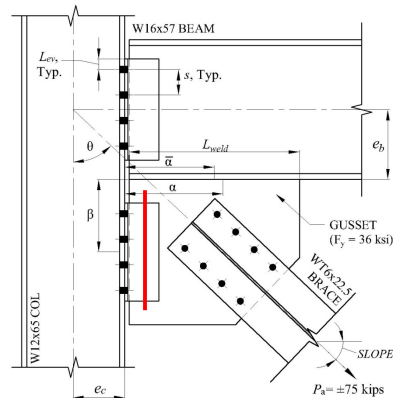
Gusset-to-Column – Angle Gross Shear:

AISC Specification Eq. J4-3

$$\frac{R_n}{\Omega} = \frac{0.6F_y A_g}{\Omega}$$

$$= \frac{0.6(36 \text{ ksi})(11.5 \text{ in.})(0.375 \text{ in.})}{1.5}$$

$$= 124 \text{ kips} > V_c = 26.3 \text{ kips o.k.}$$



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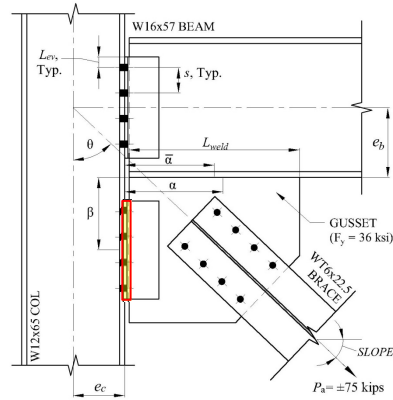
Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Column (cont.)

Gusset-to-Column – Angle Net Shear:

AISC Specification Eq. J4-4

$$\begin{aligned} L_{nv} &= L_{eff} - n(d_{h,width} + 1/16 \text{ in.}) \\ &= 11.5 \text{ in.} - 4(13/16 \text{ in.} + 1/16 \text{ in.}) \\ &= 8 \text{ in.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{R_n}{\Omega} &= \frac{0.6F_u A_{nv}}{\Omega} \\ &= \frac{0.6(58 \text{ ksi})(2)(8 \text{ in.})(0.375 \text{ in.})}{2} \\ &= 104 \text{ kips} > V_c = 26.3 \text{ kips o.k.} \end{aligned}$$



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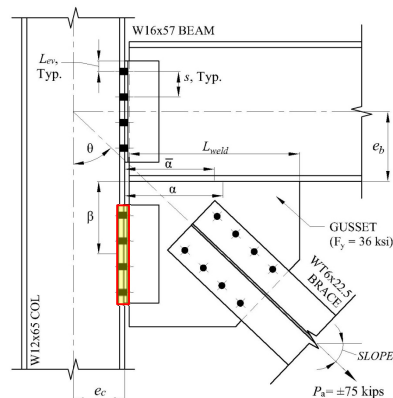
Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Column (cont.)

Gusset-to-Column – Block Shear of Angles

OSL:

Calculations for block shear of angles are similar to those done in this example for the WT brace to gusset connection.

The actual calculations will be contained in Appendix 2 which is available with the handouts for this session.



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Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Column (cont.)

**Gusset-to-Column – Block Shear of Gusset
 for vertical force (V_c):**

AISC *Spec* Section J4.3 *Block Shear Strength*

$$\Omega = 2.00$$

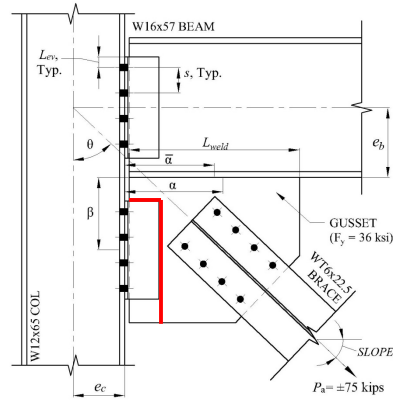
$$R_n = 0.6F_u A_{nv} + U_{bs} F_u A_{nt} \leq 0.6F_y A_{gv} + U_{bs} F_u A_{nt}$$

$$\text{Shear Rupture} = 0.6F_u A_{nv}$$

$$\text{Shear Yield} = 0.6F_y A_{gv}$$

$$\text{Tension Rupture} = F_u A_{nt}$$

$$U_{bs} = 1.0 \text{ for Direct Loaded Connections}$$



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Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Column (cont.)

Gusset-to-Column – Block Shear of Gusset:
 Gusset is welded

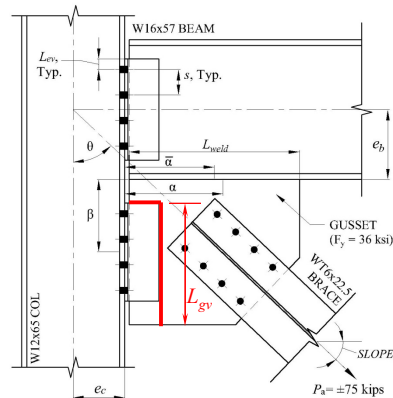
For Shear check:

$$L_{gv} = 14.25 \text{ in. (from geometric layout)}$$

$$L_{gt} = k = 3.5 \text{ in.}$$

$$L_{nv} = 14.25 \text{ in.}$$

$$L_{nt} = k = 3.5 \text{ in.}$$



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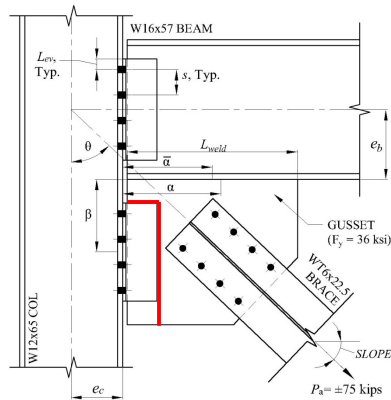
Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Column (cont.)

**Gusset-to-Column – Block Shear of Gusset
 (cont.):**

$$A_{gv} = L_{gv}t_p = (14.25 \text{ in.})(0.375 \text{ in.}) = 5.34 \text{ in.}^2$$

$$A_{nv} = L_{nv}t_p = (14.25 \text{ in.})(0.375 \text{ in.}) = 5.34 \text{ in.}^2$$

$$A_{nt} = L_{nt}t_p = (3.5 \text{ in.})(0.375 \text{ in.}) = 1.31 \text{ in.}^2$$



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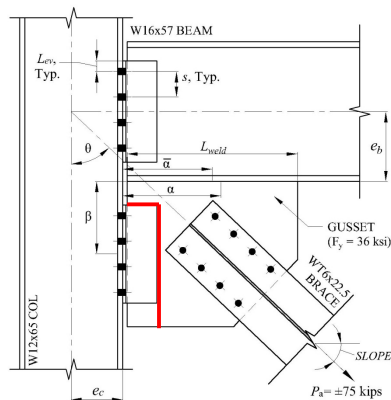
Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Column (cont.)

**Gusset-to-Column – Block Shear of Gusset
 (cont.):**

$$R_n = \min \left[\begin{array}{l} 0.6(58 \text{ ksi})(5.34 \text{ in.}^2) = 185.83 \text{ kips} \\ 0.6(36 \text{ ksi})(5.34 \text{ in.}^2) = 115.34 \text{ kips} \end{array} \right] + [1(58 \text{ ksi})(1.31 \text{ in.}^2)]$$

$$= 115.34 \text{ kips} + 75.98 \text{ kips} = 191.32 \text{ kips}$$

$$R_n/\Omega = (191.32 \text{ kips})/2 = 96 \text{ kips} > V_c = 26.3 \text{ kips} \text{ o.k.}$$



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Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Column (cont.)

Gusset-to-Column – Block Shear of Gusset for horizontal force (H_c):

Gusset is welded

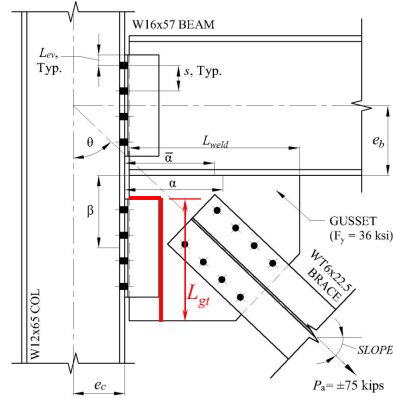
For Axial check:

$$L_{gv} = k = 3.5 \text{ in.}$$

$$L_{gt} = 14.25 \text{ in. (from geometric layout)}$$

$$L_{nv} = k = 3.5 \text{ in.}$$

$$L_{nt} = 14.25 \text{ in.}$$



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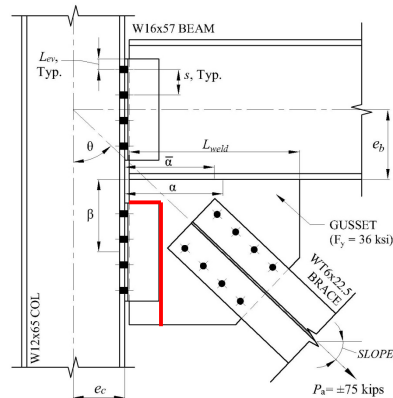
Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Column (cont.)

Gusset-to-Column – Block Shear of Gusset (cont.):

$$A_{gv} = L_{gv}t_p = (3.5 \text{ in.})(0.375 \text{ in.}) = 1.31 \text{ in.}^2$$

$$A_{nv} = L_{nv}t_p = (3.5 \text{ in.})(0.375 \text{ in.}) = 1.31 \text{ in.}^2$$

$$A_{nt} = L_{nt}t_p = (14.25 \text{ in.})(0.375 \text{ in.}) = 5.34 \text{ in.}^2$$



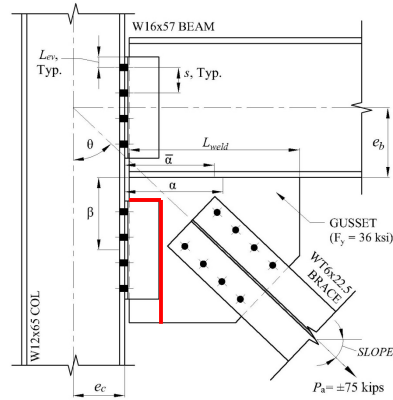
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Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Column (cont.)

Gusset-to-Column – Block Shear of Gusset (cont.):

$$R_n = \min \left[\begin{aligned} &0.6(58 \text{ ksi})(1.31 \text{ in.}^2) = 45.59 \text{ kips} \\ &0.6(36 \text{ ksi})(1.31 \text{ in.}^2) = 28.30 \text{ kips} \\ &+ [1(58 \text{ ksi})(5.34 \text{ in.}^2)] \\ &= 28.30 \text{ kips} + 309.72 \text{ kips} = 338.02 \text{ kips} \end{aligned} \right]$$

$$R_n/\Omega = (338.02 \text{ kips})/2 = 169 \text{ kips} > H_c = 18.8 \text{ kips o.k.}$$



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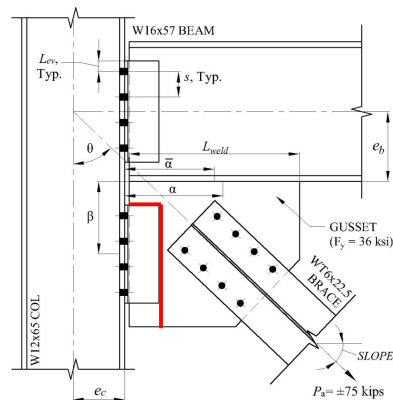
Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Column (cont.)

Gusset-to-Column – Block Shear of Gusset (cont.):

Unity Check (Sum of Squares):

$$\left(\frac{V_c}{R_{nv}/\Omega} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{H_c}{R_{nt}/\Omega} \right)^2 \leq 1.0$$

$$\left(\frac{26.3 \text{ kips}}{96 \text{ kips}} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{18.8 \text{ kips}}{169 \text{ kips}} \right)^2 = 0.09 < 1.0 \text{ o.k.}$$



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Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Column (cont.)

Gusset-to-Column – Size Weld:

$$P_c = \sqrt{(H_c)^2 + (V_c)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{(18.8 \text{ kips})^2 + (26.3 \text{ kips})^2}$$

$$= 32.3 \text{ kips}$$

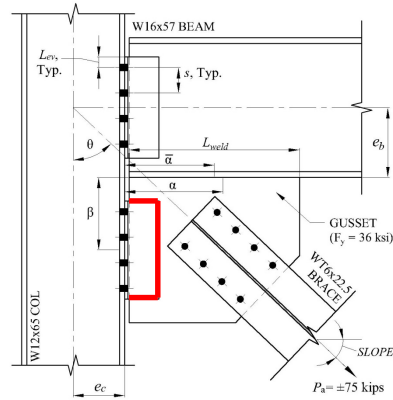
$$\theta = \tan^{-1}(H_c/V_c) = \tan^{-1}(18.8 \text{ kips}/26.3 \text{ kips})$$

$$= 35.6^\circ$$

$$l = s(n - 1) + 2L_{ev}$$

$$= (3 \text{ in.})(4 - 1) + 2(1.25 \text{ in.})$$

$$= 11.5 \text{ in.}$$



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Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Column (cont.)

Gusset-to-Column – Size Weld (cont.):

$$kl = 3.5 \text{ in.}$$

$$k = kl/l = 3.5 \text{ in.}/11.5 \text{ in.} = 0.304$$

$$x = 0.057$$

$$a = [(al - xl)/l]$$

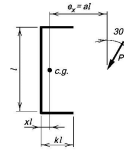
$$= [4 \text{ in.} - 0.057(11.5 \text{ in.})]/11.5 \text{ in.}$$

$$= 0.29$$

$$C = 2.96 \text{ (AISC Manual Table 8-8 with Angle } = 30^\circ)$$

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Table 8-8 (continued)
 Coefficients, *C*,
 for Eccentrically Loaded Weld Groups
 Angle = 30°



<i>a</i>	<i>k</i>											
	0	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.2
0.00	2.18	2.70	3.21	3.73	4.24	4.76	5.27	5.78	6.30	6.81	7.33	8.35
0.10	2.02	2.57	3.10	3.62	4.14	4.67	5.19	5.71	6.23	6.75	7.28	8.32
0.15	1.92	2.43	2.95	3.47	3.98	4.49	5.00	5.52	6.03	6.54	7.05	8.09
0.20	1.82	2.29	2.79	3.29	3.78	4.28	4.77	5.27	5.77	6.27	6.77	7.78
0.25	1.71	2.15	2.62	3.10	3.58	4.06	4.53	5.01	5.49	5.97	6.46	7.45
0.30	1.61	2.01	2.45	2.91	3.37	3.83	4.29	4.75	5.21	5.68	6.15	7.11
<i>x</i>	0.000	0.008	0.023	0.056	0.089	0.125	0.164	0.204	0.246	0.289	0.333	0.424



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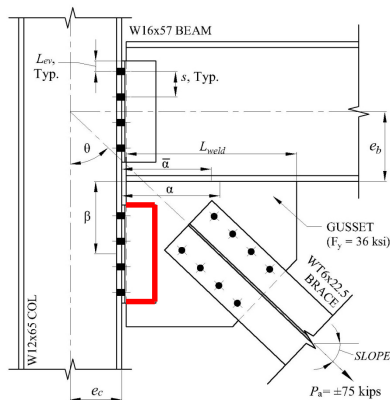
Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Column (cont.)

Gusset-to-Column – Size Weld (cont.):

$C_1 = 1.0$ for E70 (AISC Manual Table 8-3)

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Electrode	F_{EXX} (ksi)	C_1
E60	60	0.857
E70	70	1.00
E80	80	1.03
E90	90	1.16
E100	100	1.21
E110	110	1.34



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Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Column (cont.)

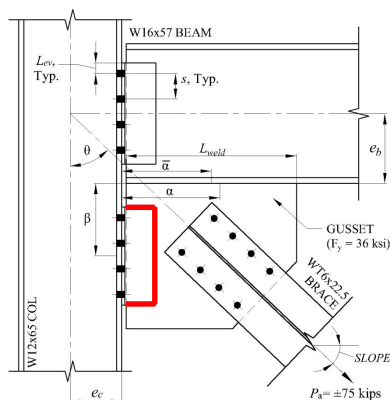
Gusset-to-Column – Size Weld (cont.):

$$\begin{aligned}
 D_{min} &= P_c \Omega / (2CC_1L) \\
 &= 32.3 \text{ kips}(2) / ((2)(2.96)(1.0)(11.5 \text{ in.})) \\
 &= 0.949 < 4 \text{ (16}^{\text{th}} \text{ of an inch)} \\
 &\quad \text{1/4"} \text{ fillet weld o.k.}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 t_{min} &= 2(0.928D_{min}) / [0.6(F_u/\Omega)] \\
 &= 2(0.928)(0.949) / [0.6(58 \text{ ksi}/2)] \\
 &= 0.101 \text{ in.} < t_p = 0.375 \text{ in. o.k.}
 \end{aligned}$$

Note, the above is same as Manual Eq 9-3:

$$t_{min} = 6.19D/F_u$$



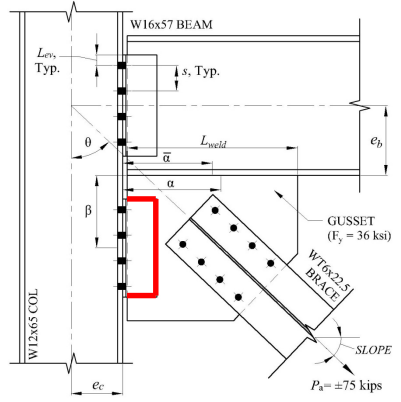
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Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Column (cont.)

Gusset-to-Column – Size Weld (cont.):

If $t_{min} < t_p$, no reduction necessary.

$$\text{If } t_{min} > t_p, \frac{R_w}{\Omega} = \left(\frac{R_n}{\Omega} \right) \left(\frac{t_p}{t_{min}} \right)$$



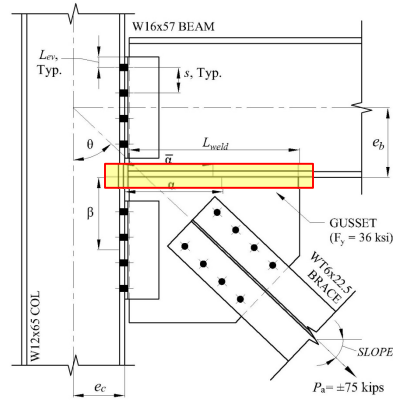
Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Beam



Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Beam

The gusset-to-beam will be designed by doing the following:

- Size weld between gusset and beam
- Check gusset for shear and tension at weld line
- Check beam web yielding
- Check local beam web crippling



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Design of Fillet Welds

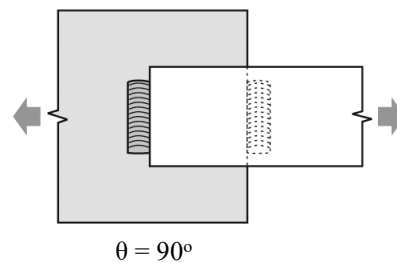
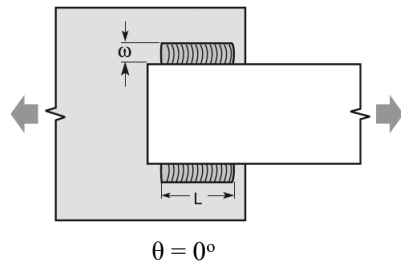
Section J2.4(b) allows the directional strength increase for linear weld groups.

$$R_n = F_{nw} A_{we} \quad (\text{AISC Specification Eq. J2-4})$$

$$F_{nw} = 0.6F_{EXX}(1.0 + 0.5 \sin^{1.5} \theta) \quad (\text{AISC Specification Eq. J2-5})$$

F_{EXX} = electrode classification number, i.e., minimum specified tensile strength, ksi

θ = angle of loading measured from the weld longitudinal axis, degrees



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Design of Fillet Welds

Again, this is more commonly written:

$$\text{For ASD: } R_n / \Omega = 0.928(1.0 + 0.5 \sin^{1.5} \theta) DL$$

$$\text{For LRFD: } \phi R_n = 1.392(1.0 + 0.5 \sin^{1.5} \theta) DL$$



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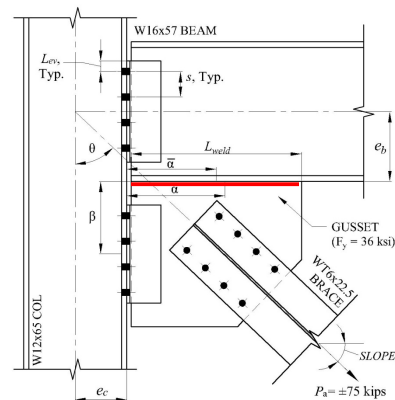
Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Beam (cont.)

Gusset-to-Beam – Size Weld:

$$f_x = H_b / L_{\text{weld}} = 35.6 \text{ kips} / 20 \text{ in.} \\ = 1.78 \text{ kips/in.}$$

$$f_y = V_b / L_{\text{weld}} = 25.4 \text{ kips} / 20 \text{ in.} \\ = 1.27 \text{ kips/in.}$$

$$f_y^2 = 4M_b / L_{\text{weld}}^2 \\ = 4(25.4 \text{ kip-in.}) / (20 \text{ in.})^2 \\ = 0.254 \text{ kips/in.}$$



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Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Beam (cont.)

Gusset-to-Beam – Size Weld (cont.):

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_{peak} &= \sqrt{(f_x)^2 + (f_y + f'_y)^2} \\
 &= \sqrt{(1.78 \text{ k/in.})^2 + (1.27 \text{ k/in.} + 0.254 \text{ k/in.})^2} \\
 &= 2.34 \text{ kips/in.} \\
 1.25 f_{avg} &= (1.25) \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \left[\sqrt{(f_x)^2 + (f_y + f'_y)^2} + \sqrt{(f_x)^2 + (f_y - f'_y)^2} \right] \\
 &= (1.25) \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \left[\sqrt{(1.78 \text{ k/in.})^2 + (1.27 \text{ k/in.} + 0.254 \text{ k/in.})^2} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \sqrt{(1.78 \text{ k/in.})^2 + (1.27 \text{ k/in.} - 0.254 \text{ k/in.})^2} \right] \\
 &= 2.75 \text{ kips/in.}
 \end{aligned}$$



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Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Beam (cont.)

Gusset-to-Beam – Size Weld (cont.):

$$\begin{aligned}
 \theta &= \tan^{-1} [(f_y + f'_y)/f_x] \\
 &= \tan^{-1} [(1.27 \text{ kips/in.} + 0.254 \text{ kips/in.})/1.78 \text{ kips/in.}] \\
 &= 40.6^\circ
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_w &= 0.60(F_{EXX}/\Omega)(0.707D/16)(1.0 + 0.50 \sin^{1.5} \theta) \\
 &= 0.928D (1.0 + 0.50 \sin^{1.5} 40.6^\circ) \\
 &= 0.928D(1.26)
 \end{aligned}$$



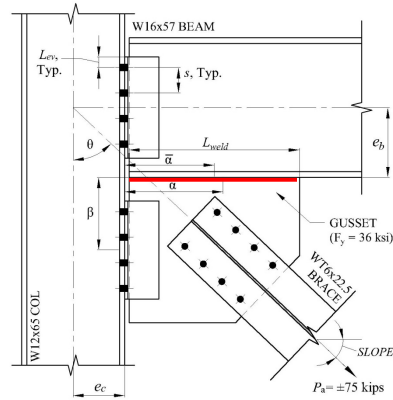
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Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Beam (cont.)

Gusset-to-Beam – Size Weld (cont.):

$$\begin{aligned}
 D_{min} &= \max(f_{peak}, 1.25f_{avg}) / [f_w(2 \text{ sides})] \\
 &= \max(2.34 \text{ kips/in.}, 2.75 \text{ kips/in.}) / [0.928(1.26)(2)] \\
 &= 1.18 < 4 \text{ (16}^{\text{th}} \text{ on an inch) o.k.} \\
 &\quad (1/4'' \text{ fillet provided})
 \end{aligned}$$

Also, per AISC *Specification* Table J2.4, minimum size fillet weld for 3/8" gusset = 3/16" < 1/4" **o.k.**



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Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Beam (cont.)

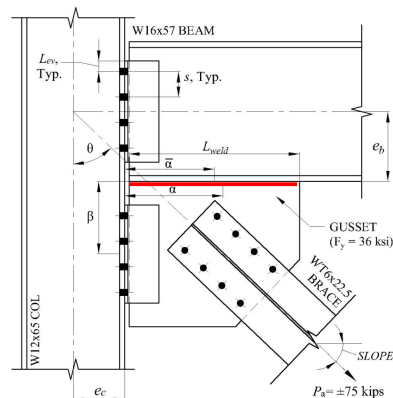
Gusset-to-Beam – Check Gusset:

Shear:

$$\begin{aligned}
 t_{min(gusset)} &= f_x / [0.6(F_y/\Omega)] \\
 &= (1.78 \text{ kips/in.}) / [0.6(36 \text{ ksi}/1.5)] \\
 &= 0.124 \text{ in.} < t_p = 0.375 \text{ in. o.k.}
 \end{aligned}$$

Tension:

$$\begin{aligned}
 t_{min(gusset)} &= (f_y + f'_y) / (F_y/\Omega) \\
 &= (1.27 \text{ k/in.} + 0.254 \text{ k/in.}) / (36 \text{ ksi}/1.67) \\
 &= 0.071 \text{ in.} < t_p = 0.375 \text{ in. o.k.}
 \end{aligned}$$



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Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Beam (cont.)

Gusset-to-Beam – Beam Web Yielding:

$$P_{equival} = 2[M_b / (L_{weld} / 2)] + V_b$$

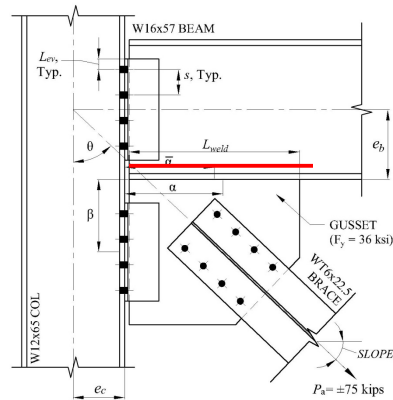
$$= 2[25.4 \text{ k-in.} / (20 \text{ in.} / 2)] + 25.4 \text{ kips}$$

$$= 30.5 \text{ kips for full weld length}$$

$$R_n / \Omega = t_w(L_{weld} + 2.5k)(F_y / \Omega)$$

$$= (0.43 \text{ in.})[20 \text{ in.} + 2.5(1.12 \text{ in.})] \times (50 \text{ ksi} / 1.5)$$

$$= 327 \text{ kips} > 30.5 \text{ kips o.k.}$$



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Example VB Corner Connection, I Gusset-to-Beam (cont.)

Gusset-to-Beam – Local Beam Web Crippling:

$P_{equival} = 30.5 \text{ kips for full weld length (from beam web yielding calcs)}$

$$\frac{R_n}{\Omega} = \frac{0.80 t_w^2 \left[1 + 3 \left(\frac{L_{weld}}{d} \right) \left(\frac{t_w}{t_f} \right)^{1.5} \right] \sqrt{\frac{E F_{yw} t_f}{t_w}}}{\Omega} Q_f \quad \text{AISC Specification Eq. J10-4}$$

$$= \frac{\left[\frac{0.80 (0.43 \text{ in.})^2}{2} \left[1 + 3 \left(\frac{20 \text{ in.}}{16.4 \text{ in.}} \right) \left(\frac{0.43 \text{ in.}}{0.715 \text{ in.}} \right)^{1.5} \right] \times \sqrt{\frac{(29,000 \text{ ksi})(50 \text{ ksi})(0.715 \text{ in.})}{0.43 \text{ in.}}} \right]}{2} (1.0)$$

$$= 311 \text{ kips} > 30.5 \text{ kips o.k.}$$



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Example VB Corner Connection, I Beam-to-Column

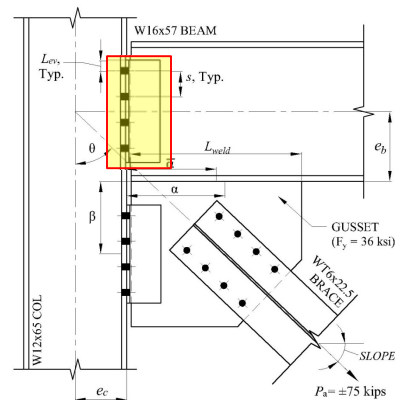


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Example VB Corner Connection, I Beam-to-Column

Finally, the beam-to-column will be designed, checking the beam end as a shear and axially loaded end connection.

- Check bolts at column flange
- Check prying of angles and column flanges
- Check bolt bearing and tearout of angles and column flange
- Check gross and net section shear and block shear for angles
- Check block shear of beam
- Check angle welds



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Example VB Corner Connection, I Beam-to-Column (cont.)

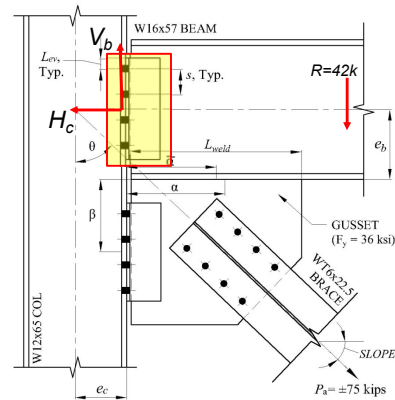
Beam-to-Column – Forces:

$$V_b = 25.4 \text{ kips}$$

$$R = 42 \text{ kips}$$

Calculations for this connection (shown in yellow) are similar to those done in this example for the gusset to column connection.

The actual calculations will be contained in Appendix 3 which is available with the handouts for this session.



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Vertical Brace Example

If either the gusset-to-column connection or the beam-to-column cannot be made to work economically, it may be necessary to change the force distribution. This can be done by:

- Changing the dimensions of the gusset plate.
- Using ΔV_b to change the distribution of the vertical brace component – Special Case II.
- Try using Special Case V (Bypass Method) which will be discussed next week (Session 5)



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Economy of Vertical Bracing Connections

- Use the Uniform Force Method.
- Use W12 or W14 columns as a minimum where possible.
- Use W18 beams as a minimum.
- Use same depth beams either side of the column when transfer forces exist.



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Economy of Vertical Bracing Connections

- Consider net section capacity when sizing brace members.
- Provide actual loads (tension and compression).



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Summary



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Summary

- Example of a corner vertical bracing connection was reviewed for a Wind and Low-Seismic condition
 - Began the example with the brace-to-gusset design
 - Gusset dimensions were determined based on the brace-to-gusset connection
 - The gusset-to-column connection including prying action was checked
 - Followed by the gusset-to-beam connection
 - Finally, the beam-to-column connection, also including prying action, was checked



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